Associated Students of Las Positas College
General Meeting
Friday, October 5th, 2012
1:00P.M. – Adjournment

I. Call to Order
II. Roll Call
III. Adoption of the Agenda
IV. Approval of the Minutes
V. Officer and Committee Reports
VI. Guest Speakers
VII. Public Forum
VIII. Old Business
   A. Club Day
   B. Senator Confirmation
   C. Follow Ups
   D. Letters and Resolutions
IX. New Business
   A. Task Forces
   B. Lunch Cards
   C. Member Wear
   D. S SCCC General Assembly
   E. Bylaw Review Debrief
X. Equity Point Person
XI. Announcements
XII. Adjournment
I. Ms. Bogue called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

II. Roll Call
Officers:
   Cherry Bogue
   Christina Aboud
   Jovian Marcelo
   Stephanie Suarez
   Teshayna Mitchell
   Nico Portugal

Senators:
   Brenton Arndt
   Christy Byrd
   Colleen Redmond
   DJ Haastrup
   Eric Bolin (EXCUSED ABSENCE)
   Ignacio Cortina (EXCUSED LATE)
   Javi Pinedo
   Jed Lipp
   Johnny Romero
   Karm Randhawa (EXCUSED ABSENCE)
   Kevin Lopez
   Mark Fan
   Paulina Reynoso
   Priscilla Chavez
   Rosario Toral (EXCUSED ABSENCE)
   Sunny Sidhu (EXCUSED ABSENCE)
   Zach Burgess (EXCUSED ABSENCE)
   Zeidan Azraei

III. Adoption of the Agenda
   • Ms. Aboud moved to adopt the agenda.
   • Mr. Pinedo seconded
   • Motion passed unanimously
IV. Approval of the Minutes
   • Mr. Haastrup moved to approve the minutes.
   • Mr. Pinedo seconded
   • Motion passed unanimously.

V. Officer Reports
   • Ms. Bogue has been attending different classes and informing them about voting, encouraging students to take our survey and helping students in the office; she and Mr. Portugal have also registered approximately 50 students in the past two weeks. She also reported that the Staff and Fitness Center have asked if we can voter registration forms in their office.
   • Ms. Aboud has been working on a new draft for the senator reports and has been reminding all senators to be accountable for all their work. She also reported that during Senator Roundtable they talked about the Bylaws and saw several things that need to be revised.
   • Mr. Marcelo explained Prop 30 and Measure I to some senators and has been compiling information about the SSSCC General Assembly.
   • Ms. Suarez has been stocking the office with supplies and been reminding AS members about turning in their committee reports.
   • Ms. Mitchell has been busy planning Club Day, particularly the Haunted House that will take place in the Club Room. She has also been contacting vendors and has completed the flyers for Club Day.
   • Mr. Portugal has been finishing the paper work for all clubs. He has also been entering classrooms and encouraging students to register to vote.

Senator Reports:
Ms. Byrd reported on behalf of the senators. She addressed the mistakes that were found in the Bylaws during senator roundtable. Some senators were oriented and several have attended committees. Many have also been helping with the website.

