Minutes for meetings of the Senate California State University Channel Islands Student Government

A meeting of the Senate will be held on Wednesday, November 19, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the John Spoor Broome Library at California State University Channel Islands at One University Drive, Camarillo, CA 93012 to consider and act upon the following matters:

- 1) Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) Attendance
 - Members present: Alexandra Mitchell, Dustin Erickson, Cassandra Silic, Adriana Franco, Charmaine Ibarra, April Burger (late), Tamara Escobar, Sarah Mahon, Sandra Perez, Lauren Pollack, Katelyn Rauch, Erica Roundy, Kevin Schallert
 - b. Advisors present: Jennifer Chapman and Christine Thompson
- 3) Approval of the minutes
 - a. A motion was made to post pone the minutes for the next meeting on December
 1, 2008. This motion was seconded by Kevin. 8-0-0.
- 4) Public Forum
 - a. Parissa on behalf of the Biology club
- 5) Special Presentations
- 6) Reports
 - a. Co-Advisor- Christine Thompson
 - i. New clubs this year will be receiving new class codes.
 - ii. The hub will be receiving new locks.
 - iii. Keep on the radar: if a club is requesting additional funds for an event, they will need extra storage.
 - b. Advisor- Jennifer Chapman
 - c. President- Alexandra Mitchell
 - i. The Academic Senate meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum.
 - 1. Some policies that are under review are:
 - a. Catalog Rights Policy to be in compliance with Title V
 - b. Withdrawals policy to be in compliance with EO 1037
 - c. Grade Forgiveness Policy to be in compliance with EO 1037
 - d. Academic Master Plan
 - ii. CSSA/ASI Roundtable Meeting with the Chancellor
 - This meeting occurred on Friday, November 14 in Long Beach, CA.
 - Student Government Holiday Party is scheduled for Friday, December 6, 2008.

- iv. There is currently a vacant senate position; Alexandra will send appointment suggestion for the senate's approval.
- d. Vice President- Dustin Erickson
 - i. There will be a working meeting tonight on the following matters:
 - IEC meeting
 - 2. To work on the resolution and formal polling for prison hospital construction.
 - ii. There will be no meeting next week.
- e. Director of Statewide Affairs- Charmaine Ibarra
 - i. Charmaine and Alexandra attended CSSA at California State University Northridge. Matters that were discussed at CSSA were:
 - 1. What is driving the rise in text book prices?
 - a. Publisher's invoice prices
 - b. Bookstore market
 - c. Price and availability of used text books
 - d. Late text book adoption
 - 2. Steps of Action
 - a. Audit bookstores
 - b. Run information campaigns on campus
 - c. Fight for student representation on bookstore boards
 - d. Re-evaluate bookstore markups
 - e. Promote book store alternatives
 - 3. Executive Order 1037
 - a. The Chancellor's Exec. Order 1037 Section B number 1 is unfriendly to students. It restricts students from repeating courses that they earn a C or better in. This section of the Exec. Order is designed to save the CSU money, but inhibits the opportunities of CSU students. CSU Sacramento will be presenting a resolution adopted by their AS.
 - b. The board discussed the fee schedule of 6 units Part time / 7 units Full time. The current fee schedule for part time status is set at 6 units while full time is considered 7 units and above. Some classes are 4 units and others are 3 unit classes, a student may take 2 classes and have 7 units, having to pay full time.
 - 4. Internal Affairs

a. New Business

- i. CSSA Fundraising Committee
 - The committee discussed he roles and responsibilities of an IAC fundraising committee and will work together to identify the membership.

ii. Campus Outreach

- The committee discussed campus visits in order to strengthen relationships and open lines of communication.
- f. Senator- April Burger
 - i. The CI Traditions and Pride letter will be sent out.
- g. Senator-Tamara Escobar
 - i. On November 7, 2008 there will be a General Education Task Force to restructure the general education class. CSUCI is currently looking at Oregon State's general education criteria. The university is looking to add more interdisciplinary courses.
 - 1. Please email Tamara any feedback
 - ii. Tamara will be attending a block party committee meeting.
- h. Senator-Sarah Mahon
 - A new group was created on Facebook, "Students Against Unfair Housing Regulations".
 - 1. The group has been removed.
 - 2. Sarah will meet with Cindy Derrico and President of RHA to discuss further.
- ii. Sarah will be co-chairing the "Take Back the Night" event.
 - i. Senator- Sandra Perez
 - Sandra is attending the meeting with Sarah, Cindy Derrico and the RHA President.
 - j. Senator- Lauren Pollack
 - i. The trees for Casa Pacifica's toy drive have been purchased. The trees have been placed in the following areas:
 - 1. The library
 - 2. Anacapa Village
 - 3. The New Student Center
 - k. Senator- Katelyn Rauch

