

**LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS SENATE MEETING MINUTES**

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<p><b>President:</b> Nicholas Sessions <b>Vice President:</b> Luisa Velazquez  <b>Commissioner of Campus Events:</b> VACANT <b>Commissioner of Publicity &amp; Outreach:</b> VACANT  <b>Treasurer:</b> VACANT <b>Senators:</b> Esteeven Ccora, Delores Jackson, Roya Mohammad, Elizabeth McLaurin, Angelee Bergantino, Angelica Campos <b>Guests:</b></p> <p><b>Student Representatives:</b> [vacant] <b>Minute Taker:</b> Courtney Sanchez</p>
<p><b>Advisor:</b> Teresea Archaga  <b>Absent:</b> Diana Garcia</p>

<b>I. CURRENT ITEMS</b>		
<b>Item #</b>	<b>I. Topic Activity</b>	<b>I. Outcome</b>
1.	<b>Call to Order:</b> Establishment of Quorum	I. Call to order at 1:04 PM
2	<b>Approve:</b> <b>A. Approval of the Agenda</b> <b>B. Approval of the minutes for 9/21/20</b>	I. Vice President Velazquez moves to approve the agenda II. Senator McLaurin 2nds the motion III. Vote: 5-0-0 IV. Senator McLaurin motions to move the minutes with the edits of the inclusion of the budget of student rep fees and the line item 12 to 15

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		<p>V. Vice President Velazquez 2nds the motion</p> <p>VI. Vote: 5-0-0</p>
	<b>Business: Reports</b>	
3.	<b>Public Comment: Information</b>	I. No public comment.
	<p>Senators may respond as summarized below:(no more than 2 minutes on each item)</p> <p>*Senators may briefly to statements made or questions posed by persons making public comments:</p> <p>*The public may ask questions for clarification or make a brief announcement; provide a reference to senate or other resources for factual information; request senate to report back to the public at a later meeting; and/or request an agenda items for future agenda.</p> <p><i>(Government Code Section 54954.2(a))</i></p>	
	<b>New Business</b>	
4.	<b><u>Officer &amp; Senator Reports / Updates</u></b>	<p>I. Vice President Velazquez, No Report</p> <p>II. Senator Mohammad, No Report</p> <p>III. Senator Bergantino, No Report</p> <p>IV. Senator McLaurin, No Report</p> <p>V. President Sessions: The past week was incredibly powerful, it went amazing and didn't allow ZOOM to stop the meeting. They wanted to ensure they were able to</p>

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		feel each other's energies and make sure they're being heard.
5.	<b><u>Advisor Report</u></b>	I. Advisor Archaga: On Thursday, it was the first collaborative event with the food bank and served 81 students/families. Tomorrow is the first presidential debate, they're trying to put together an impromptu watch party. There is a Latinx calendar up on the website, tomorrow is the first event and there is space still available. Starting next week, the accreditation team is coming and some of you guys will be recruited. The accreditation is what keeps LMC going, it's an assessment of the school. We've exceeded the number of students on the board. After you choose your committee, she will forward you emails regarding the committees.
6.	<b><u>Committee Reports</u></b>	I. President Sessions: He was in SGC last week, they voted for option #2, but option #1 ended up winning. They can't keep going through the voting process back and forth.

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	<b>New Business</b>	
7.	<b><u>Funding Request Approval</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. Vice President Velazquez motions to move line item 11 to line item 7</li> <li>II. Senator Ccora 2nds the motion</li> <li>III. Vote 5-0-0</li> <li>IV. Advisor Archaga: At the end of the spring term, the funds for student life were reduced. In collaboration with the office of equity and inclusion, they decided on events they will be holding this semester. The funding will go towards marketing, paying for the speakers, incentives etc.; the request is for \$10,000. The funding will either be for line item 1 or line 19.</li> <li>V. Senator McLaurin says we should sponsor the event, because it'll be good publicity for LMCAS as well.</li> <li>VI. Advisor Archaga reminds them that senators must participate in 2 hours worth of volunteer work and this is an even they can help out with</li> <li>VII. Vice President Velazquez motions to move the funding request of \$10,000 and pull it from line item 1 in the budget</li> <li>VIII. Senator McLaurin 2nds the motion</li> <li>IX. Vote: 5-0-0</li> </ul>

