**THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE**

**OF NEW JERSEY**

**STUDENT SENATE**

**Notice of Meeting**

**March 8, 2011**

**4:30 p.m.**

**G-wing Lounge**

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

STUDENT SENATE MEETING

AGENDA

March 8, 2011

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes
3. President’s Report
4. Committee Reports

A. Public Relations

B. Academic Policies

C. School Spirit

D. Student Welfare

E. Finance

1. Announcements/Comments from the Public
2. Adjournment

2010-2011 Student Senate Meeting

Minutes from

February 22, 2011

Presiding: Kenan Kurt

Members Present: Jazmin Alayon

Michelle Batista

Rosalia Caceres

Elizabeth Corey

Nick Courtney

Nazire Divanovic

Christine Greve

Sualeh Hafeez

Paulo Henriques

Je’Meda Johnson

David Jonas

Johana Rosas Delgado

John Szczuplak

Jonathan Torres

AJ Vervoort

Samuel Wakawa

Brittany Grapstul

Caitlin Cibenko

Darryl Lewis

Members Absent: Melissa Harabedian\* \*Notified Chair

Osagie Ekenezar\*

Chris Jones\*

Matthew Patterson\*

Ben Peoples\*

Brittany Revicki\*

Cristabelith Rosario\*

Members Late: None

Agenda/Business: Kenan called the meeting to order. Senators who were absent or late were noted. Sualeh moved to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2011 meeting, seconded by Nick.

Motion Passed: 19-0-1\*

\*Senator Abstained: Kenan Kurt

**President’s Report: Kenan Kurt**

Kenan reminded the senators that President Saatkamp would be delivering his State of the College Address next Tuesday and the senators should wear their polo shirts. He then informed them that a brief meeting will be after today’s meeting to address the Facebook account.

**Committee Reports: Public Relations**

Paulo updated the senators on the Board of Trustees Development Committee meeting.

He then reported that the petitions for the Spring Student Senate and Student on the Board of Trustees elections will be available in the Office of Student Development. The petitions must be returned by Friday, March 11th. He added that Jazmin and Darryl will be in charge of coordinating the tabling for the two election days in April. Ben will post on the Facebook wall when the petitions are available.

He went on to report that the committee has received the remaining photos of the senators that will be posted on the G-wing bulletin board. The committee will also update the N-wing informational bulletin board with a Student Senate group photo. He apologized for a typo on the board.

**Academic Policies**

Nazire reported that she attended the Board of Trustees Academic Affairs & Planning Committee meeting on February 16th.  Dr. Harvey Kesselman, Provost and Executive Vice President, spoke about making the withdrawal dates deadlines sooner. He also wants to implement a policy where a student cannot withdraw from a course more than twice. Dr. Robert Helsabeck, Faculty Senate President, expressed his concerns about the academic calendar regarding graduation for next year. Graduation falls on the Sunday a week before Christmas in the fall, as well as on Mother’s Day in the spring. This has been the only way to not have graduation during the work week. The issue will be revisited once a solution is available.

She then reported that she also spoke with Dr. Helsabeck about the attendance policy, and he stated that in the catalogue it is stated that attendance is up to the discretion of the professor. The professor may implement the attendance policy however he/she feels necessary.

She added that she also spoke with him about the “Go Green” policy, and it is not a rule for the entire college, but only for certain departments. She will be meeting with Dr. Helsabeck on Wednesday and she will find out if we can do anything about students not being unable to cut, copy, or print class material from blackboard. She will also be discussing other academic issues that are facing students.

**School Spirit**

John reported that the committee decided to delegate responsibilities for the Spring Carnival. Cristal will be in charge of contacting event services in reserving any areas or equipment we may need, such as tables and chairs. Kaitlin and John will be in contact with student development on what is permitted for the event. Nick will be discussing ideas with SET regarding games and activities. He added that this year the committee wants to make the events during the carnival unique. The committee will table and facebook students to get their input on various activities.

He then reported that the committee has begun printing flyers that support the O-fan theme with the athletics department. Public Relations will promote our efforts on the Student Senate Facebook page.

**Student Welfare**

Johana reported that the committee discussed the reinforcement of the smoking policy in the gazebos. We will be meeting with Chief Miller to bring certain issues to his attention.

She then mentioned that the committee is currently working on making sure the vending machines throughout campus are well-equipped and that they have healthy options; such as snack bars, and low-calorie chips.

She then reported that Je’Meda contacted Terrance Hardee, Director of Residential Life, about the paving in the courts and he referred her to Don Woolslayer, Director of Plant Management and Housing Maintenance. Johana asked Jon to follow up.

Jon reported that the pavement in B-court will be done this summer. The others will hopefully be done this summer also.

Jon then reported that Mr. Woolslayer told him that the college plans to install more water fountains that are easy to re-fill water bottles. The other locations would include the sports center, the I-wing gym and additional ones throughout the campus.

Johana concluded the report by stating that the committee is finding out why there is no Cartoon Network on the campus cable.

**Finance**

The Highest Praise Gospel Choir submitted a supplemental in the amount of $2,800 to fund their Gospel Choir Spring Concert that will take place on April 15th. There was an error that has been changed in the cost of food (Item #4). This did not affect the supplemental request total because the club will be contributing the difference. Brittany moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Nick.

Motion passed: 19-0-1\*

\*Student Senator Abstained: Kenan Kurt

The Campus Religious Council submitted a supplemental in the amount of $3,302.00 to fund their Annual Cultural Trip to New York City where they will be seeing the Broadway show *Jersey Boys* on April 3rd. The club contribution for selling the tickets to the show ($750) was factored in thus changing the amount of the supplemental to $3,052.

The senators then amended the amount to $3,302 with the stipulation that the club would reimburse the supplemental account with the $750 that the club will raise from selling the tickets to the show. Brittany moved to approve the amendment seconded by David.

Motion passed: 19-0-1\*

\*Student Senator Abstained: Kenan Kurt

The senators then voted on the supplemental for $3,302.

Motion passed: 19-0-1\*

\*Student Senate Abstained: Kenan Kurt

The Active Minds Club submitted two supplementals for programs that they will be hosting on April 26th. The first supplemental was in the amount of $124.40 to fund their annual program, “Is Your Mind Active.” Brittany moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Michelle.

Motion passed: 19-0-1\*

\*Student Senator Abstained: Kenan Kurt

The second supplemental was in the amount of $89.85 to fund their annual program, “National Stress-Out Day.” Brittany moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Sualeh.

Motion passed: 19-0-1\*

\*Student Senator Abstained: Kenan Kurt

Brittany concluded the report by adding that the committee continued to evaluate the clubs’ 2011-2012 annual budgets. The following clubs were evaluated: All Starz, Art, Billiards, Books without Borders, Criminal Justice, Dance, Economics, F.E.M.A.L.E.S., Gaming Club, GEROS, Gospel Choir, and M.A.L.E.S.

**Announcements/Comments from the Public:**

Lauren Wilson, Assistant Director of Student Development, announced that the Day of Leadership would be held on Saturday, February 26th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. She then informed that the senators of the process for registering for the event.

Steve Radwanski, Assistant Director of Student Rights and Responsibilities, announced that the anti-bullying workshop would be held on Friday, March 4th 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Kenan adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.