

Minutes for meetings of the Senate
California State University Channel Islands Student Government
Tuesday October 6th, 2009 at 6:35 p.m. at The John Spoor Broome Library at One University
Drive, Camarillo, CA 93012

1) Call to order at 6:35 p.m.

2) Attendance

a. Members present: Kevin Schallert, Lauren Pollack, Jennifer O'Neal, Katelyn Rauch, Alisha Leal, Samuel Van Buskirk, Brandon Clark, Christine Wamba, Elizabeth Bingham, Douglas Whitesell, Jennifer Mota, Jonathan Neira, MacKenzie Garcia

b. Advisor present: Jaimie Hoffman

3) Approval of the Minutes

a. Minutes for September 29th were approved.

i. Alexander See moved to approve minutes.

ii. Jonathan Neira seconds.

iii. Minutes were approved 8-0-1; Whitesell, abstaining.

4) Public Forum

a. Pradeep Srinivas

5) Special Presentations

a. Jeremy Booker

i. Proposed club funding changes.

ii. Thanks Student Government, Senate and the Executive team for their time.

iii. Budget Allocation Committee to form if it is the will of the students. It's something that's been in works for a couple years and this year we think we have the

staff to move forward with it. Dr. Taylor sent out an email. If you have constructive criticism I'm more than happy to answer.

Questions and Discussion regarding the Proposed club funding changes:

Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. Question regarding a statement read in record of the ASI board. Why are we being relieved from club funding?

Jeremy Booker

i. The whole process came up not because of this current year. Its intent is to make sure there is a process that doesn't need to be continually changed. It is expected to grow to 15,000 students and I don't know if Senate will be able to handle the club funding proposals. It wasn't meant to relieve Student Government of any duties. This isn't ASI trying to start a tug-a-war. We are looking forward; looking towards what our campus will need when we have 15,000 students.

Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. I do think Student Government will be able to handle this and we will grow and be able to create committees that work with funding requests. Also, I think that we have made a lot of improvements on our process and I do think that we are ready to handle club funding. It has not taken that much of the Senate meeting's time.

Senator Brandon Clark

i. When would this process switch to ASI?

Jeremy Booker

i. Next year we will start this process. It will come through Senate this year to get money and then send they will send their budget to ASI for next year.

Senator Brandon Clark

i. My Constituency is Clubs & Orgs and I am going to meet with them and get their specific opinion. We can talk about the issue to each club and see what they have to say. It will give us a better perspective on what students want and what their perspective on the issue is with the student body.

Senator Alexander See

i. I know there has been some concern. Students are accessible to the student body and some clubs think the administration would be detrimental to the process.

Jeremy Booker

i. This proposed board, though tentative, has 5 students and 3 non-student members that have a vote. Even with Student Government they will be responsible for 3 of those members and the majority is with the students.

Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. Are they accountable at large? Can they be recalled or impeached like the 9 members at this board?

Senator Christine Wamba

i. Do you use your own budget forms or do you use new forms? Student Government has done a lot of work on this.

Jeremy Booker

i. Student Government comes to ASI. This is what we are trying to do; they come with their requests and ASI appropriates the money. Instead of requesting for each event, they request money for whole year by an annual budget.

Senator Jonathan Neira

i. How does this affect new clubs that start during the year?

Jeremy Booker

i. Within this proposal, there is reserve money. There would be money for a new club. The Committees intent for proposals is so this board can hold a special meeting all at once. The board is open.

Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. This idea seems to be prone to the same sort of thing that we had last year. With the requests that came, we are trying to look for annual budget and we didn't ask them for one because we felt it wasn't important at the time. We still get club funding requests at the end of the year.

Jeremy Booker

i. Once again this is a proposal. Once completed it is a document and procedure.

Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. When does board take action on this?

Jeremy Booker

i. Next meeting it is on the agenda.

Director of Finance Alisha Leal

i. I was at the board meeting last Thursday and one of the things that were mentioned was that Student Government requests funds from ASI on an annual budget at a glance. Something that was said was that Student Government requests funds for Clubs & Orgs without knowing how much they are asking Student Government for. Where did they get the idea that Student Government doesn't know how much Clubs & Orgs needs? We request on an estimate.

Jeremy Booker

i. It stems on the money requested. The past year request was cut in half.

Director of Finance Alisha Leal

i. This year we had \$12,000.

Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. From where I stand, I don't think this is a particularly good idea. I think we have a better procedure in place already and are in a good position to handle funds and I think when we grow we can handle it.

Senator Brandon Clark

i. Before it comes enacted we should get the student bodies opinion. I don't think there has been an opportunity to give our perspective.

