



Associated Students of Solano College

Regular Hybrid Meeting Minutes

April 2nd, 2024

12:30-2:00 PM PST

1400 Building – ASSC Conference Room 1421

Zoom Meeting ID: 538 978 8211



I. CALL TO ORDER

Called to order by President Diana Solis at 12:36PM

II. OFFICIAL ROLL CALL

Executive Board

- | | ATTENDANCE |
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| 1. President Diana Solis | - present |
| 2. Vice President Malika Mirador | - absent |
| 3. Secretary Noah Wong | - present |
| 4. Legislative Advocate Karissa Brown | - present |
| 5. Student Trustee Sriya Srinivasan | - present |
| 6. Treasurer Christian Pardo | - present (12:49) |
| 7. Public Relations Officer AJ Matthews | - present |

Senate

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| 1. Applied Tech & Business Senator Mounir Benjelloun | - present |
| 2. Liberal Arts Senator Giovanni Torres | - present |
| 3. Health & Kinesiology Melanie Punzalan | - present |
| 4. Math & Science Senator Ernesto V. Pena | - present |
| 5. Social & Behavioral Science Monica Mitchell | - present |
| 6. Governing Board Senator Kiren Wilson | - absent |
| 7. Student Services Senator Andre Trujillo | - present |
| 8. Humanities Senator Lana Tayag | - present |
| 9. Academic Curriculum Senator Anh-Dao Pham | - present |
| 10. Diversity Affairs Senator Jedidah Goliath | - present |
| 11. Vocational Curriculum Senator Baron "Cedric" Pasion | - present |
| 12. Business Services Senator Josiah Tolbert | - present |

III. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- A. April 2nd, 2024
 - a. Motion to approve the agenda.
 - b. Moved by Mo, Seconded by Jedi. Passed

IV. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. March 26th, 2024
 - a. Motion to approve the Minutes.
 - b. Moved by Dre, Seconded by Jedi. Passed

V. PUBLIC FORUM

This is an opportunity for the members of the public to address the ASSC Senate on items not already on the agenda. Please be aware that there is a 3-minute time limit for

each item and that NO action may be taken on any of these items. These items may however come back to the Senate for action at their discretion.

- *Ashley and Luna, Representing the Theatre Department*
 - *Attended to announce today's performance of Anything Goes on April 19-May 5th.*
 - *Stated that an ASL interpreter will be translating and acting throughout the performance.*

- *Denario Langford*
 - *Motivational speaker, and book author*
 - *Came to present his books on staying motivated*
 - *Also came in as an artistic talent interested in performing at the Met Gala event coming up. Intends to perform as either a Positive Music Rapper or motivational speaker.*
 - *ASSC told him to contact the ASSC by email to confirm his interest in the event.*

VI. ADVISOR'S REPORT

A. Denise Martinez

- a. Gives a reminder that the Activities Committee must abide by the ASSC rules
 - i. Reiterates that a request, reservations, and other documentation to facilitate their activities.
 - ii. Furthermore, a communication must be initiated seeking permission to host an event and to formally request the other departments to co-sponsor when utilizing their space.
 - iii. Reminds the Senate that any action representing the ASSC must undergo Senate review, obtain group approval, and be duly documented in the official Minutes during designated meeting sessions.
 - iv. Clarifies that the conversation was started by improper placement of displays in the library.
- b. Events at Solano (the events calendar has been posted around campus)
- c. It was noted that the following members are required to submit their office hours to Denise.
 - i. Ki, Sriya, Christian, Malika, Gio, Melanie, Ernesto

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Clubs and Campus Funding Discussion

- a. Department of Art
 - i. We were told that the cost of the Art Department's trip should be covered by some organization within the school.
 - ii. Diana will be contacting them to help direct their discussion
- b. Pre-Med Club
 - i. Initially requested \$221.30; however, they are requesting \$78.32

- ii. Discussed that the club has been active around campus, has had success with previous Blood Drives, regularly attends/participates in events around the campus, and has a great documented record.
 - iii. After deliberation, the ASSC decided to give the club \$85.00
- c. Muslim Student Association Club
 - i. Requested \$2000 for their upcoming Eid Al-Fitr event
 - ii. Discussed that we ASSC's snow cone machine is still being repaired by the Welding Department and cannot be lent to the MSA, the different costs associated with the event, the club's sizeable success when hosting the event during the previous year, the observable impact it has on the general student population, and the level of preparation demonstrated for this event.
 - iii. After deliberation, the ASSC decided to give the club \$2,000.
- d. Drama Club
 - i. Requesting \$1,928.55 with a minimum of \$1,128.00 for a club trip.
 - ii. Discussed the fact that the ASSC is not supposed to pay for advisor conferences, the trip will support a sizeable department/demographic of the college community, their level of activity around the campus, how the trip is paid for including the cost of emergencies.
 - iii. After deliberation, the ASSC decided to give the club \$1,730.
- e. Blue Gene Algae Club
 - i. Requesting \$12,000 for a bioreactor. Discussion is listed below:
 - ii. It was noted that this was a very impressive and noble effort, came to the consensus that the amount was too large for us to pay in full.
 - iii. Discussed that they are a brand-new club that started off in a Solano classroom
 - iv. Their group has won \$8,000 at a college competition that went to the group that was a part of the competition
 - v. They currently have membership that includes the group that competed along with others; however, the club has not provided a comprehensive list of their members.
 - vi. They were anticipating an upcoming Colorado fieldtrip
 - vii. They mentioned that they will need even more money to have a Solano representative to supervise the reactor once it is established
 - viii. ASSC members proposed further discussions with the club to explore transitioning this endeavor into a more academic pursuit than solely extracurricular one
 - ix. The idea is being considered as an ongoing item that ASSC can discuss and support
 - x. The Senate largely agrees that, based on the club's proposal, supporting the club to point where they can be built up to request funding from others/establish themselves
 - xi. Concerns were stated about the long-term planning/sustaining of this effort, the recent establishment of the club, and if it would benefit students beyond the club/group.
 - xii. The Senate agrees that verifiable, documented experience, and

activity will be needed as a reference before further pursuing this request.

