

Associated Students of Cerritos College

Regular Senate Meeting

Minutes

Wednesday, April 5, 2023

2:00 PM

Location: LC-155

Zoom Conference (for members of the public or guests only. voting members must attend in person):
<https://cerritos-edu.zoom.us/j/94547925124?pwd=azA0OlhmN2RkTFVZSU1FR29KZG1BZz09&from=addon>

I. Organizational Items

I.01 Call to Order

Vice President Gomez calls the meeting to order at 2:09pm.

I.02 Roll Call

The quorum is met at 22.

Present: Alamgir, Bartholomew, Bolagh, Buckley, Bui, Chun, Desai, Diaz, Dunomes, Echeverria, Flamenco-Medina, Garcia, J. Hernandez, V. Hernandez, Morales, Moran, Murillo, Phungraksakiat, A. Reyes, S. Reyes, Roxas, Vashi

Late: Bartholomew, A. Hernandez

Absent: Dargo, Poblete, Sapkokta

I.03 Approval of Minutes

Senator Morales moves to approve the Minutes. Senator Dunomes seconds. No objections.

I.04 Approval of Agenda

Senator Flamenco-Medina moves to approve the Agenda. Senator Diaz 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.

Professor Ramos- Phi Beta Lambda traveled to a conference in San Diego last weekend. 6 students qualified for National competitions June 22-25 in Atlanta, Georgia.

Professor Valcarcel- There used to be a native plant garden on campus, and now it's gone. Looking for support from the Senate for a more sustainable environment on campus and is advocating for native plant gardens on campus. Email: avalcarcel@cerritos.edu

Coach Jensen- There is a Bill before CA legislation to cut PE. Health education is important for personal health & wellness. She asks ASCC for support opposing the Bill. If it passes PE will be gone by 2025. Email: djansen@cerritos.edu

Anna Fischer and Yvette Juarez- Success Center staff, will look to offer earlier hours in fall. If there are problems with drop-in, report availability to Yvette Juarez.

Senator Dargo- uAspire student testimonials AB888 for asylum seekers. The Bill will provide aid. Contact Senator Dargo for more info. Email: adargo@cerritos.edu

Saige Frausto- She and Selma Dweik are running for President and Vice President in the next term with Jackie Scott for Student Trustee.

Jackie Scott- Running for Student Trustee for the next term (running with Saige Frausto and Selma Dweik). Follow them on Instagram: [ssj.elections](https://www.instagram.com/ssj.elections)

Jorge Diaz, Chritobelle Garcia, and Nimsi Murillo- Running for Vice President, President, and Student Trustee.

III. New Business

III.01 Fixing the CCSA Fee Bylaws Contradiction (JL-2223-05), Discussion and Action Item, 5 minutes

The Senate shall discuss and take action on JL-2223-05, amending the Bylaws to align with previous SB-2122-03.

Senator Morales moves to approve the resolution item **JL-2223-05**. Senator Diaz seconds. No objections.

III.02 Supporting the Formation of a Prayer Room (JR-2223-07), Discussion and Action Item, 20 minutes

The Senate shall discuss and take action on JR-2223-07, which asks the college to establish a prayer/meditation room.

Senator Desai presents item **JR-2223-07** to the Senate.

Senator Morales moves to amend the **JR-2223-08** by:

- inserting “Non-Denominational” before Prayer Room in the title,
- Inserting “/Meditation” after “Prayer” in the title,
- 5th Whereas- change “many” to “all” and “would” to “could”,
- 5th Whereas- insert “non-denominational” before “prayer room” and “/meditation” after “prayer”,

- 6th Whereas- strike “or any other type of similar group at Cerritos College for other religions/for religious students overall” and insert “or club”,
- 6th Whereas- change “thus requiring action” to “thus we request action”,
- 6th Whereas- strike “other” before and “such as the Board of Trustees” after “authorities at the college”,
- 7th Whereas- insert “non-denominational” before prayer, and “meditation” after “prayer”,
- 7th Whereas- strike “diversity” and include “inclusion”,
- 1st Resolved- strike “religious” after “provide for the”,
- 1st Resolved- insert “non-denominational” before “prayer”, and “/meditation” after “prayer”,
- 1st Resolved- strike “of various religions” after “room for students”

Senator Desai seconds. No objections.

Senator Dunomes moves to approve item **JR-2223-08** as amended. Senator Vashi seconds. No objections.

III.03 Supporting Reform of the Success Center (JR-2223-08), Discussion and Action Item, 20 minutes

The Senate shall discuss and take action on JR-2223-08, which asks the college to implement reforms of the Success Center.

Senator Dunomes moves to approve item **JR-2223-08**. Senator S. Reyes seconds. No objections.

III.04 Paper Recycling Program Act (JR-2223-10), Discussion and Action Item, 15 minutes

The Senate shall discuss and take action on the Paper Recycling Program Act Resolution.

Senator Dunomes talks about the recycling program briefly to the Senate.

