



Student Senate Regular Meeting Minutes (Approved)

Monday, March 23, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 2:22 pm.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: President Jaden Nguyen, Vice-President Jing Ee Ong, Finance Director Moe Thanzin Cho, Secretary Geiziane Santos, Vice Chair Leticia Dominguez, Senators Jeremiah David, Alia Ejiri, Ryan Farzaneh, Honey Hin, Lauren Hong, Alyssa Jose, Juna Lee, Lukas Real, Nyam Simm Sett, Ameer Dababo, Aung Phone Kyaw, Maylani Fiel, Alfonso Villalvazo, Justin Gomez, Thiri Thu, Finola Miqailla, Hanna Sevilla, Maylani Fiel, Ameer Dababo

Members Absent: None

Advisors Present: Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager; Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant; Mondana Bathai, Student Life Staff Assistant

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Senator Dominguez, seconded by Senator Hong. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

Motion to approve the minutes of March 16, 2026, Senate meeting by Senator Farzaneh, seconded by Senator Hong. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARINGS OF THE PUBLIC

None

REPORTS

President Nguyen reported that The Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC) will take place this coming weekend, from Friday, March 27th to Sunday, March 29th.

Vice President Ee Ong reported that the Women of the Past: Interactive Wax Museum event will take place on Wednesday, March 25th, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. A SignUpGenius is available, and those who are able to help are encouraged to sign up. She also reported that Senate elections will be announced the week after Spring Break. Additionally, the Girls Who Code: AI-Powered Software Development event will take place on Tuesday, March 24th, from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. The Council meeting will also take place on March 24th, and there is still a need for a student representative.

Vice Chair Dominguez reported that ICC did not hold a meeting on Tuesday, March 17th, and there will be no meeting on Tuesday, March 31st due to Spring Break.

Secretary Santos thanked Senator Thu for cleaning the Senate room last week. She also reported that Senators Hong, Lee, and Fiel will be cleaning the Senate room this week.

Senator Hong reported that the Women of the Past: Interactive Wax Museum, organized by the Equity Affairs Board and Programming Board, will take place on Wednesday, March 25th, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Building 10. A

SignUpGenius and event briefing were sent out last week, and members are encouraged to sign up if available to assist. Some preparation will take place on Tuesday, March 24th, around 1:00 p.m., including assembling the balloon arch and canvas. She also noted that the CSM Drag Show will take place on Wednesday, April 8th, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Building 10, Bayview Dining Hall. A SignUpGenius will be released soon, and additional food funding will be discussed later in the meeting.

Senator Jose reported that the Snoozefest event will take place on Thursday, April 9th, and requested assistance from those who are available.

Senator Miqailla reported that the committee has approved two new courses for the College of San Mateo.

Senator Gomez reported that the Development Committee meeting was canceled last week and will take place this coming Friday, March 27th.

Alex Guiriba, Vice President of Student Services, reported the following:

- Expressed enthusiasm for the upcoming Women of the Past: Interactive Wax Museum event.
- Wished everyone a Happy Spring Break.
- Apologized for not being able to attend the last Senate meeting.
- Announced that the Open Forum for the Vice President of Instruction will take place the week after Spring Break. He emphasized the importance of student voice in this process and encouraged members to attend, noting that this is a critical position for the college and future CSM students.

Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager, reported:

- Services may be slower during Spring Break; members are encouraged to submit food and delivery orders as soon as possible.
- Mondana and Fauzi will be off campus on Friday, March 27th; members are reminded to submit board agendas.
- Aaron will be off during the entire Spring Break week, while Fauzi will be available and working remotely.
- Senate members running for office are still required to attend meetings, regardless of prior experience.
- The Campus Leadership Award application is now available and due on Friday, April 10th. Emphasis was placed on quality over quantity in the application.

Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant, reported the following:

- Applications for the Student Commencement Speaker are now open and due on Friday, April 10th. Only students who are graduating and participating in commencement are eligible to apply.
- Moving forward, itemized receipts will be required for submissions.

Mondana Bathai, Student Life Staff Assistant, reported the following:

- Members are asked to remove any perishable items from the Senate room before Spring Break begins.

APPOINTMENTS

Programming Board	
Sam Nguyen	No objections
Appointments motioned first by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Sett. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.	

APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION COMMISSION MEMBERS

Motion to approve the appointment of Senators Lee, Hong, Farzaneh, David, and Dominguez as Election Commission Members first by Senator Villalvazo and second by Senator Jose. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

FUNDING FOR WORLD GALA 2026 – INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Motion to fund \$1500 from the College Program Assistance (5032) account for the World Gala 2026 event, first by Senator Hong and second by Senator Lee. The annual event that happens every Spring will take place on May 1st from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., with approximately 350 attendees expected. The Marketing Department is collaborating with the promotion of the event. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

FUNDING FOR SWIFT WORKSHOP – DATA ENGINEERING CLUB

Motion to fund \$135 from the ICC/ Club Assistance (5031) account for the Swift Workshop first by Senator Hong and second by Senator Lee. The event will take place this coming Friday, March 27th, with approximately 15 attendees expected. The event will serve as an IOS workshop where a bus prediction app will be developed. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor, except Senator Lee, who abstained.

FUNDING FOR CSM DRAG SHOW (EA ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION) – EQUITY AFFAIRS BOARD

Motion to fund \$2000 from the Ethnic Cultural Affairs (5050) account for CSM Drag Show (EA Additional Contribution) first by Senator Villalvazo and second by Senator Gomez. The event will take place on April 8th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at building 10, Bayview Dining Hall. The event is being hosted by CSM Pride Center, Equity Affairs Board, and AANHPI. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SB 968 (BECKER)

Motion to approve the resolution in support of SB 968 (Becker) first by Senator Lee and second by Senator Hong. The resolution supports free college tuition, as the current free tuition program for San Mateo residents is set to end in two years. The bill aims to extend this program for a longer period. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Advocacy Bills from Sacramento Trip

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

ADJOURNMENT 🎊

Motion to adjourn at 2:52 p.m. by Senator Lee; seconded by Senator Villalvazo. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Submitted by,

Geiziane Santos
ASCSM Secretary