

Associated Students of Santa Monica College
A.S. Board of Directors Regular Meeting
September 16, 2013 3:00 PM
Cayton Center, Room #202
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I. Call to Order 3:03PM

II. Roll Call

AS President: Ty Moura	P	Director of Student Advocacy: Okky Jaya	P
AS Vice President: Alex Vandertol	P	Director of Publicity: Michael Greenberg	P
AS Secretary: Diana Echeverria	P	Director of Student Outreach: VACANT	
Director of Student Services: VACANT		ICC Chair: Jasmine Jafari	A
Director of Sustainability: Halie Wilis	A	ICC Vice Chair: Maya Kaitel	L
Director of AcSupp/S.G.: Maryam Allameh	P	ICC Communications Officer: Sarah Yoseph	P
Director of Activities: Matthew Nicholson	A	Student Trustee: Jesse Ramirez	A
Director of Inst. & Tech. Support: Cyrus Hosseini	P	Dean of Student Life: Deyna Hearn	P
Director of Budget Management: VACANT		Counselor/Student Advisor: Benny Blaydes	P

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve by Michael, Second.
Agenda approved unanimously.

IV. Approval of Minutes for September 9, 2013

Motion to approve by Michael, Second.
Minutes approved unanimously.

V. Public Comments (2 minutes per person)

Dennis Uchimura: I think it's important that info about salary and pensions should be made public. Not enough of the budget is not going to the students. There should be paid internships at this school. The AS objectives are not clear.

Okky: Why are you bringing this up?

Dennis: I am bringing up because this is a big issue

Ty: All the budget is available through the chancellor's website. As for AS, all of our goals are placed on our wall. Every AS information is in the office. We have no control over administrative salary. We have no power over that. They have to comply with the chancellor's office not us. The state requires that 50% plus one that all the money that school receives goes to classes.

Sam: It is important to create a dialogue between students and the AS board. I came to congratulate you.

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

Motion to approve by Michael, Second.

6.1 Approval of funding for **Chabad Club** to purchase materials for Sukkah booth. This includes Sukkah rental, setup, and pick up. (Ariela, ICC Allotment: \$250.00).

6.2 Approval of funding for **Associated Students Board of Directors** to purchase business cards for the new A.S. Board of Directors. This includes 18 orders of 250 business cards and tax. (Michael, Publicity, Publicity: \$653.40).

6.3 Approval of funding for **Chabad Club** to purchase food and drinks for Sukkot party. (Ariela, ICC Allotment: \$250.00).

Consent Action Items approved unanimously.

VII. Action Items

7.1. Approval of the resolution of the California Modernization Economic Developing (CMED) Act (Ty Moura, AS President)

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Ty: this is an initiative taken by students at UC Berkeley. From all major states producing oils, California is the only one that does not tax corporation. The revenue for this tax fund education. The price of oil is dictated by the global market.

Alex: The 9.5 tax might be put back on the consumer

Ty: every state that implemented this tax, did not have an increase in tax. The price of the barrel of oil is not a local thing, it is a global thing.

Michael: did you draft this or is this the actual wording

Ty: the written bill is much longer and you can see it at cmedact.org. The resolution is ready. We are going to be asking for the senate support. We are going to half to raise half a million signatures.

Motion to table Action Item 7.1 until next week by Michael, Second.

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

- 8.1. Approval of funding for **Club Row Fall 2013**. This includes Del Ray Party Rentals and set up, entertainment, prizes, antibacterial soap and water, candy, freebies, decorations, hair nets, gloves, and miscellaneous. (Maya, ICC Vice Chair, ICC: \$3,800.00)
move to postpone this item, by Michael, second
motion by Alex, second

Maya: I sat with benny and talked about the past years number and we added a little because of new clubs

Michael: is everything eco friendly

Maya: any decorations we do buy will be reusable and recyclable

Ty: why is it higher?

Maya: because of new clubs and students

Dean Hearn: the health department requires that we need tents that have 3 sides. We purchased our own but in the last 2 clubs rows the tents have not been durable. The idea is to reconsider going back to renting. So we can get the ones we need and comply with the health department.

I would recommend find empty jugs and pour regular water in there.

Benny: if someone drops a utensil there has to be something you can wash it off with easily.

Dean Hearn: We need enough jugs to give to every club.

Motion to approve by Michael, Second.

Major action item approved unanimously

- 8.2. Approval of funding for **Associated Students Board of Directors** to fund CCCSAA Fall 2013 Student Leadership Conference. This includes 16 directors and 2 advisors (\$310 per person), hotel rooms for 16 students and 2 advisors, airline flights for 18 people, LAX parking for 3 days, food, emergency funds, and annual membership fees to the CCCSAA Organization for 3 advisors. (Dean Hearn, Conference: up to \$19,700.00)
motion by Michael, second

Dean Hearn: This is the maximum. One reason why it is costly is because this is in Sacramento. Amelia looked at the maximum rates. This is an annual student's leadership conference. Driving is not very successful. The easiest way is to fly. It's designed to provide more student government experiences for you. It's something that students have done throughout the years. It's an educational experience. Once the tickets are bought they cannot be transferred to someone else. If you decide not to go after your ticket is bought, the money used to buy I will have to come out of your own pocket or subtracted from your stipend. If only half of the group goes, we will only need one advisor.

