



**Student Senate for California Community Colleges
Region VII
Regular Meeting Minutes**

Los Angeles City College Conference Room
855 N Vermont Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90029
April 3, 2015 | 11 A.M.

I. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

A. Call to Order at 11:17 A.M.

Roll Call

Members	Region VII Officers & Senators
Compton Education Center — P	President: Yana Demeshko — P
East Los Angeles College — P	Vice President: Lisa Misirian — P, late 12:07 P.M.
El Camino College — P	Secretary: Elizabeth Him — P
Glendale Community College — inactive	Treasurer: Leah Waight — P
Los Angeles City College — P, late 12:13 P.M.	Com. Officer: Hovanes Tonoyan — P, late 12:07 PM
Los Angeles Harbor College — P	Com. Officer: Johanna Roman — A
Los Angeles Mission College — P	Parliamentarian:
Los Angeles Pierce College — P	Governance and Policy Senators:
Los Angeles Trade-Technical College — P	David Allsop — P, late 11:25 A.M.
Los Angeles Southwest College — P, late	John Noyola — P
Los Angeles Valley College — A	External Affairs Senator:
Pasadena City College — P	Hasun Khan — P
Santa Monica College — P	
West Los Angeles College — inactive	

B. Approval of Agenda

Santa Monica College moved to approve the agenda; seconded. Motion passed.

C. Adoption of Minutes

1. Santa Monica College moved to approve the minutes from March 6, 2015; seconded. Motion passed.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. Nehasi Lee requested that Region VII announce their Executive Officer and Senator elections beforehand.



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III. REGION EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND SENATORS REPORTS

A. Executive Officer Reports

1. President Demeshko stated the General Assembly Training Taskforce and the Region VII Executive Board met Friday and Saturday of last week.

B. Region Senator Reports

1. Senator Noyola gave the body a General Assembly update. He provided the body with a timeline Scholarships are due April 5. The draft program is due April 9 and the finalized program is due April 17. They are in the process of confirming breakout sessions. The General Assembly Planning Committee is asking to borrow projectors and laptops. Los Angeles Trade-Technical College plans to lend the SSCCC electronic voting clickers for the Spring 2015 and future General Assemblies.
2. Senator Khan notified the body about the dissemination of the SSCCC newsletter. He also informed the body about veterans issues.

IV. REGIONAL BUSINESS ITEMS

A. New SSCCC Constitution — President Demeshko presented the changes to the SSCCC Constitution. SSCCC Vice President Jerred Scheive was present to answer questions regarding the new Constitution. The Constitution includes a section regarding regions, that establishes required and minimum positions to professionalize the regions.

B. \$2 Student Representation Fee Presentation — EA Senator Khan and Region IX Treasurer Jerred Sirotnak informed the body about the proposed \$2 Student Representation Fee. Although Prop 30 was successful at temporarily quelling budget issues, the SSCCC must look to new methods of obtaining funding. They are looking to innovate the Master Plan for Higher Education to improve quality, access, and affordability of community college education. The \$2 SRF fee will give one dollar to local ASOs and another to the SSCCC. The presentation is available upon request.

C. General Assembly Training, Pt. I — President Demeshko presented the General Assembly FAQs and schedule to the body.

D. Region VII Resolutions

1. Robert Gardner from Los Angeles Valley College presented the **Divestment from Companies Profiting from Human Rights Abuses in Palestine** resolution, Marco Marrufo from Los Angeles Harbor College presented the **Resolution Database** resolution, and East Los Angeles College presented the **Dream Resource Center** and the **Foster Youth Resource and Support Center** resolutions.
2. Los Angeles Mission College moved to vote on the sponsorship of the Divestment from Companies Profiting from Human Rights Abuses in Palestine resolution; seconded.
 - a) East Los Angeles College — aye
 - b) Los Angeles City College — aye
 - c) Los Angeles Harbor College — aye



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- d) Los Angeles Mission College — aye
- e) Los Angeles Pierce College — nay
- f) Los Angeles Southwest College — aye
- g) Santa Monica College — aye

With six ayes and one nay, **Region VII will sponsor the Divestment from Companies Profiting from Human Rights Abuses in Palestine resolution.**

3. Santa Monica moved to vote on the sponsorship of the Dream Resource Center resolution; seconded. Roll call vote resulted in unanimous support; **Region VII will sponsor the Dream Resource Center resolution.**

5. Pierce College moved to approve the sponsorship of the Resolution Database and postpone the Foster Youth Resource and Support Center resolution until the meeting in which the region will consider resolutions for the Fall 2015 General Assembly; seconded.

- a) East Los Angeles College — aye
- b) Los Angeles City College — aye
- c) Los Angeles Harbor College — aye
- d) Los Angeles Mission College — aye
- e) Los Angeles Pierce College — aye
- f) Los Angeles Trade-Technical College — aye
- g) Los Angeles Southwest College — aye
- h) Santa Monica College — aye

With unanimous support, **Region VII will sponsor the Resolution Database resolution** and postpone the Foster Youth Resource and Support Center resolution until the meeting in which the region will consider resolutions for the Fall 2015 General Assembly.

- E. **Start Time of Region VII Meetings** — President Demeshko stated she will send out a Doodle to the delegates to survey the most convenient time to host region meetings.

V. ASO REPORTS

- A. **Los Angeles Mission College** has ASO elections coming up. They are shooting for a 10% voter turnout rate. They are planning to acknowledge a few faculty and staff members that have supported the ASO. They are planning for Spring 2015 General Assembly; they will be bringing 6 students. A job fair is also in the works; they hope to have about fifty employers present.
- B. **Los Angeles Pierce College** also has ASO elections coming up. They are planning to instate online voting. A candidate forum as well as a town hall is being planned.
- C. **Los Angeles Harbor College** will have their elections on April 28 and 29. The ASO is currently building relationships with local politicians in the area. They are currently approving the FFE list. They did not have a meeting last week due to Cesar Chavez day.
- D. **Los Angeles Southwest College** experienced a short closure of their English lab. The lab has been reopened, but the hours have been shortened. There are also no more tutors. The ASO plans to meet with the college President in order to discuss the issue.



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- E. **Los Angeles Trade-Technical College** had a Chancellor reception last week.
- F. **East Los Angeles College** will hold their ASU elections on the 21 and 22 of April. Their ASU has fully spent their budget for the year.
- G. **Santa Monica College** kicked off Consent Month in the beginning of April. Elections will take place the next week. The student government is pushing the Student Success Awards; they have extended the deadline. They will also be hosting Earth Week to promote sustainability. They currently updating their Constitution.
- H. **Compton Education Center** has just completed its annual Cesar Chavez Day Celebration and it was very well attended. They were able to have a Mariachi band come in and play as well as we gave a large bag of produce to all of the students in attendance. Pictures from the event can be found on the Compton ASB Facebook page as well as on the SSCCC Region VII Facebook page. They are currently planning our Cinco de Mayo program as well as planning for their upcoming ASB Award Banquet. They will be holding their elections for new officers and as well as a constitution change at the end of April.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

- A. Resolutions Committee Chair Marco Marrufo will email resolutions to the body. He urged the body to submit changes that will improve clarity via email. The committee will not meet this weekend.
- B. Ryan Navarete announced he will be running for Student Trustee.
- C. Senator John Noyola urged the body to register for the General Assembly scholarship.

VII. FUTURE MEETING LOGISTICS

- A. The next meeting will take place Friday, April 17 at Los Angeles Southwest College. The time will be determined based on a Doodle poll, sent out to all Region VII delegates.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT at 4:12 P.M.