

# Associated Students of Cerritos College

## Regular Senate Meeting

### Minutes

Wednesday, February 10, 2021

2:00 PM

Zoom Conference

Link: <https://cerritos->

[edu.zoom.us/j/95045443527?pwd=RDBKQzR2ZFVNYlhPUEVxcDINUUw2UT09&from=addon](https://cerritos-edu.zoom.us/j/95045443527?pwd=RDBKQzR2ZFVNYlhPUEVxcDINUUw2UT09&from=addon)

Call-in information: US: 1-669-900-6833

Meeting ID: 950 4544 3527

Password: 968174

### I. Organizational Items

#### I.01 Call to Order

Vice President Avila calls the meeting to order at 2:06pm

#### I.02 Roll Call

**I.02a Present (13):** Senators Avila, Guerra, Gutierrez, Hernandez, McLaughlin, Medrano, Montes de Oca, Orellana, Perez, Ramos, Rodriguez, Rotondo, & Uraizee. Advisors Madueno & Miller.

**I.02b Excused Absent (0)**

**I.02c Non-Excused Absent (0)**

**I.02d Tardy (1):** Senator Marquez

#### I.03 Approval of Minutes

Senator Guerra moves to include the 'pro/con' chart in the February 3<sup>rd</sup> minutes, seconded by Senator Ramos. No objections, motion passes.

Senator Hernandez moves to:

- Strike 'Agenda' and insert 'Minutes'.
- Strike 'No objections, motion passes.' from item IV.02.
- Strike the 'z' and insert 's' from Senator Marquez's name immediately following the strike above.

Seconded by Senator Avila. No objections, motion passes.

Senator Hernandez moves to approve the February 3<sup>rd</sup> minutes with amendments, seconded by Senator Rodriguez. No objections, motion passes.

#### I.04 Approval of Agenda

Senator Ramos moves to approve the agenda, seconded by Senator Rodriguez. No objections, motion passes.

### 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.

Senator Rodriguez moves to suspend the rules of the day, seconded by Senator Ramos. No objections, motion passes.

Dr. Fierro: Thank you for your engagement and service, especially during these times. The Board of Trustees and District is reviewing data regarding return to campus, and at this time it is unlikely there will be full return to campus in fall 2020. Vaccinations for the general population will not likely be widely available until summer/fall at the soonest. It's hard to say when we'd be back 'to normal' – or what the new 'normal' looks like. During the 'soft' return to campus we are hoping to have rapid testing available, expand our contact tracing capacity, and to continue to work on the possibility of being a vaccination site and/or finding a way to provide vaccines to our employees/students. Returning to campus in the safest possible way is a priority of the District.

Senator Hernandez moves to reinstate the rules of the day, seconded by Senator Rodriguez. No objections, motion passes.

### **III. New Business**

#### **III.01 Senate Inauguration, Action Item, 5 minutes.**

VP Avila swore in Senator Maddie Criollo.

#### **III.02 Inauguration of Executive Cabinet, Action Item, 5 minutes**

Senator Guerra moves to approve Haya Chehada (Director of Student Services) and Ashley Thomas (Director of Sustainability) within Executive Cabinet, seconded by Senator Ramos. No objections, motion passes.

Chief Justice Peña inaugurated Directors Chehada and Thomas.

#### **III.05 Review of Revised Budget Request, Action Item, 10 minutes.**

The Senate will review revised budget requests for Physical Therapy Assistant. Senator Hernandez moves to approve the PTA revised funding request, seconded by Senator Montes de Oca. No objections, motion passes.

### **IV. Unfinished Business**

#### **IV.01 App Builder U presentation, Discussion Item, 20 minutes.**

The ASCC Senate will discuss with the President of App Builder U, Bruce Twersky on matters regarding the app.

Senator Hernandez moves to postpone item IV.01 until the following meeting, seconded by Senator Rodriguez. No objections, motion passes.

#### **IV.02 Constitution and Bylaw Revision Task Force, Action Item, 60 minutes**

The ASCC Senate will act on JL-2021-03, a Joint Legislation to establish a task force dedicated to revising the ASCC Constitution and Bylaws.

Vice President Avila relinquished the chair to Pro Tempore Hernandez, so he can present the legislation.

Senator Guerra moves to suspend the rules of debate, to allow for counter arguments, Seconded by Senator Gutierrez. Objected by Senator Perez, expressing it does not allow for progression of the debate.

Aye (approve suspending the rules): Senators Guerra, Gutierrez, and Rodriguez  
Nay (do not approve): Senators Avila, Criollo, Hernandez, Mclaughlin, Medrano, Montes de Oca, Orellana, Perez, Ramos, Rotondo, and Uraizee.

**With 3 Ayes and 11 Nays the motion fails.**

Motion at hand: **Strike** “Two (2) Senators, appointed by the Vice President” and **insert** “Four (4) Senators, appointed by the Senate”.

Discussion:

PRO to amendment (want changes):

- Enhances student representation through vote of Senate
- Amendment changes will always be approved by Senate – so less friction in Senate because more members on Task Force (more buy-in)
- Senate should spearhead project
- Values the input of everyone involved from 3 branches, allows for balance because even with 4 Senators they will not make majority of the Task Force
- 4 members are needed for Senate to have enough say in the process

CON to amendment (do not want changes):

- Having senators appointed by VP will allow for efficiency, all members and the public are welcome to attend Task Force meetings
- This should not be mainly a Senate action, need to get more input from others, limit the Senate members
- Input of other branches is important
- Two Senators is sufficient because at the end of the day its coming back to Senate
- Concerns about availability of Senators to attend.

Senator Perez moves to extend time by 10 minutes, seconded by Senator Ramos. No objections, motions passes.

Discussion:

- Senate needs to take action, to vote on it so the Task Force can be established.

Senator Marquez moves to end discussion and vote on the proposed amendment, seconded by Senator Medrano. No objections, motion passes.

Pro Tempore Hernandez relinquished the chair to Vice President Avila, so he could vote on the legislation.

Vote on proposed amendment:

Aye (adopt amendment): Senators Guerra, Gutierrez, Marquez, Medrano, Rotondo, and Uraizee.

Nay (do not adopt amendment): Senators Avila, Criollo, Hernandez, Mclaughlin, Montes de Oca, Orellana, Perez, Ramos, & Rodriguez

**With 6 Ayes and 9 Nays, the motion fails.**

Senator Rodriguez moves to approve JL-2021-03, seconded by Senator Hernandez. No objections, motion passes.

## **V. Senate Reports**

### **V.01 Advisor Report**

- Next LA Regional food bank is Wed, Feb 24<sup>th</sup> from 9-11am
- Consider running for ASCC Executive Office (Pres/VP) or Student Trustee for 2021-2022!

### **V.02 Legislative Report**

Foundation Scholarships are due by February 28<sup>th</sup> – be sure to apply! Get that money! <https://cerritoscf.org/get-scholarships/apply-now/>

Thank you for your engagement in the discussions today. Please attend Task Force meetings if available. If Senators are interested in being appointed to Task Force please email VP at [aavila@cerritos.edu](mailto:aavila@cerritos.edu).

### **V.03 Executive Report**

- Not present

### **V.04 Judicial Report**

- Not present

### **V.05 Student Trustee Report**

- Tomorrow are two APIDA Week events: Chinese Lantern Making event at 11am via Zoom, and “Cup of TJ” at 1pm.
- Apply for Trustee
- Black History Month events are ongoing during February.

- Student Trustee Advocacy statement by SSCCC regarding AB2910, which seeks to secure more rights for Student Trustees in CA, to allow for a stronger voice in decision making. Seeking privileges to participate in closed sessions and have more access to information.
- Trustee Walker's office hours are on Tuesdays from 8am-12pm.

#### V.06 Faculty Senate Liaison

- Nothing to report.

#### V.07 Delegate Report

- Nothing to report. Meeting coming up soon.

#### V.08 Party Whip

- Yield time to VP for report.
- At Cabinet Bruce Twersky presented on App Builder U. Spoke with him about process to secure apps.
- Cabinet is working on Homecoming activities.

#### V.09 Treasurer Report

- ASCC funding requests due Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup> by 11:59pm.
- Budget & Finance Committee meeting will be February 19<sup>th</sup> 11am-1pm

#### V.10 Senator Reports

- **Senator Guerra** – urge Senators to do the right thing, continue to be decent people!
- **Senator Rodriguez** – encourage Senators to be present during meetings, so are prepared to debate changes (to bylaws) when they come to Senate.
- **Senator Marquez** – February 16<sup>th</sup> (Tues) from 11am-12pm Accounting club will be having a panel from BYU and UCSB. Forensics meets Tues/Thurs 4-6pm. Tabor Venitsky Tournament is this weekend, hosted by Cerritos College. ALPFA having first meeting Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- **Senator Medrano** – everyone is invited to “Let’s Talk” events hosted by Student Programming Board (SPB)
  - Feb 16<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> documentary screening – 4-6:30pm
  - Feb 26<sup>th</sup> – Horror Noire documentary screening - 6-8:30pm
- **Senator Ramos** – Please attend SPB events. If you need your club promoted email Raul Leon (ICC President, Geography Club) with your flyer.

### VI. Announcements

**VI.01 ASCC Cabinet meeting** - Monday, February 15, 2021, 2:00 pm

**VI.02 ASCC Court meeting** - Tuesday, February 16, 2021, 11:00 am

**VI.03 ASCC Senate meeting** - Wednesday, February 17, 2021, 2:00 pm

### VII. Adjournment

Vice President Avila adjourned the meeting at 4:21pm.