Associated Students of Solano College  
Regular Meeting  
MINUTES  
March 5, 2013, 12:30 pm – 2:32 pm

Solano Community College  
Student Union Building Room 1421  
4000 Suisun Valley Road  
Fairfield, California

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Brown was not able to attend this meeting. Vice President [VP] Bram took over as chair for this meeting. VP Bram called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm.

II. SEATING AND OATH

Toni Murray got officially seated as Academic Curriculum Senator.

III. OFFICIAL ROLL CALL

Executive Board Members present: 
Miranda “Mandy” Bram, Kayla Salazar, Davis Mark Martinez, Waleed Arif, Joena Mesa

Senators present:
Latifah Alexander, Jeniece Cordova, Gabriel Johnson, Nida Baig, Toni Murray, Cedric Brooks

Associates present:
No Associates seated at this time.

Quorum achieved with 6 of 6 seated Senators present.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda for March 5, 2013 as posted by Senator Baig, second by Senator Johnson. Motion carries (6,0,0).

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. February 26, 2013

Motion to approve the minutes for February 26, 2013 as posted by Senator Baig, second by Senator Alexander. Public Relations Officer [PRO] Mesa addressed in the minutes the Activities Committee will not be doing a clothing drive and will be doing a canned food drive instead. Senator Alexander addressed her division report was omitted. Motion to amend the main motion by striking “as posted” and add “with the necessary corrections” by
Senator Johnson, second by Senator Brooks. **Motion carries (6,0,0).** The main motion now states as amended to approve the minutes for February 26, 2013 with the necessary corrections. **Main motion carries (6,0,0).**

VI. **PUBLIC FORUM**

Andrea Cato announced various events going on at SCC including Planned Parenthood and the Blood Drive Event on March 27, 2013. Robert Brown of Solano Food Bank is requesting volunteers for the 2014 Hunger Study Phase II. Contact Robert Brown at rbrown@foodbankccs.org for more information and/or to RSVP for a training. Debra Barrett announced the Career Education Fair will take place on April 27, 2013 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Visit www.scc-careertech.com for more details on this event. David Campbell addressed a possible safety hazard with the structure of the concrete between the 1800 building and the football field. Campbell suggested to the Senate of re-paving the concrete up to 300 meters long in length. Lorenzo Phillips reported the Student Riders Committee will be having a student forum on March 11, 2013 from 12:00 to 1:00 pm in the Fairfield main campus to address the issues with bus transportation. Motion to extend Phillips’ time by 3 minutes by Senator Johnson, second by Senator Murray. **Motion carries (6,0,0).** Phillips continued by passing out a survey to the Senate about how often the students ride the bus and so on.

VII. **INSTRUCTOR’S REPORT**

A. Joel Powell

Instructor Powell introduced to the Senate Election Committee Advisor David Brannen. Braneen is very active and helpful in managing the election process. Powell announced the funding request presentations will take place next week and taught to the class how to abstain for conflict of interest during the voting process.

VIII. **ADVISOR’S REPORT**

A. Mostafa Ghous

Advisor Ghous addressed to members of ASSC and the Standing Committees that drafts of the minutes are meant for the active ASSC Members and Standing Committees only. Drafts are not supposed to be posted to the public until they are approved and finalized. Ghous announced the Out of the Darkness 5K Walk will take place at the SCC Fairfield
Main Campus on Saturday, March 9, 2013 and asked for ASSC’s help to chalk up for the event. Over 500 people registered as of this time. Ghous reminded this week is the last week for the members of ASSC to review the packets for funding requests. Ghous addressed the cancelation of the ASSC Luncheon on March 12, 2013. Activities Committee Chair and PRO Mesa will address the Luncheon during her committee report. Ghous also addressed the neglect of use of the popcorn machine in the ASSC workroom. Ghous announced he will be out of the SCC Campus from March 15 to March 21. Ghous has delegated the role as advisor to Dr. Erin Vines during his off-days and addressed to the Senate to don’t contact him unless it’s a serious emergency.

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Icebreaker – Kayla Salazar

Student Trustee [ST] Salazar did an icebreaker involving with being self-controlled and focused.

B. Cinco De Mayo – Kayla Salazar/Joena Mesa

ST Salazar presented a schedule for the Cinco De Mayo event on May 5, 2013. Motion to extend this item by 2 minutes by Senator Cordova, second by Senator Johnson. Motion carries (6,0,0). ST Salazar announced the committee for this event will have a meeting on March 12, 2013 at 12:00 pm in Room 431 to discuss more about the setup of Cinco De Mayo.

