



Student Government Assembly (SGA)
 Santa Rosa Junior College (SRJC)
 Sonoma County Junior College District (SCJCD)
 Members Attending Remotely via Zoom Video Conferencing

Meeting #19: December 7th, 2020, 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Members of the public may participate via Zoom video conferencing using this link <https://santarosa-edu.zoom.us/j/7075241528> or by calling into the meeting at +1 312 626 6799 webinar ID: 7075241528.

This Meeting is Recorded

Members of the public wishing to comment on an agenda item or another topic within the jurisdiction of the SGA will be given the opportunity to ask questions via Zoom or may submit questions via email at zmiranda@santarosa.edu.

Pursuant to [Executive Order N-25-20](#): Suspends aspects of the Brown Act. Typically, the Brown Act requires that every teleconference or in-person location have an agenda posted, be listed on the agenda, and be accessible to members of the public. For the time being, this is no longer the case. Minimally, the agenda will be posted online at <https://studentlife.santarosa.edu/agendas-minutes>.

I. Call to Order & Roll Call: Start time: 3:03 pm Quorum: 10/12

Officers:	Attendance & Office Hours:
Student Body President - Delashay Carmona Benson	Present - yes
Executive Vice President of Legislation - Sierra Garcia	Present - no
Vice President of Finance - Evelyn Navarro	Present - yes
Vice President of Clubs, Santa Rosa - Lisset Miranda	Present -
Vice President of Clubs, Petaluma - Anetra McCartney	Present – Today to switch to Wednesday 9-11 did Fridays
Vice President of Student Life, Santa Rosa - Athena Weathers	Present - yes
Vice President of Student Life, Petaluma - Brandon Repp	Present - yes
Vice President of Marketing, Santa Rosa - Sebastian Bustamante	Present - yes
Vice President of Marketing, Petaluma - Ally Lubas	Present - yes
Vice President of Student Health - Maria Arreguin	Absent excused is sick
Vice President of Diversity - Felix Santiago	Present - 3 out of 4 hours met
Vice President of Sustainability - Carolynne Marshall	Absent (excused)
Honorary Members:	
Student Trustee - Jocelyn Toscano	Present - yes
Assembly Member of Black Student Union - Joshua Mandela Poinsett	Present - yes
Assembly Member of District Police - Alexis Ott	Present -

2020-2021 Student Government Assembly Attendance: [2020-2021 SGA Attendance](#)

II. Approval of the Current Agenda & Past Meeting Minutes: (5 minutes):

At this time the SGA shall review and approve the Agendas and Minutes, and add amendments as needed.

Motion by Athena and seconded by Anetra m/s/ - motion was Recinded

A. Agenda #19 (Dec. 7th, 2020) Motion to accept Agenda and minutes of #18:

Roll vote to approve item II. A. Agenda M/S/C yes 8 (SR Mkt no answer)

B. Minutes for Meeting #18 (November 30th, 2020) - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OoZ5SQ2-ggad3nm1fwhLuKB6Cs10-e_pvaNiOxRcBCg/edit

Question from to update the absence roll list for students to see. Will be on agenda for next week. Important to ask this question.

III. Public Comments (3 minutes per speaker, 15 minutes per topic):

At this time, members of the public may address SGA. Members of the public wishing to comment on an agenda item or another topic within the jurisdiction of the SGA will be given the opportunity to provide comments via Zoom or may submit public comments via email to zmiranda@santarosa.edu.

Motion to move into reports Item IV. A. by Lissett and seconded by Anetra and discussion none – roll call. m/s/c 9 yes

IV. Reports (2 minutes per speaker):

At this time members of the SGA may report on their activities, status of SGA and College-wide committees, and other business related to their positions. All reports should be submitted as a google document to the Student Body President 72 hours prior to the meeting, to be included on the published agenda.

