



Associated Students of Solano College

Regular Meeting Minutes

April 27th, 2021

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting ID: 982 9765 5991

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. The meeting was called to order by President Olvera at 3:04 pm.

II. OFFICIAL ROLL CALL

A. Executive Board:

1. **President Olvera**- Present
2. **Vice President Acuyong**- Present
3. **Secretary Juan**- Present
4. **Legislative Advocate Maciel**- Excused Absence
5. **Student Trustee Chan**- Present
6. **Treasurer Tigie**- Present
7. **Public Relations Officer Smail**- Present

B. Senators:

1. Governing Board Senator- Vacant
2. Vocational Curriculum Senator- Vacant
3. **Business Services Senator Weber**- Present
4. **Diversity Affairs Senator Rodriguez**- Present
5. **Academic Curriculum Senator Simonova**- Present
6. **Student Services Senator Soliman**- Present; arrived at 3:26 PM
7. Liberal Arts Senator- Vacant
8. **Health and Kinesiology Senator Sharifard**- Present
9. **Applied Tech and Business Senator Bermudez**- Present
10. **Math and Science Senator Westbrook**- Present
 - a) **Math and Science Associate Moe**- Present
11. **Social and Behavioral Science Senator Escarmant**-Excused Absence

III. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A. April 27th, 2021

1. Amendment(s):
 - a) Addition of Atticus Frey in Guest Speaker as item VIC.
 - b) Addition of the discussion of assigning student representatives for the interview of the VP of Finance candidates under info/ action item as item VIID.
 - c) Addition of the discussion of the ASSC suggested contributions to the old library site in info/action item as item VIIE.
2. Senator Sharifard moved to approve the agenda for April 27th, 2021 with all the

necessary amendments. The motion was seconded by Senator Rodriguez. There was no discussion. The motion was passed by consensus.

IV. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. April 20th, 2021

1. Senator Rodriguez moved to approve the minutes for April 20th, 2021 with all the necessary corrections. The motion was seconded by Senator Sharififard. There was no discussion. The motion was passed by consensus.

V. PUBLIC FORUM (10:00 Minutes)

A. No members of the public

VI. ADVISOR'S REPORT/ GUEST SPEAKER(S) (10:00 Minutes)

A. Dr. Rischa Slade

1. April 28th and April 29th is the first candidate forum from 9 am to 11 am. Announcements will be posted in ASSC social media.

B. VP Cooper

1. Political Science 050 is not offered anymore because of low enrollment.
2. There is no demand for the Ethnic Studies courses but courses are still available under Social Justice courses. VP Cooper will talk to VP Williams to learn more about this issue, and will follow up with Dr. Slade.
3. There is currently no Basic Needs Center and Coordinator, however, the college is working with the Early Alert Program to serve students. There is an issue regarding the accessibility of the Early Alert Program.
4. There are Student Mental Health Support interns and the college can also make referrals to community services.
5. SCC does not have a Diversity Affairs Coordinator.
6. SCC has 1 ½ people in Outreach. VP Cooper plans to expand the Outreach Program to make it more inclusive.
7. VP Cooper will follow up with the co-chair for SESC regarding the status of the Campus Climate Survey. VP Cooper recommends having a workgroup for the survey. Research and Planning also needs to be informed regarding the survey.
8. Summer Bridge and First-Year experience program were discontinued due to lack of funding and COVID-19.
9. TRIO/MESA was discontinued due to reporting issues, the TRIO director left.
10. Forward the Student Ambassador Program Modification to VP Cooper and Dr. Slade.
11. Student Equity Forum should be a safe space for students to voice their concerns.
 - a) Possibly only having students and advisors in the forum
12. An official announcement for the upcoming graduation and the graduates soon.
13. Regarding the Nursing Program, please ask VP William.

C. Atticus Frey

1. Solano's Librarian
2. Discussed the textbooks that the SCC library offers
 - a) Discussed the Textbook Reserve Collection
 - b) Discussed OER, which is an instructor driven initiative.
3. ASSC have a budget for library donations
 - a) Donations can be used for outreach and letting students know what is available and the library services, purchasing more books that are in high demand, and for student workers in the library or student volunteers.
4. Discussed having lower cost textbooks

VII. INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Old Business

1. Senate Bills | 7 minutes |
 - a) Safety Packs
 - (1) Treasurer Tigie presented and discussed the SB #2021-4
 - (2) Prices from the vendors should be finalized on April 29th, 2021.