6) Reports

a. Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

i. As of today, 10/06/09, there are 5 sports clubs and 5 non-sports clubs who are officially recognized/registered. They are:

·Lacrosse

·Student Government

·Volleyball

·Student Programming Board

·Spectrum

·Running

·Sailing

·Zeta Pi Omega

·Bicycle Kitchen

·Computer Science Club

ii. As of today, 10/06/09, there is 1 sports clubs and 24 non-sports clubs who are officially recognized/registered who submitted paperwork and are being processed for member eligibility.

We have received and are processing paperwork. They are:

- Adelante Mujer
- Anime
- Basketball
- Biology
- Chabad
- Crosswalk Kids
- CSUCI Tomorrow's Teachers
- El Club de Espanol
- Encore Dance
- Free Radicals
- Gamma Beta Phi
- Green Generation Club
- Hillel
- International Relations
- Lambda Omega Kappa
- Lambda Pi Eta

- Liar's Guild
- MeChA
- MVS Business
- Psychology
- Refuge
- Residence Hall Association
- Rotaract
- Student Communication Association
- USAWA Student Union

iii. Note: We are still processing applications so it is possible that all clubs/organizations who submitted paperwork are not reflected above.

iv. This would represent a total of 29 non-sport clubs and 6 sports clubs.

v. We have added additional orientations for presidents and advisors to provide more notice for to accommodate schedules.

vi. If a club paid due diligence to submit their application by October 1 but were missing elements, they have until October 8 to submit their completed materials. Since the deadline has passed, club applications are being considered on a case by case basis. It is possible that late applications will be accepted and the club will be placed on warning.

b. Advisor Christine Thompson

- i. First thank you members of Student Government who were able to attend the ASI Board meeting last Thursday. Even if you didn't verbally share your sentiments your presence was noted.
- ii. Electronic Voting: ASI is looking to convert ASI Elections to an online format. We are working with Peter Mosinskis in IT. I've been researching other CSU's to get an idea of how other campuses conduct elections; a little over 50% of CSU's conduct their voting online. There are some positives and negatives of going completely to an electronic format. I would like to bring this issue to the attention of Student Government since most of the members are elected officials. Please provide feedback.
- iii. Student Union Update: Construction is going as scheduled. Dr. Evans Taylor and I are working on purchasing items for the Union with our Group 2 funds. There isn't much to work with especially when we are looking to equip a game room; therefore, I'm looking at businesses that will rent out equipment/ games. As the "student voice" I'm asking for your input. Please provide feedback regarding what you would want and think your peers would want in the space (i.e. piano, arcade games, pool table, air hockey, ping pong, etc).
- iv. We are developing the Student Union Mission statement, if you would like to be apart of those discussion, contact me. We would love additional student input.
- v. Quick FYI: My working title has been changed to ASI Budget Analyst/ Student Union Building Facilities Specialist.

c. President Kevin Schallert

- i. Almost completed with the Campus Committee Matrix. I will email you where I will put you. I pretty much took your suggestions or talked to you guys.

ii. Found a Chief of Sustainability Initiatives. We are trying to move towards making a greener campus. Students shared time and time again that this is a priority. I don't think other Senate members have time. Andrew Dominguez is an environmental science major. He is an asset to any of us. If you have a question he is here for u guys.

iii. About the Graduate idea, I did preliminary research and had a meeting with Dr. Sawyer and Ed Lebioda. If you paid fees and you are a member of ASI and are permitted to complete the academic requirements then you can participate in this. Unfortunately, extended Ed students do not pay ASI fees and we are trying to figure out a way to charge extended Ed students to pay fees. In hearing from student trustees and people that have ear of the Chancellor, it sounds like he doesn't want to add any fees this semester. Another way is to come up with an Advisory Committee. Every time I meet with Dr. Sawyer we discuss campus committees. This has become a priority. It's not going to be a short road and it depends on what people say and how we move this route. I'm trying to find a creative way to make this work. We would have to get a good portion of people to get into this.

Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. Starting Maximus and a planning committee. If you want to be a part of this let me know.

Director of Operations Jennifer O'Neal

i. New outlook account. The e-mail is jennifer.oneal278@csuci.edu

ii. Attended the Athletics meeting last week and the Hands across Ci.

iii. I want to thank IAC for reviewing and revising the Resolution. I'm happy to see that it is moving along.

Director of Finance Alisha Leal

i. Club Funding:

1. Senators: Please familiarize yourselves with the new request form that's not available on the Student Government Website:
- ii. First Club/Organization Treasurer Workshop was held this afternoon
 1. Surveys were handed out to retrieve feedback from treasurers
 2. In the process of planning more workshops for the coming weeks.

Senator Katelyn Rauch

- i. Still doing a search for a Lobby Corps Director.
- ii. October CSSA is in two weekends and we are going down on a Thursday. If you want to go for Lobby Corps or for the experience then go.
- iii. Lobby Corps training is in October.
- iv. Spent the day in San Bernardino. They voted to join CSSA so we have all 23 campuses in CSSA.

