# Antelope Valley College Associated Student Organization Executive Council Minutes

3041 West Ave K, Lancaster, CA 93536 Wednesday, October 15, 2008 Student Lounge, 7:00 AM

The Executive Council of the Antelope Valley College met on Wednesday, October 15, 2008. For more information, please contact Associated Student Organization President John Cabral 722-6300 ext 6725.

## I. ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

1.1Call to order: 7:04 a.m.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance: Lead by President Cabral

1.3 Roll Call:

President - John Cabral - Present

Vice President, Academic Affairs - Shunnon Thomas - Present

Vice President, Student Services - Timne Randolph - Present

Vice President, Club Affairs – Bernadine Sewell - Present

Vice President, Public Relations – Bennie Hawkins – Absent

Treasurer - Elijah Blanton - Present

Secretary - Holly Edblad - Absent

**Senator:** 

Business, Computer Studies and Economic Development-Jessica Theologidy -

**Present** 

Counseling and Matriculation-Jonmmica Walter- Present

**Enrollment Services - Chad Wood - Present** 

**Health Sciences – Andrew Douglass - Present** 

Instructional Resources – Michelle Ellis - Present

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**Technical Education - Vacant** 

**Visual and Performing Arts – Johnatan Olguin – Present** 

Membership is 17, Quorum is 9, 14 were present, Quorum is established.

#### Student Trustee – Elizabeth Soos – Present

#### 1.4 Adoption of the Agenda:

Moved to adopt the agenda by Andrew Douglass, seconded by VPAA Shunnon Thomas Motion passed 13/0/0.

1.5Approval of the Minutes- Moved to adopt the agenda by VPAA Shunnon Thomas, seconded by Treasurer Elijah Blanton Motion passed 13/0/0.

1.6Approval of Checks and Receipts –Moved to adopt the checks and receipts by VPAA Shunnon Thomas, seconded by Treasurer Elijah Blanton, motion passed 13/0/0.

#### II. PUBLIC FORUM

**Mihaela Blidarescu**- Would like to be considered for the Senator of Technical Education, she turned in her application about three weeks ago.

**Issa Saleeba-** indicated that he would like to have a position in student government and he left John a message yesterday. He is interested in Senator of Technical Education. He said that he just moved to the area about 9 weeks ago and basically he wants to be part of student government because he wants to learn more about the school.

## III. ACTION ITEMS

3.1 ASO and Committee Appointments

**Discussion:** Bernadine- wanted to know what we are doing about the Secretary position; **John**- said that there are applicants and that we have to impeach Holly first then we can fill her position, and today we are going to start the impeachment process on the Secretary position. **Michelle-** asked if there had been applications submitted by people of the public, and how have they been notified? **John-** responded with no, I don't believe that we have to notify the public. **Dr. Z**- said that in order to replace the Secretary we have to create a vacancy and there are three ways to do that; resignation, recall and impeachment.

Treasurer Elijah Blanton moved to start the impeachment process on Holly Edblad as Secretary, seconded by VPCA Bernadine Sewell. **Discussion**: **Bernadine** asked if Holly had been asked to resign; John said that's he was going to try to do so later on today but we still need to get the impeachment process started then if she resign then we can just stop the process. **Shunnon**- asked if we had more people who qualify to be impeached can we just do them all at once? Do we have a list of people meeting attendance? **Michelle-** wants a list that reflect the three absences. **Johnatan-**we need to look at more than the 3 absences we need to consider all that they do in ASO outside of the meetings also not just coming to this meeting, if they go to their committee meetings. **Elizabeth**-these meetings are separate from your committee meetings. **Dr. Z-** The motion on the floor is only talking about Holly, be clear that the motions not other folks unless you want to amend the motion on the floor.

VPAA Shunnon Thomas moved to amend the motion to combine the impeachment process for all ASO board members, seconded by VPCA Bernadine Sewell, **Discussion: Timne** asked for the motions to be separated because we need a Secretary more then we need anything right now and to do everyone at the same time will take a long time. President John Cabral asked for a vote on who is for the amendment 2/12/0 Amendment failed.

Treasurer Elijah Blanton moved to the question on the main motion to start the impeachment process, secondec by VPCA Bernadine Sewell. Motion passed 13/0/0.

VPAA Shunnon Thomas moved to start the impeachment process for all ASO board members with 3 or more absences, seconded by VPCA Bernadine Sewell, **Discussion: Dr. Z-** went through the roll sheet and said that you have to remember that a lot of you started late and when you came in late and we did second roll call and its per semester; there was no one other than Secretary Holly Edblad who has missed three whole metings. **Johnatan-** If I remember correctly last time we talked about this in a meeting it was brought to our attention by Dr. Z and correct me if I'm wrong but there is more to your ASO responsibilities then just showing up to these meetings now people are just showing up to these meetings but aren't fulfilling the rest of their duties now I think that

those are grounds that we should look at. **Timne-** so are you saying that you want to add that to the bylaws? **John**- its already in our constitution and bylaws its not just absences if fulfilling the position duties. Johnatan- so now I'm saying that we should look at the big picture cause there are people here that do a lot for ASO outside of these meetings so we need to consider everything when we are thinking about beginning the impeachment process on anybody in an ASO position I think that we need to look at the big picture. Elizabeth- asked how many meetings does one have to miss? Shunnonimpeachment is a process which is initiated by us with our 3 absences, now just because the impeachment process begins doesn't mean that you will be impeached but the process has to begin, I won't vote to impeach you but the absences have to be addressed even if its just probation but, you have to go through the process. Bernadine- I can use myself as an example I'm at 2 but I voted for it why because it's the right thing to vote for now we all know that I was sick and I may miss another meeting and I will have 3 absences at that point now what it boils down to is when the motion to impeach me do look at my 3 absences or do you look at how important I have been to ASO? Curtissaid that you're supposed to look at all that. John- just so you know were not just jumping the gun to impeach anybody; she has missed 6 meetings. **Dr. Z**- impeachment isn't just the motion, it is really a disregard for being an active member, an part of the collective, and I think that the whole notion really what does an ASO member do and you guys are doing a lot, and I think that you guys are redefining the definition.

