



Associated Students of Santa Monica College
A.S. Board of Directors Special Meeting
March 18, 2020, 3:00 p.m., Zoom/Telephone
Santa Monica College, 1900 Pico Blvd, Santa Monica, CA, 90405
Associated Students Office Phone Number: (310) 434-4250
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The A.S. Board of Directors will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at 3:00 p.m. in Santa Monica College, Cayton Center Lounge, 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, California. The publicly accessible location for the meeting will be the Cayton Center Lounge.

In accordance with Executive Order N-25-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom and dated March 12, 2020, one or more Board members will participate in the meeting telephonically or by Zoom Conference.

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I. Call to Order – 3:00pm
II. Roll Call

P	President , Daniel Cha	P	Director Student Assistance , Safa Saleem
P	Vice President , Yongha Hwang	P	Director Instructional Support , Alexis Gosselin
P	Director Budget Management , Skander Zmerli	P	Director Publicity , Sabina Lee
P	Secretary , Nathan Silberberg	P	Director Sustainability , Adriel Ghadoushi
L	Director Activities , Carla Claure	P	ICC Chair , Natalie Lim
P	Director Outreach , Tafari Alan	AB	ICC Vice Chair , Gabriella Montgomery
AB	Director Community Relations , Ching Yi Yu	L	ICC Communications Officer , Girard Dela Roca
P	Director Student Advocacy , Summer Le	AB	Student Trustee , Brooke Harrington
P	Associate Dean : Dr. Isaac Rodriguez Lupercio	P	Counselor/Advisor : Benny Blaydes

III. Public Comments (2 Minutes Per Speaker)

- Dennis Funes: there have been many drastic changes in the past few weeks: classes going to online and now all services at SMC going online; all AS counselors are here for students when needed
- Skander Zmerli: some universities are considering changing letter grades to pass/no pass grades due to the current Coronavirus pandemic; other student gov.'s across the nation have brought up this option; hopes of having this at SMC
- Gern Xun Gan: Legislative affairs representative; grateful that SMC AS is still meeting right now; SSCCC is happy that AS's across the nation are still meeting; SSCCC is always a resource and advocating for students to help with any problems; have had discussions with colleges across California to allow for students to drop classes during this pandemic without any repercussions; contact is: ladregionviii@studentsenateccc.org
- Tiffany Inabu: have been meeting with students this week through Zoom with any assistance in counseling; working with SMC about students in need of food; everyone should be gentle with themselves and keep healthy
- Benny Blaydes: counselors are still available to help with counseling; students who drop will not be getting W's during this pandemic by the specific drop deadline of W's
- Yongha Hwang: SMC library computer lab is open to all student's, but SMC should consider opening the AS computer lab because the students have paid their AS fees in order to use the computers and printers
- Natalie Lim: remind everyone to not panic buy right now because there are people who are not able to buy anything at these times; everyone needs to keep up their health.

IV. Approval of Minutes — March 9, 2020 & March 11, 2020

- **Motion to approve March 11 minutes:** Secretary, 2nd by Vice President
- **Motion to postpone minutes of March 9th until next AS board meeting:** Secretary, Vice President
- ICC Communications Officer arrived at 3:13pm

V. Student Trustee Report — Brooke Harrington (5 minutes per speaker)

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VI. Minor Action Items

6.1 Approval for label maker tape purchase for the Associated Students (Nathan Silberberg—cost \$8.55; Requesting \$8.55 Office).

- **Motion to approve:** Dir. Of Budget Management, 2nd by ICC Chair

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- With a unanimous vote, the item is approved.

6.2 Approval for Nowruz event for the Associated Students (Carla Claire-cost \$800; Requesting \$800 Activities). (Pending SMC Superintendent guidelines).

- **Motion to strike:** Dir. Of Student Outreach, 2nd by Dir. Of Student Advocacy

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- With a unanimous vote, the item was struck from the agenda

VII. Major Action Items

7.1 Approval for YAF SPEAKER! event for Young Americans for Freedom (YAF) (Jacob Shofet—cost \$3000; Requesting \$550 ICC Allotment, \$1000 Activities). (Pending SMC Superintendent guidelines).

