Stockton University
Student Senate

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Student Senate Meeting Agenda
December 5th 2017

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STUDENT SENATE FULL MEETING

November 28th (2017-2018)

Presiding:	Victoria Dambroski
Members present:	Stephanie Hanvey
	Brian Moore Jr.
	Jaci Veci
	Ted Onuwa
	Bryan Gonzalez-Mejia
	Kirstie Vasquez
	Ryan Green
	Thomas Lloyd
	Anna Toscano
	Samuel Connery
	Bill Watt
	Rawan Maarouf
	Syeda Sanjidha
	Ariyanna Santiago
	Nadira Anderson
	Monica O'Kane
	Erin Scott
	Janiece Calderon
	Adjoa Cofie
	Matthew Titus
	Leighanna Ritter
	Katie Coburn
	Alex Dannecker
	Jelani Gandy
	Alexis Franklin
Members Late:	Anna Toscano
Members Absent:	Jaci Veci

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Call to Order: President Dambroski calls the meeting to order at 4:31pm.

Roll Call: Chief of Staff Cathcart calls the roll. 25 senators are present.

Approval of Minutes: President Dambroski motioned to approve the minutes of October 24th, 2017 and is seconded by Senator Lloyd.

Motion Passes: 24 - 0 - 1

Agenda/Business: Stockton Student Senate met on November 28th, 2017 to discuss progress made on collaborative programs for Stockton organizations, the “retaking a course” policy, and efforts made in committee sessions during the month of November.

President’s Report

President Dambroski read her report. She discussed the teal ribbon campaign that she has been working on for sexual assault awareness. She also expressed hope to organize more involvement in the “Students Helping Students” from other clubs and organizations, as well as other collaborative events. Such events could include “round table discussions” with members of different organizations, which President Dambroski is really looking forward to. President Dambroski also announced that on December 8th at 11 am, there will be a campus walk with President Kesselman. She explained that the event was started by past Student Senate President Maryam Sarhan as a way to engage the administration with the student body.

President Dambroski concluded her report and yielded the floor to Vice President Hanvey.

Vice President’s Report

Vice President Hanvey read her report. She explained that she has been working on retaking a course policy. There will be a survey for the students to take in order to verify the policy. The survey was scheduled to go out Thursday December 30th. Vice President Hanvey has been working diligently on the research process all of this semester. She was happy to say that it is almost done and she looks forward to making this change to help students academic career. She encouraged all senators and students to read their e-mails on Thursday, because every one of their voices matter. Vice President Hanvey concluded her report by thanking everyone who has supported the student senate thus far, and all of the senators who have put it in a lot of hard work and had a positive attitude.

Vice President Hanvey yielded the floor back to President Dambroski.

President Dambroski clarified that the current academic practice is a lengthy withdrawal period, which gives students ample time to get out of a course before they fail. The withdrawal period ended November 14th. She explains that Vice President Hanvey Academic Affairs have been working on this new policy so that if students do get a C, D, or F in a course, they will have the chance to retake the course and the new, higher grade will be factored into the GPA rather

than the grade from before. President Dambroski applauded the great work that has been done and encouraged students to look out for the survey.

President Dambroski yielded the floor to Chairperson Ryan Greene for the Finance Committee Report.

Finance

Chairperson Ryan Greene reported that two supplementals were passed by the Vice President during committee. One was for Comedy Club in the amount of $280 for a sketch comedy show held on November 30th. The second was for PRIDE in the amount $1,462 for a conference in Washington, DC. Chairperson Greene then addressed the four supplementals on the agenda for this meeting.

The first supplemental was for Stockpot in the amount of $3,350 for the production of a poetry book. Chairperson Greene called for a representative from Stockpot. There were two representatives who explained the poetry book that they create consisting of poems by Stockton students. Following the explanation, Chairperson Greene asked for questions from the Senators.

Vice President Hanvey asked about how students submit poems. The Stockpot representative explained the submission process of the poems and how they are voted on by the club to be chosen for the book.

Seeing no further questions, Chairperson Green motioned to approve the supplemental in the amount of $3,350.

President Dambroski addressed a motion on the table to pass a supplemental in the amount of $3,350.00 for Stockpot. Senator Marouf seconded this motion.

Motion passes: 24 - 0 - 1.

