# THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY STUDENT SENATE

Notice of Meeting April 14, 2009 4:30 p.m. G-wing Lounge

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# STUDENT SENATE MEETING **AGENDA**

# April 14, 2009

- Call to Order/Roll Call I.
- II. Approval of Minutes
- President's Report III.
- Committee Reports IV.
  - A. Finance
  - **Public Relations** В.
  - Academic Policies C.
  - D.
  - School Spirit Student Welfare E.
- V. Announcements/Comments from the Public
- VI. Adjournment

# 2008-2009 Student Senate Meeting Minutes from March 31, 2009

Presiding:

Ashley Pero

Members Present:

Jonathan Beloff Sofia Bermudez Kevin Devine

Precious Jemibewon

Gentae Kemp
Dawn Leiser
John Livres
Timothy Papp
Xochil Ramirez
Gretchen Ramos
Jamey Robinson
Iris Ruffin

Danielle Sanzone Josh Spada Sara Sterling Xilena Viana

Members Absent:

William Elmore
Jamie Evans
Melissa Gonzalez
Frank Matthews
Sammy Sanchez
Tamika Thompson\*
Duanaya Williams

Members Late:

Brian Ackerman\* Brian Brateris\* Matthew Miller

\*Notified Chair

Agenda/Business: Ashley called the meeting to order. Senators who were absent or late were noted. John moved to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2009 meeting, seconded by Xochil.

Motion Passed: 16-0-1\*

\*Senator Abstained: Ashley Pero

# President's Report: Ashley Pero

Ashley wished the Greek Week participants good luck. She then reported that the Senate will be working on a new philanthropy, the Special Olympics. The Special Olympics may be held on campus in April.

## Vice President's Report: Kevin Devine

Kevin announced the next Inter- Club Council meeting would be held Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 in the upper G-wing lounge. He also announced that there will be a Reverse Town Hall Meeting on April 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 which will allow students to address the various clubs and organizations.

## Committee Reports: Finance

John announced that the Stockton AllStarz reimbursed their supplemental loan for their 76ers performance. He then congratulated them on the show.

M.A.L.E.S submitted a supplemental in the amount of \$1,617.30 for their Community Outdoor Open Rec Night on April 18th. John moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Josh.

Matthew arrived at this time.

Motion Passed: 16-0-2\*

\*Senators Abstained: Matthew Miller and Ashley Pero

#### **Public Relations**

Xilena reported that the committee is working on plans for Meet the Candidates which will be held on Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 in the G-Wing Lounge.

Xilena stated that the committee worked on plans for "Leadership Week." Members will be contacting assigned organizations to relay information about the event.

#### **Academic Policies**

Dawn stated that the committee discussed obtaining donations for Covenant House. Iris will be visiting the shelter to pick up brochures and the committee members will again table to raise money.

Dawn then announced that the committee collaborated with the other committees to choose nominees for Professor of the Year.

Dawn concluded by stating that the committee spoke about how the flat-rate tuition will affect students and their plans to attend all debates. They also discussed helping students with any issues they may have with the change.

Precious then gave a briefing from the last Faculty Assembly meeting at which the Academic Course Load Policy was discussed. If the policy is approved, the terms, condition and procedures will be as followed:

ACADEMIC COURSE LOAD POLICY: A full time student's academic course load WILL be defined by the number of credits for which the individual is enrolled for in the summer semester as the current policy clause does not include summer semesters.

#### MEASURE:

Have completed at least two terms as a full-time student at Stockton;

Have achieved a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 in all course work attempted at Stockton; Have no current incompletes.

Taking no more than 21 credits

Having met the above measures, students intending to have additional work load must

#### PROCEDURE:

Obtain a Request for Academic Overload from the Office of the Registrar.

To be first approved by the student's preceptor

Then, to be finally approved by the Director of the Center for Academic Advising

### LIMITATIONS:

Students MAY NOT be permitted to register for overloads during the pre-registration or in person MAY do so only during the Drop/Add period, by submitting the approved request form along with the completed Add form to a designated office to be announced if the policy is approved.

## **School Spirit**

Brian Ackerman arrived at this time.

Danielle reported that she met with Stacey McIntosh, Associate Director of the College Center, regarding the Osprey's Nest project. They will be putting up the shadow boxes for the club capsules in the following week.

Danielle then stated that they met with the Athletics department to discuss plans for a barbecue for the Stockton softball team. They are working on a supplemental to support the BBQ.

Danielle concluded by stating that the committee is promoting the Spring Carnival which will be held on April 17<sup>th</sup> in the Housing IV Quad from 2:00 until 6:00 pm.

#### Student Welfare

Brian Brateris arrived at this time.

Brian stated that he received a letter from a student about meal plan issues. He will be meeting with food services and will report back with their solutions.

Brian then reported that there will be a survey to get students opinions regarding the implementation of the flat-rate tuition.

## **Announcements/Comments from the Public:**

Tom O'Donnell, Assistant to the Dean of Students, thanked everyone for a great year. He then announced that applications were still being accepted for the L.E.A.D. Certificate Program. Tom also announced that on April 23<sup>rd</sup> Stockton will host our 1<sup>st</sup> state-wide veteran's conference.

A representative from the Wellness Center encouraged students to take the online CORE Alcohol and Drug survey. They are also looking for senators to sit on the panel for the Amethyst Project discussions.

Stephen Davis, Associate Dean of Students, informed students that they could check the Stockton website for Frequently Asked Questions regarding the implementation of the flat-rate tuition.

Patricia Weaver, Bookstore Manager, announced that the bookstore will be holding Midnight Madness on April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10 pm to midnight. Also, from April 28<sup>th</sup> – May 5<sup>th</sup>, the bookstore will have 3 stations set up for book buybacks.

Adjournment:

Ashley adjourned the meeting at 5:05 p.m.