



ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY
IMPERIAL VALLEY

Monday, March 7, 2022
NOGALES CONFERENCE ROOM – 2:34 P.M.
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS MEETING MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

A.S. President, Carlos A. Fitch, called the meeting to order at 2:34 p.m.

II. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

[Abbreviated Version]

For millennia, the Kumeyaay, Quechan, and Cocopah people have been a part of this land. This land has nourished, healed, protected, and embraced them for many generations in a relationship of balance and harmony. As members of the San Diego State community, we acknowledge this legacy. We promote this balance and harmony. We find inspiration from this land; the land of the Kumeyaay, Quechan, and Cocopah.

III. ROLL CALL:

- A. Voting Members Present: Carlos A. Fitch, Erika D. Gutierrez-Guler, Jazmyn Horton-Alvarado, Alan Castro, Frida Diaz, Julieanna Gutierrez, Karla Lora-Acosta, Linda A. Osuna, Angela Piña, Manuel Piña, Stephanie Amaya
- B. Voting Members Absent: John Moreno Jr.
- C. Ex-Officios (non-voting) Present: Henry Villegas, Melyssa Gonzalez, Alicia Robles, Gina Jimenez, Ismael Arvizu
- D. Ex-Officios (non-voting) Absent: Marina Martinez
- E. Visitors Present: None

IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda for Monday, March 7, 2022.

The agenda was approved with the amendments below:

It was moved and seconded to add Item for Consideration: D. Items/Women Empowerment Symposium Outdoor Activity (Action) and E. Food/Women Empowerment Symposium Outdoor Activity (Action).

LORA-ACOSTA/HORTON-ALVARADO

CARRIED (7-0-0)

V. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of Monday, February 28, 2022.

LORA-ACOSTA/A. PIÑA

CARRIED (7-0-0)

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

VII. UNIVERSITY REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. SDSU-IV A.S. Advisor/Dean of Students Henry Villegas
1. The food pantry is moving ahead with a new Coordinator who started today.
 2. HIS is looking for students to join the committee.
 3. Thanked everyone who attended the A.T.S. meeting
 4. Recognized S.R.S. participants.
- B. SDSU-IV Associated Students Coordinator Melyssa Gonzalez
1. Discussed updates regarding the scholarship committee. Requested their feedback.
 2. There were 107 attendees at the art gallery reception, including 88 students, eight faculty/staff, and 11 community members in attendance.
 3. Informed them she will be assisting at the fair for the next couple of days, and her availability can be accessed inside the A.S. calendar.
- C. A.S. President Carlos A. Fitch
1. Announced that the referendum breakdown and financial projections have been updated per enrollment decrease.
 2. Stated that he and Bookkeeper Robles will work on the compensation to the muralists.
 3. Bookkeeper Robles will work with two contractors for the painting and the electrical works of the Student Union Building.
 4. Vice President Moreno and V.P.U.A. Horton are tasked with participating in conversations regarding new Graduate Experience Student Fees.
 5. Asked everyone to be aware of the budget and consider the many events we have coming up. Because A.S. is increasing its visibility through hosting, collaborating, and sponsoring events, we anticipate reaching the budget at some point. Mentioned that he and V.P.F. Gutierrez will explore the option of pulling from reserves to continue programming.
 6. Congratulated those that participated at the S.R.S.
- D. A.S. Executive Vice President John Moreno Jr.
1. No Report.
- E. A.S. Vice President of Finance Erika D. Gutierrez-Guler
1. Informed that the trip to Knott's Berry Farm is planned for April 16th. There are no Covid-19 restrictions, but in-store masking is enforced. We have fifty-four students and two chaperones signed up so far. The cost will be eighty dollars and no cents (\$80.00) for SDSU-IV students.
- F. A.S. Vice President of University Affairs Jazmyn Horton-Alvarado
1. Reminded everyone that even though we have an open campus, when we have student events, especially A.S. events, we have to be mindful that we provide services only to currently matriculated students. Reminded everyone that we use student money for these events and therefore must use those funds for our students.

2. Reported that the A.T.S. presentation was insightful though not sure if presenters grasp the nature of the Calxico student population. However, they provided improved responses to student questions and concerns.
3. Congratulated Dr. Falcon and everyone who helped with the Women's Empowerment event. The event included a lovely group of women and allies.
4. Asked that everyone do their best to support events coming up through the Cross-Cultural Center this month.
5. Informed council that there will be a trip to Knott's Berry Farm on April 16th. There are no Covid-19 restrictions, but in-store masking will be enforced. 54 students and two chaperones.

G. SDSU-IV Dean/Chief Administrative Officer, Mark R. Wheeler

1. No Report.

VIII. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. Plant Potting Event (Action): It was moved and seconded to hold the Plant Potting Event on Tuesday, March 15th, from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the L.A. grass area.

LORA-ACOSTA/HORTON-ALVARADO

CARRIED (6-0-1)

Discussion: This event is mandatory. In the future, all work orders must be approved before reserving a specific location. Senator Lora-Acosta inquired about the increasing number of obstacles for events.

Erika D. Gutierrez-Guler - Yes

Jazmyn Horton-Alvarado – Yes

Alan Castro - Ab

Frida Diaz - Yes

Julieanna Gutierrez - Yes

Karla Lora-Acosta - Yes

Angela Piña - Yes

B. Items/Plant Potting Event (Action): It was moved and seconded to purchase plants, pots, soil, paint, and painting equipment from Walmart or another vendor in an amount not to exceed \$500.00 from the Activities: Social Activity (5) – Spring Activities Account.

LORA-ACOSTA/A. PIÑA

CARRIED (6-0-1)

Discussion: Students will plan items in pots.