Sam- what happens if you're out for 2 weeks like Bernadine? John- then you need a proxy for your vote; you'll write a proxy to stand in for your vote. Timne- I think that we need to discuss amending our constitution and bylaws to be more detailed on the duties so everyone knows that its more than just coming to these meetings but it includes events, committees, and committee meetings. Curtis-it's in there and basically when we go to impeach someone we have to go line by line and 3 absences I don't think it because somebody may be in the office all the time but is unable to make the meetings for instance how do you stand on that? Elijah- they would have to explain themselves and the situation. Bernadine- I don't think that everybody know their position responsibilities just yet because we are still getting used to our positions and we need to back off a little bit because we are getting to know each other as a group trying to make this family that we are trying to have work and we aren't that good at that yet so I think that we need to let people get comfortable in their position and be a little flexible.

**Bernadine**- Now what about the applicants that are here today, are we going to appoint someone? **John**- No, I have other applications that I still need to look at so I guess that we need to meet with them. **Dr. Z**- no you can call a motion for John to make an appointment.

VPCA Bernadine Sewell moved for Technical Education position to be appointed at the next meeting, seconded by VPAA Shunnon Thomas. **Discussion:** John-since I only have a week I will just pick somebody. **Bernadine**-no you just can't choose nobody. **John-** I will make the appointments. **Johnatan-** Everyone should came to the meeting next week and we interview them then. **Michelle-**I would like to see an AVC email go out. How many applicants are there? **John-**There are 7 applicants **Chad-**Have any of the applicants came to the meeting? **John-**Yes all but one but he's turned in 2 applications and I have talked to him. **Shunnon moved to** called the question.

Motion was restated Moved by VPCA Bernadine Sewell to have John place on the next ASO Agenda Wednesdays at 7am the appoint of a Senator of Technical Education, seconded by Senator Johnatan Olguin, Motion passed 13/0/0.

## 3.2 ASO Meeting Dates and Time

Dr. Zimmerman – 7am on Friday for Intersession and Spring semesters is a possibility and was easier to handle then Wednesday (maybe because people could sleep in on Saturdays). Look online for class schedules for Intersession and spring, so plan our new schedules around that meeting time.

**John**-we will just keep it on Wednesday until the end of the current semester.

VPAA Shunnon Thomas moved for the schedule for our meeting time to stay the same for now but to be flexible on attendance, seconded by Senator Johnatan Olguin 12/1/1.

Point of Personal Privilege - Sam Swartz at 7:46 a.m.

## 3.3 ASO Conferences

CCCSSA October 17-19, 2008 no one in attendance

State Wide Senate- October 24-26, 2008

## 3.4 ASO

Republican and Democratic candidate debate was a great success. Great Job on the debate.

Club promotions from Chipotle's Student Branch Manager (Curtis Smith).

Jeremy Soto signed up 3 new businesses.

Look over the survey results and discuss them at the next meeting. John and Time will email to other ASO members.

Point of Personal Privilege - Michelle Ellis and VPAA Shunnon Thomas at 8:00 a.m.

VPSS Timne Randolph moved to revisit roll call, Seconded by Senator of Senator Curtis Smith. Motion passed 9/0/0.

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**Timne**- asked if Sponsoring, Co-Sponsoring and funding are different **Dr. Z-** yes they are two different things, we can choose to be involved and co-sponsor an event or we can choose to just write a check as we do in most of the stuff. So you need to be listening to what we are being asked and how we are making motions. Timne- it has been brought to my attention about the cart parade and I want to know if we are going to have a cart?

John-Before we say that we are going to do this I need to know that it is going to be more than 2 people that are really going to do this and it will be all of us doing this.

President John Cabral appointed a Homecoming Cart Committee and appointed Senator Johnatan Olguin as chair of the committee and himself as co-chair. Elizabeth-When are people available to work on putting everything together for the cart? Volunteers are: Johnatan, John, Timne, Bernadine, Bennie, Curtis, Chad, Elijah, Jessica, Zuleika. Meeting is Friday and Saturday for cart prep.

Timne – Apologized for not getting the event planning committee out to plan our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting because myAVC was down.

Dr. Z- Wants to make sure that we award Who's Who during the Leadership Breakfast on the spring calendar which is a collaboration between ASO & ICC.

Cart training on either October 27 or 28, 2008 not both days just one of the days that majority of those who want to be trained on the cart are available. Sign up with Mandy.

#### 3.5 ASO Goals

Bennie- Is looking into getting laminated discount stickers for our ASO card discount vendors to put up in their locations.

Bernadine- Would like for ASO to invite our vendors out to Student Development and College Activities community day.

Point of Personal Privilege - President John Cabral8:30 a.m.

VPSS Timne Randolph moved to adjournment, Seconded by VPPR Bennie Hawkins at 8:30 a.m.

#### VI. ADJURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.