

**ADOPTED MINUTES  
IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE  
MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS GOVERNMENT  
FIFTY-SECOND ASSEMBLY  
Location: Administration Board Room @ 12:50 p.m.  
**Monday, May 8, 2017****

President Bermudez called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Associated Students Government Senate to order at 12:56 p.m. in the Administration Board Room.

**PRESENT**

Benjamin Barajs  
Luis Caloca  
Victor Cervantes  
Ubaldo Chavez  
Kyle Deol  
Stephanie Estrada  
Jorge Gonzalez  
Brianna Guzman  
Karla Espejo Rodarte  
Anizza Ramirez  
Nathalie Rodriguez  
Karen Villa

**ABSENT**

Jose Gutierrez

**VISITORS**

David Lopez, *Student Success Specialist*  
Irene Drye, *Student Success Specialist*  
Eduardo Pesquiera, *Male Minority Coordinator*  
Elena Garcia, *Student*

**ADVISOR**

Dr. Lennor Johnson

**CLERK**

Miriam Trejo

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*M/S/C (Barajas/Caloca) to approve the agenda of Monday, May 8, 2017 as submitted.*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*M/S/C (Barajas/Guzman) to approve the minutes for the meeting of Monday, May 1, 2017 as submitted.*

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

David Lopez informed the ASG that the IVC Student Health Center will be hosting a Mental Health Awareness walk on Thursday, May 18, 2017 during College Hour at the IVC track.

David Lopez invited the ASG to volunteer and participate at the event and additionally requested a donation of four cases of water from the ASG and the use of ice chests for the event.

**REPORTS**

**President**

President Bermudez reminded the Senate of the following committee meetings scheduled in the Administration Board Room for this week:

- Student Equity will be meeting on Tuesday at 12:50 and Treasurer Villa will be attending.
- Student Affairs will be meeting on Thursday at 12:50 and President Bermudez, Vice President Barajas, Parliamentarian Guzman and Senator Chavez will be attending.

## **Elections**

Elections for Mr. & Ms. Freshman and Sophomore are currently underway via blackboard. President Bermudez asked the Publicity commission to post publicity in regards to the elections today as the only publicity that has gone out is a student email blast.

## **Commissions**

### **Activities**

*M/S/C* (Barajas/Estrada) for the approval of expenditure for the Life's A Beach event to not exceed \$900 in order to purchase decoration and pay for the DJ.

President Bermudez suggested publicizing sign-ups for Life's A Beach as soon as possible.

The Activities Committee is in the beginning stages of planning the IVC's Got Talent event.

### **Affairs**

The Affairs Committee will be ordering the frames this week for the Spring Awards Banquet.

Decorations will be finalized this week for the banquet as well.

## **Committees**

### **Rules**

The Rules Committee will be meeting this Wednesday, May 10, 2017 after the business discussion during the ASG planning meeting.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** **Spring General Assembly**

President Bermudez and Senator Espejo Rodarte attended the Spring General Assembly this past weekend.

Senator Espejo Rodarte will be sharing a formal report of the General Assembly resolution voting outcomes.

Both President Bermudez & Senator Espejo Rodarte attended break-out sessions covering: student rights, lobbying, Brown Act & student activities.

Dr. Johnson added that the General Assembly was very engaging and was impressed by how involved students are and overall it was a great experience.

## **STUDENT HEALTH FEE WAIVER FOR PRISON EDUCATION PROGRAM**

The ASG split the vote between the approval of the waiving of the Student Health Fee and Student Representation Fee for students currently enrolled in the Prison Education Program. The ASG

voted to waive the Student Health Fee but will not waive the Student Representation Fee.

Eduardo Pesqueira informed the ASG that this will be going to the Student Affairs Committee for approval as the next step.

## **REGION X CONTRIBUTION**

President Bermudez informed the senate that she was in discussions with the Region X Treasure and informed him of the reservations that the ASG had to pay \$500 per semester.

