

Associated Students of Santa Monica College
A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting
March 6, 2013 3:00 PM
Cayton Center, Room #202
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I. Call to Order 3:00PM

II. Roll Call

AS President: Parker Jean P	Director of Student Adv.: Yacob Zuriaw L3:11PM
AS Vice President: VACANT	Director of Publicity: Jesse Ramirez P
AS Secretary: Samantha Ross P	Director of Student Outreach: Mohammad Rahman P
Director of Student Services: VACANT	ICC Chair: Spin Versele P
Director of Sustainability: Steven Johnson P	ICC Vice Chair: Erin Kaitel P
Director of Academic Support: VACANT	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 L 3:05PM
Director of Budget Management: Cécile Parcelier P	Counselor/Student Advisor: Benny Blaydes P

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Mohammad, Seconded
Agenda approved unanimously

IV. Approval of Minutes for February 25, 2013

Motion by Mohammad, Seconded
Agenda approved unanimously

V. Public Comments (2 minutes per person)

Dennis Uchimara—(Bring Job Center to SMC, Garcetti-Obama quotes on community colleges)—Brought this up to the Board of Trustees, doesn't think they really care to listen to him. Thinks the future of college professors are that they not only have PhDs, but that they know people who work in the department.

London Tran—(Speaking on behalf of a candidate)—For those of you who don't know, I am London tran, former director. I came here today to speak on behalf of a certain candidate. My position involves putting people on certain committees. The candidate has actually served on one of those committees during those terms. Aside from him being a student representative, he asked me what else he could do, even after the committees stopped meeting. He attended a round table meeting. Gave a lot of good information during the Global Citizenship . By the way, it's Jon Ethridge. He wants to do more than what he was required. I'm not sure if anyone has given this kind of insight, that way you can make an informed decision.

VI. Action Items

6.1. Appointments for Vacancies
Motion by Spin, Seconded

- Director of Academic Support/Shared Governance
Speeches given by Jon Kent Ethridge II and Jasmine Jafari
Board deliberation
Vote:8 for Jon Kent Ethridge,2 for Jasmine Jafari

Jon Kent Ethridge II appointed as the new Director of Academic Support/Shared Governance

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- Director of Student Services
Speeches given by Ryan Downer and Chioma Ojini
Board deliberation
Vote: 1 for Ryan Downer, 9 for Chioma Ojini

Chioma Ojini appointed as the new Director of Student Services

Motion to table 6.1 until after 7.1-7.4 by Angie, Seconded

- Vice President
Speeches given by Shiba Bechara, Izaak Tanna, and Jemal Hussein
Board deliberation
Vote: for 0 Shiba Bechara, for 3 Izaak Tanna, for 6 Jemal Hussein

Jemal Hussein appointed as the new Vice President

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

Motion to approve action items by Mohammad, Seconded

- 7.1. Approval of funding for **Communication and Media Studies Dpt.** for National College Championship forensics Tournament of Phi Rho Pi. This includes school, facility, new member, and hotel fees. (Marcia, Student Success: up to \$3750.00)
Marcia: Not a club, they are a class. Any student can participate. All students are AS members. Friday to Sunday.
Jesse: Why isn't the school taking care of it since this is a class?
Marcia: There isn't any money. We do our own fundraising on the side.
Cecile: This is representing 5 different proposals from the finance meeting. If you need to see more details, see me.
Action item approved unanimously.
- 7.2. Approval of funding for **AS Board of Directors** for funding for A.S. Representatives' yearly stipends 2012-2013. (Parker, Student Success: up to \$12,000.00)
Parker: This is from last semester from London's position.
Motion to amend the language for the proposal to "up to \$12,000" by Jesse, Seconded
Steven: A lot of these questions should really be asked during the Finance committee.
Action item approved unanimously.
- 7.3. Approval of funding for **SMC Public Policy Institute, Department of Philosophy and Social Science** to support student learning and involve the AS as co-sponsor of the PPI Annual Spring Symposium. This includes the cost of honorariums (Richard, Student Success: \$3,500.00)
Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein: This program is about 2 years old. SMC is the only CC to offer a certificate and an AA degree for public policy. This is a weeklong series of events. Our program is a successful one that reaches thousands of students. This year's symposium
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- 7.4. Approval of changing the miscellaneous line item and unrestricted budget to read Sustainability. (Steven, Contingency: \$10,000.00)

Steven: I always thought there should be a line item called sustainability. There's one for contingency, student success, etc. A certain amount goes to it every year. The line is called miscellaneous, but we're changing the name to sustainability, and we're taking money from contingency and funding it.

Dean Hearn: Maybe the language should read "Approval to create a sustainability line item and delete a miscellaneous line item."

Motion to change language from "7.4 Approval of changing the miscellaneous line item and unrestricted budget to read Sustainability" to "Approval of changing the miscellaneous line item and unrestricted budget to read Sustainability and transfer 10,000 from contingency to the newly created Sustainability account" by Steven, Seconded

Action item approved unanimously.

VIII. Director / Advisor / Committee Reports

Spin: ICC meeting tomorrow. Pictures should be going up soon.

Caitlin: 4pm in SCI 140. Reinstalling 30-40 new clubs. Some new clubs in there soon.

Erin: Welcome new Board members. So far, themes are carnival, green, or zombies for the ICC Club row. The AS President of UCLA will be at the ICC meeting tomorrow around 5pm.

Faheem: Working with Mohammad on the list for the student discounts.

Cecile: I will give a budget presentation next meeting. This is good because we're approving some weird things next meeting.

Chioma: Thank you for voting me in.

Yacob: A lot has happened since the last meeting; first town hall of the year last Tuesday. Lot of student turnout. I set up a meeting with Charlie Yen for that. The March in March was amazing. There was some criticism about the amount of time being on the bus. We had a meeting with someone, not everyone could go. The new budget says that there'll be a 90 unit cap. Students will be forced to pay full price for non-residents for classes.

Parker: Keep side comments out of meetings. Town hall: we would like to have another one, I don't think planning takes that much. It's mostly about publicity and outreach. We're going to get legislative visits planned. It's critical that we get that attention. We got recognition for winter session last night.

Sam: Going to start on the new issue of the newsletter. Going to include the new directors. Went to the March in March: it was cool.

Jemal: Found out recently that the library tried to start a similar program about the book check. Wants to find out what went wrong.

Angie: Next week is Club Awareness Day, so please help me staff the AS Booth. March 14th: be there!

Steven: I'm working on the \$3000 trash can.

Jesse: Sat down with Helen Porter, going to look at the content. We'll decide that during the Publicity Committee meeting.

Benny: Won't be here tomorrow; will be back on Monday. I need people to donate blood. There's talk about losing Cal Grants. I appreciate the people who went to the March in March. You should get every opportunity to talk to state reps. The state is now looking at funding you based on how many students are successful.

Dean Hearn: Good job to those who worked hard on the March in March. I'm holding a workshop designed to inform students on student government. I want you to tell students when you were campaigning. Congratulations to the new board members.

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- IX. Adjournment 6:46PM**
Motion by Spin, Seconded