

# MINUTES DASB SENATE MEETING Wednesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 4:30 pm Student Council Chambers

# **Call to Order**

Ze-Kun Li called the meeting to order at 4:31pm.

## Roll Call

	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early	Excused
Natasha Asar	X				
Mariam Azhar	X				
Alison Chan		X			
Gloria Cheung	X				
Ismail Desouki	X				
Melanie Dovan	X				
Brenden Fant			X4:32		
Amira Farah	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				
John "Jarren" Lu			X4:32		
Cindy Luu	X				
Ali Masood	X				
Anmol Mirakhur	X				
Leo Nguyen	X				
Victoria Nguyen		X			
Arvind Ravichandran	X				
Nevin Sarina	X				
Meera Suresh	X				
Syed Taha	X				
Neesha Tambe			X4:35	X6:34	
Tevita Tapavalu	X				

Guests: Henry Graves, Jr., Ravi Joshi, Kenny Perng, Cody Teo, Robert Thompson, William Utomo, Christoph Wong

# **Approval of Minutes**

Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Ismail Desouki moved to approve the minutes.

Brenda Kristie seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to approve the minutes passed.

## **Public Announcements**

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#### **Senate Announcements**

- Amira Farah announced that there were several opportunities for field hours, for example joining the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday on Thursday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2011, and holding Walk-In presentations. She said the list would be out until next Wednesday and that people interested in helping out should see her after the meeting.
- Ismail Desouki apologized for his rude behavior at the last meeting.
- Anmol Mirakhur announced that the bus passes are done.
- Sana Kathuria announced that the Student Service Day is coming up, and reminded that she had sent out a sign-up e-mail.
- Meera Suresh added that they also need people on February 23<sup>rd</sup> and asked the Senators to sign up for helping out.
- Taha Syed passed around a paper for people interested in the new flyers.
- Denny Jeon passed around a computer problems paper.
- Nevin Sarina announced that there will be classroom presentations for the Walk-In, and that he would send out the information about the Walk-In tonight per e-mail.
- Anaruth Hernandez announced that there are two things going on. First, today the men and women's basketball team are playing against San Jose City College. Second, both the Diversity and Events Committee and the Environmental Sustainability Committee are working together on the Valentine's Day event, which will include a photo booth and giveaway chocolate.
- Thomasina Russaw announced that we now entered a new month with big events coming up, and she wants to see everyone at the event this Thursday. She also pointed out a special event on February 14<sup>th</sup>, which includes a discussion on "black love".
- Thoa Hoang thanked the Senators for voting her in and supporting her as the new Marketing Chair, and announced that she is ready to prove the people who doubt her wrong.
- Natasha Asar passed around a sign-up sheet for the upcoming fashion show, and asked everyone who wants to model or help out with setting up and the design to sign up.
- Ali Masood asked everyone who wants to help hold judicial board classroom presentations next week to sign up for it.
- Neesha Tambe apologized for being late and for her lack of professionalism at the last meeting.

