



San Joaquin Delta College
Associative Student Body Government
5151 Pacific Avenue
Stockton Ca, 95207

ASBG
Minutes for June 6, 2008 2:30 pm
ASBG Boardroom, Shima 101

1. Call to Order 2:45

1.1 Roll Call: Senator David Burr, Senator Luis Alberto Ramirez, Executive Secretary Brian Ratto, President and Student Representative to the Board of Trustees Seamus Gormly, Vice President Valerie Novak, Treasurer Anne-Marie Orona, Senator Jared Borba.

1.2 Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda: Senator Burr

Ayes: all; motion carries

1.3 Approval of the Minutes for May 19, 2008

Motion to Approve the Minutes for May 19, 2008: Senator Borba

Ayes: all; motion carries

2. Communications

2.1 Comments from the Public:

None at this time

3. Committee Report* The Delta College ASBG reserves the right to add Committees to the agenda

3.1 Board of Trustees: Student Representative to the board of Trustees Mr. Gormly discussed the previous two board meetings. On the May 19, 2008 meeting there were resolutions honoring staff, the former Student Representative to the Board of Trustees Ms. Novak as well as former President Mr. Luna. Discussion on the bond money spent on portable construction should it be paid out of the general money or the bond money. There was discussion on the leasing a library storage place as well.

At the Tuesday, June 2, 2008 meeting there were reports on Career Center and what they offer, also there was a report on Troops to College- offering the veterans and the currently active students, a place to discuss veteran's issues to ease transition into college life.

3.2 President's Council: Treasurer Orona asked to postpone this to the next meeting.

4. Unfinished Business

4.1 Funding Request Constitution Day: The federally recognized holiday, during which every secondary and post secondary institution must have a symposium. Dr. Ortiz and the Social Science Division brought forth a \$20,000 plan to hold

the event on Sept. 17, 2008, as of today there has been no update, and Mr. Ortiz was not in attendance. President Gormly reminded the board that we are limited to \$15,000 of donation per year to a department and only \$5000.00 at one time. Call for the motion, there was no motion.

4.2 ASBG Initiative: Mr. Robert Dal Bianco came before the board regarding this initiative. The initiative, which was signed by 243 students, would invalidate the results for Vice President and call for new elections in the fall, due to the lack of write in space for said position, as well as the ASBG unit requirement not meeting the California Education Code of a unit requirement. The discussion on whether or not this is an initiative or if this is a recall and the violations to the ASBG Constitution followed Mr. Dal Bianco's summary. Members of the ASBG board felt that Mr. Dal Bianco's initiative was too broad and should be split apart. Call for the motion to accept as valid and constitutional Mr. Dal Bianco's initiative;

There was no motion.

President Gormly stated that the lack of a motion to accept does not mean this board does not value the importance of initiative, referendum, or recall and if you were to sit down with the relevant parties, Senator Burr the ASBG's Senator of Legislative Affairs, to craft a proper petition, referendum or recall to not be in violation of the ASBG Constitution, then it may set precedence for the future.

5. Discussion Items

5.1 Interpretation of the Term "Recall": President Gormly stated that it is still an important decision regarding whether or not removing a sitting officer in any form is recall, or not and whether or not it is possible to skirt around section III of article VIII with section II of article VIII. Any opinion on the term "recall" Vice President Novak would like to use the legal standard out there which is Webster's Dictionary. Webster's Dictionary states as the definition of recall "The removal of an elected government official from office by a petition followed by voting."

President Gormly agrees that Webster's is the legal standard.

Motion to accept the Webster's Definition as the Associated Student Body Government of San Joaquin Delta College's definition, Senator Burr.

Ayes: all; motion carries.

5.2 Summer Leadership Exercise: This tradition is a rafting trip on the American River in Sacramento, Ca. This would be a two day trip where on the first day we learn on the easier rapids and on the second day we work as one to make it through the tougher rapids. We will be camping over night in Sacramento on the river. President Gormly stated this is a tradition of the ASBG in order to build board unity right off the bat. Please refer to your calendars for the tentative date of this exercise which are July 19- 20, 2008. Discussion on if the board would like to continue this tradition or not followed. Would the board like to include members of the previous board on this trip, as tradition? Members of the board pointed out that there are already four people from the last board, three of which held two offices, if any new members had any questions about the running of the ASBG the four members that have experience are available; the board would like to keep this trip to the current board.

Motion to not exceed \$5000.00 for this exercise- Secretary Ratto.
Ayes: all; motion carries. Advisor Mrs. Tina Giron would like to verify that the Dates of July 19- July 20, 2008 are ok with everyone who will be in attendance.

5.3 Office Hours: Office hours are an important obligation of the ASBG, however over the summer session it is traditional that we do not hold to the four hours per week due to the small number of students here during this semester. There are a few dates of which we will need people in the office and the dates are as follows: June 16, & 17, 2008 and August 11, 2008, please notify Senator Borba and Executive Secretary Ratto of availability on these dates. Secretary Ratto would like to have your one hour per week for the summer, by the end of next week. Discussion on time to make id's for the approximate number of students followed. The board agreed upon one office hour per week during summer semester. Mrs. Giron would like to have President Gormly and Vice President Novak schedule at least one hour on Friday, the day of which Mrs. Giron will be here at Delta, to discuss the previous week.

5.4 ASBG Application Period for Vacant and Appointed Positions: President Gormly opened the application period for all vacant and appointed positions, as per the constitution.

6. Comments from the Board

Senator Borba stated "please let me know your hours for those dates in the summer semester" and is looking forward to the year. Treasurer Orona welcomed the new board and the returning members. Executive Secretary Ratto stated "this position will take some getting used to" and is looking forward to this year to work with each person on the board. Senator Ramirez said "Hello to everyone and hoping for a good year." Senator Burr is looking forward to a good year with everyone here. Vice President Novak stated "It is good to see all the diehards at the first meeting as well as the new and returning members of the board" and echoed Senator Burr's comment on looking forward to work with everyone here. President Gormly "This will be a very exciting year for me, this board may seem small right now but we are big at heart" President Gormly expressed confidence in each and everyone on the board, due to the fact that we were able to jump into some really boring technical stuff about the constitution, more effectively than can be expected for a brand new fresh board which is a testament to what the board will be facing in the future.

7. Comments from the Advisor

Mrs. Giron welcomed the new and returning members of the ASBG in addition to stating there may be a new advisor by September.

8. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:31pm Sen. Burr Ayes all Motion Carries

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian Ratto

ASBG Executive Secretary