

Associated Students of Cerritos College

Regular Senate Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday, January 18, 2023

2:00 PM

Location: LC-155

Zoom Conference (for members of the public or guests, voting members must attend in person):
<https://cerritos-edu.zoom.us/j/94547925124?pwd=azA0QlhmN2RkTFVZSU1FR29KZG1BZz09&from=addon>

I. Organizational Items

I.01 Call to Order

Vice President Gomez called the meeting to order at 2:08 pm.

I.02 Roll Call

The quorum is met at 15.

Present: Alamgir, Buckley, Chun, Dargo, Desai, Diaz, Dunomes, Echeverria, Flamenco-Medina, Garcia, A. Hernandez, Morales, Murillo, Reyes, Roxas

Late: Sapkota

Absent: Poblete, Yayha

I.03 Approval of Minutes

Senator Dargo moved to amend the Minutes from December 7th to correct Senator Echeverria's name under item IV. New Business- IV.01 Senate Inauguration. Seconded Diaz. No objections.

Senator Flamenco-Medina moves to approve the December 7th Minutes as amended. Senator Roxas seconds. No objections.

I.04 Approval of Agenda

Senator Desai moves to postpone item III. Unfinished Business- II.01 ASCC Publications Act (JL-2223-03) indefinitely. Seconded by Senator Dargo. No objections.

Senator Flamenco-Medina moved to amend the agenda by inserting item IV. 02 Gender Neutral Bathroom Updates above item IV. 01 Senate Inauguration. Senator Roxas seconds. No objections.

Senator Chun moves to approve the Agenda as amended. Senator Hernandez seconds. No objections.

II. Public Forum

This time is reserved for members of the public who wish to address the Associated Students of Cerritos College Senate on issues of concerns, public comment, future events, fundraisers, and any topic relating to Cerritos College and their constituents. A limit of three (3) minutes per speaker and nine (9) minutes per topic will be enforced. This is not a time for discussion by the ASCC Senate; however, the vice president or senators may respond to specific questions and concerns made by the public.

President Mohaddisa Naqvi announces that there will be a budget committee starting this Friday. It will be every Friday, 10:30am-12pm. They are looking for one more Senator to join.

Physical Therapy Assistant Department Chair, Valeria Christensen asks Senators if they are interested in sponsoring the bill that she is proposing for the funding for the Physical Therapy Assistant Program graduation materials. Senator Flamenco-Medina and Senator Roxas volunteer to help write the bill.

III. Unfinished Business

~~**III.01 ASCC Publications Act (JL-2223-03), Discussion & Action Item, 15 minutes, The Senate shall discuss and take action on JL-2223-03, providing a place for ASCC members to disseminate information.**~~

IV. New Business

IV.02 Gender Neutral Restroom Updates, Information & Discussion Item, 20 minutes

The Senate shall be provided updates on JR-2223-04 Supporting Gender Neutral Bathrooms at Cerritos College, and provide feedback to College Officials on the matter.

Acting Director of Diversity, Title IX, and Compliance Erin Miles, Chief of Police Don Mueller, Vice President of Business Services Felipe Lopez give updates on Gender Neutral Bathrooms and safety of the students in Cerritos College. They also ask for suggestions, reports, and ideas to make school a safer place.

Senators' Ideas:

- Senator Desai- panic buttons
- Senator Diaz- Multi-Purpose building on first floor restroom bathroom lighting off/dark
- Senator Morales- Proper signage. Not sure now which restrooms are gender neutral. Accessibility, clear signage, tactile signs. Let people know where they are Paint color coded directions on the floor. Video with students to promote gender neutral bathrooms and RAVE app
- Student Trustee Ledesma adds onto other Senators and short term solutions should be explored

RAVE Guardian is an app that Cerritos College students can use when they want to alert authorities.

<https://www.cerritos.edu/police/rave.htm>

Senator Morales moves to extend discussion time by 5 minutes. Senator Desai seconds. No objections

Senator Flamenco-Medina-gives personal feedback and raises concern on students' safety of LGBTQ+ students and that it is a way to protect queer communities. Senators should represent the student body.

