Senate Committee Meeting Minutes February 28, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER at 12:21 PM

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Kabir Dhillon, Ryan Finazzo, Daejona Walker, Hoang Dao, Karen Parada, Isaiah Avila–DeLa Cruz, Justin Mercado, Simran Pahal, Danielle Feliciano

Late: Freshta Sharifi

Not Present: Riley Miller, Jasmine Graham

III. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda by D. Walker, second by I. De-La Cruz, motion PASSED.

IV. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Minutes of February 14, 2019

Motion to approve the minutes of February 14, 2019 by K. Parada, second by I. De-La Cruz, motion PASSED.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT – Public Comment is intended as a time for any member of the public to address the committee on any issues affecting ASI and/or the California State University, East Bay.

No Public Comment.

VI. UNFINISHED ITEMS:

A. DISCUSSION ITEM- Senate Initiatives

D. Feliciano spoke with Nancy who said they can begin scheduling weekly meetings. D. Feliciano states she also talked to Kris who said everything is good as long as they can find a room. Transfer students have an event in April and they want to see if they can combine it together. D. Feliciano says she is working on figuring these little things out. K. Dhillon says Dessiree and Angelica from FYI are thinking about putting sticky notes in the bathroom with positive messages on Monday evening or early Tuesday morning. On Wednesday, they are thinking about doing Mean Girls Talk which would be like from the movie except jumping off the stage. D. Cuevas states for the sticky notes on Tuesday, she is going to ask every Board member to fill a pack of them. K. Parada asks if they have ordered anything for give-a-ways and if it would even come in time. K. Dhillon says he took some ideas from last semester and the poster is pink. On Thursday, there will be 3 photo booths. K. Parada says the pins and stickers should go along with the shirt.

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B. ACTION ITEM: Academic Senate Number of Finals Per Day Policy

Motion to approve Senate Policy 1 Policy on Finals Week by K. Dhillon, second by F. Sharifi, motion PASSED. K. Parada says the number of classes a student is taking has
increased due to the semester conversion. There is a high possibility that a student may have 3 or more finals in a day. **K. Parada** says a student should be given the opportunity to move 1 final if they have 3 on the same day. Last year, Dr. Mitch tried getting this push through but it did not work. **K. Parada** says the only reason why they did not make this into a resolution is because a resolution is more like a suggestion. In the University Academic Senate, there is a portion that says ASI can put forth a policy to approve. Amend the policy to strike out bullet #5 by **D. Walker**, second by **I. De-La Cruz**, motion PASSED. **K. Parada** says the only thing they’re missing is standing rule. **K. Parada** says she will let them know when the next meeting is and if anyone can make it.

17:16

C. DISCUSSION ITEM- Senate Constitution

**K. Dhillon** states that the only update he made on this is that the applications for the non-academic senators would be after elections so it gives them more time to see the senate before they start the next academic year. The term time would only change so they would start in August and end in April. **K. Dhillon** states the Director of Programming will become an advisor to the Senate going forward. A lot of the language was changed to semester from quarter. **K. Dhillon** says this will go to the Board on Wednesday for approval.

20:24

D. DISCUSSION ITEM- Non-Academic Senators Stipend Compensation

**K. Dhillon** says the Board of Directors does want to increase the stipend but it’s the question of accountability. This year, the senators are on top of everything but next year, they may not be. **I. De-La Cruz** states they can propose to the Board a policy where a certain individual or of a position would check up on the senators.

**K. Dhillon** says he will send a draft of the constitution to Board of Directors on Wednesday for approval.

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NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

E. DISCUSSION ITEM: Greek Hill Lights

**Motion** to table this item by **K. Dhillon**, second by **D. Walker**, motion PASSED.

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F. DISCUSSION ITEM: EBX Funding Request

**I. De-La Cruz** says he and F. Sharifi have been working hard on the EBX, which is on March 8th. **F. Sharifi** says students will be provided sit-down dinner and the event will be recorded for future use. She is also hoping they will have a better relationship with Alumni. They have 14 faculty, staff and Alumni to speak at the event. Students will be directed to the table according to their interests. The event will run through three speakers and then an intermission; after there will be another three speakers and the event will end with 45 minutes of networking between students, Alumni, and faculty. **I. De-La Cruz** says there will be a pasta feast and the lighting will cost $1,975. **I. De-La Cruz** says they need to spend the entire Senate budget by the end of this year so it is funded the same next year. **S. Pahal** states she went to the International office today and they also have some funding to do a Holi Event. **K. Parada** says they can do a Breakfast Event buffet. The requesting amount for this event would be $2,035.55. After this, there should be $19.64 left in the senate budget.
Motion to extend the meeting by 1:30 by K. Dhillon, second by D. Walker, motion PASSED.

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G. DISCUSSION ITEM: Troubling Stickers on Campus

K. Dhillon states Martin found troubling stickers at various sites on campus and was hoping the Senate can do something about it. K. Parada states they are getting stickers for Hey, Be Nice so they can look into getting some to hand out to students. I. De-La Cruz says if majority of the students are getting affected by these stickers then its ASI’s duty to do something about this. K. Parada says they can also work with other groups that can take a stance on issues. S. Pahal suggests leaving a positive note next to these troubling stickers. D. Maxion states she just got of the meeting with Ethnic Department Chair and he said a group will be taking over Meiklejohn in response to these stickers.

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SPECIAL REPORTS:
No Special Reports.

VII. ROUND TABLE REMARKS

F. Sharifi thanks Academic Senate, CO-chair, and VP for all the help.
I. De-La Cruz says F. Sharifi has been doing a really great job in her role.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT at 1:15 PM

Minutes Reviewed by:
Chair of the Board
Name: Ryan Finazzo

Approved on:
3-7-19
Date: