

# **Associated Students of Mesa Community College**

## **Senate Minutes**

**10-28-08**

### **Mission Statement**

“Every student’s voice inspires us to take action in support of their personal development.”

Call to Order : 14:36

### **GUEST SPEAKERS**

Sonia Pearson on behalf of Marcy Snitzer.

There will be a change on the commencement program. In the past those who have distinction of honors had symbols by their name. The new ones will not but however will have clubs such as PTK or Psi Beta.

Disney College Program

Video was shown about program. Sheena did Disney 07-08. Gave hand outs. We will be available for presentations on campus this next week. This program is available to all majors.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Homecoming

November 8<sup>th</sup>. We need volunteers for booths. We would also like tents and table signs from each club to represent our campus.

Veterans Day Parade

Need volunteers for Nov. 10 for decorating

Need volunteers for Nov. 11 for marching

Club Info Form

Fill it out! Give it to an ASMCC Officer

**CHECK MAIL BOXES**

Future Educators

CAREER Awareness for Education Majors

Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>

BP Building for Teaching

Stagedoor Players

Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> Improve Troop Costumes

President

Committee for Kirk center revamp needs feed back

Update: Candy Drive with PTK Until November 6<sup>th</sup> bring it to center of service learning.

Please get wheels turning on passed bills

Treasurer Report

\$7235.50 remaining

New Business

New Senators

Independent Senator

Joseph Roberts

Approved Unanimously

Faculty Senator

Zona Bailey appointed by Dr. Pan

Approved Unanimously

Make placard for Zona and Joseph

Bills

PTK-\$300 for funding for food and drink for Honors Project

Presentation along with speaker Paul Elsner on the honors project *The Paradox of Affluence*. It is open for students, honors student of high school.

Vote: Favor 23 for and 1 abstaining

Future Educators- \$303.52 for printing shirts with logo for fundraising purposes, to hold future education.

Vote: Passed Unanimously

Chairman special events and publicity Leave Senate at 3:30pm

Legislation: Presented by Martir Martinez Accountability Chair

**Whereas;** The term “Bill” is used to connote an item of legislation requiring specific

Actions often used for requesting allocation of funds, and

**Whereas;** The term in the “Association Student of Mesa Community College bylaws” revised October 16, 2007 the term “Bill” is

inappropriately used eight times in title, and

**Whereas;** the correct term to be used would be “legislation”.

**Therefore: be it resolved by this student senate that,** an amendment be adopted changing the term “Bill” used in title 1, Article 1: Section 3, 4,5,6,7 to the term legislation. (See attached document).

Legislation: Presented by Martir Martinez Accountability Chair

**Whereas;** The constitution does not state who may be appointed by Executive Vice President as a Chair Pro Tem, and

**Whereas;** Dr.Shouan Pan has requested all minutes from Senate and Executive Boards meetings; however, the Vice President of Student Service requested all minutes from all meetings, and

**Whereas;** Vice President of Communication should assist the President of ASMCC in maintaining communication with faculty and administration, and

**Whereas;** Vice President of Fiscal does not manage all budgets but rather monitors, and

**Whereas;** Because of student court only consisting of 5 judges and no alternatives there is a possibility of bias in the case of a emergency replacement, and

**Whereas;** the President of ASMCC having veto rights should not have a vote at senate, and

**Whereas;** Article 10, Section 2- Subsection B is confusing as stated.

**Therefore: be it resolved by this student senate that,** the amendments of the subsequent pages be approved by student senate authorizing a special general election to take place within thirty days of Senate approval.

## **Amendments**

### **Constitution:**

**Article IV** Section 1, Subsection C - Executive Officers: Powers and Duties

#### **Executive Vice President**

-Line 4b

Reads:

*“...unless is delegated to a Chair Pro Tem.”*

Amendment:

*“...unless is delegated to a Chair Pro Tem selected from the Executive Board or Cabinet.”*

## Vice President of Communications

-Line 3

Reads:

*“Shall ensure that copies of all minutes be sent to the following: College President, Dean of Student Affairs, Director of Student Life and Leadership, Cabinet Members and Executive Board members.”*

Amendment:

*“...to the following: Vice President of Student Services, Dean of Student Affairs, Director of Student Life and Leadership, Cabinet Members and Executive Board members.”*

-Line 5 (creating new line, the current line 5 and all subsequent lines will be renumbered accordingly)

Amendment: *“Shall assist the President in establishing and maintaining good communication with the Administration and Faculty.”*

## Vice President of Fiscal Affairs

-Line 1

Reads

*“Shall manage all budgets related to ASMCC.”*

Amendment

*“Shall monitor all budgets related to ASMCC”*

## Article V Section 1, Subsection A – Membership

-Line 1a

Reads

*“The Student Court shall consist of five ASMCC students to act as Justices,...”*

Amendment

*“The Student Court shall consist of nine ASMCC students to act as Justices, five standing, and four alternate justices,...”*

-Line 3

Reads

*“The five Justices shall elect, by a majority vote, one member of the Student Court to act as Chief Justice, to represent the court for the duration of the Academic year.”*

Amendment

*“The nine Justices shall elect, by a majority vote, one member of the Student Court to act as Chief Justice, to represent the court for the duration of the Academic year.”*

-Line 4 (Creating a new line, does not effect subsequent line numbering.)

Amendment:

*“An Alternate Justice shall not act as Chief Justice at any time. Should the need arise for an alternate to take the place of the Chief Justice he shall appoint one of the other four Standing Justices to act in said office.”*

**Article VI** Section 1 Subsection A – Membership

-Line 1a

Reads

*“The President, Executive Vice President, Vice President of Communications and the Vice President of Fiscal Affairs”*

Amendment

*“Executive Vice President, Vice President of Communications and the Vice President of Fiscal Affairs”*

**Article X** Section 2

-Subsection B

Reads

*“The petition shall be presented to the Judicial Commission; who will, within 30 days of receiving such a petition, validate the initiative signatures and authorize a Special Election. An extension on Special Elections may be granted by a 2/3 majority vote of the Senate. A majority (50%+1) vote in the affirmative of those ASMCC members voting shall be required for passage.”*

Amendment (Creation of line divides)

*“1. The petition shall be presented to the Judicial Commission; who will, within 30 days of receiving such a petition, validate the initiative signatures and authorize a Special Election.*

*2. A majority (50%+1) vote in the affirmative of those ASMCC members voting shall be required for passage.”*

*3. An extension on Special Elections may be granted by a 2/3 majority vote of the Senate.”*

VOTE: 22 In Favor 2 abstentions

Announcement

Jhennicea request for photo next mtg

Please note Adjustment to senate dates – see attached form in packet