

MINUTES
DASB SENATE MEETING
Wednesday, September 21, 2005
3:30 pm
Student Council Chambers

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM by Anna Callahan.

Roll Call**Senators**

<u>Name</u>	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early
Ken Amornnopawong	X			
Ananya Ashok	X		5:08 PM	
Anna Callahan	X			
London Choi	X			
Wei Chuan "Helen" Chung	X			
Bernardo de Seabra	X			
Menglan "Susan" Fan	X			
Jesus Gomez		X		
Yaveth Gomez	X			
Sanjeet Heyer	X			
Siamack Jamshidipour	X			
Soheil "John" Karbassi	X		3:37 PM	
Audrey Lo	X			
Donald Murphy	X			
Tim Nicholls	X			
Zahra Noor	X			
Saleha Pirzada	X			
Israr Qumer	X		X	
Kazuma Seto	X			
George Edward Smith	X			
Alex Wu	X		5:32 PM	

Junior Senators

<u>Name</u>	Present	Absent	Late	Left Early
Thai-Ry Chang Urena	X			
David He	X		X	
Shrey Prasad	X			

Guest List: Robert McDonald, Rameen Fattahi, Navdip Hothi, Nadia Kim, Huong Nguyen, Yessenia Ramirez

Approval of Minutes

September 7, 2005

George Edward Smith moved to approve the Minutes of September 7th, 2005.

London Choi seconded the motion.

The Minutes of September 7th, 2005 have been approved.

Public Comments

There were no Public Comments.

Burning Issues

Bernardo de Seabra asked everyone to be checking and replying to their emails promptly.

London Choi mentioned that the VPs should keep the rooms clean.

Zahra Noor asked about the lounge lockers.

Consent Calendar

1. Add Siamack Jamshidipour to the Budget and Finance Committee.
2. Add Siamack Jamshidipour to the Administration Committee.
3. Add Jennifer E. Howard as an Agent to the Student Services Committee.
4. Add Huong Nguyen as an Agent to the Diversity and Events Committee.
5. Add Menglan "Susan" Fan to the Student Rights Committee.
6. Add Menglan "Susan" Fan to the Student Services Committee.
7. Remove Zahra Noor from Student Services Committee.
8. Remove George Edward Smith from Student Services Committee.
9. Add George Edward Smith to Student Rights Committee.

Bernardo de Seabra moved to approve the Consent Calendar.

Menglan "Susan" Fan seconded the motion.

The consent calendar passed by consensus.

Business

1. DISCUSSION/ACTION – FIRST VOTE

This item is to discuss and approve \$2,000.00 from Account 41-52002-7320 (Summer/Fall Special Allocations) for the De Anza Planetarium to make copies of current astronomical articles from *Planetary Report* for use by the 2,500 students enrolled in astronomy classes at De Anza as well as K-12 students who attend the Planetarium for star shows.

Presenter: Caron Blinick

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Caron Blinick presented the item

Discussion occurred.

Siamack Jamshidipour moved to approve \$2,000.00 from Account 41-52002-7320 (Summer/Fall Special Allocations) for the De Anza Planetarium to make copies of current astronomical articles from *Planetary Report* for use by the 2,500 students enrolled in astronomy classes at De Anza as well as K-12 students who attend the Planetarium for star shows.

George Edward Smith seconded the motion.

Discussion occurred.

Ken Amornnopawong moved to postpone Business Item 1 for the next Senate meeting.

Bernardo de Seabra seconded the motion.

Sanjeet Heyer objected to postponing Business Item 1 for the next Senate meeting.

Four votes in favor of postponing Business Item 1.

Ten votes in favor of not postponing Business Item 1.

The motion to postpone did not pass.

Discussion occurred.

George Edward Smith moved to end discussion.

Siamack Jamshidipour seconded the motion.

The motion to end discussion passed by consensus.

