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# DISTRICT STUDENT COUNCIL

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Coast Community College District

Regular Meeting of the District Student Council

Friday, November 12, 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:

Spencer Bradley, Student Representative, CCC  
Kaly Mendoza, Student Representative, GWC  
Nardeen Gerges, Student Representative, GWC  
Jose Fuentes-Perez, Student Representative, GWC  
Sarah Guidroz, Student Representative, OCC  
Sarah Bennani, Student Representative, OCC  
Natalie Darakijan, Student Representative, OCC

Also in Attendance:

Rene Gutierrez, Advisor, CCC  
Mary Avalos, Advisor, GWC  
Dr. Julie Nguyen, Advisor, OCC  
Dr. Lorraine Prinsky, Trustee  
Jane Burton, Board Secretary/Advisor, District

**3. Opportunity for Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**4. Guest Speaker – Erik Fallis, District Director, Public Affairs and Marketing**

District Director of Public Affairs and Marketing, Erik Fallis, provided training on resolutions, outlining the process of resolution development. Members were given the opportunity to ask questions and Mr. Fallis provided a real-world example of creating a resolution by working with members of the Council to develop a mock resolution for a GWC Mascot Change.

**5. Approval of Minutes of October 15, 2021 DSC Meeting**

Student Representative of Golden West College, Nardeen Gerges, moved to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2021 DSC Meeting. Student Representative of Orange Coast College, Sarah Guidroz, seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

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

Sarah Guidroz provided a brief update and action plan for the Information & Awareness Committee. Student Trustee Sahachaisere added that he had reached out to Janet Houlihan regarding the possibility of utilizing the Golden West Swap-meet and that he would also contact Dr. Rich Pagel to see if something similar could be considered at the Orange Coast Swap-meet.

District Board Secretary/Advisor, Jane Burton, provided an overview of a possible Bolsa Chica Wetlands community service project with some tentative dates. It was suggested that a Friday morning in February or March (9 – 12 noon) be considered and DSC members were asked to review their schedules and bring back recommended dates to the next meeting.

Student Trustee Sahachaisere stated that there would be guest speakers covering the topics of mental health in December, and competency-based education in February.

Advocacy was discussed and it was agreed that options should be looked at in the event a trip to Sacramento was not possible in March. Trustee Prinsky shared options available to support or reject bills by writing to legislators at both the local and state level.

## **7. Opportunities for Student Representation on District Consultation Council Subcommittees**

Opportunities for students to participate on the Budget and Technology District Consultation Council Subcommittees were again shared.

## **8. Future Agenda Items**

- a. Update on OCC Mental Health/Harm Reduction Sub-Committee
- b. Advocacy Options
- c. Community Project(s)

## **9. Reports**

### **a) General DSC Reports**

Trustee Prinsky commented on the positive activity occurring throughout the district and campuses. She also noted that former District Director of Public Affairs and Marketing, Leticia Clark, currently the Mayor of Tustin, had written a book “Mommy is the Mayor” and recommended it as a great read.

Student Representative of Coastline Community College, Spencer Bradley, reported that their ASG was reevaluating the criteria for student scholarships, and looking at updating their Bylaws. The plan was to have both of these items completed by the end of the semester. There have been efforts made in public relations, social media, and civic engagement which they continue to pursue.

Student Representative of Orange Coast College, Sarah Guidroz, reported that they would be hosting a student forum next week to discuss vaccine mandates and protocols. There had been great work done by the Mental Health & Harm Reduction sub-committee. Efforts had been made to create a Canvas page for current students to be able to easily reach the current student body.

Student Representative of Golden West College, Kaly Mendoza, indicated that they were pursuing continued efforts with the Smoke-Free Task Force and obtaining solar panel tables. Additionally, they planned to hold a Student Forum to discuss related topics going on at the campus.

Student Trustee Sahaichaisere commented on the great work being done on the campuses, and noted there would be more updates on the vaccine mandates, and Smoke-Free Task Force. He urged members to consider joining one of the district sub-committees.

## **10. Opportunity for Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

## **11. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 PM.