



LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS MINUTES

DATE: 1/22/18 **TIME:** 1:00 pm – 3:00pm **LOCATION:** L-106

Present:

President: Marco McMullen

Vice-President: Tammy Smith

Treasurer: Marco Mendez

Commissioner of Campus Events: Jocelyn Villalobos

Publicity and Outreach: Serena Neal

Senators: *Absent*

Student Representatives: Priscilla Tapman

Advisor: John Nguyen

Absent: George Diaz

Minute Taker: Amata Abatcha

Guests: Darius Johnson, Mariyah Guinto, Kevin Almazan, Jessica Quintos, Suroosh Coashtarbi, Sierra Abel, Dave Belman

ITEM #	TOPIC/ACTIVITY	OUTCOME
1	Call to Order	I. President McMullen called the meeting to order at 1:12pm
2	Approve: I. Agenda II. Minutes from the 12/4/17 meeting	I. Motion to amend the agenda and remove Senator Tayadi Bush A. Motioned by: Commissioner Villalobos B. Motioned by: Officer Neal C. Motion approved unanimously 3-0-0 II. Motion to table approval of the 12/4/17 for next week A. Motioned by: Commissioner Villalobos B. Seconded by: Officer Neal C. Motion approved unanimously 3-0-0
BUSINESS: REPORTS		
3	Public Comment	I. From President McMullen:



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Welcomed guests and returning senators, introducing himself as the president and what LMCAS is about. “Our goal is to advocate for students. If any of you has any issues around campus, we will do our best to address your issues head on. If needed, we can take your issue up with administration. So you all will have a lot of power on this board; more than you think.”B. Gave examples of what LMCAS does such as funding for events student and campus events such as when Nick Garcia, Chair of the Dramatic Arts Department, came in to request financial assistance to which LMCAS helped to fund a fraction of their plays or funding for last semester’s Queer Comedy ShowcaseC. Vice-President Smith provided her comments regarding how supporting events such as the Queer Comedy Showcase is conducive to their goals of fostering a culture of inclusionD. President McMullen mentioned the upcoming Clubchella event to be held in April which will be open to the public and how “the possibilities are endless.”II. The board went around and introduced themselves individually, either going over their title/position or inquiring upon becoming a new senatorIII. From Senator Neal:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Reminded President McMullen to send in personal biographies. “We’re trying to mitigate the issue of not being transparent by sending in bios about yourselves.”IV. From Representative Tapman:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Representative Tapman said that the IDEA committee is currently looking for a student representative
4	Officer and Senator Reports/Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">I. From Officer Neal:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Went over last week’s LMCAS retreat where the senators made plans for the semesterII. From Treasurer Mendez:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Was unable to attend the retreat but attended the Southern California University TourIII. From Commissioner Villalobos:



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		<p>A. Went to the Antioch Police Department showing of the documentary of Cyntoia Brown. Was able to speak to them on whether they'd like to come to LMC and talk about awareness regarding sexual abuse. Would also like to invite an instructor but will have to pay a minimum charge. Connected this to how in April, she would like to bring awareness as a focus for the month. Wanted to do this last semester but because she was new, she still had other priorities to focus on and get used to</p> <p>IV. From Vice-President Smith:</p> <p>A. Considered leaving LMCAS because she felt the school was dismissive of female students however, her friends encouraged her to stay and wants to change this</p> <p>B. Reported that there is still a support group for men and women of all ages and orientations for victims of sexual assault. Now open to high school students but mostly made up of women from LMC</p> <p>V. From President McMullen:</p> <p>A. Recapped the retreat between LMCAS and Student Life</p> <p>B. Wanted to pose the question of, "how do people know about student government or programs that will help them transfer?" Would like to develop a packet that would be helpful for incoming students</p> <p>C. Will also be working on finalizing Clubchella plans</p> <p>D. Still working on getting a room for the Muslim community to pray in</p>
5	Advisor Report	<p>I. From John Nguyen:</p> <p>A. Introduced himself and how he learned public communication skills and used to be a part of student government back when he was a student. "We are about making real and positive changes on campus." Reminded everyone that they will get to voice their concerns to the president of the college and the dean of students</p> <p>B. Announced that Welcome Week will be taking place every day of this week</p> <p>C. Wants to see the board bring more of a presence to the Brentwood campus this semester</p>



STUDENTS ADVOCATING FOR STUDENTS

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">D. Working with police services to organize a raffle for free parking permitsE. Announced that the Office of Student Life will be distributing free tickets to the upcoming film, <i>Black Panther</i> on February 15
6	Committee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none">I. From Vice-President Smith<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Introduced the Inter-Club Council, what it is, and what they do. Stated that they meet every Monday from 3:30pm-4:30pm where all student clubs on campus send in their representatives to discuss the activities that are going on within their clubs and are able to request money from the board in order to fund their effortsB. Is unsure of whether she will be continuing to chair the meetings or notII. 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 Officer Neal:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. No reportV. From Representative Tapman:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. At the Teaching Learning Committee, discussed how many instructors do not utilize Canvas and how this has created a problem. For example, it is difficult for students to see their grades and keep track of their academic progress. Wants to get more teachers involved because some students are left unaware and are unable to improve their grades
NEW BUSINESS		
7	Budget Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none">I. Motion to table the Budget Update till next week<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Motioned by: Treasurer MendezB. Seconded by: Vice-President SmithC. Motion approved unanimously 3-0-0



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">I. Discussion ensued regarding community and involvement from Guest DariusII. Dave Belman, Dean of Students, came in and introduced himself, providing warm remarks and encouragement for the board
8	Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">I. Motion to adjourn meeting at 2:24pm<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Motioned by: Vice-President Smith