



MINUTES
DASB SENATE MEETING
Wednesday, January 12th, 2011
3:30 pm
Student Council Chambers

Call to Order

Ze-Kun Li called the meeting to order at 3:31 pm.

Roll Call

	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early	Excused
Natasha Asar	X				
Mariam Azhar	X				
Alison Chan	X				
Gloria Cheung	X				
So Choi	X				
Adam Coquia	X				
Ismail Desouki	X				
Melanie Dovan	X				
Brenden Fant	X				
Amira Farah	X				
Ahmad Fayad					X
Lena Ghamrawi	X				
Edison Giang	X				
Anaruth Hernandez	X				
Thoa Hoang	X				
Pamela Jara	X				
Denny Jeon	X				
Sana Kathuria	X				
Brenda Kristie	X				
Ze-Kun Li	X				
Jarren Lu	X				
Cindy Luu	X				
Ali Masood			X 3:41		
Anmol Mirakhur	X				
Leo Nguyen	X				
Victoria Nguyen					X
Nevin Sarina			X 3:41		
Syed Taha			X 3:51		
Neesha Tambe	X				
Tevita Tapavalu	X				

Guests: Zara Aslam, Angela Chou, Kannie Chu, Alerie Flandez, Yi Zhuang Liu, Alex Mendiola, Arvind Ravichandran, Marisa Spatafore, Wayne Spalding, Meera Suresh, Jennifer Uvira

Approval of Minutes

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So Choi moved to amend that she was excused for the last Senate meeting.

Anaruth Hernandez seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to amend that So Choi was excused for the last Senate meeting passed.

Melanie Dovan moved to amend that she was late at 3:35pm, not absent, at the last Senate meeting.

Neesha Tambe seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to amend that Melanie Dovan was late, not absent, at the last Senate meeting passed.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to approve the minutes.

Pamela Jara seconded the motion.

No objections.

Minutes approved.

Public Announcements

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- Alerie Flandez informed the Senate that the applications for the Asian Pacific American Staff Association of De Anza College (APASA) scholarship are due to next Friday. She also passed around flyers about the scholarship and announced that the winners of the scholarships shall attend a big lunch. The scholarships are given away for community service and \$1,000 based on need. Next, Alerie announced that there is going to be a Career Development Day sponsored, along with other local businesses that are going to be catering and providing lunch. This day is intended to be a day where people from various industries come together to have one-on-one conversations with the students. The registration deadline for this event is next Sunday.
- Marisa Spatafore, the director of Marketing and Communications at De Anza College, represented President Murphy. She informed the Senate about the proposed budget shortages for Community Colleges in California; the Governor's budget proposal is off-putting \$400,000,000 from Community Colleges, causing education cuts in addition to cuts for social service. She handed out sheets explaining the causes of the proposed budget cuts and reviewed staff and College government actions that have been taken so far, e.g. that the leaders of De Anza College went to the board of trustees.

Introduction of Prospective Senators

- Arvind Ravichandran
- Jennifer Uvira
- Vivian Nguyen
- Kannie Chu
- Meera Suresh

- Zara Aslam
- Adam
- Ernest
- Gary
- John

Senate Announcements

- Thoa Hoang passed around a paper with times and locations for the Senators to sign up to hold presentations about the Pepsi Refresh contest. She asked everyone to put their names in.
- Nevin Sarina announced that there is an SSCCC meeting this Saturday at 11:30am at Chabot College.
- Ali Masood announced that the Administration Committee is going to do a Senate Office Cleanup on Friday at 9:30am and asked for at least one helper from each Committee.
- Natasha Asar announced that they had launched the Club Challenge to support the Pepsi Refresh Project and asked people who are in clubs to inform and promote this in their clubs.
- Gloria Cheung handed out a Wiki Survey to the Senators and asked them to put it back into her mailbox after filling it out.
- Pamela Jara announced that there is another event going to take place in the Main quadon next Wednesday at 2:30pm. They are going to hand out flyers, trying to incorporate people who want to help out with other active people.
- Anmol Mirakhur announced that the bus pass program had been started again and that everyone should promote it and he passed around flyers.
- So Choi reminded everyone that field hours are now to be filled in on google docs. She also announced that she will resign after this meeting and that today is her last meeting.
- Neesha Tambe read out an e-mail that Ze-Kun Li had sent to all Senators, reminding them of their responsibilities and pointing out that people from outside the Senate work harder for the Pepsi Refresh Project than most of the Senators.

