



Associated Student Government Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: Friday, December 08, 2023

Start Time: 11:15 AM

End Time: 12:45 PM

Location: **SU-204** / [Zoom](#)

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The Associated Student Government reserves the right to modify the order of business as it deems appropriate.

Chair:

President: Christopher Garcia Mendez P

Vice-Chair:

Executive Vice President: Dana Garcia Mendez
ET

Vice Presidents:

- Internal Affairs: Cooper Hawley P
- Club Affairs: Jason Mendoza P
- Finance: Fernando Montecino ET
- Communications: Kengo Hotta EA
- Events: Sina Laie EA

Student Trustee (Ex-Officio):

Grant Wass P

Secretary:

Yaretzi Hernandez P

Senators:

- Austin Pelletier NEA
- Emma Stavola **Resigned**
- Jenna Handschumacher P
- Joshua Harris P
- Kimberly De La Cruz P
- Micah Orozco P
- Mingyeol Kim P
- Reagan Barnum P
- Ryan Javier P
- Zachary Gonzales P
- Safiya Swearingen P

Delegates:

- Chihana Nihei NEA
- Kurt Parmenter P
- Masayoshi Mori P
- Sara Iguchi NEA

Advisors:

- Pippa Pierce P
- Brooke Beckett P

Ongoing Guest(s):

- VP of Student Services
Nick Mata P
- Chief Diversity Officer
Dr. Nicole Belisle NP

I. CALL TO ORDER**a. Call to Order**

@11:23 am

b. Roll Call

Quorum has been established

c. Welcoming and Greeting

Chair apologizes for being late as attending College Council

d. Announcements

VP Gave an update about the college updating administrative and board policies which govern the college and some which are specific to ASG.

- i.** *Administrative Policy (AP) 54 20, ASG financial management word choice changes anywhere it said, "Director of student life" will now read "Dean of student life and leadership."*

This word change is going through review by the Equity Education Student Success Council (EESSC) and will go to the college council for final approval later to the board of trustees to be adopted with an estimated timeline by the end of the spring semester

Will not affect ASG or any of its financial processes.

VPIA Cooper Hawley is representing the ASG in EESSC

Senator De La Cruz informed the board that our Region X, regional affairs director Leonardo Vanegas has officially resigned. The Regional Affairs director position is now open as this position was defaulted to our Regional Vice Chair Dean Oquendo which rejected the opportunity.

If you have questions, please contact Senator De La Cruz

II. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Speakers shall be limited to a total of two (2) minutes each. Up to Fifteen (15) minutes shall be reserved at this time for members of the public to address the Board on matters within its jurisdiction. Please let the Chair know if you wish to speak.

N/A

Without objections suspend orders of the day and cover item 5A on the agenda

III. OFFICIAL REPORTS**a. Executive Reports – Three (3) Minutes Each****i. President – Christopher Garcia Mendez**

*Attended Advocacy Academy with other members of the board. Want to work with the board to propose resolutions.
Attended College Council. Reminded the board that everyone who is part of a committee or council must be in attendance. The College Council brought up the idea of bringing in students who were not part of the board and therefore would not report back to the ASG. Brought up the idea of possibly paying students for attending these committees and councils as other people are being paid to sit on those committees.
Discussed having cameras in the SU. A topic that was brought up last year in which the ASG voted in favor of having cameras in the SU to ensure student safety.*

ii. Vice President – Dana Garcia Mendez

*Attended College council in which they mentioned they don't have enough members to fill all committees in which they brought up the idea of having students outside the board sitting in the committees to accommodate for this.
Attended advocacy academy in which awareness was brought on Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) and that it's not available to use in the Café and bookstore. To start the process of having an EBT accessible campus created a survey. Reached out to EOPS and TRIO to expand the survey. Encourages members to share the survey.*

b. Trustee Report – Three (3) Minutes**i. Trustee Grant Wass**

Working with community orchestra group to establish an internship problem. Hoping for students to fill staffing roles.

Working with professors and advisors to restock menstruation products on campus.

