



Associated Students of Glendale Community College
ASGCC Legislature Committee Minutes
September 16, 2024
1:00 - 3:00 PM
Student Center 208 – Verdugo Campus

I. Call to Order at 1:00 pm by President/Student Trustee Lilit Yerkanyan

II. Flag Salute

III. Roll Call

Present: Lilit Yerkanyan, Carlos Matute, Claris Boghosian, Iren Abelian, Isabelle Karayan, Levon Chaglasian, Alejandro Zamarripa, Lidiia Khanheldian, Hasmik Khachatryan, Ryan Avakian, Lena Markosian, Olivia Alatorre, Kelin Minasian, Alex Kalantaryan, Anahit Nazloyan, Masaki Sannomiya, Eric Tsaturyan, Aren Sepanian, Emily Churukian, Arineh Khachikian, Tamar Chavdarian, Liana Issaian, Emily Kasumyan, Francisco Corletto, Mane Asilbekyan

Absent: Lianna Avanesian

Non – voting: Dr. Tzoler Oukayan, Advisor, Claudia Juan, Advisor

IV. Approval of Minutes – September 9, 2024

MSC: Emily Churukian / Alex Kalantaryan

V. Approval of Agenda – September 16, 2024

MSC: Mane Asilbekyan / Liana Issaian

VI. Report of President/Student Trustee – Lilit Yerkanyan

- Thank you to those who attended the retreat; for those who couldn't, more bonding events are planned, so no one missed out.
- San Gabriel building's second floor will be renovated, with mass Discovery Center relocation projected for October 28.
- Phase two of the Buena Vista project includes demolishing Arroyo Seco and Santa Barbara buildings, adding a new elevator and parking spaces for better accessibility.

VII. Report of Administration Committee – Carlos Matute

- Encouragement for students to present GCC events and activities in their classrooms to expand the committee's reach, especially to those unfamiliar with them.
- Proposal to visit high schools and give presentations to incoming students to promote student involvement at GCC.
- Announcement of an educational event on October 8, featuring a panel with faculty and counselors to provide transfer tips and advice for students moving on to four-year universities.

VIII. Report of Finance Committee – Claris Boghosian

- The first event for the education initiative, the Financially Industry Program, will take place tomorrow from 12:30 to 1:30 on Zoom.
- A finance report will be discussed shortly.
- Monthly account balances were received from Ronnie, with further details to be provided next Monday.

IX. Report of Activities Committee – Iren Abelian

- The committee is planning various event ideas, including an educational initiative, with details to be shared once finalized.
- A movie night event will be held on Thursday, September 19, from 8 to 10 PM at Plaza Box, featuring the movie "Chain."
- A suggestion was made to organize a formal school dance at GCC, potentially with a themed concept, such as the 1950s or 1920s, and possibly charging for food to make it a profitable event.

X. Report of Relations Committee – Isabelle Karayan

- A committee meeting will be held after the live meeting today to discuss the educational initiative and finalize plans.
- The educational initiative, focused on voter registration, is scheduled for September 24, next Tuesday.
- The committee will be creating real "backwards" as part of the initiative.

XI. Report of Organizations Committee – Levon Chaglasian

- The orgs committee will meet Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Only one or two officers are expected to help with Tuesday's activities.
- Scheduling will be discussed later, and support is available if needed.
- There is a plan to have churros daily during the event.

XII. Report of Officers

- The Budget Committee reported no changes in the ending balance, with 2024-2025 insurance costs projected to have a surplus. The budget for 2024-2025 will increase from \$2.9 million to \$3.2 million. The revenue is expected to remain stable over the next five years, and the Board of Trustees approved the final budget in September.
- The Curriculum and Instruction Committee is working to make students vote for members and will move to the "Board Docs" system in October, which will post agendas and minutes. They discussed promoting diversity and inclusion (D&I), providing more training for faculty, and reviewing course delivery methods (in-person, online, hybrid). They also talked about minimizing the number of required units and receiving input on local GE patterns. Course names are set to change due to state requirements, effective Fall 2024.
- The committee emphasized that course outlines should serve the needs of students, not just faculty, and decisions on name changes will be finalized by December 2024.

XIII. Reports of Governance/Special Committee Meetings

1. Budget

2. Curriculum and Instruction

3. Senate Open Educational Resources Committee (OER)

4. Enrollment Management Meeting

XIV. Guest Speakers

- **Paul Vera**
- Discussed changes in requirements for AA and AS degrees at Glendale College, especially focusing on non-transfer degrees.
- Currently, students are required to complete 30-36 units for local AA/AS degrees, but the state has reduced the minimum requirement to 21 units to alleviate student burdens.
- Colleges like Santa Monica and Pasadena have already reduced their unit requirements, and Glendale College is deliberating how to balance unit reductions while maintaining essential course requirements.
- The task force will finalize decisions by October 2024, with implementation starting in Fall 2025. Feedback from students regarding the importance of specific requirements (e.g., lifelong learning, U.S. history) is being sought.
- **Stacy Jazan**
- GCC recently developed a new mission statement through a process involving nine meetings from winter to spring 2023, gathering feedback from various committees and groups across the college.
- The new mission statement focuses on empowering students to achieve economic, educational, career, and life goals through instructional programs, student services, and community partnerships. It aligns with accreditation standards and emphasizes equity and inclusivity.
- The accompanying vision statement aspires to build a sense of belonging and community, fostering upward social and economic mobility for students while contributing to a more inclusive society. The mission and vision also influence the institutional strategic plan, which focuses on inclusion, success, and support.
- **Michael Gordon**
- Suggested ASGCC wanted a school dance

XV. Old Business

XVI. New Business

1. Approval of Finance Report #2 – Action Item

MSC: Mane Asilbekyan / Aren Sepanian

2. ISP – Presentation

MSC: Aren Sepanian / Alex Kalantrayan

3. General Education – Presentation

MSC: Emily Churikian / Alejandro Zamarripa

XVII. Reports of Advisors

- Dr. Tzoler Oukayan

- Officers are responsible for reaching out to committee chairs if they are not receiving emails, as appointments were approved last Tuesday.
- The governance list provides meeting schedules, and any questions should be directed to the admin committee to avoid unnecessary absences.
- It's important to maintain professionalism during meetings by minimizing distractions, avoiding sitting next to those who may cause distractions, and making eye contact with the speaker to show attention and respect.
- Access to the governance list and chair contact details is available via the agenda posted last week, which officers are encouraged to review regularly.

- Claudia Juan

- Next semester, it would be helpful to include the chair's email along with meeting times and locations for better clarity.
- The blue list contains valuable information such as committee missions, members, and the chair's contact detail, but it is internal, so users should focus on key bullet points relevant to their assigned committees.
- If certain details, like room numbers or contact information, are missing, it's essential to reach out to the VP of Administration or others in charge ahead of time, rather than right before a meeting.

XVIII. Announcements/Information

XIX. Adjournment at 2:16pm

MSC: Emily Churukian / Masaki Sannomiya

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lianna Avanesian', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Submitted by Lianna Avanesian

Senator of Administration

September 19, 2024