
CONTRA COSTA COLLEGE | ASSOCIATED STUDENT UNION (ASUCCC)



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STUDENT SENATE | REGULAR MEETING MINUTES | MAY 09, 2024

Meeting Location: 2600 Mission Bell Dr. (SAB 107) San Pablo, CA. 94806

4:10 P.M. – 5:40 P.M.

Zoom Information

<https://4cd.zoom.us/j/9286267215>

Meeting ID: 928 626 7215

Agenda Materials

Board members will be attending via teleconference from the following locations

Note: While teleconference locations are listed below, if a member does not participate from a teleconference location that location may not be open to the public.

Associated Students Union Goals

- ★ Goal #1- Connecting to different leadership opportunities
 - ★ Goal #2- Specify between sister colleges student government
 - Also, our own student leadership teams
 - ★ Goal #3- Policy- making and advocacy
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1. ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Call to Order: **4:14PM**

B. Roll Call | 5 Minutes

Voting Members

President Sudinma Thapa	Parliamentarian <i>vacant</i>
Executive Vice President (Interim) Sheyla Gutierrez Rojas	Director of Public Relations Sara Sugimoto
Vice President of Club Affairs <i>vacant</i>	Director of Shared Governance <i>vacant</i>
Secretary (Interim) Irma Huizar	Director of External Affairs <i>vacant</i>
Treasurer (Interim) Erick Arias	Activity Coordinator <i>vacant</i>
Senator(s)	
Alejandra Simen Ma'Leah Ward	Frankie Concha Emily Au Ode Kunthar

Non-Voting Members

Advisor: Angela Loera

Petitioning Senator(s):

Note-Taker: Irma Huizar

Public:

2. APPROVAL | 5 Minutes

The ASUCCC Board will consider any amendments to the agenda and consider for approval the meeting held on **May 09, 2024**.

- E. Au moves to adopt the agenda, O. Kunthar seconds. Unanimous approval, motion passes.

A. Minutes (May 02, 2024)

- O. Kunthar moves to approve the minutes, F. Concha seconds. Unanimous approval, motion passes.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT | 10 Minutes

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California Government Code Section 54954.3 Members of the public will be given an opportunity to comment. This section of the meeting cannot surpass 10 minutes. Individuals will each receive two minutes per comment.

4. INTRODUCTION OF PETITIONING SENATORS & REPRESENTATIVES *(Optional)*

5. NEW BUSINESS |

A. **Campus Food Options (VPBAS, Victoria Menzies) | 15 Minutes**

- We've been meeting every Tuesday at 11:00AM for two months to discuss food options due to complaints, looking for a policy challenge, and talking about four resources. Wanted to hear what students want, give us an opportunity, and we could reach out to students on what they want the cafeteria to look like. Conflict with MCHS food distribution and food provided by Hope, hoping to bring two together to avoid conflict. We can hopefully try to make a policy change, want feedback from ASU but also want us to reach out to a larger student population. Looking forward to having our own staff to run the cafeteria, going to continue to meet to talk about this stuff. Contact me if you have questions, concerns or comments. A functional cafeteria is necessary; most vending machines are not working but the district is working to fix this, hoping to get food taste to people, sample food, and see what they want. More of a variety and options; most students get food from the bookstore, and we have complained that these foods are not very healthy and filling. Just purchased two new microwaves in the cafeteria to help, will recommend we get more fresh food. Almost all healthy food is more expensive, which is why with the cafeteria hiring its own staff, they can control the profit, and we can offer a higher variety. Somewhere along the serving students, food has been forgotten, so they're hoping to bring this back. During summer, they want to replace furniture too, so hopefully, by September in Fall 2024, everything will be functional to talk about. It would not be big corporations, but we would hire graduates

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from culinary arts, talking about a franchise but prices would be higher. Trying to do an assessment to see what the best option is. Food vendors dictate what food they're going to serve so we would like to be in control, which is why we're leaning more towards our own staff, we hire a cook, food manager, and cashier.

- The easiest way to reach out to people is by creating a survey together that can be open for the beginning of next semester. F. Concha and M. Ward will work on a student survey targeting a larger campus demographic. We would like to have this finished by the end of the month. Contact S. Thapa or Victoria Menzies for assistance.