- i. Bose stereo has now been added to the Dolphin Discount Program.
 Yamatos is still pending.
 - The January issue of the CI view will have a list of the new businesses that have been added to the Dolphin Discount Program.
- ii. Please join the Alumni and Friends Association.
 - 1. Cost: \$10.00 per year; receive a 10% discount at the bookstore.
- iii. Katelyn has not heard from the Prison Hospital's outreach team.
 - I. Senator- Erica Roundy
 - i. Campus Food Services
 - 1. The Food Service on campus receives 10-15% of the profits made.
 - 2. CSUCI has a 15 year contract.
 - 3. Nutrition Facts
 - a. Nutrition facts will be placed in sight.
 - b. Workers are now using gloves to cook the food.
- 4. Every two years, Sodexho administers a food services survey, which survey will be resurfacing on campus very soon.
 - m. Senator Kevin-Kevin Schallert
 - i. The CSUCI Sailing Team placed 12th place at the Championship at UCSB this weekend.
 - ii. A letter should be written to the President's council requesting action on smoking on campus item.
 - iii. What is the rebranding consensus?
 - iv. The grade forgiveness policy that is currently under review could result in grade inflation.
 - 7) Discussion
 - 8) Approvals
 - a. Approval for funding request for the Biology Club.
 - i. Budget Request 1
 - 1. T-shirts
 - a. There will be a campus wide contest to see who can create the best t-shirt design. There will be two contest winners. The Biology club will be purchasing 24 t-shirts and given to members who display altruism within the club. The t-shirts will be worn at events.
 - ii. Budget Request 2

- 1. Tickets to San Diego Wildlife Park
 - a. Students, whether they are club members or not, will be able to attend the park on December 12th.
 - Students are responsible for arranging carpools or driving themselves there. Carpool arrangements are made amongst the students, not through the club.
- iii. Discussion on Budget Request items 1 and 2:
 - 1. KS: Why are 24 shirts being purchased?
 - 2. Parissa: The number is based on how many active members are in the club.
 - 3. LP: Members must volunteer in order to receive the shirts.
 - 4. KS: There should be a feedback forum that follows up on the experiences that students have after they visit the San Diego Wildlife Park.
 - 5. KR: How is the wildlife park trip being advertised?
 - 6. Parissa: This is currently under approval for global email.
 - 7. Parissa: Students are encouraged to carpool but there are no carpool arrangements being coordinated by the club. Students are individually responsible for driving themselves there.
 - DE: Who were the finalists for the t-shirt design? The use of the logo is not currently permitted at this time due to the university's rebranding. The logo may not be distorted or changed in any way.
 - Parissa: Suggested that guidelines for graphic design be distributed to all clubs.
 - 10. KS: If the logo is not an official logo, does it matter what logo is used?
 - 11. DE: The logo cannot be changed without approval. The use of different logos requires that a new logo must be created which needs to go through an approval process as well.
 - 12. AM: There is a handbook on how the logo can be used. This may need approval for the use of it.
 - 13. KS: Parissa does not have to leave during the vote and approval for the funds because this is an open meeting. Parissa's email will be needed.
- iv. Kevin moves to approve the main motion for the funding request of the biology club and is seconded by Sarah.

