



**Associated Students of Santa Monica College**  
 A.S Finance Committee Special Meeting  
 May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 12:15 P.M., Zoom/Telephone  
 Santa Monica College, 1900 Pico Blvd, Santa Monica, CA, 90405  
 Associated Student Phone Number: (310) 434-4250

**MINUTES**

**I. Call to Order 2:34 PM**

**II. Roll Call**

Voting		Non-Voting	
<b>P</b>	<b>Director Budget Management:</b> Skander Zmerli	<b>P</b>	<b>Dean of Education Enterprises:</b> Mitch Heskell
<b>P</b>	<b>President:</b> Daniel Cha	<b>P</b>	<b>Associate Dean:</b> Isaac A. Rodriguez Lupercio
<b>P</b>	<b>Director of Sustainability:</b> Adriel Ghadoushi	<b>A</b>	<b>Commissioner:</b> Radhika Patel
<b>A</b>	<b>ICC Vice Chair:</b> Gabriella Montgomery		
<b>A</b>	<b>Director of Auxiliary:</b> David Dever		
<b>P</b>	<b>Counselor/Advisor:</b> Benny Blaydes		

**III. Public Comment (2 minutes per speaker)-none**

**IV. Minor Action Items (equal or over \$1000)**

4.1 Approval for End of Semester Celebration event for Intervarsity Christian Fellowship (Chenel Gautama— cost \$300; Requesting \$300 ICC Allotment).

- **Motion to approve by Director of Budget Management, seconded by Dean of Education Enterprises**
- **Vote on item**

<b>A</b>	President: Daniel Cha	<b>A</b>	Dean of Education Enterprises: Mitch Heskell
<b>A</b>	Director of Sustainability: Adriel Ghadoushi	<b>A</b>	Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes
	ICC Vice Chair: Gabriella Montgomery	<b>A</b>	Director Budget Management: Skander Zmerli

- **With unanimous vote, item 4.1 was approved**

4.2 Approval for Quarantine Entertainment event for Intervarsity Christian Fellowship (Chenel Gautama— cost \$541.27; Requesting \$541.27 ICC Allotment).

- **Motion to approve by Director of Budget Management, seconded by Dean of Education Enterprises**
- **Vote on item**

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<b>A</b>	Director of Sustainability: Adriel Ghadoushi	<b>A</b>	Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes
	ICC Vice Chair: Gabriella Montgomery	<b>A</b>	Director Budget Management: Skander Zmerli

- **With unanimous vote, item 4.2 was approved**

4.3 Approval for Spring 2020 necessary purchases for SMC Film Club (Katherine Nilsen— cost \$600; Requesting \$600 ICC Allotment).

- **Motion to approve by Director of Budget Management, seconded by Counselor/ Advisor.**
- **Motion to amend amount of item 4.3 to \$176 by Director of Budget Management, seconded by Counselor/ Advisor.**
- **Vote on amendment**

<b>A</b>	President: Daniel Cha	<b>A</b>	Dean of Education Enterprises: Mitch Heskell
<b>A</b>	Director of Sustainability: Adriel Ghadoushi	<b>A</b>	Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes
	ICC Vice Chair: Gabriella Montgomery	<b>A</b>	Director Budget Management: Skander Zmerli

- **With unanimous vote, item 4.3 was amended**
- **Vote on item**

<b>A</b>	President: Daniel Cha	<b>A</b>	Dean of Education Enterprises: Mitch Heskell
<b>A</b>	Director of Sustainability: Adriel Ghadoushi	<b>A</b>	Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes
	ICC Vice Chair: Gabriella Montgomery	<b>A</b>	Director Budget Management: Skander Zmerli

- **With unanimous vote, the amended item 4.3 was approved.**

4.4 Approval of purchase for end of semester snack box for Pre-Health Association (Karina Quevedo- cost \$628.86; Requesting \$600 ICC Allotment)

- **Motion to approve by Director of Budget Management, second by Counselor/ Advisor.**
- **Vote on Item**

<b>A</b>	President: Daniel Cha	<b>A</b>	Dean of Education Enterprises: Mitch Heskell
<b>AB</b>	Director of Sustainability: Adriel Ghadoushi	<b>A</b>	Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes
	ICC Vice Chair: Gabriella Montgomery	<b>A</b>	Director Budget Management: Skander Zmerli

- **With majority of votes, item 4.4 was approved**

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4.5 Approval of purchase for shirts and sweatshirts for Muslim Student Association (Abdelaziz Mohamed—cost \$714.06; Requesting \$714.06 ICC Allotment).

