

**Minutes for the meeting of the Student Government Senate
California State University Channel Islands**

Tuesday, March 9, 2010, at 6:35 PM at California State University Channel Islands John Spoor Broome Library, Student Town Hall, One University Drive, Camarillo, California, 93012

1) Call to Order at 6:32 p.m.

2) Attendance

- a. Executive and Judiciary members present: President Kevin Schallert, Vice President Lauren Pollack, Director of Operations Jennifer O'Neal, Director of Finance Alisha Leal, Director of Statewide Affairs Katelyn Rauch, Director of Lobby Corps Anthony Bernardo, Chief Justice Samuel Van Buskirk
- b. Sens. Brandon Clark, Elizabeth Bingham, Jonathan Neira, Alexander See, Paul Southerland, MacKenzie Garcia, Christine Wamba, Andre Ross and Douglas Whitesell, present.
- c. Advisor Jaimie Hoffman present.
- d. A quorum was noted.

3) Approval of the Agenda

- a. The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

4) Approval of the Minutes

- a. Approval of the minutes for March 2nd Sen. Douglas Whitesell motions to approve, Sen. Paul Southerland seconds. The minutes for March 2nd were approved. Sen. MacKenzie Garcia abstained.

5) Public Forum

- a. Lindsay Huysentruyt: I'm here to discuss the Student Historian Association funding request.

Special Presentations

6) Action Items:

a. Student Historian Association Funding Request

Sen. Brandon Clark motioned the full amount.

ii. Sen. Douglas Whitesell seconds.

iii. Sen. Whitesell raises a point of privilege of the assembly: there is music playing. The meeting was recessed between 6:35 to 6:37.

Discussion

Sen. Douglas Whitesell: Item number 2 on the club funding request is empty. What are some of the fiscal sustainability options has your club looked at?

Lindsay Huysentruyt: The funds requested are going to go towards starting fundraising. We've thought about bake sales and carwashes but the students like the idea of creating this event better.

Sen. Elizabeth Bingham: Where is the location of this event?

Lindsay Huysentruyt: The event is going to be held near Element Coffee because we are going to have coffee mugs.

Sen. Christine Wamba: Did you tell Don it's for the Haiti discount?

Lindsay Huysentruyt: We will.

Vote of approval for the full amount of \$846 passes by unanimous vote.

b. Senate Rules of Order for Veto Override

- i. Sen. Douglas Whitesell motioned the full amount.
- ii. Sen. Paul Southerland seconds.

Discussion

Sen. Douglas Whitesell: The only changes that have been made to this document are to the enacting formula which reads 'Be it resolved by the students of CSU Channel Islands in Senate assembled', and the endorsement blanks. These blanks have been filled with today's date.

Sen. Douglas Whitesell: Move to pass by acclamation. No objections.

7) Discussion Items

a. Haiti Fundraiser

Sen. MacKenzie Garcia: We made \$110 for an hour and a half fundraising for Haiti. I spoke with Jonathan Neira and we made \$1,000 for the Chile's fundraiser is being distributed from Student Government. We are adding this on to the Student Government donation and wanted to discuss whether we should further donate to Haiti or another international cause.

Sen. Paul Southerland: I think we should continue to donate to Haiti a little longer.

Vice President Lauren Pollack: Do you think we should donate to Chile because of the natural disaster?

Sen. Douglas Whitesell: I would like the donations to stay with Haiti. Both disasters are tragic and the donations should not end because another disaster happened. It is bad in Chile right now, but we should stick with Haiti.

Sen. Brandon Clark: Storm season is coming to Haiti so I think we should give money to Haiti for shelter.

Sen. Alex See: The Chile government is more stable than Haiti's so I think we should keep donating to Haiti.

Vice President Lauren Pollack: The general consensus is that we should keep donating to Haiti.

Sen. MacKenzie Garcia: How should we continue to promote fundraising?

Sen. Paul Southerland: We could have a display with the history of Haiti and discuss why they need fundraising.

Sen. Brandon Clark: We should talk to SPB about events and set up a table with the history of Haiti and accept donations.

Sen. Jonathan Neira: We should have a poster board in the Student Union Building and have one in the Bell Tower. We should come up with a secure way for students to get involved.

Sen. Andre Ross: I agree with having some sort of event. As time goes on the donation fatigue will probably set in and we need to continue to help Haiti and make the available to everyone out there.

Sen. Alex See: If you talk to the political science department and you talk to the International Relations Club, they will probably be interested in helping out.

Sen. Elizabeth Bingham: I think we should publish a story in the newspaper and ask for donations.