Internal Reports

- Lena Ghamrawi from the Diversity and Events Committee announced that there is going to be a freeze mob tomorrow at 12:25pm at the Main quad. People are supposed to freeze for 2 minutes and to wear their Pepsi Refresh Project shirts. She also announced that there is not going to be an event with a mechanical bull, but that the other events were going well.
- Leo Nguyen from the Finance Committee announced that they had assigned every member to talk to several people that handed in a Budget Request to have them explain their requests.
- Anaruth Hernandez from the Environmental Sustainability Committee announced that they had met twice before the Senate meeting. They are currently working on the bus pass program and getting the bike program started. They had their first meeting to work on the bike program today, putting their main focus on making sure that bus pass is getting more promoted. She said that people who need it should be informed and know

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about it. The Committee had a great start so far and they set up a Google doc to help structure the Committee.

- Ali Masood from the Administration Committee announced that they had an unofficial workday but no meeting this week. They worked out a schedule for this quarter and organized a Senate Office Cleanup at 9:30am this Friday. They also want to implement a system so that everything stays clean and their next week's meeting is going to address the printing, cleaning, swearing, and general behavior in the Senate office and punishments for bad behavior. The Committee is going to start on the Forum Proposal to work out how to utilize it more effectively and will have it done by January 24th. They also want to set up a document about computer difficulties by January 31st; Senators should report issues with the computers to Denny. They will set up a list at the white board for the Senators to write in what office materials they need. At their meeting on next Monday they will attempt to see if the members can meet on a different day.
- Thoa Hoang from the Marketing Committee announced that they will have their first meeting on Friday at 2:30pm. She said that the meeting is going to be fun and that the Committee is working closely with Jennifer Uvira and Pamela Jara and other people that are involved with the Pepsi Refresh Project.
- Neesha Tambe thanked everyone who replied to her e-mail regarding the office hours. She passed around office hour sheets and asked everyone to mark their names at the field hours sheet in the Senate office. She also passed out a sheet with contact information for the Senators to check or add their information.

External Reports

- Leo Nguyen informed the Senate that there had been a budget meeting yesterday, where they talked about next year's school budget. There are 2 different plans for next year; they may be short of either \$7,000,000 or \$3,000,000. If the Governor's proposal is going to pass there could even have to be more of their funding cut for next year.
- Brenden Fant announced that he had attended a meeting where they discussed a list with projects currently taking place at De Anza College.
- Nevin Sarina announced that they had printed out a legislative report and introduced the effects of the budget cuts by the Governor. He also announced that SSCCC would have a meeting soon and that they drafted a resolution pointing out that they are not satisfied with how things are going on the statewide level. There is an open position for Treasurer and Chair for the Region. The General Assembly will be the weekend of April 1st.

Consent Calendar

1. Add Maw Maw Aung to the Student Rights and Services Committee as an Agent.
2. Add Victor Chien to the Environmental Sustainability Committee as an Agent.
3. Add Jasmine Mithani to the Environmental Sustainability Committee as an Agent.
4. Add Leela K. Tanikella to the Student Rights and Services Committee as an Agent.
5. Add Jennifer Samantha Uvira to the Student Rights and Services Committee as an Agent.
6. Remove Nevin Sarina from the Student Rights and Services Committee.
7. Approve Nevin Sarina for the Environmental Sustainability Committee.
8. Remove Brenden Fant from the Diversity and Events Committee.

