



LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS MINUTES

DATE: 11/20/17 TIME: 1:00 pm – 3:00pm LOCATION: L-106

Present:

President: Marco McMullen

Vice-President: Tammy Smith

Treasurer: Not appointed

Commissioner of Campus Events: Not appointed

Publicity and Outreach: Not appointed

Senators: Marco Mendez, Jocelyn Villalobos, Tayadi Bush, Jessica Havelhorst, George Diaz, Serena Neal

Student Representatives: None

Advisor: John Nguyen

Absent: None

Minute Taker: Amata Abatcha

Guests: Kaitlin LaVoie, Bianca Brown, Marcus Lucarelli, Tannia Smith, Julia Steele

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 11/13/17 meeting	I. Motion to add a period to every agenda item on the second page and approve A. Motioned by: Vice-President Smith B. Motioned by: Senator Diaz C. Motion approved unanimously <b>7-0-0</b> II. Motion to approve the 11/13/17 minutes with added grammatical amendment A. Motioned by: Senator Neal B. Seconded by: Senator Mendez C. Motion approved unanimously <b>7-0-0</b>
<b>BUSINESS: REPORTS</b>		
3	Public Comment	I. From Marcos Lucarelli:



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Introduced himself as a political science student attending for extra credit</li><li>II. From Bianca Brown:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Introduced herself as a political science student attending for extra credit</li></ul></li><li>III. From Kaitlin LaVoie:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Introduced herself as a political science student attending for extra credit</li></ul></li><li>IV. From Tannia Smith:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Reintroduced herself as a political science student attending for extra credit. Was present at last week's meeting</li></ul></li><li>V. From Rosanna Clark:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Introduced herself to the board as a current LMC student and a former treasurer several years ago</li><li>B. Noted that she made the mistake of dropping a class and was kicked out of accessing the resources at the math lab. Expressed issues with tuition payments and thought to bring this to LMCAS because "students are paying tuition and not getting what they paid for."</li><li>C. President McMullen thanked her for her remarks and said President Bob had brought this up before, regarding how they could instead allow students to have access to material despite dropping a class. Said he would bring the matter up to Dave Belman, Dean of Students soon</li><li>D. Guest Clark responded that this was not exactly her suggestion, but rather, to allow students to continue to the end</li><li>E. President McMullen said, "Sure, I will still definitely bring that up to the student dean and this is a problem many students have."</li><li>F. Vice-President Smith added that she was not the only person who felt cheated and had lost \$500.00 herself. "The solution may not be found right away but we are here to listen."</li><li>G. Senator Mendez asked to further her remarks. Guest Clark then made the clarification that she was unwillingly dropped from the class then lost access to what she paid for</li><li>H. Senator Havelhorst said she could understand how she paid for the full semester and how it could be considered an unfair advantage for the next semester because you would have to</li></ul></li></ul>
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		<p>retake the course</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I. Senator Bush clarified that, “I think she meant that she did not want to lose access to the resources,” and Senator Havelhorst added that she found it “weird to have it taken from you.”</li><li>J. Senator Diaz suggested to instead allocate the money to next semester</li><li>K. Guest Smith was confused as to how it was possible for the school to do such a thing</li></ul> <p>VI. From Vice-President Smith:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Informed the guests about what LMCAS is about such as students coming to LMCAS for any changes made in order to advocate for them</li></ul> <p>VII. From Dion Powell:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Recapped how he has been talking about surveying LMC students to determine whether they are open to the idea of Los Medanos offering bachelor’s degree programs</li><li>B. President McMullen asked, “do you want us to pass them out and analyze them?” Guest Powell responded that yes, he showed them to Teresea Archaga although she made some edits. “It is only to survey the interest of students.” Plans to present the finished survey to trustees at Contra Costa College Community District</li><li>C. President McMullen asked what would be done after that. Responded that he and his colleagues would delete the original surveys for safety. President McMullen strongly suggested that it would not be a good idea to delete them</li><li>D. President McMullen said that yes, LMCAS could advocate for this, “but even if it works perfectly, you would have to have the President of the school talk to his committees and then the district and then the state of California. So you would have to go to the state capitol and argue for the idea. You would have to initiate that entire process.” That being said, President McMullen was unsure of just how influential LMCAS could be in this matter</li><li>E. Guest Powell responded that he is aware of that and will use this information to their advantage in order to utilize their goals</li><li>F. President McMullen asked the senators whether they would like to help put together and</li></ul>
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		<p>conduct the survey. The board was generally compliant</p> <p>G. Guest Tannia expressed that she liked the idea and how she has to transfer to get a bachelor's in nursing and would find it a lot easier if Los Medanos offered the program</p>
<p><b>4</b></p>	<p>Officer and Senator Reports/Updates</p>	<p>I. From Senator Mendez:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Wanted to remind everyone that priority registration started for EOPS for today and tomorrow</li><li>B. Announced that the 2018-2019 FAFSA applications are now open</li><li>C. Announced that scholarships open for next year such as the Kennedy-King which grants up to \$10,000.00</li><li>D. Announced 'Gender Representation in Media' where a lecturer from SFSU will present on Wednesday, November 29 in room L-109</li></ul> <p>II. From Senator Villalobos:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Recapped TEDx talk last week</li><li>B. Attended 'Carmen' concert last week</li><li>C. Was thinking about presenting for Clubchella at ICC later today</li><li>D. Has not heard from Louie Rocha, Antioch High School principal</li><li>E. Informed the board that she will be tardy next week because she has to speak to a professor beforehand</li></ul> <p>III. From Senator Bush:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A. Said that the school abruptly dropped American Sign Language 003 without warning right during the priority registration period which set back his graduation date to Spring 2019. Tried to see whether Diablo Valley College offered the class but they would require an additional English course as a prerequisite. Would like to arrange something with Advisor Nguyen to speak with school on this matter</li><li>B. Did a turkey delivery and food drive with his church</li></ul> <p>IV. From Senator Diaz:</p>