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8.	<b><u>EMP First Read Approval</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. Beth Ann states that next week is the accreditation meeting. The public forum will be on Tuesday, Oct 6 (8am-8:45am) and Wednesday, Oct 7 (12pm-12:45pm). They're working with the district to inform all the students through their emails.</li><li>II. Vice President Velazquez motions to approve the EMP first read approval</li><li>III. Senator Jackson 2nds the motion</li><li>IV. Vote: 6-0-0</li><li>V. BethAnn says on October 19 there will be a college assembly to talk about how they will implement EMP and would love student involvement.</li></ul>
9.	<b><u>Dean Belman Introduction</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. Dave Belman is the dean of student success. He works with outreach, high school, learning communities, and student life. He is a LMC alumni, he used to be behind, but now he got ahead. He's live in Contra Costa his whole life and transferred to University of the Pacific. He was involved in a band and after graduating, he was offered to advise the student group where he found his love for</li></ul>

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		<p>helping students. He started at LMC in 2007 and started as the director of student life. It was intentional of him to come back to LMC and he's grateful to be connected with the students.</p>
<p>10.</p>	<p><b><u>Budget Review, Revision and Approval</u></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. Advisor Archaga: We have \$118, 926 left to allocate.</li> <li>II. Senator McLaurin asks about line 23 if the funds get rolled over to the next semester.</li> <li>III. Advisor Archaga replies that yes it gets rolled over, so LMCAS has funds to work with. It can be anywhere from \$5,000 to 15%.</li> <li>IV. Senator McLaurin asks for a justification for the funds that need to be allocated.</li> <li>V. Advisor Archaga replies that all funds that aren't used will just be rolled over into the next semester.</li> <li>VI. Senator McLaurin says that LMC will be doing distance learning for the foreseeable future. One of the biggest hardships for students is equipment. She would like to make a line item that bridges the gap, the line item will be revolved around laptops.</li> </ul>