VP Gomez reminds Senators that they are representing the students and take advantage to make changes and support them.

IV.01 Senate Inauguration, 10 minutes

The Senate and Vice President will take action to inaugurate new Senate members.

Senator Phungraksakiat, Senator J. Hernandez, Senator A. Reyes, Senator Vashi, Senator Bolagh, Senator Bartholomew, and Senator V. Hernandez were inaugurated into the Senate for the 2022-2023 academic year.

IV.03 Senate Ice Breaker, 15 minutes

The Senate shall participate in an ice breaker where they have a rock, paper, scissors tournament.

Senator V. Hernandez wins the first round. Senator Diaz wins the second round.

V. Senate Reports

V.01 Advisor Report

- Welcome back & welcome new Senators!
- Great job in fall 2022. Average officer GPA is 3.36 (cumulative) and 3.24 (fall term)
- MESA Manager Hiring Committee still needs student rep. \$100 stipend provided to representative
- Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) is holding a logo design contest, information and application [online here](#). Submission Deadline February 14.
- Applications open for 2023 Student Commencement Speaker. Applications due online by March 10, auditions held March 24, finalist auditions April 6. Apply [online here](#).

V.02 Legislative Report

VP Gomez reports:

- Delegate Buckley from the fall semester was promoted to Vice Chair of Region VIII. VP Gomez is looking for a new delegate.
- Mandatory one-on-one meetings with VP Gomez. Please sign up for an appointment

- APIDA 5th annual awareness week celebration where there will be multiple events throughout the week, and encourages Senators to attend if they can!

<https://www.cerritos.edu/apida/upcoming-events.htm>

- Please stay back after the Senate meeting today
- Student government training this Friday, 10am to 1pm. Please study constitution and bylaws.

V.03 Executive Report

No report.

VP Gomez reminds Senators President Naqvi's comment in the Public Forum.

V.04 Judicial Report

Chief Justice reports:

- The Chief Justice let the Senate know about the Learn to FLI (Falcon Leadership Institute) event happening on 1/19/23.
- Introduced himself to the new senators and let them know that he's always a resource if they need it.

V.05 Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Lesdesma:

- Office hours on Friday 9 am -11am in student activities building.
- Introduces himself

V.06 Faculty Senate Liaison Report

No report.

V.07 Party-Whip Report

Senator Diaz reports:

- Interviewed Dawn Green and talked about concerns in the campus like wifi problems. He also talked about ASCC. Recommends Senator Dunomes to talk to Dawn Green
- Chinese Club will have calligraphy and free henna tattoo on Jan 24 in Club Rush 11am-2pm.

V.07 Senator Reports

- Senator Morales tells other Senators about schedule plus because it does not match with Cerritos portal under "add classes"
- Senator Desai raises similar concern with class enrollments

- Senator Dunomes mentions that he is working with President Naqvi to work on environmental legislation and to establish Black Student Union (BSU).
- Senator Dargo informs other Senators of Falcon's Nest, resources for students facing food and housing insecurity, and about low cost car insurance.
- Senator Buckley reports that she is no longer the Delegate. Information about SSCCC (Student Senate for California Community Colleges): students from the 10 regions of California can advocate for resolutions they want to have passed at a statewide level. She informs that new delegates will have to attend delegate assemblies and submit reports in order to not have their stipend deducted. Other Senators who are interested in the delegate position can contact Senator Buckley. Email: vicechairregionviii@ssccc.org

V.08 Delegate Report

No report.

VI. Announcements

VI.01 ASCC Cabinet meeting -Monday, January 23, 2022, 2:00 pm

VI.02 ASCC Court meeting -Tuesday, January 24, 2022, 11:00 am

VI.03 ASCC Senate meeting - Wednesday, January 25, 2022, 2:00 pm

VII. Adjournment

Vice President Gomez adjourned the meeting at 3:39 pm.