Chairperson Greene explains the next supplemental, which is for STAND in the amount of $3,300 for Genocide Awareness Month, starting March 19th and ending April 24th. Chairperson Greene called for a representative from STAND. The representative explained all of the events that will take place during Genocide Awareness Month to commemorate past genocides and help prevent future genocides. All of the events will be open to the public.

President Dambroski asked for questions from the senators. Seeing none, Chairperson Greene motioned to approve the supplemental is the amount of $3,300.

President Dambroski addressed a motion on the table to pass a supplemental in the amount of $3,300.00 for STAND. Vice President Hanvey seconded this motion.

Motion passes: 24 - 0 - 1.

Chairperson Greene moved on to the third supplemental for the Criminal Justice Society in the amount $4,900 for a conference in February. The president of Criminal Justice Society was present to answer questions.

President Dambroski called for discussion.

Senator Marouf asked the Criminal Justice Society President about what the students

learn at the conference and what they can bring back to Stockton. The representative explained that the students learn about criminal justice training and that in the past, he got to talk to one of his courses about what they learned.

Chairperson Watt asked about fundraisers that the Criminal Justice Society had been conducting. The representative responded, naming the fundraisers. Chairperson Greene added that the finance committee cut the supplemental and has been emphasizing fundraisers to all clubs requesting supplementals. Senator Calderon commented that when the rep originally asked about the event years ago, the club's involvement was very low and that fundraising had been difficult, so there had been much improvement.

Chairperson Greene asked the representative to clarify if the trip is for class credit and if it is just for crim majors. The representative said that it was not for credit and that it was open to members of the club. Senator Lloyd pointed out that the people who get to go on the trip are those who have the most points in the club, so technically you don't have to be a crim major but they take the most active members of the club on the trip.

Vice President Hanvey asked the representative to consider other majors that could be involved in the club or go on the trip. President Dambroski added that the majority of interest probably comes from crim majors so that's why those are the ones who are in the club/ going on the trip.

Chairperson Greene motioned to approve the supplemental in the amount of $4,900 for Criminal Justice Society.

President Dambroski addressed a motion on the table to approve a supplemental in the amount of $4,900. Senator Monica O'Kane seconded the motion.

Motion passes: 20 - 3 - 2.

Chairperson Greene moved on to the next supplemental for All Star Dance Team in the amount of $11,519.47. Representatives from the All Star Dance Team were present and explained that the conference was in Florida, in February.

President Dambroski called for questions for the representatives. Chairperson Brian Moore asked about how many people are going. The representatives responded that it was the entire team, 17 people.

Senator Gandi asked about how personal contributions are raised. The representatives explained all of their fundraisers.

Vice President Hanvey and Chairperson Greene commending the dance team for their fundraising efforts.

Senator Anna Toscano arrived to the meeting, making the total number of senators present 26.

Chairperson Greene motioned to approve the supplemental in the amount of $11,519.47 for the All Star Dance Team.

President Dambroski addressed the motion on the table to approve a supplemental in the amount of $11,519.47. Senator Alex Dannecker seconded the motion.

Motion passes: 25 - 0 - 1.

President Dambroski yielded the floor to Chairperson Moore for the Academic Affairs Committee Report.

Academic Affairs

Chairperson Moore reads his committee's minutes. He discussed advancements made in the online tutoring program. He also explained the 30/30 event being organized by Senator Onuwa. Chairperson Moore also mentioned Senator Vece's role in starting an open forum for library hours. Chairperson Moore called for questions and seeing none, yielded the floor back to President Dambroski.

President Dambroski yielded the floor to Chairperson Watt for the Governmental Affairs Committee report.

Governmental Affairs

Chairperson Watt read his committee's minutes. Governmental Affairs has been working hard with Stockton Democrats, Stockton Republicans, and Model United Nations. Chairperson Watt explained the success of his DC trip where students got to discuss immigration, net neutrality, etc. with their representatives. He offered thanks to Jeff Wakemen for participating in the trip. Chairperson Watt expressed excitement for the upcoming wing night on Wednesday and for the opportunity to give students the chance to talk to their student senators in the coffee house. He gave big thanks to Senator Santiago and Senator Anderson for coming on the trip and commended their involvement with the Governor-Elect. Chairperson Watt then explained the "hi from the other side" program, which will give students the chance to have conversations with people on the other side of the political spectrum. He also mentioned his radio show that is still going on on WLFR.

