

Associated Students of Santa Monica College
A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting
March 11, 2013 3:00 PM
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I. Call to Order 3:01PM

II. Roll Call

AS President: Parker Jean P	Director of Student Advocacy: Yacob Zuriaw P
AS Vice President: Jemal Hussein P	Director of Publicity: Jesse Ramirez P
AS Secretary: Samantha Ross P	Director of Student Outreach: Mohammad Rahman P
Director of Student Services: Chioma Ojini P	ICC Chair: Spin Versele A
Director of Sustainability: Steven Johnson P	ICC Vice Chair: Erin Kaitel P
Director of Academic Supp.: Jon Kent Ethridge II P	ICC Communications Officer: Caitlin Thompson P
Director of Activities: Angie Vo P	Student Trustee: Michelle Olivarez P
Director of Inst. & Tech. Support: Faheem Ali P	Dean of Student Life: Deyna Hearn P
Director of Budget Management: Cécile Parcelier P	Counselor/Student Advisor: Benny Blaydes P

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve by Erin, Second

Motion to postpone approval of the minutes for March 6, 2013 by Sam, Second

Agenda approved unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes for March 6, 2013

Minutes will be approved at the following Board meeting.

V. Public Comments (2 minutes per person)

Mark Kessler—(Relay for Life)—Santa Monica Relay for Life, American Cancer Society's #1 Fundraising. Wants to challenge the AS to get involved. 24 Hour event on Corsair Field money goes to research and caring for people who have cancer. July 21st, google "Santa Monica College Relay for Life".

Cris Gutierrez—(SM Sustainability Bill of Rights)—Tomorrow night at 7:00pm, city of Santa Monica will be voting on the Sustainability bill of rights at a city council meeting. E-mail her and . The sustainable city plan has been effect for 19 years. This will make the plan a legal act.

Ryan Sindon—(Everything)—Student participation. It's abysmal how many students are here. It's up to you guys to get students to participate. Make the meetings fun somehow. I feel that there was bias yesterday. More people were compromising themselves than the ideas.

Parker: I appreciate students who are critical. There's room to work together; we could use your help. When I make classroom presentations and ask if they know who the AS is, not many people know. Not a lot of students realize that there's a student government. I know there's more we can do, and that's why we worked on the Town Hall meeting. I agree there's always more we can do, but we need students' help.

Ryan: There's still more that can be done; you have me on that. I want more participation. I want the AS to be more responsible.

Jesse: I'm curious, do you know anyone on this board?

Ryan: I'm going to go with the fifth on that one.

Erin: I want to thank you for your public comment. If you were in our position, how would you do it? How would you get more students involved? How would you make these board meetings

Ryan: You can ask the public for their comments during the . I'm already from the privileged white class. You have to get participation from those who aren't. A little more education on your part

Yacob: Thank you for coming here and speaking. (to the Board) Students are coming here to give us their opinion. I strongly suggest you run for any position you are interested in.

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Lee Peterson—(Committees)—Wants students to participate in committees. Brought up the smoking ban on campus.

VI. Presentations

- 6.1. Budget (Cécile)—Winter revenue is a little over \$50,000. Spring revenue is looking good. Zimride, we're in the process of renegotiating it. They say about 2,000 people use it, but does that mean they use it actively or just once?

VII. Consent Action Items (Less than \$1,000)

Motion to approve by Sam, Second

- 7.1. Approval of funding for **Associated Students Board of Directors** for purchasing name tags for directors and commissioners. This includes cost of name tags and shipping. (Mohammad, Office: up to \$500.00)

Mohammad: We're getting name tags for the directors and the commissioners. We have the issue of directors going in and out. What we decided was that we'll order what's on the list, and what .

Parker: I think it was important to extend them appreciation for everything they do.

Jemal: I think it would be beneficial in getting a discussion going on the
Action item approved unanimously.

VIII. Action Items

Motion by Faheem, Second

- 8.1. AS Newsletter (Sam)

Motion to amend action item 8.1 to read "Approval of AS Newsletter in color" by Mohammad, Second

Pros: People are more likely to want to read it if it's in color. It's more aesthetically appealing.

Cons: The major issue is the content, not the color. Put things that interest the students on the first page.

Vote: 6 in favor, 4 in opposition.

Action item approved.

IX. Major Action Items (\$1,000 or greater)

- 9.1. Approval of funding for **SMC Police Department** for R.A.D. PROGRAM for SMC. This includes R.A.D. equipment & program necessities, tax and S/H guess estimate. (Mark, Special Projects: \$3,629.23)

Romano: Want to get this program started. Samano took the reins on it. Wanted a female to lead it because it was more relatable.

Samano: The great thing about the program is that it's easy for anyone to do. The founder said that if his 70 year old grandmother couldn't do it, it wasn't in the program. Anyone can . For the first year, all students have the opportunity to participate in the program for free. After that, students will pay a lifetime price of \$10. This isn't a co-ed program.

