



LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS MINUTES

DATE: 5/14/18 **TIME:** 1:00 pm – 3:00pm **LOCATION:** CC2-228

Present:

President: Marco McMullen

Vice-President: Tammy Smith

Treasurer: Marco Mendez

Commissioner of Campus Events: Jocelyn Villalobos

Publicity and Outreach: *Vacant*

Senators: Jessica Quintos, Priscilla Tatmon, Earl Russell Tang Almazan, Sierra Abel, LeeAndra Matthews

Student Representatives: Reiko Kubota

Advisor: John Nguyen

Absent: Marayah Guinto

Minute Taker: Amata Abatcha

Guests: Lucas Stuart-Chilcote, Cecilia Mellicon, Jessica Anderson, Vince Morris, Teresea Archaga

ITEM #	TOPIC/ACTIVITY	OUTCOME
1	Call to Order	I. President McMullen called the meeting to order at 1:13pm
2	Approve: I. Agenda II. Minutes from the 5/7/18 meeting	I. Motion to approve the agenda A. Motioned by: Senator Tatmon B. Seconded by: Vice-President Smith C. Motion approved unanimously 8-0-0 II. Motion to amend the agenda by correcting numeration and replacing “Line Item 10: AMSA Funding” to “Line Item 10: Destress Week” A. Motioned by: Senator Almazan B. Seconded by: Vice-President Smith A. Motion approved unanimously 8-0-0 III. Motion to approve the agenda A. Motioned by: Senator Tatmon B. Seconded by: Senator Almazan



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		C. Motion approved 7-0-1
	BUSINESS: REPORTS	
3	Public Comment	<p>I. From Vince Morris:</p> <p>A. Introduced himself as member of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) Chapter at Los Medanos on behalf of their club president, Gilles Djomani</p> <p>B. “As you know,” he announced, “we attended the 44th Annual NSBE Convention and were able to facilitate workshops after our return, as promised, regarding information about the upcoming NSBE Chapter which will be opened at LMC by next semester.”</p> <p>C. He proceeded to present a slideshow presentation recapping what they did at the convention as well as what they accomplished during the workshops they hosted on campus, managing to recruit 7 different people interested in joining the chapter next semester</p> <p>D. The board thanked Guest Morris for his time and for maintaining the agreement to host workshops in order to involve Los Medanos as a whole</p> <p>II. From Reiko Kubota:</p> <p>A. Announced that the Veterans Softball Tournament will be held on Memorial Day Weekend from May 26-27. “There will be a whole run derby, a dunk tank, nachos, hot dogs, and much more,” she stated</p> <p>B. She added that all participants may bring in their own gloves and mitts</p> <p>III. From Tabitha Romero:</p> <p>A. Reintroduced herself as the Vice-President of Legislative Affairs for Region 4 of the Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC)</p> <p>B. Announced that SSCCC is looking for a new student representative to oversee the actions of the board. Applications are now open and the deadline to apply is Wednesday, May 23 by 11:59pm</p> <p>IV. From Jessica Anderson:</p> <p>A. Announced that there will be a Spring Concert tonight at 7:30pm in the Recital Hall</p>



