# STOCKTON UNIVERSITY STUDENT SENATE

Notice of Meeting September 29th, 2015 4:30 pm TRLC

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## STUDENT SENATE FULL MEETING April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Presiding:	Carl Archut Jr.
Members present:	Louis M. Chevere Nick Persia Victoria Nucci Mike Tuozzolo Ziwei Li Tyler Graff Kiyle Osgood Tara Ricco Haley Matsinger Mahalia Bazile Ike Ejikeme Angelo Bechara Maurice Brandon Maryam Sarhan Brad Ross Victoria Muraoka Zayhira Roa Emily Zeck Noya Ilan Victoria Dambroski Lauren O'Neil Kristen "Murphy" Slagle Katelynn Torcato Marina Barsoum Ar-Rasheed Brisco
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Members late:

Members Absent:

Agenda/Business:

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Approval of Minutes

Carl called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm and moved to approve the minutes from March 31st 2015, seconded by Emily.

\*Motion Approved: 22-0-1

#### **President's Report**

President Archut Jr. announced that President Herman Saktkamp had notified the Board of Trustees that he will be taking medical leave effective immediately. The Provost and Executive Vice President, Dr. Harvey Kesselman, will assume the position as Acting President. Will serve at full capacity until July 1<sup>st</sup> as he will depart to become the President of University of Southern Maine. The Senate Executive Cabinet voted on 3 Memorandums of Understanding (MOU). The MOUs were about the funds in the Student Senate budget designated to specific events: Home Coming and Family Weekend, the Black Faculty and Staff Dinner, Student Faculty Staff Dinner, Student Involvement Award Dinner, and a Club Management System that will be directed by the Student Development Office. The Executive Cabinet approved all 3 MOUs: 6-0-1. President Archut Jr. met with the Corporate Source the past week. Discussion was on the movement forward of acquiring 2 new cabinets that will store food for the "Students Helping Students" food pantry. Hopefully this program will be up and running by Fall 2015.

President Archut Jr. gave his remarks on being honored as serving as President on Student Senate. He said he was proud of what all of the committees achieved this year. "We set goals, held each other accountable, and have truly been able to make an impact here at Stockton University." He also congratulated all of the graduating Senators, and wished them the best of luck in all their future endeavors. "I know that each of you are going to go far in life. Always know that you have friends here at Stockton that will continue to support you in all that you do, so don't be afraid to reach out for help if you ever need it." He concluded by encouraging the newly elected Senators to, "Show persistence in all that you do and don't take no as an answer. Always lead with integrity. Don't settle for less than what you know you deserve in your relationships. Ask for what you want and need from others. Speak the truth, even though it might create conflict or tension. Behave in ways that are in harmony with your personal values. And ALWAYS make choices based on what you believe, and not what others believe. You can't do everything, but you can do something and you shouldn't let what you cannot do, interfere with what you can do."

#### Vice President's Report

Vice President Chevere mentioned that there was so many accomplishments and innovations under the Archut Jr. Administration. The essence of this school has been immolated through these Senators with dedication, sleepless nights, and school spirit. Vice President Chevere mentioned he was honored to serve along the sides of his peers and for the Stockton Community. Those who come after will have shoes bigger to fill, and he is confident that they will strive to that excellence. Vice President Chevere gave one last advice to the oncoming Senators, "always count your blessings, dream big, and always find time to unwind and do it in style.

#### **Academic Affairs**

Chair Persia went over a few things that his committee accomplished this past year. First main thing was study days added to the academic calendar next year. This will give students more time to prepare for their finals. The dates added are December 11th and May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Chair Persia had been working with the SGA Taskforce to get clubs more involved and better represented on the student senate. There was talks of adding a new committee on Senate. There will be more talks continue next school year. The Academic Affairs also ran a successful "Know Your CAPP" event. The event was to teach students to understand and navigate their CAPP. The Committee also evaluated the efficiency of preceptor days and the helpfulness of preceptors. There was a survey that was sent and submitted by over 650 responses. There will be a look over that data to see how effective preceptor day is and how to make it more effective. There was also a researched to the addition of a psychology minor and a criminal justice minor, and the charges from the library with used and rented books. Lastly there were revisions to the Student Senate Constitution this past year. Next year there will be only two revisions; one in the beginning of next year and the second one will be at the middle of the school year.

#### **Governmental Affairs**

Chair Bechara highlighted how proud he was of his committee and how grateful he is for the hard work his committee members put in this past year. The Committee was able to invite Assemblman Mozzio and Senator Whelan in the fall to speak to the students of the importance of voting. Worked along with the Coalition of Civic Engagement and the Political Engagement Project to increase the voter registration turnout. The majority of the Spring Semester was the focus on the Up to Us campaign. With all these accomplishments it was a remarkable year. Chair Bachara continued by thanking his committee members of their support and their constructive criticism on his leadership.