9. Approve Brenden FAnt for the Administration Committee.
10. Approve Denny Jeon for the Diversity and Events Committee.
11. Approve Neesha Tambe to join the Finance Committee for Budget Deliberation.
12. Approve Ismail Desouki to join the Finance Committee for Budget Deliberation.
13. Remove Nevin Sarina as the Legislative Affairs Officer.

Natasha Asar moved to strike item number 1.

Pamela Jara seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to strike item number 1 passed.

So Choi moved to approve the consent calendar as amended.

Mariam Azhar seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to approve the Consent Calendar as amended passed.

Business

14. INFORMATION

Title: FA CCC Conference in March

This item is to inform the DASB Senate about the Faculty Association's advocacy conference to be held early March in Sacramento, and how to attend if interested.

Presenter: Wayne Spalding

Time Limit: 10 minutes

Wayne Spalding presented the item.

15. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

Title: Parli Pro Workshop

This item is to review the Parli Pro process.

Presenter: Ahmad Fayad

Time Limit: 20 minutes

Neesha Tambe moved to table the item.

Lena Ghamrawi seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to table the item passed.

16. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION/URGENT

Title: DSS Spring Celebration

This item is to approve \$1,000 including \$500 for refreshments and \$500 for supplies for the DSS/EDS Spring Celebration from DASB Summer and Fall Allocations (Account # 41-52002).

Presenter: Leo Nguyen

Time Limit: 10 minutes

Leo Nguyen presented the item.

So Choi moved to approve \$1,000 including \$500 for refreshments and \$500 for supplies for the DSS/EDS Spring Celebration from DASB Summer and Fall Allocations (Account # 41-52002).

Brenda Kristie seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Brenda Kristie moved to end discussion.

Ismail Desouki seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to end discussion passed.

Vote to approve \$1,000 including \$500 for refreshments and \$500 for supplies for the DSS/EDS Spring Celebration from DASB Summer and Fall Allocations (Account # 41-52002).

	YES	NO	Abstain
Natasha Asar	X		
Mariam Azhar	X		
Alison Chan	X		
Gloria Cheung	X		
So Choi	X		
Adam Coquia	X		
Ismail Desouki	X		
Melanie Dovan	X		
Brenden Fant	X		
Amira Farah			X
Ahmad Fayad			
Lena Ghamrawi	X		
Edison Giang	X		
Anaruth Hernandez	X		
Thoa Hoang	X		
Pamela Jara	X		
Denny Jeon	X		
Sana Kathuria	X		
Brenda Kristie	X		
Ze-Kun Li			
Jarren Lu	X		
Cindy Luu	X		
Ali Masood	X		
Anmol Mirakhur	X		
Leo Nguyen	X		
Victoria Nguyen			
Nevin Sarina	X		
Syed Taha	X		
Neesha Tambe	X		
Tevita Tapavalu	X		

The motion to approve \$1,000 including \$500 for refreshments and \$500 for supplies for the DSS/EDS Spring Celebration from DASB Summer and Fall Allocations (Account # 41-52002) passed with 26 yes votes, 0 no votes, and 1 abstain.

17. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Title: Daily parking fee increase

This item is to discuss the possible increase of daily parking fee from \$2 to \$3 in order to buy new ticket machines, which will allow students to pay by credit card.

Presenter: Ze-Kun Li

Time Limit: 20 minutes

Ze-Kun Li presented the item.

Discussion occurred.

An advisory vote was taken.

The majority supported the increase of the daily parking fee from \$2 to \$3.

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Senate Announcements

- Melanie Dovan announced that they needed a lot of applications for the bus pass program in order to support the eco-pass program by showing that there is a high demand for the VTA buses. If they didn't have a lot of applicants for the bus pass program, the eco-pass program could be on risk.
- Adam Coquia announced that he officially resigned from the Senate as of today.
- Neesha Tambe thanked So Choi and Adam Coquia for their dedicated working service for the DASB and announced that their work will never be forgotten.

Introduction and Approval of Prospective Senators

Star of the Week

Neesha Tambe

Adjournment

Ze-Kun Li adjourned the meeting at 5:02 pm.

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Submitted by,

Sara Nierle
DASB Secretary
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