



## Associated Student Government Special Meeting Agenda

Date: Thursday, November 30, 2023

Start Time: 4:00 PM

End Time: 5:00 PM

Location: **SU-204** / [Zoom](#)

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**The Associated Student Government reserves the right to modify the order of business as it deems appropriate.**

**Chair:**

President: Christopher Garcia Mendez P

**Vice-Chair:**

Executive Vice President: Dana Garcia Mendez P

**Vice Presidents:**

- Internal Affairs: Cooper Hawley P
- Club Affairs: Jason Mendoza P
- Finance: Fernando Montecino P
- Communications: Kengo Hotta P
- Events: Sina Laie P

**Student Trustee (Ex-Officio):**

Grant Wass A

**Secretary:**

Yaretzi Hernandez P

**Senators:**

- Austin Pelletier A
- Emma Stavola A
- Jenna Handschumacher A
- Joshua Harris A
- Kimberly De La Cruz A
- Micah Orozco A
- Mingyeol Kim P
- Reagan Barnum A
- Ryan Javier P
- Zachary Gonzales A

**Delegates:**

- Chihana Nihei A
- Kurt Parmenter A
- Masayoshi Mori P
- Safiya Swearingen P
- Sara Iguchi A

**Advisors:**

- Pippa Pierce P
- Brooke Beckett A

**Ongoing Guest(s):**

- VP of Student Services  
Nick Mata A
- Chief Diversity Officer  
Dr. Nicole Belisle A

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

- a. Call to Order  
*@4:06 pm*
- b. Roll Call  
*Quorum has been met*
- c. Welcoming and Greeting  
*President Garcia thanks the board for attending Special Meeting*
- d. Announcements  
*VP Communication Hotta: Communications committee is recruiting members of the ASG for Communications Committee. Get in contact with VP Hotta for more information.*

**2. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Speakers shall be limited to a total of two (2) minutes each. Fifteen (15) minutes shall be reserved at this time for members of the public to address the Board on matters within its jurisdiction. Please let the Chair know you wish to speak.

*No oral communications*

**3. OFFICIAL REPORTS**

- a. **Executive Reports – Three (3) Minutes Each**
  - i. President – Christopher Garcia Mendez  
*Glad to be back after break*  
*Things to look forward to for Spring Semester include running for VP Positions.*  
*Wishes everyone luck on upcoming finals*
  - ii. Vice President – Dana Garcia Mendez  
*Semester is coming to an end, Reminder to submit UC applications*  
*Looking forward to attending Advocacy Academy*  
*Preparing to plan for Spring Retreat*  
*Working with Pippa and Brooke on Spring DC Trip*
- b. **Trustee Report – Three (3) Minutes**
  - i. Trustee Grant Wass  
*Not Present*
- c. **Advisor Reports – Three (3) Minutes Each**
  - i. Pippa Pierce  
*Looking forward to Advocacy Academy, Brooke will no longer be attending as she is not feeling well*  
*Will run eligibility check for all positions in January following posting of grades*  
*Reminder that there are upcoming events such as Comet Hours & Winter Fest*

- ii. Brooke Beckett  
*Not Present*

**d. Committee Reports – Three (3) Minutes Each**

- i. Internal Affairs – Cooper Hawley  
*Will send out Time Sheets & New form to sign up for Office Hours*
- ii. Communications – Kengo Hotta  
*Recruiting members for Communications Committee*  
*Attended faculty Senate, nothing to report*  
*Wishes look to those working on UC Applications*
- iii. Events – Sina Laie  
*Cocoa Comet Hour Coming up on December 6<sup>th</sup>, will send out email for established time*  
*December 13<sup>th</sup> Winter Fest – More details to come*
- iv. Finance – Fernando Montecino  
*Nothing to report*
- v. Inter-Club Council – Jason Mendoza  
*Started discussion for Spring Club Rush. Possible dates include February 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>*  
*VP Mendoza will discuss with Pippa and EVP Garcia Mendez on how to proceed with actionable items when quorum is not met in formal ICC meetings*
- vi. Rules – Dana Garcia Mendez  
*Will send out future Agenda*

**e. Remaining or Requested Reports**

- i. Secretary – Yaretzi Hernandez  
*Nothing to report*
- ii. Senators  
*Nothing to report*
- iii. Delegates  
*Nothing to report*

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Friday, November 03, 2023, Regular meeting minutes. *The Associated Student Government board will consider for approval the minutes from the (Friday, November 03, 2023), Associated Student Government Regular Meeting. Motion to approve Friday November 03, Regular Meeting Minutes*  
*1<sup>st</sup> VP Montecino*  
*2<sup>nd</sup>*  
*November 03, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes have been approved unanimously*

