

# ASCSI Student Senate

Spring 2010  
March 22, 2010

Presiding Chair - President Lacey Haggan

Conducting Chair - Vice President Blake Lawson

- Call To Order: **3:16 pm**
- **Attendance:** Senator Barton, Senator Choate, Senator Essma, Senator Jam, and Senator Lopez were absent and excused. Senator Hegman was late and excused. Senator Abdullaev and Senator Chabuka were late and unexcused
- **Guests: John Hughes & Scott Rogers-** John Hughes and I have been working on a project to utilize the facility to the maximum. This last year, we spoke with architects on how to utilize the racquet ball courts. We are going to get rid of the dividing wall and turn it into a weight training class. We will turn the back weight room into a yoga/dance/aerobics room, and that will be quieter for the neighbouring class rooms. We've met with Mike Mason, President Beck, and John Hughes. We feel we are making a move that is better for the entire student body. This has been a 2 year process and we hope to start construction this summer. The funding will come from the general funding account.
- Minutes from 03-08-2001- **approved**
- Agenda Approval: **approved**

## Council Reports

- **Advertising-** The only thing we've been working on right now is the Change for Children. I worked on a logo, t-shirt design, and poster over Spring Break. Also, Jim and Rosa have been working on the Toilet Paper.
- **Ambassadors-** For the Easter Egg Hunt, we decided to do a colouring and picture game. We have a meeting Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup>, to stuff Easter Eggs at 4pm-5pm. I am going to college is March 24<sup>th</sup>- April 16<sup>th</sup>. We have a social event March 26<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30pm. For our Social Event, we will be working at the Mustard Seed for a couple of hours.
- **Campus Recreation-**
  - The Challenge course is really booking up lately. (Remind clubs about utilizing this resource.)
  - Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> - Day Hike @ Devil's Washbowl in the Malad Gorge.
- **5K Fun Run/Walk April 3<sup>rd</sup> \$25.** Lance Smith Run for Spina Bifida
- **Community Service-**Last week Senator Chabuka presented the March service project to the community service council in request of funds for the children's basketball camp Saturday March 21st.  
Volunteers are wanted for work with children in the elementary schools around the magic valley. The volunteers help teach music, art, and various other social science classes. If you are interested please let me know and I can get you more information.  
There will be a summer day camp for kids in June. If you are interested in volunteering contact Liza Servantes (208) 733-8720.  
Final decisions for service event fund distribution will be made this week.
- **Diversity Council-** During the spring break executive council together with senators worked very hard on the development of the constructive feedback for the activities we have organized.  
Next we are working on reviewing and developing the constitution for the Diversity Council.  
Moreover we are planning on organizing the Not For Sale Event with the main idea to increase awareness of students in the area of human trafficking and activities we can implement in order to resolve this problem.