C. Novus Newsletter – Joena Mesa

PRO Mesa discussed about the Novus Newsletter project that got started in the 2012 Fall Semester. Motion to extend this item by 3 minutes by Senator Murray, second by Senator Brooks. Motion carries (6,0,0). Motion to extend this item a second time by Senator Johnson, second by Senator Brooks. Motion carries (4,2,0).

D. Blood Drive Event – Joena Mesa

PRO Mesa suggested to the Senate to sponsor the Blood Drive Event on March 28, 2013.

X. ACTION ITEMS

No Action Items scheduled at this time.
XI. UNFINISHED AND ONGOING BUSINESS

A. Funding Requests

VP Bram reported the Inter-Club Council [ICC] will do the funding request presentations during their next scheduled meeting. Bram reported ASSC has approximately have $10,000 to allocate for this semester. Senator Baig left the meeting at 1:44 pm to use the restroom.

B. Out of the Darkness Event – Joena Mesa

PRO Mesa reported Lisa Parker is looking for student ambassadors to help out for the Out of the Darkness Event on March 9, 2013. Mesa reported the registrations will start at 9:00 am and wanted members of ASSC to arrive as early as 8:00 am to help setup for the 5K walk. Senator Baig returned to the meeting at 1:47 pm.

C. Election Calendar Update – Miranda “Mandy” Bram/Joel Powell

VP Bram reported the Election Committee will address the exact time, date and location for the Mandatory Candidates’ assemblies and meetings in the next scheduled meeting on Thursday, March 7, 2013 at 5:20 pm. VP Bram left the meeting to go to class at 1:54 pm and delegated her chairmanship to ST Salazar. ST Salazar accepted the delegation and continued the meeting. Motion to extend this item by 2 minutes by Senator Brooks, second by Senator Murray. Motion carries (6,0,0). Point of Order made by Senator Cordova for the discussion going off-topic after the extension.

XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

PRO Mesa addressed to the Senate to postpone the ASSC Luncheon on March 12, 2013 due to funding requests presentations taking place on the same date. Motion to amend the previously adopted motion of having the ASSC Luncheon on March 12, 2013 by striking “12” and replace it with “26” by Senator Cordova, second by Senator Johnson. Motion unanimously carries (6,0,0). Senator Brooks reported the Sports Promotion Committee promoted a Mascot Logo contest. No other specific information was provided by Senator Brooks.

XIII. DIVISION REPORTS

Business Services Senator Johnson didn’t have anything to report at this time. Motion to suspend orders of the day and jump to Item XVI – Open Discussion by Senator Brooks, second by Senator
Cordova. **Motion carries (5,1,0).** Science and Math Senator Alexander reported she will have an appointment with Dean Moore on Thursday, March 8, 2013 at 1:00 pm. Health and PE Senator Brooks reported he communicated with Dean George and mentioned about the Blood Drive and HIV Testing. Diversity Affairs Senator Baig reported she communicated with Dean Vines and has kept folders for Equity Store Cards in the ASSC Workroom. Student Services Senator Cordova mentioned about a workshop for crisis control and student input on what they can afford. Motion to extend Senator Cordova’s time by 2 minutes by Senator Brooks, second by Senator Murray. **Motion carries (6,0,0).**

**XIV. EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS**

ST Salazar reported the next Governing Board meeting will take place on March 6, 2013 at the Fairfield campus at 1:30 pm. Treasurer Arif reported the $75 per person cancellation fee for not going to the ASGA Conference. PRO Mesa reported to the Senate to check their emails regularly for updates.

**XV. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No specific announcements at this time. Motion to adjourn by Senator Cordova, second by Senator Johnson. **Motion carries (6,0,0).**

**XVI. OPEN DISCUSSION**

*Item proceeded following suspending the orders of the day from Item XIII.* Kamber Sta Maria and Blanco Guerra proposed a transportation plan for the Fairfield and Suisun Transit [FAST], City Coach (Vacaville) and Solano Transit (Vallejo). They shared the same survey that was previously mentioned in Public Forum. After open discussion, motion to resume orders of the day and return to Division Reports by Senator Baig, second by Senator Brooks. **Motion carries (6,0,0).**

**XVII. UPCOMING AGENDA**

No discussion for Upcoming Agenda due to adjournment.

**XVIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 2:32 pm.