- **Motion to strike item from agenda:** ICC Chair, 2nd by Dir. Of Budget Management

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VIII. Other Action Items

IX. Director Reports (2 Minutes Each)

9.1 President — Daniel Cha

- Excited for the upcoming AS Elections; will be releasing a statement from the AS about the Coronavirus soon; hopes all stay safe and clean; these circumstances are tough but doable and we are here for the students.

9.2 Vice President — Yongha Hwang

- Realizes that all the AS Directors are struggling with duties and helping out; we should show our leadership and representation: shared governance system is having issues at the moment, hard to recruit students to committees on campus; students welfare and wellbeing is crucial at this moment with food security and housing; tutoring and other student services is now online for the rest of the semester.

9.3 Secretary — Nathan Silberberg

- AS Elections are still planned for next week; will hopefully see the highest turnout of votes by students
- Amelia has posted the profiles of all candidates in the upcoming AS Elections on the AS website
- Will be posting a link to a credible website to check Coronavirus updates
- LA Public Health has posted online which cities in California have been affected by the Coronavirus
- If everyone could please keep my extended family in mind and in prayers, they have been affected by the Coronavirus personally
- Everyone needs to wash their hands constantly and keep healthy

9.4 Dir. Budget Management — Skander Zmerli

- There will be an AS fee refund by request only; portion of parking pass is refunded by request; approved suspension of fiscal policy

9.5 Dir. Publicity — Sabina Lee

- Was thinking about making posts and questions about SMC updates in accordance with the AS Secretary; hopefully at the next AS board meeting to answer Coronavirus questions

9.6 Dir. Student Outreach — Tafari Alan

- Still working with Janet Robinson to bring an Historically Black Colleges and Universities caravan for the future for possibly November; this pandemic is tough but staying in touch with people is important and key right now.

9.7 Dir. Student Advocacy — Summer Le

- Reminds everyone that we should not go out at this time; think positively during these extreme times.

9.8 Dir. Student Assistance — Safa Saleem

- Everything is shut down on campus so food security is at risk at the moment; compiling a list of resources of around the community of food and living; bodega is still closed at the moment; everyone needs to keep up with AS emails; be mindful of community needs when grocery shopping; keep your health up.

9.9 Dir. Community Relations — Ching Yi Yu

9.10 Dir. Sustainability — Adriel Ghadoushi

- Earth week will still be happening but online with collaborations with CEUS and other clubs on campus

9.11 Dir. Activities — Carla Claire

- This is very serious that everyone stays home; knows of people around the country with Coronavirus and all should take care of themselves; stay safe and clean

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9.12 Dir. Instructional Support — Alexis Gosselin

- With the development of SMC being closed, all instructional supports services are online completely; made an outreach campaign with the Dir. Of Publicity about where and how to get resources now that everything is online

9.13 ICC Chair — Natalie Lim

- Remind everyone that AS elections are still happening next week as scheduled; campaigning is online 100%; candidates will be limited to only online with monitoring from the AS elections committee and administration

9.14 ICC Vice-Chair – Gabriella Montgomery

9.15 ICC Communications – Girard Dela Roca

X. Advisor Reports

10.1 Benny Blaydes, Counselor/Advisor

- Reiterate that AS counselors are still open by Zoom, email or phone number; everyone needs to be on the lookout for emails from college/university acceptances
- Enjoyed the Zoom and that his relative beat Coronavirus recently

10.2 Dr. Isaac Rodriguez Lupercio, Associate Dean/Advisor

- The Office of Student Life is closed to the public and student workers; created an email address to contact the AS office (posted on the AS website).
- Requisitions can be submitted to Amelie Trejo by email.
- Big shoutout to AS Elections; SMC AS is ahead of the game of the country with online elections for student government at SMC.
- All future AS meetings will be meeting through Zoom online
- All proposals of in-person activities for this year will be denied

XI. Adjournment – 3:57pm

- **Motion to adjourn:** Dir. Of Student Assistance; 2nd by Dir. Of Student Advocacy

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