

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

Tuesday, November 9, 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: President Jonathan Neira, Vice President Elizabeth Bingham, Alisha Tumin, Anthony Bernardo, Christine Wamba, Stephanie Jones
- b. Senate members present: Rebecca Cano, MacKenzie Garcia, Whitney Gradillas, Katrina Newcomb, Juan Carlos Villanueva, Demetric Willoughby
- c. Advisor present: Breana Christie

3) Approval of the Agenda:

- a. Motion to approve by Mr. Willoughby. Second by Ms. Garcia.
- b. Agenda approved by unanimous consent.

4) Approval of the Minutes:

- a. Motion to approve by Ms. Newcomb. Second by Ms. Garcia.
- b. Minutes approved by unanimous consent.

5) Public Forum:

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

6) Special Presentations:

a. RHA President Charles Tran:

- i. President Neira: I asked Mr. Tran to come tonight to help us have a better understanding of who he is, what he does, who he represents, and how we can collaborate with him.
- ii. Mr. Tran: RHA stands for Residence Hall Association. It is student-led and provides a representative voice for students in housing. We try to understand students' concerns and take those suggestions to HRE. Being the president, I represent their voice. I want all of the policies to affect them in a positive manner and heighten their living experience on campus.
- iii. Ms. Bingham: Our organizations are similar in the fact that we're advocating for students. Can we help you with anything?
- iv. Mr. Tran: We could possibly collaborate on events between students living on campus and the commuter students.
- v. President Neira: Are you working on anything now?
- vi. Mr. Tran: RHA is holding a Study Abroad event on December 2, 2010 during Channel Islands International Week. Also, RHA is holding a Thanksgiving Dinner the week before Thanksgiving. We will also be holding a canned food drive which will serve Camarillo residents.
- vii. Ms. Overton: What is the easiest way to reach you? Is your email online?
- viii. Mr. Tran: President Neira has my email and you can also look up my staff account online.

b. Sustainability with Judy Gamboa and Laurel Repogle:

- i. Ms. Garcia: My constituency is sustainability. I've been meeting with Ms. Gamboa and Ms. Repogle, who are two students in sustainability and also with Mr. John Gormley. I was excited by what I learned and wanted them to come and share the information with you.
- ii. Ms. Gamboa and Ms. Repogle share a powerpoint presentation.
- iii. President Neira: Thank you for coming. I loved the walk-through with the website. Do you know how we are ranked among other CSUs?
- iv. Ms. Repogle: We are still collecting data. When we know, we will post it on the website.
- v. Mr. Gormley: Where are we as far as recording the information?
- vi. Ms. Gamboa: We're further than many campuses as far as recording for the STARS website.
- vii. Mr. Gormley: This is not meant to be a competition between campuses. It's an assessment tool to determine how sustainable we are. Dr. Rush appointed the Sustainability Task Force, which Dan Wakelee and I co-chair. This program's outcomes will determine what we are doing, what we can do more of, and how we can get better. As an academic institution, we try to be stewards of the environment and represent what it means to be sustainable. There are many opportunities for you to learn by going to our website. Become more involved and be leaders in these efforts.
- viii. Mr. Keaster: There's always the thought that we can do more to be sustainable, but on a green-scale, how green are we?
- ix. Ms. Gamboa: On the Education side, we're doing more than I thought. We have sustainability courses, which many other schools do not.
- x. Mr. Gormley: It's too early to assess and compare us. We are one of six CSUs doing the program, and SDSU and CI are far ahead of the other campuses. There are only two campuses nation-wide who have completed the process. We are pretty far along. Remember this is an on-going process.
- xi. Mr. Keaster: Is there anything you're doing which can be done quicker with student involvement?
- xii. Ms. Gamboa: Join the Green Generation Club.
- xiii. Ms. Repogle: For Operations, I don't see it so far, but once I do, I will let you know.
- xiv. Mr. Gormley: Campuses have student involvement through competitions and projects. There are things which can be done here. You can do things daily like unplugging chargers, expanding margins, turning lights off, and using double-sided printing. We're installing switches where the lights will turn off when no one is in a room. We're installing mechanical heating and cooling systems. A student tried to have a community garden. Sustainability is a broad subject. Look and see what energizes you as individuals and as a small group.
- xv. Ms. Gradillas: Can you further explain what you're talking about with the café and farmers markets?

