ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF LOS ANGELES
HARBOR COLLEGE
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

11/17/10

Global Classroom, Los Angeles Harbor College

Attendees: President Brendan Binns, Vice President April Abercrombie, Vice President of Finance Blanca Sanchez, Secretary Dawn Castillo, ASO Advisor Mercy Yanez, Senator Ursich, Senator Martin Caracoza, Senator Genesis dela Cruz, Senator Caitriona McCosker, Senator Ruben Villanueva, Senator Ned Ebbs Jr., Senator Steven Delgado, Senator Stephanie Vedder, Nahasi Ronald Lee.

A.S.O. Senate Agenda
9th Meeting
November 17, 2010
1:00 pm
Los Angeles Harbor College, Global Classroom
(Learning Resource Center 2nd Floor)

*Disclaimer: The Los Angeles Harbor College Associated Student Organization Student Senate meeting is a Brown Act meeting where audio and video taping is allowed without prior permission.

I. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The meeting Chair will call the meeting to order and lead all those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance.

II. ROLL CALL
The meeting Chair will call for the secretary to conduct roll call in order to record attendance.
*refer to Section 6, Article 6.1 of the ASHC Constitution.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (1 Minute)
The meeting Chair will call for a motion from the ASO legislative body to approve the agenda.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (1 Minute)
The minutes of the previous meeting will be reviewed for content accuracy. The meeting Chair will then call for a motion from the ASO legislative body to approve the minutes as amended or without change.

V. PUBLIC FORUM (2 Minutes per Person)
The Chair will invite members of the public wishing to address the ASO legislative body to speak.

VI. FIFTEEN MINUTE TRAINING SESSION (15 Minutes)
Mercy Yanez will give a fifteen minute presentation to the senate for training purposes.

VII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT (10 Minutes)
The Chair will give the floor to our college president, Marvin Martinez, for the delivery of the President's Report.

VIII. SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER (5 Minutes per Person)
The Chair will give the floor to each special guest speaker on the agenda.

IX. NEW BUSINESS
The Chair will address New Business items on the agenda to be presented for consideration by the ASO legislative body.
A. Approval of New Allocation of Funds/Bill Request Form

X. LEGISLATION BILL (PRO/CON)
The Chair will address Legislation Bills on the agenda to be presented for consideration by the ASO legislative body.
A. FACCC Policy & Advocacy Conference- Senator Ruben Villanueva ($5,500.00).
B. Harbor World Cup Tournament- Senator Michael Ursich and Senator Caitriona McCosker ($425.00).

XI. ACTION ITEMS
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XII. DISCUSSION ITEMS
The Chair will open the floor up for Discussion Items.

XIII. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS (4 Minutes per Person)
The Chair will address any Special Committee Chairs for the delivery of committee reports.
A. Financial Brainstorming Committee
   Committee Members: Senator Julio Manson, Senator Steven Delgado, President Brendan Binns, and Vice President of Finance Blanca Sanchez.
B. Activities Planning Committee
   Committee Members: Senator Alexis Melgoza, Senator Stephanie Vedder, Senator Steven Delgado, Senator Genesis dela Cruz, Senator Martin Caracoza, and Senator Hashim Tyler.
C. Campus Safety Task Force
   Committee Members: Senators Steven Delgado and Ned Ebbs Jr.

XIV. EXECUTIVE CABINET REPORTS (5 Minutes per Person)
The Chair will call for the members of the Executive Cabinet to deliver cabinet reports.
A. President- Brendan Binns
   The ASO President will deliver his report.
B. Vice President- April Abercrombie
   The ASO Executive Vice President will deliver her report.
C. Vice President of Finance- Blanca Sanchez
   The ASO Vice President of Finance will deliver her report.
D. Secretary- Dawn Castillo
   The ASO Secretary will deliver her report.

XV. SHARED GOVERNANCE REPORTS (3 Minutes per Person)
The Chair will call for reports from any senator that has attended one of the following Shared Governance meetings.
A. College Planning Committee- The next meeting is on November 22nd at 1:30 pm in SSA 219.
B. Academic Affairs- The next meeting is on December 1st at 2:30 pm in SSA 219.
C. Student Services- TBA
D. Academic Senate- The next meeting is on November 18th and December 2nd at 1:00 pm in SSA 219.
E. Work Environment- The next meeting is on December 14th at 2:00 pm in NEA 187.
F. Administrative Service Cluster- TBA
   *Shared Governance meeting dates and times are available on the Harbor College homepage and the ASO Calendar.

