

Members:

Present: Gabe Wong (Chair); James Dinh, Lauren Johnson, (At-Large); Lola Thompson, Melissa Bernal (CENV); John Hardgrove (CSE); Devin Moreno, Dacey Durbin (CBE); Milla Miller (Graduate); Miguel Acuna (CHSS); Emily Carsten (Fairhaven);
Absent: Zoe Absalonson (CSE); Mariana Flores (At-Large); Ellen Esteves (Graduate); Yasmin Flores (CHSS); Miguel Esteves (Fairhaven); MJ Dizon (CFPA)

Advisor: Leona Friedman
Secretary: Nely Vasquez
Guests: Adam Lorio, Isaac Brandt

MOTIONS:

SEN-24-S-39	To approve 3/6 and 3/13 minutes. Passed
SEN-24-S-40	To move to the “Introduction to New Senators” item after “Advisor Budget Updates”. Passed

Call to Order: Gabe Wong, Student Senate President, called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

I. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

- a. Add the approval of the minutes from 3/6 & 3/13 to the Consent items
- b. Adding 5 min to the Candidate Filing Outreach

II. CONSENT ITEMS (subject to immediate action)

MOTION: To approve 3/6 and 3/13 minutes			
Motion Made By: Dacey Durbin	Second: John Hardgrove	SEN-24-S-39	
Vote Count: Aye: 10 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0		Action Result: Passed	

III. PUBLIC FORUM (comments from students and the community)

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS - Guests*

- a. Advisor Budget Updates

He presented document 1 giving some updates regarding next year’s budget. He said that there is some budget constraint, but he will be advocating for at least a 21% budget increase.

One problem we have is not all of the hours are being used, leaving some residual money. Wong wanted to know if the Senators could do all their work under 8 hours. Answers varied.

MOTION: To move to the “Introduction to New Senators” item after “Advisor Budget Updates”			
Motion Made By: Lauren Johnson	Second: Melissa Bernal	SEN-24-S-40	
Vote Count: Aye: 9 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0			Action Result: Passed

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS - Senate*

- a. Introduction to New Senators

Miller, Carsten, and the Senate introduced themselves to each other.

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS - Guests*

- b. Candidate Filing Outreach

Johnson says the final filing date is April 21st and is asking the Senate to help with tabling. She says the paid hours are flexible and they will also be serving drinks and/or rice crispy treats. Senators who want to serve the drinks will need to have a food handlers permit. Friedman says the people filing cannot run for next year.

V. ACTION ITEMS – Guests*

VI. PERSONNEL ITEMS *(subject to immediate action)*

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS - Senate*
(moved to earlier in the meeting)

VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Long-term Collective Goals Discussion

Durbin was thinking about making some long-term collection goals for the Senate. She asked the Senators for some of their ideas. Some ideas were what to do during your first week as a Senator, add some more agenda items, increasing voter turnout etc.

IX. ACTION ITEMS – Senate*

X. SENATE REPORTS

- a. Year End Goals

Wong presented document 2 to the Senate, and had the Senators answer the questions presented.

Wong also asked present Senators if there is anyone who would be interested in joining the AI group with Hardgrove. Miller and Wong are interested.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

Adjournment: *Gabe Wong, AS Senate President, adjourned the meeting at 6:34 p.m.*

The Student Senate approved these minutes on 4-17-23.