- **Eagle Hall Council-** Last week we had a Board Game Night. Snacks were provided. There were 50 students who came to play games. And we had lots of fun. This week we were thinking about doing craft night, but we changed our mind, cause most of the students will be busy with their midterms, so we decided to organize pizza night on Thursday March 11<sup>th</sup>, where we will give out free pizza and also we will be talking about safety information, especially about alcohol poisonous and we will hand out small flyers with information. When voting will be open we are going to put laptops in the cage, so we will encourage students to vote for future senators. We are thinking about doing movie night outside with sleeping bags. And we moved craft night on Thursday March 25<sup>th</sup> after the spring break.
- **Interclub-** At our March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, Interclub had the clubs vote on the changes to the Clubs and Organizations handbook, and the vote passed unanimously. We also did a recap on the Hope for Haiti event and started talking about the Easter Egg Hunt special event happening on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. The clubs are making posters advertising the event, and are picking up eggs from us today. They need to stuff them with candy and return them by next Monday. The clubs are also providing a prize basket for winners who find golden eggs and need to submit their booth ideas by our meeting tomorrow. We will be discussing the event more in-depth at our meeting tomorrow.
- **Off Campus-** For this week we received the donation from Kali for Hope for Haiti. We sent videos to the Off Campus for the elections and On Wednesday we took the candidates to Burley to campaign, we took 20 candidates total and it went well. And I met this lady that was interested in being a delegate so I left her all my contact info for her to contact us me and Alma. The lady was very excited for the position since she has a lot of ideas for the school and events they want to see in Burley  
 We emailed Kristin to know if she received the attachments for the posters that were sent two weeks ago about the elections and new delegate position and was wondering if she got them because when we went down there were no flyers hung up for advertisements also the pizza party went well in Hailey and Kalie sent us the receipts. We also asked Lacey for the copy of the senate application so we can redo it as a delegate application.
- **Program Board-** We are very busy this week, with Movie Night on Wednesday, playing Remember Me. Our Social Event will be at 4:45pm. This Wednesday, Program Board will be meeting by committee for our end of the year Concert to decide on final details for the Sabrina Jollies concert on Thursday at 7 pm Fine Arts Auditorium. The Steelheads Game is on Friday. The bus leaves at 4pm and 20 people are signed up so far. We have 30 more tickets available.
- **Public Relation-** This week we went to the radio as usual. I usually go by myself on Thursday, but this week I hauled Choate with me. :)  
 Today Christie went with me. We talked about spring break beginning Monday and how all of the offices are still going to be opened. I urged students to register for Financial Aid, if they haven't already done so. Also we mentioned that it would be a great time to register for summer and fall classes. We also talked about the "Astronomy Talk" with Chris Anderson being tonight at 7:15 in the Herrett Center. Chris will be talking about the history and mythology of one of the spring time constellations, and each group of students/people would get their own telescope to look through after he discussed it. Admission for that was \$2.50. We also mentioned the March Star Party Telescope being tomorrow at 7:45 to midnight. Baseball team has a doubleheader this weekend. They had a game today at 1 and have one tomorrow at noon, at the usual place.
- **Sustainability-** We had our meeting the week before school got out and we came up with some great ideas for green week. We have ideas for everything from a tire pressure check, an event centered on the new bags that Lay's is using with their Sun Chips that are biodegradable, and as area based as drought tolerant plants for our environment. Now we just have to narrow down the ideas. I will be looking for a time to meet with Ryan this week so we can discuss the details. Also, at our last meeting we found out that the Foundation has placed sustainability in their measurable goals for the future. If anyone has any questions or comments about green week they can feel free to talk to me anytime, I would love some input from some fellow students.
- **Treasurer Report-** The budget has been updated, make sure to view it online to double check and make sure everything lines up.

## Special Orders

- **Election Approval-** I'm really excited about the voting turnout. We more than doubled the number of voters! We reached almost 1,200 votes! One of our goals was to make Senate known on campus and this is proof that we're doing that. Voting raises awareness. I would like to congratulate everyone who made it and didn't. You all played a huge part in having such a great turn out!  
We would like to approve the President, Vice-President, and 9 Senators and elected. These were approved unanimously on motion, by Senator Price.  
A recommendation would be for us to be stricter with our campaigns. I felt that it was expressed clearly. Make sure that you do it for you. It's not about everyone else; it's about you presenting yourself as the best candidate. I am very proud of the student senators we have. If anyone has a concern, please approach it with integrity and respect. I have heard some negative talk about our group and it offends me because we are a group of integrity. Let students know that as far as the 10<sup>th</sup> senator is concerned, we are following the constitution. Let's have each other's backs and be strong together.

## Old Business

- **Change for Children Reports-** Thank you Senator Essma for helping with the interview this Wednesday. The video should be ready by Wednesday for Secretary Haggan to bring to KMVT. We are holding you guys accountable for your Change for Children Businesses; it will affect your senate check. There will be deductions. For the rest of the time, when there are deadlines, meet them.
- **Talent-** Tryouts will be held next Tuesday or Wednesday.
- **Advertising-** Senator Hegman has designed the poster and 100 copies will be printed here in the next few days. Shirt designs will be designed fairly soon.
- **Organizational-** Last year, we advertised in schools. We switched the business letter. We will have a booth downstairs every day that week. It's going to be a crazy week, but push hard. We need a written copy of everything talent committee needs. The businesses and the letters will be out on the desk next week.
- **Change for Children Due Dates-**
  - April 2, 2010- Information to all community marquee's and commercials and PSA's ready to hit the air (Advertising)
  - April 2, 2010- Final list of needed equipment for the talent show (Talent Committee) due to Organizational Committee
  - April 14, 2010- all posters and flyers up in businesses (Everyone)
  - Goal- \$6,600
  - Committee Report
- **Business:** We will schedule a second visit?
- **Emcee-** It was passed that Brad & Jackie will be our Emcees on motion by Senator Reed.
- **Tuition-** If you follow the newspapers, BSU, ISU, Lewis & Clark and others are going to increase their tuition by around 10-15%. We are wanting to allocate our resources and pushing those over into tuition. We do not want any fee increases. Instead, we were thinking a \$5 increase per credit starting next semester. The President and Mike Mason decided that they could manage finances with a minimal increase. Talk to the students about it this week. It will go from \$100 per credit to \$105. The Promise scholarship and others will go up as well. Every scholarship is a reflection of tuition. We wouldn't be taking away from Childcare or Athletics. The President will attend the following meeting. The Board will discuss the increase.

