



Victor Valley College Associated Student Body

ASB Council
Meeting:

MINUTES

Opening Business:

1.0 – Call to Order: 8:10 am.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Senator Wasinger.

2.0 – Roll Call

Present: President Dustin, Vice President Brosowske, Senator Feliciano, Senator Cruz-Hernandez, Senator West, Senator Kulaxsa, Senator Gempler and Senator Wasinger.

Absent: Treasurer Ballard, Senator Medina, Senator Perdomo, Senator Alvarez, Senator Tirado, Foundation Representative Stacy.

Guests: Mariah Woods, Tayari Kuanda.

3.0 – Agenda approval – Brosowske/Kulaxsa: MSC

Motion to re-establish quorum (Cruz/Brosowske) for Senator Tirado at 8:14 a.m.

4.0 – Minute approval – (West/Brosowske) MSC The following changes were made to the minutes for December 9 2011:

2.0- Wet not present, 6.1 Change item to include \$500 per student, 14.0 Meeting Date changed to Dec. 16th at 8 a.m., 5.3 to state \$55 per person, not \$50, Charter of Clubs – spelling correction.

5.0 – Public Forum:

5.1 – Mariah Woods: Representing MUN. MUN is currently tying up the semester and will be working during winter session to prepare for New York.

5.2 – Tayari Kuanda: A former council member discussing A.S.B.'s assistance with CTA initiative (state of emergency, state of action for public education). Kuanda presented a letter of appreciation for A.S.B.'s involvement during Spring of 2011. The letter was read by Mr. Kuanda, and presented to President Dustin.

Motion to Re-establish quorum (Brosowske/Kulaxsa) for Secretary Connaghan at 8:21 a.m.

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6.0 – Unfinished Business:

6.1 – Congressional Update: Brosowske reported that the High Desert Daily article went out regarding the congressional debate. He needs to meet with students and Advisor Sewell for planning of the congressional debate. The congressional candidates and Keynote speakers that will be attending are: Imus, McEchron, Jensen, Valles, Emick, Smitty. He will be making phone calls after the meeting to ensure a great outcome.

7.0 – New Business

7.1 – Acceptance of Letter of Resignation- (Kulaxsa/Gempler) MSC Sec. Connaghan stated that her time availability has changed and will not be able to continue to serve on council. Advisor Sewell praised her on her work and that it has been good to work with her. President Dustin agreed and shared his appreciation as well.

Motion to Re-establish quorum (Tirado/Wasinger) for Senators Alvarez and Medina at 8:26 a.m.

7.2 – Approval of Funds NTE \$100.00 for Back to School Raffle: This item was discussed and clarification was made about what the funds were for. The raffle will be for school supplies including pencils, scantrons etc. The supplies will be purchased from the Rams Bookstore.

7.3 – Alumni Hall of Fame: Jesika Connaghan discussed the next event. The foundation will hold the event on Feb. 25th, 2012. The event's theme will be Snorkel, Into the Deep. Last year, the council sponsored the event with \$1500. This allows a member from the council to serve on the grants and scholarships committees. In January, Ms. Connaghan will be speaking with Robert Sewell and Deanna Murphy to have students working during the event. This event will allow the council an opportunity to network and meet community members while developing good will.

7.4 – 2012 Cinco de Mayo Committee Appointment: Advisor Sewell shared a brief history of the Cinco de Mayo event, held at VVC since 2000. This is also a scholarship opportunity. The first meeting will be Dec. 21st at noon. Dan Rowland will likely be hosting a car show on the same day near the football field. The nursing students work with local hospitals and provide a community clinic, ASB hosts a kids zone, etc.

7.5 – Disciplinary Committee Recommendations: None.

7.6 – Charter of Clubs: No Charters

7.7 – Re-Charter of Clubs: No Re-charters



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8.0 – President Dustin’s Forum: The semester is over! He is proud of the council for each of our dedication, and although its difficult to stick to it, he is looking forward to another successful semester. He wants us to dig our heels in and make it work. “Kudos to everyone-Lets make it happen!”

Vice President Brosowske’s Forum: J. Brosowske is just working on the congressional debate. He is trying to get at least 100 people to attend, but he thinks there will be more. Kudos to Odell Moon.

9.0 – Council’s Forum

9.1 – Senator Wasinger: The petition for ASACC has reached 100 signatures as of 3 days ago. We need to keep pushing towards that 500. She wants us to keep telling people about it, and pushing for signatures.

