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MINUTES DASB SENATE MEETING Wednesday, June 3, 2009 3:30pm Student Council Chambers

Call to Order

Valery Nguyen called the meeting to order at 3:30pm.

Roll Call

Name	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early
Andy Chow	X			
Jack Chuang	X			
Zeynep Erturkoglu		X		
Karthi Kumar	X			
Anson Lai	X			
Calvin Lam	X			
Livia Lee			X 3:40pm	
Sean Lee			X 3:34pm	
Patrick Leung			X 3:40pm	
Melody Lin	X			
Jonathan Mai			X 3:34pm	
Esha Menon	X			
Amie Ngan	X			
Valery Nguyen	X			
Cheko Pacheco	X			
Trish Pham	X			
Amir Pourshafiee	X			
Deidre Quan	X			
Asami Sato	X			
Sharon Su	X			
Terell Sterling	X			
Yoshie Takeuchi		X		
John Yan	X			
June Yuan			X 3:49pm	
Michelle Zhong	X			

Junior Senators

Name	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early	
Arisa Harada	X				
Levon Minassian	X				
Ji Sin			X 4:20pm		Excused
Christine Tran	X				
Sakura Yoshimura		X			Excused

Guests: John Cognetta, Dennis Shannakian, Patrick Ahrens, Lisa Kirk, Mo Shirazi, Mayra Barragan, Sabrina Fernandes, Malina Pech, Marina Sanchez, Diana Alves de Lima, Suba Marti, Kevin Halim, Khoa Bui, Sergio Ruelas, Satomi Yokoyama, Daniel Galan, Shane Mason, Jean Melesaine, Time Avila, Wayne Spalding, Lucas Ho, Jose Avila-Martin, Mayra Miranda, Samera Hadi, Dhoreena Ventura, Keith Hubbard, Lai Ieng Loi "Lily", Nicole Lau, Khalid Ali, [name illegible], Wason Huynh, Bobo Teo, Suba Monti, Omar Ali, Scarlett Yeiser Kim, Steven Chan, Paul Nguyen, Mark Allen, [name illegible], Josh Chou, Marlo Custodio

Approval of Minutes

Wednesday, May 27, 2009

Terell Sterling moved to approve the minutes of Wednesday, May 27, 2009, as presented. Andy Chow seconded.

Motion to approve the minutes of Wednesday, May 27, 2009, as presented was passed by consensus.

Burning Issues

- Asami Sato: Hopes next year the election will be fair and no one breaking the rules.
- Cheko Pacheco: The people who did not show up last week were not serving their duties as Senator. Please don't force the students to pile into this room to represent themselves.
- Terell Sterling: Today, as you are fully aware, we will be going into a vote about the appeal. Asks that if you are running in this current election that you will be counted towards quorum, but that he asks that you join the audience during that time and renege your position as a senator.

Consent Calendar

There were no items on the Consent Calendar.

Business

1. DISCUSSION/ACTION

New Funding of \$4,515 for Movie Tickets – Urgent Item

This item is to discuss funding of \$4,515 for Movie Tickets to purchase more AMC Gold Tickets.

Presenter: Lisa Kirk Time Limit: 15 minutes

Esha Menon moved to approve funding of \$3,765 from Winter/Spring Special Allocations (Account # 41-52102) for Movie Tickets (Account # 41-55105) to buy more Gold AMC Movie Tickets as an urgent item.

Michelle Zhong seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to end the discussion.

Asami Sato seconded.

Roll Call Vote for \$3,765 for Movie Tickets – Urgent Item

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Andy Chow	X		
Jack Chuang		X	
Zeynep Erturkoglu	-	-	-
Karthi Kumar	X		
Anson Lai	X		
Calvin Lam	X		
Livia Lee			X

Sean Lee	X		
Patrick Leung	X		
Melody Lin		X	
Jonathan Mai		X	
Esha Menon	X		
Amie Ngan	X		
Valery Nguyen	-	-	-
Cheko Pacheco	X		
Trish Pham	X		
Amir Pourshafiee	X		
Deidre Quan	X		
Asami Sato	X		
Sharon Su	X		
Terell Sterling	X		
Yoshie Takeuchi	-	-	-
John Yan		X	
June Yuan	-	-	_
Michelle Zhong	X		

Motion to approve funding of \$3,765 from Winter/Spring Special Allocations (Account #41-52102) for Movie Tickets (Account #41-55105) to buy more Gold AMC Movie Tickets as an urgent item was passed with 16 yes to 4 no votes.

