

**THE RICHARD STOCKTON  
COLLEGE  
OF NEW JERSEY  
STUDENT SENATE**

**Notice of Meeting  
September 16, 2008  
4:30 p.m.  
G-wing Lounge**

**Pomona, New Jersey 08240-0195 - (609) 652-4845**

**STUDENT SENATE MEETING  
AGENDA**

September 16, 2008

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. President's Report
- IV. Committee Reports
  - A. Finance
  - B. School Spirit
  - C. Public Relations
  - D. Student Welfare
  - E. Academic Policies
- V. Announcements/Comments from the Public
- VI. Election for Vice President
- VII. Adjournment

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2007-2008 Student Senate Meeting  
Minutes from  
April 22, 2008

Presiding: Jennifer Anzuena

Members Present: Krystle Alleyne  
Irene Ayoola  
Venetta Benjamin  
Brian Brateris  
Jyron Brooks  
Larry Daniels  
Kevin Devine  
William Elmore  
Chimere Lake  
Dawn Leiser  
John Livres  
Michael McManus  
Chantal McClary  
Katie McVeigh  
John Odoardo  
Ashley Pero  
Sammy Sanchez  
Danielle Sanzone  
Lee Smith  
Tracey Smith  
Sara Sterling  
Xilena Viana  
Duanaya Williams

Members Absent: Jerry Cupples  
Jasmine Harley  
Derek Simmons

Members Late: None

Agenda/Business: Jennifer called the meeting to order. Senators who were absent or late were noted. Michael moved to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2008 meeting, seconded by Kevin.

Motion Passed: 23-0-1\*

\*Senator Abstained: Jennifer Anzuena

### **President's Report: Jennifer Anzuena**

Jennifer first let the senators know that she was proud of their diligence and hard work. She then wished everyone good luck and congratulated the new and re-elected senators.

### **Committee Reports: Finance**

Larry thanked the Senate, his committee and the clubs and organizations for their hard work and commitment.

Larry then announced recommendations for the 2008-09 Finance Committee.

1. Each liaison on the committee must do a better job of keeping up to date with their club's progress at Stockton, even if it means attending at least one meeting or program. This makes it easier to evaluate the new budgets.
2. Each club should electronically submit a one page summary to the Student Senate of what they learned at their conferences and how they plan to implement it in their lives or the college.
3. The committee must begin to urge academic based clubs to seek funding and other forms of support from their academic divisions. Though the clubs are under Student Development, the fluctuating budget lends itself to a host of dilemmas, most notably the need to have more money set aside for academic clubs. This is not an easy task since most of the programming students see come from nonacademic based clubs. However, these clubs are vital to the academic development and field experience of our students. We must realize that and request further assistance from the academic divisions at the college because we are lacking.

### **School Spirit**

Mike first reported that the carnival was a huge success.

Mike then announced recommendations for the 2008-09 School Spirit/Morale Committee.

1. Have a larger role in planning events during Welcome Week and Homecoming.
2. Have several joint meetings with Public Relations.
3. Continue with the Avenue Sign Project.
4. Finish Phase 2 of the Osprey's Nest Project.
5. Have a larger role with umbrella organizations, like the ICC and Greek Council.
6. Expand Spirit Week events.

### **Public Relations**

William thanked his committee for their hard work this past year.

### **Student Welfare**

Chantal thanked her committee and the administration for their cooperation throughout the semester. She also wished good luck to the new senators.

Chantal then announced recommendations for the 2008-09 Student Welfare Committee.

1. Try to write up each issue you address in the Argo, so that the student body can be informed of what issues your committee has addressed.
2. Always do a follow up after you speak with administration about your particular issues
3. Try to form a solid and respectable relationship with the administration you are working with because you will have a lot of contact with them.
4. Table in the hallway at least twice a month so that the students can get used to seeing who is working in their favor, where they can go to get their issues addressed, and so that your committee will consistently have issues to address.
5. Work with the Public Relations Committee on getting the Student Senate's name out more so that people know where they can get their issues addressed

### **Academic Policies**

Jyron thanked his committee and the other senators for doing such a wonderful job.

Jyron then announced recommendations for the 2008-09 Academic Policies Committee.

1. Maintain the relationships developed this year with the faculty and staff.
2. Keep the programming aspect alive. Be a relevant committee.
3. Have a voice on the senate. Do not hold in your opinions.
4. Be active in everything that the other committees are doing. Be a team player.
5. Stay on top of your assignments. Be professional and reliable.

### **Announcements/Comments from the Public:**

Elaine Grant, Director of Summer Conferences and Special Projects, thanked the Senate for their hard work and announced that students can now order food online for pick-up or delivery.

Dr. Thomasa Gonzalez, Dean of Students, thanked everyone for their hard work throughout the semester. She then wished all of the graduates good luck

and stated that she looks forward to working with the new Senate. Dean Gonzalez presented plaques and certificates of appreciation to the Senators.

