
DISTRICT STUDENT COUNCIL

Coast Community College District

Regular Meeting of the District Student Council

Friday, October 15, 2021 at 2:30 p.m.

Zoom Meeting

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Student Trustee Sahachaisere called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM.

2. Roll Call

Members Present:

Kaly Mendoza, Student Representative, GWC

Jose Fuentes-Perez, Student Representative, GWC

Nardeen Gerges, Student Representative GWC

Sarah Guidroz, Student Representative, OCC

Sarah Bennani, Student Representative, OCC

Sierra Wisner, Student Representative, OCC

Also in Attendance:

Dr. Julie Nguyen, Advisor, OCC

Kasie Hipp, Advisor, CCC

Dr. Lorraine Prinsky, Trustee

Julie Clevenger, Director, Chancellor Office Operations & Governmental Relations

Jane Burton, Board Secretary/Advisor, District

3. Opportunity for Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4. Guest Speaker – Rachel Snell, District Director of Internal Audit

District Director of Internal Audit, Rachel Snell, and her assistant, Miguel Beltran, gave an overview of the Internal Audit process. Included was an explanation of how student involvement is a core pillar in some investigations, stating that students' input can contribute to the success of investigations. Trustee Prinsky shared her appreciation for the work of the Internal Audit Department. Student Trustee Sahachaisere noted it would be helpful to have more information on the process for students to report matters of concern.

5. Approval of Minutes of September 3, 2021 DSC Meeting

Student Representative of Golden West College, Nardeen Gerges, moved to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2021 DSC Meeting. Student Representative of Orange Coast College, Sarah Guidroz, seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

6. Discussion and Possible Action on Protocols for Vaccine Mandates

Julia Clevenger outlined the actions and protocols for vaccination mandates. She provided clarity on concerns of the student body, noting that the situation was not being addressed

perfectly, but ideally to respect everyone's opinions. Ms. Clevenger described that efforts were to keep the best interests of public health and the safety and willingness of the students in this situation. Student Trustee Sahachaisere shared the draft document that had been reviewed by the Board of Trustees earlier in the month outlining the vaccine mandates. The Board had been supportive of further development of protocols.

7. Discussion and Possible Action on 2021-2022 District Student Council Calendar

The calendar was reviewed, the next meeting scheduled for Friday, November 12 with a guest speaker to provide a training/presentation on resolution creation.

Suggestions made for topics for guest speakers were mental health/substance abuse, and legislation for community colleges. For community projects, Bolsa Chica Wetlands and vaccine awareness in communities were suggested. Any further ideas should be sent to the Student Trustee for continued discussed at future meetings.

Student Representative of Orange Coast College, Sierra Wisner, moved to create an Information and Awareness Committee to identify target areas, and look at the best ways to disseminate that information to the community. Student Representative of Orange Coast College, Sarah Guidroz, seconded the motion. Approved unanimously. Representatives on the committee would be Sarah Guidroz, Jose Fuentes-Perez, Nardeen Gerges and Student Trustee Sahachaisere. Sarah would contact the committee members to schedule an initial meeting.

8. Future Agenda Items

- a. Resolution Training
- b. Mental Health Talk from Be Well OC and/or Additional Speaker(s)
- c. District Consultation Council Appointments
- d. Competency Based Education
- e. Advocacy
- f. Community Projects (Bolsa Chica Wetlands and Information and Awareness Committee Update)

9. Reports

a) General DSC Reports

Board, Officer, and Staff Reports (limited to 3 minutes per person)

Trustee Prinsky commented on the tour that was given to the Board of Trustees on the new Student Center for Orange Coast College.

Student Representative of Orange Coast College, Sierra Wisner, reported that they hoped to fill council openings and would be hosting school-related events and a forum for Covid-19 information.

Student Representative of Golden West College, Kaly Mendoza, reported that they were pursuing the change of their school mascot, and connected more with students by hosting activities.

Advisor from Coastline Community College, Kasie Hipp, reported that they were working to fill council vacancies, increasing educational opportunities and enrollment, and doing targeted email campaigns.

b) Report from the Student Trustee

Student Trustee Sahaichaisere reported he had met with some District Student Council representatives to learn what they were doing on their campuses.

10. Opportunity for Public Comment

Mimi Luc provided public comment on supporting the Smoke-Free Task Force on the Golden West College campus.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.