- **Motion to approve by Director of Budget Management seconded by Director of Sustainability**
- **Amend to use and amount of Muslim Student Association’s funds to \$700 for the SMC food project by Director of Budget Management, seconded by Dean of Education Enterprises.**
- **Vote on amendment**

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A	Director of Sustainability: Adriel Ghadoushi	A	Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes
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- **With unanimous vote, item 4.5 was amended**

- **Vote on item**

A	President: Daniel Cha	A	Dean of Education Enterprises: Mitch Heskell
A	Director of Sustainability: Adriel Ghadoushi	A	Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes
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- **With unanimous vote, the amended item 4.5 was amended.**

4.6 Approval of allocating ICC allotment towards AGS scholarship for Alpha Gamma Sigma Honor Society (Kate Carlin—cost \$750; Requesting \$750 ICC Allotment).

- **Motion to approve by Director of Budget Management, seconded by Counselor/ Advisor.**
- **Motion to amend the purpose and amount of item 4.6 to commencement award packages for \$653.60 under ICC allotment account by Director of Budget Management, second by Dean of Education Enterprises.**
- **With no objections, item 4.6 was amended.**
- **Vote on Item**

N	President: Daniel Cha	A	Dean of Education Enterprises: Mitch Heskell
AB	Director of Sustainability: Adriel Ghadoushi	A	Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes
	ICC Vice Chair: Gabriella Montgomery	A	Director Budget Management: Skander Zmerli

- **With majority of votes, the amended item 4.6 was approved.**

4.7 Approval for Bike Parts for Bike Give-A-Way to Students for SMC Bike Club (Deana Gribb— cost \$803.29; Requesting \$803.29 ICC Allotment).

- **Motion to approve by Director of Budget Management, seconded by Dean of Education Enterprises.**
- **Motion to call the question by President, seconded by Advisor/ Counselor.**
- **Vote on call the question**

A	President: Daniel Cha	A	Dean of Education Enterprises: Mitch Heskell
A	Director of Sustainability: Adriel Ghadoushi	A	Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes
	ICC Vice Chair: Gabriella Montgomery	A	Director Budget Management: Skander Zmerli

- **With unanimous vote, call the question is approved**

- **Vote on item**

A	President: Daniel Cha	A	Dean of Education Enterprises: Mitch Heskell
A	Director of Sustainability: Adriel Ghadoushi	A	Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes
	ICC Vice Chair: Gabriella Montgomery	A	Director Budget Management: Skander Zmerli

- **With unanimous vote, item 4.7 was approved**

4.8 Approval of fund for SMC Foundation Meal Project from SMC Rotaract Business Club (Melissa Orduna—cost \$996; Requesting \$996 ICC Allotment).

- **Motion to approve by Director of Budget Management, seconded by Counselor/ Advisor**
- **Vote on Item**

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- **With unanimous vote, item 4.8 was approved.**

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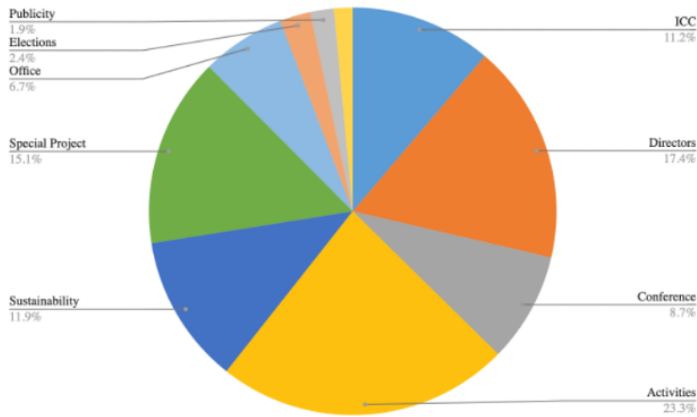
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**V. Discussion Item**

