

**April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024** 10:00am-12:00pm Legislative Meeting

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## Legislative Meeting of the Associated Students of Norco College

I. Call to Order: 10:04

II. Roll Call:

a. Legislature (Voting) 10:05

ASNC Advisor – Dr. Edwin Romero

President of the Associated Students of Norco College – Aneesa Kashif

Vice President of Administration – Josh Delgado Excused Absence

Senator of Administration – Bryan Morales

Senator of Administration – Anmol Quraishi

Senator of Administration – Rafael Rodriguez

Vice President of Finance – Desiree Valdez

Senator of Finance – Allyson Lopez

Senator of Finance – Zayed Hannan Late

Senator of Finance – Amine Ouaddi

Vice President of Campus Activities – John Thehumury

Senator of Campus Activities – Carlos Medina

Senator of Campus Activities – Emiliano Vidrios Absence [10:20]

Senator of Campus Activities – Valerie Cruz Lopez

Vice President of Campus Relations – Victor Mataele

Senator of Campus Relations – Jacob Nkwamba

Senator of Campus Relations – Luis Quezada

Senator of Campus Relations – Michelle Abril

Vice President of Campus Organizations – Jose Orozco Excused Absence

Senator of Campus Organizations – Jesus Andrade

Senator of Campus Organizations – Cheryl Namita Kumar

Senator of Campus Organizations – Yusuf Jilani

b. Student Representatives (Non-Voting)

Representative of Administration – Muzammil Afzal

Representative of Finance – Haroun Ahmad

Representative of Campus Activities – Aaron Hall

Representative of Campus Activities – Adan Ramirez

Representative of Campus Relations – Juliette Ruelas

Representative of Campus Organizations – Dilraj Grewal

Representative of Campus Organizations – Isaiah Mendoza

Approval of Minutes: April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024. III.

## **Approval by Consensus**

#### IV. Announcements/Comments from the Public:

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- V. Old Business:
- VI. New Business:

## Senate.04.26.01 Dr. Green College and Community Update Motion Author: Dr. Green (Discussion Item)

The Associated Students of Norco College will receive an update from Dr. Green regarding the college and its surrounding community.

| Motion: Cheryl | Second: Carlos |

#### **Points made:**

The board approved the purchase of property in Corona, a 9.61-acre property. 21-million-dollar purchase.

Board will consider the potentiality of a bond campaign in the summer Brought material and will ask for written feedback from the community

Feedback will be analyzed for the district to go out for a multimillion-dollar bond [Not yet determined] 2004 last bond: before that, this building was not here. With that bond, Davis center for student success was acquired, labs, redesign of buildings, soccer field.

The 2004 bond helped the college grow and give students greater access. There is a desire for growth in the college, and additional access is needed. The board is attempting to serve the western part of Riverside County.

In August, there will be a decision for the bond, which will be on the ballot in November 2024

**Question**: Jacob: Could we, instead of purchasing new land, renovate existing structures, as rooms are unsustainable as there are buildings.

**Green**: That is a part of it. There will be a Kinesiology center added, the state has partially funded the projects.

With construction projects, 25% state funding is needed.

With the pandemic, the construction cost has tripled.

We need more Stem and Lab space. We can only grow so much here, with one road in and out. We might not get a secondary road, but we will need to keep pushing the city, which will need a general plan. Right now, the city council is not leaning toward the secondary road, as it is not in their general plan.

We have some plans, but we need cooperation

**Question**: What is the plan with the property that is planned to be bought?

Expand the Stem areas, as that is where the greatest need is. It is far away and will offer greater access and will prevent the need to go to the riverside to get to those classes.

**Bryan**: Do you have a basic idea of what the 21 million is going to besides the property?

The 21 million is for the purchase of the property. The bond is for maintenance, construction, and will need above 21 million as it will be expensive to fulfill.

**Question:** For the building plans, will there be adequate space and rooms for wheelchairs?

Yes, we want to make sure that is considered for additional labs and wet lab space.

**Aneesa**: What would you say is being done now to ensure a successful outcome?

Getting out there, talking, instead of waiting for the board to decide. Learning from what happened with the last and recent vote.

**Advisor**: The language was the reason that the vote was denied last time. There was not a clear benefit in the previous bond request. It was surprising that there was not an approval from the last student government but looking at the wording now as compared to the last presentation, it makes sense.

**Bryan**: As a STEM student, it would be greatly beneficial for students to have more space and more resources, as oftentimes we are on the main campus and need to work but decide to just go to the library instead of walking all the way to the STEM building.