**Adjournment:** Jennifer adjourned the meeting of the 2007-08 Student Senate at 4:56 p.m.

2008-2009 Student Senate Meeting  
Minutes from  
April 22, 2008

**Presiding:** Jennifer Anzuena

**Members Present:** Brian Ackerman  
Jonathan Beloff  
Brian Brateris  
Kevin Devine  
William Elmore  
Jamie Evans  
Melissa Gonzalez  
Precious Jemibewon  
Dawn Leiser  
John Livres  
Chantal McClary  
Francis McGrath  
Matthew Miller  
Timothy Papp  
Ashley Pero  
Isham Poe  
Xochil Ramirez  
Gretchen Ramos  
Sammy Sanchez  
Danielle Sanzone  
Josh Spada  
Sara Sterling  
Xilena Viana  
Duanaya Williams

**Members Absent:** None

**Members Late:** William Newkirk

**Agenda/Business:** Jennifer called the meeting to order. Senators who were absent or late were noted. Jennifer then presided over the election for the 2008-2009 Student Senate President.

William Elmore, John Livres, Chantal McClary and Ashley Pero were nominated for president. William declined. John, Chantal and Ashley were given two minutes to speak, two minutes to answer questions, and two minutes for endorsements. The senators then voted and elected Ashley Pero.

Ashley then presided over the election for the 2008-2009 Student Senate Vice-President.

William Elmore, Kevin Devine and Chantal McClary were nominated for Vice President. William, Kevin and Chantal were given two minutes to speak, two minutes to answer questions, and two minutes for endorsements. The senators then voted and elected Chantal McClary.

**Adjournment:** Ashley adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

Date: September 9, 2008

Name of Committee: Finance

Presiding: John Livres

Members Present: Jonathan Beloff  
Kevin Devine  
John Livres  
Tim Papp  
Gretchen Ramos

Members Absent: None

Members Late: None

Agenda/Business: Student Senate submitted a supplemental in the amount of \$15,000 for Homecoming activities. The supplemental will go to clubs who are willing to provide programs for that weekend of October 10, 11 & 12. In addition, the money will be used for school spirit displays and prize money.

Motion Passed 4-1-0

John then informed the committee about requiring clubs to produce an organizational manual. This would further simplify the transitional period between the new and old executive board. The manual would contain documents that would make running the club easier, such as common contacts and previous events with an organized list of expenses. The idea is if a club was not active or the new executive board cannot contact the old board, they have a guide to help them.

Attached please find the list of committee liaisons to the college's clubs. All clubs who are seeking supplementals should contact their liaison.



Date: September 9, 2008

Name of Committee: School Spirit/Morale

Presiding: Danielle Sanzone

Members Present: Melissa Gonzalez  
William Newkirk  
Josh Spada  
Sara Sterling

Members Absent: None

Members Late: None

Agenda/Business: The committee discussed our plans for this semester, which mostly consisted of helping to publicize school-wide events and continuing to personalize the Osprey's Nest with Stockton's clubs and organizations. The committee also discussed ideas about creating a posted calendar of events in highly populated student areas to increase school morale.

Date: September 9, 2008

Name of Committee: Public Relations

Presiding: Xilena Viana

Members Present: Matt Miller  
Isham Poe  
Xochil Ramirez

Members Absent: William Elmore

Agenda/Business: The committee discussed their responsibilities for the upcoming year. Their item of business is the upcoming Student Senate election for first year students to be held on October 8 & 9. An election poster was drafted and will be distributed by Monday. The following is the schedule.

FALL, 2008  
STUDENT SENATE ELECTION TIMETABLE

SCHEDULE/TIMETABLE

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| September 2       | Nominating petitions available in following offices: Student Development (G-206).   |
| September 26      | <u>Deadline.</u> All petitions must be returned to the Office of Student Development (G-206) no later than 5:00 PM.                                       |
| September 26      | Three specified kiosks will be designated for campaign posters. Students will not be allowed to spend more than \$25 on the campaign.                     |
| September 29 & 30 | Candidates will have individual pictures taken in G-206. A bio-sketch and brief personal statement (25 words or less) will also be required at this time. |
| October 6         | <u>Argo</u> pictorial with a brief statement from the candidates.   |
| October 7         | Meet the Candidates – G-Wing lounge – 4:30 PM   |
| October 8 & 9     | Elections by the student body.  |
| October 14        | The two winners will attend the full senate meeting at 4:30 p.m. in the upper G-wing lounge.  |

Date: September 9, 2008

Name of Committee: Student Welfare

Presiding; Brian Brateris

Members Present: Brian Ackerman

Members Absent: Sammy Sanchez  
Duanaya Williams

Members Late: None

Agenda/Business: Brian Brateris was scheduled to meet with the Representative for the Americans with Disability regarding some changes to be made at Stockton. Brian is currently involved in discussion with Stephen Davis, Associate Dean of Students, about an Alcohol Taskforce for the future.

Brian Ackerman was scheduled to meet with Terrence Hardee, the Director of Residential Life, regarding changes that were made during the summer as well as changes they want for the future.

The committee also discussed the creation of a Facebook group in order to reach out to more students to find out their issues.

The committee has also been talking with Chief Miller and Eileen Conran-Folks, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs, about different safety and shuttle issues.

Date: September 9, 2008

Name of Committee: Academic Policies

Presiding: Dawn Leiser

Members Present: Jamie Evans  
Precious Jemibewon

Members Absent: Ingrid Jean-Gilles

Members Late: None

Agenda/Business: The committee discussed its plans for the upcoming year, including the Undecided Fair, our Domestic Violence fundraisers and our own personal goals. We discussed reaching out to each department and creating a better connection between students and faculty. We plan to have one member attend Faculty Assembly meetings so we can stay informed.

Regarding the Undecided Fair, Precious brought up the idea of having different days or weeks sponsored by different schools, to spark students' interest in finding their career, and to give them some time to speak to professors in that field.