

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

Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. at California State University Channel Islands  
Student Union Conference Room, One University Drive, Camarillo, CA 93012

**1) Call to Order at 7:00 P.M.**

**2) Attendance:**

- a. Executive and Judiciary members present: Vice President Elizabeth Bingham, Alisha Tumin, Anthony Bernardo, Stephanie Jones, Christine Wamba
- b. Senate present: MacKenzie Garcia, Diana Milan, Andre Ross, Juan Carlos Villanueva, Demetric Willoughby
- c. Advisor present: Christine Thompson

**3) Approval of the Agenda:**

- a. The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

**4) Approval of the Minutes:**

- a. The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

**5) Public Forum:**

- a. No members of the public addressed the Senate at this time.

**6) Special Presentations:**

- a. There were no special presentations made to the Senate.

**7) Action Items:**

- a. There were no action items voted on by the Senate.

**8) Discussion Items:**

**a. Resignation of Senators:**

- i. Ms. Bingham reads two letters of resignation from Senators.
  - 1. Amanda Van Noy
  - 2. Daniel Brown
- ii. Ms. Bingham: There are two more Senate positions open. The postings will be on Career Link and up on Facebook.

**b. Voter registration:**

- i. Ms. Garcia moves to open for discussion. Ms. Milan seconds the motion.
- ii. Ms. Bingham: Voter registration is coming up. There is a binder on my desk where you can record who you are registering. When you get the form signed, put it in the folder where it belongs.
- iii. Ms. Garcia yields time to Mr. Keaster.
- iv. Mr. Keaster: Who will scan the forms?
- v. Ms. Bingham: I will scan them because we only have three days to send them in, so as soon as you get them, put them in the folder and they will be scanned and sent out within that day or the following day. Any more questions?
- vi. Ms. Bingham: We have some brainstorming going for voter registration. There is a list on the whiteboard in the office. Some ideas are:
  - 1. Cool catchphrases; Facebook videos; pair up with senators to go to floor meetings, housing meetings, and classrooms; fliers;

making a booklet to simplify issues being voted on; have a table at the block party; advertising balloons; poll students on the issues; get "I Registered" stickers; create a committee; attend University 100 classes; debate; Battle of the Majors with registration; drop boxes; Dolphin Dollars for housing students.

- vii. Ms. Bingham: Are there any more ideas?
- viii. Ms. Garcia yields time to Mr. Bernardo.
- ix. Mr. Bernardo: I've contacted housing and both Resident Directors. A Resident Assistant, Shayna Smith, is putting on a program in housing. They have about 100 forms. I will set up a tabling schedule and will email it to everyone.
- x. Ms. Garcia: President Neira was mentioning a point system and having a competition and a prize.
- xi. Ms. Bingham: I created the point system. There's a whiteboard in the office with everyone's name and next to it, we will track the total number of registrations. However many forms you collect, you may put that number next to your name.
- xii. Ms. Garcia: I agree with Mr. Bernardo that tabling will be effective. We need to make more of an effort to talk to classmates. We should go to all of the classes. Bring forms with you to campus and walk around and ask people to register. Be sure to get the completed forms back.
- xiii. Ms. Garcia yields time to Mr. Keaster.
- xiv. Mr. Keaster: For people with meal plans, when you go to the Islands Café, bring the forms to have people fill out while they have extra time while eating.
- xv. Ms. Bingham: Does anyone want to be a point person for this?
- xvi. Ms. Garcia, Ms. Milan, Mr. Villanueva and Mr. Willoughby volunteer.
- xvii. Mr. Willoughby: I would like to attend some of the floor meetings and talk about our causes in Student Government as well as help with tabling.
- xviii. Ms. Garcia: I would like to go door-to-door in housing, but I do not know if it is allowed.
- xix. Ms. Bingham: Contact both Villages to see if they will let you.
- xx. Mr. Villanueva yields time to Mr. Tabor.
- xxi. Mr. Tabor: I can talk to the Islands Café and see if we can put up signs and forms.
- xxii. Ms. Garcia: How would we keep track of them?
- xxiii. Ms. Milan: The points would only go to Student Government.
- xxiv. Ms. Garcia: How would we track it for CSSA?
- xxv. Ms. Milan: A drop box.
- xxvi. Ms. Bingham: If we had a drop box, we could have someone check it every day and bring it in to the office.
- xxvii. Mr. Ross: I think it would be good to go around to the floor meetings and make announcements and put registration forms there. We will need more than one person since the meetings overlap.
- xxviii. Mr. Ross yields time to Mr. Bernardo.

xxix. Mr. Bernardo: We need 386 registered students by October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010 to meet our goal for CSSA.

xxx. Ms. Garcia: Since we're a small campus, we can do some marketing. It would be most effective to table, go door-to-door, do class raps, and talk to the villages.

xxxi. Ms. Bingham: Any further questions?

