

# Associated Students of Laney College

## MEETING MINUTES

**Date: Monday, September 16, 2024**

**Time: 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm**

**Location: Student Center, 4th floor, Room 401**

**Zoom: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/6972267356>**

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### CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting started at 3:31 pm.

### I. ROLL CALL:

Title	Name	P/A
President	Frida Veliz (FV)	P
Vice President	Motse Mosola (MM)	P
External Secretary	VACANT	
Internal Secretary	Ayla Madrid (AM)	P
Treasurer	Kamorie Smith (KS)	P
Club Affairs Officer	Ahlam Ibrahim (AI)	P
Publicity Commissioner	Carmen Tan (CT)	P
Student Advocate	VACANT	
Senator	Sarah Simmons (SS)	EA

Senator	Giovanni Jordan (GJ)	P
Senator	Sihan Zhou (SZ)	P
Senator	Lindsey Wirgler (LW)	P
Senator	Josh Gumperz (JG)	P
Senator	Mara-Becca Tucker (MT)	P
Senator	Juniper Vintson (JV)	P

## **II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA.**

JG motions to adopt the agenda, LW seconds the motion. AI motions to remove Committees Check from the agenda, JG seconds the motion. LW motions to include Speech & Leadership Club Rechartering, AI seconds the motion.

## **III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

## **IV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:**

This portion of the agenda provides an opportunity for members of the public to address the Council on matters not included on this agenda. **A maximum of 14 minutes (2 minutes per individual maximum) will be provided for speakers under this agenda item.** Requests to speak that cannot be honored within the time limit will be scheduled for subsequent meetings in the order received. Under the Brown Act, Council members are not allowed to discuss and/or take formal action at today's meeting on items brought before them under this item. Council members are only allowed to respond briefly. Persons requesting to address an item included on the agenda will be called upon at the time the agenda item is considered by the Council, and comments on tangential issues not directly related to the item may be ruled out of order. Written statements can be submitted to the ASLC for inclusion in the minutes.

## **V. ASLC OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

## **VII. OLD BUSINESS:**

## **VIII. NEW BUSINESS:**

## **1) Raya Handshake / Employment resource on campus (8 min)**

- John, Laney Employment Center student worker, works in E257 announced the Job Fair on September 25th from 11 AM to 1 PM.
- Students can meet job coaches who are connected with various organizations.
- Appointments can be made through the employment office.
- Handshake is Laney's official job site, and students can access it using their student ID accounts.

## **2) Mongolian Club Proposals (8 min)**

- A Student Ambassador presented an upcoming event on October 12, focused on enrollment, financial aid, and providing information to students. They requested breakfast, lunch, and Laney-branded merchandise (long-sleeve shirts and notebooks).
- APASS will provide lunch, but they need breakfast and community merch.
- MM motioned to discuss, JG seconded. The proposal included \$300 for 15 shirts (\$25 each) and \$500 for notebooks (\$10 each).
- Atiya Rashada reminded the group that swag can only be given to students, and clubs must follow merchandise guidelines, ie no gifts in kind.
- KS suggested basing notebook quantities on RSVPs from the previous year (90 attendees).
- MT supported buying shirts but questioned the need for notebooks, as they don't advertise Laney or the Mongolian Club.
- GJ motioned to amend the agenda to approve only the shirts and hold off on notebooks, LW seconded.
- ASLC unanimously voted to approve \$300 for shirts only.
- BTR from: 5 - 72 - 544 - 5106 - 1 - 696000 - 0000 - 00 (- \$300)
- BTR into: 5 - 72 - 544 - 4304- 1 - 696000 - 0000 - 00 (+\$300)
- GJ motions to talk about the second mongolian proposal, JG seconds the motion.
- Discussion about purchasing \$90 worth of snacks from Amazon for the Club Room.
- MT pointed out that Amazon isn't a registered vendor, and suggested ordering from a registered vendor instead.
- FV mentioned some vendors can order from Amazon, but it would be pricier than Amazon's direct price.
- MT proposed monitoring and restocking snacks for the Club Room, a public space for clubs to grab food.
- LW motioned to vote, JT seconded. The vote was for proceeding with the snack purchase as proposed. MT, AI, SZ, GJ voted no. MM, AM, KS, CT, JG, SZ, LW, JT abstained. Proposal was not approved for this Amazon purchase.
- The group decided to revisit the food proposal for the Club Room snacks at the next meeting.

### **3) Club Rush ASLC Proposal (8 min)**

- FV presented quotes: \$600 for 200 cookies and 200 brownies, \$300 for 200 lemonades, totaling \$900. Pizza for 100 people would cost \$764.
- AI suggested pizza might be too much. FV proposed choosing between pastries and lemonade or pizza.
- CT suggested finding cookies from another vendor, but VFV mentioned they would need to create a vendor quickly. Zachary's Pizza was considered but ultimately scrapped for vegetarian/vegan options.
- JT noted pastries are easier for clean-up and can be taken home.
- JG asked about adding boba. FV explained it would cost \$800 for two hours.
- Atiya Rashada suggested working with Alfred to lower costs or collaborating with the Culinary Department, which would appreciate the support.
- LW motioned to vote on pastries and lemonade, JT seconded. ASLC unanimously approved \$900 for Laney Culinary.

