



**SANTOS MANUEL STUDENT UNION BOARD OF DIRECTORS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

September 13, 2023

MINUTES

Members Present: Angelica Agudo, Jose Hernandez, Jesse Felix, Jessica Lu, Jocelyn Paz, Eric Tafoya, ASI President Carson Fajardo, ASI Vice President Julia Ruiz, Daniel Arana, Gary Williams

Members Absent: Dr. Daria Graham

Staff Present: Juan Serrato, Steven Avila, Mark Oswood, Jared Fisk, Maria Elena Najera-Neri, Isabella Salinas, Sonia Martinez, Matthew Jenkins, Monica Baeza, Kimbrelly-Anne Anacleto, Anthony Roberson, Jessica Lu, April Ramirez, Jennifer Puccinelli, Richard Strawter, Josie Delgado, Jasmine Bustillos, Sasha Baltazar, Diana Ruiz, Lee Stovall, Trent Morgan, Tamara Holder, Paz Oliverrez

Guests: There were no guests

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:07 PM

Roll Call: A Verbal roll call for members was conducted.

Open Forum: There were no guest speakers.

Approval of Minutes:

M/S Felix/Ruiz to approve minutes from last meeting.

Motion passed by consensus.

Motion passed by consensus.

SMSU 18/24

M/S Hernandez/Ruiz to approve addition of CURMA/AORMA Benefits Program with Alliant. Ruiz defers to the speaker. Jenny Puccinelli speaks stating that the pet insurance presented will be at zero cost for the corporation. She explains the proposal for flexible spending accounts for \$5,000. This money will be taken out of employees' checks before tax and can be put on a debit card. The monthly cost fee for SMSU is estimated at \$167 for all eligible employees. VP Ruiz comments on benefits for this type of savings account. Hernandez asks for clarification that money will be taken out of employees' paychecks.

Puccinelli adds that this company has a "carry forward" option for those who do not spend their monthly amount. Felix comments that we can come back to this discussion in a year to analyze the use of the insurance and assess whether SMSU will continue to use this plan, based on employee interest.

VOTE: In Favor 9 Opposed 0 Abstentions 0

Motion passed by consensus.

SMSU 19/24

M/S Ruiz Hernandez to approve of SMSU ASI HR MOU. Ruiz defers their time to speaker Jenny Puccinelli. Puccinelli states that Mike Rister has encouraged the inclusion of a HR MOU to aid with employee retention. Fajardo speaks as the ASI president about how a HR MOU will help ASI with hiring practices. Hernandez asks if this request has gone through "legal". Puccinelli confirms this and adds that ASI will take over the cost of the service of a HR MOU. Fajardo confirms that the cost to ASI for this position will be around \$5,000.

VOTE: In favor 7 Opposed 0 Abstentions 0

Motion passed by consensus.

SMSU 20/24

M/S Ruiz Hernandez to approve of the Mural Project. Jared Fisk speaks on the mural planned for the 2nd floor of SMSU North. He shows the design chosen by the committee.

**Chair Agudo passes the gavel to Vice Chair Hernandez.*

Chair Agudo suggests that we set aside money for this painting, since the price was disclosed afterwards. Ruiz talks on the price publication, which Fisk confirms has been done. Ruiz states that they want to stay true to the amount listed for the commission. Felix also proposes that the

appropriate groups represented in the design be asked permission to use their ethnic / religious /or otherwise exclusive sensitive symbols.

VOTE: In favor 9 Opposed 0 Abstentions 0

Motion passed by consensus.

*Vice Chair Hernandez passes gavel back to Chair Agudo

SMSU 21/24

M/S Ruiz/Fajardo for approval of Board of Directors Student Representative. Ruiz defers their time to Feix. Felix introduces Isabella Maria Salinas and Shardul Kulkarni. Both speakers are given a chance to make their case as to why they should be on the Board. Voting board members go to a ballot vote. Kulkarni is announced to be the winner of the vote. Felix motions to amend.

SMSU 21/24 to read “Approval of Appointment of Shardul

Kulkarni as Student Representative”. Ruiz seconds.

Call to vote (verbal) from Chair.

All say “I”, there is no opposition, no abstentions.

Amendment is passed.

Roll call vote: 9 In favor 0 Opposed 0 Abstentions

Motion passed by consensus.

SMSU 22/24

M/S Felix/Fajardo to approve of Board of Directors Committee Members. Felix speaks to what committees are available to sit on. Felix motions to amend SMSU 22/24 to read “Approval of Isabella Maria Salinas and Divya Madireddy to the RecWell Committee, Autumn Hudson to Finance and Contracts Committee, and Diana Yadira Ruiz.

Motion carried. (M/S Felix/Fajardo)

Vocal call for now amended SMSU 22/24: All say “I”, there are no opposition, no abstentions.

Amendment is passed.

Motion carried.

Announcements

- Felix announces the PowWow happening this month.

Adjournment

M/S Hernandez/Paz to adjourn at 3:56 PM

Respectfully reviewed & submitted by


Jocelyn Paz (Sep 25, 2023 19:13 PDT)

Jocelyn Paz, Controller (in lieu of vacant Secretary Position)

Sep 25, 2023

Date