



**LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS MINUTES**

**DATE: 12/5/16 TIME: 1:00 pm – 3:00pm LOCATION: L-106**

**Present:**

**President:** Israel Cortez

**Vice-President:** Natasha Garcia

**Treasurer:** Eliacin Velazquez

**Commissioner of Campus Events:** Angela Lee

**Publicity and Outreach:** *Not appointed*

**Senators:** Jessica Havelhorst, Nilton Serva

**Student Representatives:** Dale Satre

**Advisor:** John Nguyen

**Absent:** Hannah Tatmon, Jonathan Pantino

**Minute Taker:** Amata Abatcha

**Guests:** Beatriz Hernandez, Liz Green, Raphael Antunez

ITEM #	TOPIC/ACTIVITY	OUTCOME
1	Call to order	I. President Cortez called the meeting to order at 1:05pm
2	Approve: I. Agenda II. Minutes from 11/21/16 meeting	I. Motion to approve agenda A. Motioned by: Senator Alvarado B. Seconded by: Senator Serva II. Motion to remove line item 10 A. Motioned by Treasurer Velazquez B. Seconded by: Vice-President Garcia C. Motion approved unanimously <b>4-0-0</b> III. Motion to amend 'LMCS' to 'LMCAS' in line item 11 A. Motioned by: Senator Alvarado



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B. Seconded by: Senator Serva</li> <li>C. Motion approved unanimously <b>4-0-0</b></li> </ul> <p>IV. Motion to approve the amended minutes of the 11/28/16 meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Motioned by: Senator Serva</li> <li>B. Seconded by: Senator Havelhorst</li> <li>C. Motion approved unanimously <b>5-0-0</b></li> </ul>
<b>BUSINESS: REPORTS</b>		
<b>3</b>	Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. From Liz Greene:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. From the English department. Came to share LGBTQ Literature English 150 class with spoken poetry, short stories, films, and more. Stated that there are “many wonderful authors who deserve to be read beyond their identity.”</li> <li>B. Stated that the course fulfills several GE requirements. Only eligibility for English 100 required</li> <li>C. Typically taught online but will be a face-to-face class next semester. Currently has 8 students signed up and only needs 15 in order to launch</li> </ul> </li> <li>II. From President Cortez:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Senator applications now available online</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>4</b>	Officers and Senators Reports/Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. From Senator Serva:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Attended Latino Technology Summit</li> <li>B. Selling tickets for event. Giving 150 but allowed to pocket 50.</li> <li>C. Wanted to bring to board if interested. If two people could sell tickets, that could pool about 700 people. Pretty much a fundraiser where they want as much participation. From all over California</li> <li>D. Called ‘Pueblo Fest.’ Wants feedback from board</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>E. Starting motivational speaking with former LMC student Sergio Ramirez</li><li>F. Stated that attendees are matched for internships on the East Coast. "Great for networking."</li><li>G. President Cortez suggested contacting Puente or La Raza</li><li>H. March 17, 18, 19</li><li>II. From Treasurer Velazquez:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Emailed board regarding movie night event. Notified board that they should feel free to edit anything they like on the document. Plans to talk with Maya Cinemas regarding hard numbers/concrete data; has this Wednesday in mind</li></ul></li><li>III. From Senator Havelhorst:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. No report</li></ul></li><li>IV. From Vice-President Garcia:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. This Wednesday, "Boeing Boeing" directed by Drama Chair Nick Garcia is premiering at the California Theatre</li><li>B. Approved 90\$ for "Food for Thought." Only problem is transporting supplies from her car to location</li><li>C. Reminded officers to visit locations for Local Discounts. Got a 20% discount at Little J's</li><li>D. Reported that a campus near Sacramento/San Joaquin with a mustangs mascot is doing a similar project</li></ul></li><li>V. From Commissioner Lee:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Umoja is having their Christmas celebration in L-109 this Thursday</li><li>B. Transfer Center is hosting their workshops. Dates available online</li></ul></li><li>VI. From President Cortez:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Celebration being held for chancellor Helen Benjamin since she's retiring</li><li>B. Wishes luck to officers on finals</li></ul></li></ul>
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<p><b>5</b></p>	<p>Advisor Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. From Advisor Nguyen:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. De-stress event next week. Reminded board that next week they will go shopping at Costco to pick up supplies with Senator Serva and Senator Alvarado</li><li>B. “Food for Thought” December 12 and 13</li><li>C. “Color your Stress” at library all day today, December 5</li><li>D. Puzzles and coloring in at the Brentwood campus for stress relief tomorrow, December 6</li><li>E. December 8 therapy dogs</li><li>F. December 9 knitting</li><li>G. Last LMCAS meeting vote. Staff is waiting for it</li></ul></li></ul>
<p><b>6</b></p>	<p>Budget Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. From Treasurer Velazquez<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Budget is just about the same as last report. Went over what the board had approved</li><li>B. By next semester, new changes will be added into the budget.</li><li>C. Will be working closely with Advisor Nguyen over the break to update board for next semester</li></ul></li><li>II. Asked the board about priorities<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Vice-President Garcia suggested retracting the board from SCCC-type events. Advisor Nguyen clarified that it is a student conference fund. Treasurer Velazquez pointed out that the balance is at \$0.00 to which Advisor Nguyen clarified that there is \$1,350 to work with. \$950.00 left to work with</li><li>B. Vice-President Garcia requested clarification regarding Line 16’ LMCAS Internal Committees’</li><li>C. Treasurer Velazquez asked how the board feels about Line 20 ‘Campus Event Set-up’ fees. Covers janitorial work after 6:00pm for overtime. “Any evening events LMCAS puts on goes toward paying them overtime.”</li><li>D. Regarding Item 16, Commissioner Lee suggested re-wording the description. Advisor Nguyen</li></ul></li></ul>