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Michael: This would definitely help us. How can we reduce the funds?

Ty: I don't see why we should pay for LAX parking.

*Motion to amend action item 8.2 to read "Approval of funding for **Associated Students Board of Directors** to fund CCCSAA Fall 2013 Student Leadership Conference. This includes 16 directors and 2 advisors (\$310 per person), hotel rooms for 16 students and 2 advisors, airline flights for 18 people, ~~LAX parking for 3 days~~, food, emergency funds, and annual membership fees to the CCCSAA Organization for 3 advisors. (Dean Hearn, Conference: up to ~~\$19,700.00~~ 10,000.00)" by Michael, Second.*

Amendment to Action item 9.1 approved unanimously.

Amended major action item approved unanimously.

Ty: I would say the last day to confirm is Wednesday September, 25th. If the director does not confirm by then, they will not be able to go.

Dean Hearn: if only 5 or 6 of you go, then only one advisor will go. I want to make sure this is something you want to do and something you can do.

Ty: It is ideal to know if you're going on the 23rd, the day of our meeting.

IX. Discussion Items

9.1 Publisher's Pressure (Ty Moura, AS President)

Ty: this is a follow up from last week's meeting. It is the publishers that have come up with new books. The teachers don't have a choice. Administration wanted to create a joint effort to address this issue straight to the publishers.

Alex: What are the next steps?

Ty: the next steps are to brainstorm and what we are going to do

Michael: if the pressure is from the publishers, the short term is to ask professors to not use these programs. Professors should make their own problems.

Alex: I don't know why the math lab is connected?

Ty: I would recommend for you and the students trustee to combine a joint effort and figure out what's going on

Michael: the math lab should be an option.

Dean Hearn: This is not a local issue, this is a statewide issue. This is something you might want to make a resolution and bring it to student senate.

Ty: Our region 7 is going to work on resolutions next meeting.

9.2 Cleanliness Awareness Follow-up (Ty Moura, AS President)

Ty: there's a reason why the bathrooms are dirty. Students are making them dirty. I think as student leaders, we need to set a good example or make some type of education campaign. The students think smc is a five star hotel

Michael: Ultimately, students make the mess.

Maryam: can we throw an event to inform the students?

Ty: the idea that came out of DPAC was that the associated students would post signs in every stall and cafeteria table to clean up after themselves.

Alex: If you work in the food industry, you see the same thing. It's not respectful. I think awareness is a good way to go about this.

Ty: How do you think this will fit in your open forum initiative

Alex: It will definitely fit

Ty: the first of October will be the first open forum.

Michael: reaching students by posting papers on stalls isn't a solution. Maybe we can do like a water works event in the quad. The idea is to get into people's heads.

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Ty: If we see something happening, we would tell the person politely to clean up

Maryam: some students may get aggressive with other students

Ty: It all depends on how you phrase it. Do not vilify someone for their acts. As leaders, we should always speak up.

Sarah: I do like what the math lab did, putting signs in the stall. In the math labs the signs says “even if you’re in a rush, don’t forget to flush

Dean Hearn: use the bathrooms in the Cayton center as a test. See how it goes. Use it as a pilot, you can monitor it. You have to feel comfortable about talking to people. It’s not always about what you say but how you say it. It is all about how you present it. You’re not going to be bathroom monitors.

Ty: the director of publicity and commissioner will; put flyers, the Vice President will present this at the first meeting; we as a board will lead by example; we will try to act in every single bathroom, we will use the Cayton center one as the lab rat.

9.3 “Inequality for All” Ticket Ordering Count (Ty Moura, AS President)

Ty: who knows who Robert wright is the former secretary of labor who came up with this documentary. I really want to buy tickets for the students to go. It explains why we have such inequality in our society. Wright will be on the daily show tonight. I believe that this is a great opportunity. Wright will be at the premiere. Students will have the privilege to talk to wright personally when watching the documentary. Would you guys be okay with buying 50 tickets. We will announce on our facebook page and in social science classes. First come, first serve.

X. Director/Advisor/Committee Reports

Sara: I have room in my car to go to benny’s so if anyone needs a ride let me know.

Ty: I have been co chair for DPAC which will make is easier for us. We finally started talking about the student fees in DPAC.

Alex: our first open forum will be October 1st in the quad

Michael: I am going to put up flyers around campus concerning our vacancies. Any directors that want to put them in their classrooms let me know. The deadline is Thursday.

Dean Hearn: the board and commissioners get together is this Friday from 3 to 7. When you put items on the agenda it is easy to forget to articulate. Make it very clear in the agenda. If any of you want to bring forth something for the board to consider, bring documentation. Any supplemental will be helpful.

Supplies committee (Michael): We found some good options on clothing. Name tags are also being investigated. Business cards will be ordered very soon.

Ty: It would be best to only have directors and primary commissioners get pins. What color of pins will you prefer

Cafeteria committee (Ty): if you have strong feelings about the cafeteria services, your time will be in the quad Thursday the 19th. They want to know what they think. Please remember 11:15 in the quad. Tell everyone.

XI. Adjournment 4:37 PM

Motion by adjourn by Michael, Second.