**THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE**

**OF NEW JERSEY**

**STUDENT SENATE**

**Notice of Meeting**

**February 8, 2011**

**4:30 p.m.**

**G-wing Lounge**

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

STUDENT SENATE MEETING

AGENDA

February 8, 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

2010-2011 Student Senate Meeting

Minutes from

January 25, 2011

Presiding: Kenan Kurt

Members Present: Rosalia Caceres

Caitlin Cibenko

Elizabeth Corey

Nick Courtney

Nazire Divanovic

Osagie Ekenezar

Brittany Grapstul

Christine Greve

Sualeh Hafeez

Melissa Harabedian

Paulo Henriquez

Je’Meda Johnson

David Jonas

Chris Jones

Darryl Lewis

Matthew Patterson

Ben Peoples

Brittany Revicki

Cristabelith Rosario

Johana Rosas Delgado

John Szczuplak

Jonathan Torres

AJ Vervoort

Samuel Wakawa

Members Absent: None

Members Late: Jazmin Alayon\*

Michelle Batista \*Notified Chair

Agenda/Business: Kenan called the meeting to order. Senators who were absent or late were noted. Brittany Revicki moved to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2010 meeting, seconded by Sualeh.

Motion Passed: 24-0-1\*

\*Senator Abstained: Kenan Kurt

**President’s Report: Kenan Kurt**

Kenan welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the semester. He expressed that there is lots of excitement going on throughout the campus with new issues and construction of the Campus Center. Kenan announced that there were four new senators and changes to the committees. Kenan informed the senators that there would be a Senate table reserved for the Get Involved Fair and urged them to sit at the table and help get students interested in what Student Senate does on campus.

**Committee Reports: Public Relations**

Michelle arrived at this time.

Paulo began by welcoming Ben to the committee and announcing that Melissa has been appointed Vice-Chair.

Paulo then announced that Melissa will be the new liaison for the Argo and she will continue to be in contact with the radio station ensuring that the PSA is played on the air. Darryl will continue to make all flyers for all Student Senate related events. Jazmin will continue to be the contact with Event Services in ensuring all advertisements get displayed on the television and LED screens. Ben will maintain the senate Facebook page.

Paulo stated that they will be redoing the G-Wing Bulletin Board with pictures taken after the meeting on Tuesday. He has contacted the College Center to obtain bulletin board space in the N-Wing lobby and the new Campus Center.

Paulo also reported that the senate announcements have been continuously played on the television screens throughout the main campus. They have also applied to get messages advertised on the LED screens on College Drive and K-Wing Circle.

Paulo concluded by stating that they will be contacting the web administrator to have the Student Senate website page revised. They will update the list of Senators and upload the Senate logo to the page.

**Academic Policies**

Jazmin arrived at this time.

Nazire began by welcoming their new member, Michelle. She then stated that the committee discussed professor of the year nomination. They talked about adding an overall professor of the year.

Sualeh then reported that many students have been complaining about the look up pages on the Stockton portal, and how it is not organized. They discussed having check boxes and drop down menus instead of the scroll bars to make looking up classes more efficient. He spoke with Chintan Mehta, Professional Services Specialist for Student Records and Registration, who advises the software/technology aspect of it. Chintan stated that Stockton cannot change the layout because it came with the software. He said if the senatros write a letter for the request, he could send it to his Director to get a formal response from him. Chintan said the chances for this change are not that good considering 60%-70% of colleges use this software with the same layout and they haven't asked for a change. Thus, if the change would occur it would have to be done by the software company and that making a unique version for Stockton is highly unlikely and costly.

**School Spirit**

John reported that the committee discussed the idea of sponsoring a three-point contest during halftime of the Stockton vs. Rowan games. He contacted Jonathan Heck, Associate Director of Athletics and Recreation, and was told that the request was submitted too late to hold the event. Mr. Heck gave two other dates. They will contact him regarding their choice.

John then stated that the committee discussed the issue of school spirit expressed through the Argo. They also want to work on more attributes of Stockton Athletes being expressed so the students can relate to the athletes that represent Stockton. In addition, they are looking into gathering a more direct group of O-Fans that can attend the games.

John then announced that the committee wants to get a head start on the Spring Carnival and wants a target date and place. They are thinking of collaborating with SET and hopefully having the date set for April 1st before the Spring concert. Each member of the committee is assigned to have a minimum of two events that can be used for the carnival by next committee meeting.

