



Associated Students of Santa Monica College

A.S. Finance Regular Meeting

May 15, 2024, 11:00 a.m. Cayton Center A.S. Conference Room (2nd Floor)

1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica, College 90405

The Public may join via: Zoom/Telephone

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Associated Students Office Phone Number: (310) 434-4250

Minutes

I. Call to Order @ 11:03 AM

II. Roll Call

Voting:

Director of Budget Management: David Duncan P

President: Cecilia Jeong P

Director of Sustainability: Joseph Sanchez P

ICC Vice Chair: Zach Makari P

Director of Auxiliary: David Dever P

Counselor/Advisor: Benny Blaydes P

Non-voting:

Dean of Education Enterprises: Mitch Heskell P

Associate Dean: Thomas Bui P

III. Public Comment (2 minutes per speaker): none

IV. Approval of Minutes – 05/01/24, 05/08/24

- Skipped as minutes had not been posted as of the time of the meeting.

V. Minor Action Items (under \$1000):

5.1 Approval for Food For General Meeting by ASEAN SMC CLUB

(Club ICC Delegate Ung Shukhy: Cost \$56.10. Requesting \$56.10. ICC Allotment) **Proposal 402**

- Motion to table item 5.1 due to absence of club representative by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was tabled without objection.
- Motion to strike item 5.1 due to continued absence of club representative by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was struck without objection.

5.2 Approval for Persian New Year by Middle Eastern Club

(Club President Niki Aghili: Cost \$147.84. Requesting \$147.84. Contingency) **Proposal 424**

- Item 5.2 was approved without objection.

5.3 Approval for Phone Charm Palooza by Art Club

(Club President Sandra Milena Beltran: Cost \$194.40. Requesting \$64.80. ICC Allotment - Art Club. Requesting \$129.60. ICC Allotment - Crochet Critters) **Proposal 418**

- Item 5.3 was approved without objection.

5.4 Approval for RC Plane Project by Engineering Club

(Club President Tyler Hall: Cost \$956.67. Requesting \$956.67. ICC Allotment) **Proposal 425**

- Motion to table item 5.4 due to absence of club representative by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was tabled without objection.
- Item 5.4 was approved without objection.

5.5 Approval for Purchase Proposal For Food (Pizza) by Rotaract Club

(Club Finance Chief Valentina Polo: Cost \$97.05. Requesting \$97.05. ICC Allotment) **Proposal 428**

- Item 5.5 was approved without objection.

5.6 Approval for Purchase of Nintendo Switch for OSL/AS Activities by Associated Students

(ICC Vice Chair Zach Makari: Cost \$998.29. Requesting \$998.29. Special Projects) **Proposal 431**

- Item 5.6 was approved without objection.

5.7 Approval for Scriptwriting Club Spring Donation or Club Purchases by Scriptwriting Club



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(Club ICC Delegate Katherine Nilsen: Cost \$500.59. Requesting \$500.59. ICC Allotment) **Proposal 435**

- Motion to rename item 5.7 as "Scriptwriting Club Purchases," removing any language/proposal content related to donations by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was amended without objection.
- Item 5.7 was approved as amended without objection.

5.8 Approval for Associated Students Heat Wave Emergency Packs by Associated Students

(A.S. Dir. of Budget Management David Duncan: Cost \$3,000.00. Requesting \$990.00. Basic Needs)

Proposal 440

- Item 5.8 was approved without objection.

VI. Major Action Items (equal or over \$1000)

6.1 Approval for Bike Safety Campaign and Bike to School Day by SMC Bike Club

(Club President Dylan Neumeyer: Cost \$1,010.78. Requesting \$600.00. ICC Allotment. \$410.78. Activities)

Proposal 419

- Motion to amend item 6.1 to set the cost and requesting amounts to \$315.00, reflecting the proposal being modified to only purchase bike locks by President Cecilia Jeong. Seconded. Item was amended with a unanimous vote.
- Motion to amend item 6.1 to request funds from the Special Projects line instead of Activities by President Cecilia Jeong. Seconded. Item was amended without objection.
- Item 6.1 was approved as amended with a unanimous vote.

