

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

A meeting of the Senate will be held on Wednesday, January 28, 2009 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
 - a. Members present: Dustin Erickson, Cassandra Silic, Charmaine Ibarra, April Burger, Tamara Escobar, Eddie Ibarra, Sarah Mahon, Sandra Perez, Katelyn Rauch, Erica Roundy, and Kevin Schallert.
 - b. Advisors present: Christine Thompson
 - c. ASI Interns present: Corina Cruz, Jennifer O'Neil, Christine Wamba and Jasmine Garcia.
- 3) Approval of the minutes
 - a. Minutes for Wednesday, December 12, 2008 were approved.
 - b. Minutes for Wednesday, January 21, 2009 were approved.
- 4) Public Forum
- 5) Special Presentations
- 6) Reports
 - a. Co-Advisor- Christine Thompson
 - i. Recycling Bins
 1. The recycling bins were purchased with a grant that was given to the department of Student Life from Ventura County because the redemption program is conducive for the county and the campus community for recycling. The recycling bin in front of the bell tower and near Sodexho were both purchased by Sodexho. The large one that Sodexho uses belongs to Sodexho. Student Life was unsure of who to pass the other recycle bin onto so it was given to Student Government; Student Government was unable to handle this task. The bin was then given to different clubs and organizations who also proved incapable of handling the task. People called OPC to notify them of when the bins became full and informed Student Life that if they could not empty the bins that they (OPC) would include that bin in their route and Student Life would lose ownership of the bin.
 2. Housing has created a position description for a student who's job would be to regulate all of the recyclables around campus

and convert it into a redemption program for a student scholarship. One of Housing's goals this year is to be more sustainable and they feel by helping with the redemption program will aid the campus' overall goal of sustainability. The situation stemmed from lack of ownership of the bin in front of the bell tower and because there are 80 "slim jims" (small bins placed outside of classrooms for the redemption program). OPC has been keeping track of these bins to prevent the same issue that happened with the bin in front of the bell tower.

- ii. Vacant ASI position
 - 1. There is a student at large position in ASI available. The position will be finishing out what is a two-year position (there is only this last semester to be fulfilled). This position will be on the election ballot for this semester's upcoming elections.
- iii. Election Calendar
 - 1. There are upcoming events that Cassandra will email to everyone.
- iv. Advisor- Jennifer Chapman's report
 - 1. Jenn was unable to make tonight's meeting, therefore, Christine read Jenn's report.
 - a. Jenn will not be present at next week's meeting due the Now and Then event taking place on February 4 at 6:00 p.m.
 - b. The Clubs and Organizations applications and renewal applications are accessible in the S.E.A.L. Center.
- b. Vice President- Dustin Erickson
 - i. President Alexandra Mitchell's report
 - 1. Alexandra was unable to attend tonight's meeting. Her report will be emailed to all officers.
 - ii. Senators please sign up for a one-on-one appointment to discuss evaluations.
 - iii. All Senators need to email office hours and this semester's cause.
 - iv. Cassandra and I have a EMSSC committee meeting tomorrow afternoon, I will update all officers on what was discussed in the meeting next week.
- c. Director of Operations- Cassandra Silic
 - i. Changes for the December 3, 2008 minutes have been made.

- ii. Changes for the January 21, 2009 minutes have been made.
 - iii. Please email your reports or submit changes via email if possible.
 - iv. Please contact
- d. Director of Statewide Affairs- Charmaine Ibarra
- i. CSSA at Cal State Los Angeles
 - 1. Capital Fellows Program
 - a. The Capital Fellows Programs are nationally recognized and the 18 Assembly Fellows, 18 Senate Fellows, 18 Executive Fellows and 10 Judicial Administration Fellows receive an outstanding opportunity to engage in public service and prepare for future careers, while actively contributing to the development and implementation of public policy in California. This is an outstanding opportunity to engage in public service and prepare for a future career by working 10-11 months as a full-time staff member of a legislative, executive or judicial branch office. Some of the benefits include:
 - i. \$1972 monthly stipend
 - ii. Full health, vision and dental benefits
 - iii. 12 graduate units from Sacramento State in Government or Public Policy and Administration
 - iv. Student loan deferments
 - b. The deadline to apply is February 28, 2009.
 - c. For more information, contact:
christina.romera@asm.ca.gov
 - 2. Actions taken at CSSA
 - a. Action Item: Executive Order 1037 Resolution: The Chancellor's Executive Order 1037 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 Executive Order is designed to save the CSU money, but inhibits the opportunities of CSU students. Channel Islands voted in opposition to this action item. However, the motion carried.
 - b. Action Item: CSSA Resolution on the Governor's Proposed Budget 2009-2010. The board of directors

passed a resolution to address the Governor's Proposed Budget for the fiscal year 2009-10.

- c. Action Item: Competitive Cal Grant Funding Decision by Governor Schwarzenegger. The board of directors passed a resolution at the board meeting in opposition to Governor Schwarzenegger's lack of funding support to competitive Cal Grants and decision to delay payment of current Cal Grant recipients.

3. Textbook Affordability

- a. Alexandra and I will be working on a Text book Affordability campaign we are trying to construct. If anyone is interested please see me or Alex.

4. CHESS Registration

- a. I encourage everyone to sign up for the CHESS conference. Senate, will you please make a decision on funding for the interns to attend. Once this is complete, and we have a final list of names who will be in attendance, Cassandra can you please send in the registration form found on the CSSA website—deadline for registration: February 18th, 2009.

e. Senator- Tamara Escobar

- i. There are scheduling conflicts for April's block party. Currently, April 10th is a tentative date for the block party because that Friday is Good Friday. The committee for the block party is currently postulating canceling the block party or holding it the same weekend as the Spring Gala.

f. Senator- Sarah Mahon

- i. It appears that the block party will be cancelled for the month of April and the committee will devote its focus to helping the Spring Gala committee. April 17th was discussed as a possible date for the Spring Gala but all Student Government officers will not be present because CHESS will be occurring that same weekend. Another tentative date for the Spring Gala is April 3rd.

g. Senator- Sandra Perez

- i. Sandra met with Yovani Lopez to discuss Maximus. The timeline presented last week during the working meeting will be modified. Modifications will be discussed at next week's working meeting.

h. Senator- Erica Roundy

d. Introductions

i. All officers and interns introduced themselves to each other.

10) Adjournment

a. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.