Associated Student Government

Minutes

Wednesday, October 14, 2026

2:40 p.m. Hasley Hall 137

Senate Meeting

Teleconference Location:
17200 Sierra Highway
Santa Clarita, CA 91351-1622

Members Present:

Marni Kallestad, President
Joielynn Belmonte, Executive Vice President
Ishita Muppala, Student Trustee
Farah Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Activities
Joshua De Jesus, Vice President of Inter Club Council
Jun Lias, Vice President of Communications
Charlotte Pimentel, Vice President of Advocacy
Chrislynn Quach, Vice President of Equity

Members Absent:

Others Present:

Kelly Dapp, ASG Advisor
Robin Herndon, ASG Technician
Joanna Kelly, CCC Advisor
Lily Walizadah, ASG Specialist

1. General Business:

1.1 ***Call to order/Welcome/ Recognition of Quorum***
ASG President, ***Marni Kallestad***, calls the Senate Meeting of the A.S.G. to order at 2:43 p.m. with quorum established and 7 ASG Officers present.

1.2 ***Flag Salute/Trophy Cup:***

Joielynn Belmonte, Executive Vice President, leads us in the flag salute

Farah Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Activities, arrives at 2:44 pm

1.3 ***Announcements:*** none

1.4 ***Approval of the ASG Senate Meeting of October 14, 2026***

Motion*: Farah Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Activities*

Second*: Jun Lias, Vice President of Communications*

Record of Board Vote*… 8 -0-0 with chair voting and Farah Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Activities, now present.*

1.5 ***Open Forum:*** none

2. Consent Calendar:

2.1 Approval of the ASG Senate Meeting Minutes from October 7, 2026
2.2 Appointment of Graphic Designer – Communications Team
2.3 Appointment of Staff Writers – Communications Team

Motion*: Farah Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Activities*

Second*: Jun Lias, Vice President of Communications*

Record of Board Vote*…8 -0-0 with chair voting aye*

3. Regular Board Meeting Items:

3.1 Action: Approval of Funds for Interfaith Pannel Event

Motion*: Farah Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Activities*

Second: *Joshua De Jesus, Vice President of Inter Club Council*

Background: The Interfaith Pannel event will take place October 19th. The event will need the approval of funds for sandwiches, chips, and cookies to be provided for students during the event.

Sandwich options during the event are Jersey Mikes or Jimmy Johns.

Recommendations: ***Move to approve up to $200 for food provided during the Interfaith Pannel Event from Account: 001.9813 VC Social & Cultural***

Record of Board Vote*… 8-0-0 with chair voting aye*

3.2 Action: Approval of Funds for Slime & Unwind Event

Motion*: Farah Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Activities*

Second: *Jun Lias, Vice President of Communications*

Background: This event will take place on Thursday, October 22nd, 2026 from 1pm to 2pm at the Flagpole, Valencia COC campus. This event will give students a chance to take a break from school stress and focus on something creative. Students will be able to customize their own slime with different colors, charms, and decorations while talking and connecting with other students. Pamphlets with additional stress-relieving techniques and information about on campus mental health resources will also be available to help students find other ways to manage stress.

Total Costs: 1. 5 Jumbo slime kits (price subject to change on amazon) = $125 (overestimate) 2. Parchment paper= $9.99 3. Disposable Table cloth= $5.99

Recommendations: ***Approval for up to $200.00 for supplies and food for "Slime & Unwind" event from VS Social & Cultural 001.9813 account.***

Record of Board Vote… ***8-0-0 with chair voting aye***

3.3 Action: Pastries and Pumpkins

Motion*:* ***Farah Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Activities***
Second: ***Joshua De Jesus, Vice President of Inter Club Council***
Background: This event will take place on Tuesday, October 27th from 9:30am to 10:30am at the upper plaza next to the Don Takeda center. There will be pastries and pumpkins that can be decorated with stickers, paint, glitter, etc. These pumpkins then will be put around campus so students can feel more connected.