6.2 Approval for 2023-2024 SMC Writers Club Anthology by SMC Writers Club

(Club Co-President Sakunit Srilom: Cost \$1,160.50. Requesting \$1,160.50. ICC Allotment) **Proposal 421**

- Item 6.2 was approved with a unanimous vote.

6.3 Approval for Supporting Students at the Math Complex by Alpha Gamma Sigma (AGS)

(Club Events Secretary June Chang: Cost \$1,735.02. Requesting \$1,735.02. Activities) **Proposal 426**

- Item 6.3 was rejected with a unanimous vote.

6.4 Approval for Film Club Supplies + Software by The Film Club at Santa Monica College

(Club Communications Officer Betsie Garcia: Cost \$1,200.00. Requesting \$1,200.00. ICC Allotment)

Proposal 430

- Motion to amend item 6.4 to set the cost and requesting amounts to \$1,071.25, reflecting the remaining amount in the club's ICC Allotment by ICC Vice Chair Zach Makari. Seconded. Item was amended with a unanimous vote.
- Item 6.4 was approved as amended with a unanimous vote.

6.5 Approval for SMC Student Produced Film "Children of War" by Scriptwriting Club

(Club ICC Delegate Katherine Nilsen: Cost \$10,959.00. Requesting \$10,959.00. Special Projects)

Proposal 437

- Motion to amend item 6.5 to request \$9,000.00 from the Prior Year Surplus line by President Cecilia Jeong. Motion died without a second.
- Motion to amend item 6.5 to request \$7,000.00 from the Prior Year Surplus line by President Cecilia Jeong. Seconded. Item was amended with a majority vote of 5 Yes, 1 No, 0 Abstain



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Yes	Yes	Yes
ICC Vice Chair Zach Makari	Director of Auxiliary David Dever	Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes
No	Yes	Yes

- Item 6.5 failed with 3 Y, 3 No, 0 Abstain.

Director of Budget Management David Duncan	President Cecilia Jeong	Director of Sustainability Joseph Sanchez
No	Yes	No
ICC Vice Chair Zach Makari	Director of Auxiliary David Dever	Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes
No	Yes	Yes

- 6.6** Approval for AS and ICC Promotion Materials by Associated Students / ICC
(ICC Communications Officer Anastasiia Zakala: Cost \$1,244.71. Requesting \$1,244.71. Publicity)
Proposal 438
 - Item 6.6 was approved with a unanimous vote.
- 6.7** Approval for ICC Social by Associated Students / ICC
(ICC Communications Officer Anastasiia Zakala: Cost \$2,820.00. Requesting \$2,820.00. ICC) **Proposal 417**
 - Item 6.7 was approved with a unanimous vote.
- 6.8** Approval for Associated Students 2024-2025 Operational Budget by Associated Students
(A.S. Director of Budget Management David Duncan: Cost \$68,700.00. Requesting \$36,000.00. Directors. Requesting \$10,000.00. Student Representation Fee. Requesting \$10,000.00. Sustainability. Requesting \$5,000.00. Office. Requesting \$4,500.00. Publicity. Requesting \$3,200.00. Cayton Center) **Proposal 439**
 - Item 6.8 was approved with a unanimous vote.
- 6.9** Approval for A.S. Clothing Drive by Associated Students
(A.S. Dir. of Sustainability Joseph Sanchez: Cost \$1,500.00. Requesting \$1,500.00. Activities) **Proposal 434**
 - Motion to strike item 6.9 as proposal was withdrawn by submitter by Vice President Justin (Yen-Chi) Liu. Seconded. Item was struck without objection.
- 6.10** Approval for Cayton Center Remodeling by Associated Students
(A.S. Vice President Justin (Yen-Chi) Liu: Cost \$333,000.00. Requesting \$333,000.00. Cayton Center) **Proposal 429**



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- Item 6.10 was approved with a unanimous vote.

6.11 Approval for Furniture for SMC Bookstore by Auxiliary Services/Bookstore
(Dean of Education Enterprises Mitch Hesel: Cost \$100,000.00. Requesting \$100,000.00. Cayton Center)

Proposal 433

- Item 6.11 was approved with a unanimous vote.

