

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH**

THE SENATE/BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

**Meeting #12
Wednesday October 25, 2006**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Vice President (Mr. Hironao Okahana) at 3:33pm.

2. QUORUM CALL OF THE SENATE

Roll call was done by the Secretary to the Board, Mr. Richard Haller.

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Ms. Tasharie Ameral	Present	Mr. Guido D'Onofrio	Present
Mr. Rafael Arenas	Present	Ms. Shelena McClinton	Present (Dp 4:40)
Mr. Philip Cendana	Present	Mr. Austin Meiners	Present
Mr. Christopher Chavez	Present	Mr. Sean Miller	Present
Mr. Gary Chen	Present	Ms. Lucy Montano	Present
Ms. Ashley Crowder	Present	Ms. Sharlene Risdon	Present (Dp 4:46)
Ms. Naomi Cruz	Present (Dp 4:40)	Ms. Ashley Mara Stanton	Present (Dp 5:15)
Mr. James Davis	Present	Ms. Erin Swetland	Present
Mr. George Del Hierro	Present	Mr. Justin Todoroff	Present
		Mr. Hironao Okahana	Present (Dp 4:00)

Quorum of the Senate was met.

Recognition of Non-Voting Members

Dr. Jeane Caveness Present
Dr. Chris Burnett Not Present

3. ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CHAIR

Vice President Okahana reminded that Board that the final Provost candidate interview is Monday Oct 30 at 3:30-4:30pm in the AS Conference room, USU 311.

Vice President Okahana announced that the student organization Up Til Dawn is hosting a fundraiser tonight at the restaurant BJ's on 2nd Street in Belmont Shores and urged member to attend.

Vice President Okahana announced that the President has withdrawn the nomination of Norma Cronin, item 8A.

The Chair yielded his time to Dr. Caveness who announced that she will be leaving today's meeting early to attend a donor reception. There she will begin fundraising for Alternative Spring Break Spring 2007 in hopes of attaining funds to send 30 more students to Louisiana for Hurricane Katrina rebuilding project.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

(M) Arenas (S) Ameral to approve the Minutes from the last meeting with the following corrections.

Pg 1 Quorum call: add Senators Chen, Del Hierro and Swetland as present. Pg 2 item 6A after Del Hierro's question add: Senator Arenas asked what they would do to improve student voting.

Pg 3 fifth sentence down: objection by Senator Chavez (not Arenas).

Motion carried unanimously by verbal vote.

5. CONSENT CALENDER

(M) Stanton (S) Montano to approve the consent calendar.

Motion carried unanimously by verbal vote.

6. WRITTEN MOTION

There was none presented.

7. THIRD READING FILE

There was none presented.

8. EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

B. PA#2007-18 Sarah Noone to be Chair of the AS Presidential Committee on Women's Affairs

Ms. Noone introduced herself to the Board as a senior majoring in film and media studies. She stated some of her qualifications for the position included working with indigenous and low income family at the Laguna Beach Resource Center and volunteering at Los Angeles County Museum of Art teaching children the world of art. She hopes to unify the women groups on campus and perhaps plan a women's day event.

(M) McClinton (S) Meiners to confirm Sarah Noone as the Chair of the AS Presidential Committee on Women's Affairs.

Motion carried unanimously by verbal vote.

11. A. Urgent Questions to Executive Officers of the Associated Students (If, any) – Time Certain at 4:00 pm
There were no questions asked.

B. Report from the Associated Students President, Shefali Mistry

President Mistry gave a brief wrap up on voter registration stating that approximately 1300 students had been registered to vote. She added that the Congressional Debate between Jim Brandt and Dana Roh was a huge success with a packed room of students and community members.
There were no questions asked.

C. Report from the Associated Students Executive Director, Richard Haller

Mr. Haller reviewed his report that was previously distributed and answered questions.

Senator Todoroff asked a pertinent question as to why the CSU's are part of the state as an agency and the UC's are not. Mr. Haller responded that the UC's are part of the CA Constitution and the CSU's are part of the Education Code.

D. Board Members Orientation from the Associated Students Executive Director, Richard Haller

Mr. Haller presented a PowerPoint orientation to the Board on their role as members. A hard copy of the presentation will be emailed to the Board.

E. Presentation on Board Initiatives from the Associated Students Executive Director, Richard Haller

Mr. Haller reviewed the list of initiatives that were conceived at the Fall 06 retreat. They were divided into specific categories such as campus climate, student health, perceptions of AS, academic advising satisfaction and parking services. Each section had a list of question asking members to state the problem, it's major causes and consequences. The Board agreed to email their answers to the Chair in one week.

9. SECOND READING FILE

There was none presented.

10. FIRST READING FILE

a. B. Amdt. #2007-10 "Presidential Cabinet Act of 2007"

Senator Todoroff stated the amendments proposed and answered questions.

(M) Todoroff (S) Meiners to approve the legislation.

Without objection, the Chair moved that the legislation be read twice and referred to the Documents & Bylaws Committee.

b. B. Amdt. #2007-11 "Special AS Officers Act of 2007"

Senator Todoroff stated the amendments proposed and answered questions.

(M) Todoroff (S) Arenas to approve the legislation.

There was a lengthy debate on whether or not the Senate should have the power to pass or reject the election handbook.

The Chair felt the Elections Committee should have autonomy.

Senator Davis stated the Amendment should have the Senate approve the Handbook or delete the section. He added that based on the way it is written, the Committee has no choice but to make changes or the Senate will not approve the Handbook. He added that comparing AS to the City of Long Beach elections process might be helpful.

Senator Chavez was supportive of the Chairs's comment and felt the need to have separation of power as the Senate is seen as a very politically charged group.

Without objection, the Chair moved that the legislation be read twice and referred to the Documents & Bylaws Committee.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Senator Todoroff introduced Steven sitting in the gallery as the potential new Senator for Natural Sciences & Math. He briefly introduced himself to the Board. He is awaiting clearance from the Dean of Students Office.

13. ADJOURNMENT

(M) Meiners (S) Arenas to adjourn the meeting.

Senator Ameral asked for feedback about the Bylaw Amendment regarding election. She asked how many people agreed with the new amendment, only one person raised their hand.

Senator Chavez stated that the Audit Committee has one vacancy and he urged a member of the Board to contact him and the Chair if they are interested. He added that on October 30th the student organization La Raza has a celebration at 6:15pm in the Soroptomist House, and invited the Board to attend.

Senator Davis stated that the University Affairs Committee has no Chair and he is very interested in the position. He asked the board for their support in relaying this information to the Chair. He added that his goal is to have all the academic committee student representatives report to the University Affairs Committee.

Senator Miller announced that the Snowboard Team is having a Halloween event at Jack's Bistro next week and invited the Board to attend. He also asked about not having a Senate meeting on November 22, the day before Thanksgiving. The Chair Pro Tempore stated that any item that needs a vote must be agendaized according to the Gloria Romero Act and urged Senator Miller to ask the Chair to out that item on the agenda.

Mr. Haller added to Senator Chavez's comment that the Audit Committee will be doing a lot of work this year. Ms. Hinckson reminded the Board to keep their office hours and attend organization meetings. Senator Del Hierro asked if attending meeting will count as office hours and Ms. Hinckson stated yes.

Motion carried unanimously by verbal vote. The meeting was adjourned at 5:36pm.