- A.** Student Body President: Delashay Carmona Benson - \$150,000 raised and \$4700... raised for Black Success Center at Tuesday's fundraiser. Planning for February reports; finished up on three Hiring Committees; reported to Academic Senate and different events and PEERS had events happening; hope everyone wants to be part of the events. Met with Petaluma about vacant position and finance committee meeting will need to work. Will present to BOT tomorrow.
- B.** Executive Vice President of Legislation: Sierra Garcia - no specific reports; good news been article written about SGA to make changes in schools and inclusive of SGA. Shared in Chat. Congratulations to changes being made. Thank you.
- C.** Vice President of Finance: Evelyn Navarro – share next meeting this Wednesday 10-11:00 to discuss the Petaluma position. Went to College Council this week a presentation from College Council will bring forth a position of changes for our opinions.
- D.** Vice President of Clubs, Santa Rosa: Lisette Miranda – Had informal club day last Wednesday. Good to hang out and not do school related; next week no agenda so no ICC meeting. Will open up for clubs to hang out if they want to and get ready for next semester club day. Will update.
- E.** Vice President of Clubs, Petaluma: Anetra McCartney – Sock drive and due on 18th. Also make socially virtual friendly so send in socks via amazon or any shipping company will address soon to send. Donate during this time. Petaluma Clubs also thinking about Club Days for beginning next semester. Look forward to collaborate for SRJC Club Days.
- F.** Vice President of Student Life, Santa Rosa: Athena Weathers - start plans for new semester. Hope to get students to come and hopefully catch them before they drop out of school. Want to have fun and make fun happne!
- G.** Vice President of Student Life, Petaluma: Brandon Repp – no report
- H.** Vice President of Marketing, Santa Rosa: Sebastian Bustamante – no report maybe later on agenda to discuss idea not to have a meeting next week or during finals week.
- I.** Vice President of Marketing, Petaluma: Ally Lubas – attended Petaluma Council and Benefits meeting; met with Brandon for Club Day at Petaluma campus and cannot do in the remaining of this semester.

Spring Club Day for Petaluma is set for January 21.

- J. Vice President of Student Health: Maria Arreguin - **absent**
- K. Vice President of Diversity: Felix Santiago – **no report**
- L. Vice President of Sustainability: Carolynne Marshall – **absent**
- M. Student Trustee: Jocelyn Toscano – **no reports just end of semester, success workshop with PEERS and Maria attended. Hit 50 people for the workshops, gaming skills, and COVID information. Maintain motivation for next semester. Some instruction classes are closed; another workshop on Tuesday 3-4:00. Come into PEERS cozy Tuesday.**
- N. Assembly Member of Black Student Union: - Joshua Mandela Poinsett - **no report**
- O. Assembly Member of District Police – Alexis Ott - **have all SGA to help get the word out to bring students in as many cadet members are leaving end of semester. Help bring forward a flyer and market student to be on SGA with Delashay.**

Motion to move to Item X. Special Reports - motioned by Lisset and seconded by Anetra no discussion roll call - 3 Advisory votes m/s/c 9 yes

V. Appointments & Removals

At this time the SGA may appoint, ratify off-schedule appointments, or remove students to/from the SGA, College-Wide Committees, Hiring committees, Ad-Hoc Committees, Internal Committees, Subcommittees, other bodies within their jurisdiction, and other positions/duties as recommended. Any student appointments or removals shall be reported here.

None

IX. New Business:

- A. A motion may come forward to approve the dates, plan, and funding for the 2021 SGA Winter Retreat.
Lead: Delashay Carmona Benson
Fund Amount: \$500.00
Evelyn - money can come from for supplies remaining \$500.00 with understanding of office supplies.
Motion to approve the Amendment: Motion to change budget line office supplies by Evelyn and second by Athena to add \$500 to office supplies m/s/c 9 yes
Budget Line: Office Supplies
Dates – Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 1/11,12/13/2021 - Mtg Time: 11:00-3:00pm
Would like to have Sussanah Sydney from Human Resource attend the retreat to present.
Motion to approve dates 1/11,12 and 13 for Winter Retreat: motion by Ally Lubas and seconded by Brandon Repp m/s/c 9 yes

