

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE SENATE OF
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHANNEL ISLANDS STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

A meeting of the Senate was held on Wednesday, November 8th at 8:00 am in the
California State University Channel Islands, the Hub Conference Room,
Located at One University Drive, Camarillo, Ca 93012,
To consider and act upon the following matters:

- 1) Call to Order: 8: 06 am
- 2) Attendance:
 - a) Members: Christine Thompson, Alexandra Mitchell, Michael Williams, Miguela Benoit, Rosali Gonzalez, Stephanie Erickson, Nasim Khansari, Angel Chitnatham
 - b) Ex-Officio: Jessica LaRoe
 - c) Members of the Public: Carlos Puente, Jessica Diaz, Victoria Olvera, Lisa Mancini, Dustin Erickson, Nick Amafitano , Sara Nygard, Hayley Hudson, Gintel Gee, Austin Dias, Marla Musgrove, David Bass, Tyler Valencia, Jacob Lapides

Alex motioned to add item 2 “Speech Tournament” for Discussion. Michael seconded. Vote 6-0-1. Motion passes.

- 3) Approval of the Minutes:
 - i) The minutes of October 25 and November 1 were postponed until the next meeting.
- 4) Public Forum
 - a) None
- 5) Cabinet’s Report
 - a) Austin Dias
 - i) Newest member on the President’s Cabinet
 - b) Lisa Mancini
 - i) Campus Toy Drive will start November 20.
 - c) Carlos LaPuente
 - i) Nothing to report
 - d) Nick Amalfitano
 - i) Sitting on the Student Referendum Committee
 - e) Dustin Erickson

- i) If anyone is interested in helping with Spirit Day by being a chaperon and wearing mascot for spirit day, please see Dustin
- 6) Jacob Lapidés
 - i) Helping with Student Union
- 7) Reports
 - a) Debbie Gravelle- Advisory
 - i) Absent
 - b) Jessica LaRoe- President
 - i) During office hours, help with the interactive marketing by handing out buttons through out campus. 15 more students need to fill out the survey to hit the 400 mark.
 - ii) Thank you Alex for sitting on the Health Committee
 - iii) David and Alex will be sitting on the food committee. Working on the food plan and expansion.
 - iv) Student Issue: Night students have complained about the service hours of Student Life. Jessica will be researching other schools for their service hours.
 - v) Welcome Austin Dias to the Cabinet Board.
 - vi) Wear buttons everyday until the 27th and 28th for the Student Union.
 - c) Christine Thompson- Vice President
 - i) Please see report attached.
 - d) Secretary- Victoria Olvera
 - i) Victoria has been offered a job by Dr. Morten, who is Director of the Trio Program. The Trio Program helps low-income students and first –generation students who are interested in attending a 4 year university. As a result, Victoria will be resigning as secretary and has two weeks to continue her duties. Victoria shared that she values and appreciated everything she has learned in Student Government and will use these skills in future jobs. Anyone who is interested in this position, please see Jessica.
 - e) Treasurer- Marla Musgrove
 - i) Transfer Funds Handout
 - ii) Senate Budget Handout
 - (1) Please get invoices to Marla as soon as possible.
 - (2) Campus Crusades for Christ
 - (a) An event will be held the end of next week
 - f) Senators

- i) Miguela Benoit
 - (a) Type up Miguela's part.
- ii) Angel Chitnatham
 - (1) Nothing to report
- iii) Stephanie Erickson
 - (1) Nothing to report
- iv) Rosali Garcia
 - (1) Attend the ASI Meeting. Received financial report which she will be discussing with Marla.
 - (2) University Hour
- v) Nasim Khansari
 - (1) Please see report attached.
- vi) Alex Mitchell
 - (1) University Glenn Board of Directors Committee
 - (a) Charge maintenance fee has been made in which staff and faculty can not afford to pay the fee increase. There will be a special meeting held for the Board of Director's Committee to approve or disapprove fee increase.
 - (b) Sitting on health committee- please see Alex regarding any concerns.
 - (c) Please look at code of conduct before meeting on Monday for input.
- vii) Michael Williams
 - (1) Has ordered Intern T-shirts and should be coming in a couple of weeks.
 - (2) Has done three info sessions about the Student Union.
 - (3) Attended the IRA meeting.
 - (4) Attend the EMSSC. They are discussing how to retain students at the university and will be conducting a survey. Also discussing who should have priority- Transfer or freshman students?
 - (5) CSO drivers have been goofing around which is important since ASI pays their salaries.
 - (6) Skate Board Issue- police have been enforcing the skate board policy and have been issuing tickets. Michael will be creating a petition.
- g) Interns
 - (1) Nothing to report.
- 8) Approvals
 - i) Student Movement of Globalization Club Funding.

(1) Alex motioned to approve Student Movement for an Understanding Globalization Budget. However, the Senate does not feel comfortable approving funds since a representative did not attend a meeting to inform the Senate the mission, events, and budget of the Student Movement for an Understanding Globalization. Alex moves to withdraw her motion to approve SMUG.

Nasim moves to postpone SMUG until contact is made from a club representative regarding funding. Michael recommended that the Club Funding Policy be sent out to all clubs, be consistent with following the policy, and assign a Senator to contact the club. Alex seconded. Vote 7-0-0. Motion passes.

9) Discussion

a) Speech Tournament

- i) Please see handout attached.
- ii) Keep in mind, the Speech Tournament is a semi-annual event.
- iii) Rosali moves to approve the speech and debate tournament funds for \$984.56.

Angel seconded. Alex expressed concern whether hospitality will improve the tournament and whether SG is being consistent with the Student Government mission statement. In addition, Michael shared concern that there are constraints with the Senate budget; however Student Government expressed the Speech and Debate Tournament is an excellent program for our students. Alex shared again, that funding this event is best serving the needs of the students; however, it will hinder the function of Student Government. Vote 0-4-2. Motion fails.

b) Alexandra Mitchell

- i) Would like to discuss our mission statements and bylaws. Shared that Student Government is not fulfilling our mission and our bylaws to the best SG's abilities. Alex suggested creating a SG newsletter to improve our communication that will include students concerns like the Skate Boarding Policy, club events, and service learning and civic engagement. Alex strongly encourages the Student Government read the bylaws and compile a committee and work out how to improve how Student Government functions effectively. Michael expressed that this is an internal problem, and in order for us to help and serve our students, we need to improve our internal structure. Jessica, however, shared that SG is not failing and there has been much success.

c) Additional Business

10) New Business

- a) Door codes have been created so stop by OPC to pick it up.
- b) San Francisco Mural
 - i) Student Government opposes the putting up of the mural.

11) Adjournment: 9:55