

Associated Student Government
Saddleback College
Senate Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 20th, 2011
3:00 pm, SSC 211 C

Call to Order

- Laura Called meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

Roll Call

ATAS- Kelly Hatter (present)
At-Large Students & Emeritus- Rahil Haneef (late 3:18)
Business Science- Dustin Kachad (present)
Counseling Services- Kerisa Ward (present)
Health Sciences and Human Services- Vince Nava (present)
P.E./Kinesiology/Athletics- Sean Couevas (present)
Liberal Arts- Art Espinosa (present)
Math, Science, & Engineering- Michael Harvey (present)
Social & Behavioral Sciences- Marissa Manning (present)
Student Services- Janessa Rasmussen (absent)
Veteran Affairs- Adrian Michael (late 3:03)
Secretary of Senate- Courtney Fries (present)

Public Comments

Mel:

- Student Trustee Issue
 - o Protest Board of Trustee Issue tonight (1/20/11) at 6:00 pm
- President Cup Volunteer sign-ups needed
- Volunteer Fair (1/26/11) volunteer sign-ups needed

Approval of Minutes

10/28/10 (corrupt)

-Vince moved to approve the corrupt minutes of the 10/28/10 Senate meeting.

- Sean seconds the movement.

12/2/10 (minutes)

-Laura smiles on a movement to approve the minutes of the 12/2/10 Senate meeting with changes.

-Art moves to approve the minutes of the 12/2/10 Senate meeting with changes.

-Adrian seconds the movement.

Officer Reports

Judiciary Council (Mel)

- Judiciary has no representative so Mel spoke for them.
- brought to attention that there was no Chief Justice of Judiciary applicants
- encourages Senate to apply; email Mel for more information.

ASG President (Mel)

- New Senate Bill
 - o New bill passed has created a transfer model curriculum.

- No more AA degree, known as a transfer degree
- Email Mel for more info about the Bill

Chancellor of the Exchequer (Yeri)

- Budget Committee had no meeting today (1/20/11)
- Currently working on a timeline for the Spring semester.
- Looking for more members
- Kerisa and Dustin are helping manage the Budget Committee

Ambassador of Diversity Student Council (Sara)

- Sara absent, No update for DSC.

E-Cab Liaison

- No liaison, Brent (VP/Chair of Events Cabinet) is currently looking for a new liaison

Senator Duties

- Sean: Sean and Laura received email about someone interested in being the school mascot.
 - Audra suggested speaking with Jennie McCue
- Kerisa: Talked to Sara about painting over bad writing in the SM bathrooms.
- Laura: Because school started, officer reports will commence next week
- Audra: Reminds everyone of the 16 hour volunteer obligation for Senate.
- Laura: Suggests a few ways to get hours, such as: cleaning the ASG room for an hour, checking out a book of stamps for an hour and selling them, etc.
 - Anything that benefits ASG or School, or any events ASG puts on can count as volunteer hours.

Old/Unfinished Business

No Old/Unfinished Business to report.

New Business:

Action: Judiciary Representatives:

- Laura postponed Judiciary Representatives until the next Senate meeting (2/3/10)

Action: Possible New Senate Meeting Times:

- Laura: Last semester discussion of changing times was brought up.
- Discussion of when good times to meet would be.
- Sean: A set schedule would be easier to remember.
- Adrian: Asked if it had to be 2 hours exactly.
- Laura: Explains that last semester we would occasionally get out early.
 - Asked about every other Tuesday, did straw pull. Majority did not care about scheduling.
- Sean: Posed question of whether everything could be accomplished once every two weeks.
- Laura stated pros and cons of having meetings every other week as opposed to every week.
- Audra stated input on having meetings every other week
 - She stated that other senates meet less than this Senate, and brought up ICC's meeting times.
- Justin: Stated that, for ICC, the first and third Tuesday works best for them.
- Majority agrees that meetings should be changed to every other week, when we meet.
- Audra states that in Brown Act, an emergency meeting can be called.
- Laura does a straw pull of who would like to make meeting times every other week.
- Discussion of doing first and third Thursday for meeting time.
- Laura calls the change to have Senate meetings on the first and third Thursday every month to question.
- Laura calls to vote.
- Passed unanimously.
- Art moved to change the meeting times to the first and third Thursday of every month at 3pm.
- Rahil seconds the movement.
- Movement passes.

