



Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, August 4th, 2010

3:00pm

Arizona Students' Association Central Office

99 E. Virginia Ave. Suite 210

Phoenix, AZ 85004

- I. Call to Order at 3:09 pm by Chair Elma Delic
- II. Roll Call of Members & Welcome of Guests
 - a. Northern
 - i. Chase Hunt (holds Sheena Kauppila's proxy)
 - ii. Lauren Talkington
 - iii. Kate Murphy (holds Blaise Caudill's proxy)
 - b. Central
 - i. ASU Tempe
 1. Abby Henderson
 2. Michael Wong (holds Jacob Goulding's proxy)
 - ii. ASU West
 1. Daniel Hatch (holds Josh Tucker's proxy)
 - iii. ASU Polytechnic
 1. Dominick Hernandez
 2. Victoria Nuciforo
 - iv. GPSA
 1. Kelley Stewart
 2. Conrad Ottey
 - v. ASU Downtown
 1. Christian Vasquez
 2. Abby Wischnia – not present
 - c. Southern
 - i. UA
 1. Emily Fritze
 2. Elma Delic (holds Andres Gabaldon's proxy)
 3. Taylor Bell
 4. Dan Fitzgibbon
 - ii. UA South
 1. David Jones
 - iii. GPSC
 1. Thomas Dennis
 - d. Staff
 - i. Robyn Nebrich – Interim Executive Director
 - ii. Alicia Cybulski – Office Manager
 - iii. David Martinez III – Government Affairs Director
 - iv. Kirby Weatherford – Organizing Director

- v.Spencer Morgan - Apprentice
- III. Call to the audience
- IV. Oath of Office - David Jones of UA – South takes the oath of office.
- V. Approval of Agenda
 - a. A motion to move agenda item to before office reports and after approval of minutes
 - b. Elma D. moves
 - c. Daniel H. seconds
 - d. Motion passes unanimously and executive session is moved to section seven of the agenda.
- VI. Approval of June 12th, 2010 Minutes
 - a. Lauren T. move to approve the minutes from the June 12th 2010 meeting.
 - b. Daniel H. seconds.
 - c. Motion passes unanimously
 - d. The minutes from the June 12th 2010 meeting are approved.
- VII. Executive Session
 - a. Lauren T. moves to move into executive session.
 - b. Daniel H. seconds
 - c. Motion approved unanimously
 - d. The board moves into executive session.
- VIII. Approval of the agenda
 - a. Elma D. moves to approve the agenda
 - b. Christian V. seconds
 - c. Motion passes unanimously.
 - d. The agenda for the meeting is approved.
- IX. Officer reports
 - a. Chair
 - i.I have been really busy working on AIMS proposal and ad-hoc committee.
 - ii.This morning, we had a press conference with the secretary of state, a lot of great media hits and pictures, which will be sent out. Had an early morning interview the ABC15 yesterday about the Arizona Student Vote Coalition.
 - b. Vice Chair
 - i.Has been working on the Alumni Advisory Council and we urge people tomorrow to attend the first Alumni Advisory Council meeting which will be a great opportunity.
 - ii.Committees have been running smoothly.
 - c. Secretary – no report
 - d. Treasurer
 - i.There have been a couple of mini-project, such as looking into how to handle the carry-over and budgetary reserves. Looking into different options to present to the financial affairs committee.
 - ii.Have begun the thought process of forming a foundation as I am interested into seeing how ASA could run a capitol campaign.
 - iii.Working on committee bylaws.
- X. Campus, Student Regent, and Staff Reports
 - a. Northern District
 - i.NAU
 - 1. First day of classes is August 30th

2. ASNAU purchased 10,000 shirts and will be giving them out to the students.
 3. Kick off meeting on September 8th .
 4. Met with Candy Owens, the county recorder to get an early polling location on campus who shut us down right away. Been working with David and spoke with Sec of State about it.
 5. NAU enrollment up about 2000 students.
 6. Parking permit prices – working to lock in prices while you're there in two year chunks. We're also incorporating dining services lock as well.
- ii. NAU Yuma - no report
- b. Central District
- i. ASU Downtown
 1. The campus has a new organizer who will be primarily at downtown and we are excited.
 2. Working on creating the vote plan.
 3. Senators are required to do class raps, so combining ASASUD and ASA for recruitment purposes.
 4. A writer from the New York Times is coming to speak about the border.
 5. Looked into getting early polling location, but we have one right 5 minutes away and work on getting students to go.
 - ii. ASU Polytechnic
 1. Starting our search for a student organizer and have a possible candidate.
 2. School starts on August 19th, so potentially we wait till school starts to get more candidates.
 3. Had first senate meeting and Victoria gave a great presentation. Next Monday will be next meeting.
 - iii. ASU Tempe
 1. School starts the 19th and our kick off September 8th.
 2. Working with USG on voter registration and some events will be happening during move in.
 3. We already have one definite intern and some good possibilities of returning interns. Policy interns must do the ASA internship.
 4. Early polling location opened August 2nd, and got approval from the Department of Justice and students can pick their primary to vote in should they be registered as independents.
 5. Class registration reform –We want the past syllabus posted, notification of if it's a plus minus system, a teacher and class description, and possible extension add/drop deadline. Lobbied over the summer. Met with 65 member of faculty senate, who have supported the proposal. Hope to have implemented in.
 6. We want to have a student seat on transportation committee, working with city council. We want to ensure adequate light rail hours for students.
 - iv. ASU West

