



Associated Students of Solano College

Regular Hybrid Meeting Minutes

April 23rd, 2024

12:30-2:00 PM PST

1400 Building – ASSC Conference Room 1421

Zoom Meeting ID: 538 978 8211



I. CALL TO ORDER

President Solis called the meeting to order at 12:32 PM

II. OFFICIAL ROLL CALL

Executive Board

1. President Diana Solis
2. Vice President Malika Mirador
3. Secretary Noah Wong
4. Legislative Advocate Karissa Brown
5. Student Trustee Sriya Srinivasan
6. Treasurer Christian Pardo
7. Public Relations Officer AJ Matthews

ATTENDANCE

- present
- present
- present
- present
- present (12:53)
- present
- present (1:16)

Senate

1. Applied Tech & Business Senator Mounir Benjelloun - present
2. Liberal Arts Senator Giovanni Torres - absent
3. Health & Kinesiology Melanie Punzalan - absent
4. Math & Science Senator Ernesto V. Pena - present (12:34)
5. Social & Behavioral Science Monica Mitchell - present (12:34)
6. Governing Board Senator Kiren Wilson - present
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 Goliat - present
11. Vocational Curriculum Senator Baron "Cedric" Pasion - present
12. Business Services Senator Josiah Tolbert - present (12:40)

III. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- A. April 23rd, 2024
 - a. Motion to approve this week’s agenda.
 - i. Moved by Lana, Seconded by Jedi, Motion Passed.
 - b. Motion to suspend the orders of the day
 - i. Motion Dre, Seconded by Mo, Motion Passed.

IV. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. April 16th, 2024
 - a. Motion to approve last week’s agenda.
 - i. Moved by Dre, Seconded by Jedi, Motion 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.

VI. ADVISOR'S REPORT

A. Denise Martinez

- a. Reminder for ASSC to arrive in the conference room at least 5 minutes before the meeting starts.
- b. Testing of demo charging lockers discussed, potential locations (next to the two restrooms in the 1400 building or outside of the cafeteria doors). Placement criteria include accessibility to outlets and central location. Overall, the ASSC expressed that they support the idea.
- c. Solano is hosting an Arab Coffee event on Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30 PM. They will be bringing coffee, desserts, etc. that are open to everyone.
- d. Discussed NCORE, stating that signed up members must submit their documents to Denise by the end of the day or they will not be able to attend.

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Santa Clara Conference Review

- a. Stated that the event was very productive. Attending members were able to network with other student governments and advisors. Some ideas that came up were implementing digital payments for clubs.
- b. Karissa voted as a delegate as representative for SCC and will be sending the information on the 59 resolutions discussed at the event digitally after the meeting. Covered a number of issues that are prevalent within the region. Reviewed the candidates that won their different positions at the event.
- c. The members attended a number of workshops on communication, unified campus vision, budgeting, student rights, etc. It was noted that the workshops were not very note-friendly; however, they gave some good information.
- d. The next conference will be in Spring 2025 in early April.
- e. The idea was put forth to include other non-ASSC students to hold positions on the different committees. So, if students are interested in being a part of the school inner workings but cannot be a member of ASSC, future Senates can be a part of the campus-wide decision-making process.

B. Fall Welcome Day

- a. A large-scale welcoming event put together by the Student Services Department that hosts clubs, panels, campus tours, and other events.
- b. The ASSC expressed that they want to be involved with the event.
- c. President Solis pushed the idea that Welcome days should also be hosted on the Vacaville and Vallejo campuses.
- d. Plan to further discuss this in the next meeting.

C. MET GALA

- a. Activities committee meeting stated that we need to inventory the items once they are delivered, there is a need to increase publicity for the event, they

have been contacting different professors to confirm their attendance, finalizing the itinerary for the event, reaching out to the Art Department about their potential involvement with the event, create a bifold to summarize the purpose and details of the event, and finishing off the Faculty Choice awards to be presented at the event.