#### **Public Relations**

Chair O'Neil began by thanking her committee. The Public Relations Committee was successful in fundraising, over seven hundred dollars was raised for Students Helping Students. A new fundraiser idea, selling merchandise at basketball games, was a success and accounted for a large portion of the money raised. One of the new Stockton merchandises sold this year was rubber wristbands. During the spring semester, fundraisers were held at Buffalo Wild Wings and Five Guys Burgers and Fries. The Committee collaborated with multiple Campus Center events and co-sponsored the Queen of Hearts Dance, which was a huge success with upwards of one hundred people attending. Along with these events, the Committee also tabled at the Get Involved Fair, A Day in the Life, and Phoenix Nightmarket. All of these involvements gave Senate a stronger presence on campus. Developing uniform logos and slogans helped create a more unified and easily identifiable organization. Brochure, flowcharts and letterhead were developed to give Senate a look of professionalism. Programs started this year include Sweets for Your Suggestions and Students Helping Students Mentoring Program. All in all, this year was a successful year in the Public Relations Committee. The Committee met and exceeded expectations giving Senate a more profound presence on campus and making students aware of what we are doing to solve the problems that affect them.

#### **Student Affairs**

Chair Slagle began by thanking the Student Affairs Committee. Chair Murphy continued with updates from the Committee. Senator Shannon reached out to telecommunications with an idea to add outlets to the booths in the food court. There were two emails have been sent to plant management with the idea awaiting reply. Senator Katelynn is also in touch with plant management so that we can see if this idea is possible. Senator Katelynn is also working hard to form a taskforce for the Learning Access Program for next semester.

Chair Slagel met with Lonnie Folks to discuss NCBI in terms of gender inclusive restrooms and the accessibility of restrooms on campus and found a few new ideas and learned of some updates. Another gender inclusive bathroom will be available shortly in F-wing as soon as the gender inclusive sign is shipped it will be installed. Some of the ideas to make the restrooms more accessible would be automatic doors, or doors that do not close on their own. Chair Slagel also met with Denise O'Neill and Chief Parker for a final update.

Chair Slagel went into some of the accomplishments over this past year. There was a hydration station in the upper campus center. There were improvements to veteran's park, The Committee helped hosting "Sweets for your Suggestions" with public relations. There was an increase in devices supported by telecommunications. The Committee also addressed issues in policies for commuters in north lot, adding a hydration stations in the TRLC and lakeside lodge, and the cleanliness of the dance room floors.

### Finance

Chair Osgood mentioned the CAPP to the Supplemental Account balance as of 3/31/2015: \$8,404.71

1. Supplemental for Coalition for Women's Rights in the amount of \$500 for NJ leadership program.

Motion Approved: 22-0-0

2. Supplemental for Coalition for Women's Rights in the amount of \$500 for presentations at the association of psychological sciences.

Motion Approved: 22-0-0

3. Supplemental for Geology Club in the amount of \$7404 for annual geology trip. Motion Approved: 22-0-0

4. Proposed FY15/16 budget

Motion Approved: 22-0-0

#### Announcements/Comments from the Public:

Dean Pedro gave awards to individual Senators for the accomplishments the past school year.

Dean Stambaugh gave his congratulations to the Senators for an excellent year.

Jeff Wakeman, director of Student Development gave his gratitude to the Senators for an excellent year.

#### Adjournment

President Archut Jr. adjourns the meeting at 05:15 pm.

## STUDENT SENATE FULL MEETING April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Presiding:	Carl Archut Jr.
Members present:	Nick Persia Emily Zeck Brain Moore Jr. Toyo Aboderin Mackenzie Porch Haley Matsinger Richard Jeffries Patton Solowey Nhi tram Maryam Sarhan Maurice Brandon Tyler Graff Ike Ejikeme Victoria Dambroski Mahalia Bazile Jessica Cathcart Viona Richardson Dominich Martino Victoria Muraoka Carly Bulgia Ryan Greene Noya Ilan
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Members late:

Members Absent:

President Archut Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Oath of Office: Former Vice President Chevere sworn in the 2015-2016 Student Senators

Announcements from the Senators & the Public: There are no announcements.

Adjournment Carl adjourned the meeting at 05:39 pm.