Sen. Christine Wamba: I like the idea of having signs of Haiti's history and creating a stable place where students can donate.

b. Block Party

- i. This Friday's Block Party is 80's themed and we will be promoting Maximus. There will be goodies for students and we need someone to wear a toga at the Block Party.
- ii. Director of Operations Jennifer O'Neal: I can wear a toga.
- iii. Sen. Christine Wamba: The Dolphin mascot has been freshly cleaned. We need a volunteer to wear the mascot.
- iv. Sen. Jonathan Neira: Can we put the toga on the Dolphin?
- v. Sen. MacKenzie Garcia: Should we have bracelets at the block party? Do you think this is a good idea or a bad idea?
- vi. Sen. Paul Southerland: We should give out the bracelets.
- vii. Sen. Douglas Whitesell: Point of information. How much remains in the events and hospitality budget?
- viii. Director Alisha Leal: I do not have that information on me right now.
- ix. Vice President Lauren Pollack: We have about \$150 for each block party.
- x. President Kevin Schallert: Budget wise, there is money but we should still find cost savings whenever possible.
- xi. Sen. Whitesell yields to Director Alisha Leal: We have \$700 each semester in the co-sponsorship budget.
- xii. Sen. Whitesell yields to Director Katelyn Rauch: In the Directors' office in the Student Union Building we have mugs and bottles that can be used at the Block Party.
- xiii. Sen. Douglas Whitesell: I concur with that, I think we need to liquidate the inventory.
- xiv. Vice President Lauren Pollack: Our inventory is sustainable throughout the years.
- xv. Sen. Jonathan Neira: How much are the necklaces and bracelets?
- xvi. Advisor Jaimie Hoffman: You can get 300 to 400 necklaces for \$50.
- xvii. Sen. Alex See yields time to Advisor Jaimie Hoffman.
- xviii. Advisor Jaimie Hoffman: From a historical perspective, Student Government would spend time at Block Party's promoting awareness of their club and would dress up the Dolphin Mascot in whatever the Block Party's theme was. You should ask yourself if you can achieve your goal without spending money. Student Government should promote school spirit and market the club. It's not about giveaways but about achieving your goal.
- xix. Sen. Elizabeth Bingham: I think it is a good idea to get students over to the table to promote Maximus and let them know about the Student Union Building.
- xx. Sen. Douglas Whitesell: I agree.
- xxi. Sen. MacKenzie Garcia: How feasible is it to make buttons?
- xxii. Vice President Lauren Pollack: We would be too short on time to do the buttons by Friday. We don't have the time or the resources.

8) Reports

a. Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

- i. I really like the red polo shirts around the table.
- ii. The logistics for making t-shirts are that anytime you create your own logo or manipulate the CSUCI logo you need to go through communication and marketing to

approve it. First you go through student leadership and then that runs by other staff members.

iii. Also when we refer to our university we say "CI" or "CSU Channel Islands" as a reference.

iv. Student leadership award nominations are live this week. The awards are going to be given out to a first year student, sophomore, junior and a senior. There are going to be leadership awards, outstanding club awards, event awards, mentor awards and more.

v. The Block Party is this Friday in the Student Union Building courtyard. The DJ is going to be on the second story.

b. President Kevin Schallert

i. Working on the marketing campaign. There have been vetoes.

c. Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. This weekend our CSU Channel Islands choir is having a performance at First United Methodist Church.

ii. The Maximus electronic nomination form will be emailed to you send them to your classmates on Blackboard.

d. Director of Operations Jennifer O'Neal

i. Please send me your Senate reports.

ii. Worked on voter registration on Wednesday for the Channel Islands College Republicans club.

iii. When I receive the pictures taken today from Ben Hipple, I will be putting them on Facebook and will be posting pictures around campus.

e. Director of Finance Alisha Leal

i. Club funding update: With today's Historians Association's pending budget, Student Government has allocated \$6,698 to clubs.

ii. Student Government Finance Committee: meets this Friday at 5p.m. in the Student Government office; Paul Southerland is the chair.

iii. Maximus: The request has been placed with the CI view to advertise Maximus 2010. The April 1st issue will be the hardcopy and their will be an online advertisement.

f. Director of Statewide Affairs Katelyn Rauch

i. No new bill updates.

ii. Maximus planning committee met today.

iii. CSSA at CSU Dominguez Hills this weekend.

iv. I will be absent next week from our meeting because I will be attending the Board of Trustees meeting.

g. Director of Lobby Corps Anthony Bernardo

i. Nothing to report.

h. Senator Elizabeth Bingham:

i. Alcohol Awareness Week is taking place this week. There are several events that take place with this event including a Mock tail Party, mock DUI, and a Safe Spring Break Pledge.

ii. New Student Orientation and Transition Programs is now hiring Orientation Leaders. Applications are online on the CI website. They are due by 5PM on March 24.

iii. The Totally Awesome 80s Block Party is this Friday. I hope to see everyone from Student Government there.