Survey postponed for spring

c. Advisor Reports – Three (3) Minutes Each**i. Pippa Pierce**

Position for the Dean of student life and leadership applications process close on Monday (12.11.23) The search committee is in the process of determining interviewees

*Search for the Basic Needs manager which will oversee the Basic Needs Center, Food and Nutrition Center. Will open next semester in the spring
The California dining services that replaced Aramark is looking for student input*

Need to assign someone to the Academic Integrity taskforce which working on the development of a new policy AB 5505

ii. Brooke Beckett

Thanked students who help out for the Cocoa Comet Hour event which was a success

Winter Fest on Wednesday December 13th from 12 – 2 pm by the clocktower lawn. Will be collaborating with Health Services which will be brining in service dogs and collaboration with psychology club

d. Committee Reports – Three (3) Minutes Each

i. Internal Affairs – Cooper Hawley

Reminder to submit time sheets

Is not receiving much participation from the new office hours system and will try getting input for improvements.

ii. Communications – Kengo Hotta

NP

iii. Events – Sina Laie

NP

iv. Finance – Fernando Montecino

Attended advocacy academy. Found workshops and speakers helpful

Collection of data from the EBT survey would have to be before February 14th

v. Inter-Club Council – Jason Mendoza

Quorum was not met during ICC and therefore unable to officially vote on club rush dates

vi. Rules – Dana Garcia Mendez

No report

e. Remaining or Requested Reports

i. Secretary – Yaretzi Hernandez

Attended advocacy Academy

ii. Senators

De La Cruz as part of the Comm committee which works towards getting low cost/no cost textbooks and scholarships, suggest students give feedback to expand to more departments across Palomar. Can Contact Senator De La Cruz for more information.

Informs that there have been positive COVID – 19 cases upon the return from advocacy academy

Miramar’s ASG president has also resigned

Gonzales attended committee which want to develop an app like Life 360 that would guide you through the campuses

- iii. Delegates
No Reports

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Thursday, November 30, 2023, Special meeting minutes. *The Associated Student Government board will consider for approval the minutes from the (Thursday, November 30, 2023), Associated Student Government Special Meeting.*

Motion to approve Thursday's November 30, 2023 Special Meeting minutes
1st VPE Garcia Mendez
2nd

Discussion: Will not be collaborating with the ASG spring retreat with Mira Costa College as Palomar College will be in winter intermission. The possibility of members joining their retreat.

Vote:

I's: Dana Garcia Mendez, Cooper Hawley, Jason Mendoza, Fernando Montecino, Yaretzi Hernandez, Joshua Harris, Kimberly De La Cruz, Micah Orozco, Mingyeol Kim, Reagan Barnum, Ryan Javier, and Safiya Swearingen
Nae's: None

Abstain: Zachary Gonzales and Jenna Handschumacher

Friday, November 30, 2023 Special meeting minutes have been approved

V. PRESENTATIONS

Action/Presentation – 10 Minutes per Item

- a. **North County Transit District (NCTD) Presentation and Q&A – Nick Sofoul NCTD Rep**

VPIA 11:46am

Without objection moved to Item 8.a on the agenda

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. N/A

VII. UPCOMING EVENTS

- a. **ASACC (American Student Association of Community Colleges) [2024 National Student Advocacy Conference](#)**
 - i. Washington DC
 - ii. March 16-19, 2024

Has not yet been approved by the governing but on their agenda. Are in hopes of attending.

b. SSSCC (Student Senate For California Community Colleges) General Assembly

- i.** April 5 – 7, 2024
- ii.** Santa Clara, CA
- iii. Important Dates:**
 - 1. Original Resolution Submission Deadline February 14, 2024
 - 2. First Resolution Packet Dissemination February 23, 2024
 - 3. Amendments to resolutions Deadline March 8, 2024
 - 4. Amended Resolution Packet Dissemination March 14, 2024
- iv.** Will be Discussed in future Meeting
Questions can be directed to Communications officer of our region, Kimberly De La Cruz and could set up resolution training. Will be working with Annie from Region IV for an EBT Resolution.

Senator De La Cruz encourages those who attended Advocacy Academy to complete the surveyors to improve the quality

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Action/Discussion – 5 Minutes per Item

a. Black History Month Student Union Reservation

- i.** February 1, 2024
- ii.** Black History Month Fair for students
Theme is music & art
Will include food, drummers, & include other departments
- iii.** Inclusive use
- iv.** 9 am – 3 pm reservation including set up.

1st VPIA Hawley moves to approve Black History Month Student Union Reservation for February 1, 2024 from 9 am – 3 pm for inclusive use
2nd

Discussion: Palomar Black faculty & staff is making the Reservation
Time of the event is from 10 am – 2 pm but need an hour for set up and clean up.

Black History Month Student Union Reservation on February 1st for inclusive use from 9 am to 3 pm has been approved unanimously

Without objection will be returning to the orders of the day and go back to item 3 on the agenda

b. ASG (Associated Student Government) Retreat Ad-Hoc Committee

i. Anticipated dates

February 23, 24, and 25 which are the last days able to hold the retreat as stated by the bylaws – optimal course of action

ii. Estimated cost.

iii. Additional Details shared during Meeting.