Motion to pass the entire request item IX. A – Motioned by Athena Weathers and seconded by Brandon Repp m/s/ This Motion was REINDED
- Motion to create an Ad Hoc committee for the purpose to plan 20-21 SGA Winter Retreat, led by Delashay and appoint committee members to Ad Hoc: Ally Lubas, Sierra Garcia and Felix Santiago to plan dates by next week 14th December.
Motion by Evelyn Navarro seconded by Brandon Repp to form an Ad Hoc committee m/s/c 9 yes
- Approve this entire Item IX A. – Dates, Ad Hoc committee appointment and budget line items with dates was motioned by Ally Lubas and seconded by Anetra McCartney m/s/c 9 yes

- B. A motion may come forward to funding for the Sock Drive.
Lead: Carolynne Marshall
Fund Amount: \$100.00
Budget Line:

Buy socks for the homeless. Can go through amazon and have it delivered or we shop.

Genevieve – donation to nonprofit for homeless group however this would be a gift of public funds and to give to community. District funds/SGA funds can only be used for direct student support needs, will have to look for another budget line to pay. You can drop off the socks at the JC library box. Will not use to SGA funds for this.

A motion was moved to Postpone Item IX. B. Sock Drive funds indefinitely by Evelyn Navarro and seconded by Athena Weathers. m/s/c 9 yes

Help spread the word, a project Carolynne is doing on behalf of SGA.

X. Special Reports (15 minutes per speaker):

A. West Below- Freedom Of Clubs Act

Presented official text amends ICC Constitution which modifies the Ad Hoc and removes the Club Advisor and endorsed the procedure district-wide. The champions of this bill are SRJC students to help all students who want to participate in a club or start a club or start any student group. This will greatly be beneficial and the bill will make a minor change. If clubs need to get money, they can do it on their own. Don't need a faculty from the college.

Advantage 1 – there will be more clubs on campus now that COVID is here and will be closed down rest of academic year. Now more important than ever to maintain the community at SRJC to social interaction to student promote mental health. Economic theory less regulation, the more fear this way will remove entry to be in a club. This bill will allow more student clubs on campus and more clubs to choose from. There will be more clubs involved.

Advantage 2 - more active students, especially hard for politically active clubs; oppose administration and leave faculty to approve all we do and attend meetings, represents a flaw in the system. We need more student voices in conversation at the JC and surrounding are more advocacy, equity, diversity etc.

Advantage 3 - will make a principal change and not only practical. To not be micromanaged by faculty. Foster independence and entrepreneurial experience to move on to work load and foster these values will serve the JC mission and will be overall benefit to society.

Athena – what are our benefits you say is to make SGA look good?

Benefits – all are politically active and would benefit from this change.

West - will remove barriers to create clubs and get more politically active on campus. Endorsing will help to pass through College Council and Board of Trustee. Also Inter Club Council has decided to endorse this bill. If SGA made the same decision would help as well.

Sarah Whyly – not opposed and have enjoyed to be Club Faculty Advisor. It is difficult to get students to get faculty to help with advising, not many are available. Two issues of concerns: False assumption of the economic period and the idea of clubs on campus. They are not in competition right now for membership, there is no monetary now, but the idea the clubs are there to attract students to interest. A competition model is fallacious. Secondly, wonder what is the advantage. You mention the District administration and faculty – the bill removes the Faculty Advisory and does not involved the District; it is the faculty who choses to advise. You have 2 separate classes of employees.

West – economic theory – not saying economic in completion but in behavior and interact. To remove barriers for entry for a group, then there will be more groups and then it will be easier, also concerned differentiation of Faculty and Administration, either way both have power over other various degrees. Consider students as a separate group therefore they can act for student they represent. This is what he talks about in promoting this bill. Will benefit all students and SGA as they represent all students.

Evelyn – concern, there benefits faculty and staff and the knowledge they have, other individuals due to their work field and work other places. Also ask, where will this go after/if SGA agrees? This would need to be vetted by groups and brought to the Board of Trustees.

