The Associated Students of Las Positas College
Senate Meeting
Friday, September 26, 2014
1:00 pm – Adjournment

I. Call to Order
II. Roll Call
III. Adoption of the Agenda
IV. Approval of the Minutes
V. Advisor Notes
VI. Guest Speakers
VII. Public Forum
VIII. Old Business
   A. AS Night
   B. Sweatshirts
   C. Sports Day
   D. Follow Ups
IX. New Business
   A. Approval of Funds
   B. Media Items
   C. Senator Exemption
   D. Letters and Resolutions
X. Subcommittee Meetings
XI. Subcommittee Reports
   A. Programs and Services
   B. Events
   C. Public Relations
   D. Legislation
XII. Announcements
XIII. Adjournment
I. Mr. Ansari called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm.

II. Roll Call

Officers:
Rafi Ansari
Paulina Reynoso
Olga Salgado
Ashley Landicho
Stephanie Plascencia (EXCUSED LATE)
CJ Singh

Senators:
Antonio Aguilar
Eric Bolin
Brandon Byrne
Omar Elgarguri
Alejandra Garcia
Jose Gutierrez
Claire Huestis
Alexander Ivanov
Priyanka Jariwala
Nancy Kang
Ladan Khandel (UNEXCUSED ABSENT)
Alexandre Nguyen
Keller O'Rourke
Luis Perez
Eric Pineda (EXCUSED ABSENT)
Shanan Sahota
Ciera Soliz
Joel Rowland (EXCUSED ABSENT)

III. Adoption of the Agenda

- Mr. Byrne moved to adopt the agenda with the following changes:
  - Add Old Business: C. Sports Day
  - Add Old Business: D. Follow Ups
  - Add New Business: A. Approval of Funds
  - Strike Old Business: A. Window Decal
- Mr. Singh seconded.
- Motion passed unanimously.
IV. Approval of the Minutes
- Mr. Byrne moved to approve the minutes from September 19th, 2014.
- Ms. Soliz seconded.
- Motion passed unanimously.

V. Advisor Notes
- Mr. Miner reminded us to keep the refrigerator clean.
- Mr. Miner mentioned himself and other office staff was hoping to get training in the near future on ASB procedures.
- Mr. Miner used an example such as a donation for flowers as one of the things you’re not supposed to buy.
- Another example was the use of cash and checks to provide prizes for winners at events.
- Any money we spend, we must think and consider about how it directly benefits the students.
- Mr. Miner went through typical, general examples of things that are considered acceptable and not acceptable, by all colleges, to spend funds on:
  - acceptable: magazines and subscriptions for student use, playground equipment, library books, supplemental class/lab equipment i.e. telescope or aquarium, field-trips/outdoor ed. Equipment, extracurricular costs, scholarships and/or awards under certain circumstances
  - prohibited: costs normally covered by the college, such as operations expenses, chairs, heating bills, teachers’ salaries, office supplies for use in classes, articles for personal use, expenses for faculty meetings / parent teacher organizations, large awards unless otherwise stated in board policy, gifts of any kind, employee clothing or meals, donations to nonprofit organizations, to students or families in need, no matter how worthy the cause
- Using college funds to buy prohibited items can be considered a crime in extreme circumstances, so it is best to avoid gifts of any amount; every dollar should be treated the same.

VI. Guest Speakers
- NONE

VII. Public Forum
- NONE

VIII. Old Business
A. AS Night
- Ms. Huestis decided that instead of combining both AS Night/ Rave Night to just make it AS night where we provide free food and goodie bags to the students. It will be in the cafeteria now on Thursday, October 30th.
- Ms. Huestis moved to approve the blanco plan for AS night.
- Ms. Jariwala seconded.
- Thursday night has the most traffic and it’s usually when students have their last class of the week; Ms. Jariwala suggested adding a movie.
• Motion passed unanimously.
• Ms. Huestis moved to approve the budget for AS night for an up-to-amount of $950.
• Mr. Aguilar seconded.
• Motion passed unanimously. (ROLL CALL VOTE SEE ATTACHED)

