



Student Advisory Committee (SAC)

Minutes

Date: November 13, 2024

Time: 3:30pm to 5:00pm PDT

Location: Location:

- 1919 Spanos Court, Sacramento, CA- Main Conference Room

Remote Locations:

- American River College, 4700 College Oak Dr, Sacramento, CA, - Center for Leadership & Development
- Cosumnes River College, 8401 Center Pkwy, Sacramento, CA - Library 106
- Sacramento City College, 3835 Freeport Blvd, Sacramento, CA - Rm SoG 232

Minute Recorder:

	1. PROCEDURAL ITEMS	10 mins.
1.1	Call to Order: 3:31	
1.2	Roll Call: -American River College/ Alicia Szutowicz: present -Cosumnes River College/ Miranda Roccucci: present -Folsom Lake College/ Alisha Nagpal: present -Sacramento City College/ Bridget O'Niel: present -Student Trustee/ Mehdi Sougrati: present -SLADE Advisor/ Brett Sawyer: present -District Advisor/ Sonia Ortiz-Mercado: present	
1.3	1.3 Remote Participation of Committee Members (Brown Act Compliance)	
1.4	Adoption of Agenda no objections, agenda has been adopted	
1.5	Approval of Minutes no objections, minutes adopted by consent	
1.6	Public Forum: Three (3) minutes per speaker	

	2. REPORTS	15 mins.
2.1	Student Trustee Message & Reports to the Board - remain neutral during elections	
2.2	Student Leadership & Development Educators (SLADE) Advisor - take care of yourselves, study, work life balance - spring schedules have released, keep in mind senate obligations - official date for Lobby Day, subsequent training	
2.3	District Office Advisor - IT changes going live in Spring - adopted a new process for undocumented and refugee students to get fees waived for ESL classes	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - services for the mental health side are available 	
2.4	American River College President/designee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 5th on the statewide ballot bowl - awards for fall graduates - senate hosting a workshop - candyland for clubs and events board - 5 students in hiring committees - have students going to advocacy academy 	
2.5	Cosumnes River College President/designee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - event on halloween with clubs tabling - all PG committees have at least one student other than Academic Senate - training on November 1st 	
2.6	Folsom Lake College President/designee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - pumpkin patch and later fall festival on oct 31st - casino night nov 8th - students appointed to PG committees - impression sessions for VPSS and VPI 	
2.7	Sacramento City College President/designee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - club day on october 31st - posting on student leadership podcast - planning for distress fest - campus water quality survey - attending advocacy academy - vote to include remote participation (AB 1855) 	

	3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS	10 mins.
3.1	moved and seconded to discuss 3.1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - historically student senates generate topics, SAC votes on topic - best messaging is clear, concise, issue in the past has been February right after the bill introduction deadline (not sure what bills are in play), this time we have more time to come to consensus on a topic - important for local senates to determine topics of interest - start looking up bills in January before school starts - dividing up the work between all DOLAs - conversation to determine legislative interests should be happening now <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - should narrow down into one at SAC by December - districtwide training for student leaders to prepare for lobby day - Jan 24th is the last day to submit bill to leg council, Feb 21st is the last day to submit a bill <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - determine topics, rank 1,2,3 then determine a specific bill - legislative update at Board today, what bills have passed and projecting bill and topic ideas for next cycle <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - use leginfo.ca.gov for bill research 	

	4. NEW BUSINESS & ACTION	35 mins.
4.1	moved and seconded to discuss 4.1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - balance being a representative and being your own voice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - be clear when you are speaking as a student leader/representative or when you are speaking for yourself - lot of fear and strong feelings with election, danger could be wading into political areas, important to focus on how it affects students <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - positions on things that only directly impact students - bringing it back to Lobby day - we take a public position by voting on the topic that we advocate for - when in student government spaces, make sure you are not wearing something that can be mistaken for the SBA supporting a specific position - check with legal counsel if questioning something <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - if have questions, funnel it through advisor 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - check if bylaws allow/don't allow for a vote on a statement of support for a stance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - recognizing that there will be implications and understanding how to handle it if other students to not agree - opportunity for dialogue which elevates the discourse of students on campus - our bylaws don't allow to take positions on anything on a ballot 	
4.2	<p>moved and seconded to discuss 4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - crc bylaws state payment for pg committees - arc passed a statement on compensation for student representatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - resolution was passed to pay student leaders however, admin said no due to other schools in district not being able to do it - talk with slade advisors to think of an equitable manner of compensating student leaders - table for next meeting 	
4.3	<p>moved and seconded to discuss 4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - defining halal: means it must be an animal slaughtered by Islamic laws - issues are that it is inconsistent across campuses, cross contamination, exclusive contract <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - short term <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - would like student reps from sister colleges ASB and MSA - potential pre-packaged halal options would be a solution as well as an ingredients list - also potentially allow food trucks/third party vendors for a solution - long term <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - separate halal food prep section in dining hall (different grill/oven, labeled utensils, changing gloves) - introduce other dietary-friendly options (kosher, vegan, vegetarian, allergy-free) - concern from pacific dining about halal options was that limited market and would not be sustainable <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - potential solutions: having options that suit multiple diets - some scholars say that if something is kosher, it is also halal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - important to certify that it is halal 	
4.4	<p>moved and seconded to discuss 4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - have both physical and mental health services at three colleges <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - full time mental health clinicians to help - have both in-person and virtual options <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - togetherall is an online peer support option <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 661 students actively engaged in 2023-2024 - there are in-person therapists and advocates - bettermynd is the online therapy platform offered <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - access to therapists across California - 24/7 on-demand line - all services are integrated with SSO 	

	5. EMERGING ISSUES	
5.1	<p>moved and seconded to discuss 5.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 	0 min.

	6. ADJOURNMENT	
6.1	adjourned at 5:01pm	0 min.