**Jacob**: If the STEM students are getting a property, what about the other programs?

This will come out in additional planning. It will not be just STEM students in that building, but other general education classes. It will have a lot of discussion but will also need resources available to get there.

This is the first time that the district has had an educational 30-year masterplan. Generally, the Master Plans are 10-year plans, and we have strategic plans that last around 5-year time period. So, we are in the process of this college, of looking at the data and where we are redesigning our strategic plan to get to our educational masterplan goals. We want to hear from you to help develop our educational masterplan goals.

**Jacob**: For the chair, would it be possible to set up an Ad-hoc committee to help with this project?

**Aneesa**: I do not think it would be beneficial to set up another ad-hoc committee as we already have another committee for the corral prices

Advisor: It might be a bit premature to start a committee right now

**Aneesa**: Our goal is to educate others on how to vote, not to direct their vote.

**Jacob**: Madam chair, how would our student services fee help with this plan? Could we use the student services fee to help with this plan?

**Aneesa**: Any campaign with this plan will not be allowed to use the student services fee.

Correct. It could only be used to encourage students to register and vote, not for that, but just to vote. If all students voted last time, it would have been successful.

**Brian**: Good idea, but we already have issues with students not being able to pay for their student fees. It would discourage people who already are struggling to pay to not pay in the future.

**Desiree**: Even if we did that, it would only be able to help a small percentage of the whole, so it would hinder how we can help the community.

This is an accumulation of work to improve the community, as well as get people out of poverty

# Senate.04.26.02 Approval of \$325 from ASNC Executive Contingencies (92199) to cover additional costs for the Choir Spring Retreat.

Motion Author: Kim Kamerin (Action Item)

The Associated Students of Norco College will discuss and vote to fund \$325 to cover additional costs for this event.

| Motion: John | Second: Michelle |

#### **Points made:**

Usually, we get one big cabin for all the club members, but now we need two since our professor cannot stay with us.

Usually, the costs are covered in one payment. This is the first time we have been told something like this, as we have been told to make an additional payment.

**Jacob**: Why can't your professor sleep in the same cabin?

Not enough space. There were 25 of us last time and there was little space left in the cabin then because of it.

### **Approved by consensus**

## Senate.04.26.03 Approval of \$760 from ASNC Executive Contingencies (92199) to fund camping equipment/gear for college wide use.

## Motion Author: Delfino Angel (Action Item)

The Associated Students of Norco College will discuss and vote to fund \$760 to buy camping equipment for student use.

| Motion: Jesus | Second: Emiliano |

### **Points made:**

## This will be equipment that ALL clubs can use.

Working with kinesiology to help club members and active participants in a camping trip. The purchase is for a camping starter kit, which includes cooking gear, tents, and sleeping bags/pads for those who do not have it.

Useful for all clubs to use in the future. These are simply basic needs for the trip.

**Bryan**: I spoke with MOC and was given a basic rundown of what they did a couple of weeks ago. They had the things you mentioned, but included tarps, chairs, etc. They totaled \$1000. I hope that the equipment that you are buying is fit for long-term use.

These are 8 people tents, though members can also bring their own equipment for the trip.

**Bryan**: MOC is hesitant to give their equipment because they were bought with student money, and they are the ones that are responsible for that equipment. They want to make sure it is being accounted for, and the state of the equipment is not damaged.

To prevent damage to equipment, we can make checklists to make sure the equipment has been brought back to how it was.

**Bryan:** I would like to suggest ASNC have control over the camping equipment to ensure we can check if it is not damaged.

It is a great idea, as we were planning for ASNC to be in charge of the equipment.

**Bryan**: I think it is a good idea, and we have the funds to fund this item, though a presentation will be needed to get the voting members to know what we are voting on. There will also be more items needed as we need more to make sure this is taken care of so that there are not any problems with use as well as the trip.

#### Jacob motions to table the item

**Bryan**: I would like to second to table this item to next week as there is more research that needs to be done.

### **Tabled by consensus**

## Senate.04.26.04 Removal of Emiliano Vidrios as Senator of Campus Activities for violating ASNC attendance policy.

## Motion Author: Josh Delgado (Action Item)

The Associated Students of Norco College will discuss and vote upon this removal.

### **Postponed due to Absence**

## VII. ASNC Advisor Report

Good meeting, will need to talk to MOC about the equipment to ask why they were not sharing Jacob will look into the purpose of the original approval for the equipment. If it comes from the ASNC Funds, ASND has authority over the equipment.

