

	<p><b>MINUTES</b>  <b>DASB SENATE MEETING</b>  <b>Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011</b>  <b>4:00 pm</b>  <b>Student Council Chambers</b></p>
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**Call to Order**

Ze-Kun Li called the meeting to order at 4:02pm.

**Roll Call**

	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early	Excused
Natasha Asar	X				
Zara Aslam	X				
Mariam Azhar	X				
Alison Chan		X			
Ismail Desouki	X				
Melanie Dovan			X4:11pm		
Brenden Fant			X4:16pm		
Amira Farah			X4:06pm		
Ahmad Fayad			X4:13pm		
Balaram Fedchenko			X		
Lena Ghamrawi	X				
Edison Giang	X				
Anaruth Hernandez	X				
Thoa Hoang	X				
Denny Jeon	X			X6:08pm	
Sana Kathuria			X4:11pm		
Brenda Kristie	X				
Ze-Kun Li	X				
Cindy Luu	X				
Ali Masood	X				
Anmol Mirakhur	X				
Leo Nguyen	X				
Arvind Ravichandran	X				
Nevin Sarina	X				
Meera Suresh	X				
Syed Taha	X				
Neesha Tambe	X				

Guests: Jeremy Lee, Carolyn Chen, Chen Xu, Ernest L.W. Linous, Christine Yu, Adrian Asbun, John Liu, William Utomo, Vivian Nguyen, Nelson Chuang, Anastasia Inez, Steven Wongsoredjo, Kenneth Chiu, Patrick Yip, Pablo Zamorano, Tedros Berhane, Orit Mohamed, Mustafa Arshad, Shaila Ramos, Nahui Quetzalcoatl, Kenny Perng, John Swensson, Alex

Mendiola, Monica Carrillo, Tuan Nguyen, Christian Aguilar, Shahar Marom

### **Approval of Minutes**

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Ismail Desouki moved to approve the minutes.

Brenda Kristie seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to approve the minutes passed by consensus.

### **Public Announcements**

*Please note: Members of the public are limited to two minutes. The Senate cannot take action or respond to items during public announcements.*

- Matt Diaz announced that on June 9<sup>th</sup> ICC is having a Spring Carnival together with the DASB, and that they will be having a dunk tank, a rock wall, cotton candy, and ice cones. On June 10<sup>th</sup> ICC is having the Spring Fling from 9pm to 12am, and the tickets sale started.
- Jose announced that there will be a Colors of the People Festival on June 7<sup>th</sup>, where they will promote different cultures at De Anza, raise awareness of ethnic studies at De Anza, and have cultural performances, such as by VSU and SAP.
- Victor Arredondo, the president of SVA, announced that tomorrow at 12:30pm, there will be a ceremony for the Memorial Day at the Main quad.

### **Senate Announcements**

- John Cognetta announced that they started cleaning up the Senate Office, and that everything has to be out by next week, so he asked the Senators to clean out their lockers.
- Mariam Azhar announced that she has been hunting down people who have not yet turned in their benefit concert tickets.
- Leo Nguyen announced that if you do not turn in your tickets, there will be a hold on your account and you cannot transfer.
- Neesha Tambe announced that she emailed out an electronic copy of the invitation for the Inauguration Dinner on Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, and asked everybody to RSVP. She thanked everyone who helped setting it up, and announced that they will redo the awards that were sent out earlier.
- Leo Nguyen announced that if you have not yet turned in your requisition form to get back money from the DASB you should please turn it in this week.

### **Internal Reports**

- Meera Suresh from the Marketing Committee announced that they made changes to their codes for the next year, and that they talked about having people fill out a form to request what the Marketing Committee should do for a special event. They also might be ordering signs for each Committee to make them more visible to the public, and there has been no progress on the newsletter.

