Associated Student Government Minutes

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

2:30 p.m. Hasley Hall 137

Senate Meeting

<u>Teleconference Location:</u> 17200 Sierra Highway Santa Clarita, CA 91351-1622

Members Present:

Amna Fadel, President
Areesh Fatima, Student Trustee
Adrianne Dondonay, Executive Vice President
Ava Hernandez, Vice President of Communications
Chigo Orukwowu, Vice President of Activities
Chelsea Yu, Vice President of Inter Club Council
Taha Saiyed, Vice President of Advocacy
Christina Geuvjehizian, Vice President of Equity

Members Absent:

Others Present:

Kelly Dapp, ASG Advisor
Robin Herndon, ASG Technician
Joanna Kelly, CCC Advisor
Dr. Edel Alonso, Board of Trustee Member
Farah Haj Ghaban, ASG Director of Equity
Kristian Mengistu, ASG Activities Team-Valencia

1. General Business:

1.1 Call to order/Welcome/ Recognition of Quorum

ASG President, *Amna Fadel*, calls the Senate Meeting of the A.S.G. to order at 2:29 p.m. with quorum established and 8 ASG Officers present.

1.2 Flag Salute/Trophy Cup:

Amna Fadel, President, leads us in the flag salute.

Amna Fadel, President, passes the trophy cup to Chelsea for doing a great job in her roll along with new club ideas.

1.3 Announcements:

- The event on Monday went well and students provided feedback when having snow cones. When ASG holds events, it is a good idea to have ASG members present.
- *Christina Geuvjehizian,* Vice President of Equity, will attend a district committee next week.
- Looking to fill multiple district committees as each officer must serve on about two committees.

1.4 Approval of the ASG Senate Meeting of October 15, 2025

<u>Motion:</u> Taha Saiyed, Vice President of Advocacy

<u>Second</u>: Adrianne Dondonay, Executive Vice President

Record of Board Vote... 8 -0-0 with chair voting

1.5 Open Forum:

Board member Edel Alonso introduces herself and gives background of her time at the college. She is here to personally thank Amna, Areesh, and Ava for attending the last board of trustees meeting. The involvement from ASG is unlike anything that has been seen in at least 20 years. Encourages the ASG board to continue with Advocacy efforts as it has a direct impact.

2. Consent Calendar:

2.1 Approval of the ASG Senate Meeting Minutes from October 8, 2025

Motion: Taha Saiyed, Vice President of Advocacy

Second: Christina Geuvjehizian, Vice President of Equity

Record of Board Vote... 8-0-0 with chair voting aye

3. Regular Board Meeting Items:

3.1 Action: Voter Registration Event

Motion: Taha Saiyed, Vice President of Advocacy

<u>Second:</u> Adrianne Dondonay, Executive Vice President

Background: As the ASG Bylaws states, the President and Student Trustee must co-coordinate a voter registration event at least once per semester. The Fall Voter Registration Event will take place on Monday, November 3rd, from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM at the Valencia Campus Flagpole. Students will receive a complimentary cookie. We are also in the progress of reaching out to campus organizations to see if they would like to collaborate (i.e. hosting an activity).

Some clubs may be interested in working together such as the Culinary Arts Club for cookies they have made.

In contact with the Culinary Club and waiting for a quote for the cookies requested.

<u>Recommendations:</u> Move to approve up to \$100 from VC Social & Cultural Activities (Account Number 001.9813).

Record of Board Vote... 8-0-0 with chair voting aye

3.2 Action: Proclamation In Honor of Native American Heritage Month: First Reading

<u>Motion:</u> Taha Saiyed, Vice President of Advocacy

Second: Christina Geuvjehizian, Vice President of Equity

Background: Brandon Silva from the Native American Student Support and Success Program (NASSSP) has reached out to ASG. He shared key information stating that NASSSP provides both financial and educational support to Native students and oversees the Native American and Indigenous Alliance (NAIA), which fosters community, cultural engagement, and inclusion. In recognition of these efforts and to honor Native and Indigenous heritage, ASG has drafted a Proclamation in Honor of Native American Heritage Month.

In Honor of Native American Heritage Month

WHEREAS, the Associated Student Government recognizes the enduring contributions, histories, cultures, and resilience of Native American, Alaska Native, and Indigenous peoples across this land;

WHEREAS, Native students on our campus continue to face systemic barriers in higher education, and deserve intentional support, visibility, and representation;

WHEREAS, the Native American Student Support and Success Program (NASSSP) and the Native American Intertribal Alliance (NAIA) work tirelessly to uplift Native voices, foster belonging, and advocate for culturally responsive spaces;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Associated Student Government formally proclaims November as Native American Heritage Month on our campus;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ASG pledges to:

- Support the creation and preservation of safe spaces for Native students, including cultural centers, gathering places, and community events;
- Amplify Indigenous perspectives in curriculum, programming, and campus decision-making;
- Collaborate with NASSSP and NAIA to promote visibility, equity, and success for Native students;
- Honor tribal sovereignty and Indigenous knowledge systems, and advocate for inclusive policies that reflect the diverse identities of Native peoples;
- Celebrate Native American Heritage Month through educational events, storytelling, art, and ceremony that center Indigenous voices.

