



MINUTES
DASB SENATE MEETING
Wednesday, April 6th, 2011
4:00 pm
Student Council Chambers

Call to Order

Ze-Kun Li called the meeting to order at 4:02pm.

Roll Call

	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early	Excused
Natasha Asar	X				
Zara Aslam	X				
Mariam Azhar	X				
Alison Chan	X				
Ismail Desouki		X			
Melanie Dovan	X				
Brenden Fant	X				
Amira Farah			X4:03		
Ahmad Fayad	X				
Balaram Fedchenko	X				
Lena Ghamrawi		X			X
Edison Giang	X				
Anaruth Hernandez	X				
Thoa Hoang	X				
Denny Jeon	X				
Sana Kathuria	X				
Brenda Kristie		X			
Ze-Kun Li	X				
Cindy Luu	X				
Ali Masood	X				
Anmol Mirakhur	X				
Leo Nguyen	X				
Arvind Ravichandran	X				
Nevin Sarina			X4:15		
Meera Suresh	X				
Syed Taha	X				
Neesha Tambe	X				
Tevita Tapavalu		X			

Guests: Chen Xu, Adam Manzano, Kenneth Perng, Saurav Agrawal, Sarwang Sakaria, Wai Pak Yip, John Cognetta, Nelson Chuang, Jinal Shah, Pablo Zamorano

Approval of Minutes

Wednesday, March 16th, 2011

Neesha Tambe moved to amend that Anaruth Hernandez was excused.

Zara Aslam seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to amend that Anaruth Hernandez was excused passed.

Zara Aslam moved to excuse herself from last meeting, because she was sick.

Edison Giang seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to excuse Zara Aslam passed.

Balaram Fedchenko moved to excuse himself due to an emergency.

Neesha Tambe seconded the motion.

Objections.

Discussion occurred.

The motion to excuse Balaram Fedchenko passed with 19 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to approve the minutes as amended.

Mariam Azhar seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to approve the minutes as amended passed by consensus.

Public Announcements

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- Matt Diaz announced that Club Karaoke and Club Day will be next week.
- Ahmad Fayad announced that BSU will be hosting an Open Mic Night tomorrow and that it will be raining and cold; it could even be snowing in the hills.

Senate Announcements

- Melanie Dovan announced her appreciation for Edison for buying a birthday cake for Anmol Mirakhur and Tevita Tapavalu, and for buying the pictures for the wall in the Senate Office.
- Sana Kathuria passed around a sign-up sheet for the Student Service Day and Student Forum.
- Nevin Sarina thanked Brenden Fant for making Spring Break awesome, by having a gathering at his place, and organizing hiking. At the gathering people had a reunion with others that they had not seen for a while.
- Neesha Tambe announced that if someone is interested in planning the next Senate Retreat they should let her know.
- Amira Farah announced that Edison Giang and Anaruth Hernandez fought for women's rights in the Main quad today, and John Cognetta and Tevita Tapavalu were there too.