2. DISCUSSION/ACTION

New Funding of \$400 for Graduation Cap and Gown Fund – Urgent Item

This item is to discuss funding \$400 for the Graduation Cap and Gown Fund to provide caps and gowns for those of the 2009 graduating class that are not able to afford them.

Presenter: Patrick Ahrens Time Limit: 15 minutes

Terell Sterling moved to approve funding of \$400 from Winter/Spring Special

Allocations (Account #41-52102) for Graduation Cap and Gown Fund as an urgent item.

Karthi Kumar seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to end the discussion.

Karthi Kumar seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was not passed with 1 yes to 11 no votes.

Discussion occurred.

Karthi Kumar moved to strike the amount \$400 and replace it with the amount \$800.

Amir Pourshafiee seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Cheko Pacheco moved to end the discussion.

Amir Pourshafiee seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to strike the amount \$400 and replace it with the amount \$800 was passed unanimously.

Discussion occurred.

John Yan moved to end the discussion.

Terell Sterling seconded.

Roll Call Vote for \$800 for Graduation Cap and Gown Fund – Urgent Item

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Andy Chow	X		
Jack Chuang	X		
Zeynep Erturkoglu	-	-	_
Karthi Kumar	X		
Anson Lai	X		
Calvin Lam	X		
Livia Lee	X		
Sean Lee	X		
Patrick Leung	X		
Melody Lin	X		
Jonathan Mai	X		
Esha Menon	X		
Amie Ngan	X		
Valery Nguyen	-	-	_
Cheko Pacheco	X		
Trish Pham	X		
Amir Pourshafiee	X		
Deidre Quan	X		
Asami Sato	X		
Sharon Su	X		
Terell Sterling	-	-	_
Yoshie Takeuchi	-		-
John Yan	X		
June Yuan			X
Michelle Zhong	X		

Motion to approve funding of \$800 from Winter/Spring Special Allocations (Account #41-52102) for Graduation Cap and Gown Fund as an urgent item was passed unanimously.

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION

New Funding of \$1,000 for DASB Elections – Urgent Item

This item is to discuss funding of \$1,000 for DASB Elections (Account # 41-51150) to pay for candidate reimbursement expenses.

Presenter: Dennis Shannakian

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Asami Sato moved to approve funding of \$1,000 from Winter/Spring Special Allocations (Account # 41-52102) for DASB Elections (Account # 41-51150) to pay for candidate reimbursements as an urgent item.

Deidre Quan seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Jack Chuang moved to end the discussion.

Cheko Pacheco seconded.

Roll Call Vote for \$1,000 for DASB Elections – Urgent Item

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Andy Chow	X		
Jack Chuang	X		
Zeynep Erturkoglu	-	-	-
Karthi Kumar	X		
Anson Lai			X
Calvin Lam	X		
Livia Lee	X		
Sean Lee	X		
Patrick Leung	X		
Melody Lin	X		
Jonathan Mai			X
Esha Menon	X		
Amie Ngan			X
Valery Nguyen	-	-	-
Cheko Pacheco			X
Trish Pham			X
Amir Pourshafiee			X
Deidre Quan	X		
Asami Sato			X
Sharon Su			X
Terell Sterling	-	-	-
Yoshie Takeuchi	-	-	-
John Yan			X
June Yuan	X		
Michelle Zhong	X		

Motion to approve funding of \$1,000 from Winter/Spring Special Allocations (Account # 41-52102) for DASB Elections (Account # 41-51150) to pay for candidate reimbursements as an urgent item was passed unanimously.

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION

New Funding of \$10,152 for Tutorial and Academic Skills Center – Urgent Item *This item is to discuss funding of \$10,152 for Tutorial and Academic Skills Center to pay for student tutors.*

Presenter: Diana Alves de Lima

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Jonathan Mai moved to approve funding of \$10,152 for the Tutorial and Academic Skills Center as an urgent item.

June Yuan seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to table Business Item #4, New Funding of \$10,152 for Tutorial and Academic Skills Center, until Lisa Kirk returns to the meeting.

Jack Chuang seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to end the discussion.

Jack Chuang seconded.

Motion to table Business Item #4, New Funding of \$10,152 for Tutorial and Academic Skills Center, until Lisa Kirk returns to the meeting was not passed unanimously.

Discussion occurred.

Jonathan Mai moved to end the discussion.

Jack Chuang seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to approve funding of \$10,152 for the Tutorial and Academic Skills Center as an urgent item was deemed invalid by the chair as the motion did not state which accounts the funding would be taken from.

Esha Menon moved to approve funding of \$10,152 with \$3,691 from Winter/Spring Special Allocations (Account # 41-52102), \$5,915 from Multicultural/Diversity Events (Account # 41-55505), and \$546 from DASB Office Staff (Account # 41-51165) for the Tutorial and Academic Skills Center as an urgent item.

