



Student Senate Regular Meeting Agenda

Monday, April 20, 2026, 2:15 pm

In-Person: Center for Equity, Leadership and Community Building 17, Room 146
College of San Mateo; 1700 W. Hillsdale Blvd.; San Mateo, CA 94402

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The public is invited and encouraged to attend ASCSM Student Senate meetings. All meetings are open to the public and are accessible to those with disabilities. Start times are approximate. The public may address the Student Senate on non-Agenda items during the Announcements and Hearing of the Public items on the agenda. Members of the public may participate in discussions only when recognized by the chair. The Student Senate reserves the right to suspend the orders of the day if necessary to conduct business.

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

3. Approval of the Agenda

4. Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)

5. Announcements and Hearings of the Public

During this time, members of the public may address the Senate on non-agenda items. Limit of 15 minutes per topic and 3 minutes per speaker.

6. Reports

a. Officers

- i. President Jaden Nguyen
- ii. Vice President Jing Ee Ong
- iii. Finance Director Moe Thanzin Cho
- iv. Vice Chair Leticia Dominguez
- v. Secretary Geiziane Da Silva Dos Santos
- vi. District Student Trustee Michael Llanell

b. Senators

Including reports from ASCSM boards and committees, ASCSM task forces, college and district participatory governance committees, and other boards, committees, or organizations.

c. College of San Mateo Administration

Including the college president, the vice president of student services, members of the executive leadership team, deans, and any other college administrators wishing to report to the Student Senate.

d. Advisors

- i. Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager
- ii. Fauzi Hamadeh, Student Life and Leadership Assistant
- iii. Mondana Bathai, Student Life Staff Assistant

7. Appointments – President Nguyen

The Senate shall discuss and consider any and all appointments and/or recommended appointments to the Student Senate, ASCSM Boards and/or task forces, any College and/or District participatory governance committees, and/or any other appointments that may be deemed necessary. Possible action to take place.

8. Funding for World Gala – International Students Association

The Senate shall discuss and consider the proposal to fund the World Gala event organized by the International Students Association. Possible action to take place.

9. Funding for Student Veteran Spotlight – Veterans Club

The Senate shall discuss and consider the proposal to fund the Student Veteran Spotlight organized by the Veterans Club. Possible action to take place.

10. Funding for CSSA Final Study Lounge – Chinese Students Scholars Association

The Senate shall discuss and consider the proposal to fund the CSSA Final Study Lounge organized by the Chinese Students Scholars Association. Possible action to take place.

11. End of the Year Transition

The Senate shall discuss and consider the End of the Year Transition coordinated with the new Senate members. Possible action to take place

12. Past Event Debrief

The Senate shall discuss and provide feedback on the following events and/or activities:

13. Future Agenda Items

During this time, members of the Senate may suggest agenda items for consideration for future meetings.

14. Final Announcements and Hearing of the Public

During this time, members of the Senate and the public may voice any concluding comments. Limit of 15 minutes per topic and 3 minutes per speaker.

15. Adjournment



Student Senate Regular Meeting Minutes (Unapproved)

Monday, April 13, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 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, Maylani Fiel, Alfonso Villalvazo, Thiri Thu, Finola Miqailla, Maylani Fiel, Ameer Dababo, Hanna Sevilla, Aung Phone Kyaw

Members Absent: Senator Justin Gomez

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

Others Present: None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

Motion to approve the minutes of April 6th, 2026, Senate meeting by Senator Jose, seconded by Senator Lee. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARINGS OF THE PUBLIC

Representatives from Umoja expressed their disappointment with the Associated Students of College of San Mateo regarding the limited number of events, posts, and overall acknowledgment of Black communities, particularly in recognition of the 100th anniversary of Black History Month. While they acknowledged the existing limitations related to budget and capacity, they emphasized that the significance of Black History Month represents a missed opportunity to educate students on the intersectionality of Black history within American and global contexts. Umoja highlighted the strong presence and influence of African American and Black culture on campus, from academic programs to contributions in music and popular culture, and stressed the importance of recognizing and celebrating this impact, even through simple forms of acknowledgment such as social media posts. They shared these concerns not out of frustration, but with the hope that the student body will continue to uplift, support, and better represent Black students and communities moving forward.