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- Anaruth Hernandez from the Environmental Sustainability Committee reported that they are trying to document their progress, and that they are hoping to have something concrete by this Friday to pass it on to the next Senate.
- Leo Nguyen from the Finance Committee reported that they had their last meeting on Monday and a dinner afterwards, and he thanked the whole Committee, because it was awesome to work with everybody. They approved some budget requests, which are on today's Senate Agenda.
- Mariam Azhar from the Diversity and Events Committee thanked everybody, even though she was Chair for only one quarter, she especially thanked Lena Ghamrawi for being amazing, and Zara Aslam for helping her a lot and telling her to sleep. She announced that the Committee ended strong with some really successful events and the spring carnival.
- Ali Masood from the Administration Committee reported that they are working on all amendments that need to be updated online, and on the Wiki too.
- Natasha Asar from the Student Rights and Services Committee reported that all projects are going well, and that the Committee now wants to push on scholarships.

### **External Reports**

- Nevin Sarina announced that the IPBT re-evaluated the way of cutting classes, and that they reviewed proposals to take into consideration other things, so that there will be a bit less cuttings.
- Ze-Kun Li announced that the College Council is meeting tomorrow from 2 to 6pm in ADM109, to talk about all the different proposals from SSPBT and IPBT that are being presented, before it goes to Mr. Murphy. He asked everybody to come on out and participate.

### **Consent Calendar**

### **Business**

#### 1. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

Title: Military Recruitment

*This item is to vote on limiting the Military Recruiters on Campus Access.*

Presenter: Alondra Guevara

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Alondra Guevara presented the item.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to approve limiting the Military Recruiters on Campus Access.

Ismail Desouki seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Sana Kathuria moved to extend time by 30 minutes.

Ahmad Fayad seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to extend time by 30 minutes passed by consensus.

Ahmad Fayad moved to limit discussion to pro-con style.

No second.

Motion failed.

Discussion continued.

Discussion in pro-con style on the first proposed change occurred.

Nevin Sarina moved to refer the item back to the SRS Committee.

Leo Nguyen seconded the motion.

Objections.

Discussion on the motion to refer the item back to the SRS Committee occurred.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to extend time by 10 minutes.

Brenden Fant seconded the motion.

Objections.

The motion to extend time passed with 13 yes votes and 9 no votes.

Discussion on the motion to refer the item back to the SRS Committee continued.

Ahmad Fayad moved to end discussion.

Brenda Kristie seconded the motion.

Objections.

The motion to end discussion passed with 19 yes votes and 2 no votes.

The motion to refer the item back to the SRS Committee passed with 14 yes votes and 8 no votes.

## 2. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

Title: Appeals to DASB Elections Committee decisions

*This item is to appeal the following rulings of the DASB Elections Committee.*

- a. Adrian Asbun's and Nahui Quetzacoatl's Ineligibility due to failing the Bylaws test twice.*
- b. Alleged slander by Arvind Ravichandran from the Speak Coalition against the Peace Coalition.*

Presenter: Neesha Tambe

Time Limit: 10 minutes

Neesha Tambe presented the item.

Nevin Sarina withdrew Appeal B.

Discussion on Appeal A occurred.

Meera Suresh moved to extend time by 20 minutes.

Zara Aslam seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to extend time passed by consensus.

Cindy Luu requested that the Senators who are running in the upcoming DASB elections not take a vote on the item, because of a conflict of interest.

Ahmad Fayad moved to reject Appeal B.  
Cindy Luu seconded the motion.  
Discussion occurred.  
Thoa Hoang moved to end discussion.  
Arvind Ravichandran seconded the motion.  
Objections.  
The motion to end discussion passed with 14 yes votes and 6 no votes.

The motion to reject Appeal B failed with 9 yes votes to 10 no votes.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to make the candidates eligible regardless of whether they passed the bylaws test.  
Brenden Fant seconded the motion.  
Objections.

Ahmad Fayad moved to amend to make the candidates eligible given that they pass a third and final bylaws test.  
Thoa Hoang seconded the motion.  
Objections.  
The motion to amend to make the candidates eligible given that they pass a third and final bylaws test passed with 12 yes votes and 6 no votes.

The motion to make the candidates eligible given that they pass a third and final bylaws test passed with 14 yes votes and 2 no votes.

3. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION – SECOND VOTE

Title: Increase in Mandatory Campus Center Use Fee  
*This item is to approve the increase in the Campus Center Use Fee for 2011-2012 from \$16.00 to \$17.50.*  
Presenter: John Cognition, Letha Jean Pierre  
Time Limit: 30 minutes

Neesha Tambe presented the item.  
Leo Nguyen moved to approve the increase in the Campus Center Use Fee for 2011-2012 from \$16.00 to \$17.50.  
Ali Masood seconded the motion.  
Discussion occurred.  
Leo Nguyen moved to end discussion.  
Mariam Azhar seconded the motion.  
No objections.  
Vote to approve the increase in the Campus Center Use Fee for 2011-2012 from \$16.00 to \$17.50:

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Natasha Asar	X		

Zara Aslam			
Mariam Azhar	X		
Alison Chan			
Ismail Desouki	X		
Melanie Dovan	X		
Brenden Fant		X	
Amira Farah	X		
Ahmad Fayad	X		
Balaram Fedchenko	X		
Lena Ghamrawi	X		
Edison Giang	X		
Anaruth Hernandez			X
Thoa Hoang	X		
Denny Jeon	X		
Sana Kathuria	X		
Brenda Kristie	X		
Ze-Kun Li			
Cindy Luu	X		
Ali Masood	X		
Anmol Mirakhur	X		
Leo Nguyen	X		
Arvind Ravichandran			
Nevin Sarina	X		
Meera Suresh	X		
Syed Taha	X		
Neesha Tambe	X		

The motion to approve the increase in the Campus Center Use Fee for 2011-2012 from \$16.00 to \$17.50 passed with 21 yes votes, 1 no vote, and 1 abstain.

4. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

Title: Endorsement of the Democracy Commitment

*This item is to endorse the Democracy Commitment National Initiative headed by De Anza College.*

Presenter: Neesha Tambe

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Neesha Tambe presented the item.

Ali Masood moved to endorse the Democracy Commitment National Initiative headed by De Anza College.

Amira Farah seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to endorse the Democracy Commitment National Initiative headed by De Anza College passed by consensus.

5. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Title: DASB Wiki

*This item is to discuss the DASB Wiki.*

Presenter: Ali Masood

Time Limit: 10 minutes

Ali Masood presented the item.

6. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION – SECOND VOTE

Title: DASB Bicycle Program

*This item is to approve \$5,500, including \$3,900 for Capital, \$300 for Equipment Maintenance & Repair, \$600 for Student Staff, and \$700 for Miscellaneous Expenses, for the DASB Bicycle Program.*

Presenter: Anaruth Hernandez

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Anaruth Hernandez presented the item.

Anaruth moved to approve \$5,500, including \$3,900 for Capital, \$300 for Equipment Maintenance & Repair, \$600 for Student Staff, and \$700 for Miscellaneous Expenses, for the DASB Bicycle Program, as a carryover.

Sana Kathuria seconded the motion.

No objections.

Vote to approve \$5,500, including \$3,900 for Capital, \$300 for Equipment Maintenance & Repair, \$600 for Student Staff, and \$700 for Miscellaneous Expenses, for the DASB Bicycle Program, as a carryover:

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Natasha Asar	X		
Zara Aslam			
Mariam Azhar	X		
Alison Chan			
Ismail Desouki	X		
Melanie Dovan	X		
Brenden Fant			
Amira Farah	X		
Ahmad Fayad			
Balaram Fedchenko	X		
Lena Ghamrawi	X		
Edison Giang	X		
Anaruth Hernandez	X		
Thoa Hoang			
Denny Jeon	X		
Sana Kathuria	X		
Brenda Kristie			
Ze-Kun Li			
Cindy Luu	X		

Ali Masood	X		
Anmol Mirakhur	X		
Leo Nguyen			
Arvind Ravichandran			
Nevin Sarina	X		
Meera Suresh			
Syed Taha	X		
Neesha Tambe	X		

The motion to approve \$5,500, including \$3,900 for Capital, \$300 for Equipment Maintenance & Repair, \$600 for Student Staff, and \$700 for Miscellaneous Expenses, for the DASB Bicycle Program, as a carryover passed with 17 yes votes and 0 no votes.

7. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION – URGENT

Title: DASB Senate Inauguration Ceremony

*This item is to approve \$1,500 for the DASB Senate Inauguration Ceremony.*

Presenter: Neesha Tambe

Time Limit: 10 minutes

Neesha Tambe presented the item.