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		<p>responded that the board could go over and review it again next semester</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>E. President Cortez brought up Item 3, ‘Brentwood Outreach’ and how LMCAS hardly reached out to the Brentwood campus this semester. Treasurer Velazquez added that there are about 5,000 students in Brentwood, “quite a large population.” Suggested allocating senators over at Brentwood, to which President Cortez stated that senator positions should also be promoted there</li> <li>F. Commissioner Lee asked whether the Brentwood campus has Mustang Week; Advisor Nguyen said Student Life would bring a few things such as free shaved ice, but larger events such as the Academic Competition are not hosted there</li> <li>G. Guest Antunez gave insight into the situation, stating that there is simply no space at the campus to host events</li> <li>H. Treasurer Velazquez stressed that, “we need a source of people to relay to us what’s going on.”</li> <li>I. Vice-President Garcia agreed with Guest Antunez’s statement about the lack of space in Brentwood, mentioning how a drama instructor gets yelled at by other instructors over theater class</li> <li>J. Velazquez concluded that an approximate budget of \$150.00 for Brentwood should be fair</li> </ul>
<p><b>7</b></p>	<p>Committee Reports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. From Commissioner Lee:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. On the 6th, 7th, and 8th, three different clubs will be hosting sweets sales</li> </ul> </li> <li>II. From Vice-President Garcia:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Chaired the last ICC meeting for the semester last Monday</li> <li>B. IDEA committee meeting next Thursday on the 15th</li> </ul> </li> <li>III. From Representative Satre:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Has not heard back from Safety Committee</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B. Received email from crime prevention specialist to inspect campus</li> <li>IV. From Senator Havelhorst:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Attended TLC meeting. Very short. Did not discuss much, no actions taken</li> </ul> </li> <li>V. From Treasurer Velazquez:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. No report</li> </ul> </li> <li>VI. From Senator Serva:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Last meeting for SSCCC on the 10th; everyone welcome</li> </ul> </li> <li>VII. From President Cortez:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Will not be able to attend tomorrow’s DGC meeting and upcoming STAC committee meeting</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>8</b></p>	<p>Planning Subcommittee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. From Treasurer Velazquez:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Did not meet last week and wanted to ask board if they would like to continue to meet in general. May not be necessary since everyone is sure at where they stand</li> <li>B. Vice-President Garcia suggested having lunch together in January before the start of Spring semester. Advisor Nguyen raised concern about meeting Brown Act requirements</li> <li>C. Advisor Nguyen gave positive feedback regarding subcommittee meeting before Thanksgiving break</li> <li>D. Treasurer Velazquez fears that the entire purpose of the subcommittee may be missed by next semester. Wants to re-center what the purpose is. Wants board to keep in mind for future reference</li> <li>E. Vice-President Garcia pushed for positive reinforcement. “Officers should take more initiative.” Velazquez further clarified that this is for future students coming into board. “A general statement is needed.”</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>BUSINESS</b></p>		