- b. Revision of Friday, October 20, 2023, Regular meeting minutes. *The Associated Student Government board will consider for approval the minutes from the (Friday, October 20, 2023), Associated Student Government Regular Meeting Motion to revise approved minutes*  
1<sup>st</sup> EVP Garcia Mendez  
2<sup>nd</sup>  
*Discussion: Delegate Kurt Parmenter was accidentally marked as Non – excused absence*  
*Revision of Friday, October 20 2023 Regular meeting minutes has been approved unanimously*
- c. Friday, November 17, 2023, Regular meeting **DID NOT MEET QUORUM**  
*There are no meeting minutes to be approved for Friday, November 17, 2023*

5. **PRESENTATIONS**

Action/Presentation – 10 Minutes per Item

- a. N/A

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a. N/A

7. **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- a. **SCCC (Student Senate For California Community Colleges) [Advocacy Academy](#)**
  - i. Riverside Convention Center  
*Those attending have received an email with details regarding the trip*  
*Will be meeting in parking lot 12 near the Police Station, reminder to be on time as stated in the email*  
*Have folders to be picked up*  
*Casual dress, dress appropriately*
  - ii. December 1 – 3, 2023
- b. **ASACC (American Student Association of Community Colleges) [2024 National Student Advocacy Conference](#)**
  - i. Washington DC
  - ii. March 16-19, 2024  
*Travel intent forms have already been due and submitted*  
*ASACC is on the agenda for the Governing board for December Trustee Governing Board meeting*  
*Cannot say we will be attending but are in hopes of attending*

**c. SSSCC (Student Senate For California Community Colleges) General Assembly**

- i.** April 5 – 7, 2024
- ii.** Santa Clara, CA
- iii. Important Dates:**
  - 1. Original Resolution Submission Deadline February 14, 2024  
*If you are thinking about writing a resolution and having Palomar Sponsor it, please communicate with VPIA and President Garcia Mendez to work with Regional Affairs and Legislative affairs directors to structure a resolution to propose*
  - 2. First Resolution Packet Dissemination February 23, 2024
  - 3. Amendments to resolutions Deadline March 8, 2024
  - 4. Amended Resolution Packet Dissemination March 14, 2024  
*If you are interest in being a part of elections from the SSSCC communicate with Chair as you can receive preparation*
- iv.** Will be Discussed in future Meeting

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Action/Discussion – 5 Minutes per Item

**a. ASG (Associated Student Government) Goals Second Reading**

- i.** Approval of Goals  
*Chair Presented/displayed Goals in place of Ad – Hoc Chair Senator Micah Orozco*  
*No significant changes since first reading*  
*Basic Goals include:*
  - I. Implementing more basic resources for students to establish groups & programs on campus*
  - II. Providing new accommodating services & expanding on pre-existing ones that are available to all students*
  - III. Increasing ASG visibility and involvement with student organizations*
  - IV. Being more active on other Palomar campuses*

*Special thanks to those who contributed: Chair, Senator De La Cruz, Senator Javier, & Senator Kim*

*Motion to approve ASG goals second reading*

*1<sup>st</sup> Kim*

*2<sup>nd</sup>*

*Approval of ASG Goals second reading has been approved anonymously by the board*

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

Action/Discussion – 5 Minutes per Item

**a. Form Ad-Hoc Committee for Spring ASG (Associated Student Government) Retreat**

- i. Come up with suggested dates (refer to bylaws)  
*Must hold ASG retreat during the first month of the semester*  
*Deadline February 23 & 24, 2024*
- ii. Location
- iii. Price  
*Refer to binders*
- iv. Ready to Present no later than December 8, 2023 (or before)
  - 1. Failure to do so will result in a retreat being held on campus  
*Mira Costa Collage wants to collaborate and hold the retreat with Palomar*  
*EVP Garcia Mendez appointed as chair of Ad – hoc committee*  
*Volunteers: Senator Ryan Javier, Secretary Yaretzi Hernandez, VP Fernando Montecino & Delegate Masayoshi Mori*

**b. Black History Month Student Union Reservation**

- i. February 1, 2024
- ii. Additional Details will be shared during the meeting  
*Did not receive additional details and will be postponing item 9B to a future agenda*

**c. North County Transit District (NCTD)**

- i. The proposal from NCTD to increase student fee for students to have semester transportation passes to commute  
*The increase in student fee will apply to all students on campus and will most likely be place by Fall of 2024*  
*\$15 Student fee*
  - I. *Breeze, bus, Sprinter rail pass*
- \$16.50 Student fee*
  - I. *Breeze, bus, Sprinter rail pass*
  - II. *San Diego MTS including bus, trolley, Rapid Bus*

