



Student Senate Meeting Minutes (Approved)

Monday, September 21, 2026, 2:15 pm

The meeting was called to order at 2:18 pm.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: President Jaden Nguyen; Vice President Anthony Friis; Vice Chair Nicolas Moshkovoy; Senators Jason Caballero, Nicholas Costello, Hudson Gates, Irene Jones, Brianna Kei, Kristi Lee, Shaila Lewis, Richard Lucas, Esteban Madriz, Samantha Nguyen, Seth Nocos, Ern Ee Ong, Mattea Park, Danalyn Silva, Abigail Sinarle, Violet Wu

Members Absent: Finance Director Kingston Hua (excused; on Senate business)

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

Others Present: Dr. Manuel Alejandro Perez, College of San Mateo President; Alex Guiriba, College of San Mateo Vice President of Student Services

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Senator Silva; seconded by Senator Nocos. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

No minutes of prior meetings were available.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARINGS OF THE PUBLIC

None.

Hearing no objections, the Senate suspended the orders of the day and took up item #8, Welcome and Open Discussion with CSM President Dr. Manuel Alejandro Perez.

WELCOME AND OPEN DISCUSSION WITH CSM PRESIDENT DR. MANUEL ALEJANDRO PEREZ

President Perez opened the discussion by acknowledging that tragedy that struck the CSM Football team over the weekend. He said that the college is working with the families and friends of those involved. Dr. Perez also said that the college is providing all the necessary support to the student athletes on the team. Dr. Perez said that student leadership is vital at times like these to make sure that college is responding to the thoughts and feelings of the campus community. Dr. Perez thanked the members of the Student Senate for stepping up to take on leadership roles on campus and said that he appreciates the group's commitment to enhancing campus life.

Hearing no objections, the Senate resumed the orders of the day.

REPORTS

President Nguyen extended his congratulations to Vice Chair Moshkovoy and the clubs on a successful fall Club Fair.

Vice Chair Moshkovoy thanked the Senate for their support in putting on last week's fall Club Fair.

Vice President of Student Services Guiriba congratulated the Senate on a successful Club Fair. He also said that he is serving as the college's primary point of contact in supporting the families of the student athletes mentioned earlier. Mr. Guiriba said that the college is offering support but respecting the wishes of the family and friends before planning any kind of campus remembrance.

Student Life and Leadership Manager Schaefer echoed the congratulations to all involved in the Club Fair. Mr. Schaefer said that he heard from several administrators, faculty, and staff that the turnout was amazing. He also said that the clubs received many sign-ups. He encouraged the Senate to keep the momentum going.

Student Life and Leadership Assistant Hamadeh apologized for missing the Club Fair due to his responsibilities related to the Board of Governors. He thanked everyone for the support they provided to Vice Chair Moshkovoy. Mr. Hamadeh said that he hopes members of the Senate take the time to check in with each other and their peers during this difficult time on campus.

APPOINTMENTS

President Nguyen made the following appointments:

- **To Programming Board:** Kale Yee, Enzo Duque, Amy Ai, Summer Liu, Amir Rymzhanov, Adam Neel, Egshiglen Enkhsuren, Ivan Popov, Joanna Tam, Kyle Lai, and Misheel Sukhchuluun. Motion to confirm the appointments to the Programming Board by Senator Nguyen; seconded by Senator Ong. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- **To Public Relations Board:** Madelyn Galura, Sophie Larios, Collin Kong, Sarah Cabbiness, Taylor Tong, Eliana Quinto, Siena Wells, Dana Silva, Abigail Sinarle, Hudson Gates, Wyatt Curley, and Collin Kong. Motion to confirm the appointments to the Public Relations Board by Senator Park; seconded by Senator Costello. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- **To Equity Affairs Board:** Ally Lau, Mya Thawtar Tun, Chris Stray, Blas Reyes, and Ahmad Dababo. Motion to confirm the appointments to the Equity Affairs Board by Senator Silva; seconded by Senator Nocos. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- **To Advocacy Board:** Vartan Makasdjian, Alexandra Adams, Jedadiah Koon, Ellie Kim, Elizabeth Lipton, Georgy Kuxin, Lucas Kim, Matthew Balsam-Ashling, Sherrilyn Won, Kyle Lai, Khushi Datt, James Ely, Henry Jones, Dorothy Fung, Justin Garcia, Dana Silva, Seth Nocos, Kingston Hua, Nick Moshkovoy, Nick Costello, and Irene Jones. Motion to approve the appointments to the Advocacy Board by Senator Lucas; seconded by Senator Lewis. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.
- **Senator Lucas** to the Public Relations Board. Motion to confirm the appointment by Senator Nocos; seconded by Vice Chair Moshkovoy. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

PARTICIPATORY GOVERNANCE APPOINTMENTS

President Nguyen made the following appointments to college and district participatory governance committees:

Committee Name	Appointment(s)
Academic Senate Governing Council	Shaila Lewis
College Finance Committee	Kingston Hua
Committee on Teaching and Learning	Seth Nocos Brianna Kei
Curriculum Committee	Jason Cabrillo Irene Jones

Committee Name	Appointment(s)
Distance Education Advisory Committee	Danalyn Silva
District Committee on Budget and Finance	Kingston Hua*
District Participatory Governance Committee	Nicolas Moshkovoy
Educational Equity Committee	Samantha Nguyen Violet Wu
Institutional Planning Committee	Jaden Nguyen* Anthony Friis* Kingston Hua* Kristi Lee Richard Lucas Esteban Madriz Abigail Sinarle
Learning Support Center Coordination Committee	Hudson Gates
All-Campus Professional Development Committee	Ern Ee Ong
Safety Committee	Mattea Park
Technology Advisory Committee	Nicholas Costello

Motion to confirm the participatory governance appointments by Senator Sylva; seconded by Senator Park. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

FUNDING FOR PROGRAMMING BOARD “AN APPLE A DAY” EVENT

Senators Ong and Park explained that the Programming Board is planning to have an apple-themed event on September 30, 2026. This will be the Programming Board’s first event of the semester and an opportunity for the group to see how they work together and what issues may need to be ironed out for larger events. The event will take place in the plaza in front of College Center Building 10.

Motion to approve \$3,500.00 from the Programming account (#5150) to support the “An Apple A Day” event by Senator Nocos; seconded by Senator Madriz. The motion carried with all members present voting in favor.

FEEDBACK REQUEST FROM IPC: STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SUPPORT

Vice President Guiriba explained that the cost of operating the CSM Shuttle between the Millbrae BART/Caltrain Station and CSM continue to put pressure on the college’s Fund 1 budget. Giving the low ridership of the shuttle, a recommendation has been brought to the Institutional Planning Committee (IPC) to discontinue the shuttle at the end of the Fall 2026 semester. Mr. Guiriba noted that the college continues to explore other available options to support the transportation needs of students. The Student Senate expressed its dismay that the shuttle would need to be discontinued but understood the budgetary pressures the college is currently experiencing. It was suggested that the Advocacy Board take up transportation as a central lobbying topic for the year.

Hearing no objections, the Senate tabled item #12, Feedback Request from Academic Senate: Changes to the Role of the Student Representatives on the Curriculum Committee, and item #13, Event Debrief, until the next meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The following items were mentioned for inclusion on a future agenda:

- ICC Funding Requests
- Feedback Request from Academic Senate
- Event Debrief

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 3:43 pm by Senator Madriz; seconded by Senator Lucas. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.

Submitted by,

Fauzi Hamadeh
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