Associated Students of Solano College

Meeting Minutes March 13, 2012, 12:34pm-3:29 pm

Solano Community College, Room 1421

Call to Order President Moran-Richardson called the meeting to order at 12:30pm. Karl Pua took the minutes.

Official Roll Call Executive Officers present: Moran-Richardson, Castillo, Freire, Pua, Sperow; Senators present: Duran-Gomez, Zapantis, Baig, Steverson, Salazar, Schmitgal, Vaughn; Associates present: Davis. Quorum met with seven (7) senators; one (1) associate.

Approval of Agenda Motion by Senator Vaughn, seconded by Senator Baig to approve the meeting agenda of March 13, 2012. (1,0,0) (7,0,0).

Approval of Minutes Senator Baig moved to approve the minutes of March 6th, 2012, Senator Vaughn seconded. (1,0,0) (7,0,0)

Public Forum Senator Salazar moved to give Chuck an extra minute to speak. Senator Schmitgal seconded. (1,0,0) (7,0,0). Chuck gave a general presentation on the grand jury. Senator Baig moved to give Chuck three more minutes to speak. Vaughn seconded. (1,0,0)(7,0,0).

Trustee Eljach walked in at 12:39.

Senator Salazar moved to allow Greg Smith to speak for six minutes. Senator Schmitgal seconded. (1,0,0)(7,0,0). Greg Smith discussed the problems about the budget cuts, and expressed his concern about GI bills.

Instructor’s Report Powell asks if there are any questions regarding his emailed report.

Advisor’s Report Ghous clarified any confusion regarding time sheets which are due March 20th 2012. Dr. Powell announced that the midterm take-home exam will be emailed after the meeting. Ghous discussed the importance of letting the president and instructor know when one is going to be absent. He also asked that everyone respond within twenty-four hours upon receiving an email. Ghous also apologized if he does not have a certain file because his hard drive crashed.

Information Items Scott Ota presented the new SCC website.

PRO Freire left at 1:32.

Treasurer Sperow discussed the Problem Cube and its expenses, which would not exceed $600. Secretary Pua discussed the problems of the Invisible Children foundation and its Kony 2012 project.

Action Items Senator Schmitgal moves to give $500 to SOL, $840 to the tutoring center, and $520 to AGS. Senator Duran-Gomez seconded. Senator Salazar friendly amended the motion to
give SOL $50 more. Senator Vaughn seconded. Senator Salazar withdrew her amendment. Senator Schmitgal withdrew his motion. Senator Zapantis moved to give $500 to SOL. Senator Baig seconded. (1,0,0) (5,0,2). Senator Schmitgal moved give $840 to the tutoring center. Senator Baig seconded. (1,0,0) (3,04). Senator Baig moved to give $520 to AGS. Senator Duran-Gomez seconded. (1,0,0) (5,1,1). Senator Duran-Gomez left at 2:09. Senator Zapantis moved to approve a $700 budget for Relax Week. Senator Steverson seconded. Senator Duran-Gomez came back at 2:13. (1,0,0) (7,0,0). Senator Salazar moved to approve Senator Steverson’s budget of $900. Senator Baig seconded. Senator Vaughn friendly amended to make eco-friendly purchases a requirement. Senator Zapantis seconded. Amendment: (0,1,0) (2,5,0). Senator Salazar amended the motion to make eco-friendliness not a requirement, but a suggestion, and to give Senator Steverson an extra $100 contingent on the project using “green products.” Senator Steverson seconded. Senator Salazar withdrew her amendment, and original motion. Senator Zapantis moved to give Senator Steverson $750 and $250 as an incentive to use green products. He withdrew his motion. Senator Vaughn moved to allot $750 and $250 as incentive if 75 percent of products are non-toxic. Senator Zapantis seconded. Advocate Castillo left at 2:37.

PRO Freire entered at 2:39. Advocate Castillo came back at 2:42. (0,1,0) (1,6,0). Senator Baig moved to give Senator Steverson $900 as stated. Senator Duran-Gomez seconded. (1,0,0) (5,2,0). Senator Steverson left at 2:48. Senator Steverson came back at 2:50. Senator Salazar moved to approve to have public forums. Senator Steverson seconded. PRO Freire left at 2:57. PRO Freire came back at 3:00. Senator Schmitgal called the question, seconded by Senator Steverson. Motion: (1,0,0) (7,0,0). Senator Zapantis moved to approve the governing board statement. Senator Baig seconded. PRO Freire and Trustee Eljach left at 3:05. PRO Freire and Trustee Eljach came back at 3:08 Senator Salazar left at 3:08. (1,0,0) (6,0,0)

Unfinished Business Cory Elliott discussed ASSC’s role and what the election committee needs to do. Senator Salazar walked in at 3:17. Treasurer Sperow complained about lack of participation in his committee. Senator Baig left 3:20. Senator Baig came back at 3:24. Senator Duran-Gomez reported that she met with her committee last week. She said that summer school may not be saved this summer, but it can be saved next summer. She also reported that
she drafted a statement for the governing board. Senator Vaughn moved to approve the statement for the governing board. Senator Steverson seconded. (1,0,0) (7,0,0)

**Committee Reports** Associate Ott reported that FABPAC is requesting a different veteran representative other than Senator McCaffery. Senator Vaughn has no report.

**Division Reports** Senator Salazar reported that she went to the governing board meeting. The board voted to cut football and aquatics, but they are somehow getting consultants. Senator Steverson reported that she went to Friday’s meeting and talked about flex days, and changing the curriculum for next semester.

**Executive Board Reports** Advocate Castillo presented a website (ccleague.net) where questions regarding budget cuts are answered. He also suggested that ASSC write a letter to legislature. Secretary Pua requested for the senators and associates inform him prior to leaving the room. Treasurer Sperow reported that he met with Canteen. Officer Freire reported that Technus met.

**Open Discussion** Senator Salazar announced that she met with Julie for Cinco de Mayo. Advocate Castillo asked what is happening with the political debate Batson requested. Senator Schmitgal suggests that ASSC advertise the public forum. Treasurer Sperow and Senator Steverson reiterated on email courtesy.

**Adjournment** Motion by Senator Zapantis, seconded by Senator Vaughn to adjourn the meeting. (1,0,0) (7,0,0) Meeting adjourned at 3:55PM.