Airbnb located in Vista with 14 beds, 4 baths, 5 bedrooms – Some people may need to volunteer to sleep in alternative spaces as not everyone will be accommodated with a bed

Large driveway to accommodate for cars

Food

Breakfast \$14 per person – cannot exceed \$425

Lunch \$17 per person – cannot exceed \$350

Dinner \$28 per person - cannot exceed \$700

Without objection will be extending the meeting 15 minutes

Everyone must attend the ASG retreat unless an individual is excused by the president in writing

1st EVP Garcia Mendez moves to approve ASG's retreat on February 23, 24 and 25

2nd

Discussion: Agenda for the ASG retreat still has not been created. Need to keep in consideration Check in and check out times of the Airbnb

As stated in the bylaws the retreat must be held within Friday 3 pm to Sunday 3 pm

Vote:

I's: Dana Garcia Mendez, Cooper Hawley, Jason Mendoza, Yaretzi Hernandez, Jenna Handschumacher, Joshua Harris, Kimberly De La

*Cruz, Micah Orozco, Mingyeol Kim, Reagan Barnum, Ryan Javier,
Zachary Gonzales, and Safiya Swearingen*

Nae's: Fernando Montecino

Abstain: None

ASG retreat has been approved for February 23, 24, and 25

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Action/Discussion – 5 Minutes per Item

- a. Inter Club Council (ICC) Student Union Reservation for Spring 2024**
 - i.** For Club Rush
 - ii.** Details will be shared during meeting upon ICC's agreement.
Will be moved to future agenda as ICC did not reach quorum

X. VACANCIES AND RESIGNATIONS

- a. Executive:** There are currently (0/6) executive seats available
- b. Senate:** There are currently (3/15) Senate seats available.
Emma Stavola has resigned from the senator position
- c. Delegate:** There are currently (4/8) Delegate seats available.
- d. Resignations:**
- e. Vacancies:**

XI. BOARD ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, AND NOMINATIONS

- a. Interview For Executive Position**
 - i.** Non-Available at the moment
- b. Interview For Senate Position**
 - i.** None
- c. Interview For Delegate Position**
 - i.** None

XII. ASG COMMITTEES

Assignment of Committees as Needed

- i. Rules Committee**
 - 1. 1st and 3rd Monday 12-1 pm
 - 2. via Zoom
- ii. Internal Affairs Committee**
 - 1. 1st and 3rd Tuesday 2:45 – 3:45 pm

2. Hybrid: Zoom & in SU-203
- iii. Finance Committee**
 1. 2nd and 4th Thursday 9:30 – 10:30 am
 2. Hybrid: Zoom & in SU-203
- iv. Communications Committee (New meeting days)**
 1. 1st and 3rd Tuesday 4:00 – 5:00 pm
 2. Via Zoom
- v. Events Committee**
 1. 1st and 3rd Thursday 2:30 – 3:30 pm
 2. in Room SU-203
- vi. Inter-Club Council Committee**
 1. 2nd and 4th Friday 9 – 10 am
 2. in room SU-204

XIII. SHARED GOVERNANCE COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES

Assignment of Committees as Needed

- a. Career Education Committee**
 - i. Meets once or twice a month on 2nd and 4th Thursday
 - ii. 3:00 – 4:30 pm
- b. ISC (Infrastructure and Sustainability Council) Council**
 - i. 1st and 3rd Fridays from 9 – 11 am
 - ii. [Council Information](#)
 - iii. Via Zoom

Senator Mingyeol Kim volunteers to join committee

Point of personal privilege from Senator Kimberly De La Cruz 12:58 pm

Senator Ryan Javier has volunteered to be part of the Academic Integrity Committee for the spring semester

XIV. ADIJOURNMENT

@ 1 pm

Title 5 §51023.7: Pursuant to rules adopted by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, the Palomar College

Governing Board shall not take action on a matter having a significant effect on students until recommendations and positions by students are given every reasonable consideration.

Student 9 + 1 Rights Polices and procedure that have a “significant effect on students” include : (1) grading polices (2) codes of student conduct (3) academic disciplinary policies (4) curriculum development (5) courses or programs which should be initiated or discontinued (6) processes for institutional planning and budget development (7) standards and polices regarding student preparation and success (8) student services planning and development (9) student fees within the authority of the district to adopt and “Plus one”: any other district and college policy, procedure or related matter that the district governing board determines will have a significant effect on students.

