LMCAS
STUDENTS ADVOCATING FOR STUDENTS

LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS MINUTES
DATE: 3/27/17   TIME: 1:00 pm – 3:00pm   LOCATION: L-106

Present:

President: Israel Cortez

Vice-President: Natasha Garcia

Treasurer: *Not appointed*

Commissioner of Campus Events: *Absent*

Publicity and Outreach: *Not appointed*

Senators: Al-Ameen Ishola, Nilton Serva, Azuka Atum, Jessica Havelhorst, Tammy Smith, Dale Satre, Jean Carlos Alvarado

Student Representatives: *None*

Advisor: John Nguyen

Absent: Angela Lee

Minute Taker: Amata Abatcha

Guests: *None*

ITEM #	TOPIC/ACTIVITY	OUTCOME
1	Call to order	I. President Cortez called the meeting to order at 1:04pm

2	Approve:
	  I. Agenda
	  II. Minutes from 3/20/17 meeting
		I. Motion to amend agenda item 9
		  A. Motioned by: Senator Serva
		  B. Seconded by: Senator McMullen
		  C. Motion approved unanimously **8-0-0**
		II. Motion to approve the previous minutes
		  A. Motioned by: Vice-President Garcia
		  B. Seconded by: Senator Atum
		  C. Motion approved **6-0-2**

	BUSINESS: REPORTS	
3	Public Comment	I. From Senator Smith:

		A. Was not sure if LMCAS was planning to recognize sexual abuse awareness month B. Advisor Nguyen responded that it is well worth looking into further II. From President Cortez: A. Re-capped first Election Committee meeting B. Wanted to remind people to fill out applications correctly for next year III. From Senator Serva: A. Announced 'Tech Lore Session' in Oakland at the Kapor Center for Social Impact from 7:00pm-9:00pm. Will be reading, *Twice the Word in Half the Time*
4	Senator Reports	I. From Vice-President Garcia: A. Gave board quick update regarding the production of the Drama Department's *Shapeless* which LMC student Beatriz Hernandez is starring in B. Announced the two Senior Saturdays on April 22 and April 29. Will not be attending on April 22 but let the senators know that they should be involved II. From Senator Atum: A. No report III. From Senator McMullen: A. No report IV. From Senator Havelhorst: A. No report V. From Senator Ishola: A. Had the opportunity to shadow the mayor of Antioch for as part of the Job Shadowing program during the Spring Break B. Attended a rotary meeting and met with the affluent residents of Antioch. One of these individuals expressed interest in collaborating with LMCAS. Explained how the Somersville Mall used to thrive but is currently very empty and wishes to see a resurgence once again C. Desire to create more of a social media presence for store owners at Somersville Mall and

talked about how many people choose to shop at Walnut Creek instead

D. Will see what he can do for this semester to set the foundations now to go forward in the future. "I feel that this is LMCAS's responsibility to do/look into."

E. President Cortez responded positively and referred him to speak with Kristen Conner of Transfer and Career Services

VI. From Senator Satre:

A. No report

VII. From Senator Alvarado:

A. Took advantage of visiting UC Davis and Cal Poly (San Luis Obispo) with Kristen Conner over Spring Break. Free trip which included free food and highly recommends because it solidified where he wants to go. "If you want to go to a certain school don't let anything limit you."

VIII. From Senator Serva:

A. Attended Dow Chemical meeting to discuss internships and social media marketing and how to promote internships

B. Went over Graphic Design Marketing for Pittsburg Chamber of Commerce for Job Shadow program

C. Working on local company brand. Held a meeting today. Setting up an office regarding providing quality media. "Some people jump into media without creating appealing/original content." They want to make Antioch like Oakland where they establish a start-up environment. "Our vision is investing in people before companies, providing the quality we need." Explained that each company promotes each other. In response to Senator Atum's question, he affirmed that this meeting was open to the public

IX. From Senator Smith:

A. No report

X. From President Cortez:

A. Was part of Interim Associate Vice Chancellor of Educational Services meeting during the Spring Break on April 3. The meeting lasted the entire day and featured three candidates

		B. Regarding ACCJC Midterm Report, this will be talked about within the next two weeks. Kevin Horan may need to make a third review C. Last week there was the Latina Leadership Conference hosted at LMC which was "a very successful event."
5	Advisor Report	I. From Advisor Nguyen: A. Announced upcoming African Diaspora Museum trip on April 27 at 11:00am. Free Bart tickets will be provided B. Announced Senior Saturday taking place on April 22/29 which has now been renamed as "Super Saturday." C. Discussed the first Election Committee meeting and clarified that each individual is limited to running for only one position
6	Committee Report	I. From Vice-President Garcia: A. No report II. From Senator Atum: A. No report III. From Senator McMullen: A. No report IV. From Senator Havelhorst: A. No report V. From Senator Ishola: A. No report VI. From Senator Satre: A. No report VII. From Senator Alvarado: A. No report

		VIII. From Senator Serva:
		   A. No report
		IX. From Senator Smith:
		   A. No report
		X. From President Cortez:
		   A. Held first Election Committee (EC) meeting earlier today. They discussed establishing how they want to run elections for next year. Outlined how members of the EC must be neutral and cannot endorse any candidate
		   B. In response to Senator Ishola's inquiry, Advisor Nguyen clarified what it means to be neutral, which entails that they cannot donate money, help put up posters, and must respond neutral if someone asks who they are voting for. In addition to these rules, candidates cannot spend more than $100.00 for campaign
		   C. Senator McMullen asked how a donated item is accounted for financially. Advisor Nguyen remarked that this was a good question and responded that they take the market value of the given item