The Region X Treasurer informed President Bermudez that some of the money would go toward trainings for the senate. Additionally, he asked to keep the discussion open of the contribution.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Charter Forms**

*M/S/C (Barajas/Caloca) to approve the following Chartered Club as submitted.*

a. **French Club**

President: Gage K. Herog

Vice-President: Amy M. Zungia

Secretary: Alvaro U. Aguilar

Club Advisors: Dr. Glenn Swiadon

### **Activity Function Forms**

*M/S/C (Barajs/Deol) to approve the following Activity Function forms as submitted.*

- a. **Philosophy Club** – Tostada Sale, Quad Area Wed., 5/10/17 from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- b. **Chemistry Club** - Bolis Sale, Quad Area during, 5/15/17-5/18/17 from 1pm-2pm
- c. **IVC Business Club** – End of Semester Gathering, 6/14/17-6/16/17 from 12:00pm-2pm in Palms Springs

### **Approval of purchasing of**

### **College Center tables and Chairs**

The Senate was informed that there are quite a few broken tables and chairs in the College Center that are beyond repair and need to be replaced. Currently there are only 16 available tables in the College Center for student usage.

A discussion was brought up for the purchasing of charging stations to avoid students moving tables. However it was brought up that students move the tables to charge their laptops.

President Bermudez suggested buying half rectangular tables and half round tables as rectangular tables may be more cost effective and easier to move.

A sub-committee was developed and will meet in regards to the purchasing of the tables and will be discussed at an upcoming meeting.

## **Region X Constitution**

*M/S/C (Barajas/Guzman) to approve the Region X Constitution as amended.*

Amendments made to the Region X Constitution fall under the following Sections:

- *Section 3. Executive Board Eligibility*
- *Section 4. Executive Board Elections*
- *Section 5. Executive Board Attendance*
- *Section 7. Executive Board Removal*
- *Section 8. Executive Board Terms*
- *Article VII Bylaws Section 1. Authorization*
- *Article VII Bylaws Section 2. Notice for Amendments*
- *Article VII Ratification and Amendments Section 2. Ratification and Amendments*
- *Article VII Ratification and Amendments Section 4. Resignation and vacancies*
- *Article VII Ratification and Amendments Subsection 1. Resignations*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Senators**

Secretary Deol informed the Senate that he was talking to a perspective IVC student who informed Secretary Deol that an IVC counselor had said that IVC did not have an Agricultural Program.

Parliamentarian Guzman stated that a friend of hers had the same experience from a counselor stating that an Agricultural Program did not exist at IVC.

Secretary Deol added that this seems to be an ongoing issue and fears that IVC may lose student enrollment with students seeking an AG major or students having to change their major due to the Ag major not being promoted by counselors.

Dr. Johnson assured the ASG that there is an Ag major in the catalog and will be looking into the issue. The ASG went on to discuss other issues and experiences with counselors. Dr. Johnson did inform the Senate that some of the issues they brought up have been addressed and are currently being corrected through the training task force.

Additionally, a discussion was brought up in regards to completing the complaint process for some of the issues that were discussed by the ASG. Dr. Johnson also recommended completing the counselor evaluation form after meeting with their counselors.

Student Success Specialist, Irene Drye informed the Senate that if students do not follow the proper complaint procedures, then the Administration cannot follow up with the complaint.

The Senate had concerns about the student complaining not be kept anonymous and had fear of retaliation after submitting the complaint form.

Dr. Johnson assure the students that they are protected from any type of retaliation if and when a complaint form is submitted.

Vice President Barajas recommended the Senate add the counselor evaluation form information to their 1<sup>st</sup> Step Presentation for May 20, 2017.

Senator Rodriguez informed the senate that due to her schedule, it was difficult for her to produce posters in a timely manner. Due to the current policy of the publicity materials having to stay on campus, it makes it difficult for her to make posters. Senator Rodriguez requests an exception to be made for the policy.

The ASG discussed making an exception for the ASG only and limiting the amount of paints that can be borrowed at a time. Additionally, President Bermudez informed the senate that she would draft a check-out form and present it at the next meeting.

**ASG President**

President Bermudez informed the senate that she learned a lot at General Assembly and will share the presentations she received at the upcoming planning meeting.

President Bermudez explained the importance of lobbying to the senate and emphasized that each senator represents approximately 500 students and how important it is to get politically involved.

President Bermudez also thanked Dr. Johnson for attending General Assembly this year.

**Advisor**

Dr. Johnson informed the senate that General Assembly was a learning experience for him.

Chancellor Oakley was in attendance at General Assembly and informed the senate that the ASG are the change agents for the school and the school should operate putting students first. Additionally, the advocacy that the ASG does today can help the future generations of students attending the ASG.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:47 p.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled Monday, May 15, 2015 at 12:50 p.m. in the Administration Board Room (Bldg. 10).

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**PRESIDENT**

**DATE**

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**A.S. ADVISOR**

**DATE**

**Respectfully Submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_