

# Associated Student Government

## Minutes

Wednesday, September 2, 2026

2:30 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  
**Charlotte Pimentel**, Vice President of Advocacy  
**Chrislynn Quach**, Vice President of Equity

### Members Absent:

**Joanna Kelly**, CCC Advisor

### Others Present:

**Kelly Dapp**, ASG Advisor  
**Robin Herndon**, ASG Technician  
**Lily Walizahda**, ASG Specialist  
**Ali Korieum**, ASG Applicant  
**Rachel Rosales**, ASG Applicant  
**Faith Obtinalla**, ASG Applicant  
**Kiyanna Quiros**, ASG Applicant  
**Isela Castillo**, ASG Applicant  
**Youssef Elnagar**, ASG Applicant  
**Madaline Trujillo**, ASG Applicant  
**Jun Lias**, ASG Applicant  
**Joseph Paul Jarocki**, ASG Applicant

## 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 2:45 p.m. with quorum established and 6 ASG Officers present.

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

**Farah Haj Ghaban**, Vice President of Activities, leads us in the flag salute.

**Farah Haj Ghaban**, Vice President of Activities awards the trophy cup to **Ishita Muppala**, Student Trustee for doing well at the Board of Trustees meeting.

**1.3 Announcements:** No appointments will be made today as additional interviewing will take place next week. Some items will be stricken from agenda today.

**Joshua De Jesus**, Vice President of Inter Club Council, arrives at 2:46 pm.

**1.4 Approval of the ASG Senate Meeting of September 2, 2026**

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

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

**Record of Board Vote...** 7-0-0 with chair voting and officer De Jesus now present

**1.5 Open Forum:** none

**2. Consent Calendar:**

**2.1 Approval of the ASG Senate Meeting Minutes from August 26, 2026**

**2.2 Approval of the ASG Senate Meeting Minutes from July 29, 2026**

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

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

**Record of Board Vote...** 7 -0-0 with chair voting aye

**3. Regular Board Meeting Items:**

**3.1 Discussion: Interviews for Activities Team-CCC and Valencia Campus**

**Motion:** **Joielynn Belmonte**, Executive Vice President

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

**Background:** The following individuals have applied for the Vice President of Communications position. Candidates will be brought to the Senate for individual interviews. Candidates have been checked for eligibility.

**Candidates:**

Madaline Trujillo-VAL

Youssef Elnagar-VAL

Kiyanna Quiros-CCC and VAL

Rachelle Rosales-VAL

Faith Obtinalla-CCC and VAL

Faith is the first applicant and has the quorum time available for both the senate and the activity board meeting.

Kiyanna is the third applicant and had the quorum time available for both the senate and the activity board meetings.

Youseff is the fifth applicant and has the quorum time available for activity board meetings.

Madaline is the sixth applicant and has the quorum time available for activity board meetings. She is also interested in the CCC activity board position.

Rachelle is the seventh applicant and has the quorum time available for activity board meetings.

**Motion to Table Agenda Items 3.2, 3.5, and 3.6**

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

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

**Record of Board Vote...** 7-0-0 with chair voting aye

**3.2 Action: Appointment of Activities Team CCC and Valencia**

**Background:** The officers will now discuss which candidate(s) to appoint as the Activities Team for Canyon Country Campus and the Valencia Campus

**Recommendations:** ~~Appoint selected candidate(s) as Activities Team CCC and Valencia to start term on August 8, 2026.~~

**3.3 Discussion: Interviews for VP of Communications**

**Motion:** *Joielynn Belmonte, Executive Vice President*

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

**Background:** The following individuals have applied for the Vice President of Communications position. Candidates will be brought to the Senate for individual interviews. Candidates have been checked for eligibility.

**Candidates:**

Isela Castillo

Kiyanna Quiros

Faith Obtinalla

Ali Koriem

Ali is the second applicant and is available to attend the senate meetings on Wednesdays.

Isela is the fourth applicant, and she has the senate meeting time available on Wednesdays.

Jun is eighth applicant has the quorum time available for senate meetings.

Joseph is the ninth applicant and has the quorum time available for senate meetings.

**3.4 Action: Allow Lex Annual Plan Presentation**

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

**Second:** *Chrislynn Quach, Vice President of Equity*

**Background:** Lex has to travel and cannot make the important meeting/interview. He has applied for the role and is eligible, but his name does not appear as a candidate. This is not fair to him and denies his rights.

Lex was unable to be at the meeting today for the interviews

Due to the number of applicants, deliberations will not take place until next week.

