

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE SENATE OF CALIFORNIA

STATE UNIVERSITY, CHANNEL ISLANDS STUDENT GOVERNMENT

A meeting of the senate was held on Tuesday, January 29th, 2007 at 7:30 a.m. in the CSUCI, Hub Conference Room, located at One University Drive, Camarillo, CA 93012, to consider and act upon the following matters:

1. Call to order at 7:40 am
2. Attendance:
 - a. Members present: Lauren Pollack, Iram Trotter, Jeremy Booker, Gintel Gee, Reid Pakela, Kyle Fitzgibbons, Dusty Russell, Dustin Erickson, Yovani Lopez, and Alexandra Mitchell (chair)
 - b. Members Ex-Officio: Cris Powell, Adriana Franco, Debbie Gravelle, Cristina Nette
 - c. Members of the public: None.
3. Approval of minutes
 - a. No minutes to approve.
4. Open Forum-
 - a. Nothing to discuss.
5. Reports
 - a. CSSA Report-
 - i. Discussion of resolution passed
 1. Resolution in opposition to the budget cuts
 2. More information on attachment
 - ii. CSSA took stance against Proposition 92
 1. Community college wanted to use the UC's funds
 - a. Voted against it because of Cal State's recent budget cuts
 - b. Advisory- Debbie Gravelle
 - i. CSUCI Connections Luncheon
 1. Contact Jay Derrico if you are interested
 2. Mandatory etiquette meeting February 8th, 2008
 3. Luncheon on February 12th at Spanish Hills Country Club
 - ii. Organizing focus group
 1. Gateway Hall, new entrance onto campus
 2. Focus group is designed to get student input on set up, location and lay out of building.
 - c. President- Cris Powell
 - i. Went to leadership conference in Austin; discussed upcoming semester briefly
 - d. Vice President- Alexandra Mitchell
 - i. Discussed recent meeting with Trustee Bob Linscheid
 1. Mr. Linscheid sits on the CSU Board of Trustees that makes decisions about budget cuts and other financial / growth related issues that affect CSU.
 - ii. Search committee currently looking for a new provost which is the Vice President for Academic Affairs
 - iii. Republican Presidential Debate at Reagan Library to air on CNN (Wed. January 30).
 - e. Director of Finance- Adriana Franco

- i. Handout: See Attachment 1
 - f. Director of Operations- Cristina Nette
 - i. none
 - g. Senate
 - i. Jeremy Booker
 - 1. none
 - ii. Dustin Erickson
 - 1. none
 - iii. Kyle Fitzgibbons
 - 1. none
 - iv. Gintel Gee
 - 1. none
 - v. Yovani Lopez
 - 1. none
 - vi. Reid Pakela
 - 1. none
 - vii. Lauren Pollack
 - 1. Block Party – next Friday, January 8th
 - a. Needs someone to be Tsunami
 - viii. Dusty Russell
 - 1. Wants to start taking out survey's for smoking resolution
 - a. Goal is to get a minimum of 250 student responses
 - 2. Working with Iram Trotter to set up "Clothing for a Cause"
 - ix. Iram Trotter
 - 1. Also discussed working on "Clothing for a Cause"
- 6. Discussion
 - a. California Budget Report- Dustin Erickson: See attachment 2
 - i. Discussion of CSSA resolutions passed:
 - 1. *In support of "Tuition Relief Now"* , which is calling for a 1% tax on millionaires in order to freeze tuition fees for the next five years, and not allow fees to increase beyond the rate of inflation after those five years.
 - 2. In opposition to the California State Budget, and calls upon the CSU Family (Students, Trustees, Chancellor, Faculty, Staff, and alumni) to urge our legislature to fully fund the CSU and to join us in a march in Sacramento on April 21, 2008 for Public Higher Education.
 - ii. Higher education compact discussion
 - 1. Cris discussed "Tuition Relief Now's" impact
 - 2. Scheduled to be on the agenda for next week
 - iii. Discussion about CSSA
 - 1. If they are major issues we want to discuss and pass, the senate will decide to do so if necessary
 - iv. Contacting media about budget cuts
 - 1. Talk of contacting the newspaper to interview student government
 - a. If we do contact newspaper, be sure to inform: Lisa Power and Nancy Gill
 - b. will discuss how to go about this Thursday, January 31st in working meeting
 - 2. CI View newspaper has already included issue in their next paper
 - b. Super Tuesday (February 5) Tabling