- b. They will be hosting a Speech and Debate showing, a costume contest, a speech exhibition, and others potentially.
 - c. There is currently one vendor option for the bringing food to the event, with costs ranging from \$4500 and \$5000. The vendor for mocktails has not responded yet with an invoice. Worked out the logistics for the casino parts of the event, and there needs to be a final decision of who will be hosting these events.
 - d. Further discussion regarding what specific food will be requested at the event will be reported on in a future meeting.
 - e. Discussed the required roles, specific details, and further outreach for the event
- D. 1400 Furniture Purchase
- a. More communication is required.
- E. STEM Club Transfer to MESA
- a. Waiting on one more direct pay before further action can be taken
- F. Resolution for Documented Dreamers
- a. Reviewed the Improve the Dream effort, and further discussion on the matter will take place in next week's meeting.
 - b. More information on the matter can be found on improvethe dream.org.
- G. ASSC Elections
- a. This week is the voting week for the Spring 2024 elections; however, there have been 7,181 emails sent out to the student population and we just need to remind the students to vote.
 - b. Reviewed the previous ASSC elections meeting and updated the ASSC that the websites should be updated with all of the relevant information.
 - c. Reminder to vote in the ASSC and in upcoming elections.
- H. NCORE
- a. Planning to have a meeting later this week regarding the Fright Night and Picnic Day portions of the presentation. The hope is to get the presentations done before early May.
 - b. Legislative Advocate Brown is requesting the sign-in sheets from those previous events, and the deadline is today for the required documentation. These forms must be sent by tonight, and anyone who has not sent this information must speak to Denise after the meeting.
 - c. The event is scheduled to take place after Finals Week.
 - d. Further discussion on creating the reports for these events went forward
- I. Changing the Language Policy
- a. Motion to table this item to the next meeting.
 - i. Motioned by Cedric, seconded by Jedi, Motion passed by consensus.
- J. Student Feedback
- a. Discussed what is going on with the Student Feedback and other info.

Reviewed that the information for this can be found in the previous meeting minutes and the ASSC discord.

K. Olympics Day Event

- a. Asking the ASSC if they want to fund \$500 for students' samples. This will be going towards making a portion of the food trucks free for students. This would be paying for samples that would be offered to students.
- b. Discussed the details of the request, the samples that would be offered during the event, and who would benefit.
- c. It was generally decided that the ASSC wants to help fund the \$500 for this event.

L. ASSC Stoles/Patches

- a. Karissa presented the information she has gathered regarding Pride club doing a stoles/patch for their club.
- b. Discussed the options:
 - i. Ubiva Store: the cost (20 Patches being <\$42.99 + \$8.49 Shipping), the options (Sew on, velcro, or iron on) the size (3.1 in)
 - ii. NiuniuC: the cost (20 patches being \$49.98 with free shipping), Options (Sew on, Velcro, Iron on), the size (3.1 in), and shipping time (within 4-5 Days).
- c. It was generally agreed that the second option, NiuniuC.
- d. Motion to extend the meeting by 8 minutes
 - i. Moved by Cedric, Seconded by Jedi, Motion Passed

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. Fall Welcome Day

- a. Motion to ensure ASSC participation in Welcome Day
 - i. Moved by Lana, seconded by Cedric, Motion passed by consensus

B. MET GALA

- a. No action needed

C. 1400 Furniture Purchase

- a. No action needed

D. STEM Club Transfer to MESA

- a. No action needed

E. ASSC Elections

- a. No action needed

F. NCORE

- a. No action needed

G. Olympics Day Event

- a. Motion to approve the expenditure of \$500 for food
 - i. Moved by Dre, Seconded by Jedi. Motion carried by consensus

H. ASSC Stoles/Patches

- a. Motion to approve the expenditure of no more than \$100 for ASSC Stoles and Patches
- b. Moved by Lana, seconded by Jedi, Motion passed by consensus

