CALL TO ORDER
The regular meeting (Session II-Meeting 8) of the Associated Students, Inc. Board of Directors, was called to order at 9:04 a.m. by A.S. President Christopher Woolett, in the Northridge Center of the University Student Union.

Voting members present:  The following members were present at the start of the regular meeting: T. Alexanian, C. DeDominic, C. Dimirjian, N. Etcher, S. Garcia, R. Judge, V. Leal, J. Martinez-Ramirez, H. Nguyen, J. Partida, M. Ramirez, J. Reyes, A. Santos, S. Seals, T. Burt, H. Vacaflor, and T. Yee.

Advisors:  D. Crandall, L. Vincent, T. Piernik, and V. Ward

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
MS (Garcia/Santos) (unanimous) to approve the agenda for March 17, 2014, the following amendment:

MSC (Alexanian/Dimirjian) (unanimous) for Special Presentation to start at 9:30 a.m. (time certain).

MSC (unanimous) to approve the agenda as amended.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
MSC (Vacaflor/Martinez-Ramirez) (unanimous) to approve the minutes for March 3, and March 10, 2014, as presented.

OPEN FORUM
  • Collin Johnson, USU Chair of the Board – thanked Associated Students for inviting him to participate at CHESS last weekend. It was a great experience for him to attend CHESS and met a lot of good friends and student leaders. He enjoyed the company of the students from A.S. and from CSU Fullerton.
  • Julissa Garcia – asked the senate to approve the constitution for CSUN Political Science Student Association
  • Cameron O’Hanlan – spoke regarding the approval of the constitution for Percussion Club of CSUN
  • Lisa Goldberg – name change of Gamma Alpha Theta to Sigma Alpha Epsilon Pi
  • Antal Marzini – re CSUN Students for Israel
  • Michel Pineda (FASA) – to approve a request for budget for Pilipino Cultural Night
  • A. Jahilian, CSUN Armenian Student Association – a request for budget for an event.
  • Tiffany Zaich – informed the senate that the Environmental Affairs Committee is working on changing the name of the committee; invited all the students to attend the National Water Day on March 19th. Events will be held from 12 noon until 4:00 p.m. in the USU complex.
REPORTS

PRESIDENT – C. Woolett

- Thanked Sen. J. Perdomo for chairing the senate meeting on March 10th.
- CHESS – he attended the California Higher Education Student Summit last weekend in Sacramento with 13 other student leaders from A.S. It was a great experience riding with the student leaders from CSU Fullerton. USU Board of Directors Chair, Collin Johnson, also went with our group. The schedule was hectic but eventful. Most students’ topic of conversation was about funding, and the extra $5M that CSU Board of Trustees is asking for; and conversation regarding faculty/trustee legislation allowing faculty/trustee to carry over their term until someone is appointed.
- He will review the A.S. annual budget this week, and will present it to the senate soon after.
- Good luck to all the AS Elections candidates.
- As part of AS Awareness Month, we have the “Breakfast with the Senate today at 10:30 a.m. This is an opportunity for the students to tell the senate what they expect of us and listen to their opinion and suggestions.
- Ad Hoc Committee meeting for AS Rebranding is postponed for next week.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION
Lisa-Mone’ Lamontagne
A.S. Chair of Personnel
RE: A.S. Member of the Month for February 2014

The A.S. Member of the Month was awarded to Tiffany Zaich, Chair of A.S. Environmental Affairs Committee. She was praised for her great efforts in establishing a zipcar program on campus, which is now being implemented. She also initiated the installation of the FloWater stations which are located in the Sierra Hall and Juniper Hall. More water stations will be installed in the future.

Deadline for submission of nominations for AS Member of the Month for March is March 27th.

REPORTS (continued)

VICE PRESIDENT – T. Alexanian

- Thanked the student leaders who attended CHESS; there were 37,000 students in attendance, last week in Sacramento. She plans to work with USU to include some of the USU BOD members to attend CHESS in the future.
- She will be at the CSU Board of Trustees meeting on March 25-25th; important topic for discussions is the student voluntary fee towards CSSA. She would like to invite students who want to attend this meeting and voice their opinion on this issue.
- Meeting with Dr. Harrison and Dr. Watkins regarding CSSA student fee, and AS elections.
- Meeting with the Foundation Board regarding iPad initiative, and Oviatt Library Learning Commons (funded by Campus Quality Fee)
- She was involved in the MIC program review; they assessed how the programs are doing and MIC’s plans for the future.
• Meeting with the University Corporation Board – Dr. Martin, Director of Athletics, was in attendance. We discussed about community’s involvement to support the Athletics programs; new Freudian Sip to be built in Housing; and a sustainable building to be built.

CHIEF OF STAFF – Luis Canton
• A.S. on Wheels – the following comments were received from students:
  o Not enough outreach to faculty members; and we need more participation with VPAC
  o More transparency on clubs funding and expenditures
  o There are more parking for faculty/staff, but not enough parking for students
  o Concerns about room reservations at USU

• AS Productions received $6,500 for Swap Out
• National Water Day on Wednesday, March 19th
• Today, we will have “Breakfast with the Senate” at 10:30 a.m. as part of the AS Awareness Month.