- xiii. After deliberation, the ASSC decided to table the Blue Gene Algae Club amount to another meeting pending further discussion.

B. Santa Clara Conference

- a. The Conference is scheduled to happen this weekend
- b. Attending members will be meeting today around 2:00-2:30 for concluding discussions

C. ASSC Elections

- a. The candidates running are as follows:
 - i. President and V.P. - Jedidiah Goliat & Alexander Vidal Baquero
 - ii. Student Trustee – Sriya Srinivasan
 - iii. Legislative Advocate – AJ Matthews
- b. Discussed the nature of elected and appointed positions.
- c. A vote approving this list will occur in Action Items

D. Photobooth Purchase

- a. The ASSC requires additional information for this item
- b. Discussions were held regarding the Senate's interest in acquiring a new photobooth. However, no consensus was achieved.

- Motion to extend the meeting by 10 minutes
 - Moved by Cedric, Seconded by Jedi.
 - Motion rejected by majority vote.
- Motion to extend the meeting by 4 minutes
 - Moved by Cedric, Seconded by Mo.
 - Motion passed by consensus.
- Motion to suspend the orders of day
 - Moved by Cedric, Seconded by Lana.
 - Motion passed by consensus

E. NCORE

- a. N/A

F. MET GALA

- a. N/A

G. Olympics Day Event

- a. N/A

H. 1400 Furniture Purchase

- a. N/A

I. STEM Club Transfer to MESA

- a. N/A

J. Resolution for Documented Dreamers

- a. N/A

K. Changing the Language Policy

- a. N/A

L. Student Feedback

- a. N/A

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Clubs and Campus Funding Discussion
 - a. Art Department: No action can be taken at this time
 - i. Pending further discussion
 - b. Motion to approve of the ASSC giving the Pre-Med Club \$85.00
 - i. Moved by Cedric, Seconded by Mo. Passed by consensus
 - c. Motion to approve of the ASSC giving the MSA \$2,000
 - i. Moved by Dre, Seconded by Mo. Passed by consensus
 - d. Motion to approve of the ASSC giving the Drama Club \$1,730
 - i. Moved by Lana, Seconded by Mo. Passed by consensus
 - e. Blue Gene: motion to table this item for the next meeting
 - i. Moved by Mo, Seconded by Jedi. Passed by consensus
- B. Santa Clara Conference
 - a. N/A
- C. ASSC Elections
 - a. Motion to approve of the Jedi, Mo
 - b. Votes for Opposed Ernesto,
- D. Photobooth Purchase
 - a. N/A
- E. NCORE
 - a. N/A
- F. MET GALA
 - a. N/A
- G. Olympics Day Event
 - a. N/A
- H. 1400 Furniture Purchase
 - a. N/A
- I. Candidates Approval
 - a. Action taken in item C.
- J. Swearing in of new senators and executive officers
 - a. N/A
- K. Approval of Club Expenditures
 - a. Motion to approve reimbursing the STEM Club for \$11.
 - i. Moved by Cedirc, Seconded by Mo. Motion passed by consensus

IX. GUEST SPEAKER

- A. Vice President of Student Services, Lisa Neeley
 - a. N/A

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Inter-Club Council
 - a. N/A
- B. Activities
 - a. N/A

- C. Elections
 - a. N/A

XI. EXECUTIVE REPORTS (3:00 Minutes)

1. President: Diana Solis
 - a. Nothing to report
2. Vice-President: Malika Mirador
 - a. Nothing to report
3. Secretary: Noah Wong
 - a. Nothing to report
4. Legislative Advocate: Karissa Brown
 - a. Nothing to report
5. Student Trustee: Sriya Srinivasan
 - a. Nothing to report
6. Treasurer: Christian Pardo
 - a. Nothing to report
7. Public Relations Officer: AJ Matthews
 - a. Nothing to report

XII. DIVISION REPORT (3:00 Minutes)

1. Applied Tech & Business Senator Mounir Benjelloun - N/A
2. Liberal Arts Senator Giovanni Torres - N/A
3. Health & Kinesiology Melanie Punzalan - N/A
4. Math & Science Senator Ernesto Valencia Pena - N/A
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XIII. REVIEW

- The Senate listened to announcements from the Theatre Department and Mr. Langford
- Ms. Martinez gave her report on the functions/actions of the Activities Committee, the most-recent activities calendar, and ASSC office hours
- Discussed all the submitted club/campus funding requests and took action on many of them. Further discussion with the Art Department and Blue Gene Algae club pending.
- Reviewed the Senate's stance on purchasing a new photobooth
- Approved a club expenditure for the STEM club.

XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/OPEN DISCUSSION

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each item and that NO action may be taken on any of these items. These items may however come back to the Senate for action at their discretion.

XV. UPCOMING AGENDA & MEETING

A. April 16th, 2024

XVI. ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Secretary Wong asked the members of the Election Committee to present which days this week would work best for the Mandatory Candidate's Meeting as the Spring Break interrupts the original calendar. The members settled on having the meeting on Thursday April 4th. The meeting was scheduled for April 4th from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 2:06 PM.

Moved by Cedric, Seconded by Lana. Motion passed.