Senator Elizabeth Bingham

- i. I walked the Relay for Life.
- ii. I'm continuing to talk to students in my constituency.

Senator Brandon Clark

- i. I went to the Bash at the Beach on Saturday.
- ii. I gave good ideas for putting an event up for Student Government and I want to get a whole bunch of groups involved and I want to get us out there and let them know we are here for them.

Senator MacKenzie Garcia

1. Attended Athletics Town Hall meeting on Wednesday 9/30/09
2. Attended Bloc Party Committee meeting on Thursday 10/1/09
3. Attended ASI Committee meeting on Thursday 10/1/09
4. Emailed Antonio in regards to project assignment

5. Emailed Anacapa RA's about floor meetings, which I will be speaking at on Tuesday and Thursday
6. Met with Antonio Jimenez on Tuesday 10/6/09 to discuss project assignment and all that it will entail
7. This Saturday, October 10, 2009, there will be a trash pickup at J-Street Drain in Oxnard, CA, contact me for more details.

Senator Jennifer Mota

- i. No report this week.

Senator Jonathan Neira

- i. Attended: Student Town Hall Meeting on Athletics.
- ii. Completed the MS ride with the Bicycle Kitchen. The Multiple Sclerosis charity ride was Saturday and Sunday where we as students and faculty came together and raised thousands of dollars for the charity along with riding over 160 miles over the weekend.
- iii. Attended: Hands Across CI
- iv. Set up meeting with Sarah Hawkins to discuss distributing the red SG mugs to housing students.

Senator Alexander See

- i. The Academic Planning Committee is looking at which programs to push back. Nothing's official yet. We are putting it on the agenda for next week.

Senator Christine Wamba

- i. Volunteered at the President's Dinner.
- ii. Block Party this weekend. The theme is "Party Like a Blockstar."
- iii. I need volunteers for the costume process.
- iv. Attended Hands Across CI.

Senator Douglas Whitesell

- i. I'm eagerly awaiting decisions on campus committee assignments and I look forward to serving the students.
- ii. A statement I wrote was entered into the record at the ASI Board meeting regarding club funding. I was sick and unable to attend, but Kevin read my statement—please see the attached.
- iv. Internal Affairs Committee met last week; please see the Committee's reports and Chair's report, which I will read into the record. We will reconvene this week on Thursday at 3 PM, at a room to be determined.
- v. SR 10-01 has been reported out of Committee as mentioned above, but won't be available for consideration this week. Sorry. We'll have it next week.
- vi. I had a conversation today with Dr. Taylor regarding Internal Affairs. Dr. Taylor is very excited about IAC's efforts to rework our Bylaws and is interested in assisting us.
- vii. Hands Across CI was today; I commend Student Programming Board and thank them for the event as it was well done.
- viii. We need to be better about Romero compliance. We are *required* to post agendas for our regular meetings in a public place—like the display case in Bell Tower—not less than 72 hours prior to the scheduled start of our meetings. This was not done this week. As a regulatory mandate we need to be very, very consistent with doing this.

Report of the Internal Affairs Committee, for October 1, 2009.

The Internal Affairs Committee met at 3 P.M. on Thursday, October 1, 2009 in Broome Library, Room 1710. The following items were considered.

- (1) **Judicial Procedures—Bylaw Amendments**, pursuant to referral from Senate on May 6, 2009. Senate referred a series of amendments to the Bylaws to Internal Affairs on May 6, 2009, for consideration. Internal Affairs recommends no action on this item at this time as substantial Bylaw revisions are being developed that will incorporate similar procedures for the operations of the Judicial Branch.

(2) **Bylaw revisions — Articles I and IV.** Internal Affairs Committee is slowly working on replacing all of Student Government's Bylaws. Substitute language and formatting for Article I was discussed and recommended. IAC recommends no action at this time until a complete Bylaw package is available for Senate's consideration.

(3) **Senate Resolution 10-01 Concerning the Budget of the State of California.** Senate referred Senate Resolution 10-01 to Internal Affairs Committee for legislative markup and procedural amendments. IAC reports SR10-01 out of committee for Senate's consideration and recommends passage with one change, as noted in the Committee's full written report.

- a. The Committee wishes to commend Jen O'Neal on her efforts in creating and drafting SR10-01.

7) Report questions

President Kevin Schallert

Q: What is USAWA?

Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

A: I don't know what it is. I will provide a list next week.

Director of Statewide Affairs Katelyn Rauch to Douglas Whitesell

Q: What is the section of the Romero Act in which we that we have a regular meeting within 72 hours?

A: I'm not exactly sure what the section is, but we need to have the agenda posted publicly within 72 hours prior to the start of the meeting.