**c. Block Party discussion:**

i. Mr. Villanueva moves to open the discussion. Mr. Ross seconds the motion.

ii. Ms. Wamba: I am on the Block Party Committee this year with Ms. Garcia. We met last Thursday and discussed what everyone will contribute to the Block Party on October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The theme is Halloween. In the past, we have contributed with school spirit by having the dolphin out and having give-aways. We will want the vote table to be out so we can register people. Any other ideas?

iii. Mr. Villanueva: We should inform students of who we are and what we do so people know what Student Government is. It should also be informational.

iv. Mr. Ross: I think we should give free items to people who wear CI gear rather than giving away things to anyone.

v. Ms. Wamba: We want to do a haunted mansion, but is there anything Student Government can think of as of right now or should we discuss this further next week?

vi. Ms. Garcia: We should discuss it next week after the committee meets again.

**9) New Business**

**10) Reports:**

a. Advisor Christine Thompson:

i. Migrant Education Day is on November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010 from 8 A.M. to 1 P.M. This is hosted by University Outreach at CSU Channel Islands and is designed to serve our local migrant community from surrounding school districts. It promotes a college-going culture in Ventura County.

ii. ASI is rolling out a new logo. Please keep this in mind when purchasing new promos, nametags, and other supplies.

iii. Relay for Life is upon us. The Student Union Information Desk will be selling Luminaria bags for a donation of \$10 and moon and stars for \$1.

b. Vice President Elizabeth Bingham:

i. Expresses gratitude for everyone's efforts at CSSA. There was a lot of positive feedback and people were impressed with the campus. She will be getting in touch with Ms. Cleverley about getting a story in the paper.

ii. Hopes to do a S.W.O.T. on CSSA after the meeting for whenever Student Government hosts it again.

- iii. Senate positions are available and will be posted on Dolphin Career Link. If anyone knows of someone who is interested, please refer them to President Neira or herself.
- c. Director of Operations, Alisha Tumin:
  - i. Expresses gratitude for everyone's efforts on CSSA. It went very smoothly.
  - ii. Fliers will be posted in the office this coming week about how to get on the Nemo Groupshare Drive and a new phone directory will be made.
  - iii. Reports need to be emailed within 24 hours and requests for the agenda need to be emailed by Friday.
- d. Director of Lobby Corps, Anthony Bernardo:
  - i. Contacted Olgalilia Ramirez from CSSA and we qualify for the \$1000 CSSA funded stipend to hire a student to help specifically with voter registration. Any ideas on voter registration should email Mr. Bernardo.
  - ii. Wednesday is Spirit Wednesday. Wear your CI gear and encourage others to do so as well. Perhaps we might grab Student Government cups and pass them out to people who are wearing CI gear. It will get Student Government out there and encourage school spirit.
  - iii. I did not get the CSSA System-Wide Committee position that I applied for. The president of CSSA is looking to put me on a different committee.
  - iv. Signed up for the Legislative Affairs update and will receive emails regarding current ills and legislation affecting students. Everyone can sign up at [www.csustudents.org](http://www.csustudents.org).
- e. Senator MacKenzie Garcia:
  - i. CSSA went very well.
  - ii. Enjoyed the chance to be able to serve as President Neira's proxy and become familiar with the workings of CSSA.
  - iii. Emailed Mr. Keaster and Mr. Bernardo regarding "BOMB" events they will be putting together this semester and next which will focus on sustainability.
  - iv. Made thank you cards for Dr. Taylor and Ms. Thompson for their help with Pizza with the President.
- f. Senator Diana Milan:
  - i. An email was sent to all freshmen who signed up about the internship program and a few responses have been received. They have been asked to come to this and next week's meeting.
  - ii. The Board of Trustees meeting was today in Long Beach. There were positive comments from CSSA about this weekend.
  - iii. President Rush mentioned that there will be demolition occurring on some buildings in the North Quad. We received \$29.7 million to do that.
  - iv. The California State Budget has yet to be approved, but when it is, we may get funds for another science lab building.

- g. Senator Andre Ross:
  - i. The International Relations Club met yesterday. They may change the clothing drive so the donations received go to Mexico.
  - ii. The Budget Approval Committee begins next week and will discuss the initial budgets of clubs at CI.
- h. Senator Juan Carlos Villanueva:
  - i. Visited Santa Cruz Village and two upcoming events are “Letters Home” and “Bingo Night” on Thursday.
  - ii. Meeting with Laura Dolan, the Santa Cruz Village Resident Director on Wednesday.
  - iii. RHE is still looking to fill open positions.
  - iv. Attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting last Thursday at 8 A.M.
    - 1. Discussed the Dolphin Discount where they would solicit businesses to create student discounts.
    - 2. CI/Chamber Career Partnership: Advocate for CI students and graduates to employers seeking interns.
- i. Senator Demetric Willoughby: Nothing to report.

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**Report Questions:**

- a. Ms. Garcia yields time to Ms. Jones.
- b. Ms. Jones: For Relay for Life, are we wearing our “I Love CI” shirts?
- c. Mr. Bernardo: They want every CI student to wear a red shirt or something with CI on it, preferably.
- d. Mr. Ross yields time to Mr. Bernardo.
- e. Mr. Bernardo: Ms. Thompson, is there letterhead for ASI?
- f. Ms. Thompson: Yes, but it is not on the share drive yet. I can email it to you.

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**Adjournment:**

- a. Motion to adjourn the meeting: Ms. Garcia.
- b. Second: Ms. Milan.
- c. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 P.M.