Let this proclamation serve as a commitment to justice, visibility, and solidarity with Native students and communities—this month and every month.

Staff from the Inter cultural center reach out for collaboration on the proclamation.

The second reading will be done the following week

Recommendations: Approve the first reading of the proclamation.

Record of Board Vote... 8-0-0 with chair voting aye

3.3 Discussion: Student Trustee Report

Motion: Adrianne Dondonay, Executive Vice President

Second: Ava Hernandez, Vice President of Communications

<u>Background</u>: The Student Trustee, Areesh Fatima, has attended a Board of Trustees meeting in the past few weeks. As stated in the bylaws of the Student Trustee, this is a formal report on the action items discussed in the previous meeting.

Campus recognition took place-Wendy was given the teacher association of the year award and the Global foundation awarded the college.

Employment training also contributed, and a high-altitude balloon was launched into the atmosphere.

CougarFest occurred and was successful and JCI was mentioned.

Empty chairs on the honor grove were in honor of those who have taken their life.

Academic senate report was given.

Temporary ATC is impressive but with it being offsite not all students have access to it.

Michael from Classified Senate thanked ASG for presenting at the board of Trustee meeting.

Concerns with the Skyline Dental Association and questioned if funded by this group the board would approve.

PPL is the company looking for new CEO and will be sending out a form for students to complete .

Immigrant enforcement was approved, and the campus may let everyone know if ICE is on campus.

3.4 <u>Discussion: Joint ASG/BOT Rehearsal</u>

<u>Motion:</u> Ava Hernandez, Vice President of Communications <u>Second:</u> Christina Geuvjehizian, Vice President of Equity

Background: Our Joint ASG/BOT Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 22nd at 2:30 PM. The purpose of this agenda item is to provide the Senate with an opportunity to practice presenting our slides in advance. This preparation will help ensure that everyone feels confident and comfortable during the meeting.

Please meet around 2:15pm in UCEN301.

A rehearsal will take place for the meeting next week.

Taha Saiyed, Vice President of Advocacy takes a personal privilege at 2:45pm

Taha Saiyed, Vice President of Advocacy returns from a personal privilege at 2:47 pm

Presenters will return to their seats after presentation.

An overview of the presentation is ran through.

Chigo will give a brief overview of all the events that have taken place.

The executive VP will review district committees and the level of involvement ASG members have within the district committees.

"Any questions" will be asked after each slide.

Chelsea will discuss clubs along with the newly chartered clubs.

Past club events will be given as well.

Past ICC meetings are also highlighted and what was discussed during each of the ICC meetings.

Ava will discuss social media for ASG as well as posting spotlight requests for the campus.

An increase in the number of followers within social media will be given.

Most engagement ASG has had in many years.

Ava will also talk about the Paw Print coming out in November or December.

The Paw Print has a group of ASG members who have worked on the Paw Print and focusing on engaging and supporting students.

Christina will talk about building relationships with the Bluebird Resource Center as well as the S.A.I.F.R.E. alliance to make sure they feel seen and heard on campus.

A podcast will also be done with her director this semester to discuss what different officers will be doing this year.

A workshop will be done to invite the Bluebird Resource Center to answer any questions.

Each officer will be responsible for providing their own slide.

Mention the upcoming events briefly that have been planned for the semester.

Taha will discuss him being on the finance committee for Region 6 and meeting monthly to discuss any updates from Sacramento and the best way to advocate for students in California.

Taha wrote a letter in support of this initiative to bring the BSN to the college.

Amna will discuss the Proclamation in collaboration with ICC.

Taha will talk about snow cone event, and it had a large turnout with a lot of feedback from the event.

Taha will also discuss the two Resolutions that were presented recently.

This will be a recap of what was presented last week along with emphasizing the importance of the Resolutions from the student's perspective.

Areesh will also briefly touch upon the Resolutions that were presented.

Adrianne will mention the Legacy Projects for this year, including a Prayer/meditation Room.

A discussion takes place of what the Resolution means to the ASG board.

Recognize the number of students the Student Government represents.

Have the script available for the board to provide feedback respectfully on the Confidence and No Confidence Resolutions.

Remind the board of why the resolution was put together and their expectations.

Areesh will highlight the importance of the Resolutions that were just presented.

Discuss the number of students that have come to the ASG with concerns of what is happening on campus.

The presentation for the joint meeting will be placed in the Share Drive and is needed by Friday at 11:59 pm.

Everyone should contribute to the presentation.

