THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY STUDENT SENATE

Notice of Meeting
April 20, 2010
4:30 p.m.
G-wing Lounge

Pomona, New Jersey 08240-0195 - (609) 652-4845
STUDENT SENATE MEETING
AGENDA

April 20, 2010

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

II. Approval of Minutes

III. President’s Report

IV. Committee Reports
   A. Academic Policies
   B. Finance
   C. Public Relations
   D. School Spirit
   E. Student Welfare

V. Announcements/Comments from the Public

VI. Adjournment of the 2009-10 Senate

VII. Call to Order/Roll Call for the 2010-11 Senate

VIII. Election of President and Vice President

IX. Adjournment of the 2010-11 Senate
2009-2010 Student Senate Meeting
Minutes from
April 13, 2010

Presiding: Brian Brateris

Members Present: Jazmin Alayon
William Elmore
Christine Greve
Kenan Kurt
Dawn Leiser
Daryl Lewis
John Livres
Timothy Papp
Pedro Perz
Jamey Robinson
Josh Spada
Dan Stockman
Duanaya Williams

Members Absent: Jacqueline Bavier
Clarence Chu
Nazire Divanovic
Zaneb Ghanem
Patrick Hewett
Precious Jemibewon
Iris Ruffin
Charles Kern
Nicole Kim
Xochil Ramirez
John Szczuplak
Samuel Wakawa
Lauren Zampelle

Members Late: None

Committee Reports: Academic Policies

Timothy reported that the committee attended and observed the Meet the Candidates event and wished good luck to the new Student Senate members and to Janet Ta for being elected the Board of Trustees alternate member.
School Spirit

William announced that the committee is working on the Carnival which will be held Saturday, April 17th.

Student Welfare

Dawn began by reporting that she, Charles and Brian attended “Dine with the Directors.” They resolved several of the issues with on-campus dining including being able to order food items a la cart and the shift of the main dining area away from N-wing. They also discussed the importance of community kitchens, since the future housing plans do not involve ovens or stoves.

Dawn then reported that the committee is compiling new issues to pass on to the next year’s committee.

Public Relations

In Xochil’s absence, Brian reported that Meet the Candidates went very well and congratulated Xochil for her hard work.

Announcements/Comments from the Public:

Len Farber, Director of Student Development, thanked the Greek organizations for a great job during Greek Week and S.E.T. for the wonderful job they did with the Spring Concert. Len then encouraged students to attend upcoming Student Development sponsored events.

Joseph Lizza, Assistant Director of the College Center, reminded everyone of the Hip Hop Summit, which will be held on April 15th. He also gave updates on Grad Send-Off events.

Robert Ross, Assistant Director of Counseling and Health Services, announced that Stockton will be hosting the Special Olympics track & field events on April 25th and asked students for any ideas to raise additional funds. He also encouraged students to support Blowing Bubbles for Autism. They are trying to set a world record this year and all proceeds go to FACES.

Elaine Grant, Assistant to the Director of Student Development, announced upcoming Student Development events.

Katie Seternus, President of the Dance Club, thanked the Senate for supporting their trip to the American College Dance Festival.

Adjournment: Brian adjourned the meeting at 4:55 p.m.
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Members Late: None

Agenda/Business: Brian called the meeting to order. Senators who were absent or late were noted. Kenan moved to approve the minutes of the March 30, 2010 meeting, seconded by Christine. Dawn wanted the minutes to reflect that she informed her chair of her absence.

*Senator Abstained: Brian Brateris

Motion Passed: 13-0-1*
Finance

Duanaya reported that the Finance Committee set the 2010-11 annual club budget allocations in the total amount of $429,723. She then moved to approve the annual allocations, seconded by Dawn.

Motion Passed: 13-0-1*

*Senator Abstained: Brian Brateris

Adjournment: Brian adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.
April 13, 2010

Recommendations for the 2010-11 Academic Policies Committee:
Amend the Senate Constitution with stricter attire and attendance policies.
Plan ahead for the Undecided Fair in the fall and the philanthropy in the spring. Spread the word early and often.
Advertise for more student input, possibly creating a suggestion box or setting up meetings.
Also advertise Professor of the Year nominations early.

Recommendations for the 2010-11 Finance Committee:
Make a list of 6 or 7 questions that they ask each club that requests a supplemental.
Make a checklist of information that they want each club to bring with them when discussing the supplemental (especially for conferences).
The liaison for each club contact those clubs and try to meet with them so they can become familiar with the committee as well as certain procedures.
Before a supplemental meeting the liaison should make sure that the club knows the time, date and place of the meeting.
The committee should do a team building activity in order to get to know each other a little better (this should happen sporadically throughout the semester).

Recommendations for the 2010-11 Public Relations Committee
Have a graphic design major create all senate posters
If there is a graphic design major (or someone with strong experience) on senate, appoint them to PR, no exceptions.
Also, larger events that are known about months in advance can be assigned by the professors as class project. This was done successfully for the school play, "measure for measure."
Continue to build upon "Leadership Week"
Use facebook to promote events
There is currently a senate group on facebook.
Update the Birthday Card project with a new picture/slogan. ...(Birthday card was designed to be sent to students before their 21st birthday to persuade them to do other things than drink, and/or drink responsibly. ... to look forward to more birthdays.)
Consider revising Senate logo,
Get senate stationary, including a letterhead, envelope, and such.
Encourage fundraisers with local community business.
Motivate the rest of the student body to participate and support the 2010-2011 Student Senate.
Promote Student Senate, become pioneers as Student Senate leaders.
Continue to work on the suggestion box (located next to our Bulletin Board).
Continue to update our Bulletin Board( located in G wing)

Recommendations for the 2010-11 School Spirit Committee
Keep a close relationship with athletics.
Plan events in advance.
Keep the future in mind, i.e., the campus center.
Continue carnival with a bonfire.
Start a professor’s last lecture series.
Recommendations for the 2010-11 Student Welfare Committee:
Continue to build relationships with the administration and assign each member a particular area to work on throughout the year (Ex. Housing, Food, College Center, Safety, and so forth)
Recommend having a town hall meeting within the first 4 weeks of class to resolve the immediate issues for the start of the semester and an additional one at the close of the semester.
This should also be done in the spring semester.
Try to improve communication with the student population for resolving any issues.