8) Discussion

- a) Block Party

i. Student Government is giving out star sunglasses. We don't know if it would be a good idea to put name and phone number on the arms on it. Sunglasses are thin and we could do it, but it would be time consuming.

Senator MacKenzie Garcia

i. Try to find a different way to put them on the sunglasses. Maybe tie something to sunglasses with information about Student Government.

Senator Jennifer Mota yields time to Director of Statewide Affairs Katelyn Rauch

Director of Statewide Affairs Katelyn Rauch

i. I'm glad you said that I think we should always have our information at the Block Parties. Just so we can always see and know that Student Government is there and that we are involved with the students.

Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

i. An alternative solution is for people to receive sunglasses in exchange for their email. You could rent a lab top and have a station. With the name and e-mail addresses you could email them and have them check out the booth and the meeting times.

Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. Point of inquiry, how much would it cost to rent a laptop?

Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

i. You could rent it from the library.

Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. If students give out emails, I think that's a great idea.

Senator Jennifer Mota

i. You could put on the e-mail to check out pictures and make it so they can also check out the page.

Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. Get their majors so that we can have constituencies too. We should put the block party pictures on the website.

Chief Justice Samuel Van Buskirk

- i. If we had phone number on the sunglasses, then I wouldn't call. If we mentioned we had an office, I would go to it.

Senator MacKenzie Garcia

- i. We can put both the office and the phone number.

Senator Christine Wamba

- i. We are going to have Carl's Jr. with a live band from CI. Flyers will be up soon hopefully. We will also have Rock band.

Senator Brandon Clark

- i. When does the committee meet?

Senator Christine Wamba

- i. They meet on Thursdays at 12p.m. at Bell Tower 1188.

9) New Business

a. Club Funding Documents

Alisha Leal

- i. I sent everyone e-mails this past weekend with new forms to ask questions for Clubs & Orgs.
- ii. It is now posted on the Student Government website with documents.
- iii. I received a lot of good feedback today at the workshop. I split the workshop in two. The second will be a more detailed discussion on completing club requests and fundraising.
- iv. Fall 2009 we are allowing clubs to request event by event. ASI board is looking really closely at that. I went to the ASI board meeting last Thursday and got to hear why they do this. Look at questions and look at the process and base opinions and ideas on how the proposal is and how things would change.
- v. Workshops went well. Tomorrow there's another one. Ask somebody to come to a workshop to give example of last years process and what goes on behind it. How much time does Student government expect us to present for?

Questions and Discussion regarding the Club Funding documents:

Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. The process outline was not posted on the website yet. The one posted is the actual form with questions on it. This is the actual request to go from requester to reviser.

ii. For public record purposes we should have conventional endorsement blanks for President, Vice President and Director of Operations. We need to have Lauren, Jennifer and Kevin's signature. When we enact legislature we need to have it go to Kevin's desk.

iii. One of the things was to have these forms come through electronically. We need one set of paper records. All of the decisions Senate made should be in the minutes from last year.

Senator Jonathan Neira

i. Does Clubs & Orgs ever give us input on how the events went?

Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. We don't necessarily have to but we want them to evaluate it as an incentive so that next year if they ask, they will have the survey to see if they loved it. I think we should push that, but we don't necessarily have to.

Senator Jennifer Mota

i. Since we are starting this process this year, how many budgets and clubs have come in?

Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. None so far. But we've approved up to four in a night. Everyone will be sent budget requests ahead of time.

Senator Jennifer Mota

i. Do we have semester long budget requests?

Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. Yes.

Director of Finance Alisha Leal

i. We should be as much of assistance as we can. If they have any questions prior they can submit it to us.

Senator Brandon Clark

i. Once it goes to us then what happens?

President Kevin Schallert

i. Alisha Leal sends it to Lauren and it falls under action items. We pass on information to Clubs & Orgs with workshops. Senate can approve it the day the representative shows up.

The main thing is I want everyone to read request prior to meeting so that when they come you can have questions for them.

Senator Alexander See yields time to Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

i. Can Student Government request a semester long budget if it's not in policy?

Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. We can revisit it. The way the policy was written does not make the Director of Finance require semester long budgets. We can require and say that we want to see one though. We can also say that if something comes up that week then they can still come to us and request for that event.

Director of Finance Alisha Leal

i. I did mention it is recommended to plan ahead.

Senator Jonathan Neira

i. How does this affect the funds that request it so far?

Director of Finance Alisha Leal

i. No requests have been made so far.

Senator Douglas Whitesell yields time to President Kevin Schallert

Kevin Schallert

i. When Jaime talks about clubs, Student Government does not request sports clubs.

Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. They are specifically exempted from having to reply by policy.

ii. Alisha keeps a PDF of club funding available to them and linking it to that would help.

iii. If you have anymore suggestions, email Alisha Leal.

10) Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.