Roll Call Vote

Name	Approve	Disapprove	Abstain
Ken Amornnopawong		X	
Ananya Ashok		-	
Anna Callahan			
London Choi	X		
Wei Chuan "Helen" Chung	X		
Bernardo de Seabra		X	
Menglan "Susan" Fan		X	
Jesus Gomez		-	
Yaveth Gomez			X
Sanjeet Heyer	X		
Siamack Jamshidipour	X		
Soheil "John" Karbassi			X
Audrey Lo		X	
Donald Murphy	X		
Tim Nicholls	X		
Zahra Noor	X		
Saleha Pirzada	X		
Israr Qumer		-	
Kazuma Seto		X	
George Edward Smith	X		
Alex Wu		-	

The motion passed by majority vote with nine yes votes, five no votes, and two abstains.

2. DISCUSSION/ACTION – FIRST VOTE

This item is to discuss and approve \$566.50 from Account 41-52002-7320 (Summer/Fall Special Allocations) for the Student and Community Service Building Grand Opening Committee which will use the funding as drawing prizes (Ten Winter Quarter parking stickers and three \$100.00 book vouchers used for books from the De Anza College Bookstore.) to be given during "Grand Opening" day to De Anza College Students who participate.

Presenter: Carmen Pereida

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Anna Callahan introduced the item.

Carmen Pereida presented the item mentioning that Business Item 2 will be changed from requiring \$566.50 to \$500.00 to cover the cost of five \$100.00 book vouchers instead of ten Winter Quarter parking stickers and three \$100.00 book vouchers.

Bernardo de Seabra moved to approve \$500.00 to cover the cost of five book vouchers for the Student and Community Service Building Grand Opening.

Wei Chuan "Helen" Chung seconded the motion.

Carmen Pereida continued presenting the item.

Discussion occurred.

Wei Chuan "Helen" Chung moved to have the \$500.00 mentioned in Business Item 2 to cover the cost of five \$100.00 gift certificates instead of five \$100.00 book vouchers.

Bernardo de Seabra seconded the motion.

Sanjeet Heyer moved to end discussion.

Donald Murphy seconded the motion.

Yaveth Gomez objected to ending discussion.

Fifteen votes in favor of ending discussion , one vote in favor of not ending discussion.

The motion to end discussion passed by majority vote.

Fifteen votes in favor of passing the amendment to fund gift certificates instead of book vouchers, one against passing the amendment.

The motion to change Business Item 2 to have the \$500.00 cover the cost of five \$100.00 gift certificates instead of five \$100.00 book vouchers passed by majority vote.

Discussion occurred.

Sanjeet Heyer moved to end discussion.

Menglan “Susan” Fan seconded the motion.

The motion to end discussion passed by consensus.

Roll Call Vote

Name	Approve	Disapprove	Abstain
Ken Amornnopawong	X		
Ananya Ashok		-	
Anna Callahan			
London Choi	X		
Wei Chuan “Helen” Chung	X		
Bernardo de Seabra	X		
Menglan “Susan” Fan	X		
Jesus Gomez		-	
Yaveth Gomez	X		
Sanjeet Heyer	X		
Siamack Jamshidipour	X		
Soheil “John” Karbassi	X		
Audrey Lo	X		
Donald Murphy	X		
Tim Nicholls	X		
Zahra Noor	X		
Saleha Pirzada	X		
Israr Qumer		-	
Kazuma Seto	X		
George Edward Smith	X		
Alex Wu		-	

The item passed unanimously with sixteen yes votes.

- John Cognetta mentioned that by him stating that Business Item 1 required a majority vote instead of two-thirds vote, it caused Business Item 1 to be erroneously passed. Due to recent information, a re-reading of the finance code, Business Item 1 had actually not passed since it required a two-thirds vote instead of a majority vote.

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION – FIRST VOTE

This item is to discuss and approve \$5,000.00 from Account 41-52002-7320 (Summer/Fall Special Allocations) for the Red Cross Katrina Relief Effort.

Presenter: Sanjeet Heyer

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Sanjeet Heyer introduced the item.

London Choi moved to approve \$5000.00 from Account 41-52002-7320 (Summer/Fall Special Allocations) for the Foundation of California Community Colleges at 1102 Q Street, 3rd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 instead of the Red Cross.

Discussion occurred.

Zahra Noor moved to end discussion.
 Siamack Jamshidipour seconded the motion.
 The motion to end discussion passed by consensus.