#### **Internal Reports**

- Leo Nguyen from the Finance Committee reported that they were still working with the Honors program and CCP to improve them; Leo Nguyen and Brenda Kristie are in contact with CCP, and Ze-Kun Li and John "Jarren" Lu are working with the Honors program. They also assigned the Committee members to present the key items of the Budget Request in the Senate meeting, and postponed the ICC request of additional \$3,000 for ICC Club Allocation (Account #41-54730) to fund future club events.
- Ali Masood from the Administration Committee reported that the request for the new printer has been submitted to the Finance Committee. The Administration Committee is working on the judicial board this week and made some amendments for next week's agenda, which they will present at the next Senate meeting. They also approved the amendment for the new Office Policy, and now are working on the amendment on changing the office hours and field hours for everybody. Neesha Tambe will be working on an amendment to reform the point system, Brendan Fant and Ismail Desouki will have the final outline for the Parli Pro workshop by February 7<sup>th</sup> and it will be presented the following week at the Senate meeting. In addition, Gloria Cheung has taken over reviewing the computer issues from Denny Jeon.
- Anaruth Hernandez from the Environmental Sustainability Committee reported that the subcommittees were looking back on the rental programs, and that they were working with the clubs to make the February 14<sup>th</sup> event, including a free organic chocolate giveaway, a success. Further, all bus pass applicants picked up their bus passes.
- Thoa Hoang from the Marketing Committee reported that they went over the pluses and deltas of the Meet Your Senate Day, and that they talked about the new Senate brochure and keep working on it. They are also helping to advertise the food scholarship program.
- Lena Ghamrawi from the Diversity and Events Committee reported that there will be many events in February, which mean a lot of opportunities for field hours. The events will be the Walk-In on next Wednesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, the Valentine's Day event on February 14<sup>th</sup>, the Forum on February 16<sup>th</sup>, the Student Service Day on February 23<sup>rd</sup>, and the Benefit Concert on February 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Natasha from the Student Rights and Services Committee reported that the Forum will be on February 16th, and the Student Service Day will be on February 24th. The "Kirsh's Kitchen" vouchers are in progress, and the scholarship details will be figured out in next 2 weeks. The businesses for discounts will be contacted by this Friday, and they are working with DARE against the Budget cuts.

# **External Reports**

- Meera Suresh reported that the Instructional Planning and Budget Team discussed about the College's future budget, and decided on programs that they will cut in 2012-13. In the best case, there will be \$10,000,000 cut, and in the worst case it will be \$22,000,000.
- Ali Masood added that the cases vary from \$10,000,000 to \$24,000,000 and could even get worse.
- Amira Farah reported that there was a serious tone on the Instructional Planning and Budget Team, since the French department at Foothill College has already been cut and

De Anza College will be facing similar cuts in the 2012-2013 year. The Budget Team that decides which programs are going to be cut is meeting Tuesdays at 4pm in ADM109.

• Neesha Tambe reported that when the final beam for the Multicultural Center will be set, everyone gets to sign it and it will be part of the De Anza College history.

## **Consent Calendar**

Approve Meera Suresh for the Student Rights and Services Committee.

Approve Meera Suresh for the Marketing Committee.

Approve Arvind Ravichandran for the Finance Committee.

Remove Denny Jeon from the Administration Committee.

Amira Farah moved to approve the consent calendar.

Ismail Desouki seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to approve the consent calendar passed.

#### **Business**

## 1. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Title: Refresh Project Review

This item is to discuss what we did well and we could improve on.

Presenter: Ze-Kun Li Time Limit: 15 minutes

Ali Masood moved to table business items #1 and #2.

Anmol Mirakhur seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to table business items #1 and #2 passed.

Neesha Tambe moved to table business item #2.

Brenda Kristie seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to table business item #2 passed.

Ze-Kun Li presented the item.

Natasha Asar presented the item.

Discussion occurred.

#### 2. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

Title: Endorsement of the March in March

This item is to endorse the March in March on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011, to protest against budget cuts.

Presenter: Nevin Sarina Time Limit: 10 minutes

Nevin Sarina presented the item.

Discussion occurred.

Brenda Kristie moved to endorse the March in March.

Anaruth Hernandez seconded the motion.

Objections.

Discussion occurred.

Brenden Fant moved to end discussion.

Denny Jeon seconded the motion.

Objections.

The motion to end discussion passed by a 2/3 majority with 17 yes votes and 4 no votes.

The motion to endorse the March in March passed with 17 yes votes, 4 no votes, and 1 abstain.

The March in March on March 14<sup>th</sup> was endorsed.

#### 3. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

Title: Fist vote on Math Performance Success Program

This item is to approve \$12,200, including \$12,000 for Student Payroll and \$200 for Benefits for the Math Performance Success Program (Account #41-56575) from Winter/Spring Special Allocations (Account #41-52102).

Presenter: Leo Nguyen Time Limit: 20 minutes

Leo Nguyen presented the item.

Herminio Hernando presented the item.