Committee Reports
   • Mr. Lopez attended the Technology committee. Not many people were present so not much was discussed. However they did talk about the new and old science building as well as the visual equipment exchange. The also spoke of remodeling the phones, changing Blackboard and gathering data for the website.
   • Mr. Arndt attended Curriculum in which they spoke about units at Community Colleges and at State schools. If a student takes 60 units at a CC and 60 units as a State school, no matter which ones, they can graduate. However, they do have to complete their general education classes.
   • Ms. Chavez attended Student Learning Outcomes in which they talked about the 731 active courses and the class drop.
• Ms. Byrd attended the Food Service Committee in which they conducted interviews for vendors. The catering choice was also brought forward to the Board of Trustees.
• Ms. Reynoso attended Curriculum as well as Mr. Arndt and she also reported they talked about transfer classes needed for certain majors.
• Ms. Redmond attended Basic Skills in which they discussed how long it takes a student to transfer and how students are able to drop classes on ClassWeb.
• Mr. Romero attended Planning and Budget in which they talked about the college website and a company that is in charge of providing new gear for the science department.
• Mr. Marcelo attended Food Service Committee with Ms. Byrd. He re-stated that all the committee did was visit and interview possible vendors.
• Ms. Bogue attended Academic Senate in which they revised their mission statement and approved it. They also ran down the statistics of students who enter into Community Colleges with lower level math and English comprehension rates and how they are able to advance to transfer level classes.
• Mr. Portugal attended District Curriculum in which they spoke of a new form for revision and repeatability of taking courses; the proposal was sent out to Chancellors Council. He also attended Health and Safety and reported that our programs such as the Health Center and Campus Safety are steadily being utilized by students. Ms. Barbero from the Health Center has gone over statistics of when students come in and has reported that there have been at least 20 students who have visited for Plan Parenthood.
• Ms. Suarez attended Campus Change Network in which they talked about attending the presentation with Tuskegee Airman the following week. They also decided that instead of having specific co-chairs for the committee that all members will rotate either facilitating or taking down the minutes.
• Mr. Haastrup attended the Town Meeting and informed the senate that Ms. Moore has been nominated for the “What’s Right at LPC” Award. Chancellor Walters also introduced herself. They also talked about possibly bringing the Puente Program to LPC which offers help to Latino California students who are educationally challenged. This program offers counseling, tutoring and mentorship. This committee is also deciding whether or not to revise their mission statement.
• Mr. Cortina attended the VP of Administrative Services in which they discussed how to interview candidates and set their calendar for the year.
• Mr. Azraei attended Planning and Budgeting in which they talked about providing periodic tables for the science department as well as their plans for welding.
• Mr. Pinedo attended Distance Education in which they discussed what qualified as a student-teacher relationship and the guidelines for online materials particularly textbooks.

Advisors Notes
Ms. Ross informed the senate that the Nike Funds Committee is in progress. This committee provides funds for all campus artwork so it is important to have a student representative on the committee. Ms. Ross also informed us that the employment center has shut down due to budget cuts so all calls will be coming through to the AS office. If anyone calls for this reason, forward them to Ms. Ross. The outlet mall is holding a job fair on October 23rd in Livermore. They are focusing on Las Positas College students and will be giving a fast pass for them to enter right at the front of the line. Ms. Ross also asked the senate if any of the members are interested in receiving lawn signs for Measure I. She is also training students for campus tours. Ms. Ross has also been annoyed with the drama that has been occurring in the office between senators. If anyone has a problem with another member they must either talk to the member they have a problem with or approach Ms. Ross.

VI. Guest Speakers: NONE

VII. Public Forum: NONE

VIII. Old Business:

A. Club Day
   • Ms. Mitchell moved to approve an extra $400 for Club Day.
   • Mr. Portugal seconded.
   Ms. Mitchell reviewed the plan for Food and Decorations for Club Day. For the food, on the first day, we will have 250 beef burgers, 75 veggie burgers, 75 turkey burgers and 300 slices of cheese. She also talked about the different decorations for the Haunted House. She mentioned drapes, a fog machine, life-size poster boards, Halloween music, and a film. Ms. Ross reminded that we need to have 4-5 people at the food table, 1 person at the ASLPC table and 4 people for the Haunted House. Ms. Mitchell will have signup sheets on her desk.
   • Mr. Haastrup moved to extend time by 5 minutes
   • Mr. Marcelo seconded.
   • Motion passes unanimously.
   It was suggested if we could ask other students if they wanted to partake in the Haunted House because not many people signed up to work it and Mr. Portugal stated that several club members are interested in participating.
   • Motion passes unanimously.

B. Senator Confirmation
   • Ms. Aboud moved to approve Mr. Azraei as a senator.
   • Mr. Marcelo seconded.
   • Motion passes unanimously

C. Follow Ups
   • Mr. Haasturp encourages the senate to talk to their friends and urge them to study for their math and English assessment tests.
Ms. Suarez followed this idea by asking if it was possible to attend high schools because most students take their assessment tests then.

Mr. Portugal reminded everyone to take down flyers on bulletin boards if the date has past or if they are not campus related. The only bulletin boards that are allowed to have personal information are the ones in the cafeteria.

Mr. Marcelo reminded the body that the last day to back out of going on the retreat is October 12th.

Ms. Ross needs the exact number of students who will be attending the retreat and are interested in partaking in the zip line activity. She also needs to know who is driving and how much the ASLPC must reimburse them for gas.

Ms. Bogue informed the senate that it is not to put up flyers in the fitness center.

D. Letters and Resolutions: NONE

IX. New Business:

A. Task Force
   
   Mr. Pinedo moved to have a formation of task forces.
   
