# **Minutes for meetings of the Senate**

# California State University Channel Islands Student Government

Tuesday September 8th, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at The John Spoor Broome Library at One University Drive, Camarillo, CA 93012

- 1) Call to order at 6:31 p.m.
- 2) Attendance
  - a. Members present: Kevin Schallert, Lauren Pollack, Jennifer O'Neal, Alisha Leal, Elizabeth Bingham, Paul Southerland, Brandon Clark, Mackenzie Garcia, Christine Wamba, Alexander See, Jennifer Mota, Douglas Whitesell
  - b. Advisors present: Jaimie Hoffman
- 3) Approval of the minutes
  - a. Minutes for September 15<sup>th</sup> were approved.
- 4) Public Forum
  - a. Juan Carlos
- 5) Special Presentations
- 6) Reports
  - a. Advisor Jaimie Hoffman
    - i. The only clubs that are currently recognized/registered and are permitted to request funding, meet, use CSUCI facilities, post flyers, etc. are: Lacrosse, Student Government, Volleyball, Student Programming Board, Running, Sailing, Zeta Pi Omega, the Bicycle Kitchen. Please assist Student Leadership Programs with ensuring that all clubs and organizations that you interact with are aware that they need to complete their applications by October 1, 2009. Two emails have been sent directly from me, Jaimie Hoffman, to all previous clubs and organizations Presidents and advisors but your assistance is much appreciated.

ii. President and advisor orientation and treasurer workshops have been scheduled for clubs and organizations. The orientations are required for each club President and advisor, the treasurer workshops are recommended. The schedule is as follows:

## a. President and advisor orientations:

Thursday, October 8, 2009 - 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., New Student Center (BT 1548)

Thursday, October 8, 2009 - 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m., New Student Center (BT 1548)

Friday, October 9, 2009 - 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., New Student Center (BT1548)

Monday, October 12, 2009 - 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., New Student Center (BT 1548)

# b. Treasurer workshops

Tuesday, October 6, 2009 - 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., SEAL Center (BT 1538)

Wednesday, October 7, 2009 - 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., SEAL Center (BT1538)

iii. The Involvement Fair has been rescheduled to Tuesday, October 20 from 11 a.m. to 2p.m. at the Broome Library Plaza. Student Government is invited to participate and use this as an opportunity to recruit members.

iv. The Back to Basics retreat has been rescheduled to Friday and Saturday, January 23-24, 2010.

- v. I teach a group communication class (COMM 220) at CSUCI and for the final project groups of students work on something that will benefit the campus community while they learn about group concepts covered in the course. I have provided one group with the opportunity with assisting to build the CI Lobby Corps. The group will work with Kevin Schallert and Katelyn Rauch to achieve this task. Any student government members are invited to attend the final presentation to learn about what this group accomplishes.
- vi. Christine Thompson asked me to remind everyone to sign up for a tour of the University Student Union and also to make sure and use the new ASI Check Request Form when submitting reimbursements.

#### b. President Kevin Schallert

- i. Town Hall athletics with Carl Reed, students will be co hosting it. Jersey Mikes is catering. It will be in the gym from 3:30p.m. to 5p.m. on September 30th, encourage students to come.
- ii. CSSA met this last weekend, Katelyn Rauch is at a Board of Trustees meeting and will be able to answer more specific questions.
- iii. Talked about the student fee increase and whether or not it would be retroactive.
- iv. Disabilities services and student health advisory committee if you are individually interested or know somebody contact Kevin Schallert.
- v. California's future is dependent on California's higher education graduates and there are statistics that show this. We need to make sure the public sees how important it is.
- vi. Made in CSU project, ASI fee paying students marketing campaign. Use artwork, its 500 bucks for the winner and you get credit for making the logo.
- vii. 4<sup>th</sup> week of April, Hyatt in Sacramento for CHESS. Their will be useful training and it's important to be there for legislation minutes.