1. Working on early polling location, talked to city of Glendale who wants to help us. Will move it closer to campus for November.
 2. Sen. Gray came out to campus last week for the Student Advocate award ceremony.
 3. Looking forward to having West completely powered by solar power.
- v. GPSA
1. We are gearing up for welcome events with grad students. Have ASA information as well.
 2. Use our distribution list to send out information on polling places for all campus.
 3. Director of advocacy has returned.
- c. Southern District
- i. UA
 1. We have a new organizer, Malia Uhatafe, who was the Women's Resource Center and was its director before.
 2. Hired 4 student organizers for vote campaign.
 3. A lot of events confirmed, block party and registration and recruitment event.
 4. Working on getting on campus debates with Arizona Public Media and Cox Cable. Nothing will be confirmed till after the primary.
 5. At the kick off meeting, we are looking at inviting legislators the meeting.
 6. Kick off for freshmen – bear down camp.
 7. A lot of reorganization in ASUA, to help pick up resources and programming for students.
 8. Reforming diversity council.
 9. President's council to have student leaders.
 - ii. UA South
 1. Our first training is this Friday: the goal is to have the new exec board come together and plan events for the year.
 2. First week of September we will have a Welcome Back Bash for campus. Invite the parties to come down to register to vote.
 3. Getting a student council which gives greater representation from the campuses.
 - iii. GPSC
 1. Have orientation August 18th.
 2. See what we can do with working with administration to make it easier for graduate students to get instate tuition.
- d. Student Regents
- i. Held an ABOR prep call on Monday to prepare for the meetings this week.
 - ii. Regent Ginther and Elma D. have been working on the AIMS proposal.
- e. ASA Staff
- i. There has been a lot of staff changeover from the last board meeting: we lost Ali Smart, the interim organizing director,

and Rachel Williams, the ASU Field Organizer. Our focus will be on staff transition and finding new staff. Kirby Weatherford is starting as the new Organizing Director, Malia Uhatafe who is starting at the UA, and Ashley Wilcox for ASU Field Organizer. Spencer Morgan will transition from his role as apprentice to the Communications Director in October, who was the most qualified and well rounded candidate.

- ii. Organizer training dates have been finalized, so organizers will be going and will be well prepared for campus. We are finding out exact cost to be reported to finance committee.
- iii. March4Schools have continued to meet, focusing on prop 302. Children's Action Alliance heading it up and working with the same firm as prop 100.
- iv. ExpectMoreAZ – gave a presentation on their election strategy. They won't be endorsing candidates but looking to team up with organizations who give out information on education candidates. They ran a poll; people aren't happy with elected officials and they aren't held accountable to the voters. They are working to increase people who vote as education as their primary issue at the polls. Results are on their website: <http://expectmore.org>.
- v. The Arizona We Want, which is run by Lattie Coor, former President of ASU has a survey to take as an individual or an organization to rank priorities we have in Arizona.

vi. Legislative Affairs

- 1. Transitioning for David M. to fully take over the position.
- 2. The short version of the Legislative Report Card was sent out. It's reflective of ASA's legislative agenda from last year: Common Course Numbering and the Vote bill with meetings with ASA as well as budget votes incorporated in the final score. There is also extra credit for bill sponsorship and any of the awards we gave out. It'll be launched next Tuesday.
- 3. Legislative Awards – these have been a great opportunity to build relationships with legislators. The next event will be Thursday, August 5th.
- 4. We attended Mitch Menlove's funeral, who was a lobbyist for ASU.
- 5. Representative Quelland was removed from office, and Kimberly Lee was sworn in today as the new Representative for District 10.
- 6. There is a special session happening next Monday for Proposition 108.

XI. Committee Reports

a. Standing Committees

i. Executive

- 1. Have been meeting every week, and working on setting specific officer goals and how to accomplish them.
- 2. Strategic plan – looking to gather information and form the draft.

