

**Call to Order:** Kristina Rather called the meeting to order at 5:02pm.

**Attendance:** Andrew Janz (NV), Kristina Rather (NV), Matt Ryan (NV), Mehran Khodabandeh (NV), Emily Cimino, Jenna Kasch, Rick Albert, Megan Loghry, Diana Heredia, Eric Rodriguez, Ashli McClary, Josie Madrigal, Mariel Zare, Byron Kamp (NV), Ron Noble (NV)

**Absent:** Dr. David Colnic (NV)

**Guests:** Cesar Rumayor, Cheryl Cone, Roxy Hark, Gerardo Pena

**Points:** Kasch- 1; Zare- 1; McClary- 8.5; Madrigal- 4.

**Approval of Agenda:**

Motion (Cimino) to approve the Agenda for March 17, 2009. Seconded (Albert) and passed unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion (Loghry) to approve the minutes of March 10, 2009. Seconded (Albert) passed unanimously.

**Announcements & Presentations:**

A: Andrew Janz announced that there is an article in the Modesto Bee regarding senate.

B: Kristina Rather announced that senate election applications are due tomorrow.

**Open Forum:**

None

**New Business:**

None.

**Discussion:**

A: 2009/2010 Goals: Tabled for the next meeting.

B: Warrior Day: Cesar Rumayor distributed information on Warrior Day 2009. He read the information and answered questions from senate.

C: Paperless Proposal: Emily Cimino announced that she is introducing the Commitment to Minimizing our Environmental Footprint resolution. She read the resolution and answered questions from senate. This will be an action item next week.

**Senator Reports:**

Senator, College of Natural Sciences: Mariel Zare - The Physics, Chemistry, and Bio departments are starting to work together in getting big name people to speak to students.

Senator, College of the Arts: Vacant

Senator, College of Health and Human Sciences: Vacant

Senator, College of Humanities and Social Sciences: Ashli McClary – I will send you an email on more information within the college. Mehran has offered to conduct a presentation with me next week.

Senator, College of Business: Rick Albert – I emailed all of the presidents of organizations introducing myself.

Senator, Undergraduate Students: Megan Loghry – I emailed Dr. Colnic and waiting to hear from him.

Senator, Student Organizations: Diana Heredia – I spoke with Tiffany regarding the handbook. I attended Academic Senate today. Please see me if you want more information.

Senator, Stockton: Vacant -

Senator, Residential Life: Vacant -

Senator, Environment: Emily Cimino – No report.

Senator, Graduate Students: Vacant

Senator, Diversity: Josie Madrigal – I will need to get in contact with Global Affairs to get in touch with the international students.

Senator, College of Education: Vacant

Senator, Athletics: Jenna Kasch- No report.

Senator, At Large: Vacant -

Senator, At Large: Eric Rodriguez – No report.

### **Executive Reports:**

President: Andrew Janz- I would like to remind everyone to work within your committees. I would like to ask Academic Senate to support the resolution. The IRA committee met and the decision on releasing funds for The Signal was split. I have been working on getting Mehran up to speed.

Vice President, Internal: Kristina Rather – Please ensure if you are going to CHESS please sign your paperwork.

Vice President, Finance: Matt Ryan – As of now we have a tentative schedule for the budget process. Budget hearings will start March 23<sup>rd</sup>. We are aiming for an approved budget by May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Vice President, External Interim: Mehran Khodabandeh – I have met with Byron and Andrew. Roxy has set some appointments for next week to meet with local politicians. I am working with Ashli. I am working on Lobby Corps and currently working on a presentation and recruitment schedule.

*Josie Madrigal left at 5:46pm.*

### Other Reports

Executive Director: Byron Kamp – I am on the agenda for the elections candidate meeting. I want to congratulate Mehran for his endeavors in the recent diversity programs presented here on campus. The architects for the USU renovation/expansion will be meeting with us on March 27<sup>th</sup>, so please attend if you can. We have talked about expanding the Student Advocate position. Thomas is now the Ethics Officer for both the ASI/USU.

Assistant Director: Cesar Rumayor – I want to update you on what is happening with the Warrior Activity Center. Cesar distributed a map of the location and answered questions from senate. March is a busy month for programming. Tomorrow is the Recreation and Wellness Eating Disorder Awareness day, Talent Show is March 27<sup>th</sup>, Warrior Fanatics is sponsoring the softball game on March 20<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00pm. Warrior Fanatics is working on a tshirt competition and a fight song competition. We will be showing the March Madness games in the lounge starting March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Faculty Advisor: Dr. David Colnic – Absent

Dean of Students: Ron Noble – This week the Southern Regional Education Board is coming to campus. Friday March 20<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am is the meeting. Andrew Janz asked senators to attend this meeting.

### Standing Committee:

Executive Committee: Andrew Janz announced that the committee has approved all the items senate has recently approved.

Rules Committee: Megan Loghry reminded everyone that meetings are on Wednesdays at 1:30pm except for the March 25<sup>th</sup> meeting will be at 10:00am.

Elections Committee: Emily Cimino reminded everyone of the applications due tomorrow and the candidates meeting on Friday. Ashli McClary announced that they passed out flyers in the science building.

Budget Committee: We have a meeting on Monday at noon. Budget hearings will start soon.

### Closing Comments

Ashli McClary announced that Jill is on the commencement committee and is looking for volunteers. The grad fair is April 9<sup>th</sup> with pictures so dress nice. Diana Heredia mentioned that if you want to be a speaker the applications are due.

Ron Noble asked for an update on the senior class gift. Kristina Rather provided the update.

Motion (McClary) to adjourn the meeting. Seconded (Albert) and passed unanimously at 6:13pm.

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

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