Romano: What you're buying is the protective equipment. This is half the cost of . These classes are held on Saturdays. The district will pay the officers overtime.

Kessler: It's noteworthy that this money will last for 10-20 years. It's for durable protective equipment.

Romano: The point of the program is to escape; not to attack back. It's really about

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the state of mind and empowering women.
Major action item approved unanimously.

- 9.2. Approval of funding for **Associated Students Board of Directors** for SSCCC General Assembly Spring 2013. This includes conference registration, hotel, airfare, minivan, meals, parking and miscellaneous fees for up to 8 students and 1 advisor. (Deyna, Conference Account: \$7,606.57)

Motion by Sam, Second

Jesse: Why isn't this open for every director to go?

Parker: We can open it to changing the amount. How many is it worth it to send? This isn't a vacation.

Dean Hearn: I wish you could all send it

Motion to amend the language to "Approval of funding for Associated Students Board of Directors for SSCCC General Assembly Spring 2013. This includes conference registration, hotel, airfare, minivan, meals, parking and miscellaneous fees for up to 8 students and 1 advisor.(Deyna, Conference Account: up to \$10,000.)"by Sam, Second
Major action item approved unanimously.

- 9.3. Approval of funding for **AS board of Directors** for moving funds from contingency to Special Project and Publicity accounts. (Cecile, Contingency: \$18,000.00)

Motion by Faheem, Second

Cécile: Right now, publicity and contingency are negative.

Motion to amend action item 9.3 to read "Approval of funding for AS board of Directors for moving funds from contingency to Special Project and Publicity accounts (Cécile, Contingency: \$28,000.)" by Faheem, Second
Amendment approved.

Action item approved unanimously.

X. Director / Advisor / Committee Reports

Caitlin: 40 Clubs installed at the last ICC meeting.

Erin: Speaker was great; ICC was awesome. Future/Hippie/Green are possible themes.

Faheem: Is it worth it to print out a plastic card for only 10 businesses? We'll be getting more soon.

Parker: As long as they see the businesses on a paper, it doesn't matter. We can get it from the Media Center for free.

Yacob: Another Town Hall on the 28th of March during Activity Hour on the Quad.

Chioma: Meeting with Charlie Yen. Main point of discussion would be a "dollar menu" or something that students can get for less than \$5. Announcement that she will be researching for the Resource fair.

Jemal: Working on the cafeteria item. If you want to be CC'ed, let us know. Club Olympics is coming up. We're working to make it a big event. Everyone in clubs are invited. They wanted an AS team to go against the clubs. May 18th. Trying to get library hours extended. Planning an AS banquet for appreciation of the commissioners and the Board.

Parker: First immediate thing is the discussion on poverty. The theme for our college is about poverty: "want, waste, and wealth". Speaker who is in the field of poverty—anti-poverty activist. Next Monday at 6:30PM at the Cayton Center.

Sam: Working on the newsletter. Getting a committee together soon. Thanks for the cooperation on sending me your commissioners names; I would have hated to leave them out. Welcome to the new

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directors; they were very quick on sending me their “tweet” and pictures. I hope you’ve settled in well.

Mohammad: Sent e-mails to those who went to the Town Hall meeting saying Thank You for attending. The list is building up. We have over 400 emails on the master list. Also working on the businesses.

Jon: I’ve been hard at work trying to get people to sit on committees. There’s a date in April for a discussion on the colonization of Africa and the N word.

Angie: Club awareness on March 14th. Harlem Shake that day.

Steven: There will be a Big Blue Bus issue coming soon. Will have more information on Zimride

Jesse: Working on publicity related stuff. Working on Yacob’s Town Hall banner. Also working on a AS Board of Directors Meeting as per Jemal’s request. We’re pretty much done with the website, just a few pictures left. Working on business cards for Jemal, Chioma, and Jon.

Michelle: Had a Board meeting last Tuesday. One of the most boring ones I’ve been to. The state hit us that we have to put in money for people who are going to retire. Future possible public housing. There’s a free Art Walk; encourages people to go.

Dean Hearn: Welcome, welcome, welcome. I can see you’re going to be a great asset to this team. Deadline for SMC global citizenship scholarship on March 15th. Office is closed tomorrow. Spring break, the office will be closed as well. Elections are coming up, publicity is key. Next week, I highly recommend you look at the election code. Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th at 4pm. Candidates are expected to attend one of the meetings. Want to stress that there shouldn’t be any electronic devices to help students vote. The no smoking on campus was put on the ballot years ago.

Rosilynn: Counselors require 3 sessions with you. We’re in the office Monday through Thursday. You must petition for graduation to walk.

XI. Adjournment 5:59PM
Motion to adjourn by Yacob, Second