Info: Action: Hands Across California (presented by Justin, VP/Chair of ICC)

- Justin explains that the goal of Hands Across California, is to raise the awareness of Student Governments, as well as community colleges in the state of California.
 - Last year a lot of money was raised.
 - Main thing needed is people.
 - It is community colleges from Sacramento to Camp Pendleton linking together physically to create a loop occurring on April 17th, 2011.
 - Justin sat with Tod Burnett and there is a map already setup to link schools in that area.
 - We are encouraged to involve community colleges not in the territory to join.
 - Our area's link is the largest.
- Audra: Brings to Senate's attention advertising concerns.
 - Needs to be meaningful across campus at Saddleback.
- Mel: Not realistic goal set, but encourages Senate to try hard to achieve the goals.
 - Talk about it in classrooms, get the word out.
 - States that the Student Rep. for this event is Justin.
- Audra: Questions if there should be an incentive to be there and participate.
- Justin: States that there will be something there to entertain the participants.
- Sean: Suggests getting teachers on board to offer extra credit for those who attend.
- Laura: Get community involved
 - involve local high schools
- Audra: talks about a potential for DJ's to offer a scholarship for younger DJ's. Also, to donate time.
- Courtney: States that for community involvement we should make it appeal to families with a fair-like thing, that way the whole community (all ages) are involved.
- Audra brings it to Senate's attention that we need to vote on whether we are there as ASG to formally represent Saddleback College.
- Mel: The whole ASG, not just Senate.
- Kelly moves to have all of ASG support Hands Across California and formally represent Saddleback College.
- Rahil seconds.
- No discussion.
- Movement passes unanimously.

Info: Social Action Summit

- Laura: Discusses details of the event. January 26, 2011 in the Bowl.
- Audra: Explains that the event is funded through Campus Life
 - The main groups working on the event are DSC and ICC
 - It is a two part event; Part One: Event kick-off in the bowl to learn about volunteer opportunities. The 5 minute project will be there along with Jahmex (a reggae band) performing.; Part Two: in SSC 212, there will be sandwiches and other snacks. A clinic through the Laughter Yoga instructor, The Power of Words campaign will be there and project V.O.I.C.E.
 - Audra says that contacting teachers and getting them on board to give extra credit would be a good idea as well.

Info: SustainU Clothing (brainstorming to get students and community involved)

- Laura: The plan is to leave clothes hangers on doorsteps in local neighborhoods on February 21, 2011. Senate will pick them up two days later (2/23/11) and reconvene to have a Senate bonding event.
- Marissa: States it would be a good idea to go to different neighborhoods in small groups then meet up at the end.
- Laura brings up that there is an inspirational video to watch at the end of the entire clothing drive, and that all the clothes will be gathered in SSC 212, and the Salvation Army will pick up the clothes.

-A straw poll is done to see how many people should go in a group to pass out hangers and pick up the clothes. Majority says either 3 or 4 people per group.

-Dustin makes motion for there to be four people per group while passing out hangers and collecting clothes.

-Rahil seconds.

-No discussion

-Laura calls to question.

-Motion passes unanimously.

-Marissa thinks that going in separate cars would be easier to conquer more. Brings up making it a contest to see who can get the most clothes.

-Laura brings up the idea of bringing non-senate members along to during the clothing drive and there was various discussions of the matter. Kerisa, Kelly and Art said yes, Marissa said no, and Rahil said that there should be no restrictions.

-Discussion of making it a larger event so that Senate can bond during a possible breakfast occurs. Many ideas are thrown out as far as places to eat/meet would be. Overall consensus says that because of the clothing drive being on a weekday it would be harder to get everyone to meet together on one day all at the same time.

-It was brought up that everyone should contact Deans of their departments to get involved as well and make it a campus-wide event.

-To make it a campus-wide event there should be clothing boxes set around campus, with a senator assigned to pick them up on different days.

-Kerisa says to make it a campaign and advertise about it.

-Laura decides to continue this topic for the next Senate meeting.

Info: Compiled Senate Survey Results (postponed until 2/3/11)

Action: Vote to take on new Goals

-Laura: The senate Training Video

-It would be an informative video for new Senate/ASG members to get an idea of what Senate is.

-Hopes to leave a legacy behind.

-Getting the Fine Arts Senator involved would be a good idea as well to help film the video and edit it.

-Vince moves to approve of the Senate Training Video to be done.

-Rahil seconds.

-Laura calls to question; 9 YES 2 NO

-Art says no because he believes that in Senate there is so much that they do, it would be impossible (and a waste of time) to capture it all and train new Senate members

-Marissa said no because she believes that watching a video will not help the new students learn about Senate.

-Laura says that next meeting they will vote on video ideas.

Advisors Notes

-Christian Lander on February 2, 2011!

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.