XVI. INFORMATION ITEMS (4 Minutes per Person)
The Chair will open the floor to any senator wishing to bring forth an information item to the ASO legislative body.

XVII. ADVISOR’S REPORT (10 Minutes)
The Chair will give the floor to the ASO Advisor, Mercy Yanez, to deliver her report.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT
The Chair will adjourn the meeting.

For additional information please refer to the Associated Student Organization website.
www.lahc.edu/studentservices/aso/aso.html

Special notes: The minutes reflect the order of report items, which may not necessarily match the meeting agenda.

Call to Order
April Abercrombie

Roll Call (quorum= 7)
Dawn Castillo
### Report/Discussion:
**Vice President April Abercrombie** called for the Secretary to conduct roll call. Quorum of the executive body was met.

### Inducted Senators:

### Officers/Advisor:
President Brendan Binns, Vice President April Abercrombie, Vice President of Finance Blanca Sanchez, Secretary Dawn Castillo, and ASO Advisor Mercy Yanez.

#### Approval of Agenda

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**Approval:**
*The motion to approve the agenda was made and carried with a 1st from Senator Ned Ebbs Jr. and a 2nd from Senator Steven Delgado.*

#### Approval of Minutes

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**Amendments:**
None.

**Approval:**
*The motion to approve the minutes was made and carried with a 1st from Senator Martin Caracoza and a 2nd from Senator Ned Ebbs Jr.*

#### Public Forum

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<td><strong>Nahasi Ronald Lee</strong> introduced himself as a student from the Compton College Education Center. He is also a Region 7 representative. He congratulated the student government organization for taking their time for the benefit of others.</td>
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#### Fifteen Minute Training

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<td><strong>The motion to allow Nahasi Lee to speak during the time allotted for Fifteen Minute Training was made and carried with a 1st from Senator Steven Delgado and a 2nd from Senator Stephanee Vedder.</strong></td>
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**Nahasi Ronald Lee** participated in the statewide student senate when it was called CalSACCC. He brought copies of a document meant for all of the student government associations of the California community colleges. He spoke regarding how to encourage participation in student government. He spoke to a continuity of relationships. He referred to AB 1725 which mandated that students be added as a forth constituency group to the shared governance committees in 1988. He spoke regarding students having access to email accounts. He referred to prop 13. He added that by utilizing the information in this packet senators may be able to address issues at their local level and state level. He stated that any student can attend shared governance meetings as long as they are committed to coming back to the senate and reporting to the group. Also, students not representing the senate may not vote on the group’s behalf. He also referred to a card that shows which shared governance meetings we are legally given a voice.

#### Comments/Questions:
Senator Steven Delgado asked a question regarding AB 1725 and which shared governance committees students have a vote or an opportunity to participate.

**President’s Report**

Presidential Martinez

Report/Discussion:
No report.

Senator Martin Caracoza rose to a point of personal privilege.

**Special Guest Speaker**

Report/Discussion:
None.

**New Business**

April Abercrombie

A. Approval of New Allocation of Funds/Bill Request Form

ASO Advisor Mercy Yanez noted which areas were changed in this second draft. She explained the reason for the changes. She asked for input from the senators. The new form allows for some tracking of the bills that are annual. This is meant as a way to see what bills are successful and what bills are not. This form will be available online in pdf format. She also pointed out that she has physically walked checks to the business office and around campus personally in order to expedite the payment process. President Martinez gave our advisor a credit card to use for senate appropriations. This way the money will come out of an account that is tracked by the district.

Senator Ned Ebbs Jr. asked for clarification regarding which accounts the money comes from for senate appropriation.

Secretary Dawn Castillo asked that senators closely review the bill before giving their approval in order to assure that they understand how to use it.

Senator Martin Caracoza asked that a space be added for senators to write in the purpose of the bill, and add descriptors for budget line items or an attachment. He also asked how would senators know which line item funds are coming from.

Vice President April Abercrombie passed the gavel to President Brendan Binns.

Vice President April Abercrombie expressed her feelings that this further complicates the bill writing process. She feels that this form is intimidating to new senators and suggested that we find a form that is simpler.

ASO Advisor Mercy Yanez feels that senators are not currently filling out forms themselves or following through with the current process. She wants to see more follow through with bills. She wants transparency because this is student money. She informed the senate that is important to work with her and each other as a team.

President Brendan Binns passed the gavel back to Vice President April Abercrombie.

