
LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS
MINUTES

**DATE: 3/28/16 TIME: 1:00 pm – 3:00pm LOCATION:** L-105

**Officers in attendance:**

**President:** Darren Meeks

**Vice President:** Sable Horton

**Treasurer:** Richard Stanfield

**Publicity and Outreach:** Absent

**Commissioner of Campus Events:** Vacant

**Senators:** Tabitha Romero, Collin Brown, Robert Reilly, Jamari Snipes, Israel Castro Cortez, Angela Lee, Natasha Garcia

**Advisors:** Jamila Stewart and John Nguyen

**Guests**: Dave Bellman, Joel Shanks, Diona Shelbourne, Jose Hernandez-Morales

**Minute Taker:** Kirsten Ner

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| **Item #** | **Topic/Activity** | **Outcome** |
| **1.** | **Call to Order**  | 1. President Meeks called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm.
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| **2.** | **Approve:**1. Agenda: Approval
2. Minutes: Approval of 2.8.16 discussion minutes, 2.29.16 minutes, 3.7.16 minutes, 3.14.16 minutes.
 | 1. Motion to approve agenda
* Motion: Senator Romero
* Second: Treasurer Stanfield

(motion passed unanimously)1. Motion to approve 3.7.16 and 3.14.16 minutes with stipulation of emailing the minutes
* Motion: Senator Romero
* Second: Senator Brown

(motion passed unanimously)1. Motion to table minutes from February (2.8.16 and 2.29.16)
* Motion: Senator Brown
* Second: Treasurer Stanfield

(motion passed unanimously) |
|  | **BUSINESS: REPORTS** |  |
| **3.** | **Public Comment:**  | 1. From Dave Bellman:
* Announced John Nguyen, the new Student Life Coordinator and permanent advisor for LMCAS
* John will be observing Jamila this week
1. From Joel Shanks:
* In need of volunteers from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm for Cesar Chavez Day on Wednesday
* There will be a luncheon on Thursday, need to RSVP if interested in attending
1. From Diona Shelbourne:
* Reminded everyone that the Spring General Assembly is coming up and let everyone know that she’s available to answer any questions
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| **4.** | **Officers & Senators Reports/ Updates**  | 1. From Senator Romero
* Spoke with Kaydee Miller and Kaydee Miller will talk to our trustee
* Will try to contact Santa Clara delegate, Josh, about how he handled sexual assault resolution
* Announced advocacy training, it’s open to all students and will talk to Joel about advertising the event so more students can participate
1. From Treasurer Stanfield
* Will be able to attend TLC seminar in San Diego
* May have to borrow money to send him down to San Diego, will reimburse whoever helps pay him to attend the faculty conference
1. From Senator Brown
* Welcomed everyone back from Spring Break

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| **5.** | **Advisor Report** | 1. No report given.
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| **6.** | **Budget Report** | 1. Handed out Budget Reports
2. Mentioned that when it says available, it doesn’t mean “available to spend”, it means it’s still in our account, but is already dispersed
3. The check for scholarship has been made
* Comment from Diona: There’s scholarship money floating around that needs to be tracked so that the scholarship can be run next year
* Not an urgent matter but should be handled before this term ends
1. Discussed mileage reimbursement
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|  | **OLD BUSINESS** |  |
| **7.** | **Senator Interviews** | 1. Interviewing Natasha Garcia
* Event coordinator for Shenanigans
* Comment from Senator Romero: gave her the application, saw her around Student Life and noticed how involved she was in her club and thought that she would be a great addition
1. Questions Natasha Garcia was asked:
2. Q: What made you want to be a senator?

A: Wanted to be more involved in school, wanted to make changes and not just sit back and hope for those changes1. Q: Is there one part of the student body that you feel needs to be more represented?

A: Networking, notices that it’s also a problem for four years; LMCAS has a bigger voice than smaller places1. Motion to vote on the nomination of Garcia
* Motion: Treasurer Stanfield
* Second: Senator Brown

 (motion passed unanimously) |
| **8.** | **General Assembly** | 1. From Senator Romero:
* Spoke with Jamila about scholarships about the criteria and requirements
* SSCCC, get experience on leadership, not just community college is there
1. Comment from advisor:
* Mentioned that last semester, senators voted to let the male senators go this semester, because female senators attended last semester
* Have to decide on who’s attending because have to secure hotels, flight schedules/air fares; decided to send the delegate, Sable and Natasha
1. Comment from Treasurer Stanfield: Strongly urges to stay in the budget because the Senate is operating on borrowed money
2. Comment from Senator Brown: He would like someone to go who’s returning next year and suggests to send only two people, Natasha and the delegate to GA
3. Motion to send all three individuals, Tabitha, Sable and Natasha contingent with keeping within the budget low end airfare
* Motion: Senator Brown
* Second: Treasurer Stanfield

(motion passed unanimously)1. Motion to revise the previous motion to send the delegate and one other person.
* Motion: Treasurer Stanfield
* Second: Vice President Horton and Senator Reilly

(motion passed unanimously) |
| **9.** | **Funding Request** | 1. AMSA funding request of $237.50
2. Comment from Advisor: If no representative from the club is present at the meeting, then its up to the senators whether they want to table this item.
3. Comment from Treasurer Stanfield:
* Read over AMSA’s funding request and believes that there’s enough money in budget to approve the request, but wanted to remind everyone that they promised AGS that they can request additional funding
1. Motion to approve AMSA’S funding request of $237.50
* Motion: Vice President Horton
* Second: Senator Lee

(motion passed unanimously) |
| **10.** | **Academic Competition** | 1. Academic Competition Committee met on Wednesday and went over the logistics
* Decided on where to buy the food; it will be Mountain Mike’s
* Flyers might get remade because it looks like a “studying abroad” flyer rather than advertising the academic competition
* Planning to make class announcements to advertise the Academic Competition
* Comment from Richard: Recommends to put flyers up at Honors and MESA, and other learning community buildings; also suggests making a Facebook page for LMCAS because it would be easier to get word out about events and networking as whole
1. Comment from Advisor:
* Need to take ownership of the event and make sure playing every senator is playing their part on that day; the Academic Competition is the main LMCAS event
* On April 4th, need details of what time senators have to be there to take care of shirts and certificates
* Will talk to John and Joel about what needs to happen between today and April 9th
* Encouraging senators to take applications and flyers with them, approach groups that participated last year, get word out and get people signed up
1. It’s mandatory that all senators attend
* 6 senators can attend, and 5 student ambassadors from Student Life
1. Comment from Diona: Maybe can organize to have an academic competition within the district, between LMC and DVC
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|  | **NEW BUSINESS** |  |
| **11.** | **Senator Orientation** | 1. Dave Bellman conducted the Senator Orientation
* Asked everyone to introduce themselves
* Introduced himself and shared his background and experience
* Noted that the number of students enrolled fluctuates from semester to semester but there are roughly 12,000 students at both Pittsburg and Brentwood campuses combined, mentions this to show that senators represent all of those students
1. Printed copies of his PowerPoint for Senator Orientation and went over the PowerPoint
2. Need to make a budget for estimated projections for 2016-2017 academic year
* Richard will help with that as well as John Nguyen, the new advisor
* Comment from Richard: Will have under $60,000 because we’re currently in a budget crisis this year and next year
* Comment from Dave Bellman: It will take about a year to rebound from the budget crisis
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| **12.**  | **Adjournment** | 1. Treasurer Stanfield motions to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.
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