- viii. Massive march on the capital, much like the one Jaimie Hoffman led 2 years ago.
- ix. Number one priority for CSSA is AB656. It will be a useful piece of legislation if it is passed for the CSU's.
- x. Lobby Corps up to Fresno next month for Lobby Corps training. It will be held on a Friday on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in October at Fresno State.
- xi. California is looking to make structural changes to the California state budget so that we won't have a budget gridlock.
- xii. CSSA is looking at what's going to happen when they publish their budget in November; the issue is called the California Forward Initiative. There will be a significant visibility in the inability to function properly in CSU. Educate yourself and see how you want Kevin to vote on the issue.
- xiii. We don't want funding to be cut with financial aid and the cal-grants.
- xiv. CSUN invited students to see Lupe Fiasco. There are discounted tickets for CSU students and the public as well. It will be held on October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 12p.m. to 6p.m. at CSUN.
- xv. Executive meeting was held last Wednesday. We discussed the strategic plan, problems with smoking, and the smoking committee. Non-smokers that are concerned with second hand smoke or smokers, talk to them and get their feelings.
- xvi. We are also developing an official description for the Lobby Corps positions.
- xvii. We are working together on the Town Hall meeting to talk about issues: hunger, homelessness, mental health, United Way, etc. It will be solution based to come up with ideas to work on what can we do to solve the issues.
- xviii. Big sheet with a logo saying: Made in CSU. Everyone will sign it in hopes for media attention and it will be brought up in February to the march.
- xix. Committees meeting with Doctor Sawyer tomorrow. I will get the official list tomorrow. If you want priority, send back your choices ASAP.

xx. Bash at Beach wants to know if student government wants to volunteer. October  $3^{rd}$ .

xxi. Executive meeting we discussed creating a stewardship award for being a good student to recognize students and give them positive affirmation.

xxii. First sailing competition this weekend.

## c. Vice President Lauren Pollack

- i. Students from ASI met with Advancement; encouraging students to read *World* without Poverty by Muhammad Yunus.
- ii. Talked to Nancy Gill about the weekly global, the mail we get in our weekly mailbox
- iii. Presidents Dinner is October 3<sup>rd</sup> in the North Quad. Mitch Sloan and Sarah Mahon are working on the fundraising event.
- iv. Golf N Stuff was last Friday; I encourage everyone to go to the events
- v. Working right now on a small project with Limon Latin Grill/ Lounge to get some kind of program with discounts on drinks. Buy a membership card for discounted drinks and show id to make it safe by having a designated driver who will receive free non-alcoholic drinks.
- vi. Family week is October 16<sup>th</sup>. Try to be there.
- d. Director of Operations Jennifer O'Neal
  - i. Working on the Strategic Plan.
  - ii. Working on the Resolution for the Budget Crisis.
- e. Director of Finance Alisha Leal
  - i. Relay for Life update:
    - a.CSUCI Team Hope

- b. Oct.3 4<sup>th</sup> at Camarillo High School
- c. Fundraising table at Islands Café & the Broome Library at noon everyday this week and next.
- d. Contact Deanne Ellison for information on team sign-ups

## . ii. Treasurer workshops

- a. Tentative dates 10/6 & 10/7
- b. Working with Christine on club/orgs budget & questionnaire outline
- c. Will gather materials, PowerPoint, and example forms for club treasurers to refer to at workshop.
- d. Clubs/Orgs will submit funding requests to SG by 5pm Wednesday in order to be on next Tuesday's agenda.
- e. Treasurer workshops will also be available to club presidents who would like to attend.

# iii. September budget attachment

- a. Does not include items which have not been invoiced.
- b. Will send updated budget to senate each month.

## Senate Reports:

# f. Elizabeth Bingham

i. I am hosting a Student Town Hall Meeting about the Budget Crisis. It will take place in Santa Cruz Village, E1 Lounge on Monday October 19, 2009 at 7pm. I am looking into holding another one during the same week so more students will be able to attend.