# STUDENT SENATE COMMITTEE MEETING September 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

Presiding:	Carl Archut Jr.	
Members present:	Nick Persia Emily Zeck Brian Moore Jr. Toyo Aboderin Mackenzie Porch Haley Matsinger Richard Jeffries Patton Solowey Nhi tram Maryam Sarhan Tyler Graff Ike Ejikeme Victoria Dambroski Mahalia Bazile Jessica Cathcart Viona Richardson Victoria Muraoka Ryan Greene	
Members late:	Maurice Brandon* Carly Bulgia** Noya Ilan**	
Members Absent	Dominich Martino**	
Carl called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM.		

\* Late/Absent on September 8, 2015 \*\* Late/Absent on September 22, 2015

Date:	September 8, 2015	&	September 22, 2015
Committee:	<u>Academic Affairs</u>		
Presiding:			
Members Present:	Toyo Aboderin		
	Brian Moore Jr		
	Mackenzie Porch		
Members Absent:			
Members Late:			
* Late/Absent on September 8, 2015			

\*\* Late/Absent on September 22, 2015

#### Agenda:

This week Carl and Emily had a meeting with Tom Grites. Tom was able to answers concerns of transfer student policies as well as answer concerns about the preceptor program. Tom Grites stressed the importance of transfer student orientation. As an incoming transfer Stockton accepts up to 64 credits half of the amount that is needed to graduate. Those credits are then applied to the student's major. Tom also informed that the faculty does undergo some training for preceptor advising. If any student feels that their preceptor is not adequate they are able to change.

A survey was sent out asking the student body their opinion on the diploma research the Academic Affairs committee has been working on. Brian has compiled the research together and will present our findings.

Emily and Mackenzie worked with Victoria to create a survey question students about their library usage.

Over the summer the Academic Affairs Committee has been working on the constitution. Emily will be moving to approve the consent agenda for the following changes:

## Changes for debate:

- 1. Article IV, Section 7 B6
  - a. Approve supplemental requests under \$1,500 intracommittee by a 2/3 vote, plus one, with the approval of the Vice President.
- 2. Article IV Section 7 B7
  - a. Include the individual approvals of supplemental budget requests under \$1,500 in the minutes.
- 3. Article IV Section 5 O
  - a. Approve or deny supplemental requests under the amount of \$1,500 that were approved by the finance committee.

## Consent agenda:

- 1. Changing all references from The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey to Stockton University and change all college to university.
- 2. The Student senate shall consist of one branch composed of twenty-seven students, dually elected in the spring and the fall. Twenty-three students will be elected in the spring, and the remaining four will be selected from first year and transfer students in a separate fall election.
  - Article II Section 1 A
- 3. Academic Affairs: one chair and four members
  - Article II Section 1 B
- 4. Student Affairs: one chair and four members
  - Article II Section 1 B
- 5. The term of the outgoing Student Senate President shall expire upon the inauguration of the incoming Student Senate President.
  - Article II Section 3 A
- 6. The term of office for all members shall commence immediately following their induction and shall expire immediately following the induction of their respective successor, notification of resignation in writing to the President, or through the conclusion of impeachment and recall process.
  - Article II Section 3 B
- 7. Word change of "pamphlet" to "meeting minutes"
  - Article III Section 1 E
- 8. All votes on supplemental requests, consent agendas, minutes, and any and all other minor issues taken at full Senate meetings will be decided by a simple majority of members present. All votes on impeachment or removal of a member of the Student Senate: executive committee appeals: petitions submitted to the Student Senate;
  - Article III Section 1 G
- 9. Consent agenda should only include: trivial matters that do not affect the student body at large or any matter that is not passed by 2/3 majority at intercommittee meetings.
  - Article III Section 1 H

10. The President will preside over the collective section of committee meetings to address any full-senate business.

## Article III Section 2 A

- 11. There are typically two committee meetings per month with a minimum of six total meetings per academic semester. Meetings should be held on Tuesday, unless changes at 24 hours in advance in the event of special circumstance. The meeting shall be divided into two parts, an intercommittee meeting comprised of all committees and their members, at which role will be called immediately following the call to order. When this meeting has concluded, Senators will immediately report to their respective committee meetings.
  - Article III Section 2 C
- 12. Article III, Section 2 D is to be removed.
- 13. Quorum shall be fifty percent plus one of the total members of the committee.
  - Article III Section 2 G
- 14. The Executive Cabinet shall meet a minimum of once every month during the academic year.
  - Article III Section 3 E
- 15. Suspend the activities and functions of the student-funded organizations, who fail to meet mandatory requirements as set out by the Finance Committee or Office of Student Development.
  - Article III Section 1 G
- 16. Consider matters placed before the Student Senate for action
  - Article IV Section 2 G
- 17. Official activities that are external to the University shall be approved by the executive cabinet and reported to the Student Senate.
  - Article IV Section 3 T
- 18. Must keep records of all documentation that demonstrates how they and their committee fulfill their duties.
  - Article IV Section 3 F
- 19. Consider all matters placed before the executive cabinet
  - Article IV Section 3 M
- 20. **Remove** Article IV Section 3 P
- 21. In the event the President is the Senator being impeached, the Vice President will preside over the Impeachment hearing. Refer to presiding order in case of conflict.
  - Article IV Section 4 C1
- 22. Meet with the University President at least once a month when possible.
  - Article IV Section 4 S
- 23. Meet with the Faculty Senate President at least once a month when possible.
  - Article IV Section 4 T
- 24. Manage all special projects as necessary, such as Students Helping Student, The Food Assistance Program, and the emergent needs.
  - Article IV Section 4 U