Internal Reports

- Anaruth Hernandez from the Environmental Sustainability Committee reported that the Committee is working on the Eco-pass and the Earth Day on April 22nd. Anmol Mirakhur reported that they will have a Campus Cleanup Event that day, and that a subcommittee is working on it. The event will be called “Keep the Campus Clean”, and will be used to establish a monthly cleanup. The concept will be a scavenger hunt with checkpoints, and they will distinguish people into different teams, and give them a list of tasks to do at the checkpoints. The first team to accomplish all tasks will get a prize, which will either be a trophy made by the arts department, medallions, or shirts. Nevin Sarina reported that this can be a monthly cleanup where faculty, clubs, and students will be invited to clean up the Campus. He suggested for the Senators talk to them, and bring the community together. Anaruth Hernandez reported that they will add many liabilities for the students to the bike requests, and that they will publish how to handle someone who wants to rent a bike by this Monday.
- Ali Masood from the Administration Committee reported that they did not get enough applicants for the Judicial Board, but they will be working to talk to individuals they know who would be interested in and good for the position. Ahmad Fayad will be doing the New Senate Orientation on Saturday, April 29th. The printer order has been put in and the printer should arrive in the next weeks, and Ahmad will complete a Parli Pro Workshop by next week. The Committee also talked about changing the negative meaning of points to a more positive one. Their goals for upcoming week are to talk to individuals about the Judicial Board, finishing the cleanup system for the Senate Office, and asking the other Committees for any bylaw changes and working on them. In the second week the Committee wants to have a Parli Pro Workshop and assign amendments to the Senators to work on. In week 3 they want to present the bylaw edits to the Administration for approval and talk about the cleanup system at the Senate Meeting. In week 4 they will bring the amendments to the floor of the Senate, and in week 5 they want to practice a Judicial Board meeting. IN week 6 the Committee will start collecting information for the DASB Wiki site and by week 8 they will have finished they DASB Wiki website and hold the New Senate Orientation. Ahmad Fayad reported that when they have enough applicants for the Judicial Board, they will have a Judicial Board training. Their meeting time was Mondays from 4 to 5pm, but they have to find a better time, because the Committee members cannot make it anymore.
- Mariam Azhar from the Diversity and Events Committee reported about the events for the Spring quarter, which will be the Student Services and Student Forum Day, the Benefit Concert, and a guest speaker. Zara Aslam reported that the Student Service Day will be on April 14th from 11:30am to 1:30pm, and the Student Forum will be the same day from 11:30am to 12:30pm. Dr. Brian Murphy will be speaking about the budget cuts, and there will be several classes invited to listen to his speech. In the second hour there will be performances, which the Committee started marketing for with flyers and signs. Amira Farah reported that the Benefit Concert will be on May 12th from 6pm to 9:30pm. There will be various clubs and the band April Chase performing, and there will be a fashion show; Edison Giang will make a flyer for it. Mariam Azhar reported that the philosopher Jaya Row will be a guest speaker at De Anza on May 16th. Jaya Row excels at presenting time-tested principles in a practical and contemporary fashion and motivates

her audiences to live inspired lives. Her seminars help evolve a management style that enhances the most valued of corporate assets - the fulfilled, dynamic human being - a person of impeccable character, integrity and maturity. They are aiming for 75-80 attendees, and her agent will invite several mayors, Brian Murphy, and other faculty. The event will be formal with finger food, and a discussion about philosophy. Zara Aslam reported that Meet Your Candidates Day will be mixed with the Meet Your Senate Day and that it will be on the Wednesday, May 4th, during campaigning week, from 11:30am to 1:30pm at the Main Quad. The Inauguration Dinner will be on Wednesday, June 1st, in the Fireside room, and there will be shown a PowerPoint presentation showing the current Senate achievements, a glance at the past, and the future Senators. Mariam Azhar reported that there had been several code changes: the term "Agents" to was changed to "Junior Senators", the Committee will collaborate with the clubs in Spring for the Leadership Conference, and with the Multicultural Diversity Committees, they changed having 6 events per quarter to having 3 events, they will have one club collaborative event every quarter, and they will have only one evening event per quarter, which will be the speaker event. They also will add another position, the DASB Marketing Manager to establish the communication with the Marketing Committee to make advertising better.