**5.1 Budget updates**

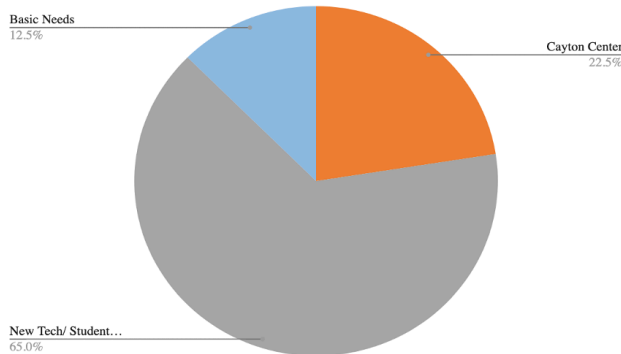
• **Unrestricted A.S. accounts**

Account	Budget	Approved	Remaining (Approved)	Actuals	Remaining (Actuals)
ICC	\$51,000	\$22,173.51	\$28,826	\$15,679	\$35,321
Directors	\$38,000	\$37,091.96	\$908	\$20,168	\$17,832
Conference	\$24,000	\$17,898.41	\$6,102	\$13,030	\$10,970
Activities	\$58,000	\$47,801.37	\$10,199	\$43,699.07	\$14,301
Sustainability	\$26,000	\$27,750.26	(\$1,750)	\$14,709.26	\$11,291
Special Project	\$85,000	\$47,663.16	\$37,337	\$25,351.81	\$59,648
Office	\$15,000	\$13,700	\$1,300	\$13,600	\$1,400
Elections	\$8,000	\$5,000	\$3,000		\$8,000
Publicity	\$11,000	\$3,847	\$7,153	\$3,045	\$7,955
Contingency	\$9,000	\$3,050	\$5,950	\$391	\$8,609
Prior Year Surplus	\$137,785	\$124,955.00	\$12,830	\$89,955.00	\$47,830
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$462,785</b>	<b>\$350,931</b>	<b>\$111,854</b>	<b>\$239,629</b>	<b>\$223,156</b>



• **Restricted A.S. accounts**

Account	Budget	Approved	Remaining (Approved)	Actuals	Remaining (Actuals)
SMC-President	\$115,204	\$0	\$115,204	\$0	\$115,204
Cayton Center	\$645,337	\$66,073	\$579,264	\$5,531	\$639,806
Student Success	\$412,942	\$238,802.06	\$174,140	\$117,394.50	\$295,548
Investment Reserve	\$976,319	\$0	\$976,319	\$0	\$976,319
Big Blue Bus	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Discount Tickets	\$1,230	\$0	\$1,230	\$0	\$1,230
Basic Needs	\$42,840	\$36,695	\$6,145	\$10,975	\$31,865
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,193,872</b>	<b>\$341,570</b>	<b>\$1,852,302</b>	<b>\$133,900</b>	<b>\$2,059,972</b>



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**VI. Director and Committee Reports (2 minutes per speaker)**

**6.1 Skander Zmerli, Director of Budget Management**

- It is crazy how times fly by so fast; it feels like yesterday I was just starting off
- This position kicked me out of my comfort zone and made me the person I am today
- I love how being in this position I get to learn until every last second.
- I'm blessed for being part of this committee, couldn't have wished for a better one. Each and every single person brought something unique to these meetings which made them successful to my eyes.
- I want to thank all students who have vote for me, I hope I exceeded your expectancies.
- I was told that the hardest thing to do was to say "No". However, for me the hardest thing was to say "Yes" to almost everyone and find a way around not falling into a deficit as it is the legacy, I want to leave for A.S.

**6.2 Daniel Cha, President**

- Skander, you have been a great asset to the team this year and you will always be my Budget Manager.
- Adriel, you and Gabriella have been with great assistance during Finance meetings asking very good questions.
- I'm proud of everyone on this committee
- A special thanks to all the advisors for the support and coaching us through the process.

**6.3 Gabriella Montgomery, ICC Vice Chair**

**6.4 Adriel Ghadoushi, Director of Sustainability**

- Skander, you have chaired these meetings perfectly. Your professional and elegant way to chair these meetings made me feel like I'm at a congress meeting. I also want to say "Good Deal Habibi"
- Daniel, your wisdom and calm allowed this committee not to rush onto quick decisions and think twice before proceeding.
- Mr. Mitch, I do respect all the great work you are doing and the support you are providing to the student life. As well as all the advisors who have been supporting us since the beginning

**VII. Advisor Reports**

**7.1 David Dever, Director of Auxiliary**

**7.2 Isaac A. Rodriguez Lupercio, Associate Dean/ Advisor**

- Friday June 5<sup>th</sup> is the day where the A.S. directors can come and clean up their desks.
- Skander and Daniel, be ready for the requisitions as they are going to come in
- Sometimes you wonder if you are having an impact on students and today was a testament to that.
- It's been great to have the expertise of Mitch and wisdom of Benny.
- Skander, you work extremely hard on your position. Thank you for your diligence and hard work.
- Adriel, I love your questions and the way you ask them. Thank you for your dedication

**7.3 Mitch Heskell, Dean of Education Enterprises**

- I'm proud of everyone
- Skander, you have successfully steered these minutes during challenging times.
- Adriel, great job for your great questions
- I'm proud of your great work Isaac, and I mean that. I don't know what we would do without you, that had to be said.

**7.4 Benny Blaydes, Counselor/Advisor**

- Skander, great job on handling your position without having any commissioners
- Adriel, your dedication in knowing the fiscal policy by heart and your great questions are no surprise to me
- Daniel, you have come through a very tough year, you did a great job hanging in there.
- I'm extremely proud of all this committee

**VIII. Adjournment**

- **Motion to adjourn meeting by Director of Budget Management, seconded by Director of Sustainability**
- **With no objections, the meeting is adjourned at 4:07 PM.**

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