

# ***Las Positas College Student Government - Senate Meeting Minutes***

26 September 2019  
4:30 PM

Room 1726  
3000 Campus Hill Drive  
Livermore, CA 94551

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## **I. CALL TO ORDER (1 min)**

*B. Nkrumah calls meeting to order at 4:30 p.m*

## **II. ROLL CALL**

### Officers

<b>A.</b>	Blessing Nkrumah	-	President	<i>P</i>
<b>B.</b>	Alina Verzi	-	Vice President	<i>P (PP 5:30 - 5:34 p.m)</i>
<b>C.</b>	Sahna Das	-	Director of Legislation	<i>P</i>
<b>D.</b>	Rodrigo Saucedo	-	Director of Communication	<i>P</i>
<b>E.</b>	Shahaf Dan	-	Director of Events	<i>P</i>
<b>F.</b>	Shayari Saha	-	ICC Chair	<i>P (PP (5:28 - 5:37 p.m)</i>

### Advanced Senators

<b>A.</b>	xxxxxxx	-
<b>B.</b>	xxxxxxx	-
<b>C.</b>	xxxxxxx	-
<b>D.</b>	xxxxxxx	-

### Senators

<b>A.</b>	Jakob Massie	-	<i>P</i>
<b>B.</b>	Kori Conlon	-	<i>P</i>
<b>C.</b>	Lord Ferrer	-	<i>P</i>
<b>D.</b>	Aria Pourghassemi	-	<i>EA</i>
<b>E.</b>	Andrea Cruz	-	<i>P</i>
<b>F.</b>	Max Gikharev	-	<i>P (PP 5:30 - 5:35 p.m)</i>
<b>G.</b>	Ariana Colmenares	-	<i>P</i>
<b>H.</b>	Michelle Diaz-Nava	-	<i>P</i>
<b>I.</b>	Kerouac Diamond	-	<i>P</i>
<b>J.</b>	Namdi Nassar	-	<i>P</i>
<b>K.</b>	Elizabeth Verzi	-	<i>P</i>
<b>L.</b>	Frank Polanco	-	<i>P</i>
<b>M.</b>	D' Artagnan Reed	-	<i>P</i>
<b>N.</b>	Nasrin Hussain	-	<i>P</i>
<b>O.</b>	Amar Bains	-	<i>P</i>

### Advisors

<b>A.</b>	William Garcia	-	<i>Vice President - Student Services</i>	-	<i>EA</i>
<b>B.</b>	Josue Hernandez	-	<i>Program Coordinator - Student Life &amp; Leadership</i>	-	<i>P</i>

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## **III. QUORUM (1 min)**

## **IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (1 min)**

**Motion:** To approve this agenda (S. Das / A. Verzi); approved by consensus

## V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Motion:** To approve last week's minutes (S. Das / S. Saha ); approved by consensus

## VI. GUEST SPEAKERS

## VII. PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minute per person) *Students and members of the public are encouraged to speak on any topic during public comment. Each individual is limited to one minute. If students or members of the public wish to address an item on the agenda during the meeting or ask questions during the meeting, they need to be recognized by the Chairperson by both raising their hand and speaking out their name. Their comment is limited to one minute. (CA Education Code 72121.5 and Government Code 54954.3)*

*Justin Tram proposed to hold a lunar new year theme during the weekday around January 25, 2020 with intention to support international asian students and educate the community of the culture*