*As the price increases so will accessibility of transportation*

*Will have to cast a whole study body vote to increase the student fee*

*Advisor Pippa advises to conduct research if it will benefit students on all campuses and education enters*

*Motion to open agenda item 9C for discussion*

*1st VP Hotta*

Commented [YH1]: Seems unimportant

2<sup>nd</sup>

*Discussion*

*VP Hotta: Majority of student commute by car. If this were implemented students wouldn't opt out and would be paying \$15 for something they don't need*

*EVP Garcia Mendez: Having a student activity card gives you a discount on bus pass as well as programs such as EOP's.*

*Chair closes discussion*

- ii. This will be introduced in the meeting to give the board time to come up with questions and concerns
  - 1. NCTD will present further details in a future meeting  
*Will wait to have the board decide whether we are willing to entertain this following the presentation*

#### **10. VACANCIES AND RESIGNATIONS**

- a. **Executive:** There are currently (0/6) executive seats available
- b. **Senate:** There are currently (4/15) Senate seats available.
- c. **Delegate:** There are currently (3/8) Delegate seats available.
- d. **Resignations:**  
NA
- e. **Vacancies:**  
NA

#### **11. BOARD ELECTIONS, APPOINTMENTS, AND NOMINATIONS**

*Motion to open board elections, appointments & nominations*

*1<sup>st</sup> EVP Garcia Mendez*

*2<sup>nd</sup>*

- a. **Interview For Executive Position**
  - i. Non-Available at the moment
- b. **Interview For Senate Position**
  - i. Safiya Swearingen  
*Motion to appoint Safiya Swearingen to the senate position*  
*1<sup>st</sup> Garcia Mendez*  
*2<sup>nd</sup>*  
*Interview*  
*Chair: "What do you seek to accomplish as a senator?"*



*Safiya: Always thought about moving up from Delegate position. After some time in position realized was capable of taking on responsibility as a Senator also allowing more involvement and a vote.*

*Safiya Swearingen has been appointed to the Senate Position*

*Motion to close board elections, appointments & nominations  
1<sup>st</sup> VP Montecino  
2<sup>nd</sup>*

**c. Interview For Delegate Position**

- i. None

**12. ASG COMMITTEES**

**Assignment of Committees as Needed**

- i. Rules Committee**
  - 1. 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 12-1 pm
  - 2. via Zoom
- ii. Internal Affairs Committee**
  - 1. 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 2:45 – 3:45 pm
  - 2. Hybrid: Zoom & in SU-203
- iii. Finance Committee**
  - 1. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday 9:30 – 10:30 am
  - 2. Hybrid: Zoom & in SU-203
- iv. Communications Committee (New meeting days)**
  - 1. 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 4:00 – 5:00 pm
  - 2. Via Zoom
- v. Events Committee**
  - 1. 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 2:30 – 3:30 pm
  - 2. in Room SU-203
- vi. Inter-Club Council Committee**
  - 1. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday 9 – 10 am
  - 2. in room SU-204

*Advisor Pippa advises Committee chairs to ensure that dates on Palomar Calendar correlate with meetings real time, has a working Zoom link, and information is correct on the Website*

**13. SHARED GOVERNANCE COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES**

**Assignment of Committees as Needed**

- a. Career Education Committee

- i. Meets once or twice a month on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday
  - ii. 3:00 – 4:30 pm  
*Delegate Masayoshi Mori has been appointed to the Career Education Committee*
- b. ISC (Infrastructure and Sustainability Council) Council**
- i. 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays from 9 – 11 am
  - ii. [Council Information](#)  
*Board member has yet to be appointed to ISC Committee*

*Chair reminds board to consistently check emails and there will be no meeting on Friday, December 01, 2023*

#### **14. ADJOURNMENT**

@ 4:58 pm

Title 5 §51023.7: Pursuant to rules adopted by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, the Palomar College  
Governing Board shall not take action on a matter having a significant effect on students until recommendations and positions by students are given every reasonable consideration.  
Student 9 + 1 Rights Policies and procedure that have a "significant effect on students" include : (1) grading policies (2) codes of student conduct (3) academic disciplinary policies (4) curriculum development (5) courses or programs which should be initiated or discontinued (6) processes for institutional planning and budget development (7) standards and policies regarding student preparation and success (8) student services planning and development (9) student fees within the authority of the district to adopt and "Plus one": any other district and college policy, procedure or related matter that the district governing board determines will have a significant effect on students.