Recommendations: ***Move to approve up to $120.00 dollars from the CCC social and cultural account #001.9805 for the Pastries & Pumpkins event at CCC. (2) Costco Croissants 12-ct- (total 24 croissants) - $6.80 (3) Costco Pumpkin Muffins 8-ct (total 24 muffins) - $7.93 (4) Costco Mini Pumpkin Variety, 5-count- (total 20 pumpkins) - $6.80 (2) Costco Pumpkin- 1ct (total 2 pumpkins) - $8.96 Total= $100.00***

Record of Board Vote… ***8-0-0 with chair voting aye***

Motion to Strike agenda item 3.4

Motion*:* ***Joshua De Jesus, Vice President of Inter Club Council***
Second: ***Farah Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Activities***

Record of Board Vote: ***… 8-0-0 with chair voting aye***

~~**3.4 Action: Approval of Funds for Voter Registration Event**~~

~~***Background***: The event will provide students with assistance to register to vote helping to ensure that eligible students have the opportunity to participate in upcoming elections.~~

~~***Recommendations:*** ***Approval for up to $50 for food for the "Voter Registration" event from the VS Social & Cultural 001.9813 account.***~~

4. Reports (Reports are limited to 5 minutes)

4.1 Officers Reports

4.1.1 **Director Reports-**

4.1.2 Vice President of Activities -**Farah Haj Ghaban-** Thank you for everyone that did their presentation slides. Please submit as early as possible if you have not done so.

4.1.3 Vice President of Inter Club Council**- Joshua De Jesus-**He recently released the good standing status for clubs as well as a guide to use the spreadsheet to have good standing status. Verifying clubs are in good standing currently.

4.1.4 Vice President of Communications**- Jun Lias-**none

4.1.5 Vice President of Equity- **Chrislynn Quach-**Met with Bluebird Resource Program where their needs were discussed for needing a larger space. Finding other ways to support this department, since finding space is not a role meant for ASG. Ideas to support them are welcome. An idea would be to hold a panel to

discuss students' experiences. This may be incorporated in the presentation to the Board of Trustees.

4.1.6 Vice President of Advocacy- **Charlotte Pimentel-** Tomorrow is SSCCC Delegate Assembly that is the election period for those running for a board position. She can send the zoom link to the event to those interested.

4.1.7 Student Trustee**- Ishita Muppala**- Held the Voter Registration Event and got students to register to vote. She is giving a student update during the Board meeting this evening and she asks for any updates to share with them. SSCCC would like to hold training at the campus in the future. She will also Inform the Board of Trustees they will be attending CCCSAA this weekend.

4.1.8 Executive Vice President **– Joielynn Belmonte-** Attended Filipino event this morning and it was very nice and included a lot of culture. Spoke with Rebecca about future collaboration.

4.1.9 President- **Marni Kallestad**- Attended PAC-B meeting and met with Hipified Records who are interested in speaking at one of the meetings. Students are interested in practicing in front of groups of people and discussed collaboration with ASG and clubs. She will recommend the Activity Board meeting for more information. Attended the Bluebird meeting and is a great cause. She has also discussed some ASG events in her classes. Next week, there will be a practice session for the presentation. If anything is needed, please reach out to her and she will be coordinating some meetings with ASG members soon.

4.1.10 ASG Specialist- **Lily Walizadah-**She will begin working full-time as of next week.

4.1.11 Technician- **Robin Herndon** – Thanks to lily for helping while I was out

4.1.12 Advisor **– Joanna Kelly-** Star Party is this Friday. Thank you to those who have agreed to help. ASG polos should be completed by next week. Reminder, if you are hosting an event, you must attend an Activity Board meeting to have event approved. For event flyers, please make sure to do your own design and submit requests with at least two weeks in advance. Remote office hours are done and was just for last week. Progress reports are due next Friday by noon. Facility Request forms will not be submitted now, and an update will be provided once we have the update. When hosting events, try to track the number of people that attend events. This may be included in the event evaluation form. ASG commitments should make every effort to make it or send the appropriate communication if you are unable to attend.