Excursion forms have been emailed and will be needed by everyone planning to attend. As soon as possible. Will be needed together. Van 1 and 2 are unavailable for maintenance. We will need to carpool once approved to get people to Ontario.

The dean has approved many good policies, following one about travel, including the excursion forms. If any of you do not want to pay for the gowns for graduation, we have some in storage. Michelle made a form for checking the gowns out, though the gowns are incomplete, so we will be looking for funds to complete them. You will need to pay for the caps and tassel, so if you are looking to participate in commencement, we want to make sure you are taken care of. This is the biggest graduating class that we have had yet.

**Elections**: Some things I want to let the ASNC officers know, Bryan is the commissioner for elections, we have 12 candidates, and 1 is not currently an ASNC officer. We want to make sure that all official information about the candidates goes through to Brian. The reason we separate ASNC from the candidates is because we do not want that to affect the areas.

**Bryan**: I know you have good interest, but you also speak on behalf of the elections committee, so I would ask you to refrain from answering questions about the elections committee, so that the information is factual and correct.

Advisor: There are a lot of rules that the election committee can implement, that are not in the rules. Last year we implemented a rule that every candidate needs at least 50 votes, but now we do not have that here. Jacob: If I see things [rule-breaking] happening as a member of the public, what would I need to do? Advisor: You can email Bryan or me. We had a talk with Relations about our social media. It is good that we have a lot of candidates, but we are running out of posting locations lately. We are working on a flyer that has all the candidates and a link to the ASNC's Elections website. Everyone is listed, but we have prioritized the most competitive positions. We are not doing A-frames, as there is too many posters to print. We do not want to show favor to any candidates, and we want to post about them, so we are working on policies to cover that. Let the elections committee address any issues.

The campus does not have enough posting locations, but no tape on painted surfaces, as per campus policy. When at a meeting as ASNC or an event as ASNC, step away from elections. We have said not to wear ASNC gear while campaigning or handing out flyers, applying to those not running but handing out flyers. **Bryan**: There will be debates on Tuesday during ICC at 1:50 at the Ampitheater. Open to the public.

Meeting attendance: Conversation in Exec about attendance, wanting there to be a fair process and for it to be transparent. We ask for a weekly report on changes to the attendance that highlights tardies and absences that have happened during that week.

**Anmol**: When it comes to absences, we go to the respective committees, like with the barbershop event, we check with john, and fridge we have Muzammil and Rodriel check.

**Advisor**: We discussed the process for appealing, which if we were given an absence or tardy that we thought that was not fair, we can email Josh and Aneesa, and the Executive board will discuss and vote on the appeal.

## VIII. Executive/Committee Reports

**President**: May 7<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup>, job fair event. Signup sheet later this evening. All that I am asking is 2 hours of your time to help with the event. Mandatory event. Serve 2 hours within the week. 11:30-4:30. Make sure everyone is here on time during the weekly meetings. It is different when you are communicating a long enough time in advance, and last week many people did not show up on time.

Admin: Working on the absences sheet, making sure it comes out as soon as possible

**Finance**: 150k left in the budget. We got 15 requisitions this Thursday, processed by Sunday. Working with ICC, to make sure everyone turns in the receipts. Started the budget for next year. Advisor: Sent an email to all the VPs to work on the budget

**Activities**: Barbershop event went well, and a list of people who were active and participating. 5 de mayo event next week. The signup sheet is going to be set on the discord server. This will be a non-mandatory event.

**Relations**: No report

**Organizations**: Step-up to leadership is coming up Friday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, will need at least 1 representative for each. Food will be Hawaiian barbecue

#### IX. For the Good of the Order/Announcements/Comments from the Public:

**Jacob**: For the council, as a concerned student. Consistent misinformation, one person asking for one thing, and people are getting many different responses. It would be better for everything related to elections to go through Brian first. Speculation does not help anybody, and no candidates were posted to the ASNC account. I would ask Madam Chair to crack down on that as it can affect those who have been speculated against.

**Victor**: Athletics mental health workshop, 8-10 at CSS building next Tuesday

**Bryan**: Yesterday I attended resource council, but there was no official meeting, but people saw it as useful, so that is a good sign. I also proposed to the resource council for a visitor parking for people wanting to go to the college to ask a question, but not wanting to stay for longer than 15 minutes.

**Emiliano**: Was there a response from the architect? Advisor: Yes, there was, I will be emailing that soon.

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X. Adjournment 11:53 am