

MINUTES
DASB SENATE MEETING
Wednesday, February 16, 2000
3:30 pm - 5:30 pm
Student Council Chambers

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 3:32 pm by Sharla Stevens.

Roll Call

Name	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early
Gurjit Bhangoo		X		
Ninad Bhawe	X			
David Choi	X			
Chris Domingo	X			
Barrington Dyer		X		
Corinne Eding	X			
Geraldine Garcia	X			
Jonathan Grellas	X			
Adrienne Hypolite	X			
Stephanie Lagos		X		
Jason Ledderhos	X			
Les Leonardo	X			
Lydia Lescalleet	X			
Jaylyn Luan	X			
Ingrid Medina		X		
Maria Muñoz			3:40	
Jean Newman		X		
Andrew Perry		X		
Maria Pugnetti			3:45	
Sharla Stevens	X			
Aron Tager		X		
Sepand Tehrani	X			
John Tsai		X		
Erik White	X			
Christopher Zand		X		

Approval of Minutes

Wednesday February 2, 2000

Chris Domingo moved to approve the minutes.
 Corinne Eding seconded.
 Motion passed.

Consent Calendar

- To approve \$4,245.00 for Jittaun Batiste, James Harris, Sheel Gupta, and Derrick Vance to attend the 31st Annual Grassroots Legislative Conference in Arlington, Virginia from March 11 to March 15, 2000 as per the recommendation of the Travel Committee. (see attached)

2. To approve \$6,000.00 for Maristella Huerta, Alejandra Moreno, Cristina Digesti, and Patricia Nuno to attend “Mujer A Mujer-A Delegation to Chiapas for International Women’s Day” in Chiapas, Mexico from March 2 to March 10, 2000 as per the recommendation of the Travel Committee. (see attached)

Ninad Bhave moved to pull Item #1 from the Consent Calendar.

Les Leonardo seconded.

David Choi moved to approve the Consent Calendar as amended.

Les Leonardo seconded.

Motion passed.

Public Comments

Chad Zichterman stated that he disagreed with David Choi’s Burning Issue at the Senate meeting on January 26. He believes that DASB did not stipulate that the funds for the WTO investigative delegation should be used for informational purposes only. Furthermore, he believes that the DASB students on that delegation are entitled to free speech. Lastly, he strongly believes that DASB is responsible for taking political opinions.

Erik White stated that there is no student representative on the Flea Market Committee, and someone should be present to represent the students.

Sharla Stevens announced that Items #4 and #5 were removed from the agenda. The remaining agenda has been revised with this order: Item #7, #8, #3, #1, #2, #6.

Burning Issues

Business

INFORMATION/ACTION

1. Attendance

This item is to provide information concerning Senator attendance.

Presenter: Les Leonardo

Time Limit: 20 minutes

Les Leonardo stated that each Senator is allowed to miss a maximum of three meetings and he is responsible for informing Senators who have bad attendance. He stated that Executive Council will be more strict with Senators concerning attendance of committee meetings.

John Cognetta distributed his Senate report (see attached). The Measure E Planning Committee is soliciting members to the following committees:

Public Transit Center and Parking Facility

Bookstore Expansion

Renovation Relocation and Secondary Effects

Student who are interested should talk to Jose Nunez about scheduling a meeting that is convenient for the students to attend. Furthermore, DASB should have a representative on the Facilities Committee.

Les Leonardo announced that this item will be revisited once information concerning attendance at committee meetings has been gathered.

INFORMATION

2. Voting Responsibilities

This item is to provide information concerning the voting responsibilities of Senators with regards to attendance.

Presenter: Adrienne Hypolite

Time Limit: 5 minutes

Adrienne Hypolite stated that a public member suggested at the Executive meeting that Senators should take voting seriously because they are involved in very important decisions. Senators should not leave during the meeting and return to vote on an item because it is very disruptive and a Senator may miss valuable information during the discussion that can prevent them from voting responsibly. Therefore, a Senator who leaves the meeting during the discussion of an item shall not be allowed to return to vote on it.

Corinne Eding questioned whether leniency should be applied for exceptions, such as going to the restroom.

Adrienne Hypolite suggested that a Senator can attend to those needs before the meeting and breaks can be held during the meeting for those purposes.

David Choi stated that the choice to abstain from voting takes care of occasions when a Senator does not have enough information on an item. If a Senator leaves during an item, he/she should abstain from voting. He believes that the Senate cannot dictate the voting rights of Senators.

ACTION

3. Internet Lab

This item is to approve the closing down of the Internet Lab, returning the room, and transferring equipment (except server) to administration. This item is also to brainstorm ideas on finding uses for octane.