   Mr. Portugal seconded.

   A task force is a group of approximately four people which focus on different aspects on campus. The five task forces the body agreed on are Essential Health and Safety, High School Outreach, Campus and Marketing Outreach, Community Outreach and Missions and Values. It was suggested that the task forces be voluntary because several members have other activities and they simply do not have the time. Also the body wants people who are committed to their task force. However, others suggested that it is a way to make sure members are doing their job and it is a good way to stay involved school wide. Also if it is voluntary, there may be no point in having task forced because it may not be successful with a small amount of people. And also if the ASLPC does not reach out to students, we cannot expect others to. It was also suggested that if it is voluntary, once you volunteer, there is no going back and you must put in your 100% effort.

   Mr. Pinedo moved to amend the motion to insert the approval of mandatory task forces.

   Mr. Portugal seconded.

   But if the task force is mandatory it is possible for each person to have specific tasks that fit their schedule.

   Mr. Pinedo moved to approve mandatory task forces.

   Mr. Haastrup seconded.

   Motion passes with four opposed.

B. Lunch Cards

Ms. Aboud spoke briefly about the lunch cards and simply states LPC might have them with the upcoming vendors. She would like to postpone this item once she has more information and when Ms. Toral is present.
C. Member Wear
Ms. Mitchell brought up the topic of new member wear. There have been many members of ASLPC who feel uncomfortable wearing our shirts and others who do not believe it is professional enough for when we attend conferences. The ideas of either a shirt or a button were brought up. However most members decided a shirt would be better, specifically a polo. It was decided that the body should research more about this topic and it will be put on the agenda for a later date.

D. SSCCC General Assembly
- Mr. Marcelo moved to approve an up to amount of $2,300 for the SSCCC General Assembly.
- Mr. Portugal seconded.
The SSCCC General Assembly is a conference in which students will learn more about legislation, specific propositions as well as attending leadership and team building workshops. It will be the same weekend as our Fall Retreat. Mr. Pinedo suggested an officer and a senator should attend thus Mr. Marcelo and Mr. Sidhu both agreed on going to the conference.
- Motion passes with one abstention. (SEE ROLL CALL)

E. Bylaws
Ms. Aboud has reviewed the bylaws and found two sections which need revision. First we talked about Article 2, Section 2, Item C, Number 1 which talks about the Removal from Office.

“If any ASLPC member is removed from their position, or resigns while wither impeachment or removal is in process, that person is ineligible for any position within the ASLPC until the beginning of the next academic year. Valid Senator packets shall become void at the time of removal.”

This is later contradicted in Article 3, Section 1, Item A, Number 4.

“If a potential Senator is a former elected or appointed ASLPC officer that has been removed or resigned from office, that individual may not seek any ASLPC Executive Board position for at least one semester.”

It was also brought to attention if a senator can be in an appointed position if their packets have not been renewed. It was concluded that we will review the Bylaws again.

X. Equity Point Person
Mr. Pinedo inquired if the body spoke of any equity issues at the meeting. Ms. Suarez spoke about Club Day particularly about being aware of student’s disabilities when it comes to the Haunted House. Mr. Portugal also spoke of the Task Forces. Mr. Pinedo asked if everyone had a chance to feel their voices being heard. It was concluded that there should be less direct responses because it is not fair to the people waiting in line. It was decided that the ASLPC does not need any assistance from the CCN.

XI. Announcements
• Mr. Portugal encouraged members who want to learn how to do tours to accompany him on a tour of the school he was giving later on in the day.
• Mr. Cortina asked the senate if they could fill out his packet as it is time for him to renew his membership for the senate.
• Ms. Mitchell reminded everyone to sign up for Club Day.
• Ms. Suarez urged members to turn in their committee report forms on time. If all due committee reports are not in by the 12th of October, Ms. Suarez will call names out at the meeting during announcements.
• Mr. Haastrop reminded the body that we will be taking a group photo for the website next Friday thus everyone should dress responsibly.
• Mr. Pinedo asked members who have taken online classes to contact him after the meeting.
• Ms. Ross reminded everyone that the meeting does not end at three o’clock but at adjournment. Everyone must be present and engaged and we should all attempt to use the restroom before the meeting.

XII. Adjournment
  • Mr. Cortina moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:10PM
  • Mr. Haastrop seconded
  • Motion passed unanimously
New Business Item D: S SCCC General Assembly

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