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B. Sweatshirts
• Mr. Singh was concerned as to whether or not the sweatshirts were considered a gift or employee attire.
• Mr. Miner said that it wouldn’t be acceptable if for example the student body bought Ms. Moore a jacket. He brought it up just to make people think.
• Mr. Gutierrez said he doesn’t think it’s a gift since we didn’t have to pay for polos.
• Ms. Jariwala talked to Chris and he considers it a gray area. It took a long time to approve polos. It’s a good option to buy them, and it should be fine since students are paying for our sweatshirts when they pay their fees. They’re not paying for the entire thing so it’s not too bad.
• Mr. Elgarguri said that our concern is misuse of public money. The polos are a method of increasing advocacy. If we bring it down to a normal price range like the other hoodies around $30, maybe we can cover the rest ourselves. It can be looked at as we are spending our own money to represent the school.
• Ms. Soliz said that since the polos are going to get old, it’d be good to get sweatshirts for winter time.
• Ms. Reynoso said that clubs get fees to get whatever they want.
• Mr. Singh said the sweatshirts are identification for how we express ourselves. It is optional so if you want to buy them you can but you don’t have to.

C. Sports Day
• Ms. Jariwala moved to approve the Sports Day budget for an up-to-amount of $125.
• Mr. O'Rourke seconded.
• We can bring out the B-ball game. The plan is to put them out on November 12th. We can also have a volleyball set, another frisbee, and a new soccer ball. We can use cones for soccer goals.
• Motion passed unanimously.

D. Follow Ups
• Ms. Salgado had a meeting with Mr. Samra and mixed up the general satisfaction and student satisfaction surveys. Mr. Samra took ours into consideration.

IX. New Business

A. Approval of Funds
• Ms. Sahota thought it would be nice to have business cards for people going to D.C. It costs $2.79 per card, 10 cards per sheet. She is planning on making a card for each of the officers; senators can ask for one if they want.
Ms. Sahota moved to approve an up-to-amount of $50.
Mr. Ivanov seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

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B. Media Items
- Mr. Perez moved to approve an up-to-amount of $200 for the website.
- Mr. Elgarguri seconded.
- Mr. Perez said that it costs to have something posted on the internet.
- Motion passed unanimously.
- Mr. Perez moved to approve an up-to-amount of $300 for laser pointers.
- Ms. Soliz seconded.
- Motion passed unanimously.
- Mr. Bolin said regarding PR equipment, we spent about $600 on Express last year and we will have more money to work with since none of it is going to them this year. He is also thinking of possibly buying a new, nice quality camera for events so we can all collectively use it, and possibly open it up to clubs for certain activities.
- Mr. Bolin moved to approve an up-to-amount of $880 for Canon EOS.
- Mr. Singh seconded.
- Motion passed with 1 abstention. (ROLL CALL VOTE SEE ATTACHED)
- Diana, the video instructor, gave us a list of places to give us a student discount.
- Mr. Perez moved to extend time by 20 minutes.
- Ms. Soliz seconded.
- Division of the House occurred: Motion failed with 11 in favor, 8 opposed, and 1 abstention.

C. Senator Exemption
- Ms. Reynoso moved to exempt Ms. Jariwala from Roundtable.
- Mr. Byrne seconded.
- Ms. Jariwala has class on Fridays until 12:30 pm.
- Motion passed unanimously.

D. Letters and Resolutions
- Ms. Salgado shared 1 mock resolution. Mr. Rowland was not here to present his resolution. Ms. Salgado also shared the Paycheck Fairness Act, "Equal Pay for Equal Work", which was passed a few times in the House.
- It was introduced in 2009 but was rejected in front of senate 4 or 5 times.
- August 26th is Women's Equality Day.
- Ms. Salgado moved to approve the Paycheck Fairness Act.
- Ms. Jariwala seconded.
- The act would require employers to demonstrate justification for differences in pay on a basis other than sex; future generations regardless of their gender, sexual orientation, ethnicity or face, will warrant the diminishment of wage gaps and
prompt for equal footing in the workplace upon graduation from colleges and universities.

- Mr. Ivanov added that another reason they may be underpaid is because there are more men than women in certain fields.
- Motion passed unanimously.

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X. Subcommittee Meetings
- Mr. Byrne moved to suspend the orders of the day at 2:15 pm for 35 minutes.
- Ms. Jariwala seconded.
- Motion passed unanimously.