REPORTS

President Nguyen reported that the events organized last week by the Equity Affairs Board and Programming Board were both very successful. He also acknowledged the statement shared by Umoja, expressing an apology for their experience and noting that their concerns will be taken into consideration for future events.

Vice President Ee Ong reported that ASCSM Elections applications are due on Wednesday, April 15th at 4:30 p.m. She emphasized that the Mandatory Candidates Meeting is required for all applicants and will take place on Friday, April

17th, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. She also announced that the Campus Leadership Awards will be presented at the Campus Life and Leadership Awards Ceremony on Thursday, April 30, 2026, at 2:30 p.m. in the Bayview Dining Room (College Center Building 10). Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP by Friday, April 25, 2026, at 4:30 p.m. Vice President Ong also congratulated the Equity Affairs Board on the success of the Drag Show and the Programming Board on the success of Snoozefest. Additionally, she reported that the last Senate meeting will take place on May 4th.

Secretary Santos reported that Senator Miqailla and Finance Director Thanzin Cho will be cleaning the Senate room this week.

Senator Hong reported that the Drag Show was a very successful event and thanked everyone who contributed. She also noted that the final Equity Affairs Board meeting will take place on April 23rd, during which new board leaders will shadow her and Hanna.

Senator Real reported that the Hackathon will take place between April 17th and April 24th, with the closing ceremony held at the CSM campus. All are welcome to attend.

Senator Lee reported that the Case Competition Grand Finale and Awards Ceremony will take place on Thursday, April 23rd at 4:00 p.m. in Building 10.

Aaron Schaefer, Student Life and Leadership Manager, reported:

- Alex Guiriba is currently attending a conference and apologizes for not being able to attend the Senate meeting.
- A reminder that ASCSM Elections applications are due on Wednesday, April 15th at 4:30 p.m.

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

- A reminder that ASCSM Elections applications are due on Wednesday, April 15th at 4:30 p.m.
- The Mandatory Candidates Meeting will take place on Friday, April 17th, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Construction for student housing has begun, and one of the parking lots is now closed.
- Commencement is approximately six weeks away, with more information to be shared next week.

APPOINTMENTS

None.

FUNDING FOR CUPCAKE WARS – CSM CULINARY CLUB

Motion to fund \$500 from the ICC/ Club Assistance (5031) account for the Cupcake Wars first by Senator Hong and second by Senator Sett. The club elected to purchase the necessary items in advance and request reimbursement afterward. Approximately 20 to 30 attendees are expected, and prizes will be awarded to the winning teams.. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor, except Senator Jose, who opposed.

FUNDING FOR THRIFTING EVENT #2 – SAGE CLUB

Motion to fund \$570 from the ICC/ Club Assistance (5031) account for the Thrifting Event #2 first by Senator Hong and second by Senator Villalvazo. The event will take place on April 28th and 29th and is planned to be similar to their first thrifting event, which had over 100 attendees. Incentives such as bamboo straws will be provided, and boba will be available for attendees who bring their own cups. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor, except Senator Lee, who opposed.

FUNDING FOR END-OF-SEMESTER & GRADUATION/TRANSFER CELEBRATION – BRAZILIAN CLUB

Motion to fund \$480 from the ICC/ Club Assistance (5031) account for the End-of-Semester/Transfer Celebration first by Senator Villalvazo and second by Senator Hong. An additional \$120 will be contributed from the club's account. The event will take place on May 7th, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., with approximately 40 to 50 attendees expected. The motion carried with eight members voting in favor: Senators Sevilla, Thu, Dababo, David, Dominguez, Hong, Miqailla, and Hin; Seven members opposing: Senators Alfonso, Kyaw, Jose, Lee, Real, Farzaneh, and Sett; One abstention: Senator Fiel

FUNDING FOR WORLD GALA – CHINESE STUDENT SCHOLARS ASSOCIATION

Motion to fund \$1000 from the ICC/ Club Assistance (5031) account for the World Gala first by Senator Lee and second by Senator Sett. The event will take place from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the CSM College Center, Building 10, Room 390. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