## g. Brandon Clark

- i. Met with Lauren last week and went over my position. I am familiarizing myself with info on the website.
- ii. I'm in charge of the mentor program. I'm trying to find a way to get freshman interested.
- iii. Clubs and Organizations plan on going to Seal Center and meet with Jaimie Hoffman to go over what I can do for that.

#### h. Mackenzie Garcia

- i. Met with Lauren and discussed constituency: Anacapa Village and project assignment: International Affairs.
- ii. Emailed constituency and project leaders
  - a. Contacted Antonio Jimenez in regards to my project and I plan on meeting with him soon.
  - b. Emailed Sarah Mahon about upcoming RHA meetings
  - c. Emailed all Anacapa RA's to inquire about upcoming floor meetings
- iii. Am planning on attending Anacapa floor meeting at 10 PM on WednesdayTy Neal will be hosting "9 Months Later" in Anacapa Commons on October 1, 2009from 7-10 PM

## i. Jennifer Mota

- i. I am meeting this week with Spanish club. Volunteering time to help
- ii. Going to language, Spanish and speaking classes to introduce myself.
- iii. Suggestion to consider trying a different strategy than just going to the classroom to introduce yourself.
- iv. There were 188 guests at Golf n' Stuff. It was nice to see CSUCI students there.
- v.Looking to hire an Admission Recruitment Assistant and an Admission Evaluator, forward to career center

## j. Alexander See

i. I will be conducting a formal poll to see what the most popular majors and classes are.

#### k. Paul Southerland

i. Life sciences, Biology and Environmental sciences met with Don Rodriguez.

- ii. There is service learning major. They go to New Orleans and work with National Park Services. They also have a Mexico trip, a restoration project and a lot more.
- iii. Have not met with Biology major yet.
- iv. Learned about Greens Generation club.
- v. Compiling emails for all my constituencies.
- vi. Assigned to two chairs and IAC and Lobby Corps committees.

## 1. Christine Wamba

- i. I went to my first Camarillo Chamber of Commerce meeting
  - a. I learned about what they have done during summer on connecting the community with CI.
  - b. I have the minutes from their meeting in June if any one wants to look at them.
  - c. I will keep all of you up to date with what happens in those meetings.

# m. Doug Whitesell

- i. Attended an Internal Affairs meeting.
- ii. Sorry that theirs a breakdown in Computer Club communications.
- iii. Mathematics Club has breakdown in communications as well

## 7) Report Questions

Senator Jennifer Mota to President Kevin Schallert

- Q: Athletics town hall meeting is what time?
- A: 3:30p.m. to 5p.m.

Senator Mackenzie Garcia to Vice President Lauren Pollack

- Q: How do we get a copy of the book?
- A: They are passing it out to all students in housing and other students February 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### Senator Mackenzie Garcia

A: Relay for life, you raise 100 dollars to join team.

Director of Finance Alisha Leal to Vice President Lauren Pollack

Q: For presidents dinner on Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, is that something Student Government goes to as whole?

A: No, not as whole, you are invited, it costs 125 dollars or else you can volunteer.

## President Kevin Schallert

A: My dad is trying to sponsor a Student Government table.

## 8) Discussion

## a. ASI Board Representative

i. Meet once a month on the first Thursday of the month from 8 a.m. – 9am. Great experience, you get to know a lot more about ASI. We get two spots on the board and then we get a representative. We are selecting one member to sit on the ASI board. Email Lauren if you have any questions or concerns.

# **b.** Club Funding

- i. No club funding requests right now.
- ii. Go over what club funding policies are

## President Kevin Schallert

- i. Big thing as senators is that last year there was a lot of inconsistency on how they would be funded. We need to get everybody on the same page so that we have an idea on opinions of what's coming in.
- ii. Apply the same general approach to everyone consistently. Some schools likeCSU long beach, only fund things crucial to their event. Our Club funding policy,

think about if Cornell makes 5,000 dollars off of borrowing 1,000 dollars and then they give back the 1000 dollars that they borrowed.