- Mr. Aguilar moved to reinstate the orders of the day at 2:50 pm.
- Ms. Reynoso seconded.
- Motion passed unanimously.

XI. Subcommittee Reports

A. Programs and Services
- Mr. Gutierrez stated that 120 books are discontinued in TLP, so his committee made an inventory to see how much they're valued at to put money back into other use.

B. Events
- Ms. Plascencia stated that her committee had a demonstration on how to fill out a facilities request. They went over what food they want at AS night exactly (i.e. Wingstop, lasagna and breadsticks). There will possibly be a major event at the end of the semester and we will hear about that next week.

C. Public Relations
- Ms. Sahota assigned people to make flyers, promoted the health center, and cleaned the bulletin boards.

D. Legislation
- Ms. Salgado announced that the November elections were coming up in 6 weeks and thought it would be a good idea to have some members of her committee to present what each measure is about. She’s also thinking about having some advocacy days and giving out an online student award but she would need to figure out what the standards are for that.

XII. Announcements
- Mr. Ansari showed us a picture of how messy the bulletin boards are. A bunch of organizations are on there that don't have Mr. Miner's signature on there. It’s mandatory for clubs to have only half-sheet advertisements posted so let them know. Colleges are allowed to have a whole sheet and he suggested possibly writing a resolution for that. It is inappropriate to post certain ads (i.e. night club, sperm donation).
- Mr. Ivanov asked who still hasn’t watched the ParliPro video.
• Ms. Soliz stated that for High School Outreach she wanted to have some quotes from some senators and the student body on how community college affected them positively.
• Mr. Miner said that we can't take everyone along trip to D.C. but he will post stuff on Tumblr to show what happened on the trip.

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• Ms. Salgado said that we should take some time to ask students who've taken online classes to find out who displays effective use of the tools on their course so we can see who deserves the online student award.
• Mr. Gutierrez reminded us to pay attention to the fridge and closet and to keep the doors closed.
• The Club Day sign-up sheet will be on Ms. Plascencia's desk on Monday.
• Ms. Reynoso announced the following people are now confirmed senators: Claire Huestis, Omar Elgarguri, Antonio Aguilar.

XIII. Adjournment
• Mr. Nguyen moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:06 pm.
• Mr. O'Rourke seconded.
• Motion passed unanimously.
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Roll Call Vote:
Old Business: A. AS Night
Motion: To approve an up-to-amount of $950 for AS Night.

Officers:
Paulina Reynoso Aye
Olga Salgado Aye
Ashley Landicho Aye
Stephanie Plascencia Aye
CJ Singh Aye

Senators:
Antonio Aguilar Aye
Eric Bolin Aye
Brandon Byrne Aye
Omar Elgarguri Aye
Alejandra Garcia Aye
Jose Gutierrez Aye
Claire Huestis Aye
Alexander Ivanov Aye
Privanka Jariwala Aye
Nancy Kang Aye
Ladan Khandel (UNEXCUSED ABSENT)
Alexandre Nguyen Aye
Keller O'Rourke Aye
Eric Pineda (EXCUSED ABSENT)
Luis Perez Aye
Shanan Sahota Aye
Ciera Soliz Aye
Joel Rowland (EXCUSED ABSENT)
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Roll Call Vote:
New Business: B. Media Items
Motion: To approve an up-to-amount of $880 for Canon EOS.

Officers:
Paulina Reynoso                           Aye
Olga Salgado                                Aye
Ashley Landicho                            Aye
Stephanie Plascencia                       Aye
CJ Singh                                   Aye

Senators:
Antonio Aguilar                           Aye
Eric Bolin                                  Aye
Brandon Byrne                             Abstain
Omar Elgarguri                            Aye
Alejandra Garcia                          Aye
Jose Gutierrez                            Aye
Claire Huestis                            Aye
Alexander Ivanov                          Aye
Priyanka Jariwala                        Aye
Nancy Kang                                 Aye
Ladan Khandel                  (UNEXCUSED ABSENT)
Alexandre Nguyen                          Aye
Keller O'Rourke                           Aye
Eric Pineda                  (EXCUSED ABSENT)
Luis Perez                               Aye
Shanan Sahota                            Aye
Ciera Soliz                                Aye
Joel Rowland              (EXCUSED ABSENT)