

# ASCSI Student Senate

Fall 2009

December 7, 2009

Presiding Chair - **President Lacey Haggan**

Conducting Chair - **Vice President Blake Lawson**

- Call To Order: **3:15pm**
- **Attendance:** Senator Carpenter. Senator Lopez. Senator Essma. absent and
- **Guests: Scott Rogers-** The Re:session Snowboarding video is coming up soon. Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm and 9pm. \$5 tickets are available at the Herrett Center. I encourage you all to go. We will be giving away hundreds of dollars worth of prizes! There are only 30 free tickets left for the Friday night show.
- Minutes from November 30, 2009- **passed**
- Agenda Approval: **approved**

## Council Reports

- **Advertising-** This week we started to work on the Senate website. However, we still need many people's bios. If you haven't done yours, you know who you are. Please send them immediately to [jamesbutler@eaglemail.csi.edu](mailto:jamesbutler@eaglemail.csi.edu). All you need to do is write a couple brief lines about yourself. If you would like to see examples, visit the senate page [www.csi.edu/studentgovernment](http://www.csi.edu/studentgovernment). This past week, Rosa and I also decided that we will not be having a December issue for the Toilet Paper, as we are both incredibly busy studying for our finals, and most students will be leaving during finals week. It would end up being a waste of money to print all of them. Our next issue will be January. Thank you so much for putting them up and taking them down so diligently. You guys are awesome! See you ALL next semester!
- **Ambassadors-** We had our last meeting December 2 2009. We basically went through old business such as signing up for evaluations which will take place this week.  
Before the thanks giving break Ambassadors did the feel good Friday and it went well as we had attracted a large crowd sadly we ran out of food fast. We also had community service and a social event that same week and the soup kitchen and it was awesome and so was the skate land.  
We also went through the lane of trees which will be our community service for this month. We go shopping for the family on December 10th and the family we are sponsoring is TBN.  
Our first meeting next semester will be on the 27th of January 2010. We finished our meeting with a party and game of white elephant.
- **Campus Recreation- Cruising to Wellness** is a program starting up in January; a 12-week program to increase and motivate students and faculty members to live a more well-balanced lifestyle in relation to fitness and wellness.  
Students can earn bonus points for increasing their wellness by taking a long walk, taking a bubble bath, writing a letter to an old friend that they haven't spoken to in a long time.  
The goal is to earn 3,400 points (miles).  
The grand prize is \$1,000 travel voucher (cruise for 2!)  
The Turkey Trot run/walk had 242 runners/participants. The Win Big, Lose Big class earned \$1,300. There was a better turn out than the Halloween run because the race started earlier in the morning!  
Scott and Sarah will be setting up a table in the SUB next week, Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. They will be having students fill out the Outdoor Program survey that is up on the website and handing out free tickets to the Re:Session snowboarding film coming up soon Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 and 9 p.m. at the Herrett Center.

- Students who go to the snowboarding film will have the chance to win a \$400 prize package just for being there at the show.

New Years Eve Race and Party will be December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009. The party will be held from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. This event is put on for an alternative option to drinking and partying.

- Last year's turnout was around 1500 students.
- The event is put on by the LDSAA club.
- Two dance floors, downstairs and upstairs gyms.
- Mechanical bull

Intramural sports just wrapped up for the semester and they went well overall.

Volleyball tournament will be held December 19<sup>th</sup> at 8 a.m. The cost is \$120 per team and all proceeds will go to benefit the Cruising to Wellness program. This event is limited to the first 20 teams.

- Winning prize package valued at \$1200
- Register online at [recreation.csi.edu](http://recreation.csi.edu)
- Scott Rogers 732-6470, [srogers@csi.edu](mailto:srogers@csi.edu)

Admittance analysis and active member count available upon request

- **Community Service-** Last week the Community Service Council held an event, World Aids Day. It was very productive and around 20 students attended the interactive session by Jill Schultz, and many more participated in tabling and the raffles.

Chai Alpha is heading the Christmas Stocking project funded by the council. All of the stockings have been put together for the 25 children. They have the 20 adult stockings mostly finished. They should be done very soon. Chai Alpha's goal is to have all of the stockings done by Dec. 16th.

