

**Call to Order:** Kristina Rather called the meeting to order at 5:37pm.

**Attendance:** Andrew Janz (NV), Kristina Rather (NV), Matt Ryan (NV), Peter Lindbeck (NV), Nathan Lovaas, Jenna Kasch, Megan Loghry, Diana Heredia, Eric Rodriguez, Josie Madrigal, Dr. David Colnic (NV), Byron Kamp (NV), Ron Noble (NV)

**Absent:** Emily Cimino, Jeff Brown, Ashli McClary

**Guests:** Cesar Rumayor, Cheryl Cone, Roxanne Hark, Thomas Janz, Gerardo Pena, President Shirvani

*Diana Heredia left at 5:38pm.*

**Points:** McClary-4.5 official, 1 unofficial; Brown-3; Loghry-4; Kasch-7 (retains voting rights); Cimino-4.5; Lovaas-1.5; Rather-1; Ryan-1; Janz-3.

**Approval of Agenda:**

Motion (Loghry) to approve the Agenda for December 16, 2008. Seconded (Lindbeck) and passed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion (Loghry) to approve the minutes of December 9, 2008. Seconded (Lindbeck) and passed unanimously.

*Diana Heredia returned at 5:42pm.*

**Announcements & Presentations:**

A: President Shirvani – Wanted to wish everyone a happy and safe Holiday season. He spoke on the budget cuts saying it is unfortunate but the cuts are a reality. He does not anticipate any cuts in courses offered to the students. We will campaign in March in Sacramento.

B: Thomas Janz – Grades will be out soon. So if you have students that have complaints, please have them come see me.

**Open Forum:**

None.

**New Business:**

A: Health Benefit Policy: Motion (Ryan) to approve the Health Benefit Policy for Staff. Seconded (Kasch) and passed unanimously.

B: Elections Code: Diana Heredia distributed and reviewed the changes made to the Elections Code. Motion (Kasch) to approve the Elections Code with changes. Seconded (Heredia) and passed unanimously.

**Discussion:**

None.

**Senator Reports:**

Senator, College of Natural Sciences: Vacant

Senator, College of the Arts: Vacant

Senator, College of Health and Human Sciences: Vacant

Senator, College of Humanities and Social Sciences: Ashli McClary – Absent.

Senator, College of Business: Jeff Brown – Absent.

Senator, Undergraduate Students: Megan Loghry – No report.

Senator, Student Organizations: Diana Heredia – Absent at time of report.

Senator, Stockton: Vacant -

Senator, Residential Life: Vacant -

Senator, Environment: Emily Cimino – Absent.

Senator, Graduate Students: Vacant

Senator, Diversity: Josie Madrigal – Working with Roxanne on a Foreign Exchange Student article for the ASI Newsletter.

Senator, College of Education: Vacant

Senator, Athletics: Jenna Kasch- No report.

Senator, At Large: Nathan Lovaas – No report.

Senator, At Large: Eric Rodriguez – No report.

### **Executive Reports:**

President: Andrew Janz- UBAC is still meeting and making recommendations to President Shirvani. Emily Cimino and I are still working on a recycling proposal that will be presented during winter term. I attended the IRA Committee meeting. The Committee would like to make The Signal more professional.

Vice President, Internal: Kristina Rather – Senate will be meeting January 6, 2009 and January 20, 2009. February 5-6, 2009 is the mandatory Retreat that will be on campus. During winter term I will be doing a review with each of the senators.

Vice President, Finance: Matt Ryan – No report.

Vice President, External: Peter Lindbeck – Hope everyone is doing well on finals. CSSA is this coming weekend in San Francisco. CHESS update at the next meeting. I met with President Shirvani and we spoke about signs/banners for downtown Turlock to promote the University. Snow fell yesterday. There is a snowboarding/skiing trip in January through the school.

**Standing Committee:**

Rules Committee: Nathan Lovaas spoke. The Committee would like to recognize those senators who accumulated no points. Diana Heredia, Eric Rodriguez, and Peter Lindbeck. These senators will receive a \$10 Warrior Gift Card. Congratulations to all.

Elections Committee: No report.

Budget Committee: Last budget meeting was today.

**Other Reports**

Executive Director: Byron Kamp – Met with Nancy Havens and discussed the MOU. Foodservice vendors will be on campus in January and will be meeting with administration and students. We are looking to set up some student focus groups. The Student Union Renovation and Expansion project is moving forward. Please let me know if you would like to be involved.

Assistant Director: Cesar Rumayor – Starting Thursday the office will be open from 8am-5pm during winter semester. Working on an executive manual and a senator manual. Warrior Fanatic Events include Breast Cancer Awareness and Make A Wish. The TV's are operating in the lounge.

Faculty Advisor: Dr. David Colnic – Finals are moving along. Good luck. Have a wonderful break.

Dean of Students: Ron Noble – Merry Christmas, Happy Festivus, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanza, Happy New Year.

**Closing Comments**

None.

Motion (Noble) to adjourn the meeting. Seconded (Loghry) and passed unanimously at 6:22 pm.

Minutes approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kristina Rather, Vice President, Internal

Minutes prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cheryl Cone – Administrative Assistant