

# ASCSI Student Senate

*Spring 2010*

*January 25, 2010*

Presiding Chair - President Lacey Haggan

Conducting Chair - Vice President Blake Lawson

- Call To Order: **3:15pm**
- **Attendance:** Senator Choate, Senator Felix, were absent and excused. Senator Lopez was absent and unexcused.
- Guests:
- **Edit Szanto-** I am impressed by your professionalism with the students, faculty, and staff. If you have any questions, stop by my office.

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- **Joseph Lemoine-** I would like to bring a group of competitive throwers (Scottish American Athletic Association) to campus for an Irish festival. A lot of the throwers would come if we just paid for their transportation and hotel. The event is scheduled for April 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>. I would just like your support. I am meeting with Program Board and Diversity Council later on this week.

Diversity Council would probably sponsor the tickets and Program Board to help financially. Senate sent our support

- **Tom Koerner-** Last year we met with Sustainability Council. We have a program each year called Recycle-mania. I have been recycling a lot of our material. We compete against other schools. The competition is normally run from now until Earth Week. There is not a lot we can do except get the word out around campus.

We have a video script about the food service, trying to find an avenue about the food service. Thank you **Senator Barton** and **Senator Price** for volunteering to help with the video. **Senator Ramirez**, **Senator Umarova**, **Senator Abdullaev**, **VP Lawson**, **Senator Reed**, Senator Shimba for volunteering to volunteer for the scene on campus.

- Minutes from December 7, 2009- **postponed until next week**
- Agenda Approval: **approved**

## Council Reports

- **Advertising-** Committee Report Not Submitted
- **Ambassadors-** First week of school, we had no activities except putting up flyers as we are recruiting new members. We sadly lost 5-6 Ambassadors. Today we had interviews in progress and we are looking forward to meeting the new Ambassadors at our first meeting this Wednesday.  
This semester will be a busy one for the Ambassadors. There are many upcoming tours and we are looking forward to working with the Senators.

- **Campus Recreation-** Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, Free Ski Day @ Magic Mountain. We had 41 people out of 55 spots turn up and it was a great day!  
 Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, Snowshoeing to Craters of the Moon. Park Geologist will be guiding the tour up a volcano. The first hour will be inside to learn, leaving @ 7 a.m. @ 1 hour parking lot. Will be back between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. 4-5 mile hike. \$7  
 Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> Miracle Hot Springs \$8, leaving at noon from 1 hour parking lot. Probably stay for around 2 hours and then return.  
 We redid the Outdoor Program website [www.recreation.csi.edu](http://www.recreation.csi.edu)  
 There is a Blood Drive, February 17<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Recreation Center. You need valid and current student ID to donate.  
 Sarah Slaton is still waiting on the results of the survey we conducted in the fall semester.  
 February 26<sup>th</sup>, Friday, Night Tubing @ Magic Mountain (Not sure of cost yet)  
 February 27<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, ISU Climbing Trip – leave @ 11 a.m. back by 5 p.m. \$7, Bring own gear if wanted, all levels welcome.  
 Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> – Day Hike @ Devil's Washbowl in the Malad Gorge  
 Spring Break Trip in the Works  
 There are new Outdoor Program Pamphlets  
 Cruising to Wellness starts February 1<sup>st</sup>, sign up in the Recreation Center.
  
- **Community Service-**Community Service Council had no new business last week. But will meet this week to discuss future projects and events along with available funding etc.
- **Diversity Council-** Last week we didn't have a meeting because it was WOW Week. This week will be our first meeting for the semester. We will discuss Not For Sale. We are planning to bring a speaker for the event. We are also planning for Rhythm of Life, which will hopefully be in February. We look forward to seeing Joe in our meeting.
- **Eagle Hall Council-** There is no new news.
- **Interclub-** This week Interclub Council is meeting with our advisors to make the schedule of meetings and to start up Interclub for this semester. We are also continuing to research the clubs and organizations handbooks of other colleges in order to see if we should make changes to CSI's handbook that will improve it. The tentative date for our first meeting is February 9<sup>th</sup>, as our meetings are generally held the seconds and fourth weeks of the month.
- **Off Campus-** Last week we talked to Graydon about the scholarships for our delegates and about the remaining money for this semester. Kali from Hailey did a Welcome Week and it turned out great. She gave out goodies. And for Rigby, we wanted to do the wii game, but we don't know how that went. He takes a little bit of time to write us back.
- **Program Board-** Committee Report Not Submitted
- **Public Relation-** Since the boxing smoker is this Saturday; we were not able to get any time on the radio. We will start back up next week.
- **Sustainability-** We are working on Recycling Week. We also gave out scholarships for our regular attendees, since we initially set money aside for that.
- **Treasurer Report-** The budget is completely updated. Please add a copy of it to your binders. Right now we have \$6,000 to work with in allocating to clubs. I'll keep you updated.
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## Special Orders

- **Appeals-** Unfortunately a few of our Senators who were unable to make grades or credits. We have 2 Senators who have chosen to appeal. We have a senator who has chosen not to appeal and would like to take this semester to focus on her grades. Let's keep encouraging her and keeping her involved. Last week we went through an appeals process with one senator and today we will be meeting with another Senator. During the appeals process, we give them the opportunity to explain to us what their extraordinary circumstance was. Next meeting we will enter closed session to come up with the final verdict of their standing.

## Old Business

- **Change for Children-** Twin Falls has Talent is scheduled for the same day we had planned Change for Children. We would like to change the date. The only date available is Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. It's been moved by **Senator Umarova** to change the date from March 26<sup>th</sup> to April 24<sup>th</sup>.

Business, Talent, and Advertising committees, please set a time within the next week to meet with your committees, it would be great. As soon as appeals are finished, we will fill each position.

