**THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE**

**OF NEW JERSEY**

**STUDENT SENATE**

**Notice of Meeting**

**December 6, 2011**

**4:30 p.m.**

**Campus Center Event Room A**

**Pomona, New Jersey 08240-0195 – (609) 652-4845**

STUDENT SENATE MEETING

AGENDA

December 6, 2011

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes
3. President’s Report
4. Committee Reports

A. Public Relations

B. Academic Policies

C. School Spirit

D. Student Welfare

E. Finance

1. Announcements/Comments from the Public
2. Adjournment

2011-2012 Student Senate Meeting

Minutes From

November 22, 2011

Presiding: Kaitlin Cibenko

Members Present: Destiny Bush

Rosalia Caceres

Justin Frankel

Brittany Grapstul

Melissa Harabedian

Michael Hering

David Jonas

David Kong

David Lamando

Melissa Lyon

Matthew Monte

Kate Sparacio

John Szczuplak

Edward Slothus

Julio Torres

AJ Vervoort

Members Absent: Elizabeth Corey\*

Osagie Ekenezar\*

Paulo Henriques\*

William Inacio

Charlie Nusbaum

Benjamin Peoples

Crystal Rosario

Jamie Sofia\*

Members Late: Sualeh Hafeez\*

Samuel Wakawa\* \*Notified Chair

Agenda/Business: Kaitlin presided over the meeting in Samuel’s absence. Kaitlin called the meeting to order. Senators who were absent or late were noted. Julio moved to approve the minutes of November 8, 2011, seconded by AJ.

Motioned Passed: 16-0-1\*

Senator Abstained: Kaitlin Cibenko

**President’s Report: Kaitlin Cibenko**

Kaitlin mentioned that Samuel called to tell her that he will be late for the meeting.

**Committee Reports: Finance**

Samuel arrived at this time.

The Asian Student Alliance submitted a supplemental in the amount of $4,046.04 to attend the East Coast Asian American Student Union (ECAASU) at Duke University on February 24-26, 2012. David moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by David Kang.

Motion Passed 16-0-2\*

\*Senators Abstained: David Kang and Samuel Wakawa

Sualeh and Charlie arrived at this time.

The Student Veterans Organization submitted a supplemental in the amount $1,010.10 to attend the Student Veterans of America National Conference. In committee the requested amount was modified to $1,160.10. David moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Matthew.

Motion Passed 17-0-3\*

\*Senators Abstained: Justin Frankel, Charlie Nusbaum and Samuel Wakawa

**Academic Policies**

Edward reported that the proposal for the Leadership Studies minor has been completed and will be submitted.

Edward then gave the following report from the Faculty Senate meeting:

1. Progress reports for FIRST- offer institute on teaching students in first year course, expand LLCs with freshman seminars, assign freshmen to their instructors as their preceptors, add more events to second semester, extend freshman seminar to 2 semesters, establish an acronym for FIRST with all current courses
2. Funding for 20/20 projects-only expended $8,000-10,000, still a lot of money left, $150,000 budget, match funding to priority proposals
3. Secondary Title proposal in interdisciplinary programs (Vote) Function as committee as the whole-Strong vote to move forward/ revise the proposal: faculty members on primary and secondary program (molecular biology). They have no title to associate with that minor or concentration. Want to choose secondary title recognition available to a tenured faculty member with that program. No additional compensation, just the title.
   1. Faculty needs to be here for some time to establish involvement with the program- no member may hold more than one secondary title.
   2. Senior faculty members don’t want junior faculty members to be over-involved with secondary programs
4. Report on the progress of revision of drop policies: drop/add policies has been referred to the academic policies committees…report in a month, but nothing will change for this semester or next
5. Other- They discussed a faculty plan to deal with parking. Most of the faculty are not happy with the current parking arrangements.

**Public Relations**

Sualeh reported that the committee, along with the School Spirit Committee, will continue to promote the Student Senate and help make fellow students more aware of our accomplishments for this semester. Individual accomplishments will begin to be published on our Facebook and Twitter pages periodically and continue to be published in the ARGO.

Sualeh then reported that the committee has been receiving positive feedback from fellow students and administrators on the new Student Senate promotion on gallery monitors and projection screens.