President Dambroski recommended that Chairperson Watt gave those who went on the trip the chance to share how it was. Chairperson Watt agreed to open up the floor to the other senators.

Senators Cofie, Santiago, Senjidha, Franklin, and Gandy expressed their satisfaction for the trip and gratitude to Chairperson Watt for organizing the trip. The Senators all explained that the trip was a great opportunity to talk to their representatives about issues that mattered to them.

Senator Gonzalez-Mejia asked if Governmental Affairs planned on having an open forum to inform the Stockton community as to how to be civically engaged. Chairperson Watt said that he would, and that he is planning to host some workshops to teach people how to be effective activists. Those who went on the trip would also be publishing an article in the Argo describing what they did in DC.

Chairperson Watt yielded the floor to President Dambroski.

President Dambroski yielded the floor to Chairperson O'Kane for the Public Relations Committee Report.

Public Relations

Chairperson O'Kane read her committee's minutes. PR has been working on bringing more stockton pride to campus. Chairperson O'Kane explained the Stockton apparel event which has been moved to campus center food court. PR also organized the wing night event to be held the following night at 7:30 pm in the coffee house. Chairperson O'Kane also discused Senator Calderon's role in raising money for puerto rico. PR has designed pins to be sold at the fundraising table. Furthermore, Chairperson O'Kane created a Senator of the Month award. She awarded the first one to Senator Calderon, commending her efforts on the PR committee. Chairperson O'Kane also offered to assistance of PR to any clubs or organizations who might need it.

Chairperson O'Kane yielded the floor back to President Dambroski.

President Dambroski yielded the floor to Chairperson Ritter for the Student Affairs Committee Report.

Student Affairs

Chairperson Ritter gave her report. Student Affairs has welcomed 2 new members, Lexi Franklin and Jelani Gandy. This month, Senator Dannecker and Chairperson Ritter worked on improving food options on campus. Chairperson Ritter announced that the campus center food court has officially started selling reusable mugs. The mugs are $4 and the first purchase includes free coffee. Every purchase after that is discounted. Chairperson Ritter then explained that there will also be another late night at the lodge. Senators Coburn and Gandy have also set up a meeting to talk about better accessibility on campus for people in wheelchairs, etc. Chairperson Ritter also gave an update on the parking committee survey. The valet service will not be happening so the parking committee will keep working. Chairperson Ritter and Chairperson Moore will continue to meet with Scott Houston to discuss the online tutoring service. Chairperson Ritter explained that they have chosen a service called ULTRA. She expressed hope to have it running by next semester.

Chairperson Ritter yielded the floor back to President Dambroski.

Announcements/Comments from the Senators:

President Dambroski asked for comments from the Senators.

Vice President Hanvey inquired about the parking Survey. Chairperson Ritter yielded the question to Senator Coburn, who explained that the results of the survey showed that students

were pretty adamantly against the valet service.

Senator Awaja asked about the resolution regarding white supremacy/the Richard Stockton Bust. She was curious if there was any update other than the e-mail sent out by the administration. President Dambroski replied that there was no update yet because a task force had been created. Also, students are still working on the bias free campaign. President Dambroski yielded the floor to Chairperson Moore to talk more about that. Chairperson Moore explained that his committee has been working on the bias free program and its technology, including an online crime log. Senator Calderon requested clarification on where students can go to report these crimes. Chairperson Moore explains that students can go to the student rights and responsibilities page on Stockton's website. Craig Stanbaugh stepped up to clarify that a couple of the items from the list of demands submitted by the Student Senate are being addressed by different organs. Some of the items in the joint statement applied to Student Affairs, for example Jeff Wakemen has taken action to strengthen the protocol that student groups are started and ran by students. There was also language added to the student code of conduct as requested by the resolution. Craig has taken action to strengthen wording in code of conduct to see if there are additional opportunities to strengthen the protocols that will allow us to take action on these kinds of events. Chairperson Moore added that office of event services and campus center operations were also looking into how to identify posters that have not been approved by stockton so as to avoid events similar to what happened in the past.

Announcements/Comments from the Public:

President Dambroski opened the floor to the public.

Tyler Osbourne approached the microphone to ask about the resolution regarding Title IX and blue towers on the dark path. Senator Franklin mentioned that her Perspectives on Women class has put out a petition for Stockton to get more blue towers and increase Stockton's Title IX protocols. Chairperson Ritter addressed Tyler's inquiry by commending the idea and stating that it has already been brought to her attention.