Presenter: Ninad Bhave

Time Limit: 5 minutes

Ninad Bhave stated that \$185,000.00 has been spent for the Internet Lab. In order to continue maintaining it, \$30,000.00 more will have to be spent on equipment. He advised that the Internet Lab be shut down so that the funds could be used for more beneficial purposes, such as renovation of the Media Lab, holding tutorials on technology, improving technology on campus.

Discussion occurred.

Chris Domingo moved to extend time by ten minutes.

Erik White seconded.

Motion passed.

Chris Domingo moved to approve the closing down of the Internet Lab, returning the room, and transferring equipment (except server) to administration.

David Choi seconded.

Erik White moved to end discussion.

Adrienne Hypolite seconded.

Motion passed 14-0.

Discussion occurred.

Main motion by Chris Domingo passed 11-2.

ACTION

4. Travel Committee Recommendation

This item is to approve \$4,245.00 for Jittaun Batiste, James Harris, Sheel Gupta, and Derrick Vance to attend the 31st Annual Grassroots Legislative Conference in Arlington, Virginia from March 11 to March 15, 2000.

Discussion occurred concerning the purpose and benefits of this conference.

Ninad Bhave moved to approve \$2,537.00 to fund two attendees and one advisor to attend this conference.

Chris Domingo seconded.
Jason Ledderhos moved to end discussion.
Sepand Tehrani seconded.
Motion failed.
Sepand Tehrani moved to end discussion.
Jason Ledderhos moved to end discussion.
Les Leonardo seconded.
Motion passed.
Lydia Lescalleet moved to end discussion.
Sepand Tehrani seconded.
Motion failed.
Erik White moved to end discussion.
Jason Ledderhos seconded.
Motion passed.
Motion by Ninad Bhave failed.
Main motion to approve this item passed.

Sharla Stevens called a five-minute break.

ACTION

5. Student Trustee Selection Process Revisions

This item is to discuss and approve revisions to the Student Trustee selection process.

Proposed Revisions: The Student Trustee is an ASB member, who will be required to give a report at every other Senate meeting and attend all Executive Council meetings (in order to better understand student interests and needs) and report on the meeting agendas of the Board of Trustees. (see attached)

Presenter: Gagan Bhatt, Student Trustee

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Gagan Bhatt stated that the job description of the Student Trustee has been unclear concerning his/her relationship with DASB. He suggested that the proposed revision should include the provision to allow a vice to attend the Executive Council meetings on behalf of the Student Trustee.

Lydia Lescalleet stated that the proposed revision as stated above is the recommendation of the Executive Council to Senate.

Adrienne Hypolite moved to approve the following revision:

The Student Trustee is an ASB member, who will be required to give a report at every other Senate meeting and attend all Executive Council meetings or send a vice to attend in his/her place (in order to better understand student interests and needs) and report on the meeting agendas of the Board of Trustees.

Chris Domingo seconded.

Jason Ledderhos moved to end discussion.

Sepand Tehrani seconded.

Motion passed.

Main motion by Adrienne Hypolite passed 9-2.

David Choi moved to adjourn.

ACTION

6. DASB Forums

This item is to discuss and approve a DASB Forum on Students with Children and approve a committee to organize this forum.

Presenter: Sharla Stevens

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Sharla Stevens stated that a forum will be held to address student services for students with children.

David Choi moved to end discussion.

Sharla Stevens exited the meeting for a short period and passed the gavel to Les Leonardo.

Maria Munoz moved to end discussion.

Sepand Tehrani seconded.

Motion failed.

David Choi moved to refer this item to the Student Rights & Services Committee and anyone interested in helping can contact that committee.

Erik White seconded.

Motion passed 6-4.

Erik White called for a revote.

Motion failed 7-7.

Discussion occurred concerning whether Student Rights and Services can adequately handle this item.

Ninad Bhavne moved to refer this item to the Student Rights and Services Committee and anyone interested can contact that committee.

David Choi seconded.

Motion by Ninad Bhavne was declared frivolous because it was a repetition of a motion already voted down.

Quorum is lost.

Quorum is resumed.

The following list of Senators would like to be part of a committee to organize this forum:

Geraldine Garcia, Corinne Eding, Les Leonardo, Sharla Stevens, Jaylyn Luan, Adrienne Hypolite, Jason Ledderhos, and Maria Munoz.

Corinne Eding moved to approve a DASB Forum on Student Rights and Services with a DASB Forum Committee consisting of the members stated above.

Corinne Eding moved to end discussion.

Lydia Lescalleet seconded.

Motion passed.

Main motion by Corinne Eding passed 12-0.

INFORMATION

7. Flea Market

This item is to provide information on the history of the Flea Market and the proposed parking garage.