- **Diversity Council-** Last week Diversity Council had a meeting. We were talking about evaluations of International Dinner among our members. Overall it turned out great. Our members had suggestions to provide more food for the next year's event. We also suggested separating the dorm students from the community. If dorm students really want to come, they can get their tickets ahead of time.

We also discussed our upcoming events for next semester, which are Black History Month, International Women's Day, Not for Sale, and Rhythm of Life.

This week, we are planning on having Diversity Councils Christmas party on Wednesday, at our Advisors house.

We are also going shopping for two families adopted by Diversity Council.

- **Eagle Hall Council-** Last Wednesday we had a movie night (Four Christmas Seasons). It was a great success and almost all of the residents showed up. Also, last Friday we had refreshments for the Volleyball girls at the activity center of the dorms. Eagle Hall thanks Senator Chabuka and Senator Jam for doing a great job with their celebration. A Christmas hall decoration started December 1<sup>st</sup>. We judged last night and will find out the results tonight.
- **Interclub-** Last week, there was no Interclub meeting and we didn't have much going on. The clubs have just been decorating their trees and displaying them before the delivery to their families. This Tuesday, Interclub will have their last meeting for the semester. We will be having a little party.
- **Off Campus-** This week we spoke to the delegates about setting up Christmas trees for their campuses. Those trees will be put up today and be up until next week!

- **Program Board-** We had bowling December 1<sup>st</sup>, and that was a success. Our Executive meeting was December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Preston Pugmire came December 3<sup>rd</sup>. We had an alright turnout, but were disappointed with the low turnout from the Senators. Wednesday, Christmas Carol, is the movie that will be playing. Wear your Got Plans Shirts to advertise. Re:session will be December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm and 9pm. Breakfast with Santa will be December 12<sup>th</sup>. Finals week, we will be doing activities in the SUB from 10am-1pm, giving away snacks and water. Monday there will be free massages!
- **Public Relation-** Last week Jena went Thursday and Christie and I went Friday morning. We talked about the Murder room, Magic Mud, and a few recitals going on.
- **Sustainability-** Last week in sustainability we got more ideas for the HOPE cards which, if everything goes according to plans then they will be redeemable in the book store or at the Taylor Café. We also got the majority of the information to the IT department so that they can start putting a web site together and get everything going. We also helped with the HOSA leadership conference that was a great success. After the conference, Vice president Lawson gave a survey with the results. The averages were fairly high. A lot of people said they were really surprised at everything they learned. One of the comments were "You guys are the bomb!". The event was a great success. This week we have our meeting on Tuesday and everyone is welcome to attend. It is at 1 pm in Taylor 201.
- **Treasurer's Report-** The budget has been updated for each club as of this meeting. If you are giving out scholarships for your clubs, that will be taken out when that happens. You can access the budget online.

#### Special Orders

- **Secular Students Alliance-** This group was approved to become a club on a motion by **Senator Alma Jam**. This new club, is willing to voice their opinion about activities, organizations, and ideas, as long as they do not provide false information or slander another club, person, activity, or organization.

#### Old Business

- **December Community Service Project/Lane of Trees-** We have adopted a family for Christmas. They have a single mom, 2 little girls, and 1 boy. The mom recently lost her job at Dell and is currently trying to provide for her family as well as her father who was diagnosed with Leukaemia. There is a sign-up sheet on the whiteboard to bring in your gifts for this family. We will set a date for next week to wrap and deliver these gifts.
- **Change for Children/Committee Chairs-** **Senator Felix** has set a date and reserved the Fine Arts for a Rehearsal Wednesday March 24<sup>th</sup>, and the event for Friday March 26<sup>th</sup>. The Chair for Business Committee will be **Senator Barton**, the chair for Advertising Committee will be **Senator Lopez**, if she agrees to it, and the chair for the Talent Committee will be **Senator Umarova**. We will meet Friday at 4pm to discuss further details so we can really get a jump start on this event.
- **HOSA Leadership Seminar Recap-** Last Thursday was a huge success. The students learned a lot. The tour showed that they really enjoyed the tour, food, time management, Recreation Center, and material. We would like to do an event like this again next semester. We will keep in touch with the high schools and possible CWI about doing an event here next semester. Thank you **Senator Barton**, **Senator Felix**, and **Senator Price** for helping throughout the entire day. We are really proud of **Senator Barton** and **VP Lawson** for pulling it all off. We have some great leaders in Senatel