West – already endorsed by ICC pending SGA then will go to College Council and then to Board of Trustees who gives final approval. Benefits of faculty members advising clubs – each should be a choice and a club who may need a faculty to help them, then they can seek faculty to help; this is giving them a choice if

they want an advisor and if they are Ad Hoc if dealing with money. Should be optional, should be for the students and run by the students and opportunity for students to engage in leadership.

Sebastian. – would this allow current clubs get rid of their Advisor? Current Student Life at SRJC, started, created relationships with student and faculty. Hard to see a benefit to all students. Change with some advisors they bring their wisdom and guidance. The students come and go, and is up to advisors to take on the roll to pass on to next generation of students. A bit harmful to already existed students. Already has taken a lot to be inclusive and diverse. This does not make it right by moving the advisor and make more clubs come forward. Also, when removing an advisor, does not allow students to come forward and receive resources as a club. A bit contradicting, and is harmful to students and not helpful as a whole unit.

West – if a current club wants to go into as an Ad Hoc club then yes, this change would allow to move forward with no advisor. Disagree that faculty is needed for wisdom and with degrees and should be able to lead their groups themselves. If you want to have an advisor, go ahead and get one. Think this will help all students allows them to make more choices themselves and more choices we can make for ourselves better as a whole in society.

Joshua – with cadets how can they be monitored without an advisor? They need an advisor. SRJC is responsible for their students and assurance to students have an advisor. If illegal concerns and students do illegal issues and then they will need to answer. This is a specific bill only applies for Ad Hoc club only a good test before it opens up to all clubs.

West – have not been left with a choice because they do not have an advisor. Recognized by the college you get marketing, and see you exist. Provide students with a choice if they need faculty advising and not forced to have others acknowledge their existence.

Sierra – clubs have done illegal activity at other college and concerned with the lacking an advisor with various activities planned on campus, then opens up JC up to litigation and oversight of people who have a responsibility.

West - Please endorse and make a motion for the bill as written.

Robert Ethington – 1st any discussion removing barriers is important. Streamlining a process that is meant to support students and walk away with what more learning outside the classroom. Questions a few assumptions and have more success discussion from faculty and recommendations. Yes, few stories to find an advisor we need to assure to find faculty for clubs and make sure there are incentives for advisors. The institution needs to make it easier so this discussion would see how Advisors can help with "red tape", wisdom and experience advisor can use with students. Certain things will need an advisor. If you want to reserve and use money by policy you need an advisor who is responsible for things students can't do alone.

Motion to return to agenda Appointments and Removals Item V. by Sierra Garcia and seconded by Evelyn Navarro
m/s/c roll call: 9 yes

XI. Communications from the Floor:

At this time, members of SGA may address concerns and any items not on the current agenda, in addition to recommending new agenda items.

Athena - SGA Holiday Card to post in the BearFacts or bring on agenda for next time. A Happy Holiday pdf with our signatures and she would design it. To be sent with signatures asap. Like a photo of each of you with holiday dresswear and send it in. Due by end of this week 12/11/2020.

Delashay - will put SGA Holiday Card on agenda for next week. Athena will reach out to everyone. Also, think about maybe SGA can have a secret Santa or white elephant with a \$5 cost only. Fun and fast if you all are interested some type of holiday meeting. Dress up in festive hat or ugly sweater or etc.

One concern with COVID but then if we have virtual amazon gift no problem. Collect everyone's address

Genevieve and Hilleary can help. Let Delashay know your choice so she can put on the agenda for next week.

Sebastian - will there be a meeting next week due to finals?

Delashay – Yes there will be a meeting, possibly short. Retreat on agenda next meeting and will be presented next week. Input to get together what you wants to do. Will have a short meeting, not much on agenda next week.

XII. Adjournment: 4:46pm



The SRJC Student Government Assembly does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admissions or access to, or treatment of, or employment in its programs or activities. The appropriate disability-related aids or services, including printed information in alternate formats that enable persons with disabilities to participate in public meetings, are available by contacting the Student Affairs Office at (707) 527-4424, Santa Rosa Junior College 1501 Mendocino Avenue, Santa Rosa California 48 hours prior to the meeting.

[Government Code Section 54953.2, & Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12132) Section 202]