- 1. Point of Information: Are we in discussion?
- 2. Budget Request 1 in the amount of \$240
- 3. Budget Request 2 in the amount of \$277
 - a. The full amount for the Biology club's funding request is \$517
- 4. KS: The Biology Club has \$200 seed money; the total request amount should be reduced by \$100.
 - a. Kevin moves to make that amendment. 1-7
- 5. SM: The t-shirts sound exclusive. Should this be funded?
- 6. DE: The seed money is a small amount and they may have already spent some of that money.
- 7. AM: Be cautious about the seed money because the Biology Club may have already budgeted this amount so assumptions should not be made. If the seed money is not used, this amount is still swept back into the ASI account.
- 8. KR: Can we inquire of what the club plans to do with the seed money?
- 9. DE: We still need to be cautious when asking this.
- 10. KS: We should inquire as to how the club plans to use the seed money. The t-shirts are exclusive because the university does not have the capacity to supply all students with a shirt.
- 11. AB: The club is open to anyone to join. The requirements for receiving the shirts are a positive aspect of the club. This meeting is to discuss the funding request rather than what the club plans to do with the seed money.
- 12. LP: The seed money is given to clubs if they do not request additional funds. The seed money belongs to the club. There are currently 65 members and not everyone is active. Five hours of community service is needed to earn a t-shirt, the club can purchase more if they need to.
- 13. CT: The funding process needs to be consistent. The account number will need to be moved for the wildlife park visit.
- 14. KS: In regards to the Club Funding Policy, we need to be consistent. It seems that the funding requests are being "navigated as we go". Not inviting the Math Club for questioning was a mistake. The budget is being approved based on feelings

- and for that we are making a mistake on Student Government's behalf.
- 15. DE: Student Government needs to be more forward.
- 16. Intern Jennifer O'Neil: we should not follow the first consistency with the Math Club.
- 17. DE: There will be no discussion of the Math Club.
- 18. LP: Call to Question and is seconded by Erica to approve the Biology Clubs budget request in the total amount of \$517. 7-1-0.
- 9) New Business and Report Questions
 - Alexandra asked what the proposal was to do about the Facebook group and Housing situation
 - i. Sarah provided a description of the issue that brought the group into existence:
 - During a safety check, a Resident Assistant found alcohol in a resident's room.
 - ii. Need more information to move forward with this.
 - iii. KS: Removing the group is a violation of freedom of speech.
 - iv. AM: Senators in and for Housing need to communicate with residents and let them know that they can attend the senate meetings. Student Government cannot take action on heresy.
 - v. KS: The student should not have been forced to discontinue the group; this matter should be taken on. In regards to the issues in Housing, is this our area to take on?
 - vi. SM: If they are part of the student body, it is Student Government's responsibility to take this issue on.
 - vii. AM: RHA does not have the chance to meet with President Rush and update him on current issues.
 - viii. KS: Shouldn't we let RHA take this issue on?
 - ix. SM: Then what is the role of the senators advocating for Housing?
 - x. LP: This issue has to do with off-campus housing as well.
 - xi. Intern-Jennifer O'Neil: Are the RAs allowed to go into the rooms?
 - xii. AB: Residents are given a 72-hour notice prior to safety checks and they are not permitted to go through personal belongings.
 - xiii. DE: This part of the discussion is not in Student Government's jurisdiction.
 - xiv. AB: Both sides of the story need to be presented. The details of the issue cannot be released.

- xv. The student's incident report is not immediately important for Student Government to take on. Student Government should be looking into why the group was removed from Facebook and that the forcing the student to remove the group was a violation of freedom of speech.
- xvi. CS: RHA and senators for Housing need to work together on this issue.
- xvii. DE:
- xviii. Intern: Jennifer O'Neil: The RA's goals should be to make the housing vicinity a dry area.
- xix. DE: The issue is students' rights to their own privacy.
- xx. KS: RAs should officially condemn underage drinking.
- xxi. DE: Sarah and April, please get in contact with RHA to investigate the issue further.
- xxii. AM: We will need a copy of the residents' ABC Manual to research the resident's rights.
- xxiii. KS: I would like to make this a discussion item for next week.
- xxiv. SM: The President for RHA is meeting with Cindy Derrico on Friday.

b. Casa Pacifica

- Students may not take the gifts directly to the students. Only
 professionals have direct contact with the kids due to a safety issue. The
 students can request to take a tour of the facility.
- ii. Please assist in the working meeting with ornament creating for Casa Pacifica gifts.
- c. Katelyn passed around the updated Dolphin Discount Program.
 - i. The Dolphin Discount Program is under department number 530 and will go through university mail.

d. Grade Forgiveness

 Erica agrees with the Executive Order 1037 that grade forgiveness could cause GPA inflation.

e. Food Services

i. Erica to look into items placed on shelves in the café and why those items are for sale versus other items that could be placed there.

10) Adjournment

a. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.