The Associated Students of Las Positas College

Senate Meeting Minutes

Friday, February 4, 2011

Las Positas College
3000 Campus Hill Dr.
Livermore, CA 94551

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I. Call to Order

Mr. Nenni called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm

II. Roll Call

President: Dan Nenni
Vice President: Takeo Hiraki
Director of Legislation: Scott Ault
Director of Events: Kelly Tran
ICC Chair: Janneice Hines (Unexcused Late)
Director of Communications: Sophia Malerich
SENATORS:

Ahmad Soomro
Alaina Schofield
Amir Salehzadeh
Ashley Goergen
Breanna Krumins
Candy Wager
Christina Aboud
Cherry Bogue
Daniel Fomin
Danielle Bodemann
Hannah Ackley
Jacob Park
Lawrence Witkowski
Natasha Hrycaj
Nico Portugal
Paul Chervatin
Raj Singh
Samit Khatri
Sarah Harris
Sid Noor (Unexcused Late)
Stephaney Suarez

III. Adoption of the Agenda

- Ms. Krumins moved to approve the agenda
- Mr. Salehzadeh seconded
- Motion passes unanimously

IV. Approval of Minutes

- Ms. Krumins moved to approve the minutes
• Ms. Aboud Seconded
  o Ms. Krumins moved to postpone the approval of the minutes until the definite date of February 11, 2011
  o Mr. Ault seconded
  o Motion passes unanimously

V. Officer Reports

A. President

Mr. Nenni commended the senators for helping with the textbook loaner program. He stated the Inter-constituency Olympics were approaching and he wanted the senate to represent the student in this event.

B. Vice President

Mr. Hiraki stated he has been working on website information for the Technology Subcommittee. Also, he stated senator packets were coming in and senator orientations would begin again.

C. Director of Legislation

Mr. Ault stated he was working on resolutions being proposed for California Community Colleges.

D. Director of Communication

Ms. Malerich stated she was working on committee assignments as well as contact lists, committee report information, and office hours.

E. Director of Events

Ms. Tran stated she is in the process of getting more vendors and preparing for the talent show.

F. ICC Chair

Ms. Hines stated she is working on the Technology Sub-committee’s assignments that include the Las Positas College’s main website.

G. Senator Reports

Ms. Goergen reported the senator’s activities for the previous week included the following: preparing for Club Day, working on cash prizes for the talent show, making flyers, researching the upcoming conferences, and lastly talking to senators.

H. Committee Reports
Campus Change Network: Mr. Khatri stated this committee discussed where it wanted to be in the future and how it wanted to become more sustainable.

District Curriculum: Ms. Aboud stated this committee discussed a new database for teachers and how they would perfect this new database. She stated SP1440 and prerequisites were also discussed in relations to this new database.

Distance Education: Mr. Ault stated Distance Ed was looking into implementing an online tutoring system set up through the learning center. The use of Skype and other video chats would be used if online tutoring was implemented. Ms. Harris teachers would begin using Ebooks.

Technology: Ms. Hines stated this committee discussed how to encourage student to use The Zone and Blackboard more frequently. Possibly texting students could solve this problem. Also discussed was new ways to do lecture's online.

Town Meeting: Ms. Bodemann stated this committee discussed the budget updates and faculty updates and how millions of dollars were going to be cut. Ms. Suarez stated solar projects would be extended next semester.

Faculty Senate: Mr. Witkowski stated the Faculty Senate is trying to improve the process of prerequisite's for all classes.

Planning and Budget: Mr. Hiraki stated the college is expected to grow even though the debt is 25 billion for the state. He stated there will be a $10 increase per class units. Governor Brown stated there would be a 12.5 billion decrease in spending.

Curriculum: Mr. Portugal stated the committee is trying to implement online orientations.

I. Director of Student Life

Ms. Ross stated Ms. Bogue, Mr. Fomin, and Mr. Witkowski have been improved as senators. She congratulated Ms. Goergen on stepping up and doing campus tours last minutes. Ms. Ross stated those who were going to the leadership symposium were meeting no later than 7:45 with Mr. Nash. She stated committees meeting in 1603 would no longer be meeting there and would be moving to room 4129 in the College Center for the art. She lastly stated there was a need for someone to join the Academic Senate.