## VIII. SPECIAL ORDERS

<b>Internal Committees</b> Executive Board 19-20	The Exec Board 19-20 will give a review of the standing committees and the process for senators to create their own task forces and/or committees.  <i>Executive board presents internal committees to the senate</i>  <i>Mandatory sign up for at least 1 internal committee according to LPCSG's Bylaws</i>	10 min
<b>SSCCC Caucuses</b> Sahna Das	S. Das will give an overview of SSCCC caucuses.  <i>S. Das states that these caucuses are special interests groups which can affect vote decisions in SSCCC and also explains steps to get these established</i>	10 min
<b>LPCSG Shirt Design</b> Kerouac Diamond	K. Diamond will present logo for promotional items, and the senate will discuss and approve the new logo for the LPCSG.  <b><u>Motion:</u></b> To postpone this agenda item to next week's meeting (S. Das / A. Colmenares); approved by consensus	10 min
<b>Governance Committee Approval</b> Alina Verzi	A. Verzi will approve senators to their governance committees.  <b><u>Motion:</u></b> To table down agenda item (A. Verzi / D. Reed); approved by consensus  <b><u>Motion:</u></b> To approve B. Nkrumah and A. Verzi to College Council committee (S. Dan / S. Saha); approved by consensus  <b><u>Motion:</u></b> To approve officers/senators to the following committees (A. Verzi / D. Reed); approved by consensus <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Sahna Das - Accreditation Steering</li><li>● Ariana Colmenares - Accreditation Steering</li><li>● Rodrigo Saucedo - Basic Skills Subcommittee</li></ul>	25 min

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <i>Shahaf Dan - (Student Equity and Achievement / District Technology Coordinating)</i></li> <li>● <i>Shayari Saha - Health and Safety</i></li> <li>● <i>Frank Polanco - Health and Safety</i></li> <li>● <i>Jakob Massie - (Academic Senate / Air Quality)</i></li> <li>● <i>Kori Conlon - Resource Allocation</i></li> <li>● <i>Lord Ferrer - Technology</i></li> <li>● <i>Elizabeth Verzi - Technology</i></li> <li>● <i>Aria Pourghassemi - District Facilities</i></li> <li>● <i>Andrea Cruz - Program Review</i></li> <li>● <i>Max Gikharev - District Funding Formula</i></li> <li>● <i>Michelle Diaz-Nava - District Planning and Budget</i></li> <li>● <i>Kerouac Diamond - Institutional Planning and Effectiveness</i></li> <li>● <i>D' Artagnan Reed - Facilities and Sustainability</i></li> <li>● <i>Amar Bains - Citizens' Bond Oversight</i></li> <li>● <i>Nasrin Hussain - Guided Pathways Steering</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Responsibility is now put in place after appointment</i></p>	
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## IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

<b>Undocually Week</b> Sahna Das	<p>S. Das will give an overview of the framework of suggested activities for undocumented student action week from the SSCCC as well as discuss a budget and the approval.</p> <p><i>S. Das addresses that webinar idea is already to be scheduled from the Undocually Taskforce</i></p> <p><i>Tuesday Oct 15th will have food of the Americas provided</i></p> <p><i>Mental health tables will also be posted throughout the week</i></p> <p><i>F. Polanco suggests adding workshops as other previous workshops personally provided him a lot of knowledge</i></p> <p><i>A. Colmenares suggests the placing of stories on the walls idea</i></p> <p><b><u>Motion:</u></b> <i>To postpone agenda item to next week's meeting (S. Saha / S. Das); approved by consensus</i></p>	10 min
<b>Upcoming Events Budget and Approval</b> Shahaf Dan	<p>S. Dan will approve a budget and purchases for upcoming events, as well as present ideas regarding them and a brief overview of future events.</p> <p><i>Student Action week October 16th 10:30-1:00pm</i></p> <p><i>Volunteer sheet to be distributed before event</i></p>	25 min