**Student Welfare**

Johana first welcomed their new member, Jonathan.

Je’Meda stated that she spoke to Terrence Hardee, Director of Residential Life, and was informed that he is still working with the Dean to come up with possible changes to the lockout charges for the fall semester.  The trial period has been started. During the first two weeks, there will be no charges for lockouts and Housing is still keeping track to see who is being locked out and why.  Terrence will keep Je’Meda informed if anything changes.

Je’Meda then reported that due to the housing confusion that ensued upon return from winter break, there was a recap meeting to discuss those issues.  Jill Glasser, Assistant Director of Residential Life, has come up with a way to have all students encode their cards before leaving campus for the winter break. Therefore, students will be able to return anytime that would be convenient for them after the move-in date.

AJ reported that he spoke with Robert Chitren, Associate Director of Risk Management, regarding the walkways and lighting for the gazebos and was informed that due to the harsh winter weather with excessive snow the installation of the pavers for the walkway had been delayed as well as the lighting. Temporarily, they will place crushed stone down as a walkway to and from the gazebos, and the lighting is going to have to wait until the warmer months.

AJ then reported that he spoke to Robert D’Augustine, Associate Vice President for Administration and Finance, regarding a request for a trial run to lower the ID replacement cost from $25 to $15. Unfortunately, he looked into the process and consulted the administration involved and he said the uniform response he received from the administration was that the amount of processing time required for issuing students a new ID card is substantial making the $25 charge very reasonable.

Chris reported that he spoke with Patricia Krevetski, Director of Auxiliary Services, to get an idea of how many healthy snacks are available in the vending machines. Ms. Krevetski suggested that he get of list of things the students would like to have available. He also spoke to Jason Fitch, Chartwells Regional District Manager, to discuss healthier cereal options. Jason told him that they have added a couple more cereals. They have also switched their cooking oil from vegetable to canola.

Johana concluded by reporting that Craig Stambaugh, Associate Dean of Students, informed her that the G-Wing breezeway will re-open April 1st to coincide with the opening of the Campus Center. Any questions can be addressed to Plant Management.

**Finance**

Brittany began by welcoming Rosalia to their committee.

The Billiards Club submitted a supplemental in the amount of $270 to fund a trip to their tournament. David moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Brittany Grapstul.

Motion Passed: 26-0-1\*

\*Senator Abstained: Kenan Kurt

The Asian Student Alliance submitted a supplemental in the amount of $920 to fund a trip to their conference. Brittany Revicki moved to approve the supplemental, seconded by Brittany Grapstul.

Motion Passed: 26-0-1\*

\*Senator Abstained: Kenan Kurt

Brittany Grapstul concluded by announcing that a deposit of $30,000 was made to the supplemental account over the break. She thanked Thomas Gonzalez, Vice President of Student Affairs, Dee McNeely-Green, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs, Pedro Santana, Dean of Students, Craig Stambaugh, Associate Dean of Students, and Len Farber, Director of Student Development.

**Announcements/Comments from the Public:**

Glenn Miller, Chief of Police, welcomed everyone back from break. He then thanked the college community along with Kappa Sigma Fraternity for helping them raise over $5000 worth of toys for Toys for Tots. Chief Miller then announced that the department will be getting a K-9. He would like the senate’s assistance in naming the dog. Chief Miller then introduced the officer selected to handle the K-9, Officer Tracy Stewart.

Patricia Krevetski, Director of Auxiliary Service, announced that there is now a temporary ATM machine in lower G-Wing to replace the Wells Fargo machine. She stated that the previous problems with the machine were worked out.

Lauren Wilson, Assistant Director of Student Development, announced upcoming Student Development events including the Get Involved Fair, Leadership Skills Workshops and the Packing Party.

Len Farber, Director of Student Development, welcomed everyone back from break. He then expressed his excitement about the new Campus Center. He told students that if they had any questions regarding the move, to stop by his office or email him. The plan is to be able to have some of the meetings in the new building.

Dana DeFiore, Assistant Director of Career Services, announced their upcoming program, Dress for Success.

Jason Fitch, Chartwells Resident District Manager, introduced members from Chartwells’ management team.

**Adjournment:** Kenan adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.