We spoke with Andrew over the phone to come up with a slogan and came up with some ideas and narrowed it down to 3. "Determined to live with no regrets", "Perseverance when others doubt", "Persevere in the place of fear".

February 8<sup>th</sup>, is a tentative date to meet with Amber and Andrew to meet and get to know them, after our meeting.

- **December Community Service Project-** Last month we bought gifts for a family. It was incredible to see what they live in. The house was smaller than this room and they were so excited. We had 3 tubs of presents and a Christmas tree and the mom was crying. It was amazing! Thank you guys for bringing gifts.
- **Tuition & Fees-** Right before Christmas I met with President Beck about the cost of attending here in the future. The idea I would like to share with you is to keep the tuition as it is or increase it by \$5 per credit. This would be incredible in comparison to other schools. What you will probably see is that those 4 year colleges will increase their tuition by 12-15%! You can anticipate seeing that in the state with the state of our economy. This is an incredible time to make it to where people can stay in school. We need to either try to hold the line, or increase by \$5 per credit. The only way to balance our budget. We will lose about \$700,000 in revenue doing that. What we are asking you is taking the fees you pay and moving them over to the tuition side. For example, student health, where every student pays \$13, but only 500 students; or childcare. A couple other areas are technology and athletics. We anticipate keeping the same number of teachers and the same fees. The only difference is that at the student health care or childcare will have to pay a "user fee".
- **Premier Agenda-** We've been talking about Premier Agenda. I was wondering if you would like to set up a conference call with them to ask questions and get them all answered. We chose to keep the agenda's the way they are based upon a motion made by **Senator Reed**. It would be nice to spice the one we have up, rather than create a brand new one.

## New Business

- **Burley Recreation Center-** By March we would like to send them some weight equipment and spinning bikes. Along the way they might need some other funds to send their way. I am very excited about what is going on there.
- **Haiti Community Service Project-** This semester I am in a lot of things requiring me to get a lot of Community Service. I would like to get all clubs unified in making a difference. We will meet at Wednesday at 10:30 in the Conference Room to collaborate ideas. This will be our February Community Service project. We should unite with the Not for Sale campaign. (Thank you Senator Price for getting this together)

- **Girls in Technology Tours-** We are needed to help with tours. That is why it's crucial that next Monday, we take our tours. Mr. Turner needs 5-7 people each time for 3 times. There will be a sign-up sheet on the board next Tuesday. The 1<sup>st</sup> session is at 8:45am in the Fine-Arts, 10am, and 10:50am. Please sign-up and show them to their next work shop.
- **Opt In-** On MyCSI you can access an Emergency Notification. If anything happens on campus, you will receive an email, phone call, or text message. Its purpose is for anything going on, on campus like a fire, power outage, shooting, or snow day, it will inform you. This allows us a way to get a hold of you. Do we have a committee who would like to be in charge of having a booth and coordinating the promotion of this?

### Executive Reports

- **Vice Presidents Report-** I hope you guys had as good of a Christmas as I did. I had the opportunity to go up to Boise and have lunch with the legislature and have lunch with them. I also was able to represent CSI. It was a lot of fun! Our annual reports must be written by the end of the year. If you would like to make sure you're all up to date up until now, it's recommended. Be prepared to turn it in at the end of the year.
- **Presidents Report-** A couple of weeks ago I had the opportunity to go to NIC. We went up with Graydon and met up with their student government and watched our women's and men's basketball games. Unfortunately, we lost, but played well. They said that they are doing a canned food drive and a food bank on campus, where they are taking care of their own. I was thinking about doing something, where we take care of our own and help our students with coats, clothes, and food. A lot of people give to the refugees, but let's help our students. They have 4,500 full time students, and we have 9,000. With all of the funds we get, let's start something to show how much we care about the students.

We talked about promoting health this year, as soon as we get our senate together and look over our goals and what we would like to do this year. An idea is unity. It's a great school, so let's work on promoting pride and taking care of the students here. There's a lot we need to be doing. I'm excited about what we can do this semester. The more the merrier. I'm really proud of you guys for keeping your grades up and completing the minimum 12 credits. I would also like to set up a meeting with each person. There will be sign-up sheets on my door.

- **Advisors Report-** Welcome back! We had a display set up in the mall where we had to be there from the morning until the night. Thank you everyone who helped out with that.
- Lacey and Sheree joined me at the NIC trip. NIC is planning on coming back here the 19th/20<sup>th</sup> of February, let's take them out for pizza and show them a good time. Anticipate meeting with them Saturday. Their President will be in contact with President Haggan. As soon as CWI get's organized we definitely would like to get together with them.

Wednesday of this week, the annual CSI transfer dates will be going on. There will be a lot of schools in the SUB from 8:30am-1:30pm this Wednesday to give you more information on transferring.

If you haven't already joined the CSI Facebook site, please become a fan. We're trying to get a lot of students to follow it, so we can keep everyone updated. Encourage other people to do the same. Also, if you have anything you and your program would like to promote, give us the information so we can get it all posted. We've got about 1,100 fans so far.

Congratulations to everyone who made the grades! Especially those who were incredible, with 4.0's or fairly close!

All of you should have received your first portion of your scholarship. Scholarships won't show up until tomorrow and be released on Thursday. If you don't see that on there, please check with either Jasmine or me. It's critical that you sign up for the Eagle One option. We carried over the form for Foreign Student Tuition, come see me.

It's crucial that we keep the student government website updated. We're way behind.

- There will be no social event for January.
- Don't forget to wear comfortable shoes next Monday since we will be learning to give tours.
- Adjourned on motion by **Senator Reed at 5:23 pm**