- iii. Take long beach approach wants to be taken by Doug. Fund things they absolutely positively need. Ask clubs how they will pay for this in the future
- iv. Hopefully if you're in the business club and your accumulating money then all money goes back to ASI and when you fund money you get a club account and hope we can make all clubs sustainable on their own.

## Senator Mackenzie Garcia

Q: So they have money for their own club and then we have money to fund them? Did you have specific amount for each club?

A: We have a pot of money and will get budget requests and it's up to us to decide whether we should fund them. It's our discretion. Fund them on how crucially they need money

#### Senator Mackenzie Garcia

Q: Do we give a certain amount to each club depending on size of group or activity?

## Vice President Lauren Pollack

A: We don't have a budget for it right now. Not every club uses money. We wouldn't be able to fund some clubs that do annual traditional events

A: Last year we had 25 clubs, and had 20,000 dollars in the pot. This year we have 12,000.

#### President Kevin Schallert

i. Other concerns with seed money.

## Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. This is how we do club funding; in this policy, we took seed money away because the money was being used outside of Senates jurisdiction. Reimbursements have gone away. If you want something to be approved you have to come to Student Government in advance.

#### Senator Jennifer Mota

i. Here it is stricter; orientation will have a topic on funding and a workshop just in funding and recommendations on how to do it.

## Jaimie Hoffman

i. Anybody is invited to attend the workshop.

#### Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. When clubs want to fundraise, before you network with Goldmine Yogurt or Golden Spoon, run it by advancement because they do all University fundraising. We don't want to step on someone else's toes. A club should not approach Advancement; they should do it separately through clubs or Student Government.

#### President Kevin Schallert

i. if members of the public put in request to see the 800 account, they will be required to be released.

#### Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. Student Government does not fund registered clubs because they are not open for everyone. If they're not recognized they cannot send club funding request.

## President Kevin Schallert

i. At Long Beach and San Francisco State University clubs are big and strain on both Universities to fund smaller clubs like Greek organizations because 80% of club funding money goes to sponsorship events.

## President Kevin Schallert to Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

i. Any oversight of ASI money should not being used for the 800 account. My fear is that students will get money for funding and then if they have leftover money, they will put it in the 800 account.

#### Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

i. ASI money; we get to see the reimbursement and see what the money for fundraising in the 800 account expenditures are used for. They are approved by me. As the individual that sees what clubs are doing, we do look over what they are spending money on.

## President Kevin Schallert

Q: What do you do to ensure that fundraising goes in 800 accounts?

#### Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

A: Accountability. If a club perpetually fails to use the account and they fail to follow procedures, they can be put on probation.

#### Senator Jennifer Mota to Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

Q: Can these clubs and orgs get a form on fundraising through a request?

A: Yes, there is a request fundraising process.

## Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

i. This semester we are working with clubs to allow them to do an event by event request or an event for the semester request. Next semester we are requiring submitting a semester long budget. This semester there will be request for both. To comment on voting, one degree to which club is working with other entities, consider collaboration and consider other sources in which they sought. Have they tried to work with new student programming for other funding? What are you doing to make this social event educational? Ask them how they are going to access the success of the event. Did you assess the event before? You are here representing the voice of the student body and need to think about the greater good of the issue.

# Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. To point out, we have bylaw authority to amend or modify club funding requests.

Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. We may be receiving a semester long budget. Take in consideration that you do not need to fund the entire thing. Look over the request for the meeting and come up with questions and be prepared to know what they want. If there are anymore questions, we can put it on the agenda again.

## c. CSSA Overview

i. Katelyn Rauch will go into more depth. Their will be an attachment and info that will be put in the Student Government office.

## d. Block Party Discussion

i. Need ideas for Party like a Block Star.

Senator Jennifer Mota

Q: individuals that dressed up as dolphin, did they enjoy it?

A: Yes, for the most part.

Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. Make sure the person in the mascot is hydrated.