- Leo Nguyen from the Finance Committee reported that the CCP Council meeting will be on April 14th at 12:30pm, and that Arvind Ravichandran is the new Chair of the CCP Council. The Honors Council will be meeting next Tuesday, April 12th, from 3:30 to 5pm. The Committee is also thinking about changing the Finance Code so that the DASB scholarships will be moved to the Finance Committee, because the Student Rights and Services Committee has too many projects already. The Finance Committee will be taking care of the scholarships during Summer and Fall quarter, and therefore they will have another official position, which is the Scholarship Officer. They will further change the Finance Code so that members of the Finance Committee have to go into the programs supported by the DASB to report on how the program is working. The budget will be presented to and approved by Board of Trustees on May 1st, and they Committee also decided that all programs sponsored by the DASB have to put up a visible sign saying "Supported by the DASB". Ze-Kun Li reported that the CCP Council meetings will be in week 2, 4, 6, and 8, which will be continued next year as well, and the Honors Council meetings will be in weeks 2, 6, and 10, also continued next year.
- Neesha Tambe from the Elections Committee reported that the applications deadline is on April 19th, that the test questions are done, and the dates set. The flyer is almost done, too, and the classroom presentations are starting next week, while Kurt Pham is handling the club outreach.
- Thoa Hoang and Meera Suresh from the Marketing Committee reported that they changed providers for their promotional items, and that they now need more time to place their order. They will be buying 5,000 or fewer pens from the original provider, and the sunglasses and t-shirts from the new provider. Further, Edison Giang has been working on t-shirts, which will be grey with maroon writers, and used as promotional items. The Marketing Committee wants to use eco-friendly products, so if there are any concerns about it, people should come to the committee meetings and do research beforehand. Thoa Hoang thanked Vivian Nguyen for doing an amazing job creating a newsletter for the DASB, which will be sent out at the end of this month to reflect on what happened in April and on what to expect in May. Also, Taha Syed worked with Julie, to complete the

new DASB website in 2 to 3 weeks.

- Natasha Asar from the Student Rights and Services Committee reported that they finalized the discounts and gave them to the Marketing Committee. Amira Farah will be working on the scholarships, Ismail Desouki will be working on the Campus Cupboard, and Anmol Mirakhur and Lena Ghamrawi will hopefully be joining the Committee. All the discounts are in, but some of them are pending, because the paper work for the big companies takes a while. They added and removed businesses, and changed contracts so that they last for longer. Meera Suresh reported that the Campus Cupboard is still in progress, and that Ismail Desouki is working on a point system to determine what 30 students gets the service provided. Marlo Custodio will be going to West Valley to discuss the transportation of the food to De Anza. The subcommittee is hosting meetings on Tuesdays at 2:30pm in the Chair room, and the website for the Campus Cupboard is almost done, too. The application deadline is on April 22nd, on April 29th they will start the verification and process, on May 6th they will send out the notifications, and on May 10th they will start the distribution. Amira Farah reported that they finalized the applications for the scholarships, and that they only need the wording for the 3 essay questions. They will be meeting on Friday at 3:30pm to finalize the application. Natasha Asar reported that the Marketing Committee will make flyers, and that the Student Rights and Services Committee will create a point system on how to review the applications, and form a Scholarship Review Committee to review the applications. Saurav Agrawal reported that “The Singing Guy”, Joshua Lovell was indefinitely suspended from De Anza and is not allowed on campus. He is treat like criminal because he has to be escorted by the Campus Security. The Committee views this as wrong, and wants to try to make sure that he gets off of the suspension. Natasha Asar reported that the Committee has representatives who go to the DARE and 8540 meetings for students’ rights
- Ze-Kun Li from the Executive Committee reported that they want to establish more contact with all committees, and work more closely. The Committee met over the break to see where everybody is at, and at their official meeting today they will talk about the bylaws in terms of objective of the Executive Committee.

External Reports

- Nevin Sarina reported that SSCCC had a General Assembly and that the chancellor of this district sent an e-mail to a lot of people, which the Senators should talk about, because it addresses the Budget Cuts.
- Meera Suresh reported that there had been no IPBT meeting, but that she received an e-mail about how budget deficit now is estimated to be \$30,000,000 in worst case only in the Foothill/De Anza district.
- Anmol Mirakhur reported that SSPB is still reviewing criteria for programs to be cut and determining what services are needed for De Anza.

Consent Calendar

Business

1. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION – FIRST VOTE

Title: Bylaw Amendments

This item is to approve the amendments to the Bylaw regarding Field Hours, Office Hours, and Senate Hours.