- i. Table next Monday and Tuesday to promote voting and pass out literature on the candidates.
 - ii. Monday pass out easy voter guides
 - iii. Tuesday table from 11:00 am- 4:00 pm with balloons and cookies and promote voting!
 - c. Description of Semester Goals
 - i. See attachment 3
 - d. Office Hours
 - i. Sheet handed out to sign up.
- 7. Approvals
 - a. Approval of funds for cookies on Tuesday, February 5th 2008- (Super Tuesday Tabling)
 - i. Jeremy Booker motioned to approve no more than \$70 to be spent on cookies for tabling on Super Tuesday.
 - ii. Kyle Fitzgibbons seconded.
 - iii. Discussion: Dustin wanted to add drinks, Yovani wanted to add candy, there was then more discussion on how much to spend.
 - iv. Gintel Gee motioned to amend the motion to strike out \$70 and replace it with \$100.
 - v. Dusty Russell seconded.
 - vi. Vote 9-0-0 (motion amended)
 - vii. Dusty Russell motioned to amend the amendment and to strike out \$100 and insert \$150 so that the new motion would read: "approve funds of up to \$150 for cookies for tabling on Super Tuesday".
 - viii. Jeremy Booker seconded.
 - ix. 9-0-0. Motion Passed. (up to \$150 is approved for cookies for tabling)
- 8. New Business & Report Questions
 - a. None
- 9. Adjournment
 - a. Reid Pakela motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dusty Russell seconded. Vote: 9-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:50am.

Attachment 1:

**Student Government Expenditures
2007/2008**

Total Allocated from ASI:	95,000
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Class		Total Allocated	Expenses	Running Total
501	Executive Board	5,900.00	6,413.14	-513.14
590	Administration (Salaries for Executive branch)	27,800.00	0.00	27,800.00
510	Clubs and Orgs	23,000.00	2,107.11	20,892.89
505	Conference and Seminars	14,000.00	1,383.83	12,616.17
530	Events	2,400.00	1,710.33	689.67
507	Leadership	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
531	Meet ASI	400.00	0.00	400.00
541	Maximus	11,000.00	0.00	11,000.00
500	Dolphin Discount Program	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
542	Readers Program	8,000.00	4,262.01	3,737.99
540	Recognition	0.00	214.50	-214.50
TOTAL		95,000.00	16,090.92	78,909.08

Attachment 2:

Report: The Effect of the California State Budget

Brief Background:

As many of you many have heard California is facing a \$14.5 billion budget deficit. In response to this deficit Governor Schwarzenegger has purposed a 10% reduction of funding “across-the-board”. This means that there will be no priority given any particular program, fund (such as Higher Education). Important note: reductions for the CSU system comes after the CSU budget was reduced by more than \$500 million earlier this decade, and has serious implications on providing the educated workforce that drives California’s economy.

How will these reductions affect the CSU system:

Our Governor has called for a \$312.9 million cut of the California State University budget, which was approved by CSU Board of Trustees for the 2008/2009 fiscal year. The proposed budget fails to fund access for 10,000 students. It also fails to fund \$36 million in mandatory costs including employee health benefits, and compensation agreements for CSU faculty and staff. In addition the \$73.2 million in the General Fund revenue needed to buy out a student fee increase is not included in this year’s budget. Based on this budget our system would need \$386.1 million in order to fund a 2.5 percent enrollment growth. That is where we get the number for the 10,000 students for which this budget fails to fund. This will likely affect the enrollment numbers of the students from underserved communities the most, because it cost more money to have outreach/recruitment programs, which target these specific communities. Nearly 14 percent (\$43.2 million) of the \$312.9 million budget cuts will be made in Institutional Support Programs, which includes CSU administration. It is likely that students will face an increase in fees for undergraduates, credential candidates, and other graduate students of at least 10 percent. If the student fee’s increase any higher than 10 percent, then the Governor would break the Higher Education Compact made between CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed, his UC counter part and Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. That being said it is possible (if not likely) that student fees will increase beyond 10 percent. The Governor budget also reduces funding for the Student Aid Commission by \$2.2 million, including \$1.6 million in funding for state administrative functions and \$637,000 for the California Student Opportunity and Access Program. It also eliminates all new awards for the Cal Grant Competitive Program, a reduction of \$57.4 million, but will not effect renewal rewards.

