**THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE**

**OF NEW JERSEY**

**STUDENT SENATE**

**Notice of Meeting**

**February 7, 2012**

**4:30 p.m.**

**Campus Center Board of Trustees’ Room**

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

STUDENT SENATE MEETING

AGENDA

February 7, 2012

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

2011-2012 Student Senate Meeting

Minutes From

January 24, 2012

Presiding: Samuel Wakawa

Members Present: Becky Batista

Destiny Bush

Rosalia Caceres

Kaitlin Cibenko

Justin Frankel

Sualeh Hafeez

Melissa Harabedian

Paulo Henriques

Michael Hering

William Inacio

David Jonas

David Kang

David Lamando

Melissa Lyon

Matthew Monte

Charlie Nusbaum

Benjamin Peoples

Crystal Rosario

Kate Sparacio

Jamie Sofia

Nathan Taylor

Julio Torres

AJ Vervoort

Members Absent: Elizabeth Corey

John Szczuplak

Members Late: Osagie Ekenezar

Agenda/Business: Samuel called the meeting to order. Senators who were absent or late were noted. Sammy moved to approve the minutes of December 6, 2011, seconded by Matthew.

Motioned Passed: 23-0-1\*

\*Senator Abstained: Samuel Wakawa

**President’s Report: Samuel Wakawa**

Samuel first welcomed everyone back. He then welcomed the two new senators, Becky Batista and Nathan Taylor.

**Vice President’s Report: Kaitlin Cibenko**

First Kaitlin welcomed everyone back. She then urged senators to sign up for their mandatory office hours and let them know that the schedule would be available shortly.

**Committee Reports: Finance**

Osagie arrived at this time.

The Campus Religious Council submitted a request to use part of their annual budget allocation to attend the Newman Club Spring Retreat at St. Mary’s Providence in Elverson, PA on February 24-26, 2012. David moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Kaitlin.

Motion Passed 24-0-1\*

\*Senator Abstained: Samuel Wakawa

Water Watch submitted a supplemental in the amount of $4,480.00 to hold the 11th Annual Stockton Environmental Forum on March 31, 2012. David moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Kaitlin.

Motion Passed 24-0-1\*

\*Senator Abstained: Samuel Wakawa

S.A.V.E submitted a request to use part of their annual budget allocation to attend the Northeast Organic Farming Association New Jersey Winter Conference at Princeton University on January 28-29, 2012. David moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Crystal.

Motion Passed 24-0-1\*

\*Senator Abstained: Samuel Wakawa

**Public Relations**

Sualeh welcomed everyone back. He then stated that he is working on the application dates for the upcoming Senate election. He will be spearheading the application process for the next election and will be notifying the Senate shortly of his results.

Sualeh then reported that Billy will be taking down the Senate bulletin board in N-wing. The reason for this is the limited publicity of N-wing as well as the outdated pictures of the Senate. Billy also continues to post Facebook and Twitter updates about the Student Senate.

Sualeh reported that consideration for moving the Campus Center Student Senate bulletin board is being discussed among the committee members. The bulletin board next to the bathrooms will potentially be moved closer to where people eat.

Sualeh concluded by reporting that David submitted a draft of a Student Senate ARGO article to both Sualeh and AJ for review. The article will soon be processed by David, the new ARGO correspondent for the Student Senate.

**Academic Policies**

Paulo first introduced the new members on the committee: Becky Batista, Kate Sparacio and Nathan Taylor. Paulo will be working on training the new members.

Paulo then reported that Dr. Jung Lee e-mailed the faculty and staff regarding the creation of a Digital Literacy and Multimedia Design Minor program. The committee is going to be reaching out to Dr. Lee to see how they can further assist him.

Paulo also stated that several people have expressed concern in extending the Drop Deadline to the week of final exams. Currently, the deadline is designated for two weeks before the semester is over. The committee is going to look into this issue. Also, an issue with dropping classes and having a hold on your account was brought up. Paulo advised all students that if they want to drop a class and they have a hold on their account, to go to Student Records or the Bursar’s Office to temporarily remove the hold and then drop the course.

Paulo concluded by stating that if anyone has any academic issues or concerns please continue to bring them to their attention and the committee will address them accordingly.

**School Spirit**

Melissa reported that the first basketball home game of the semester took place on Saturday, January 21st in the Sports Center and the Senate gave away four $25 gift cards as door prizes and 50 planners.

Melissa then reported that the committee has met with the president of SET to plan a spring fling, luau-themed dance that will take place the same weekend of the Spring Concert.

**Student Welfare**

A.J. began by announcing that Dina’s cart has been restored to the Stockton community; it is now called Dina’s Deli and is located in the 360 store in the campus center. Many students are still unaware that it has been restored so AJ encouraged students to spread the word.

A.J. then reported that the three hydration stations the senate requested from Don Wooslayer, Director of Plant Management, were scheduled for installation over the break, but have not yet been installed. A.J. will be contacting Don about the status of the hydration stations. They will also be working on signage with information about the hydration stations.

A.J. stated that Ben received the new welfare committee email. This will allow Melissa to modify the complaints page with the email in order to prevent fellow students from starting fights with senators via facebook messages.

Julio reported that he was in contact with Len Farber, Director of Student Development, about getting a cork board for clubs and organizations to post their events on after the senate received requests from several clubs asking for the board. Len will be getting back to him.

A.J. then reported that he met with Trish Krevetski, Assistant Vice President for Auxiliary Services, to find out the status of the shuttle app. Trish informed him that the trial run, to see if the app works, would be pushed back a week due to classes taking place at various new locations.

A.J. also reported that the committee will continue to work with Plant Management on the installation of more lighting in the parking lots and on the paths after several students expressed their concerns with the lack of lighting making them feel unsafe at night.

A.J. concluded his report by stating that he will be looking in to recent emails regarding parking.

**Announcements/Comments from the Public:**

Len Farber, Director of Student Development, welcomed everyone back. He thanked the Senate for their hard work last semester. Len then reminded the students that they may now table in the Campus Center Coffee House and also urged them to utilize the Resource Room staff for help.

Lauren Wilson, Assistant Director of Student Development, welcomed students back from break. She then announced upcoming Student Development events including the Get Involved Fair, Meet the Greeks, and the Day of Leadership. She then encouraged students to attend the Inclusive Leadership conference that will be held on February 11th. Lauren also announced the Volunteer Fair that was sponsored by Service Learning.

Pedro Santana, Dean of Students, welcomed everyone back. He then announced the upcoming Career Fair. Pedro then commended the Senators on their professional appearance. He stated that this was one of the most active senates in all of his years at Stockton.

Haley Baum, Assistant Director of Student Development, announced upcoming Stockton Entertainment Team events.

**Adjournment:**  Samuel adjourned the meeting at 5:10 pm.