Roll Call Vote

Name	Approve	Disapprove	Abstain
Ken Amornnopawong	X		
Ananya Ashok		-	
Anna Callahan			
London Choi	X		
Wei Chuan "Helen" Chung	X		
Bernardo de Seabra			X
Menglan "Susan" Fan	X		
Jesus Gomez		-	
Yaveth Gomez	X		
Sanjeet Heyer	X		
Siamack Jamshidipour	X		
Soheil "John" Karbassi	X		
Audrey Lo	X		
Donald Murphy	X		
Tim Nicholls	X		
Zahra Noor	X		
Saleha Pirzada	X		
Israr Qumer	X		
Kazuma Seto	X		
George Edward Smith	X		
Alex Wu		-	

The item passed unanimously with fifteen yes votes and one abstain.

4. INFORMATION

This item is for the Executive Vice President to present the duties and responsibilities of senators throughout the year.

Presenter: Bernardo de Seabra

Time Limit: 15 minutes

Bernardo de Seabra presented the item.

Discussion occurred.

Introduction/Approval of Prospective Senators

- Nadia Kim (2nd Meeting)
- Navdip Hothi (2nd Meeting)
- Yessenia Ramirez (1st Meeting)

The Prospective Senators that are up for a vote:

- Rameen Fattahi (3rd Meeting)
- Robert McDonald (3rd Meeting)

One of the candidates will not be in the room while the other is being questioned.

Rameen Fattahi gave his speech.

Five questions will be asked.

Questions were asked of Rameen Fattahi.

Robert McDonald gave his speech.

Questions were asked of Robert McDonald.

Discussion occurred.

Executive Vice President Bernardo de Seabra brought to the Senate's attention that Robert McDonald has not attended the required two internal meetings.

A straw vote was taken to determine if Robert McDonald's Senate application is valid or not.

Three people considered Robert McDonald's Senate Application to be invalid due to his lack of attending two internal senate meetings.

Ten people considered Robert McDonald's Senate Application to be valid.

Robert McDonald's Senate Application is valid.

- Vote on Rameen Fattahi
 - Nine votes in favor of voting in Rameen Fattahi as a Senator,
 - Seven votes in favor of voting in Rameen Fattahi as a Junior Senator.
 - Zero votes in favor of not allowing Rameen Fattahi to be on the Senate.
- Vote on Robert McDonald
 - Ten votes in favor of voting in Robert McDonald as a Senator,
 - Five votes in favor of voting in Robert McDonald as a Junior Senator.
 - Zero votes in favor of not allowing Robert McDonald to be on the Senate.

Rameen Fattahi was sworn in as a DASB Senator.

Robert McDonald was sworn in as a DASB Senator.

Business Reports

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- Diversity and Events Committee: next week is welcome week, Monday for Jazz Band day and evening, Tuesday: Tango, Wednesday: Judo demonstration, Thursday: Latin American music. The meetings will be on Mondays at 4pm in the Student Council Chambers.
- Tech Committee: Will implement a management system for online reports
- Budget and Finance: Made a change to where the Tsunami funds will go which will be to the Rotary Club of Patong Beach (Thailand). The meetings will be on Wednesdays at 1:40 PM in the Santa Cruz Room.
- Administration: Will figure out a time for Administration meetings.
- Student Services: No one has been replying to her calls and emails about when the meeting should be set up.

Discussion occurred.

Announcements/Informational Reports

- London Choi made a reminder to her committee to meet after the Senate Meeting.
- Sanjeet Heyer made a reminder to her committee to meet after the Senate Meeting.
- Ananya Ashok made a reminder to her committee to meet after the Senate Meeting
- Audrey Lo mentioned that senators should sign up for Welcome Week.
- Zahra Noor gave ideas on other ways to raise funds for the Tsunami Relief.
- Anna Callahan mentioned that there will be no Senate meeting next week, but meetings will continue Wednesdays at 4:30 PM after the first week of school.
- Anna Callahan wanted to set up a parliamentary workshop.
- The next Senate Meeting will be on Wednesday, October 5th at 4:30 PM.

Appreciations

Appreciations were given.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 PM by Anna Callahan.

Submitted by,

Joseph William Derflinger
DASB Secretary
Approved Wednesday, October 5, 2005