**Legislation Bill**

April Abercrombie

A. FACCC Policy & Advocacy Conference- Senator Ruben Villanueva ($5,500.00).

Senator Ruben Villanueva asked that we approve funds to send senate representatives to the FACCC Advocacy and Policy Conference. He feels that this would be a good opportunity to broadcast the message of the Golden State Assembly Bill. There will a guest speaker, John Myers, to speak on the results of the November election.

The motion to amend the date of the event to read 3/5/11 instead of 3/5/10 was made and carried with a 1st from Senator Steven Delgado and a 2nd from Senator Martin Caracoza.

Questions/Comments:

Senator Martin Caracoza raised questions regarding the date of the event, the account the funds will be coming from, and the location.
Senator Steven Delgado raised concerns regarding any political bias that may be expressed at this conference. He also shared his experience attending this event as an AFT intern. Senators Genesis dela Cruz, Stephanee Vedder, and Caitriona McCosker voiced their support for this event. Senator Michael Ursich asked if this trip was more of a learning experience. ASO Advisor Mercy Yanez clarified that this will be a lobbying trip.

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**Action Items**

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<td>A. FACCC Policy &amp; Advocacy Conference- Senator Ruben Villanueva ($5,500.00). The bill 7 yes votes, 0 no votes, and 1 abstention. <strong>The bill passed.</strong></td>
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<td>Total Amount of Funding Disbursement: $5,500.00</td>
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**Discussion Items**

| Reports/Discussion: None. |

**Special Committee Reports**

| A. Financial Brainstorming Committee |
| No Report. |
| B. Activity Planning Committee |
| Senator Martin Caracoza reported that he was voted as the chair of this committee. They decided to change the date of the Winter Jam dance. There was a suggestion to not sell drinks. This is something that will be handled by the clubs instead. The committee has appointed a person to handle communications for this event, Senator Mari Ashley Andrews. Vice President April Abercrombie was asked to sit on the committee and report to the Inter-Club Council. The committee voted to remove a committee member as well, Senator Steven Delgado. President Brendan Binns reported that Mr. Woods will be handling the lighting for this event. ASO Advisor Mercy Yanez reported an email blast went out yesterday to announce that the day of the event has changed. |
| C. Campus Safety Task Force |
| Senator Steven Delgado reported on the number of skunks, squirrels, and raccoons on campus having increased. |

**Executive Cabinet Reports**

| A. President |
| Brendan Binns reminded the senate to follow through on their bills. He senators to do bills that they are interested in. He also reported on the Mayor’s Town Hall meeting. |
| B. Vice President |
| April Abercrombie reminded everyone that we are here because we believe in something. We come in on our own time. That being the case it is important to get in here, debate, and share your feelings. Let’s make the best of our time here. Let’s work together. |
| C. Vice President of Finance |
| Blanca Sanchez No report. |
D. Secretary
Dawn Castillo
No report.

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| A. College Planning Council  
  No report. |
| B. Academic Affairs  
  Senator Ebbs excused himself to attend this meeting. |
| C. Student Services  
  No report. |
| D. Academic Senate  
  No report. |
| E. Work Environment  
  No report.  This meeting was rescheduled. |
| F. Administrative Service Cluster  
  No report. |
| G. Budget Committee  
  No report. |

*Work Force and Economic Development Cluster*

**President Brendan Binns** reported that this is a new cluster meeting. He attended the meeting. They spoke about grants, they are looking for grants to fund programs that will feed the job market, community involvement, and internships.

**ASO Advisor Mercy Yanez** stated that this is why it is important to attend functions like the Soroptimist Luncheon. That’s how we get exposure and more community involvement. She also pointed out that we do not have a foundation director at present.

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**Reports/Discussion:**

**Senator Martin Caracoza** announced for the record that he and Senator Genesis dela Cruz will be attending the next CPC meeting.

**Secretary Dawn Castillo** brought it the senate’s attention that the **AFT** asked us to discuss their contribution of **$150.00** for the Town Hall meeting. The **Town Hall** was an ASO sponsored event, but the AFT is making a contribution to offset our costs. We ask that it be noted in the minutes so there is documentation.

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**Report:**

**ASO Advisor Mercy Yanez** apologized for her tone earlier. She shared some recent experiences that have added stress to her life. She expressed that advising this group is rewarding to her. She reported on her trip to Sacramento. We have some challenging times ahead. She will be pulling some senators to do local lobbying. For those of you who are in EOP&S today is the last day for priority registration. Tomorrow registration opens up for continuing students. Classes will be cut in the Spring. Enroll as soon as possible. She reported on the Manager’s Council meeting and she offered to share the projections given at that meeting.

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**Vice President of April Abercrombie** adjourned the meeting at 2:46 pm.