ENDORSEMENT OF ASCSM ADVOCACY BOARD LEGISLATIVE BILL RECOMMENDATIONS – ADVOCACY BOARD

Motion to endorse the recommendations from the Advocacy Board legislative bills for the Washington, DC, advocacy trip first by Senator Hong and second by Senator Sett. Senator Farzaneh presented and explained the bills to the Senate. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

FUNDING FOR ASCSM 2026 BANQUET – ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLLEGE OF SAN MATEO

Motion to fund \$5000 from the Hospitality (5080) account for the ASCSM 2026 Banquet first by Senator Hong and second by Senator Dominguez. The event date is to be determined and will take place at College Heights.. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

FUNDING FOR ELECTION OUTREACH AND PROMOTIONAL EVENTS – ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLLEGE OF SAN MATEO

Motion to fund \$3500 from the Student Representation fund account for the Election Outreach and Promotional Events first by Senator Lee and second by Senator Hong. The funding will support two events, one taking place this week and the other the following week. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

PAST EVENT DEBRIEF

a. Drag Show:

- The event was described as highly successful, with strong engagement from the public.
- Appreciation was expressed to all who contributed, with special recognition given to Mondana and the Public Relations team for their support before and during the event.

Area for improvement:

- A lack of participation and assistance from Senate members was noted.

b. Snoozefest:

- The event was well received, with positive feedback on both the giveaways and food. Appreciation was expressed to all who assisted.

Area for improvement:

- Attendance was lower than expected, possibly due to the event taking place on a Thursday.
- There was a minor issue with food pickup, which caused a delay in food availability.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

- Spring Fling is coming up soon, taking place on April 29th starting at 12:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT 🎀

Motion to adjourn at 2:59 p.m. by Senator Lee; seconded by Senator Hong. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Submitted by,

Geiziane Santos
ASCSM Secretary

Agenda Item #7: Appointments

The Senate shall discuss and consider any and all appointments and/or recommended appointments to the Student Senate, ASCSM Boards and/or task forces, any College and/or District participatory governance committees, and/or any other appointments that may be deemed necessary. Possible action to take place.

ASCSM Funding Application for Student Clubs and Organizations

Club or Student Organization Name International Students Association

Event or Request Title World Gala

Application Contact Name Aung Phone Myat Kyaw

Application Contact Email akyaw1@my.smccd.edu

Event or Request Description World Gala is a vibrant celebration of cultures from around the world, featuring incredible student performances, delicious international cuisines, and an unforgettable evening of cultural appreciation. World Gala is our annual event that happens every Spring semester to showcase international student culture and talent to the CSM community.

Event Date and Time May 01, 2026 05:00 PM

Event Location Bayview Dining Hall

Estimated Attendance 300

How does this event support the mission and purpose of your club? This event highlights the role of ISA in supporting the international student population on campus by creating opportunities for them to stay connected with their communities while also engaging with the broader student body. It provides a space where international students can share their cultures and, at the same time, learn about and appreciate cultures from around the world. By collaborating with the International Education Program to host the World Gala, ISA actively supports a diverse and welcoming campus environment. Through cultural performances and international cuisine, the event encourages interaction across different communities and strengthens connections among students from diverse backgrounds.

What do you want to students and the campus community to take away from this event?

By highlighting performances from students across the globe, this event celebrates the richness of diverse cultures and encourages a deeper appreciation for cultural diversity within the campus community. It aims to create an inclusive environment where individuals can experience and engage with cultures beyond their own, promoting cross-cultural understanding and connection. Ultimately, the event strives to foster a sense of belonging and leave participants feeling inspired by the diversity that defines our community.

Please explain how you will promote and market this event.

We will put up posters around the campus to notify students about the event. In addition, we will actively promote the event through our social media platforms, including Instagram, etc.

Please upload a copy of a flyer promoting this event.

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Please upload an agenda for the event (it is OK if this is in draft or outline form).