- **Strategic Planning Recap-** Edit was not feeling well, so **Advisor Stanley** took over the meeting. It was great! We were able to put in our input about last year, present day, and our goals for the future. People brought up how busy the Matrix is during the first few weeks of school and we thought of creative ways to fix that. **Senator Abdullaev, Secretary Haggan, and President Haggan**, attended this meeting.
- **Volleyball Party Recap-** It was a really stressful 3 days planning. However, it was very successful! The Volleyball girls were very happy and appreciative. We were disappointed at the lack of very much advertising. Thank you Eagle Hall for providing hot chocolate for the girls when they returned. Thank you Jasmine for everything you helped us with. It would have been impossible without you! The decorations were amazing and it turned out to be one of the best events we've ever had!

#### New Business

- **Premier Agenda-** This will be the least expensive agenda we've had so far and actually have an opportunity to make money on these. This year it cost us \$7,000 for 3,000 agendas. If we go with Premier Agenda, it will cost us \$7,000 for 4,000 agendas. It will also provide students with access to local phone numbers and discounts. They will fly down here and present this more to us, only if we are set on going with them.
- **Youth Leadership Retreat-** NYN & Vermont is hosting a Youth Leadership Retreat. It is a competitive entry and the winners receive a free ticket to the conference, free hotel, and free food. There is an 11 page entry. If you are interested contact **Senator Abdullaev**.
- **Senator of the Month-** This month, the Senator of the month is **Alma Jam**. She worked really hard to put together the Volleyball Party and is always eager to go above and beyond what we ask of her. She always turns in her committee reports on time, which is fantastic. This Senator is well deserving of this award and we are very proud to have her as a part of our team!

#### Executive Reports

- **Vice Presidents Report-** Make sure that if you are booking an event, you do it at least 1 month in advance, preferably 2 months in advance. Also, double check it to make sure it was approved. Senate computers are for Senators only. If a person needs to use a computer for club purposes, they may use the Clubs & Organizations room.

Thank you **Senator Alma Jam**, and **Senator Chabuka**, you did a great job on putting together the Volleyball Celebration, I only got the tail end of it, but it was great!

For the Christmas party, meet here at 5:45pm to go Christmas Carolling. Bring a white elephant gift. If you feel like bringing cookies or chips, feel free to do so.

I will not have my cell phone this week. I turned it off to focus on school. I encourage you all to do the same if you are having a hard time focusing.

- **Presidents Report-** A special thank you to **Senator Alma Jam**, and **Senator Chabuka** again for putting together a phenomenal party. The Volleyball girls loved it, and the cake was delicious! The decorations were great and your passion for this really showed through.

Make sure to work really hard this week. Remember our goal is to keep everyone a senator next semester. This is our last meeting. Time has really flown by. Have a great break and we'll see you next semester!

- **Advisors Report-** I apologize for missing the last meeting. Make sure that you are booking your events in advance. Also, if people are not being respectful to you, come see me. It is their job to book events for you. 2 months in advance is more convenient for them, but they should never disrespect you in the process.

The end of grades is coming up. Scholarships will be available next Tuesday. If you were having grade troubles, they will not be available to you until I get the okay from your teachers. There will be a self-evaluation to fill out. Please get it to me by Friday.

**Senator Chabuka**, and **Senator Alma Jam**, outstanding job with the Volleyball event! It went really well. Senator Chabuka, you were very sincere and authentic behind the

microphone, and Senator Alma Jam, you did an incredible job with the power point.

HOSA turned out great! Everyone worked really hard, especially for not being compensated.

I will not be at the Christmas party. However, stop by my office next week for a present.

Merry Christmas! Be careful, and take some time to reflect on this past semester.

- Adjourned on motion by **Senator Butler at 4:50 pm**



