

**THE RICHARD STOCKTON
COLLEGE
OF NEW JERSEY
STUDENT SENATE**

**Notice of Meeting
February 24, 2009
4:30 p.m.
G-wing Lounge**

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

STUDENT SENATE MEETING
AGENDA

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- I. Call to Order/Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. President's Report
- IV. Committee Reports
 - A. Finance
 - B. Public Relations
 - C. Academic Policies
 - D. School Spirit
 - E. Student Welfare
- V. Announcements/Comments from the Public
- VI. Adjournment

2008-2009 Student Senate Meeting
Minutes from
February 10, 2009

Presiding: Ashley Pero

Members Present: Brian Ackerman
Jonathan Beloff
Brian Brateris
Kevin Devine
William Elmore
Precious Jemibewon
Melissa Gonzalez
Gentae Kemp
Dawn Leiser
John Livres
Matthew Miller
Timothy Papp
Xochil Ramirez
Gretchen Ramos
Jamey Robinson
Iris Ruffin
Danielle Sanzone
Josh Spada
Tamika Thompson
Duanaya Williams

Members Absent: William Newkirk
Sammy Sanchez*
Sara Sterling*
Xilena Viana*

*Notified Chair

Members Late: Jamie Evans
Frank Matthews

Agenda/Business: Ashley called the meeting to order. Senators who were absent or late were noted. John moved to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2008 meeting, seconded by William Elmore.

Dawn wanted the minutes to reflect that Joseph LoSasso, Registrar, did not say they will be hiring new professors but will look into scheduling more lab times.

Motion Passed: 20-0-1*

*Senator Abstained: Ashley Pero

Frank arrived at this time.

President's Report: Ashley Pero

Ashley thanked everyone who attended the memorial service for Officer Maria Parziale.

Vice President's Report: Kevin Devine

Kevin reminded senators to pick up their booklets from their mailboxes.

Committee Reports: Finance

John reported that the committee reviewed the 2009-2010 annual budget requests for some of the student organizations.

Water Watch submitted a supplemental in the amount of \$5,000 to fund their 8th Annual Environmental Forum to be held on April 18. Timothy moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by William.

Motion Passed: 21-0-1*

*Senator Abstained: Ashley Pero

Geology Club submitted a supplemental in the amount of \$1,846.30 to fund their annual trip to Utah and Arizona to visit the areas' National Parks and study the local geology. Timothy moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Duanaya.

Motion Passed: 21-0-1*

*Senator Abstained: Ashley Pero

Economics Society submitted a supplemental in the amount of \$483 to fund speakers/refreshments and local trips. Gretchen moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Jonathan.

Motion Passed: 14-6-2*

*Senators Opposed: Jonathan Beloff, Kevin Devine, Dawn Leiser, Timothy Papp, Danielle Sanzone, and Josh Spada

Senators Abstained: Matthew Miller and Ashley Pero

The Criminal Justice Pre-Law Society submitted a supplemental in the amount of \$2620 to fund a trip to a conference to be held from March 10-14. Gretchen moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Josh.

Motion Passed: 21-0-1*

*Senator Abstained: Ashley Pero

SAVE submitted a supplemental in the amount of \$6,564.14 to fund a trip to Powershift' 09, a national conference for students interested in topics regarding climate change.

Duanaya moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Gretchen.

Motion Passed: 19-1-2*

*Senators Opposed: Jonathan Beloff
Senators Abstained: Brian Brateris and Ashley Pero

Multicultural Connection submitted a supplemental in the amount of \$2,500 to fund their Annual Multicultural Dinner. Duanaya moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Gretchen.

Motion Passed: 19-0-3*

*Senators Abstained: Precious Jemibewon, Frank Matthews and Ashley Pero

Public Relations

Matthew reported that the ACE Hardware donation program raised \$30 and more importantly helped spread the positive message of the Habitat for Humanity charity.

Matthew then stated that the committee worked together to decorate the senate bulletin board with posters supporting the fight against domestic violence. They are also working with the Academic Policies Committee to promote their events during the month of February.

Matthew concluded his report by stating that the committee discussed plans to promote the senate on campus as a leadership opportunity for students.

Academic Policies

Dawn stated that the committee discussed the plans to assist the Covenant House in their "Do 1 Thing" fundraiser. They will be tabling and asking for help from local businesses in obtaining food, clothing, toiletries, and gift cards for the Atlantic City shelter.

Dawn reported that the committee discussed a fundraiser Iris' church is participating in for the people of the Atlantic City Rescue Mission.

Dawn concluded by stating that the committee will be addressing problems with congestion in the bookstore. They will look into encouraging professors to submit textbooks to the bookstore early to prevent long lines.

School Spirit

Danielle stated that the committee discussed plans for the Spring Carnival. They will meet with Chartwells and the bookstore to discuss the event.

Danielle then reported that the committee discussed further plans for the club capsules. There will be a drop-off for all donations on February 19th in the upper G-wing lounge.

Student Welfare

Brian Brateris reported that he tested Webfood and was satisfied with the delivery. He recommended that students get the word out as this service would be great for club meetings.

Duanaya asked how late the delivery service could be used. Robin Gillespie, Senior Director of Dining Services, stated that students should be able to use the service until 11 p.m. for the Osprey's Nest and 10 p.m. for the Lakeside Center.

Brian then stated that he went to the Bookstore to discuss the excessive long waits while making book purchases. Brian reported that the employees agree that professors aren't getting in book orders in time for students to pre-order. Brian will be meeting with the Bookstore again to address the issue further.

Brian stated that Sammy will be contacting Director of Plant Management, Donald Woolsey, regarding the possible construction of a roof over the hockey rink.

Brian concluded by reporting that Sammy is still speaking with Athletics regarding substitute pool usage for students.

Announcements/Comments from the Public:

A student representative from the Career Center announced that there would be a Career and Internship Fair February 19th from 10 am-2 pm in the Sports Center.

Rachel Stark, Associate Director of Residential Life, announced that the Living, Learning Communities are being revamped. Next fall, they will be located in Housing 5.

Rodger Jackson, Associate Professor of Philosophy, gave updates for Profapalooza: The House of Blues released 75 tickets for the college to sell to students at half price. They will be selling t-shirts soon. Joseph Lizza, Assistant Director of the College Center, then announced that with the assistance of Residential Life, the tickets will be discounted to \$5 and they are working on transportation.

Adjournment: Ashley adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m.