FINANCE – S. Vaswani
Reported the following account balances:
 o $118,251 – Academically Related Reserves account
 o $247,727 – Unassigned Contingency account
 o $0 – Assigned Contingency account
 o $145,401 – Capital Improvement Account
 o $20,500 – University Corporation Special Projects
 o $0 – Clubs Travel account

ATTORNEY GENERAL – Vacant

COMMITTEE REPORTS
1. Academic Affairs – C. Dimirjian, Thursday, 1:00 p.m.
   o Met with the Chair of Deaf Studies Dept, to discuss about the adding of minor. One concern is about the shortage of staff; they are looking to get this approved as one of GE course to expand minor.

2. External Affairs – S. Garcia, Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.
   o Working on 1-hour parking zone; and
   o Matador Discounts

3. Internal Affairs – J. Reyes, Tuesday, 1:00 p.m.
   o Working with J.P. Gale, Coordinator for Sport Clubs, to discuss their 5-year plan
   o Scholarship fund in honor of Tom Piernik

4. Policies Committee – J. Perdomo, Wednesday, Tuesday, 12:00 noon
   o Finalizing the Code on Chair of Information Technology
o Working on the name change for AS Environmental Affairs Committee

5. University Affairs – J. Martinez-Ramirez, Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.
   o The University Affairs committee is in the process of receiving feedback from Admissions and Records as well as Police Services on the Enhancing Student IDs project.
   o A.S. Marketing has created three (3) wonderful designs for tradition of the rose pins, so the committee will ask the rest of the Senate for feedback on the designs.
   o The committee's meeting with TUC had to be rescheduled and the committee chair is currently scheduling a meeting with Captain Fernandez

GENERAL MANAGER – D. Crandall
• We had a positive meeting with the Facilities and Planning Dept. regarding AS Recycling Center. We need more money to build the center.
• Congratulated the Finance Committee for their work on the annual budget and budget language.

UNIVERSITY ADVISOR – T. Piernik
• We held the most successful GradFest last week. Credited the work of IT for Student Affairs who made the process for graduating students more easy, such as the ability to check the correct spelling of name and address. This also sparked more students’ interests and we reached more graduating seniors. We gave them more information on commencement such as ticketing. Thanked Ken Premo for working with the Ticketmaster; seven (7) tickets will be provided to a graduating student. Reminders will be sent out to graduating students; you can check online for ticketing activities. Tickets will be printed until the deadline (date will be provided), and after this date, tickets printed will be invalid. Get your tickets on time; tickets will cost CSUN $1.00/ticket (to the Ticketmaster).

Email will be sent to the students this week, that will direct them to the Ticketmaster website. Tickets can be reserved by April 14th (you can only print up to seven (7) tickets/graduating student).

Parking on commencement dates will be free.

• Thanked AS for supporting MIC programs assessment process. Assessment reports will be available by the end of the semester. We will get off campus staff to get their unbiased assessment.

FACULTY ADVISOR – V. Ward
• Attended the Faculty Senate meeting last week. Mr. Collin Donahue, VP for Finance and Administration, presented future funding and capital initiatives on campus. His department is working hard to be transparent. We want to make sure that our infrastructure does not deteriorate, and we take care of our building and grass areas.
Faculty members have been encouraged to attend the CSU Board of Trustees meeting and hear their discussion about the faculty salary increases through the California Faculty Association.

Education Resource, and Academic Technology Committee meetings – looking at learning management system that will benefit both the students and faculty members.

The Provost reported tier I and tier II applications are up for Fall 2014, and tier II was raised, to bring down the size of the freshmen class to 5,000 cap.

One of her goals is to participate in students events. She attended the basketball game last Saturday. CSUN Women’s Basketball team won in their division and is going to the NCAA tournament.

DIG L.A. went to San Gabriel Valley, to develop marketing plan and hospitality in that region.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Action items
   1. Finance Recommendations
      a. CSUN Student Veteran Organization – Operation Comedy
         MSC (Martinez-Ramirez/Garcia) (unanimous) to allocate $2,000 to Student Veteran Organization for Operation Comedy, from Unassigned Contingency account.

      b. Chicanos for Community Medicine – Medical School Trip
         MSC (Reyes/Alexanian) (unanimous) to allocate $3,500 to Chicanos for Community Medicine for Medical School Trip, from Unassigned Contingency account.

      c. Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc. – Stroll to Cure
         MSC (Perdomo/Santos) (17-0-1, passed) to allocate $800 to Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc. for Stroll to Cure, from Unassigned Contingency account.

      d. A.S. Ticket Office – Student Transportation Subsidies
         MSC (Martinez-Ramirez/Vacaflor) (unanimous) to allocate $25,000 to the AS Ticket Office for Student Transportation Subsidies, from Unassigned Contingency account.

      e. A.S. Productions – Capital Improvement
         MS (Reyes/Martinez-Ramirez) to allocate $20,000 to A.S. Productions, with the requirements that materials needing branding be approved by the A.S. President.