4.1.13 Lead Advisor**- Kelly Dapp**- Responsibility of the ASG member that is holding an event to put a sign indicating the tables that belong to your event. She will be out next week but submitted some items for next week's senate meeting. First is a run-through of the presentation that will be done the following week. There will be a total of three items that will be reviewed. Club approval will also take place during next week's agenda under the Consent Calendar. If you cannot make an ASG meeting, please find a proxy. Send an email and include the Advisors, Robin, Marni, along with the individual that will be proxy during absence. Advocacy Academy is coming up December 4th through the 6th and is training on how conferences go as well as attending workshops that explain everything you need to know relating to student government. Hosted by SSCCC

at a hotel and is a great opportunity to network. A lot of Advocacy is focused on during this conference and is ideal for those passionate about advocacy, especially if your position aligns with advocacy. Those interested will need to let her know by tomorrow by noon through email.

4.2 District Committees

4.2.1 Academic Review Committee

4.2.2 **Academic Senate – Discussed a new policy regarding independent study. This has not been discussed prior and wanted to have clarification that this is not offered at the college as it would be redundant.**

4.2.3 Academic Calendar

4.2.4 Accreditation Taskforce

4.2.5 Advocacy Team

4.2.6 Campus Safety Advisory Committee

4.2.7 College Policy Council (CPC)

4.2.8 Commencement Committee

4.2.9 Curriculum

4.2.10 Enrollment Management

4.2.11 Facilities Planning Committee

4.2.12 Food services

4.2.13 Grad Review

4.2.14 Independent Citizens Oversight Committee

4.2.15 Operations Project Advancement Team

4.2.16 Parking

4.2.17 **Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Project Advancement Team- Discussed the 5-year plan through Canyons Compass. New Federal accountability rule that tracks whether high school graduates make more or less than college graduates. If the standard is not met, some financial aid may be cut. Discussed closing gaps in academic achievement and how achievement is lower for certain demographics of students. Idea is to do more shared governance and hold more dialogue between committees on campus. Provided an update on the review listening sessions and feedback on the current review process being repetitive. Proposed a shift from a three-year cycle to a five-year cycle to gather better data and align with the campus efforts.**

4.2.18 **President's Advisory Council – Budget (PAC-B) - reviewed the 2027/2028 budget guidelines and grant funds for infrastructure. Next meeting will be the final review of the budget then approving it.**

4.2.19 Safety Committee

4.2.20 Shared Governance Council

4.2.21 Student Conduct

4.2.22 Student Success and Inclusive Excellence Project Advancement Team

4.2.23 Technology

4.2.24 Transfer Advisory Committee

4.3 Standing Committees

4.3.1 Elections Committee
4.3.2 Finance Committee

4.4 Ad-Hoc Committees

4.4.1 **Mass Committee- meeting cancelled and next meeting will be held after holding the student surveys**

5. Open Forum:

Please download the app related to CCCSAA and for those that are going, meet time will be 1:30 pm at the hotel to allow time to check in. Slack will be used to communicate during this weekend's conference. Melinda sent the emails for food and parking so make sure to keep all your receipts. Attire should be business casual. Must attend all the workshops and shared meals since this is student funded. Drugs and alcohol are not allowed. Reports must be filled out on the workshops attended within a week of the event. Be respectful of each other while sharing rooms with each other. Pre-plan the workshops that each of you will attend that pertain to your position. Mileage and parking will be reimbursed. Please send any flyer to Lily to check for accessibility before sending to Bela.

6. Announcement of the Next Meeting- October 21, 2026

7. Adjournment (3:46p.m.)

Motion*: *Farah Haj Ghaban, Vice President of Activities
Second*: *Ishita Muppala, Student Trustee
***Record of Board Vote:* ….8 -0-0 with chair voting Aye**