**Recommendations:** *Move to approve annual plan presentation.*

**Record of Board Vote...** 0-7-0 with chair voting aye

### **3.5 Action: Appointment of Vice President of Communications**

**Background:** The officers will now discuss which candidate to appoint as the Vice President of Communications.

**Recommendations:** ~~Appoint selected candidate as Vice President of Communications to start term on August 8, 2026.~~

### **3.6 Action: Approval to Purchase ASG Polos**

**Background:** During ASG Summer Training it was discussed about wearing ASG polos at ASG events, ASG Polo Days and campus events/meetings in an effort to be more unified and to spread the word about ASG since many students still do not know what ASG is. We only have a limited inventory and are in need of purchasing more polos for our ASG leaders.

**Recommendations:** ~~Move to approve \$1,000 from the Student Representative Fee # 72-64511-00-696000-3000 for the purchase of additional ASG polos.~~

### **3.7 Action: Approval of Change to ASG Grant**

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

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

**Background:** Every spring semester the ASG awards different departments and programs on campus grants. The Umoja Community was awarded \$500 for a conference held this summer. They found other sources of funding and decided not to use student money if they didn't have to. They would like to use the funds to buy a microwave and refrigerator to be used in the Umoja Village BONH-10.

***Chrislynn Quach, Vice President of Equity, leaves at 4:18pm***

**Recommendations:** *Approve the change of grant usage from travel to refrigerator and microwave for the Umoja Community on campus.*

**Record of Board Vote...** 6-0-0 with chair voting aye and officer Quach no longer present

### **3.8 Action: Approval of CCCSAA Fall 2026 Student Leadership Conference**

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

**Second:** Charlotte Pimentel, Vice President of Advocacy

**Background:** Every year, the California Community College Student Affairs Association provides a Student Leadership Conference to the new Associated Student Boards at

California Community Colleges. This year the conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency, Orange County, October 16-18, 2026.

**Cost:** The cost breakdown to attend the conference for 15 people is the following:

**Registration:** \$575 per person = \$8,625

**Double Occupancy Hotel Room:** \$800 each for 2 nights 9 rooms = \$7,200

**Mileage:** 35 miles @ .67 a mile for 15 people = \$350

**Parking:** \$50 per car each night = \$1,500

**Meals:** \$30 Dinner each on Friday and Saturday night = \$900

**TOTAL:** \$18,575

**RSVP by September 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Recommendations:** *Move to approve up to \$18,575 from the Student Rep Fee account 72-65220-00-696000-3000 for travel expenses to the 2026 CCCSAA Conference.*

**Record of Board Vote...** 6 -0-0 with chair voting aye

***Joshua De Jesus, Vice President of Inter Club Council, leaves at 4:24pm***

#### **4. Reports (Reports are limited to 5 minutes)**

##### **4.1 Officer's Reports**

###### **4.1.1 Director Reports-**

4.1.2 Vice President of Activities -**Farah Haj Ghaban**- Event next Tuesday at the flagpole. Brendan emailed regarding the Land Acknowledgement and ASG's assistance requested during the event. He requested ASG to arrive at 11:30 am in Canyons Hall on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

4.1.3 Vice President of Inter Club Council- **Joshua De Jesus**-nothing

4.1.4 Vice President of Communications- **Vacant**

4.1.5 Vice President of Equity- **Chrislynn Quach**- nothing

4.1.6 Vice President of Advocacy- **Charlotte Pimentel**- nothing

4.1.7 Student Trustee- **Ishita Muppala** -nothing

4.1.8 Executive Vice President – **Joie Lynn Belmonte**- nothing

4.1.9 President- **Marni Kallestad**- nothing

4.1.10 ASG Technician- **Robin Herndon** – nothing

4.1.11 Advisor – **Joanna Kelly**- absent

4.1.12 Lead Advisor- **Kelly Dapp**- nothing

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

#### 4.3 Standing Committees

- 4.3.1 Elections Committee
- 4.3.2 Finance Committee

#### 4.4 Ad Hoc Committees

Charlie is working on creating a committee and let her know if you are interested in helping.

### 5. Open Forum:

Transfer advisement committee is looking for 2 student representatives. Email Kelly if interested.

### 6. Announcement of the Next Meeting- September 9, 2026

### 7. Adjournment (4:30p.m.)

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

**Second: Ishita Muppala, Student Trustee**

**Record of Board Vote: ....5-0-0 with chair voting Aye and officer De Jesus not present**