         Discussions on the actual amount from Finance Committee. The funds can be used to purchase headsets, not just for Big Show but for other events by other AS departments or USU.

         MSC (13-1-4, passed) to allocate $20,000 to A.S. Productions, with the requirements that materials needing branding be approved by the A.S. President.
f. Filipino American Student Association (FASA) – Pilipino Cultural Night
MSC (Alexanian/Perdomo) (unanimous) to allocate $3,900 to Filipino American Student Association for Pilipino Cultural Night, from Unassigned Contingency account.

g. Deaf CSUNians – Sign N’ Run
MS (Santos/Garcia) to allocate $2,915 to Deaf CSUNians for Sign N’ Run for licensing, from Unassigned Contingency account, and to direct the General Manager to approve up to $500 for Interpretive Services.

MSC (Vacaflor/Garcia) (unanimous) to allocate $2,915 to Deaf CSUNians for Sign N’ Run for licensing, from Unassigned Contingency account, and to direct the General Manager to approve up to $1,000 for Interpretive Services.

MSC (unanimous) to approve the allocation as amended.

2. Clubs and Organizations - Constitutions

a. CSUN Political Science Student Association
MSC (Alexanian/Martinez-Ramirez) (unanimous) to approve the constitution of the CSUN Political Science Student Association

b. Sigma Alpha Epsilon Pi Sorority, Inc.
MSC (Perdomo/Judge) (unanimous) to approve the constitution of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Pi Sorority, Inc.

MSC (Garcia/Martinez-Ramirez) (unanimous) to approve the name change to Sigma Alpha Epsilon Pi.

c. Open Your Hearts
MSC (Garcia/Reyes) (unanimous) to approve the constitution of the “Open Your Hearts” organization.

d. Lady Matadors Basketball Club
MSC (Santos/Leal) (unanimous) to approve the constitution of the Lady Matadors Basketball Club

e. Percussion Club of California State University, Northridge
MSC (Reyes/Santos) (unanimous) to approve the constitution of the Percussion Club of California State University, Northridge.

3. Approval of the 2014 Elections Survey
MS (Martinez-Ramirez/Vacaflor) to approve the 2014 Elections Survey with the following amendments:
(Alexanian) friendly amendment, #6, California State Student Association, change $0.06 to $0.65 per student

MS (Santos/Alexanian), #7, Affordable Care Act, to change the deadline to acquire health insurance by February 15, 2015.

MSC (Martinez-Ramirez/Perdomo) to keep the deadline of March 31, 2014, and add the statement: “if you need more information, the next eligible date for enrollment is February 15, 2015.

MSC (Perdomo/Garcia) to strike item #10, “Please enter the full name of the program, club or organization that you would like to allocate an additional $1 dollar so they can continue to serve more students.”

MSC (Reyes/Garcia) (14-0-2, passed) to amend items 11 through 13, “Associated Students Programs and Services” to include all the programs and services of AS into one item, adding Children Center, adding each programs activities/services in parenthesis.

President Woolett called for a recess for “Open Mic” and “Breakfast with the Senate” at 10:39 a.m.

The senate reconvened at 10:57 a.m.

The following voting members were present: T. Alexanian, C. DeDominic, C. Dimirjian, N. Etcher, S. Garcia, R. Judge, V. Leal, J. Martinez-Ramirez, J. Partida, J. Perdomo, M. Ramirez, J. Reyes, A. Santos, T. Burt, H. Vacaflor, and T. Yee.

The senate continued their discussions on the 2014 Elections Survey.

MSC (Garcia/Judge) (14-0-2, passed) to include AS Recycling program to the consolidation.

MSC (Perdomo/DeDominic) (12-2-2, passed) to call the question.

VP Alexanian passed the gavel back to President Woolett at 11:18 a.m.

Discussions followed.

MSC (11-4-1, passed) to strike question no. 17.
MSC (16-0-0, passed) to approve the 2014 Elections Survey as amended (attachment #1)

B. Informational items – none
C. Discussion items – none
D. Legislative Referrals
   1. To: Policies
      RE: Name Change of Environmental Affairs Committee
   2. To: Environmental Affairs Committee
      RE: Flow-Water Stations
   3. To: University Affairs
      RE: CSUN Women’s Volleyball Team

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the regular meeting was adjourned at 11:41 a.m. The following voting members were present at the conclusion of the regular meeting: T. Alexanian, C. DeDominic, C. Dimirjian, N. Etcher, S. Garcia, R. Judge, V. Leal, J. Martinez-Ramirez, J. Partida, J. Perdomo, M. Ramirez, J. Reyes, A. Santos, T. Burt, H. Vacaflor, and T. Yee.

The following voting member was not present: C. Friedemann

Approved by:

Christopher Woolett
President, 2013-2014