Sana Kathuria moved to approve \$1,500 for the DASB Senate Inauguration Ceremony.

Amira Farah seconded the motion.

Objections.

Discussion occurred.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to end discussion.

Ismail Desouki seconded the motion.

No objections.

Vote to approve \$1,500 for the DASB Senate Inauguration Ceremony:

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Natasha Asar	X		
Zara Aslam			
Mariam Azhar	X		
Alison Chan			
Ismail Desouki	X		
Melanie Dovan		X	
Brenden Fant		X	
Amira Farah	X		
Ahmad Fayad	X		
Balaram Fedchenko	X		
Lena Ghamrawi	X		
Edison Giang	X		
Anaruth Hernandez	X		
Thoa Hoang	X		



Denny Jeon			
Sana Kathuria	X		
Brenda Kristie	X		
Ze-Kun Li			
Cindy Luu			
Ali Masood	X		
Anmol Mirakhur	X		
Leo Nguyen	X		
Arvind Ravichandran			
Nevin Sarina	X		
Meera Suresh			
Syed Taha	X		
Neesha Tambe	X		

The motion to approve \$1,500 for the DASB Senate Inauguration Ceremony passed with 18 yes votes and 2 no votes.

8. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/ACTION

Title: DASB Intramural Sports

*This item is to approve \$400, including \$375 for Supplies and \$25 for Refreshments/Meeting Meals, for the DASB Intramural Sports from DASB Winter/Spring Special Allocations.*

Presenter: Anmol Mirakhur, Ravi Joshi, Ismail Desouki

Time Limit: 10 minutes

Ravi Joshi presented the item.

Discussion occurred.

Anaruth Hernandez moved to end discussion.

Leo Nguyen seconded the motion.

Objections.

Discussion occurred.

The motion to end discussion passed with 10 yes votes and 2 no votes.

Neesha Tambe moved to approve \$400, including \$375 for Supplies and \$25 for Refreshments/Meeting Meals, for the DASB Intramural Sports from DASB Winter/Spring Special Allocations.

Mariam Azhar seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Leo Nguyen moved to amend to make this budget request urgent.

Edison Giang seconded the motion.

No objections.

The motion to amend to make this budget request urgent passed by consensus.

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Discussion to approve \$400, including \$375 for Supplies and \$25 for Refreshments/Meeting Meals, for the DASB Intramural Sports from DASB Winter/Spring Special Allocations continued.

Neesha Tambe moved to end discussion.

Brenda Kristie seconded the motion.

No objections.

Vote to approve \$400, including \$375 for Supplies and \$25 for Refreshments/Meeting Meals, for the DASB Intramural Sports from DASB Winter/Spring Special Allocations:

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Natasha Asar	X		
Zara Aslam			
Mariam Azhar	X		
Alison Chan			
Ismail Desouki	X		
Melanie Dovan	X		
Brenden Fant	X		
Amira Farah	X		
Ahmad Fayad	X		
Balaram Fedchenko	X		
Lena Ghamrawi	X		
Edison Giang	X		
Anaruth Hernandez	X		
Thoa Hoang	X		
Denny Jeon			
Sana Kathuria	X		
Brenda Kristie	X		
Ze-Kun Li			
Cindy Luu	X		
Ali Masood		X	
Anmol Mirakhur	X		
Leo Nguyen	X		
Arvind Ravichandran			
Nevin Sarina	X		
Meera Suresh	X		
Syed Taha	X		
Neesha Tambe	X		

The motion to approve \$400, including \$375 for Supplies and \$25 for Refreshments/Meeting Meals, for the DASB Intramural Sports from DASB Winter/Spring Special Allocations passed with 21 yes votes and 1 no vote.

**Public Announcements**

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*respond to items during public announcements.*

- Sarwang Sakaria announced that SAP is having a fundraiser at PinkBerry, so if you give them a flyer you get 20% off, which goes to SAP and will contribute to the cause of the fashion show. Also, he encouraged everyone to buy their tickets to the show.
- Areej Khalid announced that BSU is having a memorial weekend BBQ on Friday at 12pm, and asked everyone to please come out.
- Shaila Ramos announced that tomorrow, there will be the “Dare the Dream” fundraiser in Conference Rooms A and B, where they will serve ethnic food, and hear speakers, and she asked all Senators to come out too. Tickets are \$5 and will be sold at the Main quad tomorrow.
- Matt Diaz announced that 4-Elements is hosting a B-Boy jam, and that they will have judges and b-boys and b-girls from all around the world. The event will be on June 4<sup>th</sup> from 4 to 8pm in Conference Rooms A and B.
- Ali Masood announced that Nevin Sarina has a girlfriend, and her name is Maylea Saito.