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#### Second: Minutes from Committee

- 25. Senate Vice President shall preside over the election of the incoming Student Senate President.
  - Remove Article IV Section 5 F
- 26. Shall be responsible for approving, at his or her discretion, and accommodating student senator request to attend via telecommunications utility.
  - Article IV Section 5 L
- 27. The Vice President will chair the appellate committee.
  - Article IV Section 5 N
- 28. Present all approved supplemental requests, budgets allocations, and other financial matters as appropriate to the full senate.
  - Article IV Section 6 G
- 29. When possible and appropriate attend regional or state wide organization meetings and events.

Article IV Section 7 C 2i

- 30. The Government Affairs committee shall oversee an annual review of the Student Senate Constitution and Statutes of the Student Senate and recommend modifications.
  - Article V Section 7 C3
- 31. Remove Article IV Section 6 F1
- 32. The position of Student Senator must be occupied by a member of the Student Senate with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better. First-semester freshmen and transfer are exempt from this requirement.
  - Article V Section 2 C
- 33. A public forum shall be held between all the candidates
  - Article V Section G 4
- 34. A senator who has served at least two full semesters on Student Senate or in the process of completing their second semester and attended all trainings during his or her current term. (Example: a senator who was elected in the normal spring election, but a new student who was elected in the fall election would not be eligible)
  - Article V Section A 2ii
- 35. A senator who has served at least one full semester on Student Senate and attended all trainings during his or her current term.
  - Article V Section 4 B2ii
- 36. If the petition fails in Senate, it has to be put to the whole student population, including full-time, part-time and graduate students.
  - Article 4 Section 8 A5

Date:	September 8, 2015 &	September 22, 2015
Committee:	<u>Governmental Affairs</u>	
Presiding:	Maryam Sarhan	
Members Present:	Ike Ijekeme	
	Tyler Graff	
	Maurice Brandon	
Members Absent:	Maurice Brandon*	
Members Late:	None	

#### Agenda:

Ike and Maryam met with Nicole Leppert, President of SET on Monday September 7<sup>th</sup> to complete all stages of planning for our collaborative event entitled "Debt Jeopardy", which will be on October 12 at 7:30 pm in the Event Room. As a part of our Higher Education Awareness Week, this jeopardy night will highlight the burdens of student debt and other pressing issues in the world of higher education from a student perspective. Maurice Brandon is looking to host a Family Feud style event that discusses higher education from a social aspect during that week as well. On October 14<sup>th</sup> the Government Affairs committee is also going to be tabling about relevant issues as a part of HEAW's activities.

Tyler Graff has been doing research on the student activity fee bill, known as S703 also popularly dubbed the Snooki Bill. This bill was passed in the NJ Senate and as we finalize our gathered information, we will disseminate this important information to the student body. Maryam Sarhan also met with first Lady Lynne Kesselman to gather a historical perspective of Stockton's student activity fee during its original days and how it has evolved over the years. Potential implications of this bill, both positive and negative were also discussed.

The Government Affairs committee is partners with PEP and ACE for the voter registration drive that is taking place over the next few weeks. Thank you to the senators who have donated their time so far to promote civic engagement and voter registration.

\* Late/Absent on September 8, 2015

\*\* Late/Absent on September 22, 2015

Date:	September 8, 2015 & Se	eptember 22, 2015
Committee:	Public Relations	
Presiding:	Victoria C. Dambroski	
Members Present:	Mahalia Bazile	
	Jessica Cathcart	
	Viona Richardson	
	Dominic Martino	
Members Absent:	Jessica Cathcart**	
	Dominic Martino**	
Members Late:	None	

Agenda:

The Public Relations committee hosted three interest meetings on September 8th-10th at 10pm in L115 for the freshmen/transfer elections, a total of 35 candidates came out. At 8pm-9pm tonight the Public Relation's committee will host a Campaign Procedures meeting in L112. Meet the Candidates is scheduled for October 8th in the Campus Center Coffee House and elections will take place October 13th-15th via the Stockton GoPortal email. Senators will be tabling October 13th, 2015 from 12 pm - 4 pm and October 14th, 2015 from 10 am - 5 pm with iPads to encourage students to vote in the Fall 2015 election.