June Yuan seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Jack Chuang moved to end the discussion.

Sharon Su seconded.

Roll Call Vote for \$10,152 for Tutorial and Academic Skills Center – Urgent Item

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Andy Chow	X		
Jack Chuang	X		
Zeynep Erturkoglu	-	-	-
Karthi Kumar	X		
Anson Lai			X
Calvin Lam	X		
Livia Lee	X		
Sean Lee	X		
Patrick Leung			X
Melody Lin			X
Jonathan Mai	X		
Esha Menon	X		
Amie Ngan	X		
Valery Nguyen	-	-	-
Cheko Pacheco			X
Trish Pham	X		
Amir Pourshafiee	X		
Deidre Quan			X
Asami Sato	X		
Sharon Su	X		
Terell Sterling	X		
Yoshie Takeuchi	-	-	-
John Yan			X
June Yuan			X
Michelle Zhong			X

Motion to approve funding of \$10,152 with \$3,691 from Winter/Spring Special Allocations (Account #41-52102), \$5,915 from Multicultural/Diversity Events (Account #41-55505), and \$546 from DASB Office Staff (Account #41-51165) for the Tutorial and Academic Skills Center as an urgent item was passed unanimously.

Karthi Kumar moved to discuss Business Item #9, Complaint Resolution Appeals, before Business Item #5, Public Relation Policy.

Amie Ngan seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Anson Lai moved to end the discussion.

Sean Lee seconded

Motion to end the discussion was passed with 12 yes to 1 no votes.

Motion to discuss Business Item #9, Complaint Resolution Appeals, before Business Item #5, Public Relation Policy, was not passed with 2 yes to 8 no votes.

5. INFORMATION

Public Relation Policy

This item is to present the public relation policy that the Student Rights and Campus Relations Committee is proposing.

Presenter: Calvin Lam Time Limit: 20 minutes

The chair removed Business Item #5, Public Relation Policy, from the agenda and there were no objections.

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION

Code Revision: Code of Conduct - First Vote

This item is to approve the changes made to the DASB Code of Conduct for a first vote.

Presenter: Jonathan Mai Time Limit: 10 minutes

Terell Sterling moved to table Business Item #6, Code Revision: Code of Conduct, until Jonathan Mai is present.

Sharon Su seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to end the discussion.

John Yan seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to table Business Item #6, Code Revision: Code of Conduct, until Jonathan Mai is present was passed unanimously.

Anson Lai moved to have a recess for five (5) minutes.

Terell Sterling seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Asami Sato moved to end the discussion.

Jack Chuang seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was not passed with 7 yes to 4 no votes.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to end the discussion.

Asami Sato seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to have a recess for five (5) minutes was not passed with 0 yes to 12 no votes.

Returned to discussing Business Item #6.

Terell Sterling moved to approve the addition of the Conflict of Interest amendment to the Code of Conduct.

Jack Chuang seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to end the discussion.

Cheko Pacheco seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to approve the addition of the Conflict of Interest amendment to the Code of Conduct was passed unanimously.

Terell Sterling moved to approve the Code of Conduct as amended for a first vote.

John Yan seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Jack Chuang moved to end the discussion.

Anson Lai seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to approve the Code of Conduct as amended for a first vote was passed unanimously.

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION

Code Revision: Student Rights and Campus Relations Code – First Vote

This item is to approve the changes made to the DASB Student Rights and Campus

Relations for a first vote. Presenter: Jonathan Mai Time Limit: 10 minutes

Terell Sterling moved to approve the Student Rights and Campus Relations Committee Code as presented for a first vote.

Jack Chuang seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to end the discussion.

Sharon Su seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to approve the Student Rights and Campus Relations Committee Code as presented for a first vote was passed unanimously.

8. DISCUSSION/ACTION

Code Revision: Diversity and Events Code – Second Vote

This item is to approve the changes made to the Diversity and Events Committee Code for a Second vote.

Presenter: Jonathan Mai Time Limit: 15 minutes

Terell Sterling moved to approve the Diversity and Events Committee Code as presented

for a second vote. Sharon Su seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Sharon Su moved to end the discussion.

June Yuan seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to approve the Diversity and Events Committee Code as presented for a second vote was passed unanimously.

9. DISCUSSION/ACTION

Complaint Resolution Appeals

This item is to allow for the appeals of any complaint resolutions from the Tuesday, May 26, 2009, DASB Elections Complaint Meeting if necessary. If there were no complaints and/or there are no appeals, this item will be pulled from the agenda.