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4	Officer & Senator Reports/Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">I. From Senator Matthews:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Delivered her final report, stating that she will need to leave during this item. Felt grateful for serving her time as a senator. Ended that she will miss everyone and encouraged everyone to “keep pushing.”II. From Treasurer Mendez:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Thanked new senators for their efforts and “working on something that they believe in,” hoping that many return. Said he would miss President McMullen who is transferring this yearIII. From Commissioner Villalobos:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Wished everyone a Happy Mother’s DayB. Recapped how she participated in the Puente end-of-the-year celebrationC. Participated in “Bike to Work Day” last Thursday, which was, “the most free and liberating experience I have ever had.”D. Knows many people are leaving the senate but encourages everyone to “keep growing.”IV. From Senator Almazan:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Would like everyone to remember that there are still things to improve on over the summer. “Our work does not end when the semester ends.”B. President McMullen interjected that if anyone is looking to do something over the summer, the “End of Summer Bash” meetings are still taking placeV. From Senator Quintos:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. No reportVI. From Senator Abel:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Enjoyed “Bike to Work Day” and thanked those who organized it. Stated that all the events facilitated this year including ones before she came were really big. Congratulated all graduating senatorsVII. From Vice-President Smith:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Spoke with Sharon from the front desk of the Brentwood campus and was shown a space in
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		<p>between room 1 and room 2 where this a small storage area which Sharon offered to allow LMCAS to use it as their own storage space so long as they promise to keep it organized. Stated that keeping an open relationship with faculty involving matters like these “is vital” and will continue on to help as best as she can</p> <p>B. “Don’t wait to be told what to do, take initiative,” she advised the board. “The great thing about being a leader is being able to take initiative rather than listening for what to do.” Ended by providing an example of her continual efforts are the Brentwood campus in order to integrate it more with the main campus in Pittsburg</p> <p>VIII. From Senator Tatmon:</p> <p>A. No report</p>
5	Advisor Report	<p>I. From Advisor Nguyen:</p> <p>A. Announced that tomorrow on Tuesday, May 15 at 4:00pm, the results of the LMCAS elections will be publicly released</p> <p>B. Announced that the following day on Wednesday, May 16 at 2:00pm the results of the Student Trustee Election will be publicly released</p> <p>C. Asked whether everyone had signed up for tabling for Destress Week. Reported that the indoor quad, outdoor quad, and the science building were open but not enough people signed up to table at the science building so he thought it would be best to allocate tabling only at the indoor and outdoor quad</p> <p>D. Noted how there are also some other times that are still open, so he wanted everyone’s updated feedback. “As you can see for Thursday from 10:00am-11:00am, we have no one signed up for indoor and outdoor tabling.”</p> <p>E. Senator Almazan said that on Tuesday or Thursday they may have to take out a location and just have a single place to table at</p> <p>F. Advisor Nguyen added that they need at least 1 person for each time slot and location. If no one can fill it, “it will be removed completely.”</p>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">G. Treasurer Mendez asked what happened to volunteers from other club organizations such as Honors and AGS. Advisor Nguyen said no one had replied yetH. The board further discussed tabling and timing optionsI. Treasurer Mendez added that he noticed Senator Matthews hadn't signed up for a time slot/locationII. From Advisor Nguyen:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Reported that this has officially been his 3rd year as an advisor for LMCAS. Reported that he learns "something new every day" from hearing from everyone. "All of you really took charge with your respective events."B. Wanted to commend Vice-President Smith for stepping up in bringing more of a presence to the Brentwood CampusC. Commended those who are graduating and transferring to a universityD. "All of you have been a huge support here at LMC. Thank you so much for such an amazing year."
6	Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none">I. From Senator Tatmon:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Academic Senate meeting went well, they basically recapped the semester closing out, but they may have one more meetingII. From Treasurer Mendez:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. No reportIII. From Commissioner Villalobos:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. No reportIV. From Senator Almazan:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Reported that OER met last Thursday. Because Senator Guinto cannot be present for the LMCAS meeting today, Senator Almazan spoke on her behalf. They considered having LMCAS donate \$2,500 toward OER's budget and will speak further regarding this measure at Agenda Line Item #12: 'Budget Update'



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> V. From Senator Abel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Will not be able to attend the upcoming IDEA committee meeting but finds it important for someone else to go on her behalf as they will be asking important questions pertaining to the Interfaith Room this Thursday, May 17 from 2:30pm-4:00pm in room L-109 VI. From Vice-President Smith: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Reported that ICC met for last time last week. Monday, September 10, 2018 will be first ICC meeting of the Fall semester. The location has not yet been determined B. Many changes have been made to the ICC Guide/Handbook. "Forget everything you have learned and start all over." Added that with the upcoming revised edition, it will be a perfect time to learn the "ins and outs" of the way ICC works especially for new clubs C. Asked Sharon from the front desk at the Brentwood campus how fundraising efforts could work. For example, AGS tried to sell lumpias and wanted to use plugins but were unable to because of how small the campus is, so she reminded them to bring in pre cooked food. Sharon recommended having it on a smaller scale but said that once the extension campus moves to its new location in 2020, she would "love to see it." VII. From President McMullen: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Reported that SGC was receptive toward implementing OER B. "To be clear, OER was established by Edward Haven, a philosophy instructor on campus," he clarified VIII. From Representative Kubota: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Reported that the Sustainability Committee has not yet met B. Thanked the Sustainability committee for fixing the alarm and clocks in the computer lab
NEW BUSINESS		
7	AGS Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. From Cecilia Mellicon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Stated that \$2,665 is the total amount that AGS will need, to which President McMullen asked whether she could provide a minimum amount. Guest Mellicon responded that \$2,000