Discussion of the potential reaction from the resolutions ASG presented.

Remind them of the reason why the board was elected into office.

Officers will create their own slide, which the events may also be presented on during their slide.

4. Reports (Reports are limited to 5 minutes)

4.1 Officers Reports

- 4.1.1 **Director Reports- Kristian** Mengistu- Farah and herself as directors have a little bit of a disconnect when not attending the Senate Meetings. Post-senate meeting updates should be shared with ASG directors, so everyone is updated. Suggested to send out the Resolutions to students.
- 4.1.2 Vice President of Activities -Chigo Orukwowu- nothing
- 4.1.3 Vice President of Inter Club Council- <u>Chelsea Yu</u>- homecoming was last week and photo booth was successful.
- 4.1.4 Vice President of Communications-<u>Ava Hernandez</u>- Chrislynn and herself appointed 3 new directors and please introduce yourself.
- 4.1.5 Vice President of Equity- <u>Christina Geuvjehizian</u>- Giving Thanks tree will be done early next week.

- 4.1.6 Vice President of Advocacy- <u>Taha Saiyed-</u> Soda Float event will be moved to a later date in November. The next meeting will take place for Activity Board on November 5th and please come out to CCC for the event.
- 4.1.7 Student Trustee- <u>Areesh Fatima</u> -nothing
- 4.1.8 Executive Vice President Adrianne Dondonay Cherry blossom tree meeting to formalize some ideas for the future and the tree. Ideas would be implemented sometime in the Spring next year. Ideas for the tree may be discussed with her. Initiative she is working on is a way to earn hours by collaborating with non-profits such as Boys and Girls club and donating items that are in need. Collaborating with other organizations on campus to create a permanent place on campus. CCC Movie Night will be done, and the live version will be shown of Adams Family on November 7th which is a Friday night. Snacks that will be given out are movie snacks.
- 4.1.9 President- Amna Fadel nothing
- 4.1.10 ASG Technician- Robin Herndon nothing
- 4.1.11 Advisor Joanna Kelly- Good job presenting the Resolutions and the event that were done. Good job to the directors. A response is read that was given from the Resolutions that were presented during last week's meeting. One-on-one meetings are required for all officers and directors and are not optional. This is to support each of you and circumstances come up that are understandable but should not be common practice. Reminder to submit your progress report this Friday. Taha and her met today with the JCI and Santa's Helpers event on 12-13 in the University Center. The upcoming dates will be sent to Taha.
- 4.1.12 Lead Advisor- Kelly Dapp- Protocol for ASG meetings is reviewed. Shout out to presenting the Resolutions last week as well as everyone's support during the presentation. Shout out to Chelsea for her help during Homecoming. Next two meetings for ASG following the board of trustees joint meeting will be done in the Student Center, 124. Wear your polos next week during the joint meeting. Clinton Slaughter is stepping in to take Jasmine's place while she is the interim President. Keep the noise level to a professional level when in the office.

4.2 District Committees

- 4.2.1 Academic Senate
- 4.2.2 Academic Calendar
- 4.2.3 Accreditation Taskforce
- 4.2.4 Advocacy Team
- 4.2.5 Campus Safety Advisory
- 4.2.6 College Planning Team (CPT)
- 4.2.7 College Policy Council (CPC)
- 4.2.8 Curriculum
- 4.2.9 Enrollment Management
- 4.2.10 Facilities Planning
- 4.2.11 Independent Citizens Oversight
- 4.2.12 Institutional Effectiveness and Inclusive Excellence (IE)2- Chigo attended and was student focused on making the campus better. For example, renovating

equipment and surveys for students were given on the environment and Campus Life. Discussed cutting down on the number of committees to be more effective.

- 4.2.13 President's Advisory Council Budget (PAC-B)
- 4.2.14 Technology
- 4.2.15 Other College Committees

4.3 Ad-Hoc Committees

- 4.3.1 Elections Committee
- 4.3.2 Finance Committee

5. Open Forum:

student success committee was attended by Ava. Discussed equity plan that would place policies on food services and counseling services over the next year to support equity on campus. Cohort transfer rates were discussed and the disproportionately affected students and discussed efforts in combatting this.

Fraudulent enrollment was also talked about and strategies to combat this. The different ways are discussed to eliminate fraudulent enrollment.

ASG election committee discussion in preparation for the spring. Looking for those not continuing next year to be on the committee- at least 3 to 4.

Taha discussed that Charlie's event went well. A recap of the event and what was done is discussed.

Raising awareness to Campus Safety was one of the goals of the event.

- 6. Announcement of the Next Meeting-October 22, 2025
- 7. Adjournment (3:49p.m.)

<u>Motion</u>: Taha Saiyed, Vice President of Advocacy <u>Second</u>: Adrianne Dondonay, Executive Vice President Record of Board Vote: 8-0-0 with chair voting Aye