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Item #1 - Description

Food (Main Course)

Item #1 - Requested Funding Amount

1500

Total Funding Request

1500

Form Name:
Submission Time:

ASCSM Funding Application for Student Clubs and Organizations
March 31, 2026 10:57 am

ASCSM Funding Application for Student Clubs and Organizations

Club or Student Organization Name	Veterans Club
Event or Request Title	Student Veteran Spotlight
Application Contact Name	Alex Barajas
Application Contact Email	barajasa5@my.smccd.edu
Event or Request Description	<p>This event is dedicated to recognizing and celebrating our student veteran community by providing a distinguished platform for them to share their academic journeys, personal stories, and professional insights. It aims to foster meaningful engagement between student veterans and the broader community within a professional and supportive environment.</p>
Event Date and Time	Apr 28, 2026 01:00 PM
Event Location	Bayview Dining
Estimated Attendance	100
How does this event support the mission and purpose of your club?	<p>This event directly supports the mission and purpose of our club by reinforcing our commitment to providing a safe, supportive space for student veterans while also fostering meaningful connections with the broader community. By offering student veterans a platform to share their experiences, the event creates an environment where their voices are heard, valued, and respected.</p>
What do you want to students and the campus community to take away from this event?	<p>We hope that students and members of the campus community leave this event with a deeper understanding and appreciation of the student veteran experience. By hearing firsthand accounts, attendees will gain insight into the unique challenges, strengths, and perspectives that student veterans bring to campus.</p>
Please explain how you will promote and market this event.	<p>We have submitted a service request with the marketing team to promote the event via emails, school calendar, and electronic poster. We also created a flyer that we plan to post around the school once stamped off by student life.</p>
Please upload a copy of a flyer promoting this event.	<p>https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/19351160548</p>

Please upload an agenda for the event (it is OK if this is in draft or outline form).

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Item #1 - Description	Bayview Dining Catering
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Item #1 - Requested Funding Amount	1000
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Total Funding Request	1000
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Form Name:
Submission Time:

ASCSM Funding Application for Student Clubs and Organizations
April 8, 2026 11:16 am

ASCSM Funding Application for Student Clubs and Organizations

Club or Student Organization Name	Chinese Student Scholars Association
Event or Request Title	CSSA Final Study Lounge
Application Contact Name	Jing Ee Ong
Application Contact Email	ongj2@my.smccd.edu
Event or Request Description	This event is open to all students to gather around and relax while preparing for their upcoming finals with food and beverages served. Study supplies will be also be provided for students. We aim to create a supportive and productive environment for students to gather, study and discuss their preparation for the finals.
Event Date and Time	May 07, 2026 11:30 AM
Event Location	Center of Global Engagement
Estimated Attendance	70
How does this event support the mission and purpose of your club?	This event supports the mission of CSSA by building a sense of community while supporting students in practical ways. This event's goal is to create a supportive and welcoming environment for everyone to relax, recharge and prepare for their finals. Alongside from studying, this event aims to create a shared space for everyone to take a break, hangout and get study supplies to make themselves physically and mentally prepared.
What do you want to students and the campus community to take away from this event?	We want students to leave the event feeling more prepared and less stressed for their finals. By providing food and study supplies, we hope to make them feel more organised, more supported and being less stuck in their own head about it. We also hope to foster a meaningful impact by having a welcoming, relaxed space to make everyone feel included.
Please explain how you will promote and market this event.	We will put up posters around the campus to notify students about the event. In addition, we will be actively promoting the event through our social media platforms. including Instagram, etc.
Please upload a copy of a flyer promoting this event.	https://www.formstack.com/admin/download/file/19383334634

Please upload an agenda for the event (it is OK if this is in draft or outline form).

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Item #1 - Description	Food & Drinks
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Item #1 - Requested Funding Amount	400
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Item #2 - Description	Study supplies
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Item #2 - Requested Funding Amount	100
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Total Funding Request	500
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Agenda Item #11: End of the Year Transition

The Senate shall discuss and consider ways to facilitate the end of the year transition from the current ASCSM to the new ASCSM members. Possible action to take place.