

MINUTES
DASB SENATE MEETING
Wednesday, May 27, 2009
3:30pm
Student Council Chambers

Call to Order

Valery Nguyen called the meeting to order at 3:35pm.

Roll Call

<u>Name</u>	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early	
Andy Chow	X				
Jack Chuang		X			
Zeynep Erturkoglu	X				
Karthi Kumar		X			
Anson Lai	X				
Calvin Lam	X				
Livia Lee	X			X 4:09pm	
Sean Lee		X			
Patrick Leung		X			
Melody Lin	X			X 4:09pm	
Jonathan Mai	X				
Esha Menon		X			
Amie Ngan		X			
Valery Nguyen	X				
Cheko Pacheco			X 3:40pm		Excused
Trish Pham		X			
Amir Pourshafiee		X			
Deidre Quan	X				
Asami Sato	X				
Sharon Su		X			
Terell Sterling			X 3:53pm		Excused
Yoshie Takeuchi	X				
John Yan		X			
June Yuan	X				
Michelle Zhong	X		X 4:45pm	X 4:25pm	

Junior Senators

<u>Name</u>	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early
Arisa Harada	X			
Levon Minassian	X			
Ji Sin	X			
Christine Tran	X			
Sakura Yoshimura	X			

Guests: John Cогnetta, Dennis Shannakian, Soheil Rezaee, Jessica Yu, Anthony Nguyen, Nicole Lau, Jessica Zapagoza, Bianca Oroclo, Cain Ramirez, Kevin Halim, Keith Hubbard, Mo Shirazi, Marlo A. Custodio, Jose Avila-Martin, Grace Li, Khalid Ali, Omar Ali, Dipinbir Singh, Samera Hadi, Mayra Miranda, Matt Bradly, Joe Flores, Oscar Custodio, Peter Lin, Samantha Olah, Balaram Fedchenko, Farrah Monfort, Mary Huebert, David Muench, Yang Qiu, Victoria Schofield, Huamin "Eric" Li, Claudia Flores, Toan N., Michael Rozynski, April Seo, Huan Nguyen, Wayne R. Spalding, Crist Antolin, Scarlett Yeiser Kim, Satomi Yokoyama, Patrick

Ahrens, Omar Ali, Dhoreena Ventura, Wason Huynh, Bobo Teo, Ernest Chavez, Paul Ng, Yim Avila, Shane Mason, Isabelle Barrientos, Marc Felipe Tolliver, Sergio Ruelas, Mark Allen, Khoa Bui, Edgar Quinoz, Oscar de Mata Garcia, Ian Anderson, Matthew Reeves, Yujin Yoshimura

Approval of Minutes

Wednesday, May 20, 2009

Wednesday, May 20, 2009, special meeting

June Yuan moved to approve the minutes of Wednesday, May 20, 2009 as presented.

Livia Lee seconded.

Motion to approve the minutes of Wednesday, May 20, 2009 as presented was passed by consensus.

June Yuan moved to approve the minutes of Wednesday, May 20, 2009, special meeting, as presented.

Livia Lee seconded.

Motion to approve the minutes of Wednesday, May 20, 2009, special meeting, as presented was passed by consensus.

Quorum was lost at 3:41pm.

Public Comments

Please note: Members of the public are limited to two minutes. The Senate cannot take action or respond to items during public comments.

- Mo Shirazi: Didn't want to be disrespectful to anyone last meeting and if it came off that way he is sorry.
- Ernest Chavez: Worked really hard in his club to make it a better community. Was very upset a couple weeks ago when his club's endorsement was thrown out because the paperwork was not filed properly. A grievance that went through was not filled out properly. If you're going to stay strict to your bylaws, then please stay strict to your bylaws.
- Jose Avila-Martin: Student Connection is all about protecting the students by following the rules. Weeding out those that are not prepared or detail oriented enough to serve the students. Wants to thank the Election Committee for all their work. Feels that the 10% was too lenient.
- Shane Mason: Taking away votes sounds more like silencing students' voices to him than upholding democracy. The punishment needs to be weighed against the crime.
- Isabelle Barrientos: Thinks by silencing votes is a case of low self-esteem. If you really think you're going to win, you're going to win.
- Grace Li: Voted in this election and has never voted previously. If this passes, she will be one of the votes that is silenced. She tried to vote initially, but was unable to. Had to have her ID reset and was finally able to vote Thursday evening. Why would you deter people who actually took the time to vote by silencing their vote.
- Jake: Not running for the election and not going to be here next year, but has spent a lot of time working on the campus to make it a community. Let the people decide who won the election and we'll all go on to bigger and better things.
- David: In LEAD's endorsement, they filled out their paperwork properly but it was thrown out because of a technicality that says it has to be on a regular scheduled meeting. Their endorsement was approved during a special meeting.

- Mark Allen: A week ago came in here about the reason why we have rules. They're there to make sure that people are serious about the election. The clubs wanted to endorse these candidates, but because of a bureaucratic error, the endorsements were thrown out and candidates are being punished. Punish the club if you have to, but don't punish the candidate. You're applying the rules for all the wrong reasons.
- Victoria Shofield: You're not punishing the candidates, you're punishing the students who took their time to voice their opinion. Her ID card was not able to be fixed.
- Cain Ramirez: Why can't we just talk to each other without having to bring up grievances after the election to the Senate.
- Wayne Spalding: Generally tries to stay neutral in these issues. It's a real travesty how these things are being handled. At the time the statement was made, the statement was correct. As soon as they found out they had lost their endorsement, they removed mention of it without being asked.
- Marlo Custodio: We need to protect every vote because every vote matters and every vote counts.
- Yujin Yoshimura: Hears a lot of things about democracy. If you respect democracy, please respect law.

Burning Issues

- Terell Sterling: Wants to thank everyone that is here. Just make sure there is space so we do not create a fire hazard. This whole topic of is democracy fair, the Senate is more of a working ground. The real world does not care for the individual anymore. Everyone is entitled to your opinion. That's what you feel and that is what you believe in. You cannot judge someone and put them down because they do not agree with you. You should respect their opinion. There was a large amount of disrespect towards the committee and hostility than there was focus on the issues at hand.
- Jonathan Mai: A De Anza student who contributed a lot to this campus passed away. Her memorial service was being held today. Feels that she is a good candidate for honorable DASB member.099

Consent Calendar

There were no items on the Consent Calendar to approve.

Moved to announcements:

- June Yuan: Is leaving in a month and is on neither side. Every year repeats the same issues. Now feels like a lot of people are sitting here giving the Senate a lot of pressure. This election is a competition.
- Marlo Custodio: After this whole week, next week we're going to have a big party.
- Mo Shirazi: This election has created sides and divisions. Remember that we're going to be working together next year. And we need the previous Senate to leave a legacy and to teach us. We should come together.

Valery Nguyen adjourned the meeting at 4:15pm.

Valery Nguyen called the meeting to order at 4:25pm.

There was no quorum and business could not be discussed.

Terrell Sterling adjourned the meeting at 4:49pm.

Business

1. DISCUSSION/ACTION

New Funding of \$4,515 for Movie Tickets – Urgent Item

This item is to discuss funding of \$4,515 for Movie Tickets to purchase more AMC Gold Tickets.

Presenter: Lisa Kirk

Time Limit: 15 minutes

2. DISCUSSION/ACTION

New Funding of \$400 for Graduation Cap and Gown Fund – Urgent Item

This item is to discuss funding \$400 for the Graduation Cap and Gown Fund to provide caps and gowns for those of the 2009 graduating class that are not able to afford them.

Presenter: Patrick Ahrens

Time Limit: 15 minutes

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION

Complaint Resolution Appeals

This item is to allow for the appeals of any complaint resolutions from the Tuesday, May 26, 2009, DASB Elections Complaint Meeting if necessary. If there were no complaints and/or there are no appeals, this item will be pulled from the agenda.

Presenter: Chair

Time Limit: 30 minutes

4. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Campus Environment and Sustainability Recycle Workshop

This item is for the Campus Environment and Sustainability Committee to present to the Senate recycle and reusability techniques.

Presenter: Sean Lee

Time Limit: 20 minutes

5. INFORMATION

Public Relation Policy

This item is to present the public relation policy that the Student Rights and Campus Relations Committee is proposing.

Presenter: Calvin Lam

Time Limit: 20 minutes

6. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Reflection and Evaluation

This item is for the Senate to reflect on the 2008-2009 Senate year.

Presenter: Chair

Time Limit: 25 minutes

7. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

June Trip to Sacramento

This item is to discuss and approve the members to go to the SSCCC general meeting in Sacramento in June.

Presenter: Chair

Time Limit: 10 minutes

8. DISCUSSION/ACTION

Code Revision: Code of Conduct – First Vote

This item is to approve the changes made to the DASB Code of Conduct for a first vote.

Presenter: Jonathan Mai

Time Limit: 10 minutes

9. DISCUSSION/ACTION

Code Revision: Student Rights and Campus Relations Code – First Vote

This item is to approve the changes made to the DASB Student Rights and Campus Relations for a first vote.

Presenter: Jonathan Mai

Time Limit: 10 minutes

10. DISCUSSION/ACTION

Code Revision: Diversity and Events Code – Second Vote

This item is to approve the changes made to the Diversity and Events Committee Code for a Second vote.

Presenter: Jonathan Mai

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Informational Reports

External Committees

Internal Committees

Introduction/Approval of Prospective Senators/Junior Senators

Announcements

Adjournment

Submitted by

Jessica Dunlap

DASB Secretary

Approved Wednesday, June 3, 2009