Senator Paul Southerland

Q: Can we get the costume dry cleaned?

Senator Christine Wamba

Q: Can we get a new costume?

Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

i. We should have a costume and mascot discussion in the future.

## Senator Jennifer Mota

i. Someone should be assigned to stay with the mascot.

## Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. Make sure the person in the mascot is protected and make sure that people aren't too rough.

## Senator Mackenzie Garcia

i. Maybe we could get some cool sunglasses for the theme.

## Senator Jennifer Mota

Q: What are the projections of guests attending?

#### Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

A: 300-500 people at the Block Party. We are asking people to come dressed like a rock star and compete to see who the best dressed rock star is. It will be held on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

## Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. Maybe we can have a tub to throw the mugs in so we can wash them. They can even use a permanent marker to write their name on them. Have people bring their mugs from past block parties to get some sort of discount and be able to fill their cup up with the beverage.

## e. Smoking on Campus

## President Kevin Schallert

i. Resource map that OPC put together with a line that is 50 feet away from buildings. Police have said they don't want to enforce the smoking policy. Although, when people are on curbs smoking, they will make a comment. Most smokers were fine going where they

were supposed to go as long as it's fine and convenient. There is a lot of misinformation going around on information.

#### Senator Brandon Clark

i. I feel like theirs not really a consequence if you don't smoke near building. For me personally, I can't stand the smell of smoke. When I get a huge smoke cloud in my face, I think that is unacceptable. I think the cops shouldn't have to worry about that, but I think there needs to be some consequence that makes people not smoke near classrooms or the cafeteria.

## Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. If I smoked I wouldn't want to be shunned. In the middle of the bridge between the town hall and library, it wouldn't be fair for non-smokers to walk through that.

#### Senator Jennifer Mota

i. I don't like the smell of smoke; I think it would be great if people could have locations so that non-smokers could avoid that area and smokers would know where to go and there would be a location that they would not be shunned.

#### Senator Mackenzie Garcia-

i. Maybe we could have signs in different places so that they know they can't smoke there or that they can. We should have smoking sections in common areas on campus, but not so that they offend other people.

## Senator Brandon Clark

i. When I was living on campus I know that people would be smoking in a certain area near housing.

## Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. Smoke was going into rooms and becoming an unhealthy habit. Housing didn't want to be liable for its bad location.

## Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. I think there's a Law in California where you can't smoke within 25 feet of a building. The best idea to put forward is to have specific areas and then see if in passed resolution our government did something on the smoking resolution that senate might/might not have passed.

#### President Kevin Schallert

i. My formal opinion is that it was passed, but the minutes were not taken. Although Senate passed it, Chris Powells vetoed it. To talk about what Brandon was talking about, everybody hung out in that specific area and there became many smokers and they became too comfortable. We want to make a designated smoking area, but not as comfortable as that one and design it so that it is satisfactory and not necessarily comfortable.

#### Senator Alexander See-

i. I cleaned up cigarette buds and I would not recommend it. They do not throw the buds where they are supposed to

# Senator Douglas Whitesell

i. As a non-smoker, I would not want to have to deviate and avoid areas. Find places that aren't too out of the way, but not somewhere where people walk.

## Senator Elizabeth Bingham

i. We need somewhere where we can put cigarette buds.

#### Vice President Lauren Pollack

i. Putting cigarettes out on the ground is littering and the police don't want to have to herd students or give out tickets.

## Senator Jennifer Mota

i. When I go through housing, parents think that there child is going to become a smoker.

# Advisor Jaimie Hoffman

i. I will briefly recommend this issue with Dean of Students and the Judicial Officers. The spot by Islands Café, ask students to move, and if they fail to comply it can be a violation.

# President Kevin Schallert

i. I will meet with Cindy Derrico soon to discuss this policy.

# Vice President Lauren Pollack

- i. If anyone is interested in taking this up and working with Kevin, let us know.
- 8) New Buisness
- 9) Meeting adjourned at 8:20p.m.