Adjournment

President Dambroski stated that the meeting was adjourned at 5:37 pm.

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President's Report

President Victoria Dambroski is currently working on in collaboration with the Teal Blue Ribbon project to make the resources and the information dealing with sexual assault on our campus, more accessible for victims. In result of a recent Student led petition, asking students for support in calling to action Stockton University to reaffirm our commitment to the Dear Colleague letter of 2011 and be establishing a hotline for people that have witnessed or are victims of sexual assault. President Dambroski looks forward to reviewing the Student petition developed by the students in the Perspectives on Women GAH course.

In the coming months, President Dambroski hopes to organize more mentorships through the Students Helping Students, Student Senate initiative. Students helping Students initiative is a program that takes Stockton students out of the main campus in Galloway to build relationships and provide mentorship to students of the Atlantic City Community. President Dambroski would like to host a project during the Spring Semester Day of Service, re-introducing this program.

On Friday, December the 8th the Student Senate will host a Campus Walk with President Kesselman at 11am to 12pm. We ask that students come out and enjoy the candid time that we receive with our University President!

President Dambroski would like to thank the Student Senators for their dedication and passion that has been directly shown in all their work this semester. She is excited for the work to come in the Spring '18 Semester. A special thanks to Senate Vece who will be moving on to continue her work as an ER technician , and Senator Khawaja who will be graduating this semester! Thank you both for your input to the Student Senate!

Vice President's Report

The Vice President would like to announce the results of the retaking a course survey that included 623 students. Based upon the students the survey concluded that the students wanted the Student Senate to pursue changing the practice. The resolution of the repeating a course practice is appeared on the screen behind. When the Vice President first started research on this practice it was the end of last semester. She has met with or corresponded with the assistant Provost, Associate Dean of students, faculty senate members, Academic Advising Director, Finncial Aid assistant director,

and the student development Director on this practice and has gained essential details on how this change could be enacted.

The Stockton University Student Senate conducted a survey from Thursday November 30th starting at 4:30pm until Tuesday December 5th at 1:30pm. 623 students filled out this survey and it concluded that 94.7% of students were in agreeance to changing the practice.

The Vice President would now like to present a Powerpoint on the retaking a course practice. (Presenting Power-point of research at the meeting)

As of now the Vice President would like to make the motion to put forth the retaking a course practice.

For next semester the Vice President will be working with Senator Bryan Gonzalez on creating an open forum. The Open forum concept and idea will be for students to voice opinions of what they'd like to see change on campus for next semester.

I would like to thank every administrator, staff member, and Senator for putting in hard work for the students here at Stockton. As our motto is to always put students first. Every senator worked so hard to be the best possible senator they can be and I am so proud to be part of this organization.

Finance Committee

Date: November 28th, 2017, November 30th, 2017

Committee: Finance Committee

Presiding: Ryan Greene

Members Present: Anna Toscano

Askhia Awab**

Sam Connery**

Tom Lloyd

Members Absent: None

Members Late: None

*Late/absent on November 28th

**Late/absent on November 30th

Agenda:

Finance Committee held two-emergency meetings (the 28th, the 30th) in order to handle supplemental requests that have been received by the Senate after our last full meeting, having no committee meetings to meet over formally.

The following supplemental requests have been approved by the Finance Committee and will be voted on by the Student Senate for our consideration. They are as follows—

The Finance Committee has approved a Supplemental Request for Stockton Christian Fellowship in the amount of $2,450 for the Cru Winter Conference in Baltimore, Maryland on December 28th, 2017 until January 1st, 2018. There will be fourteen people in attendance.

Total Cost (TC): $3,136 **Club Contribution (CC):** $0

Personal Contribution (PC): $290 **Original Amount Request (OAR):** $2,846

Motion Passed: 5-0-0, Seconded by Askhia Awab.

The Finance Committee has approved a Supplemental Request for Student Veterans Organization in the amount of $4,048 for the Student Veterans of America Conference in San Antonio, Texas on January 3rd until January 7th, 2018. There is an estimated attendance of six persons.

Total Cost (TC): $7,898 **Club Contribution (CC):** $3,500

Personal Contribution (PC): $Meals **Original Amount Request (OAR):** $5,000

Motion Passed: 3-0-0, Seconded by Anna Toscano.

