

**Antelope Valley College**  
**Associated Student Organization**  
**Executive Council Minutes**

**3041 West Ave. K, Lancaster, CA 93536**

**SSV 184, 9:00AM**

**April 25, 2014**

**The Executive Council of the Antelope Valley College met on April 25, 2014. For more information, please contact Associated Student Organization President Chris Dundee 722-6300 ext 6160.**

I. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

1.1 Call to order: 9:10am

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance: Faith Hobby

1.3 Roll Call:

President – Chris Dundee - Present

Vice President, Academic Affairs – Giovanna Sanchez - Present

Vice President, Student Services – Keziah Arnold -Present

Vice President, Public Relations – Rieana Paul - Present

Vice President, Club Affairs - Irene Montalban - Present

Treasurer – Manuel Martinez - Absent

Secretary – Megan Turrill - Present

Senator:

Counseling and Matriculation and Enrollment Services– Faith Hobby -- Present

Health Sciences – Patrick Truong – Absent

Mathematics, Science and Engineering – Jose Sanchez - Present

Social and Behavioral Sciences and Business, Computer Studies and Economic Development –

Nathan Skadsen -- proxy -- Maranatha Javines -- Present

Language Arts and Instructional Resources; Extended Services – Natalie Ronquillo -- proxy --

William Pfaff -- Present

Student Development and Services - Shyann Blanco – Present

Technical Education – Raul Curiel – proxy -- Russell Bierle -- Present

Visual and Performing Arts and Physical Education – Kimberly Garcia –Present

Membership is 15, Quorum is 9, 13 were present, Quorum is established.

Student Trustee – Russell Bierle -- Present

Advisor - Dr. Jill Zimmerman -- Present

Accounting Assistant - Nancy Blundell -- Present

Students - Daniel Mendez, Jennifer Corona, Shawn R. Smith, Elizabeth Wells

1.4 Adoption of the Agenda

Moved to approve the agenda for April 25, 2014 by Rieana Paul, seconded by Russell Bierle.

Motion passed 12/0/0.

### 1.5 Approval of the Minutes - April 18, 2014

Moved to approve the minutes for April 18, 2014 by Megan Turrill, seconded by Rieana Paul. Motion passed 12/0/0.

### 1.6 Approval of Financial Report

Moved to approve the Financial Report from July 31, 2013 to April 24, 2014 by Jose Sanchez, seconded by Megan Turrill. Financial Report read out to members by President Dundee. Motion passed 12/0/0.

## II. PUBLIC FORUM

Keziah Arnold asked whether the ASO meeting on May 9th would be taking place since Honor's Convocation would also be held that day at 8am and most ASO officers would be there. President Chris Dundee stated that there would most likely be no meeting on that day.

## III. ACTION ITEMS

### 3.1 Committee Reports

Vice President Giovanna Sanchez informed ASO officers that she had met with Dr. Jill Zimmerman concerning the Leadership Luncheon on the previous Monday. The event will be held at the Hellenics Center, with 200-250 people currently on the invoice. The current number will be changed as more information from clubs comes in.

Senator Shyann Blanco updated ASO officers on the former AP&P meeting. She stated that the cancelling of several classes. The classes to be eliminated would be classes that are 2 or more levels under basic college level courses. If an individual tests 2 or more levels below, they will have to take remedial classes at an adult school. The class to be eliminated would be Math 065. The college would be eliminating these classes in order to accelerate students and cut remedial courses. Around 80 students are expected to be moved to an adult school for these remedial courses. (in discussion)

Another change is that ESL 10 will no longer be available. Instead it will be made into an English 101 Second Language course (Engl 101 SL). This course will help those students who speak English as a second language and who need English 101 get it done without having to take two separate courses. ESL 99 must be passed before this class can be taken. The course will hopefully be transferrable to both UC and CSU. The only issue with this course is that it is not certified by the nursing board. If it is not certified, this means that nursing students, who take this course thinking it will satisfy their English 101 requirement, will be mistaken. The course will be taken to the nursing board in hopes that it will be approved.