- (3) Share information regarding the Safety Packs with VP Cooper.
 - (4) Possibly removing thermometers from the safety packs
 - (5) Contact graphics regarding the pamphlets
 - (6) Ask the college to match ASSC's efforts regarding the safety packs
 - b) Discussion of the old library site
 - (1) Senator Sharififard presented the Senate Bill to establish a proposal for post old library demolition site improvements.
 - (2) Email Lucky Lofton regrading the blueprint of the space
 - c) Discussion of Scholarships for ASSC members
 - (1) There was an existing scholarship for ASSC members that were graduating in the past.
 - (2) Senator Rodriguez is planning to lead the creation of this Senate Bill
- 2. Discussion of an Onboarding Training for the ASSC | 7 minutes |
 - a) Have electronic copies of the Robert's Rule, Brown Act, and job description for each ASSC job
 - b) Have an mentorship from ASSC alumnus
- B. Discussion of the Amendment of the Election Code | 10 minutes |
 - 1. Amending the Election Code to not hold an election if candidates run unopposed
 - 2. Election code also does not speak about virtual elections
 - 3. There should be a space where voters can express their voice or concerns
- C. Discussion of ASSC's anti-AAPI Hate resolution | 10 minutes |
 - 1. Will be assigning ASSC members to work on this resolution
- D. Discussion of assigning student representatives for the interview of the VP of Finance candidates
 - 1. Student Trustee Chan and Treasurer Tigie will be representing ASSC
- E. Discussion of the ASSC suggested contributions to the old library site
 - 1. Senator Sharififard created a presentation for the old library site improvement proposal

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Old Business
- B. Approval of Senator Westbrook to fill the vacant fiscal advisory committee seat | 3 minutes |
 - 1. Senator Sharififard moved to approve the ballot. Senator Rodriguez seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion was passed by consensus.
 - 2. Senator Weber, Senator Rodriguez, Senator Simonova, Senator Soliman, Senator Sharififrad, and Senator Bermudez voted all in favor. No nays and no abstains.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS (5:00 Minutes)

- A. Student Concerns
 - 1. The Student Concerns Committee meetings:
 - a) The Committee meeting on Monday, April 19th, 2021, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m., was canceled due to a lack of attendance.
 - b) The next Committee meeting will be held on Monday, May 3rd, 2021, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
 - 2. The Student Equity Forum (SEF):
 - a) The first SEF was held on Monday, April 26th, 2021, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
 - b) The second SEF will be held on Monday, May 10th, 2021, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
 - c) The SEF flyer was published on Canvas prior to the first Forum.
 - d) The SEF preparation meeting took place on Friday, April 23rd, 2021, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

X. EXECUTIVE REPORTS (3:00 Minutes)

- A. Vice President Acuyong
 - 1. VP Acuyong confirmed that ASSC is willing to support funding for Rotaract Club. She discussed the items they are asking for and how ASSC can support through funding. She will have them fill out a Funding Request Form and present their request to ASSC.
- B. Treasurer Tigie
 - 1. Fiscal Advisory Committee Meeting

- a) Returning to Campus- To prepare for students returning to in person classes, Solano is purchasing new filtration systems (HVAC) for around campus and touch free faucets and paper towel dispensers in the bathrooms.
- b) Student Success Funding Cliff- In 3 years, Solano will take about a 10% cut to the total funding that the college receives. In order to ensure that the college is able to smoothly transition into having less funding, each year the total spending of the college will be reduced by 3%. This surplus that the college will have in funds will go to employees of the college.
- c) Enrollment has decreased at SCC- Due to the pandemic, enrollment at community colleges has gone down. Solano's enrollment is down by 2.2%. This affects the college's funding that is dependent on the number of students at the college.
- d) Stipends for Staff- Solano staff will receive a \$1,000 Covid-19 home office stipend. This will extend to student workers as long as they can provide their hours from January to April; however, adjunct professors who have their classes cut will not qualify for this stipend.
- e) Distribution of CARES Act Funds to Students- The CARES Act will be used to distribute funds to students who receive financial aid (e.g. grants from FAFSA or fee waivers). Approximately 60% of Solano students currently receive financial aid and the other 40% of students should check to see if they qualify with the financial aid office. Up to \$13,000/year could be given to a student depending on the student's financial need. They will be giving this money out for 3 semesters.
- f) Policing System on Campus- Lt. Brian Travis will be working to find an alternative to the current policing system on campus.
- g) VP Diamond Retiring- VP Diamond will be retiring soon and an interview process needs to be put together to fill his position.
- h) Next Meeting- The next fiscal advisory committee meeting will be held on May 5th, 2021.

XI. DIVISION REPORT (3:00 Minutes)

A. Academic Curriculum Senator Simonova

- 1. Attended the Curriculum Committee meeting on Tuesday, April 20th, 2021, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
 - a) MATH 112 - Intermediate Algebra for Liberal Arts - approved.
 - b) Counseling and Human Services Departments have each proposed courses for C-ID Social Work & Human Services courses SWHS 120A (Seminar) and 120B (Fieldwork): COUN 064 and 064P approved to stay in the Counseling Department and HSW 004 and HSW 004F rejected as duplicate content.
- 2. The next Curriculum Committee meeting will take place next Tuesday, May 4th, 2021, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

XII. REVIEW

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS/OPEN DISCUSSION

- A. None to report

XIV. UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

- A. VP William under Guest Speaker
- B. Approval of Trustee Chan and Treasurer Tighe to represent students for the interview of the VP of Finance candidates under action items

XV. NEXT REGULAR MEETING

- A. May 4th, 2021 at 3pm- 5pm

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Senator Westbrook moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 pm. The motion was seconded by Senator Sharififard. There was no discussion. The motion was passed by consensus.