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	<p><i>Campus Campfire for potentially scheduled Oct 14th</i></p> <p><i>Drive-in movie or movie night event</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>If drive-in is established, then the plan is to place event in the within one parking lots outside of 1000 building</i></li> <li>• <i>If unable to set up a drive-in event, then a movie night can occur in the amphitheater</i></li> </ul> <p><i>S. Dan Introduced a possible Thanksgiving event</i></p> <p><b><u>Motion:</u></b> <i>To allocate \$5000 dollars for the events committee's future events (S. Dan / M. Diaz-Nava); approved by consensus</i></p> <p><i>Roll call</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Blessing Nkrumah</i>                      <i>abstain</i></li> <li>• <i>Alina Verzi</i>                              <i>abstain</i></li> <li>• <i>Sahna Das</i>                                <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Rodrigo Saucedo</i>                      <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Shahaf Dan</i>                               <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Shayari Saha</i>                            <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Jakob Massie</i>                           <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Kori Conlon</i>                             <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Lord Ferrer</i>                              <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Aria Pourghassemi</i>                   <i>abstain (not present)</i></li> <li>• <i>Andrea Cruz</i>                            <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Max Gikharev</i>                          <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Ariana Colmenares</i>                   <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Michelle Diaz-Nava</i>                   <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Kerouac Diamond</i>                   <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Namdi Nassar</i>                           <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Elizabeth Verzi</i>                        <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Frank Polanco</i>                          <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>D' Artagnan Reed</i>                    <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Amar Bains</i>                              <i>aye</i></li> <li>• <i>Nasrin Hussain</i>                        <i>aye</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Motion passes with 18 ayes, 3 abstentions</i></p>	
<p><b>LPCTV</b> Blessing Nkrumah and Alina Verzi</p>	<p>B. Nkrumah and A. Verzi will discuss the implementation of an informational entertainment video.</p> <p><i>B. Nkrumah states that this can be utilized for future LPCSG resources and events, as well as placing the video on the screens of 1000 building</i></p> <p><i>S. Saha mentions of ideas from her visit at Cal State East Bay's Associated Students</i></p> <p><i>S. Das recommends that the future Director of Marketing person to take charge of this role and within their committee</i> <i>This LPCTV can also be utilized for instructors to present and play the</i></p>	<p>20 min</p>

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	<p><i>videos in their classrooms</i></p> <p><i>Possibly include hyperlink or hashtags to tag other clubs in the video</i></p> <p><i>Discussion continues regarding times and days this should play within the week and how often</i></p> <p><b><u>Motion:</u></b> <i>To extend time by 2 minutes (A. Verzi / S. Das); approved by consensus</i></p> <p><b><u>Motion:</u></b> <i>To strike this agenda item (S. Dan / F. Polanco); approved by consensus</i></p>	
<p><b>AB 705</b> Sahna Das</p>	<p>S. Das will give an overview of AB 705 and its effect of students at our college.  <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CCO705?fbclid=IwAR23ywgzKwGjkrHdQD60V1SEuyTP7P5dGjItHp6YVdXkniJ4b3IoiMiz2hg">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CCO705?fbclid=IwAR23ywgzKwGjkrHdQD60V1SEuyTP7P5dGjItHp6YVdXkniJ4b3IoiMiz2hg</a></p> <p><i>S. Das explains that this purpose is to assist students to instantly register to transfer level classes and to prevent drop out rates from having to take remedial classes that some students have previously taken and passed in high school</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>This removes the previous mandatory assessments needed before registering for classes</i></li> <li><i>Campuses have still not implemented this to their registration process because some misinterpret the purpose and the AB lacks support</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Surveys are provided to senate to participate if they wish</i></p>	10 min