The fundraisers at Moe's on September 16th from 5-8pm and Five Guys Burgers and Fries on September 24th from 5-8pm were successes, all proceeds will go to the Foundation Scholarship.

The referendum regarding Student Senate compensation will be going out, with voting taking place on October 5th-7th from 12 noon to 12 noon via the Stockton GoPortal email. Information sessions about the referendum will be hosted on September 28th, 2015 at 8 pm in C-135, September 29th, 2015 at 7 pm in H-113, and September 30th, 2015 at 5 pm in H-113. Senators will also be tabling on October 5th, 2015 from 12 pm - 5 pm and October 6th, 2015 from 10 am - 4 pm with iPads to encourage students to vote in the referendum.

The Public Relations Committee met with Lonnie Folks, director of athletics to discuss how to increase school spirit at athletic events. The Public Relations Committee is looking forward to a great academic year and encourages all clubs and organizations to utilize the Public Relations Committee, with combined efforts publicize all club events and activities. In the next month, Jessica will be working on special events to raise awareness for specific causes of the month, Dominic will be attending clubs and organization meetings in efforts for inter club collaborations.

\* Late/Absent on September 8, 2015 \*\* Late/Absent on September 22, 2015

Date:	September 8, 2015	&	September 22, 2015
Committee:	Student Affairs		
Presiding:	Victoria Muraoka		
Members Present:	Carly Bulgia		
	Noya IIan		
	Ryan Greene		
Members Late:	None		
Members Absent:	Noya IIan**		
	Carly Bulgia**		

#### Agenda:

Victoria started the meeting by assigning Carly to take meeting minutes. Victoria delegated positions to the committee. Victoria assigned Carly and Ryan to work on the goal of updating the LAP manual with Bob Ross. Victoria assigned Noya to get answers for the status of Stockton's name as a green university. Noya suggested we have a table for the next Tuesday called "wear Stockton." Carly and Ryan volunteered to help Noya. Meeting was adjourned at 5:55pm.

Ryan reported to Victoria about what Bob Heinrich and his team wanted to do about the color printer project. Ryan also spoke about the meeting he had with Bob Heinrich about working with senate to decrease the amount of emails students receive a day. Victoria updated Ryan about the library survey to get students more hours in the library. She has been working with Eric Jeitner a librarian about this project. Ryan also reported how he is going to survey his club about what the student body thinks about the color printer project because of the healthy amount of members he has in the club organization. Victoria said there would now be two "wear Stockton" tabling a month. Victoria also discussed the LAP manual being worked on by Bob Ross, his team, and Carly and Ryan from now on. Victoria adjourned the meeting at 6:04pm.

\* Late/Absent on September 8, 2015 \*\* Late/Absent on September 22, 2015

Date:	September 15, 2015 & September 22, 2105	
Committee:	Finance Committee	
Presiding:	Haley Matsinger	
Members Present:	Richard Jeffries	
	Patton Solowey	
	Nhi Tram	
Members Absent:	none	
Members Late:	none	
Agenda:		
1.	<ol> <li>Supplemental for Stockton University Model United Nations in the amount of \$2000 for National Model UN Conference in Washington DC from October 30 – November 1, 2015 for 11 students. Approved: 3-1-0</li> </ol>	
2.	Supplemental for Active Minds in the amount of \$1477.28 for Suicide Prevention Week, which is from October 5 -8 Approved: 4-0-0	
3.	Supplemental for STAND in the amount of \$1495 for the 9/11 Museum Trip to NYC on November 15 <sup>th</sup> for 54 students Approved: 4-0-0	
4.	Supplemental for Stockton Speech and Hearing Club in the amount of \$3,076.85 for the 2015 ASHA Convention from November 12 <sup>th</sup> - 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2015 for 5 students. Approved: 4-0-0	
5.		

Approved: 4-0-0

- Supplemental for Active Minds in the amount of \$567.81 for Mental Health First Aid Training from October 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Approved: 4-0-0
- 7. Supplemental for Physics club in the amount of \$1250 for the annual budget request.

Approved: 4-0-0

8. Supplemental for Stockpot Literary Magazine in the amount of \$500 for Additional Budget Request

Approved: 4-0-0

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\*\* Late/Absent on September 22, 2015