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		<p>is the minimum amount requested. “Right now, we currently have only \$330 remaining in our balance so it will take \$1,673 to reach the minimum requirement,” she clarified.</p> <p>A. Treasurer Mendez asked, “what would happen if AGS does not meet the minimum amount?” Guest Mellicon replied that she “does not know,” and doesn’t know whether the requirement is set by the state or whether their advisor is the one who sets the minimum</p> <p>B. Treasurer Mendez then asked Guest Mellicon to recap how they got that low. She responded that they did not fundraise until late in the semester so AGS did not have opportunities to start raising funds until the middle of March and in addition to this, their club brought in new fundraising advisors who “did not know what they were doing.” Reported that one of their fundraisers only netted \$7.00</p> <p>C. Commissioner Villalobos asked, “what do you think you guys should do to prevent something like this from happening again?” Guest Mellicon then said that the majority of current AGS officers will be graduating so the majority of executive positions will be vacated. The officers who will remain will have now learned from this experience to raise funds <i>immediately</i> and not allow it to slide in order to prevent the situation from ever happening again</p> <p>D. President McMullen said they would like to at least fund them to a baseline amount but cannot guarantee a full reimbursement. Treasurer Mendez suggested that Budget Line Item #19: Campus Events might be a suitable place to fund this from</p> <p>E. Guest Mellicon said she understood that AGS should have requested money beforehand and this is what she feels they conveyed. James Stevenson, a fellow AGS member and herself both have a business background so they understand what it means to have an off balance checkbook.</p> <p>F. Vice-President Smith asked whether any AGS members may join the senate. Guest Mellicon said that James Stevenson is considering it</p> <p>II. Motion to deny the funding request from AGS</p> <p>A. Motioned by: Treasurer Mendez</p> <p>B. <i>No second</i></p>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">III. Motion to fund \$1,670 toward AGS<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Motioned by: Senator AlmazanB. <i>No second</i>IV. Discussion:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Treasurer Mendez explained his reasoning that he would like to keep the process fair. Wished to clarify that his judgment is not a personal matter between everyone in the room and his rationale is to represent everyone equallyB. Senator Abel asked whether the AIDS/Lifecycle funding request and Young Americans for Freedom speaker funding request was coming out of same line item. Treasurer Mendez responded affirmativelyV. Motion to amend \$1,670 to \$500 toward AGS<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Motioned by: Commissioner VillalobosB. Seconded by: Senator TatmonVI. Discussion:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Representative Kubota provided her perspective that the problem this year for AGS has been “a whole new slew of officers this year” and would appreciate even a small amountB. Vice-President Smith asked what Treasurer Mendez thinks about granting \$500 rather than denying their request completely. Treasurer Mendez then said that he first motioned to deny their funding request and still holds this view, as granting them any amount, even a small one, would set a contradictory precedentC. Representative Kubota asked whether it would make a difference to use the money toward next year. Advisor Nguyen interjected that next year’s budget has not yet been approvedD. Senator Abel asked again whether they really need to reach a set minimum of \$2,000. Guest Mellicon clarified that she is unsure of who exactly requires \$2,000 or why, but thinks any organization could run as long as they go forward to raise funds. Only other thing to add is that next semester, costs will have to be offset by asking members pay more for certain things such as T-shirts and sashes that would normally already be paid for as part of the
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		<p>registration fee and club budget</p> <p>E. Commissioner Villalobos said she feels it is very important to finalize the \$2,000 and would like to move this to next semester. Guest Mellicon clarified that they need to actually have the amount up by the end of the semester and not next year. Added that one professor actually went \$400.00 in debt just to help save the club</p> <p>F. Guest Mellicon ended with her personal opinion, stating that as a mother of three children, she would actually agree with Treasurer Mendez’s stance as she does feel that AGS’s mistake should not be excused and encourages fiscal responsibility</p> <p>VII. Motion fails to pass 0-5-3</p>
8	AIDS/Lifecycle	<p>I. From Lucas Stuart-Chilcote</p> <p>A. Reintroduced himself as approaching the board as a representative for all students rather than as a distinct club</p> <p>A. Is amending his previous funding request of \$520.00 down to \$200.00 as his fundraiser has been successful so far [his target goal being to raise at least \$3,000.00 which is required in order to ride]</p> <p>B. Advisor Nguyen clarified that this funding request would fall under Budget Line Item #1 rather than #19 due to definitions of what this event encompasses</p> <p>C. Senator Abel wanted to know what the deadline to raise his goal amount is, to which he said he has 20 days left from today in order to raise \$315 more. Senator Abel said she wanted to make sure, adding that since his fundraiser is going well he might be able to raise that money on his own</p> <p>D. Senator Tatmon asked how this benefits LMC as a whole. Guest Stuart-Chilcote said that perhaps he could start a cycling club after the fundraiser</p> <p>E. President McMullen said that if this measure passes it would set a precedent to support other individuals who may come to the board for their own personal causes</p> <p>F. Guest Stuart-Chilcote added that he began his fundraiser in February, so he does not know</p>