J. Student Trustee

VI. Guest speaker

N/A

VII. Public Forum

Ms. Jackie stated she was interested in becoming the Director of Events for the upcoming semesters and to see what the senate was all about.
VIII. Old Business

A. Spring Conferences
   - Mr. Ault moved to postpone item A of Old Business until after New Business
   - Mr. Portugal seconded
   - Motion passes unanimously

B. Club Day
   - Ms. Harris moved to approve the Blanco Plan for Club Day
   - Ms. Krumins seconded
   - Motion passes unanimously

Ms. Harris stated she received donations from Frito Lays. Ms. Krumins inquired to
the senate regarding if she should advertise using the school paper which would cost
approximately $35 or to continue passing out flyers as the form of advertisement.
The following comments were response to Ms. Krumins enquiry: Ms. Aboud stated
the senate should not use their money on the school paper and rather just make sure
the senate steps up advertisement. Ms. Goergen stated she thinks putting an ad in the
paper would be a good idea. Mr. Salehzadeh stated the senate should experiment and
see what happens in relations to previous Club Days.

C. March-in-March

Mr. Ault stated flyers were made for March-in-March. He instructed the senate to
announce this event to their classes. He stated the March will be from Cal Auto to the
Capital Building. He encouraged the senate to make picket signs.

IX. New Business

A. Office Hour Sign-Up

Ms. Malerich stated she needed everyone to sign up for their office hours so this
information could be posted on the door.

B. Talent Show

   - Ms. Krumins moved to approve the Talent Show Blanco plan
   - Ms. Harris seconded

Ms. Krumins stated this event would allow student to express themselves through
their talents. She stated cash prizes would be $120 for first place, $90 for second
place, and $60 for third place. Set up time would be 7:30. She stated
refreshments would be taken care of by the clubs and teachers would be judging. Lastly Ms. Krumins stated MC(s) would be needed.

- Ms. Krumins moved to approve up to $300 for the Talent Show
- Ms. Hines seconded
- Passes unanimously

C. Resolutions

- Ms. Ault move to approve Resolution 1003
- Ms. Krumins seconded

  The armed forces will pay in-stated fees for courses taken in Californian Community Colleges only if Assembly Bill 63 is endorsed.

- Motion passes unanimously

- Mr. Ault moved to approve Resolution 1004
- Mr. Hiraki seconded

  If Bill 91 is endorsed a program for the Chancellors Office of California Community Colleges will increase the number of students on financial aid and report this impact by 2015. This will not take any money away from those who are already on financial aid.

- Motion passes unanimously

- Mr. Ault moved to approve Resolution 1005
- Mr. Portugal seconded

  Assembly Bill 656 would establish an oil severance tax. The funds raised from the taxes would be distributed as follows: 25% would go to the UC system, 25% would go to the community college system, and 50% would go to the CSU system.

- Motion passes unanimously

D. Recruitment Brainstorm

  Ms. Krumins advised the senate to recruit following the elections.

E. AS Morale Boost

- Ms. Krumins moved to approve the AS Moral Booster Blanco Plan
• Ms. Harris seconded

Mr. Nenni stated the would allow the senate to plan an event during or after a meeting and this would provide everyone to get together and get revved up for the spring semester. Ms. Krumins stated this retreat would allow the member of ASLPC to come together and make sure the goals that were set at the spring retreat were set. She stated Zephyr Point Conference Center would be available for the senates use on March 11-13, 18-20, and 25-27.

• Ms. Krumins moved to extend time be 5 minutes
• Ms. Harris seconded
• Motion passes unanimously

General consensus was that this would be a good idea and boost the morale of the senate.

• Motion passes unanimously

(Old Business Item A continued)

A. Spring Conferences

General consensus was to attend the retreat put on by ASLPC.

X. Announcements

Mr. Portugal encouraged the senate to email him questions concerning the presidential search

Mr. Hiraki stated he wanted to meet with the technology sub-committee members as well as the new senators.

Ms. Tran advised the senate to sign up for club day and announce it to their classes

Ms. Krumins advised the senate to sign up for auditions, announce the March-in-March and Club Day, and to see her if interested in being the MC

Mr. Nenni asked for those who were interested in being a referee for the Olympics to talk to him

Ms. Ross informed the senate of the opportunity to talk to Dr. Lease from 2-4 pm

XI. Adjournment

• Ms. Hines moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:46 pm
• Mr. Portugal seconded
• Motion passes unanimously