How will the budget affect Channel Islands:

Out of the \$312.9 million in budget cuts that the CSU system would face, Channel Islands is expected to contribute about \$2 million. In addition Channel Islands will stop accepting applications for first-time freshman candidates on Feb. 1, and effective immediately will not admit lower division transfer students, upper division transfer students who are not fully eligible, and students seeking a second baccalaureate degree for the fall 2008 semester, but will continue to accept applications from transfer students who meet the minimum admission requirements of an upper division applicant. Instead of increasing our enrollment by 500 students for the fall of 2008, CSUCI will stop growth and maintain its current enrollment numbers for the 2008/2009 academic year. That means that we had 3,600 students enrolled last semester and we will only allow 3,600 students to be enrolled in the fall of 2009 instead of 4,100 students. (The decision to close the freshman application period on Feb. 1st was made by Chancellor Charles B. Reed.) I have a meeting with Dr. Sawyer on Tuesday, January 29, in which we will discuss further implications this budget will have on our campus.

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Attachment 3:

Maximus~ April 11, 2008 (Yovani)

Maximus is a tradition at CI. Maximus is a greek-themed annual event that recognizes the best of the best of the CSUCI community. One student, one faculty member, one staff person, one administrator, and one community member is recognized with a special award. Nominations are open to the student body several weeks in advance, selection committees are set-up to choose the final winners, and the award begin!

** an EFUR has already been completed and the Petit Salon is already reserved.

Block Parties – February, March, & April (Lauren)

Basically, we all know what Block Parties are. Lauren will be attending the planning meetings for the block parties and reporting back to SG. Lauren will also organize SG's contribution to these events.

Come Hang Out with OUR President~ monthly (Iram)

Student Government gets down to the basics during get-togethers like this. These "events" will be informal opportunities for different student groups to connect with their student body president on a personal level. Students will be able to communicate openly and comfortably about the issues that are affecting them and what they would like to see happen in the future of our university.

Monthly Dolphin e-mail Updates (Kyle)

February, March, April, May

Fitting into our goals, communicating through e-mail is a necessary task to accomplish. We will all be contributing to this monthly e-mail update which Kyle will compile, get approved by Cris, and send off to be sent out to the student body.

Dolphin Discount Program (Reid)

Dolphin Discounts are a great way for our community businesses to connect with the student body. The student body needs to be made aware of the awesome discounts that are available to them. Reid will be advertising discounts of the week as well as post a complete/updated list of discounts on the website as well as a monthly email (possible make an email update an entirely dolphin discount-ish theme!)

Intern Program (Dusty & Jeremy)

In order to recruit and retain the greatest leaders on campus, SG will have a workshop series to educate interested students about Student Government and

what we are all about. Dusty and Jeremy will create a 2-4 program where interested students will be invited to attend weekly workshops in which different SG representatives, staff members, and administrators will contribute to these students' educations about SG as well as answer any questions they may have. This needs to happen soon as elections will be here before we know it!

Statewide/Legislative Affairs/ CSSA (Dustin)

We will be hosting a CSSA Plenary Meeting at the beginning of March and there are still some logistics and details to figure out. Dustin will be organizing, planning, and delegating in order to make sure the we put on the best meeting this state has ever seen! Dustin also will be attending monthly CSSA Meetings, reporting back to SG, and helping to plan our visits to our state representatives when we lobby in April (CHESS).

Housing Senator/ RHA (Gintel)

Gintel will be the Housing representative of SG. Open communication with RHA will allow for SG to represent the large student population of CSUCI that lives on-campus.