7	Equal Employment Opportunity Charges	I. Motion to approve the six charges outlined on EEO sheet
		   A. Motioned by: Senator Serva
		   B. Discussion:
		II. From President Cortez:
		   A. Re-capped previous discussion regarding sheet and read aloud the areas that need clarification
		   B. Clarified what each statement implies/means
		   C. Senator Smith brought up bringing up how our personal bias may influence our actions, inspired by Child Development Instructor Erlina Jones. Accessibility is one of her causes
		   D. Senator Satre asked for more clarification on the reasons why they crossed out what they did since he was absent for the previous meeting. President Cortez briefly recapped what was

		discussed two weeks ago
		E. Advisor Nguyen added that EEO really values what LMCAS has to say
		F. Senator Atum and Senator Ishola reiterated and confirmed that the problem was a matter of resolving the redundancy in the wording of the sheet
		III. Motion to amend Senator Serva's motion and approve the charges
		  A. Motioned by: Senator Ishola
		  B. Seconded by: Senator Serva
		IV. Discussion continued:
		  A. Senator Serva disagreed with Senator Ishola's statements and felt that there simply aren't enough diverse opportunities
		  B. Senator Ishola then said being that it is already illegal to discriminate on the basis of personal attributes, the wording of the document should be clear within that context. That being said, he could understand what Senator Serva was going trying to convey
		V. Motion approved **7-1-1**

	BUSINESS	

8	Request for Support: Intramural Basketball	I. Advisor Nguyen requested to get funding for no more than $200.00 to pay for tickets to event
		II. Motion to approve $200.00 for Intramural
		  A. Motioned by: Vice-President Garcia
		  B. Seconded by: Senator Satre
		  C. Motion approved unanimously **9-0-0**
		III. Motion not to exceed $500.00 for T shirts for intramural
		  A. Motioned by: Vice-President Garcia
		  B. Seconded by: Senator Atum
		  C. Motion approved unanimously **9-0-0**

9	LMCAS Hosts Scholarships	I. From Vice-President Garcia:

		A. Explained how she did not read the applications for scholarships as viewing the person's names would be too personal
		B. Board then discussed whether there should be a number rather than a name assigned
		C. Vice-President Garcia brought up how they ask you to submit a rating
		D. President Cortez asked who finished viewing all the applications to which no one on the board had
		E. Decided that it must be submitted by tomorrow, April 11, no later than 5:00pm. "This should not be taken lightly as scholarships are funded."
		F. Senator Havelhorst brought up how it was quite short notice to submit applications that as a group they should go over. Board arranged a suitable time right before the deadline to meet up and discuss their choices
		G. Agreed to hold special meeting on April 11 at 4:30pm in the Student Life Office
		II. Motion to table this item until tomorrow
		A. Motioned by: Senator Ishola
		B. Seconded by: Senator Atum
		C. Motion approved unanimously **9-0-0**
		D. Advisor Nguyen clarified that they want each senator to bring in the three numbers that they would like (top three names) for three scholarships amounting to $500.00 each
		E. Senator Havelhorst asked whether they have to be transferring to which Advisor Nguyen said no
		F. Vice-President Garcia said that if you can at least choose the top five it can give leeway as a group. "Two extra ones just in case."
		G. In response to Senator Ishola, Advisor Nguyen said they will be arguing for their picks but will reach consensus
		H. Senator McMullen said he had issues accessing the applications. Said he was not authorized to view the page despite receiving the link and it working for the first time. Advisor Nguyen suggested for him to try again and if it does not work, to speak with him further

		I. Senator Smith expressed how in deciding, it is important to view things overall. "If they do not do well academically take a look at how they contribute to the community."
11	Academic Competition 2017	I. From Vice-President Garcia: A. The Academic Competition will be held on May 13, having been moved up one week. Will be held in the gymnasium as last year it rained. Recommended for people to arrive early around 8:00am B. There will be proctors monitoring event. Should end around 2:00pm or 3:00pm. Volunteers will be fed but not paid. "Let me know at least a week in advance if you wish to participate." C. President Garcia said that in addition to this, senators must choose what kind of food to provide D. Senator Atum suggested Chipotle. Two years ago when when Gary Walker served as president, this was done and it worked well E. Vice-President Garcia elaborated on this and remarked how LMCAS may not have the budget for this especially as Advisor Nguyen added that there will be 100 more people competing this year F. The board debated whether pizza was a good idea. Some people commented that pizza may be "too boring" and "cliche" however it is much more affordable G. Senator Havelhorst added that Las Panchitas supplies a dozen burritos for about $23.00 H. The board started to decide on pizza but President Cortez ultimately decided to table this for next week
12	LMCAS Election Candidate Nominees	I. From Advisor Nguyen: A. Stated that everyone who is a senator now is eligible to run for any role next year II. From Senator Ishola: A. Nominated Dale Satre for Treasurer B. Nominated Jessica Havelhorst for President

		C. Nominated Tammy Smith for Commissioner of Campus Events III. From Senator McMullen: A. Nominated himself for Publicity and Outreach IV. From Senator Havelhorst: A. Nominated Nilton Serva for President
13	Adjournment	I. Senator Serva motions to adjourn meeting at 2:51pm