- xvi. Ms. Gamboa: It's Community Supported Agriculture Program which you have to subscribe through a website. It's \$200 for 13 boxes and it's easier if you share with roommates and friends.
- xvii. Mr. Gormley: It's local, organic-grown food. We're a population which believes in ending produce out and that is unsustainable. We are used to eating non-seasonable produce from South America, Australia, and New Zealand.
- xxviii. Ms. Gradillas: Maybe we could have a farmers market on campus.
- xix. Mr. Gormley: There was one year ago, but that's certainly something to talk about.
- xx. Mr. Tabor: Do you know if there is any encouragement for professors to become less dependent on print-outs?
- xxi. Ms. Repogle: We want things done online in the future.
- xxii. Mr. Gormley: I would encourage you to ask faculty why they are having students print. Take ownership of the issue. Challenge your peers and the leadership of this campus to do more. Student involvement and action leads to change. You all, as a group, have a much more powerful voice.
- xxiii. Mr. Tran: How often do the assessments get rated?
- xxiv. Ms. Gamboa: The rating lasts for three years.
- xxv. Mr. Gormley: The anticipation is that every three years, there will be a new version and the campus can sign up.
- xxvi. Ms. Gabo: We'll get a bronze, silver, gold, or platinum rating.
- xxvii. President Neira: Late at night, some abandoned buildings have lights on. Why?
- xxviii. Mr. Gormley: We have safe environment codes and we have changed our lighting to become more energy efficient. Abandoned buildings should not be lit, though, so please call the police if they are.
- xxix. Mr. Tran: I notice during the weekends and at night that some of the rooms for Bell Tower have lights on. Is there a regulation for that?
- xxx. Mr. Gormley: The lights in those classrooms and hallways should be off if no one is in there.
- xxxi. Ms. Newcomb: I work at Police Services. A lot of the times you see the lights on, the cleaning crew is in there. If you see them in North Quad, call the police. I have a question about the North Hall building. Are you doing anything sustainably green in the construction of that building?
- xxxii. Mr. Gormley: We're reusing the existing building, saving energy and natural resources. We're using energy efficient lighting, mechanical systems, ventilation systems, and using healthier materials which are regionally produced.

c. Cabinet Presentations:

- i. Chief Justice, Stephanie Jones:
 - 1. Operation Gratitude is tomorrow from 12 to 3 P.M. We're making handmade cards and taking donations to send to the troops.

2. I toured the Dream Center which rehabilitates ex-gang members, ex-addicts, and victims of human trafficking. They need help from volunteers.
 3. The Student Health Advisory Committee will be setting up a table at the Block Party and will give away hand sanitizers, condoms, and brochures about services provided by the Student Health Center.
 4. I attended the Oxnard Alliance Meeting. They were interested in knowing if we have problems around campus regarding gang violence and if we had any ideas of getting gangs rehabilitated.
 5. Questions:
 - a. Ms. Garcia: Where is the Dream Center?
 - b. Ms. Jones: Downtown L.A. Make sure to go with a friend.
- ii. Communication Officer, Adrienne Cleverly:
1. I've been working on flyers, table tents, and door hangers which will be distributed through housing and the Student Union to raise awareness of what we're doing.
 2. Met with Dr. Hoffman about creating a master calendar of events for clubs and organizations.
 3. Working with Ms. Overton and assisting with the BYODDs.
 4. Met with the Physical Planning Committee on Thursday.
- iii. Technology Officer, Robert Tabor:
1. I was unable to make my committee meeting this month, but hopefully I can make the next one.
 2. The Macs print to the printer upstairs.
 3. Make sure you're using CCI-Connect if on wireless internet.
 4. Questions:
 - a. President Neira: How do you check if you're on CCI-Connect or not?
 - b. Mr. Tabor: It's on the top right corner of your Mac.
- iv. Club and Organization Outreach Officer, Alice Overton:
1. Dr. Hoffman and I came up with the title, SABLE, for the Club Advisory Board. We're waiting for the proposal to go through.
 2. Last Thursday was the first BYODD. Thank you to Mr. Tabor and Ms. Tumin. It was very successful and productive. A few organizations brought their concerns. The next one will be tomorrow at 4:30 P.M. Also, we're thinking of doing a club and organization rummage sale in the Spring.
 3. Been working with Ms. Cleverly on the Stimulus Package.
 4. I've been reaching out to clubs who are having a hard time with leadership and sustainability.
 5. Some members of clubs did not reach the GPA requirement. I'm helping those clubs and organizations restructure from losing officers.
 6. Questions:

- a. President Neira: The next BYODD is tomorrow?
 - b. Ms. Overton: Yes, and it's also about fundraising.
- v. Community Engagement Officer, Spencer Keaster:
 - 1. Emailed Dr. Sawyer and he has giveaways for the event. I also emailed Dean Pena and Russ about giveaways.
 - 2. Emailed Jeremy Booker to reserve Housing's speaker system.
 - 3. Sent in the flyer posting request form, so flyers should be going up in the next week.
 - 4. Plan on contacting all applications for Community Crew by the end of this week and putting together the team as soon as possible. My leads for the team will be Mr. Willoughby and Ms. Newcomb.
 - 5. For the Block Party, we're planning on doing a drive-in. If you own skate and want to be a food deliverer, contact me.
 - 6. Questions:
 - a. Ms. Jones: What movie are we watching?
 - b. Mr. Keaster: "Dinner with the Schmucks" and "Kick Ass"
 - c. Ms. Jones: If we're going to be using skates, do we need the nursing students there?
 - d. Mr. Keaster: We're trying to get people who have skating experience.
 - e. Ms. Overton: Make sure you have your permits and copyrights for showing the movies. Also, for the skating, you have to have those people fill out the risk management form.
 - f. Mr. Bernardo: Do you have a flyer to sign up for Community Crew?
 - g. Mr. Keaster: No, I do not.
- vi. Chief of Staff, Christine Wamba:
 - 1. I'm in charge of the internship program for Student Government. I looked back at the 06-07 program and will be applying that information to 10-11. I have a flyer that Michelle Miller made. All the information is in Nemo. Please give me feedback.
 - 2. Block Party is on November 19, 2010.

7) Action Items:

- a. No action items were acted upon by the Senate at this time.

8) Budget Items:

- a. Budget Allocation Committee vacancy:
 - i. Ms. Bingham: We need one senator to sit on this committee, which determines club funding. Is anyone interested?
 - ii. Ms. Newcomb: Is there a specific time for this meeting?
 - iii. Ms. Overton: Usually early Thursday mornings.
 - iv. Ms. Bingham: I know that they will be meeting again next semester.

- v. President Neira: I encourage someone to fill in as soon as possible, so if you think you can do it, please let me know. The time commitment is minimal.
- vi. Ms. Bingham: Would anyone like to do it?
- vii. Ms. Newcomb and Ms. Wamba express interest.
- viii. President Neira: I believe it is a Senate representative, so I'll be forwarding your name, Ms. Newcomb, to Dana Lockwood. She'll set up the dates and times for meeting.

9) New Business:

10) Reports:

- a. Advisor Breana Christie:
 - i. Thank you to those who went to the Grad Fair and College For A Day events. If you have any comments, please send them to Jay Derrico or myself. It was heart-warming to have everyone come out for College For A Day. A special shout out to Mr. Keaster for getting in the Tsunami suit.
 - ii. Questions:
 - 1. Ms. Overton: Some of the students I student-teach for were really touched and moved. They were happy to see what this community's doing. Great job!
- b. President Jonathan Neira:
 - i. Food Survey: We've been spending time looking at different surveys. I contacted Dr. Hoffman and we'll set up a survey online. It should be done and ready to go out by next semester.
 - ii. Senate Applications: We're waiting on judicial and advisory checks right now. After that, Ms. Bingham and I will interview and submit a name to you in the next few weeks.
 - iii. Club Stimulus Package: We want to make things more stable in the next year and keep that stability going due to things changing drastically in the last few years. Working with the Budget Allocation Committee on that.
 - iv. Island News: Please bring your friends to this event. I'm going to pass around the flyer with the dates, times, and locations of viewings. It's a visual display of what's going on at the university. This is a screening and we want your input.
 - v. November 18th from 5-8 P.M. is Dolphin Night.
 - vi. We're looking to have another retreat on either January 29th or 30th. Who would rather have it on Saturday? 11 people raise their hands. Sunday? 4 people. Please keep January 29th open.
 - vii. Christine Thompson was really encouraging us to utilize the Student Union more when planning events. She has some funding to help co-sponsor events.
 - viii. We're having an executive meeting after this, and anyone is welcome to stay.
 - ix. Questions:
 - 1. Ms. Overton: What is Dolphin Night?