Presenter: Chair

Time Limit: 30 minutes

June Yuan moved to extend the time for John Yan to speak to finish his point.

Terell Sterling seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to amend to add 1 minute.

There was no second and the motion died.

Discussion occurred.

Esha Menon moved to amend to add five (5) minutes.

June Yuan seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Melody Lin moved to amend the amendment to allow however much time John Yan needs to finish what he has to say.

There was no second and the motion died.

Discussion occurred.

Esha Menon moved to end the discussion.

June Yuan seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to amend to add five (5) minutes was passed unanimously.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to end the discussion.

Deidre Quan seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to extend the time limit for John Yan to speak by five minutes to finish his point was passed unanimously.

Andy Chow moved to reconsider the decision of the election committee to reduce votes by 10% of the administrators of the Students United Facebook.

Michelle Zhong seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Michelle Zhong moved to end the discussion.

Terell Sterling seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to reconsider the decision of the election committee to reduce votes by 10% of the administrators of the Students United Facebook was passed with 6 yes to 0 no votes.

Terell Sterling moved to reduce the vote reduction penalty to the administrators of the Students United Facebook by 10% to bring the total penalty to 0%.

June Yuan seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Karthi Kumar moved to extend the time limit by 15 minutes.

June Yuan seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to end the discussion.

Melody Lin seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to extend the time limit by 15 minutes was passed unanimously.

Discussion occurred.

Terell moved to have a recess for five (5) minutes.

Andy Chow seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to end the discussion.

Michelle Zhong seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to have a recess for five (5) minutes was passed unanimously at 5:42pm.

Valery Nguyen called the meeting back to order at 5:49pm.

Discussion occurred on the previous motion to reduce the vote reduction penalty to the administrators of the Students United Facebook by 10% to bring the total penalty to 0%.

Terell Sterling moved to end the discussion.

There was no second and the motion died.

Discussion occurred.

Terell Sterling moved to amend the motion to keep the 10% reduction and he withdrew his motion.

Discussion occurred.

June Yuan moved to extend the time limit by 15 minutes.

Terell Sterling seconded.

Discussion occurred.

Sean Lee moved to end the discussion.

Andy Chow seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was passed by consensus.

Motion to extend the time limit by 15 minutes was passed unanimously.

Discussion occurred.

Melody Lin moved to end the discussion.

Terell Sterling seconded.

Motion to end the discussion was not passed with 3 yes to 6 no votes.

Discussion occurred.

Karthi Kumar moved to end the discussion.

Andy Chow seconded.

Roll Call Vote to reduce the vote reduction penalty by 10% bringing the total penalty to 0%

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Andy Chow		X	
Jack Chuang			X
Zeynep Erturkoglu	-	-	-
Karthi Kumar			X
Anson Lai			X
Calvin Lam		X	
Livia Lee		X	
Sean Lee		X	
Patrick Leung		X	

Melody Lin		X	
Jonathan Mai			X
Esha Menon			X
Amie Ngan			X
Valery Nguyen	-	-	-
Cheko Pacheco			X
Trish Pham			X
Amir Pourshafiee			X
Deidre Quan		X	
Asami Sato		X	
Sharon Su			X
Terell Sterling		X	
Yoshie Takeuchi	-	-	-
John Yan			X
June Yuan	-	-	-
Michelle Zhong		X	

Motion to reduce the vote reduction penalty to the administrators of the Students United Facebook by 10% to bring the total penalty to 0% was not passed with 0 yes to 10 no votes.

Informational Reports

External Committees

- College Council:
 - O Terell Sterling: Finally finished the approval for the positions that will be eliminated. Everyone that will be terminated was informed so that they will have a year until the position is removed. The faculty for the De Anza and the Board of Trustees were very fascinated that we are trying to change the mascot. Talked about graduation.

Internal Committees

- Board of Trustees:
 - o Isabelle Barrientos: Was sworn in on June 1 as the new student trustee. Something that passed was that if you park without a permit, the fine will now be \$45 instead of \$35.
- Marketing and Communications:
 - o June Yuan: Talked about mascot. Will be taking M&C members out for lunch or some other kind of treat.
- Student Services:
 - o Karthi Kumar: Passed around student discount cards.
- Budget and Finance:
 - Esha Menon: There was no meeting, but we are officially wiped out of all money.
- Diversity and Events:
 - o Livia Lee: Going to have a finals supplies giveaway.
- Student Rights and Campus Relations:
 - o Calvin Lam: Had student forum yesterday and personally thinks it was a great success.