The Finance Committee has approved a Supplemental Request for the Society of Physics Students in the amount of $5,000 for their CERN Super Collider trip in Geneva, Switzerland, from May 16th until May 21st, 2018. There is an estimated attendance of seven to twelve people.

Total Cost (TC): $11,287.54 **Club Contribution (CC):** $0

Personal Contribution (PC): $2,000 **Original Amount Request (OAR):** $9,500

Finance Committee has one last emergency meeting directly after this meeting. Thank you to my committee for all of their efforts, hard work, and diligence, and I look forward to continuing our work into Spring and the budget process.

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Academic Affairs

Date:

Committee: Academic Affairs Committee

Presiding: Brian Moore, Jr.

Members Present: Jaclyn Vece

Ted Onuwa

Bryan Gonzalez-Meija

Members Absent:

Members Late:

Agenda:

This past semester the Academic Affairs Committee made progress on several goals that were set at the beginning of the academic year. Unfortunately, we must announce Senator Vece's resignation upon the end of this semester & thank her for all her service throughout her time with Student Senate. The Academic Affairs Committee would like to thank Vice President Hanvey & Senator Vasquez for all their hard work on the Retaking a Course Policy Resolution. Next semester, we look forward to holding Senator Onowa's 30/30 Common Hour event, drafting a proposal for civic engagement curriculum based off of Senator Gonzalez-Meija's research, and continue to develop the online tutoring program in collaboration with the Student Affairs Committee. We hope the entire Stockton University community has best of luck on final exams and a wonderful winter break!

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Public Relations

Date:	December 5, 2017
Committee:	Public Relations
Presiding:	Monica O'Kane
Members Present:	Senator Scott
	Senator Calderon
	Senator Cofie
	Senator Titus
Members Absent:	
Members Late:	

Agenda:

Public Relations had been working on putting together a wing night open to all of the Stockton community. Wing night was held last Wednesday, November 29 th . Thank you to all of the senators that came out to help serve and socialize and everyone else who had attended the event.

If any clubs or organizations ever have anything they would like help advertising, please reach out to the Public Relations Committee. If any faculty, staff or students see a particular senator going above and beyond working in their position as a senator, be sure to reach out to myself or any committee members and if you are not already, be sure to follow our social media accounts.

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Governmental Affairs

Date:	November 27, 2017
Committee:	Governmental Affairs
Presiding:	Bill Watt
Members Present:	Rawan Maarouf
	Syeda Sanjdha
	Ariyanna Santiago
	Nadira Anderson

Agenda:

The Governmental Affairs Committee is continuing to engage the Stockton community with a political talk show on Lake Fred Radio. Senator Rawan came on the show and discussed the recent terrorist attack in Egypt. The show continues to host various students each week, engaging the community civically. This opportunity has enabled students to gain radio experience in some capacity.

Senator Santiago reached out to Phil Murphy's team. The senator is looking to schedule a Sheila Oliver campus appearance next semester. The Governmental Affairs Committee has communication with the Political Engagement Project to host a Hi From The Other Side event early next semester. Chartwells has already offered to provide coffee for the event.

Over winter break, the Governmental Affairs Committee will revise the constitution to fix formatting and make changes seen fit by our senate body. The committee is also eyeing out a potential partnership with the United States Student Association. The largest student organization in the country is dedicated to developing leaders and lobbying important issues that affect students.

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Student Affairs

Date:	December 5, 2017
Committee:	Student Affairs Committee
Presiding:	Leighanna Ritter
Members Present:	Alex Dannecker
	Katie Coburn
	Alexis Franklin
	Jelani Gandy
Members Absent:	
Members Late:	

Agenda:

As the semester is coming to a close, the Student Affairs Committee has been finishing up some goals and starting new ones. Unfortunately the Late Night at the Lodge didn't get as many people as we had hoped so we don't see it as a valuable program if the need is not there.

Lexi and I have been talking to Jim Rotler and transportation staff about improving the feedback system for the shuttles. Currently, there is a capability on the Ride Systems app to give feedback but we were thinking about changing it to a text message or email system so people without the app can still give their opinions

Katie and Jelani have the meeting with facilities coming up this week to talk about the wheelchair accessibility on campus and more emergency blue lights. The two areas we are looking to add them to is on Louisville Ave. for students walking from Lot 8 and on dark path.

Chairperson Brian Moore and I went to the meeting about the online tutoring system today and will have an updated report when we know more information.