## New Business

- **April Career Fair-** The Career Center will be doing a more hands on career fair. There will be workshops according to different careers. They need help with guides. April 27<sup>nd</sup> and April 28<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure to sign-up. The tour guides made the Girls In Technology a lot more fun. They would love your help for that.

## Executive Reports

- **Vice Presidents Report-** Revis Turner brought us snacks as a thank you. He really appreciated it. Friday night was a lot of fun. Come talk to me about businesses, and sign Senator Price's letter. I will update the sheet so you know who to check back in with. I'm so glad you guys are all back safely.
  - **Presidents Report-** I'm sure you all had a wonderful spring break. Secretary Haggan had a wonderful spring break. I'm sure you all have wonderful stories. Let's catch up and re-unite. Senator Abdullaev and I redid the board and it looks beautiful. I would like to meet with each one of you guys. If you haven't make sure you do.
  - **Advisors Report-** I want to recognize Angie Hegman for doing all of the advertisements! She does such incredible work and is so willing to share. We really appreciate it! Thank you VP Lawson for taking on Change for Children. It's not an easy task. I appreciate the energy, commitment, and inspiration. We think we've gotten most of the grade reports in. Scholarships should be available Thursday. Remember we will be deducting \$35 for jackets and things relative to fundraising and your performance as a senator. New Senators will be considerably more than everyone else's. Tonight we had a board of trustees meeting. This one will be a special one to honour Katie Price, recognized as our new Century Scholar for the state of Idaho. Blake Lawson will also be attending. Blake was awarded with a \$5,000 scholarship. 800 applicants and 20 were selected. It's incredible! What an honour to have them both there. Lacey will be there to represent the students.  
Don't get lost in the small stuff we're concerned about with elections. Prior to the election, you would ask for: bigger voter turnout and student choices. Our biggest turnout prior was around 600. For us to go from that to over 1,100! It's incredible! Don't get caught up in the posters and complaints. We did something incredible for the students! Beauty said it best! To run is an honour by itself! To have served this year is such a privilege! It's important to keep perspective in our lives. You have all been so blessed! I don't discount the fact that it's hard, but look at the cup as half full.  
There's a meeting about Law Enforcement on our campus. I'm concerned about how fast the students drive on campus. I worked with the Twin Falls City Police. We're having a meeting to have a stronger Police presence to monitor students speed. We're working towards that end. I want to thank Katie Price, Blake Lawson, and Lacey Haggan for going to the black and gold ball to raise money for scholarship. Blake and Lacey will be speaking.  
This week we will be opening bid proposals for the food on campus. We will open bids and decide who our food service provider will be on Wednesday for the next 5 years. You will be invaded by 6<sup>th</sup> graders starting Wednesday for the "I'm Going to College". Stop and talk to them to welcome the students to campus.  
The texting and driving survey had 570 participants and the results were intriguing, and there are tons of comments! That was good work done. We need to move forward with that.  
Next Monday, CWI will be bringing a few of their students to our campus. We need to host them, show them around campus, and welcome them to our meeting.  
The basketball camp we had planned. Right now we have 0 registered. We might have to cancel it. We had raise \$15,000 two years ago, but it looks like we won't be able to do it.  
I want to recognize Beauty Chabuka for really taking the reins on the fundraiser for Byago. She has great organizational skills. She will be asking for your support.  
The last thing I need your help with. Tomorrow is Jordan's 21<sup>st</sup> birthday. Let's all sing happy birthday to him. It will be posted on Facebook. Thank you for everything that you all do! I'm glad you all came back safely. Keep with it until the end. Stay focused on everything we need to get done. Thank you all!
- Adjourned on motion by **Senator Felix at 5:07 pm**