- Campus Environment and Sustainability:
 - o Sean Lee: Didn't have a meeting, but have been working on some projects.
- Administration:
 - o Jonathan Mai: Talked about what they will do for the last meeting. There's a meeting today after executive council.

Introduction/Approval of Prospective Senators/Junior Senators

The chair removed Introduction/Approval of Prospective Senators/Junior Senators from the agenda and there were no objections.

Public Comments

Please note: Members of the public are limited to two minutes. The Senate cannot take action or respond to items during public comments.

- John Cognetta: A lot of people have been asking him when the election results will be posted. They may be up by tonight, but they will be up by tomorrow for sure.
- Keith Hubbard: Is really disappointed in some of you. He is going to be glad to seeing some of you leave.
- Wayne Spalding: Obviously a lot are disappointed who were fighting for a reduction of the 10%. They followed democracy to try and appeal, but we should not be hard on those who voted against what was wanted.
- Thomasina Russaw: You want to be careful about the choices and the decisions you're making. You want to be careful that you do not disenfranchise votes and charges can be brought against. In the future, you want to be careful of the decisions you're making and why you're making them.
- Mayra: Wants to know who will be voting for the mascot. Thinks it's a really dumb thing changing the mascot and a waste of time. Also thinks the 10% reduction was dumb. The whole facebook thing has nothing to do with the way people vote or who they vote for. This should have been brought up earlier and not after the election is over.
- Mo Shirazi: Not going to bash the Senate and enough of that has been done. He has been looking forward to these elections this past year and was confident in the students for the last year. You guys just completely silenced students. Know that you guys will be remembered for this, whether you want it or not. You took away his hopes, dreams, and motivations with the Senate. No one is a winner in here.
- Bola: Is completely disappointed in the Senate right now. What was the point of students voting if you're going to remove 10% of the students' vote? You're telling them that their voice does not matter.
- Jose Avila-Martin: Wants there to be an informational meeting before hand to let students know why the Don had originally been chosen so that students are better educated about a possible change.
- Michael Terrasas: We are college students and we have a responsibility. This goes a little beyond than just running for an election. If you're going to challenge the rules, then how are you going to uphold the rules when you're in office? We have laws to protect interests to protect a whole group. We should really applaud these people for sticking up for what they believe in.
- Sergio Ruelas: Thinks that it was wrong the decision that was made. Is not here on any side. Did not even come to any of these meetings until he heard how the rules were being upheld and the 10% reduction. Does not feel that this DASB represents him, hopes the next does.

- Mark Allen: There is a state law called the Brown Act to prevent elected officials from meeting outside of the meeting. He knows for a fact that emails were sent out, not by who, though. Various acts are in violation of the Brown Act. Is disgusted that the Senate is so "high and mighty" and punishing students for filling out paperwork wrong when they are violating state law. He is glad this over so he won't have to come back.
- Cheko Pacheco: Turned in his resignation. He does not want to be a part of this Senate anymore. He cannot believe the decision that was made. The mistake that was made was his. Those who win because of others reduction in votes need to remember that they won because of that reduction.
- Scarlett Yeiser Kim: Thinks that we should respect our Senators right now. She admires every single Senator here. Really thinks that Americans are really childish. Some of you will be Senators next year. Some people will be talking bad about you as well. Thanks them even though her own grievance failed.
- Marlo Custodio: Wants to apologize to Scarlett because she just committed political suicide by calling Americans childish because that is who she would have been representing. He is not mad. He is disappointed. He put a lot of faith in democracy, but it was violated. Each club endorsement that was filled out improperly was invalidated, but this grievance was filed improperly but went through. He's sorry, but he tried his hardest.
- Mayra: It takes a lot of guts to go up in the Senate and vote. Please respect each other, we are humans. She respects the people that spoke in the Senate. There were only around five of you who really took the initiative to find out what was going on. For future reference, if you're going to take a leadership position, you need to make sure you speak up and have your voice heard.
- John Cognetta: He stood here and heard the Senate take a lot of heat. He also heard a lot of misinformation about violations of Brown Act, Senators impersonating others to obtain information, etc. If anyone thinks there were any illegal actions, his door is open and he gladly will go through books, documents, etc with you.
- Kurt Pham: He is not going to side with either side. To find out the truth, you have to talk to both sides. He is very proud of the Senators because they took a lot of heat. There was one person that he never gets a chance to appreciate is Sean Lee. He appreciates him because throughout the fall Senate meeting, he always votes what he feels is right and does not let others influence him. But he always gives people a chance to speak.

Announcements

There were no announcements.

Adjournment

Valery Nguyen adjourned the meeting at 6:48pm.

Submitted by

Jessica Dunlap DASB Secretary Approved Wednesday, June 10, 2009