Presenter: Ali Masood

Time Limit: 45 minutes

Ali Masood presented the item.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to approve the amendments to the Bylaw regarding Field Hours, Office Hours, and Senate Hours.

Taha Syed seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Ali Masood moved to end discussion.

Zara Aslam seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to approve the amendments to the Bylaw regarding Field Hours, Office Hours, and Senate Hours passed with 18 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Neesha Tambe called for a role call:

	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early	Excused
Natasha Asar	X				
Zara Aslam	X				
Mariam Azhar	X				
Alison Chan	X				
Ismail Desouki		X			
Melanie Dovan	X				
Brenden Fant	X				
Amira Farah	X				
Ahmad Fayad			X		
Balaram Fedchenko	X				
Lena Ghamrawi		X			
Edison Giang	X				
Anaruth Hernandez	X				
Thoa Hoang	X				
Denny Jeon	X				
Sana Kathuria	X				
Brenda Kristie		X			
Ze-Kun Li	X				
Cindy Luu	X				
Ali Masood	X				
Anmol Mirakhur	X				

Leo Nguyen		X			
Arvind Ravichandran	X				
Nevin Sarina		X			
Meera Suresh	X				
Syed Taha	X				
Neesha Tambe	X				
Tevita Tapavalu		X			

Public Announcements

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Senate Announcements

- Sana Kathuria reminded the Senators to please keep sending around the Student Service and Forum Day sheet.
- Ali Masood announced that he will not be able to attend his External Committee next week and asked if anyone could take his place on Monday. Also, a person had a concern about the change of the Senate Meeting time to 4pm, and he is hoping to talk about that soon.
- Arvind Ravichandran announced his appreciation for Nevin Sarina who went with him to the SSCCC Conference, where he showed that he is very good at advocating for something.
- Thoa Hoang announced that she is collecting books to send them to children in Asia, and asked everyone to bring their donations to the Senate Office.
- Natasha Asar announced that the Campus Camp Wellstone will be on April 22nd until April 23rd and passed around a sign-up sheet. She also reported that when she entered the Senate Office at night last week she found paint all over the Office and showed the Senators pictures of it.
- Anaruth Hernandez announced that the 8540 working group is meeting this Friday to finalize the content to make it easier for students to join the group.
- Zara Aslam announced that they finalized the flyer for the Student Forum and Services Day and passed them out.

Brenden Fant moved to have a recess to clean up the Senate office.

Denny Jeon seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to have a recess to clean up the Senate Office passed by consensus.

Role call at 5:45pm:

	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early	Excused
Natasha Asar	X				
Zara Aslam	X				
Mariam Azhar	X				

Alison Chan			X		
Ismail Desouki		X			
Melanie Dovan	X				
Brenden Fant	X				
Amira Farah	X				
Ahmad Fayad		X			
Balaram Fedchenko	X				
Lena Ghamrawi	x				
Edison Giang	X				
Anaruth Hernandez	X				
Thoa Hoang	X				
Denny Jeon	X				
Sana Kathuria	X				
Brenda Kristie		X			
Ze-Kun Li	X				
Cindy Luu	X				
Ali Masood	X				
Anmol Mirakhur	X				
Leo Nguyen		X			
Arvind Ravichandran	X				
Nevin Sarina		X			
Meera Suresh	X				
Syed Taha	X				
Neesha Tambe	X				
Tevita Tapavalu		X			

Introduction and Approval of Prospective Senators

Pablo Zamorano – 8th meeting
Alia – agent from the Diversity and Events Committee
Nelson Chuang – 4th meeting
Saurav Agrawal – 5th meeting
Adam Manzano – 4th meeting
Isra Ahmad
Ravi Joshi
Sri Paruchuri
Shri

Star of the Week**Adjournment**

Neesha Tambe adjourned the meeting at 5:49pm.

Approved on Wednesday, April 13th, 2011

Submitted by,

Sara Nierle
DASB Secretary
Approved on Wednesday, April 13th, 2011