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		<p>whether starting in August would have garnered more money</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> G. Representative Kubota said that before joining LMC, one of the biology professors went on the same AIDS/Lifecycle event and may be interested in becoming an advisor of a cycling club H. Vice-President Smith had a concern of how this would benefit LMC as a whole. Knows that her club back in high school had an opportunity to live with someone who was HIV positive and was able to take this back into applying that experience as a means of raising awareness about HIV and AIDS. Mentioned how there could still be a way to incorporate Guest Stuart-Chilcote’s idea into something that may benefit the local community I. Treasurer Mendez wanted to emphasize how much financial power LMCAS has. “These are not just numbers on a piece of paper but people’s hard earned money. Really listen closely to these stories as we may not realize just how much power we have.” Reminded everyone that although anyone can join the senate, a lot of responsibility comes with it <p>II. Motion to deny funding for the AIDS/Lifecycle</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Motioned by: Senator Almazan B. Seconded by: Treasurer Mendez C. Motion approved 4-0-3
9	Destress Week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. From President McMullen: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Further discussed tabling plans for next week’s Destress Week event B. Advisor Nguyen added that after the meeting today, senators will meet to divide their respective tasks at the Office of Student Life C. Commissioner Villalobos asked if coming in at 8:00am in Brentwood on a Wednesday would be too early. Vice-President Smith said she has friends who are there all day and would greatly appreciate it D. Senator Almazan suggested doing a mixture of one location and multiple locations adjusting to the senator’s availability accordingly E. Commissioner Villalobos said that last semester, many people thought the food and items



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		<p>offered during Destress Week was for sale and wanted to emphasize having posters that announce how it's free this time</p> <p>F. Advisor Nguyen said this could be worked out further after the meeting in the Office of Student Life</p>
10	Young Americans for Freedom	<p>I. From Jessica Anderson:</p> <p>A. Recapped her title and Jason Mattera, total cost 5,000 but respect any amount given. Understands some people may not agree with them on public policy but respects them and wants to encourage open dialogue</p> <p>B. Senator Abel asked what do you expect the turnout to be. Said that as a club, there are always two primary objectives which is to have it free of charge and open to community as well and will advertise this in posters, flyers, and social media</p> <p>C. Treasurer asked for breakdown. 5,000 is total cost that foundation will need for speaker. breakdown for LMCAS is given from last weeks mins</p> <p>D. Pres said if 700 is raised by then, can match with ICC</p> <p>E. only reason she reached out now is because they cannot secure a date until they secure x amount of funding</p> <p>F. Added that they plan on fundraising over the summer</p> <p>II. Motion to approve \$800 toward</p> <p>A. Motioned by: Senator Tatmon</p> <p>B. Seconded by: Vice-President Smith</p> <p>C. Reiko expressed concerns over encouraging people to be intolerant</p> <p>D. Guest Mellicon said although she is Democrat and liberal raising her children as liberal,</p> <p>E. Motion approved 7-0-0</p> <p>III.</p>
11	EOPS Resolution	<p>I. From President McMullen:</p>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Recapped how Sirreck Brown Smith, an EOPS ambassador, came in with petition a few weeks ago regarding having a learning community room allocated for EOPS students B. President McMullen proceeded to display the petition over the projector for the senators to look over C. Added that it does not specify exactly where the space is as it has not yet been determined, however, “the core idea of supporting a space is important.” II. Motion to approve the EOPS Resolution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Motioned by: Treasurer Mendez B. Seconded by: Commissioner Villalobos III. Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Vice-President Smith said she may want to abstain as she was not present during the meeting where this was originally discussed B. Advisor Nguyen said he shares the same view as Vice-President Smith, wishing the speaker could be here to elaborate further C. Guest Archaga added how there was once a space for EOPS many years ago but they lost it after some structural changes. That being said, if such a space existed in the past, “I see no reason why there shouldn’t be a room for EOPS students.” IV. Motion to extend the meeting to 3:20pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Motioned by: Senator Tatmon V. Motion [to approve the EOPS Resolution] approved unanimously 5-0-0
12	Budget Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. From Treasurer Mendez: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Recapped last week’s Budget Update and overview and proceeded to go over a few points of interest: B. Campus Events was expanded as there is more of a need for this C. Brentwood Outreach was expanded, feeling there is a disconnect between the Brentwood extension campus and the Pittsburg main campus



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">III. Motion to extend the meeting to 3:26pm<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Motioned by: Senator TatmonIV. Motion to approve the LMCAS 2018-2019 Budget<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Motioned by: Treasurer MendezB. Seconded by: Senator AbelC. Motion approved unanimously 5-0-0
13	Presidential Address	<ul style="list-style-type: none">I. From President McMullen:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Stated how he has been here for several semestersB. Wanted to emphasize how much the group has grown, how LMCAS has progressed in being “more student oriented than ever before.”C. Thought that one reason why LMCAS has been successful is because everyone has gotten comfortable with “stepping outside their comfort zone.”D. Thanked everyone for making this time so pleasurable as he passes on the “baton” to Priscilla Tatmon [who will be President next year], wishing her a successful term as she grows as a leaderE. “Thank you everyone for this wonderful semester and farewell.”
14	Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">I. Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:25pm<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Motioned by: Vice-President Smith