Senator Dunomes moves to amend item **JR-2223-10** by fixing underlinings in all Whereas and capitalizing “D” in “district” in the 2nd Resolved. Senator Morales seconds. No objections.

Senator Dunomes moves to approve **JR-2223-10** as amended. Senator Chun seconds. No objections.

III.05 Opposing S.686 to Protect Privacy and Security (JR-2223-09), Discussion and Action Item, 15 minutes

The Senate shall vote on JR-2223-09, which opposes S. 686 (the RESTRICT Act) in the United States Congress.

Senator Morales moves to open the discussion on **JR-2223-09**. Senator Flamenco-Medina seconds. No objections.

Senator Morales and Senator Flamenco-Medina say that this resolution is too sudden and there is little research known for the Senate to vote at this time.

Senator Flamenco-Medina moves to end discussion and move to roll call vote. Senator Desai seconds. No objections.

Roll call vote of **JR-2223-09**:

Yes: Bui, Diaz, Garcia, A. Hernandez

No: Alamgir, Bartholomew, Bolagh, Chun, Desai, Dunomes, Echeverria, Flamenco-Medina, Morales, Murillo, Phungraksakiat, A. Reyes, S. Reyes, Roxas, Vashi

With 4 yes, 16 no, item **JR 2223-09** does not pass.

IV. Senate Reports

IV.01 Advisor Report

Dean Miller reports:

- Falcon Games are April 18-20th:
 - Day 1: The 2000s Trivia and More!
 - Tuesday, April 18 | 12-2PM | AP 12
 - Activities include: 2000s Trivia, Name the Jam Music Challenge, and College Taboo
 - Day 2: Battle Royale: Club Relay and Outdoor Activities
 - Wednesday, April 19 | 4-6PM | Falcon Square & PAC Stage
 - Activities include: Tug of War, Hungry Hungry Hippos, and Fishbowl Toss
 - Day 3: Cosplay and Gaming
 - Thursday, April 20 | 4-6PM | AP 12
 - Activities include: Giant Jenga Tournament, Mario Kart Tournament, and Cosplay Fashion Show
- Blood Drive April 10 & 11 th , 10am-4pm, Student Center Stage
- ASCC Awards are open! Nominations due April 26 th, form in FalconSync.
- 2023-2024 ASCC Budget coming to the Senate starting next week. Thank you to those who participated in the Budget & Finance Committee, which has been meeting weekly for 2-2.5 hours.

IV.02 Legislative Report

Vice President Gomez reports:

- Vote for elections on ASCC canvas
- Attend the Board of Trustees meeting next week. Dean Miller will be presenting!

- Will send an email about resolutions that are needed of support to be written

IV.03 Executive Report

No report.

IV.04 Judicial Report

No report.

IV.05 Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Ledesma reports:

- Board of Trustee meeting next week

IV.06 Faculty Senate Liaison Report

Senator Morales reports:

- Calendar issue – first day of school possibly being Flex day
- Coach Jensen & Dr. Fierro – issue with legislation to cut area E. If interested in advocacy contact them.
- Cerritos College preliminarily approved for Dental Hygiene Bachelor's. CSU's against it, starting legislation to limit it.
- Seeking housing grant for on-campus affordable student housing, 396 beds.
- 16-week semester project is ongoing.

IV.07 Party-Whip Report

Party-Whip Diaz reports:

- Dental Program- already has 100 units, looking for more units
- Student Programming Board will be giving free squishmallows on April 11th 11am-12pm in Library Shade
- Grateful that our Senate is writing legislation. Thank you everyone for your hard work!

IV.08 Senator Reports

Senator Bartholomew- April 3rd-28th- There will be a battery recycling program except car batteries

- April 29th electronic waste and car batteries recycling
- Falcon games 18-20th.
- The blood drive on April 10 & 11th.

Senator A. Reyes- the blood drive info:

- If you participate, there is a sign-up sheet for clubs, and clubs who have at least 10 people participate will get a plaque
- Can donate if 16 years old, 110 lbs or more

IV.09 Delegate Report

Delegate Flamenco-Medina reports:

- There was General Assembly last weekend:
 - Reviewed many resolutions. Civic Awareness Month resolution (passed) to educate students on government, ballots, issues, etc.
 - Overnight Parking for Housing Insecure students, to allow students to park on campus overnight and provide access to showers, restrooms, laundry, etc.
- Two Cerritos students on Region 8 board!:
 - Saige Frausto – Vice Chair
 - Jorge Diaz - Director of Communications

V. Announcements

V.01 ASCC Cabinet meeting -Monday, April 10, 2023, 2:00 pm

V.02 ASCC Court meeting -Tuesday, April 11, 2023, 11:00 am

V.03 ASCC Senate meeting - Wednesday, April 12, 2023, 2:00 pm

V.04 ASCC Election Days - Wednesday, April 5th, 2023 - Thursday, April 6th, 2023 -
GO VOTE!

VI. Adjournment

Vice President Gomez adjourns the meeting at 3:48pm.