I. Swearing in of new senators and executive officers

- a. No action needed

J. Approval of Club Expenditures

- a. No action needed

IX. GUEST SPEAKER

A. Vice President of Student Services, Lisa Neeley

- a. Discussed that she has been attending meetings in management and cited these as a reason for practicing expressing gratitude to the ASSC before getting into the detailed business.
- b. She is here to check in with the Senate, giving updates on what Student Services is up to; furthermore, wants to discuss the review and marketing program that has been going on in the background for SCC in a future meeting.
- c. Stated that she wants to come back in another meeting to review the data she has gone over and collected with the ongoing marketing efforts.
- d. The Student Services Department has been working on optimizing how to serve student needs like adding options where they can reach out by email, phone, text. Expressed that they will be continuing to explore these avenues for improvement and adaptation.
- e. Tentatively planned to experiment with having 4 days in the fall for more flexibility.
- f. Reviewed that the chancellor's office wants to go over the plan that Solano must address Student Equity. Therefore, the department has developed the Black Falcon Success center, the Summer Bridge program, and other efforts that can eventually be spread to more areas of the campus.
- g. Napa Valley College is having a group come to campus today to take notes on our Basic Needs Center; furthermore, they will be visiting services like the Walk-in Closet and Food Pantry.
- h. Reviewed that the school had received a grant to support the LGBTQ community on Solano a year ago. So, the college has been taking more efforts to bring awareness to and celebrate this aspect of the community throughout the month of April.
- i. Merged the EOPS center with the Student Aid center. This should hopefully make this a single stop for students to make. Previously, it would take 60-90 days to package the student information for student aid; however, now it takes only 4 days to do so.
- j. Discussed the Meditation room and the Reproductive Health office that have been worked on by the ASSC and other groups over the last several semesters.
- k. Expressed that the Student Services Department has been busy throughout the year with numerous programs, and initiatives that should be highlighted throughout the year.
- l. The student feedback was brought up by the ASSC to make sure to include gender-neutral bathrooms in the buildings that are being renovated or developed, bringing halal food options to the cafeteria, and adding reproductive health products like tampons and pads in the bathrooms, and keeping the gym open to any SCC students.

- m. Expressed that Student Development would love to have an open dialogue with the ASSC about how the college can meet the needs of the student population.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Inter-Club Council
 - a. Discussing Fall Welcome day in the next meeting
- B. Activities
 - a. Discussed the upcoming Activities.
- C. Elections
 - a. No upcoming elections meeting

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. Mentioned the voter registration tabling at the Earth Day event, and discussed upcoming actions going forward.
- 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 – Nothing to Report
- 2. Liberal Arts Senator Giovanni Torres - Nothing to Report
- 3. Health & Kinesiology Melanie Punzalan – Discussed a Theater Department dance event coming up, and the ASSC is being asked if they can borrow some equipment. It was recommended that the group reach out to the foundation for funds, to the ASSC again if they need more props, and to Amanda from the food pantry if they want to borrow an iPad stand.
- 4. Math & Science Senator Ernesto Valencia Pena - Nothing to Report
- 5. Social & Behavioral Science Monica Mitchell - Nothing to Report
- 6. Governing Board Senator Kiren Wilson -
- 7. Student Services Senator Andre Trujillo -
- 8. Humanities Senator Lana Tayag - Nothing to Report
- 9. Academic Curriculum Senator Anh Dao Pham - Nothing to Report
- 10. Diversity Affairs Senator Jedidah Goliat - There needs to be future discussion on the hiring committees for something else. We will discuss the RFP vending machine reports in the next meeting.
- 11. Vocational Curriculum Senator Baron “Cedric” Pasion - Nothing to Report

12. Business Services Senator Josiah Tolbert - Nothing to Report

XIII. REVIEW

1. Reviewed the Santa Clara trip
2. Discussed Fall Welcome Day and took action to assist with the costs of food
3. Discussed the Met Gala event and reminded senators to apply for positions
4. Approved the expenditure for Olympics Day event and ASSC stoles/patches

XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS/OPEN DISCUSSION

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XV. UPCOMING AGENDA & MEETING

- A. April 30th, 2024

XVI. ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:15 PM.

Moved by Cedric, seconded by Lana, Motion passed.