## X. NEW BUSINESS

<p><b>Executive Board Retreat</b> Alina Verzi</p>	<p>A. Verzi will discuss what the Retreat Task Force's ideas are for the Executive Board retreat, as well as initiate a vote to approve this.</p> <p><i>A. Verzi informs that executive board retreat is planned for October from the 12-13th</i></p> <p><i>Senator retreat can potentially occur within the date ranges of November 15-16 or 16- 17</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Two day retreat off campus (no overnight)</i></li> </ul> <p><i>There is roughly \$300 dollars for housing and 300 dollars for food</i></p> <p><b><u>Motion:</u></b> <i>To approve up to \$600 for executive board retreat (F. Polanco / J. Massie); approved by consensus</i></p> <p><i>Roll call</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Blessing Nkrumah</i> <i>abstain</i></li> </ul>	20 min
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<b>The Market Flyer</b> Lord Brandon Ferrer	<p>L. Ferrer will discuss and then initiate a vote for the Market Flyers.</p> <p><i>L. Ferrer presents 3 flyers for vote</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Oranges and limes design (wins with 9 votes)</i></li> <li>• <i>Peppers design (6 votes)</i></li> <li>• <i>Berries design (6 votes)</i></li> </ul> <p><i>J. Hernandez advises to input a pop out "free pantry" on the flyer to resonate the message</i></p> <p><i>Discussion continues regarding creating emphasis for a slogan stating that it is free to all</i></p>	10 min
<b>Masks</b> Executive Board 19-20	<p>Exec Board 19-20 will discuss whether to keep or remove the masks from the Student Life Office.</p> <p><i>Reason for removal from student life is due to limited space</i></p> <p><i>To be donated to health center on campus if approved</i></p> <p><i>J. Massie reads previous academic year's resolution, recommending to keep enough masks on campus to surpass the overall population of the college</i></p> <p><i>Trevor Kracke (prospective member at large) suggests to keep some masks in student life and donate the rest to health center</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Majority of senate agrees with this statement</i></li> </ul> <p><b><u>Motion:</u></b> <i>To keep one box of masks and donate surplus to health center</i></p>	10 min

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160 minutes

## XI. OFFICER REPORTS

### Officers

- A. Blessing Nkrumah *President* (open)  
*Presents finalists of presidential candidates and where to find their videos*  
*Surevey is on website which is due Monday*
- B. Alina Verzi *Vice President* (3 min)  
*Advanced senator applications is being extended since not all positions are filled*  
*Also provides a brief overview of each position*  
*Will sent out committee list and sign up for office hours*
- C. Rodrigo Saucedo *Director of Communications* (3 min)  
*Informs attendance of Basic Skills subcommittee with increased sections of math classes due to AB 705 implementation*  
*Announces the 2.2/5k event from the Veterans First Program and distributes flyers*
- D. Sahna Das *Director of Legislation* (3 min)  
*Discussed reports from SSCCC*  
*Will start sending out surveys from SSCCC to gather state level student data*  
*Informs senate to speak to him if interested in participating in the Constitution and Bylaws Review committee*
- E. Shahaf Dan *Director of Events* (3 min)  
*Encourages senate to attend events committee if available*
- F. Shayari Saha *ICC Chair* (3 min)  
*ICC meeting tomorrow*  
*Open positions for ICC officers are still available*  
*Reports attendance of interfaith room and their structure at Cal State East Bay*

### Advanced Senators

- G. xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx (3 min)

### Senators

(3 min)

- H. Senators
- I. Jakob Massie  
*Emphasizes survey participation from SSCCC*  
*Wants to continue promoting Air quality solution*  
*Reminds senate of CCSAA and SSCCC General Assembly as well as open executive officer position within SSCCC*
- J. Kori Conlon
- K. Lord Ferrer
- L. Aria Pourghassemi
- M. Andrea Cruz
- N. Max Gikharev
- O. Ariana Colmenares
- P. Michelle Diaz-Nava
- Q. Kerouac Diamond  
*Informs senate of meeting with a past teacher who runs a program to work on prospective mental health service*
- R. Namdi Nassar

- S. Elizabeth Verzi
- T. Frank Polanco
- U. D' Artagnan Reed

*Informs attendance of Facilities and Sustainability committee and reports of the prospective renovations of student life office*

- V. Nasrin Hussain
- W. Amar Bains

#### Advisors

- X. William Garcia -Vice President - Student Services (open)
  - Y. Josue Hernandez -Program Coordinator - Student Life & Leadership (open)
- Mentions a possible purchase of a TV to track sign in at student life office*  
*Opens up to senators of initial 30 min meeting with him for introduction and needs*  
*Reminds senate of scheduled retreat dates*  
*New online club form can possibly be in effect by tomorrow*  
*Speaks about realistic time management of the 2019-2020 academic calendar (5 months left)*

## **XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS (3 mins)**

## **XIII. ADJOURNMENT (1 min)**

*B. Nkrumah adjourns meeting at 6:43 p.m*

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