College of the Canyons

Associated Student Government

Minutes

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

1:30 p.m. Hasley Hall 137

Finance Committee Meeting

Members Present:

Harrison Kim, President Jesus Martinez Desantiago, Executive Vice President Sanjana Sudhir, Student Trustee Ava Hernandez, Executive Vice President of Communications Aaron Pin-An Lin, VP of Activities Kristian Mengistu, Vice President of Inter Club Council Amna Fadel, Vice President of Advocacy Moussa Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Equity

Members Absent:

Others Present:

Robin Herndon, ASG Technician *Kelly Dapp*, ASG Advisor *Melinda Ursetta*, ASG Technician

1. General Business:

1.1 Call to order/Welcome/ Recognition of Quorum

Officer *Jesus Martinez Desantiago*, Executive Vice President, calls the Finance Committee Meeting of the A.S.G. to order at 1:30 p.m. with quorum established and 7 ASG Officers present.

- 1.2 Announcements: none
- **1.3** Approval of the ASG Finance Committee Meeting of April 23, 2025

<u>Motion:</u> Kristian Mengistu, Vice President of Inter Club Council <u>Second:</u> Aaron Pin-An Lin, VP of Activities Record of Board Vote... 7-0-0

1.4 Open Forum: none

2. <u>Regular Board Meeting Items:</u>

2.1 Action: 2025-2026 ASG Budget Drafting Session

<u>Motion:</u> Aaron Pin-An Lin, VP of Activities <u>Second:</u> Sanjana Sudhir, Student Trustee

Background: The ASG Finance Committee will review the ASG budget for 2025-2026 and make recommendations for budget revisions.

Looked at this past year's budget and made suggestions to next year.

Fiscal year closes on June 30th

Income is reviewed and is a little higher due to SSF income.

Miscellaneous include are student ID cards, student badges, movie tickets, etc.

Vendor income has been adjusted as there is not as much student traffic this semester. Free speech will still be present on campus.

Harrison Kim, President, arrives at 1:34pm

Commencement income includes the flower sales done at the event.

The Bank account is in good standing and will have numbers at the next meeting.

Suggestions to next year will be given

MOU are unable to be changed.

The Dash pass benefit is popular, and the current agreement is in place to spend up to \$20,000 but have not used this amount currently.

Cost of activating passes has gone up and recommend increasing the amount.

The cost is \$7.00 per card that is activated for the year.

150 is the amount offered for fall/spring currently.

WEPA Printing stations is a newly added account as there is a monthly fee that is due for the printing stations.

Installation fees are included in the total amount.

Alumni Event did not have a line item until this year and has \$800.

Funds will then not need to come out of different accounts.

Computer lab is now 0 along with the employment.

A WEPA Supplies account added for the cost of paper.

The Printing Stations will be more accessible and therefore anticipate the need to replenish paper more frequently.

Costco membership has gone up to \$325.00.

If more printing stations are purchased, an installation fee may be added later when they are added.

Installation is a one-time fee.

Suggestions are asked of the board on if any accounts should be increased or decreased based on this last year.

General scholarships account for clarification on what they're used for.

ASG grants have bumped up from \$9,000 to \$10,000 this year.

If grant allocation is recommended to change, it may still be changed.

Discussion on Dash pass adjustment and feedback from board. Contract stipulates the maximum to spend but there is no minimum amount to spend for Dash pass. Demand is high and it should be increased for that reason. Money saving, especially if using the benefit frequently. Quality over quantity is important. Clarification on Printing Stations start date. The Contract is in the process and hoping by the end of the semester. Discussion on increasing the amount to \$15,000 for dash pass. Students that would be able to get benefit would be increased. \$20,000 discussion for dash pass and leave it at \$14,000 which is still an increase of more than \$1,000. Campus Escort Program discussion of district's help after expiration date. New line items? \$325 from Dash pass will be added to the events. Discussion of how many students will benefit from \$325 Keep the Dash pass amount at the proposed amount of \$14,325.00 Process will be to vote then bring it to the senate to approve the first reading, then the second reading will follow the next meeting. Not set in stone for next year.

<u>**Recommendations:**</u> Move to approve the 2025-2026 ASG budget draft with recommendations to be brought forward to the ASG Senate for a first reading.

Record of Board Vote... 8-0-0 with chair voting aye and Officer Kim now present

2.2 Discussion: ASG Grant Application Instructions

<u>Motion</u>: Moussa Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Equity <u>Second</u>: Kristian Mengistu, Vice President of Inter Club Council <u>Background</u>: In preparation for next week's ASG grants deliberations, instructions will be provided on reviewing grant applications and scoring.

28 applications were submitted in total for grants.

A spreadsheet with links to each application along with some videos will go out for review tomorrow.

Review prior to attending the finance Committee meeting in May.

In years past, the process was too lengthy and was modified to reduce the time and include scoring sheet for each applicant.

The ranking is from 1 to 10 with 10 being the highest.

Multiple may earn a score of 10.

Jesus will then add the numbers up to bring to the next Finance meeting for discussion. Deliberations will be at the time the applicants are discussed and decided.

Categories for different grants also helped to reduce the amount of time in the process. Some groups asked for much more than feasible and now grants are awarded in \$500 amounts. Friday is when the applications are hoping to be sent for review. Awards will be notified in May for grants that were approved. Clubs are required to have at least 400 ICC points to apply for a grant. If clubs have not earned enough points, they will not be awarded a grant. ICC points are due on May 12th Funding guidelines are reviewed.

Aaron Pin-An Lin, VP of Activities takes a personal privilege at 2:02 pm

- 3. Open Forum none
- 4. Announcement of the Next Meeting-May 7, 2025, at 1:30pm
- 5. Adjournment (2:04p.m.)

<u>Motion</u>: Kristian Mengistu, Vice President of Inter Club Council <u>Second</u>: Moussa Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Equity <u>Record of Board Vote</u>: 7-0-0 with chair voting aye and Aaron Pin-An Lin, VP of Activities, not present