Erika D. Gutierrez-Guler - Yes

Jazmyn Horton-Alvarado – Yes

Alan Castro - Ab

Frida Diaz - Yes

Julieanna Gutierrez - Yes

Karla Lora-Acosta - Yes

Angela Piña - Yes

C. Women Empowerment Symposium Outdoor Activity (Action): It was moved and seconded to hold an outdoor activity for the Cross-Cultural Center's Women Empowerment Symposium on Wednesday, March 16th, from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Auditorium Patio.

LORA-ACOSTA/HORTON-ALVARADO

CARRIED (7-0-0)

G. Items/Aztec Spirit Week (Action): It was moved and seconded to purchase three incentives from Aztec Shops or any other vendor in an amount to not exceed two hundred dollars and no cents (\$200.00) from the Activities: Social Activity (5) – Spring Activities Account. The plan is to give three (3) students who participated every day in the "Aztec Spirit Week" and showed up to one of the three (3) events related to "Aztec Spirit Week."

LORA-ACOSTA/HORTON-ALVARADO

CARRIED (7-0-0)

Discussion: Incentive ideas are hoodies from Aztec Shops that don't exceed sixty-five dollars (\$65.00) or a Starbucks SDSU Tumbler. Students who dress up and show up will be entered in an opportunity drawing.

Erika D. Gutierrez-Guler - Yes

Jazmyn Horton-Alvarado – Yes

Alan Castro - Yes

Frida Diaz - Yes

Julieanna Gutierrez - Yes

Karla Lora-Acosta - Yes

Angela Piña - Yes

H. Lucky Charms Brunch (Action): It was moved and seconded to hold the Lucky Charms Brunch Event on Thursday, March 17th, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Student Union Sala to discuss the impacts of St. Patrick's Day in cultural, psychological, and artistic perspectives.

A. PIÑA/GUTIERREZ-GULER

CARRIED (7-0-0)

Discussion: This event will not be mandatory.

Erika D. Gutierrez-Guler - Yes

Jazmyn Horton-Alvarado – Yes

Alan Castro - Yes

Frida Diaz - Yes

Julieanna Gutierrez - Yes

Karla Lora-Acosta - Yes

Angela Piña - Yes

I. Items/Lucky Charms Brunch (Action): It was moved and seconded to purchase decorations to celebrate St. Patrick's Day from Walmart or any other vendor and burritos from D' Polys or any other vendor in an amount to not exceed four hundred dollars (\$400.00) from the Activities: Social Activity (5) – Spring Activities Account.

LORA-ACOSTA/CASTRO

CARRIED (7-0-0)

Discussion: Discussed the variety of burritos and the logistics of the event.

Erika D. Gutierrez-Guler - Yes

Jazmyn Horton-Alvarado – Yes

Alan Castro - Yes

Frida Diaz - Yes

Julieanna Gutierrez - Yes

Karla Lora-Acosta - Yes

Angela Piña - Yes

J. Lavender Graduation (Action): It was moved and second to host the Lavender Graduation on April 23rd from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the L.A. grass area and Auditorium.

DIAZ/GUTIERREZ-GULER

CARRIED (7-0-0)

1. Executive VP Moreno Jr. and V.P.U.A. Horton-Alvarado will be the A.S. Imperial Valley Representatives selected to discuss the newly established Graduate Experience Fee.
2. President Fitch will be appointed an A.S. Representative, a graduate student, and an R.S.O. leader to be part of the Student Success Fee review. He will be emailing people who might be interested later in the week.
3. Will be looking for R.S.O. representatives to join the committee.

B. Executive Leadership: A.S. President, Carlos A. Fitch

1. President Fitch yielded to V.P.F. to discuss financial projections for the end of the semester.

C. Referendum Task Force: A.S. Leads

1. In today's meeting, the team will be reviewing the percentage allocation to each of the referendum components.
2. Suggest that the task force meets with R.S.O. Leaders to provide feedback on other initiatives.

D. S.D.S.U. Campus Fee Advisory: A.S. President, Carlos A. Fitch

1. Received the feedback summary and has been revising it to make a good decision.
2. V.P.F. Gutierrez-Guler and President Fitch will be participating in person in the A.T.S. Deliberation meeting.
3. Will be reviewing allocations for components. Will get input.

E. University Senate: A.S. President, Carlos A. Fitch

1. V.P.U.A. Horton-Alvarado agreed with President Fitch's reports regarding the Land Acknowledgment. However, she stated that she is also disheartened that the Senate voted to change the requirement to "optional." Added that it was uncalled for, unnecessary, and upholds colonization.
2. President Fitch stated that the Senate voted in favor of no confidence in the former C.S.U. Chancellor.
3. President Fitch commented on the vote and discussion of The John Coltrane Memorial Black Music Archive and expressed his disgust on how University Development and Relationships manage the precious gifts given to the University. President Fitch commented that the University's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion was not honored with the decision to give back this precious collection.

XI. REPORTS OF ASSOCIATED STUDENTS MEMBERS/STAFF

A. Julieanna Gutierrez, A.S. Senator

1. Discussed issues with departments and had to contact San Diego departments.

B. Karla Lora-Acosta, A.S. Senator

1. Agreed about student complaints.

C. Gina Jimenez, A.S. Executive Assistant

1. Mentioned some efficiency issues due to our staff checking in with San Diego staff.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:02 p.m.

GUTIERREZ-GULER/LORA-ACOSTA

CARRIED (10-0-0)

Approved by: *Carlos A. Fitch*, A.S. President
Prepared by: *Gina Jimenez*, A.S. Executive Assistant