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		<p>be able to feel free to pray or meditate. As DVC already has such a multicultural room, thought it would be good for LMC to have the same thing. Stated that they already have a good idea of what all the rooms in the new Student Union building would be allocated toward</p> <p>B. This weekend from Thursday till last night, the Debate Team competed at a tournament at Claremont University. Debated 10 rounds over the course of three days. Schools such as UCLA also competed. One of their teams placed Best Community College Award</p>
<b>5</b>	Advisor Report	<p>I. From Advisor Nguyen:</p> <p>A. Announced Fall Potluck which will be held tomorrow, Tuesday November 21 from 5:30pm-7:00pm. Senators must be there at 5:00 to help set up</p> <p>B. Those interested in gaining a free food basket must go to <a href="http://losmedanos.edu/foodpantry">losmedanos.edu/foodpantry</a> to sign up. They currently have about 7 baskets left to give away which include items such as cake mix, greens, pasta, tomato sauce, and turkey</p> <p>C. All senators on the board are now eligible to run for vacant positions such as Publicity and Outreach Officer, Treasurer, and Commissioner of Campus Events</p>
<b>6</b>	Committee Reports	<p>I. From President McMullen</p> <p>A. No report</p> <p>II. From Senator Mendez:</p> <p>A. Institutional Development for Equity and Access talked paid leave to employees who request a day off in advance for in order to observe a religious holiday. Thinking of expanding that benefit to the students</p> <p>III. From Senator Villalobos</p> <p>A. Announced upcoming Safety Committee meeting next Monday from 3:00-4:00pm. Open to public</p> <p>IV. From Senator Bush:</p> <p>A. [See above report]</p>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>V. From Senator Diaz: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. No report</li> </ul> </li> <li>VI. From Senator Neal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Equal Employment Opportunity was cancelled and planned a retreat for December. Reported that the committee is looking for student representatives</li> <li>B. Someone noted it was surprising to be hiring people who are not “culturally sensitive”</li> <li>C. Wants to design a survey to determine whether people feel supported or not. Recognized that action is slow so even if an issue is brought up it may take up to a year to fix. The goal would be to ensure a safe environment for those who come from minority backgrounds</li> </ul> </li> <li>VII. From Vice-President Smith: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Sent out an email to all the ICC clubs to send her meeting information but not everyone has followed up</li> <li>B. Announced that La Raza is having a chicken tostadas sale on Wednesday, November 29 from 10:00am-1:00pm</li> <li>C. Announced that the READ Club still collecting children’s books</li> <li>D. Announced that SACHE is hosting a Disability talk on Tuesday, November 28 hosted by Nina Ghiselli</li> <li>E. Transgender Day of Remembrance will be today, November 20 at 3:00pm at the Little Theater</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>NEW BUSINESS</b>		
<b>7</b>	Legislative Priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. <i>Skipped due to Tabitha Romero’s absence</i></li> </ul>
<b>8</b>	Destress Week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. From President McMullen: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Recapped what was discussed at the previous meeting from the previous minutes discussing holding a Destress event for students during finals week by offering them free breakfast foods</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B. Discussed how to allocate the food amounts and prices</li> <li>C. Senator Havelhorst suggested taking a look at the finals schedule to optimize timings</li> <li>D. Senator Villalobos asked whether they are still considering having different stations throughout the school</li> <li>E. Senator Neal suggested passing out gum. Board declined because it can get messy and Guest Steele said chewing gum in class can be a distraction. Senator Villalobos instead suggested mints such as tic tacs</li> <li>F. Senator Bush provided some remarks about how some classes may not have a traditional finals schedule so they would have to navigate around that</li> <li>G. Senator Neal suggested offering moral support to students during finals week such as therapy</li> <li>H. President McMullen said either 9:00am-10:00am or 11:00am-12:00pm on the Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday during finals week could be a possible timing</li> <li>I. Will table at indoor quad and other areas such as the math building</li> <li>II. Motion to approve \$150.00 for Destress Week             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Motioned by: Vice-President Smith</li> <li>B. Seconded by: Senator Diaz</li> <li>C. Motion approved unanimously <b>7-0-0</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>9</b></p>	<p>Committee Ideas</p>	<p><i>I. Skipped due to limited time</i></p>
<p><b>10</b></p>	<p>Clubchella Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. From Julia Steele             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Successfully obtained a \$1,190.00 quote from the sound company Event Magic for staging and tenting. Does not include employees who will set the stage up</li> <li>B. Will bring in additional information next week as she does more research</li> <li>C. Planning on what to do in case it rains on the day the event is held</li> <li>D. Needs people to email her back for regarding participation in the subcommittee</li> </ul> </li> <li>II. Motion to approve the Clubchella Subcommittee with Julia Steele as Chair</li> </ul>



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		A. Motioned by: Senator Havelhorst B. Seconded by: Senator Bush C. Motion approved unanimously <b>7-0-0</b>
<b>11</b>	Budget Update	<i>I. Skipped due to loss of time</i>
<b>12</b>	Adjournment	I. Motion to adjourn meeting at 2:59pm A. Motioned by: Senator Mendez