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<p>9</p>	<p>IMPACT Leadership Club Application</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. From Raphael Antunez:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Scrapped Ideal Meal and instead wants to start a feminist club</li><li>B. Compiled list of people interested and distributed a survey that included two questions:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Do you consider yourself a feminist?</li><li>2. How would you define feminism?</li></ul></li><li>C. Wants to educate people on feminism, dispel myths, and broaden perspectives beyond “women complaining”</li><li>D. Got an advisor, English professor Morgan Lynn</li><li>E. Structure of meetings will follow a standard format including volunteer opportunities. Would like to bring a few speakers. Advisor suggested starting a single mother’s scholarship</li></ul></li><li>II. Motion: To approve \$200.00 for Feminist Club in seed money<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Motioned by: Vice-President Garcia</li><li>B. Seconded by: Commissioner Lee</li></ul></li><li>III. Discussion<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Treasurer Velazquez asked for further clarification. Guest Antunez said people would gather to discuss as well as seek out scholarships</li><li>B. Advisor has co-advisor in mind, Eric Sanchez for a balanced male perspective</li><li>C. Wanted to hold an ‘Introduction to Feminism’ group to gage interest</li><li>D. President Cortez inquired whether the title of “feminist club” would be a problem. Guest Antunez repondsed that although feminism is a strong word and has negative connotations, he thinks it is necessary to get the word out, and so long as it is promoted the right way, they should manage to dispel such misconceptions</li><li>E. One idea was distributing survey asking questions such as “do you agree with equality? then you are a feminist” Hoping to get athletes involved. Liked idea of a college sports team that donned “I am a feminist” shirts in light of Donald Trump’s statements</li></ul></li></ul>
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		<p>F. Treasurer Velazquez added that in his experience, it is always good to be accepting of other people, but asked, what if you attract someone who is “philosophically against the concept?” In installing his cause and his group, would any measurers be in place to ensure a safe space?</p> <p>G. Responded that the advisor should be able to mediate the situation if they are not sensitive to the topic. “The officers and advisors should understand how to diffuse the situation.”</p> <p>H. Vice-President Garcia suggested talking to the Allies club</p> <p>I. Representative Satre asked, “what is the metric of determining the difference between having a different opinion and disturbing the peace?”</p> <p>J. Treasurer Velazquez asked how do we go about letting a club know that their actions may be perceived as a negative/drawback for students on campus regarding social clubs. Vice-President Garcia responded that ICC should be approached. “Debate the issue without attacking the person.” Added that any issues can be taken up to Dave Belman, dean of students</p> <p>K. Representative Satre asked, “Do you see any room for improvement in gender equality on campus?” Guest Antunez responded that it’s more of a societal issue. “Definitely changing people’s mindsets on it.”</p> <p>L. Guest Hernandez stated that changing stalls for babies/young children are not widely available in <i>both</i> men’s and women’s restrooms. “It’s not all across campus which is a problem for single parents.”</p> <p>M. President Cortez mentioned that not many club presidents are women</p> <p>IV. Motion approved unanimously <b>4-0-0</b></p>
<p><b>10</b></p>	<p>Request for Support</p>	<p>I. From Advisor Nguyen:</p> <p>A. Will host a retreat on campus involving team building activities on Thursday, January 19 which will be coming out of Line Item 22 in the budget for Student Life</p>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>II. Motion: To approve \$200.00 for LMCAS Retreat               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Motioned by: Commissioner Lee</li> <li>B. Seconded by: Treasurer Velazquez</li> </ul> </li> <li>III. Discussion               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. President Cortez is concerned about student turnout. Wants prospective senators to be completely aware of retreat</li> <li>B. Advisor clarified that purpose of retreat is to do big planning in preparation of semester. There may be a conflict of interest as Kristin Conner is hosting a workshop the same day</li> <li>C. Treasurer Velazquez countered President Cortez’s concern regarding attendance. Stressed planning. Said the scope of what he’s asking is far too large as “priorities just aren’t there.”</li> <li>D. Advisor Nguyen asked the board how they feel about including student representatives, to which the board responded positively</li> </ul> </li> <li>IV. Motion to amend previous amount from of \$200.00 to \$300.00 and include student representatives               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Motioned by: Vice-President Garcia</li> <li>B. Seconded by: Commissioner Lee</li> <li>C. Motion approved unanimously <b>4-0-0</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>11</b></p>	<p>Food for Thought</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. From Vice-President Garcia               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Removing pears and oranges</li> <li>B. Removing napkins.</li> <li>C. Utensils, cups, and napkins will be reduced</li> <li>D. Budget will be around \$240.00</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>12</b></p>	<p>Last LMCAS Meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. Motion: To have today as the last meeting</li> </ul>



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<b>13</b>	Semester Overview	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. From President Cortez:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Thanked officers for their hard work over the semester despite any disagreements. “That’s what government is all about.”</li><li>B. Re-capped Mustang Week, Club Day, Movie Night, and other great events for students</li><li>C. Re-capped the creation of Local Discounts</li><li>D. Thinks direction of LMCAS is a positive one</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>14</b>	Adjournment	Commissioner Lee motioned to adjourn meeting at 3:02pm