Brenda moved to approve \$12,200, including \$12,000 for Student Payroll and \$200 for Benefits for the Math Performance Success Program (Account #41-56575) from Winter/Spring Special Allocations (Account #41-52102).

Thoa Hoang seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Neesha Tambe moved to end discussion.

John "Jarren" Lu seconded the motion.

No objections.

First vote to approve \$12,200, including \$12,000 for Student Payroll and \$200 for Benefits for the Math Performance Success Program (Account #41-56575) from Winter/Spring Special Allocations (Account #41-52102).

	YES	NO
Natasha Asar	X	
Mariam Azhar	X	
Alison Chan		
Gloria Cheung	X	
Ismail Desouki	X	
Melanie Dovan	X	
Brenden Fant	X	
Amira Farah	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		
John "Jarren" Lu	X	
Cindy Luu	X	
Ali Masood	X	
Anmol Mirakhur	X	
Leo Nguyen	X	
Victoria Nguyen		
Arvind Ravichandran	X	
Nevin Sarina	X	
Meera Suresh	X	
Syed Taha	X	
Neesha Tambe	X	
Tevita Tapavalu	X	

The motion to approve \$12,200, including \$12,000 for Student Payroll and \$200 for Benefits for the Math Performance Success Program (Account #41-56575) from Winter/Spring Special Allocations (Account #41-52102) passed with 25 yes votes and 0 no votes.

#### 4. INFORMATION

Title: Bylaws Amendment

This item is to present the revised Bylaw.

Presenter: Ali Masood Time Limit: 10 minutes

Ali Masood presented the item.

#### 5. INFORMATION

Title: Office Policy

This item is to present the revised Office Policy.

Presenter: Ali Masood Time Limit: 20 minutes

Ali Masood presented the item.

Ali Masood moved to have a recess for 5 minutes.

Melanie Dovan seconded the motion.

Objections.

The motion to have a 5 minutes recess failed with 3 yes votes to 16 no votes and 1 abstain.

Discussion occurred.

#### 6. INFORMATION

Title: 2011-2012 Budget

This item is for the Finance Committee to inform the DASB Senate of their

recommendation for the Budget for 2011-2012.

Presenter: Leo Nguyen Time Limit: 30 minutes

Leo Nguyen presented the item.

The members of the Finance Committee presented the item.

Discussion occurred.

Brenden Fant moved to extend time by 20 minutes.

Ismail Desouki seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to extend time by 20 minutes passed.

Discussion continued.

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Ben showed video about his friend who was killed in Ethiopia, trying to collect money for the boy's family living in Santa Clara.

## **Senate Announcements**

- Amira Farah announced that she will send out an e-mail with a list of classroom presentations for the Walk-In tonight, and asked the Senators to sign up.
- Meera Suresh announced that the Studen Rights and Services Committee has been working on the food vouchers, and determined "Campus Kitchen" as the official name for the program. She also announced that the Senators could table on February 9<sup>th</sup> for field hours.
- Brenden Fant reminded the Senators to read the new Office Policy, and to come to the Administration Committee's meeting Monday 6.30pm for questions.
- Anaruth Hernandez made the Senators aware of the Engaged Latina Activist Program, which will take place in Sacramento and is open to everyone. It includes civic involvement, leadership training and network opportunities. Interested people should talk to Pamela Jara for more information.
- Ali Masood announced that FACCC meets in March. Even though there are no fundings for attending it, the experience is a great opportunity to meet people from the Faculty Association and to talk about budget cuts.
- Ze-Kun Li announced that he created a task sheet about what each Committee and Senator is doing, which will be uploaded every week. It will serve as an accountability sheet and therefore every little detail should be on it. He also announced that there is a volunteer sheet for the Walk-In, and asked the Senators to help out since there are a lot of classes coming, and every hand is needed to help make the event happen.

# **Introduction and Approval of Prospective Senators**

# Star of the Week

Nevin Sarina

# **Adjournment**

Ze-Kun Li adjourned the meeting at 6:51pm.

Submitted by,

Sara Nierle DASB Secretary Approved on Wednesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011