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		<p>Her idea is to reimburse students that need to buy equipment, in order to be successful for the school year.</p> <p>VII. Advisor Archaga replies that the school provides equipment and they purchased 100 chromebooks. She can speak to the office of equity and inclusion to add more funds into their account, to purchase more laptops for students.</p> <p>VIII. Senator McLaurin is okay with the idea of loans. The funding can be very beneficial for students especially since distance learning will be here for awhile</p> <p>IX. Vice President Velazquez agrees that we should allocate more funds in order to help buy more laptops for students. A laptop could be the reason why students stopped enrolling in classes.</p> <p>X. President Sessions agrees with the idea as well, the money can be allocated towards the office of equity and inclusion.</p> <p>XI. Advisor Archaga suggests creating a new line item and removing line items 9 and 10. Line item 11 doesn't have a justification. You can change line 9-11 and use the justification to fit your needs.</p>
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		<p>She recommends naming it something along the line LMCAS Tech Support Fund.</p> <p><b>XII. Senator McLaurin recommends we change line item 9, 10, 11, 14, or 17 and renaming it to LMC Tech Support Fund and adding in \$20,000</b></p> <p><b>XIII.</b> Senator McLaurin thinks we should put in more funds to line item 8 for the clubs. Another good spot to put things is the reserve fund. Adding more to line item 21 student pantry would be beneficial and line item 24 student emergency.</p> <p><b>XIV. Vice President Velazquez says she wants to focus on the food pantry (+10,000), student emergency (+15,000), and student life. We could also include line item 1 again (+\$25,000), because it can be used in a variety of ways. If possible, in line items 5 (+10,000) and 6 we could increase the funds some more. Her mentality was spending more money on student resources.</b></p> <p><b>XV.</b> Senator McLaurin suggests adding another \$10,000 to scholarships</p>
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		<p>XVI. <b>Senator Ccora was thinking adding \$12,000 to scholarships</b></p> <p>XVII. <b>President Sessions suggests increasing zero textbook cost by another \$10,000</b></p> <p>XVIII. <b>Senator McLaurin suggests increasing the amount for the student employees</b></p> <p>XIX. President Sessions suggest getting the single use rather than the reusable</p> <p>XX. Senator McLaurin suggests just getting regular cloth masks</p> <p>XXI. Advisor Archaga suggests putting it apart of line item 1 or lmc accessories</p> <p>XXII. Senator Jackson says to do line item 1</p> <p>XIII. <b>Senator Ccora suggests adding \$5,000 in the book rental program</b></p> <p>XIV. <b>President Sessions suggests adding \$6,926 to student employees. He suggests allocating the extra \$1 into the accessories and marketing. The majority of it should go towards conference attendance.</b></p> <p>XV. <b>Vice President Velazquez suggests adding the \$5,000 to student life</b></p> <p>XVI. Advisor Archaga says that the remaining funds can go towards marketing or accessories. \$2,762 went towards marking</p>
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		<p>and \$2,762 went towards LMCAS accessories</p> <p><b>CVII.</b> Senator McLaurin motions to extend the meeting by 10 minutes</p> <p><b>VIII.</b> Vice President Velazquez 2nds the motion</p> <p><b>XIX.</b> Vote: 6-0-0</p> <p><b>XX.</b> <b>President Sessions suggests putting the \$4,000 to the student emergency fund</b></p> <p><b>XXI.</b> Senator McLaurin motions to move to add \$12,000 to line item 4 scholarships, \$10,000 to line item 5 textbooks for library reserve, \$5,000 to line item 6 book rental program, \$20,000 to new line item 9 LMCAS tech support, \$6,926 to line item 10 student employees, \$10,000 to line item 14 food pantry, \$5,000 to line item 15 student life, \$19,000 to line item 17 student emergency fund, \$10,000 to line item 19 zero textbook cost, and to apply the LMCAS conference/marketing/accessories to the new student rep fee budget</p> <p><b>CXII.</b> Senator Jackson 2nds the motion</p> <p><b>XIII.</b> Vote: 6-0-0</p> <p><b>XIV.</b> Senator McLaurin motions to leave the meeting</p>
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		<p>XXV. Senator Ccora motions to extend the meeting by another 10 minutes</p> <p>XVI. Vice President Velazquez 2nds the motion</p> <p>XVII. Vote: 5-0-0</p> <p>XVIII. President Sessions says that the language for the scholarship has to change.</p> <p>XIX. Vice President Velazquez suggests offering 10 scholarships of \$750 each for continuing students</p> <p>XL. President Sessions suggests tripling the amount of scholarships and increasing each scholarship by \$183</p> <p>XLI. Senator Jackson motions to approve all of the changes in the justifications</p> <p>XLII. Senator Ccora 2nds the motion</p> <p>LIII. Vote: 5-0-0</p> <p>LIV. Senator Ccora motions to extend the meeting by another 15 minutes</p> <p>XLV. Senator Mohammad 2nds the motion</p> <p>LVI. Vote: 5-0-0</p>
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11.	<b><u>Bylaw Revisions and Approval</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. President Sessions says they're trying to eliminate the language that involves stipends. Competition reimbursements are not okay with district policy. Currently it takes 5 weeks to fill the officer positions, he's offering to take it down to 3 meetings in a row.</li><li>II. Senator Ccora motions to approve the bylaw changes</li><li>III. Senator Jackson 2nds the motion</li><li>IV. Vice President Velazquez agrees to lowering the requirement to 3, so new members are able to fill those positions</li><li>V. Vote: 5-0-0</li></ul>
12.	<b><u>Committee Assignments</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. Grade Appeal Committee<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Delores Jackson</li><li>B. Roya Mohammad</li></ul></li><li>II. Equal Employment Opportunity<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Luisa Velazquez</li></ul></li><li>III. IDEA<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Nicholas Sessions</li><li>B. Luisa Velazquez</li></ul></li><li>IV. DGC<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Delores Jackson</li></ul></li><li>V. Planning<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Angelee Bergantino</li></ul></li></ul>

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		VI. PDAC A. Angelee Bergantino
13	<u>Adjournment or Continue</u>	I. Vice President Velazquez motions to adjourn the meeting at 3:43 PM