- iv. Bigs and Littles Weekend is taking place this weekend in housing. This is an event where you can bring a child to housing so they can experience college for a weekend.
- v. Last Saturday I gave a campus tour through the CI Ambassador's program. The CI Ambassador's program is run through Dean Jane Sweetland and Enrollment Services. CI Ambassadors give tours to prospective students and represent CI at various events. The next plan for the Ambassadors is the "CI for a Day" program. This is an opportunity where students from Rio Mesa High School to have a one-on-one visit with a CI Ambassador so they can learn about CI.
- vi. On Monday I will be attending a meeting regarding the "College Keys Compact." It is a meeting to discuss outreach for low-socio-economic status high school students. The "College Keys Compact" was first initiated by the College Board and it has three components: Getting Ready, Getting In, and Getting through College. We will be discussing how to build an identity in our community for this program.
 - i. Senator Brandon Clark
 - i. Nothing to report.
 - j. Senator MacKenzie Garcia
 - i. Emailed Lauren with ideas for Haiti relief and did research for the need in Chile
 - ii. Met and spoke with Shoko Tanaka about her opinion on IEEC and what she would like to see implemented in order to keep her involved and interested
 - iii. Better communication and advertisement
 - iv. Collaborate with other International students from other schools
 - v. IRC meeting this Wednesday in front of Element coffee at 6 PM to discuss finalities of Lesotho clothing fundraiser
 - vi. STEM initiative meeting tomorrow at 11 AM in SH 2030
 - vii. Made Maximus announcements to my classes
 - viii. Spoke with Doctor Sawyer about the speech and debate club and I am meeting with him this coming Thursday to hopefully discuss further the plan to start the club
 - k. Senator Jonathan Neira
 - i. I am planning on moving stuff from the Hub to the Student Union Building by Tuesday.
 - l. Senator Andre Ross
 - i. I am reading the bylaws and communicating with the former Senator Jennifer Mota to pick up where she left off.
 - m. Senator Alexander See
 - i. I was assisting the International relations Club with an event called love for Lesotho. This program is to give clothes to underprivileged children in Africa.
 - ii. I was doing the Maximus Class raps in my classes.
 - n. Senator Paul Southerland
 - i. I attended the Cal State Northridge walk out event. Jen and I went to Northridge and showed our support for the students, faculty, and staff. We marched down the street with our protest sign and displayed our support for higher education. We were joined by thousands of students, faculty and staff members from local schools. This event was a success I believe because it got many people aware of the mounting anger and displeasure in our schools. It was covered by local news stations, newspapers, and even CNN. It is my hope that this protests lights a fire that will spread all the way to Sacramento and say that the current budget crisis needs to be fixed and fast.

ii. Moving things back here to CSUCI there is going to be a snow club table at the Student Union snow event a week from today. The snow club to which I am the treasurer will be holding this table to inform students about the club and to sign up students interested in becoming a part of this great club.

iii. I sent out e-mails to my constituencies' club presidents to inform them of a pizza lunch I will be holding in order to talk face to face with my constituencies. I am planning on holding this event on the 5th of April during lunch hours in the Science building.

o. Senator Christine Wamba

i. Nothing to report.

p. Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. As always, thank you to the members of the public who attended tonight. Your attendance of our public meetings lends legitimacy to our processes and ensures that actions taken here are truly in the interests of the students.

ii. I am greatly impressed to be in this building. The Student Union is truly a fantastic facility and I'm very excited for food service to commence.

iii. Applications for elected offices for the coming school year are due tomorrow at 5 PM at the Student Union information desk.

iv. G-mail for Students Task Force is meeting tomorrow. I'll add the agenda for the meeting to my next report.

v. The rule of order enacted tonight represents "filling a gap" in our policies and practices. I will spend the remainder of my term in office and as Chair of the Internal Affairs Committee making sure our practices are robust, sustainable, and without gaps, and making sure all our other public documents are available to the public and to our successors.

vi. ASI Board meets on Thursday at 8 AM in this room. On the agenda are a CI View request for funds for newspaper stands, and the budget presentation for Associated Students and the Student Union Building. Members of the public and of this body are more than welcome to attend.

10) Report Questions

Sen. Paul Southerland: To add to my report there is a correction. The Finance Committee is at 5 p.m. on Friday.

Sen. Douglas Whitesell: Is that our Senate's standing committee?

Sen. Paul Southerland: Yes.

11) Adjournment

i. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.