### **Senate Announcements**

- Edison Giang announced that the Senate has done a lot this year, so he wants every Committee to put together a document and put it in an A-frame, to exhibit it in the Student Council Chambers.
- Amira Farah announced that she made her vote on Appeal B today as a Senator, even though she is part of the coalition.
- Meera Suresh apologized for the misunderstanding that she voted as a coalition member and not as a Senator, and for not being very motivated in all aspects because of personal things. She asked everyone to please talk to her or ask her about it, and said she was sorry for letting people down if she has done so.
- Ali Masood announced that the chair of a meeting should treat people equally regarding to what they have to say.
- Sana Kathuria announced that she voted on Appeal B as a Senator, and not as a member of coalition. Also, regarding the SAP fashion show, she asked everybody to pay the \$3 for his or her ticket to participate in the fashion show by end of the day or they cannot participate. The show starts at 6:30pm, so if anybody cannot make that time please do not sign up.
- Anaruth Hernandez announced that for the purposes of endorsing the “AB 540 Awareness Week”, every Senator should come to tomorrow’s show in the California History Center from 5 to 9pm.
- Leo Nguyen announced that this is the last Senate Meeting and thanked everyone, for making this year the best year of his life.
- Mariam Azhar announced that we made \$3,141 for Japan, and thanked everybody who helped out and made this possible.
- Nevin Sarina announced that last year’s Senate had a little hiking trip around the time the new Senate got sworn in as a bonding experience, and asked if someone would like to do that to let him know. Also, someone dared him he would not say that Amira has yellow fever.
- Ze-Kun Li announced, regarding to what Ali Masood said earlier, that he was sorry for

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treating people differently during discussion. His aim was to make Nevin Sarina understand Victor's point, but he apologized for acting more rude towards Nevin Sarina.

- Thoa Hoang thanked the Marketing Committee for making this year an interesting ride; they always had the best times. Also, she thanked the Senate, because she learned a lot.
- Brenden Fant asked who would be interested in following up with Military Campaigning on campus.
- Zara Aslam apologized for seeming biased in voting for Appeal B, and announced that she was not being biased, but testifying to whatever happened, and that she would have voted for a member from other coalition too.
- Ali Masood announced that people may feel like they are not biased, but voting on behalf of their friends is potentially biased.
- Kurt Pham announced that he is disappointed in the conflicts of interest within Senate, and that when he was running he held his own opinion back. He also wants to help Ahmad Fayad with the bylaws test as part of his responsibility.
- Neesha Tambe asked everybody to take the little sheet of paper to write down their votes for the appreciation categories, and she announced that she really hopes that next year's Senate can establish the Judicial Board to make election decisions easier.

### **Introduction and Approval of Prospective Senators**

Chen Xu  
John Liu  
William Utomo  
Vivian Nguyen  
Anastasia Inez  
Patrick Yip  
Pablo Zamorano  
Orit Mohamed  
Mustafa Arshad  
Shaila Ramos  
Kenny Perng  
Monica Carrillo  
Tuan Nguyen  
Jaimie Tiunh  
Christian Aguilar  
Shahar Marom  
Jeremy Lee  
Carolyn Chen  
Christine Yu  
Nelson Chuang

### **Star of the Week**

Ali Masood, Mariam Azhar, Natasha Asar, Ahmad Fayad, Lena Ghamrawi, Ismail Desouki, Amira Farah

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**Adjournment**

Ahmad Fayad moved to adjourn the meeting.  
Balaram Fedchenko seconded the motion.  
No objections.  
The motion to adjourn the meeting passed by consensus.  
The meeting was adjourned at 8:58pm.

Submitted by,

Sara Nierle  
DASB Secretary  
Approved on Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011