B. CCC Marketing Student Opportunity (Larry Womack) | 10 Minutes

- If anyone is interested, we're hoping to put together a team of 3-4 students who can help produce content for social media. We're looking for two reels or stories and photos a week, telling your story of what you're doing in the semester and the activities and events you are participating in. You will be required to meet with Larry once a week at first and once a month later with Larry and the vendor. Payment is tricky because of the different rules around student ambassadors; this is a volunteer position, but you will be rewarded with gift cards worth up to \$100. If you are a student worker, you will have to log your hours. We ask for a commitment of two consecutive semesters, and you need a GPA of 2.0 or higher and maintain this GPA. The URL for the application is provided; you do not have to have specific work experience because Larry is trying to find diversity, looking for different strengths and programs.

6. OLD BUSINESS |

A. ASU End of Year Retreat Discussion/Action | 5 Minutes

- What we need to do right now is vote between all the options. We wanted to do this as teams, but we want to explore all the options. We had three main options referring to past meetings. Tuesday, the 21st at 2:00 PM, we will be doing an activity followed by dinner.

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- The activities: We went around the board and did a raise of hands of activities we **do not** want to do.
 - Escape room:
 - Ceramics: 3 votes
 - ~~Six Flags: 4 votes~~
 - Therefore, we will not be doing Six Flags
- We will not be voting if we can do an Escape Room, if the motion fails, we will be doing Ceramics.
 - Escape Room:
 - Ay (For Escape Room): F. Concha, M. Ward & O. Kunthar
 - Nay: S. Gutierrez Rojas, E. Au I. Huizar & E. Arias

The motion has failed, so we will be doing ceramics once again this year. For a two-hour class with around 12 members, it will be about \$600, including activity and dinner.

- The board was narrowed down the food options and now we will be voting:
 - Albany Ao Sen: I. Huizar & O. Kunthar
 - Kyoto Ramen: M. Ward, E. Au, F. Concha, S. Gutierrez, & E. Arias
- We will be going to Kyoto Ramen.
- Our plan will be to meet up at Cass Ceramics first, and then we will be going to Kyoto Ramen.

~~B. ASU Superlatives Activity (S. Thapa) | 5 Minutes~~

C. ASU Events Updates/ Action | 10 Minutes

i. Finals Freebies

- The coffee place did not answer, so E. Arias was not able to contact them. A. Loera will take care of coffee. She will go down on the weekend and use George's card, then reimburse it. If we cannot accommodate, we can go to Star Bread and purchase. If they cannot provide coffee, it would be unsure what we will be able to get on the day of. M. Ward will have to have the flyer done and sent out to S. Thapa by tomorrow, Friday, so

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we can advertise. In terms of volunteers, F. Concha, O. Kunthar, E. Arias, and S. Thapa. In terms of promotion, spread the news through word and mouth. Volunteers please be there by 10:40AM for setup; the event starts at 11:00AM and ends until everything runs out. Refer to the minutes from May 2nd, 2024, for more information.

D. STAC Student Stipend Updates (S. Thapa) | 10 Minutes

- S. Thapa went to STAC this week and presented to the Student Trustee, DVC, and other staff members, and reviewed the proposal. They had questions about how our proposal will impact our budget and wanted exact numbers. They will try their best to give what we propose but they will consider the second half of the proposal. They're going to bring it up higher and see what happens.

7. INTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORTS | 5 Minutes

A. ASU Elections Committee (S. Thapa, S. Gutierrez Rojas, A. Loera)

- Voting is currently open and closes tomorrow at 4 PM. The elections committee will certify the elections next Tuesday, and there will be a quick meeting on Wednesday so we can officially certify the elections.

8. EXTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORTS | 5 Minutes

A. Planning Committee (Irma Huizar)

- Last Friday was The Planning Committee's last meeting, and they discussed how they can have more students on this committee. I shared with them the ideas ASU came up with on the STAC Student Stipend, such as Free Textbooks, Priority Registration, and Free Parking.