Presenter: Casey Dick

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Casey Dick stated that the Flea Market revenue has been improving throughout the years he has been in charge of it. He emphasized the danger of building a multi-level parking structure on Parking Lot B. The building of this parking structure will cause a loss of half of Staff Lot A, some of Lot C, and all of Lot B. He stated that it will virtually kill the flea market because the flea market will be cut in half and Lot C won't be used as a staging lot. He believes the parking structure and transit center should be placed on Parking Lot A because the bus traffic will not be

a disruption to students and buses will more easily come on campus. He requested to be on the next Senate agenda so that he can discuss this item in more detail. He welcomes any students who are interested in this item to speak to him. He stressed the potential loss of \$330,000.00 in revenue of student money if the parking structure is placed on Parking Lot B. He also stated that it is very hazardous to flea market shoppers if half of the flea market is placed in Parking Lot A and another half is placed in Parking Lot C.

Question and answer period occurred.

Adrienne Hypolite stated that the Flea Market brings about 25% of revenue for DASB. Loss of this revenue will greatly impact the DASB Budget, which in turn will impact students because many services and programs will lose funding. Placing a parking structure on Parking Lot B will really be detrimental to all students.

Fernanda Castelo suggested the possibility of sharing revenue earned from the new parking structure.

John Cогnetta stated that alternative places should be considered for building a parking structure because the unpaid debt of the current parking structure has already been paid from other funds, so revenue from new parking structure will be difficult for DASB to obtain.

Fernanda Castelo stated that De Anza is the only community college in this area that does not have a transit center on campus. She suggests that if there is not enough parking available, people will not even attend De Anza.

Business Reports

- Internal Committee

Lydia Lescalleet stated that Finance items were tabled until next week.

Adrienne Hypolite announced that Administration is meeting tomorrow at 3:30 pm in Meeting Room 1. It is a mandatory meeting with Casey Dick and John Cогnetta to discuss the Flea Market and the stance that DASB should take on the Flea Market.

Sharla Stevens ordered David Choi and Ninad Bhave to leave the meeting.

David Choi announced that he is resigning from the Senate.

- Internal Ad Hoc Committee

Lydia Lescalleet announced that Budget Committee met last week and will be meeting again soon to complete the budget.

Les Leonardo announced that Retreat Committee did not meet last week, but will meet today after the meeting. He urges everyone to attend.

- External Committee

Jaylyn Luan announced that Academic Senate is in the process of changing requirements for graduation. Each department is presenting their recommendations to the committee. She requested to be on the Senate agenda for next week.

Erik White announced that the campus budget is very tight and every department is asking for more money. All department budgets have been cut over the last couple of years. He asserted that if departments request DASB funds, they probably need it.

Sharla Stevens announced that Campus Center Board is considering installing new bathrooms with new toilets to better suit the different types of bathroom users. It is also considering different types of food for the Campus Center.

Lydia Lescalleet announced that College Council discussed a teacher accountability and the Flea Market. She had stated at the College Council meeting that the school cannot take away the Flea Market. DASB will present information concerning the Flea Market at the next College Council meeting on February 24 at 3:00 pm in the El Clemente Room.

Sharla Stevens announced that she voiced her concerns about the Flea Market at the President's Round Table.

Smart Card has not met recently. The next meeting will be tomorrow at 3:00 pm in El Milagro Room in the library.

Geraldine Garcia announced that Student Services Planning & Budget have been discussing department reviews and many meetings have been changed. They are read to send them to the district for approval.

Maria Pugnetti announced that Art on Campus will be meeting in a few weeks to review mural sketches.

Fernanda Castelo announced that Diversity Advisory Council discussed the lack of applicants for scholarships and financial aid. Much of these funds are not being used and advertisements need to be made to increase participation in this area. Any suggestions on how to encourage students to apply are needed.

Fernanda Castelo announced that CALSACC is holding a conference from April 7 to April 9 in the Disneyland Hotel to discuss legislation and bills for the next five years as well as how community colleges will be run. Emphasis will be placed on student equity and shared governance.

Sharla Stevens announced that Executive Council met two weeks ago.

Introduction/Approval of Prospective Senators

James Harris-Williams, 3rd meeting. He has not attended any internal committee meetings.

Sulaiman Hyatt, 4th meeting. He has attended two committee meetings and will be turning in his application packet soon.

Monte Bays, 2nd meeting. He has attended one Programs meeting.

David Sarkas, 2nd meeting. He has attended one Finance meeting and turned in his application. He will be completing his report next week.

John Carlsen, 1st meeting.

Bhin Ly, 1st meeting.

Fernanda Castelo, 1st meeting

Appreciation Period

Appreciations were given.

Announcements/Informational Reports

Jaylyn Luan moved to adjourn.

Sepand Tehrani seconded.

Motion passed.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm.

Submitted by

Joni Chao

DASB Secretary

Approved by DASB Senate February 23, 2000.