2. President Neira: It's with SPB, Student Life, and Campus Rec. There's a football championship and a tail-gate party.
 3. Ms. Cleverly: Where is it?
 4. President Neira: Potrero Fields. We all need to be there to support Mr. Keaster, who is playing football.
 5. Mr. Villanueva: They are looking for volunteers and give-aways during halftime. If you have anything to donate, let me know.
 6. President Neira: I have some yearbooks we can give away.
 7. Mr. Keaster: When you said tweaking the stimulus fund, is that next semester or the following years?
 8. President Neira: We don't want this to just be a one-time thing. It will be consistent.
 9. Mr. Keaster: This year, the funds came from a vacant position, but if you fill the position, the funds won't be there.
 10. President Neira: I think there will be more money next year, but more-so, we're just creating the system and process now.
 11. Ms. Cleverly: Mr. Villanueva: who is the contact for volunteers?
 12. Mr. Villanueva: Give me a name, and I can contact you.
- c. Vice President Elizabeth Bingham:
- i. I attended CSSA at CSU East Bay with President Neira and Mr. Bernardo over the weekend. I was able to attend the Board of Director's meeting at CSUEB. There are several elements of their meetings that helped the meeting run smoothly, so I will be implementing them in our Senate meetings in the next few weeks.
 - ii. I met with the CHESS committee (California Higher Education Student Summit) at CSU East Bay. We discussed the theme for this year's conference and decided on "California's Dream...Made in the CSU."
 - iii. The Board of Trustees is meeting in the Chancellor's Office in Long Beach this week. The Finance Committee voted to recommend a 5% fee increase for Spring 2011 and a 10% fee increase for Fall 2011. The student representative on the Board of Trustees voted against the fee increase. The Board of Trustees will be making their official vote on this during their general meeting tomorrow.
 - iv. I met with the Committee on Access, Retention, and Success last week. We discussed several matters regarding impaction. The committee will be looking into how impaction would affect access, retention, and success. On Monday, I met with the Alcohol and Other Drugs committee. The committee discussed the charge that was given by the president. I also met with the Academic Senate Executive Committee where the agenda for next week's Academic Senate was created.
 - v. Questions:
 1. Ms. Overton: The 10% next year is on top of the 5% right? Total of 15%?
 2. Ms. Bingham: Yes.
 3. Ms. Newcomb: Is tomorrow the final vote for that?

4. Ms. Bingham: Yes, tomorrow's the final vote. There are students going to protest.
 5. Mr. Keaster: Are they voting for just the 5%?
 6. Ms. Bingham: I believe they are voting on just the 5% now.
 7. Mr. Tabor: Is CSSA going to write a letter against the fees?
 8. Ms. Bingham: They've already written a resolution, but there's only so much you can do at this point.
 9. Mr. Bernardo: At CSSA, we talked about how there is a slight chance that the legislature might actually buy out the increase.
 10. Ms. Newcomb: Is this a CSU increase?
 11. Ms. Bingham: It's a CSU and UC increase.
 12. Ms. Overton: It's an 8% increase for the UCs.
 13. Ms. Newcomb: Out of curiosity, do you know if they're implementing that with financial aid?
 14. Ms. Bingham: One third of every dollar increase will go towards financial aid.
 15. Ms. Newcomb: But for next semester, are people who are receiving financial aid going to get more due to the increase?
 16. Ms. Bingham: We talked about it at CSSA, and if it does pass tomorrow, it will go to each campus to repackage the financial aid for everyone.
 17. Mr. Tabor: Do you know why they made 33% of every dollar go towards financial aid?
 18. Ms. Bingham: It's the policy they pass.
 19. Ms. Newcomb: Is this increase resulting in no furloughs?
 20. Ms. Bingham: Yes, and also, they need the money to keep the whole system running.
- d. Director of Operations, Alisha Tumin:
- i. I attended Alice's BYODD last week. It was very informative. Please try to attend the next one, tomorrow, at 4:30 P.M.
 - ii. Send reports to me by tomorrow at 7 P.M.
 - iii. Agenda items need to be to me and cc'd to Lizzie by Friday at noon.
- e. Director of Lobby Corps, Anthony Bernardo:
- i. CSSA put on a Lobby Corps clinic at the past CSSA.
 - ii. I learned so much from this training session including professionalism the four steps to request to meet with a legislator, how to actually run a meeting, the roles of the speakers at the meeting, etc. I got in contact with the Director of Governmental Relations, Olgalilia Ramirez, who gave me a lot of materials to run training here.
 - iii. They asked for us to have at least one meeting with each legislator representing the university by the end of this semester. If you are interested, please see me after the meeting.
 - iv. Just a reminder, the meetings for interest in getting involved with Lobby Corps will be November 23rd and 24th. Please recommend one or two students to the meeting and begin doing class raps.