B. Operations Committee (Student Rep, Andrea Martinez)

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- A. Loera shared notes: Yesterday, we asked for a student representative to attend, and one of our ambassadors went. They are almost done with the master renovation plan. DSPS has concerns with space, and there is not enough funding to separate art and music. The state will not provide funding for housing, but spots will be saved. The faculty is open to changes in food policies. Regarding graduation, police services will not allow balloons in order to have a smooth graduation.

9. BUDGET APPROVAL | 10 Minutes

A. ASU End of Year Retreat- Allocate \$1000

- Last meeting we made a motion to allocate \$1000 for the ASU End of the Year Retreat
- S. Gutierrez moves to approve the \$1000 allocation, E. Au seconds. Unanimous approval, motion passes.

B. Reimbursement Inscape Art Club (on behalf of Inter-Club Council) - \$60

- One of our club reps was not aware they needed to go first to get reimbursed, we they want to give her money back for stuff she bought for her club, which was bought without knowing.
- M. Ward moves to approve the \$60 reimbursement, O. Kunthar seconds. Unanimous approval, motion passes.

C. Copy Central Printing (Elections) - \$418.73

- This is for the big promotional posters around campus for ASU Elections
- M. Ward moves to approve the amount, F. Concha seconds. Unanimous approval, motion passes.

D. Fall 2024 Welcome Week - \$5,000

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- Last fall, we allocated \$5000 in case we wanted to do an event for Welcome Week. This allocation is intended in case we want to work on something in the summer and move forward.
- M. Ward moves to approve the amount, S. Gutierrez seconds. Unanimous approval, motion passes.

E. NCORE 2024 2 Students/1 Staff

- a. Meal Allowance – \$825
 - S. Gutierrez moves to approve the amount, M. Ward seconds. Unanimous approval, motion passes.
- b. Snacks - \$200
 - O. Kunthar moves to approve the amount, M. Ward seconds. Unanimous approval, motion passes.

10. BOARD REPORTS | 5 Minutes

- A. **President-** This is the last ASU meeting. It doesn't feel like the last meeting. I wanted to thank us all for being in ASU and stepping up as student leaders and supporting each other through everything and all the events. I really enjoyed my time at ASU. If ASU needs support, I will be there. I got interviewed by a student journalist for the Advocate about thoughts and time in ASU. The article will be published on May 17th. Thank you for the wonderful year.
- B. **Executive Vice President-** ICC discussed wanting to have a table club for next semester so we can know what tables have student clubs. It was a good time to be in ASU; I have been here for a year, having the opportunity to run ICC. I had a chance to practice public speaking skills, looking more into college and what goes on behind the scenes, and graduating.

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C. Treasurer

D. **Secretary-** I had a good time in ASU, and I enjoyed working with everyone and learning the importance of leadership, I hope to take on more leadership positions in the future. I look forward to graduating and thank you everyone for everything.

E. Dir. of Public Relations

F. Senator(s)

- M. Ward: Went to the APALI and learned a lot about different traits and outlets and networking opportunities, hoping to go next year, and a student is interested in collaborating in the future.
- O. Kunthar: Enjoyed the time in ASU and will do their best in the next semester. Also attended the Asian Pacific American Leadership Institute, and it was fun and informative. I hope to attend more conferences and encourage practicing leadership and pursuing more endeavors.
- A. Simen: Apologizes for not being able to be in person; it has been stressful. I wanted to share that I attended the EOPS ceremony, and it was nice seeing everyone there. I will be attending La Raza ceremony, and I will miss everyone, and I am hoping to attend the retreat. Probably will attend this Wednesday's quick meeting for elections.
- F. Concha: Liked being in ASU and feels close and bonded, especially enjoyed the conference where we got to know each other. I liked joining ASU and being a delegate.

G. **Advisor-** The Facilities Master Plan team did give us comments back from in response to our feedback. They will be forwarded to us because there were some pressing questions. It does not feel like the last meeting. Thank you for sticking around; happy to support. Hold on in there for finals and take care of yourselves.

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11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS | 2 Minutes

ASUCCC will consider any requests for future agenda items.

- Elections Certification

12. ADJOURNMENT

ADJOURN 5:21PM

Next Meeting..... **TBD (Fall 2024)**