### 3.2 ASO Grant Proposals

No action taken.

### 3.3 ASO Events

A reminder was given about Community Day, which is being held Wednesday, April 30th from 10am-1pm. The event is being hosted by Student Health Services. Volunteers were needed for this event. VP Giovanna Sanchez stated that she would be there from 10-11am. Secretary Megan Turrill stated that she would be present the entire time.

President Dundee mentioned that he had a flier about American Student Government Association conferences that were coming up in the following year. There would be several conferences held during July and August.

Dr. Zimmerman stated that as ASO builds its budget it should take into account what conferences would be attended.

Dr. Zimmerman asked whether the Student Activities Council had come to ASO with anything about a Spring Fest or Cinco de Mayo event. The answer was in the negative.

### 3.4 ASO Impeachment

At the previous meeting ASO had decided to add impeachment to the agenda in order to discuss Treasurer Manuel Martinez's absence. In the week following this decision, Treasurer Manuel Martinez resigned. President Dundee read this letter of resignation out to ASO members present. After reading this letter, President Dundee stated that ASO would be looking for a new treasurer to fill the position until the end of the semester.

### 3.5 ASO Attendance

President Dundee stated that he had put this on the agenda to discuss the late arrival of several members to 9:00 am meetings. He decided to null the possibility of revisiting roll call during meetings in order to provide incentive for ASO members to arrive on time. President Dundee thanked everyone for being on time at the present meeting and stated that he did not think the time of the meeting needed to be changed to a later hour.

## IV. REPORTS

Advisor Report - Dr. Jill Zimmerman announced that she had been to a conference on student success. She is chairing the Student Equity committee and former treasurer Manuel Martinez served on the committee.

Dr. Zimmerman mentioned a new service Kognito that will be offered by Student Health Services. Kognito provides simulated conversation between professors and students for faculty and for students in three areas: at risk students, LGBTA students, and veteran students. The service helps out students who, because of their past, have trouble properly communicating with others. Kognito will offer faculty and students the chance to practice conversations in situations that might initially make them uncomfortable. Once finishing the simulations, students or faculty will receive a certificate. Student Health Services will be launching each type of simulation in the upcoming months.

Dr. Zimmerman also announced that the election announcement would be Monday, April 28th at 1pm, that commencement was coming up, and that priority registration would be beginning soon. She also, asked that members be careful in the ASO office, as it is very full and busy most of the time.

Statewide General Assembly would be the following weekend from May 2-4th.

Moved to revisit ASO Attendance by Shyann Blanco, seconded by Rieana Paul. Motion passed 12/0/0.

ASO members tried to figure out who would be gone on which meeting days during the very busy month of May. After discussion, it was decided that the only ASO meeting that needed to be cancelled was the one on May 9th, 2014 due to Honor's Convocation.

Executive Board Reports - Vice President of Academic Affairs Giovanna Sanchez notified ASO members that the next Leadership Luncheon committee would be held Monday, April 28th at 10am.

Senator's Reports - Senator of Mathematics, Science, and Engineering Jose Sanchez stated that he had been to a Division meeting in the past week. Most of the meeting had involved professor's complaints about the classroom doors that are uncontrollable by professors. Thus, if a door is locked, there is no way a professor can open it. Dr. Nisani mentioned a recent example of the issues this poses. During one of his classes, a student in a wheelchair who was trying to enter the room, got stuck on the balcony and because he could not open the door, the student was stuck there for quite a while. Also, discussed during the division meeting was the possibility of having fire drills on the first day of class every semester so that faculty's schedules were not disrupted and so that all students would be present on campus.

Senator of Student Development Shyann Blanco recommended that in the future there be 2 ASO Representatives on the AP&P committee, one voting and one nonvoting. Because the committee meets on Thursdays for 2 hours and it is almost too much for one representative to handle.

Student Trustee Report - No report

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS/UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

The next ASO meeting will be May 2, 2014 in SSV 151.

The Budget committee would be meeting April 25th at 10:00am, right after the current meeting.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:39am by Russell Bierle, seconded by Rieana Paul. Motion carried 12/0/0.