- v. Voter registration project: We were one of six schools that met our goal. Congratulations!
- f. Senator Rebecca Cano:
 - i. Nothing to report
- g. Senator MacKenzie Garcia:
 - i. Last Wednesday, I attended a CI View meeting. I'm an official writer for their paper, so I can put articles in there.
 - ii. Tomorrow there is another meeting at 7:20 P.M. We'll be folding the papers for this month's issue and distributing them on Friday.
 - iii. I talked to Nick, who is the Editor in Chief. If an article is over 500 words, they post it on the website. If it first properly, the article will be in the issue.
 - iv. CI View is planning on doing a podcast where they have their articles read online.
 - v. I'm attending the Physical Planning Committee Meeting with John Gormley.
 - vi. University Outreach is taking LEAP applications. They are due this Friday, November 12th at 5 P.M. to Breana in her office or online.
 - vii. Questions:
 - 1. Mr. Keaster: On the LEAP applications, part of it is a staff or faculty recommendation. They do not have to write a letter. It is an evaluation sheet, but if you are interested in applying, take it to the staff as soon as possible, so they have a few days to do it.
- h. Senator Whitney Gradillas:
 - i. We had the Graduate School Fair. About 300 students came and 37 out of the 40 universities who registered, showed up.
 - ii. The Career Center will be hosting the Resume Writing Workshop on November 16th from 12:30-1:30 P.M.
 - iii. Jay Derrico is working on his calendar for next semester. He is interested in doing workshops with Student Government.
 - iv. I was unable to attend my committee meeting but am hoping to attend the next one.
 - v. I'm working with Food Share this semester. We're going to start a food drive and have donation boxes. I'm hoping to put a barrel in the Student Government office and in the Career Center by Friday.
 - vi. Questions:
 - 1. Ms. Jones: What's the status on the leadership quotes we discussed last week?
 - 2. Ms. Gradillas: I'm going over the quotes and want to have a discussion item next week on what quote we want. If you have any other quotes, please email me.
- i. Senator Katrina Newcomb:
 - i. I am rescheduling a meeting later this week with Casa Pacifica.
 - ii. I submitted a flyer request to Michelle Miller.
- j. Senator Juan Carlos Villanueva:

- i. Meeting with Cindy Derrico this Friday.
- ii. If you're interested in volunteering or have giveaways for the football game, talk to me.
- iii. Questions:
 - 1. President Neira: Do you want some yearbooks?
 - 2. Mr. Villanueva: I can ask.
 - 3. President Neira: We have some cups, mugs, shirts, etc.
- k. Senator Demetric Willoughby:
 - i. I'll be meeting with Cindy Derrico, as well, with Mr. Villanueva.
 - ii. I'm scheduling a meeting with Jeremy Booker tomorrow.
 - iii. On Monday afternoon, I was able to meet with Dr. Sawyer and Dean Pena. We want to retain minority students who might be leaving and promoting awareness about the clubs on campus.
 - iv. Questions:
 - 1. Ms. Bingham: I sit on the Committee for Access, Retention, and Success, so send me the information so I can forward it on to the committee.

11) Report Questions:

- a. President Neira: January 21-23rd is your chance to come to CSSA at CSU Dominguez Hills. We're not going to pay for a hotel, so we can afford for more people to go. Also, tomorrow is Spirit Day!
- b. Ms. Jones: There is no school on Thursday. Also, I was thinking that maybe over winter break, we could do a team-building day at Disneyland.
- c. Ms. Garcia: Do you know the dates for CHESS?
- d. Ms. Bingham: April 16-18th.
- e. Ms. Newcomb: What is the attire for dinner with President Rush?
- f. President Neira: Formal, but I'll double-check.
- g. Mr. Keaster: I love Disneyland, but it's tough to stay together in big groups, so I don't know how effective team-building would be. Maybe we should switch do a different venue.

12) Adjournment:

- a. Motion to adjourn the meeting: Mr. Villanueva.
- b. Second: Ms. Garcia
- c. Meeting adjourned at 8:41 P.M.