9.2 – Senator Cruz-Hernandez: She was unable to attend the nursing pinning due to finals schedule. She congratulates them on their success. Everything is winding down. She plans on visiting the new facility – FT, AJ, EMT will be moving to the new facility in Apple Valley soon.

9.3 - Senator Feliciano: Done with finals, hectic week and he is happy to be done. He will help V.P. Brosowske with his phone calls.

9.4 – Senator West – This week has been quiet in the Veterans office. He wants to make sure the council gets together before the next semester. He also wants to hit the ground running for Spring and working more as a team. He is very interested in working for the congressional debate, and will be available to assist V.P. Brosowske with his phone calls.

9.5 – Senator Gempler – So glad the week is over! The museum of Tolerance is \$11.50 per person. She will discuss more in the next meeting. She is looking forward to the congressional debate, and will be taking questions during the event. She will also assist in making phone calls.

9.6 – Senator Tirado: Cans for Concert is today. There were originally 10 acts, and they now have 11. She and the clubs need help setting up and decorating the S.A.C. Set up will be from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. She will have new checklists for the clubs, and is going to call over break to get in contact with the clubs, ensuring none of their officers have changed. The clubs are talking about volunteering in the community over the break.

9.7 – Senator Kulaxsa: She is excited that finals are over. She is done with softball as well, and will not be returning next semester. She is working until 5 p.m. and will be back in the



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office after work. She is excited about the mud run event, and thinks it's a good idea for the council to get involved.

9.8 – Senator Medina: She is thinking about putting together a committee for Welcome Week. She would like to have everything planned out and doesn't want to wait till last minute. The potluck is today.

9.9 – Senator Alvarez: President Dustin updated the camera which he will be using, ready to be linked. Updates are forthcoming, and his computer has been repaired. He is ready to move forward after finals.

10.0 – Advisor Sewell's Forum: Advisor Sewell gifted the council with gingerbread men, he will thank the council later and wish them a happy holidays. He will give you each a \$5 and it is for you to invest into somebody or something else, he would like to hear back after the holidays to see how you invested the money. Its about what you do to help others, in whatever way; you guys are the biggest constituent group at Victor Valley College, you help to improve the climate at VVC, by being in committees, picking up trash. The smallest and biggest thing you do makes a difference and it is impressive at the end of the day to see what you guys do. He asks that you participate in this debate for a new congressional district, don't talk about it, do it. Bring 5 people, don't come alone, don't come without bringing someone, whomever it may be - bring them, help each other with set up, break down, ensure others attend. Don't be empty handed and be supportive to your fellow council members. You have to know how important it is for you to participate. You need to have some meetings in January, first day back, planning meeting, Jesika Connaghan will be sending out emails about upcoming events. Jan 21st, Jan 15th, Music Man opening, meeting at noon January 3rd. Last meeting BOT there was an item regarding suspending Student Loan program - advisor Sewell shared information regarding the issues concerning this topic, what can students do to help out? This situation jeopardizes Title IV monies (Pell Grants), you need to know that this is not a state issue but rather a federal issue. Congressional leaders need to hear from students. Use your facebook accounts to spread the word, do your research, make this something you can be proud of, be proud of what your president and vice president are out doing. Sometimes your opinion is contentious but still it must be shared, you are respected because of the work your past council has done as well as what you have done; it is an opportunity to help students no matter what the outcome. You play a part in these things - you are the future. Do some research on student loans, post your findings and share with each other. You have the hardest work to do and are paid the least, Advisor Sewell is inspired by you, Senator Tirado deeply impresses him with her dedication, not everything works out the way you want them to but things tend to work out.



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11.0 – Financial Reports: Treasurer Ballard is sick, but V.P. Brosowske shared that she has the financial report and you can contact her for that information.

12.0 – Committee Reports:

12.1 – Disciplinary Committee: Senator Cruz reported that there was a hearing this week, and recommendations have been forwarded.

12.2 – Hiring Committee: Senator Wasinger stated the Lead M&I position has been postponed indefinitely.

12.3 – Board of Trustees: President Dustin reported on the heated debate that place at the last Board of Trustees meeting. The debate regarded student loans- he felt there was a good response and the item was postponed until January.

13.0 Foundation Reports: Jesika Connaghan: BOT emerging Foundation reported a 4 person increase, on January 3rd – Assistant Executive Director starts, an Assistant will be helping with Contract Education. The office is closed 12/22/11 through 1/2/12.

Concluding Business:

14.0 – Adjournment: (Brosowske/Kulaxsa) The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m. and the next meeting will be Tuesday, January 3rd at 12:00 p.m.