6.12 Approval for Commission and Premiere of SMC Choirs/Student Composition "Tipping Point" on Climate Change by Associated Students

(A.S. President Cecilia Jeong: Cost \$35,000.00. Requesting \$17,500.00. President's Fund) **Proposal 422**

- Item 6.12 was approved with a unanimous vote.

6.13 Approval for SMC Outdoors Digital Resource and Event Screens by Associated Students

(A.S. President Cecilia Jeong: Cost \$35,000.00. Requesting \$17,500.00. President's Fund) **Proposal 436**

- Item 6.13 was approved with a unanimous vote.

6.14 Approval for Multimedia Equipment Library by The Film Club at SMC

(Club Officer Betsie Garcia: Cost \$75,000.00. Requesting \$75,000.00. Prior Year Surplus) **Proposal 427**

- Motion to amend item 6.14 to cost \$45,000.00 and to request \$22,500.00 from the President's Fund line by President Cecilia Jeong. Seconded. Item was amended with a unanimous vote.
- Motion to amend item 6.14 to stipulate that the item will only be funded if the proposal gets approval from the Superintendent and President of Santa Monica College and any other administrators the A.S. deems necessary by President Cecilia Jeong. Seconded. Item was amended without objection.
- Item 6.14 was approved with a majority vote of 3 Yes, 2 No, 0 Abstain.

Director of Budget Management David Duncan	President Cecilia Jeong	Director of Sustainability Joseph Sanchez
Yes	Yes	Yes
ICC Vice Chair Zach Makari	Director of Auxiliary David Dever	Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes
Absent (Early Departure)	No	Yes

6.15 Approval for AS Representative/Commissioner Stipend 2023-2024 by Associated Students
(A.S. President Cecilia Jeong: Cost \$12,000.00. Requesting \$4,000.00. Directors. Requesting \$8,000. Student Representation Fee) **Proposal 311**

- Vice President Justin (Yen-Chi) Liu called the question. Motion failed with a split vote.

Director of Budget Management David Duncan	President Cecilia Jeong	Director of Sustainability Joseph Sanchez
No	Yes	No



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Absent (Early Departure)	Abstain	Yes

- Item was rejected with a majority vote of 2 Yes, 3 No, 0 Abstain.

Director of Budget Management David Duncan	President Cecilia Jeong	Director of Sustainability Joseph Sanchez
No	Yes	No
ICC Vice Chair Zach Makari	Director of Auxiliary David Dever	Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes
Absent (Early Departure)	No	Yes

- 6.16** Approval for A.S. Directors 2024-2025 Cost of Living Adjusted Stipends by Associated Students (A.S. President Cecilia Jeong: Cost \$39,000.00. Requesting \$39,000.00. Directors) **Proposal 413**
 - Motion to strike item 6.16, keeping director stipends as-is by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was struck without objection.
- 6.17** Approval for 2023-2024 End of Year Banquet by Associated Students (A.S. President Cecilia Jeong: Cost \$2,000.00. Requesting \$2,000.00. Activities) **Proposal 432**
 - Motion to amend item 6.17 to set the cost and requesting amounts to \$2,400.00 by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded. Item was amended with a unanimous vote.
 - Item 6.17 was approved with a unanimous vote.

VII. Informational Items: none

VIII. Discussion Items:

- 8.1** Fiscal Policy Revisions
 - Skipped due to lack of time. The committee agreed to take up this business in the next semester.
- 8.2** End-of-year Discussion
 - Skipped due to lack of time.

IX. Other Action Items:

- 9.2** Fiscal Policy Revisions
 - No action taken due to lack of time.

X. Director and Committee Reports (2 minutes per speaker):

- President Cecilia Jeong thanked the committee for their service.

XI. Advisor Reports:

- Dean of Education Enterprises Mitch Heskell, Associate Dean Thomas Bui, Director of Auxiliary David Dever, and Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes thanked the committee for their service.

XII. Adjournment @ 2:26 PM

- Motion to adjourn by Counselor/Advisor Benny Blaydes. Seconded.