### **4) Speech & Leadership Club Rechartering (8 min)**

- JG motioned to discuss the Speech and Leadership Club, JT seconded.
- Charles, the current president, introduced the club's mission to help students improve their speech and leadership skills.
- Charles plans to take a democratic approach, unlike last year's president, Maya, who handled most tasks herself.
- Planned events include one in October and another in November, with a guest speaker event in the auditorium featuring Ms. Tanya for Halloween, though details are undecided.
- KS inquired about how meetings will foster speech and leadership confidence. Charles explained that members will practice speeches, brainstorm ideas, and receive guidance from Ms. Tanya.
- GJ urged the club to finalize Halloween event preparations soon to present at the next ASLC meeting.
- AI motioned to vote, SZ seconded. AM, KS, AI, CT, GJ, SZ, LW, JG, MT, JV voted yes, MM abstained.
- The club was rechartered.

### **5) Atiya T Shirts (5 min)**

- Proposed sweatshirt styles: 1) tie-dye black, 2) tie-dye white, 3) green, 4) black, 5) gray, 6) deep green.
- Proposed T-shirt styles: 1) black, 2) gray, 3) dark green, 4) lighter green, 5) black, 6) gray, 7) green.
- Images are available on Google Drive; decisions are needed by Thursday, so that a proper quote can be drafted for ASLC to vote on at next meeting.
- Noted that sweatshirt and T-shirt sizes differ; size selections for each are required
- KS inquired about the minimum number of styles to optimize cost; suggested focusing on the same style for a better deal.
- Voting will determine which sweatshirt and T-shirt styles will be ordered. ASLC quotes quote approval is needed by Monday as minutes noting approval are required to create a purchase order (PO).

### **6) ASLC Donation Drive - Giovanni Jordan (5 min)**

- Discussed setting up donation boxes throughout the year.
- MT asked if donations would be for ASLC or others. GJ confirmed they are for ASLC.
- JT asked about the budget. GJ stated the current budget is \$15,000, Atiya recommends ASLC reserve the 10k for Spring SSCC General Assembly travel to LA. at least until February/March when SSCCC trip prices are posted on SSCCC webpage.
- Last year's ASLC had \$12,000 left for events and used it all; no detailed spreadsheet tracking event costs. Most funds went towards club events, cultural holidays, food, and supplies.
- JT noted that repetition of events can build excitement year to year.
- FV suggested reviewing event ideas during the next meeting, based on her past experience.

## **7) Organizing Voter Registration - Giovanni Jordan (5 min)**

- Charlie returned to discuss voter registration scheduling and availability.
- A website will be set up for ASLC members to fill in their availability to help with voter registration.
- Voter registration will occur Monday to Thursday, 11 AM to 2 PM, with the busiest time before 1 PM.
- Charlie provided physical voter registration ballots and reminded everyone that voter registration must remain neutral (no opinions or gifts).
- Completed ballots must be turned in within 72 hours.
- A quick registration link is available, and physical forms can be filled out on-site.
- Charlie has coordinated with faculty to promote voter registration and signed up 6 people today.
- Ayla will draft a when2meet schedule for ASLC members to sign up to volunteer.

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## **7) ASLC Set Goals for 2024-2025 Term (8 min)**

- MT: Increase student engagement.
- AI: Make campus more fun and lively.
- FV: Convert part of the Student Center into a hangout space; organize more tournaments and student life activities to build community.
- JG: Improve resources in the tutoring center, specifically for MATLAB; work on fixing elevators and improving facilities by coordinating with the facilities team.
- CT: Boost Instagram followers; film enough content at events to create a year-end recap video; requests access to a camera.
- GJ: Provide more resources and advertising for the Wellness Center.
- MM: Ensure open access to the fitness center for all students; support more tournaments and activities to foster community; mentioned facility improvements, including fixing elevators.
- SZ: Host an open basketball court with a 3-on-3 competition, potentially turning it into a larger event with an entry fee and prize for the winner.
- MT & MM: Improve communication about resources on campus, including clear signage and flyers listing available resources for new students.
- FV: Increase engagement on social media and explore opportunities in student journalism.
- KS & FV: Laney College should lead efforts to increase engagement across Peralta campuses. Laney, as the largest campus, can set the standard for involvement and inspire others.
- KS: Increase ASLC participation in Participatory Governance Meetings to ensure representation and push for change.
- FV: Will write all goals down for ASLCs further discussion and action planning.

### **VIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR**

This time is reserved for any ASLC Members to make announcements on items not on the agenda. A time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker and (15) fifteen minutes total shall be observed. **NO** action will be taken and the total time limit for this item shall not be extended.

The meeting ended at 4:45 pm.