Lastly, Sualeh reported that the bulletin board in the dining hall of the Campus Center has been completed.

**School Spirit**

Melissa began by encouraging everyone to attend the men’s basketball game at 7 pm. She then thanked all that tabled to help promote the game. Melissa stated that Destiny and Jamie are going to talk to Cheryl Robinson, Department of Athletics and Recreation, about potential giveaways at future men’s basketball games.

Melissa then thanked Harry Maurice, Assistant Director of Student Development, for his assistance with putting together the planners that the Senate will be giving away.

Justin reported that he will meet with SET to collaborate on the Spring Fling dance that will be taking place next semester. This event is intended to bring together the college for one unified event before spring break to promote a fun and safe vacation.

Justin concluded by reporting that he met with someone from the Greater Egg Harbor Regional Schools regarding dates that the Senate can go out and talk to area students about the college experience and maybe hosting a fun day with the kids.

**Student Welfare**

Melissa reported that she spoke to Steve Radwanski, Associate Director of Residential Life, about mold in Housing 1. A few students complained that there was mold in their apartments on the complaints page. Steve informed Melissa that it is important for students to report suspected mold to the school through school dude so that Plant Management can respond appropriately. Students also can report mold to their Complex Director who will inform Plant Management.

A.J. then reported that Ben met with David Pinto, Director of Library Services, about possibly extending library hours on weekends and getting more study rooms in the library. Updates are forthcoming.

A.J. announced that the committee met with Trish Krevetski, Director of Auxiliary Services, to follow up on several requests for a Red Box on campus and introduce the idea of a Dunkin Donuts app. The app would work much like Pizza Hut and other franchise apps work, allowing students to place orders for pickup instead of waiting in line. Trish will keep AJ updated on the status of both. In the meantime, in hopes of reducing the line at Dunkin Donuts, baked goods like donuts and Danishes as well as regular Dunkin Donuts coffee are going to be sold in the 360 campus center store daily.

A.J. then reported that he and Kaitlin followed up on students complaining that they were still getting charged for IDs when the magnetic strip was simply worn out. Last year, A.J. asked the Registrar not to charge students if the magnetic strip was worn out and was informed that each case would be handled on a case to case basis, however if there was no visible abuse, and the magnetic strip had just worn out from excessive use, students would not be charged. As a test, Kaitlin showed her worn out ID to a staff member in the office and received a new one.

A.J. went on to report that a few Muslim and Jewish students want the Senate to research the possibility of Stockton getting a kosher kitchen. They told A.J. that it is difficult at times to find meals, since their diet is limited to certain foods. Trish informed A.J. that the students can preorder food with Nancy Barberi, Director of Dining Services, and she can eliminate certain ingredients and allow the students to customize dishes based on what they can consume. The same procedure can work for students with allergies.

A.J. stated that he met with Pedro Santana, Dean of Students, Steve Radwanski and Craig Stambaugh, Associate Dean of Students, about housing for single parents. A Stockton student and single mother came to the committee proposing housing on campus for single mothers and their children. The student said it is hard to go to school and raise a child at the same time, and that this program would make it easier for single parents to complete their degree. The committee plans on contacting Free-to-Be, the day care service offered by Stockton, to see how many people are using the facility. Additionally, the committee is going to administer a survey to students to see how many people would take advantage of the housing if it were offered.

Lastly, A.J. reported that the committee is going to continue researching Chick-fil-A.

**Announcements/Comments from the Public:**

Len Farber, Director of Student Development, wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving. He then thanked the Senate for co-sponsoring the Student, Faculty and Staff Dinner and for hosting the Senate from Atlantic Cape Community College during the Day of Leadership. Len then encouraged students to be active bystanders during high risk events that involve drugs and alcohol. He is developing a focus group for ideas to marketing ideas to promote a healthy and safe campus. Len then wished everyone good luck with their finals.

Pedro Santana, Dean of Students, congratulated the Senate on a great semester and wished everyone a happy holiday. Pedro then congratulated all the new members of the Greek community. Pedro stated that the Senate has set a good pace with tackling major issues. He then wished everyone luck with their finals.

**Adjournment:**  Samuel adjourned the meeting at 5:03 pm.