3. Lumina grant – focusing on systemwide articulation and looking at new technologies. New meeting this month.
 4. Sit on advising board for ExpectMoreAZ and going over vote campaign for our next meeting. We are receiving materials from expect more.
 5. Lumina- Set aside a seat for ASA on the strategic communications committee, which gets materials out.
- ii. Finance – looking forward to next week, to schedule a meeting and go forth with the discussion about the reserves.
 - iii. Internal Affairs – have about 16 committee members with 6 active. Primarily working on the executive director hiring and bylaws change.
 - iv. Legislative
 1. Lay the groundwork for productive legislative year.
 2. David and Taylor discussed tentative schedule for the semester.
 3. Will work on discussing the viability of many issues facing students.
 4. Have formed a “Tiger Team” – group of people on the committee who are really interested in being the “workhorses” to help make committee calls more efficient.
- b. Ad-hoc Committees
 - i. AIMS committee – haven't met since the academic affairs committee at ABOR. Looking at financial aid task force and ensuring its set up again.
 - ii. Conference of Arizona Student Leaders Presentation – conference co-chairs Kate Murphy and Spencer Morgan provide a presentation on the conference.
- XII. Discussion Items
- a. Strategic Plan
 - i. Working to survey students to finalize the strategic plan. We are looking for ways to send it out, working with administration and possibly using SurveyMonkey. We are looking for permission to use the university as an intermediate.
 - b. Executive Director Hiring Process – Chair Christian Vasquez presents all the hiring materials.
- XIII. Old business – there is no old business.
- XIV. New Business
- a. Strategic Plan
 - i. Approving the Student Survey
 1. Vote and action taken
 - a. Lauren T. moves to approve the survey, making proper adjustments during discussion, have point people work on it and have completed by next week, take an email vote after seeing the final draft.
 - b. Daniel H. seconds.
 - c. Motion passes unanimously with no abstentions.

- d. Action: the survey is approved with making proper adjustments during discussion, have point people work on it and have completed by next week, take an email vote after seeing the final draft.
- b. Alumni Advisory Council
 - i. The internal affairs committee voted to recommend to the full board, returning and new members.
 - ii. The board directs the council what to work on, with the vice chair directed as liaison to the council.
 - iii. Vote and action
 - 1. Vote
 - a. Conrad O. moves to approve the returning and new members to the alumni advisory council.
 - b. Abby H. seconds.
 - c. Motion passes unanimously with no abstentions.
 - 2. Action – the new and returning members are approved for the Alumni Advisory Council.
- c. Executive Director Hiring Process
 - i. The internal affairs committee recommends the process for the executive director hiring process, with additional time for transition.
 - ii. Vote and action
 - 1. Chase H. moves to approve the process with the edits to the timeline.
 - 2. Kate M. seconds.
 - 3. Motion passes unanimously with no abstentions.
 - 4. Action- the hiring process is approved.
- d. Ballot Initiatives: Proposition 107 and 302.
 - i. Prop 107
 - 1. Discussion:
 - a. Lauren T. – It's basically a Ward Connerly project, and eliminate programs across the state. If it becomes law, programs which help women and communities of color would be eliminated.
 - b. Daniel H. - certain groups will be opposed. It would be better to target groups and educate, rather than take a stance.
 - c. Michael W.- targets equal opportunity program which are engrained in the university. If this passes, we lose funding. If it doesn't pass, we don't lose funding. These programs help accessibility and if it passes it will cut accessibility. These programs help students, and we work to help students.
 - d. Taylor B. – it directly takes away funding. We stand up for all students and stand up for groups of students who may have a harder time being heard. It wouldn't be right to ask students to work on it, but not take a stance

ourselves: it's too wishy washy. Should come out against it like other coalition partners.

- e. Christian V. – we're not going to have full support, such as some students didn't support prop 100.
 - f. Chase H. - we've already taken a stance in 2008.
 - g. Lauren T. – yields
 - h. Conrad O.– if we don't run a full campaign, are there any resources to be used? (We will have some resources and staff time, but it won't be like a full Prop 100 style campaign. We connected groups last time to the campaign, and had a student seat at the strategy session, education campaign)
 - i. Dan F. - some universities were looking at what money was going where, versus state money and tuition dollars, or would it mean that state dollars couldn't fund them? Could tuition dollars still be able to fund them?
 - j. Robyn N. - depends on program to program if they are able to get other funding. David M. worked at equal opportunity and affirmative action, an institutional office of the office of the president. They had to change it, they changed their name – office of Institutional Equality to kind of get away with it. And moved the office and tweaked mission to get around it. When students give tuition money, it then goes to the state. The state then allocates it back, so tuition money can't be used towards the programs.
 - k. Michael W. – does it eliminate curriculum?
 - l. Robyn N. - If state money is used, like being housed, office space, ethnic studies, gender studies would have to change their name, change mission, in order to exist.
2. Call the question
 - i. Chase H. calls the question.
 - ii. Motion approved unanimously
 3. Vote – Roll Call
 - i. Chase H./Sheena K's proxy – yes/yes
 - ii. Kate M. – yes
 - iii. Blaise C. – yes
 - iv. Lauren T. – yes
 - v. Michael W./Jacob G.'s proxy – yes/yes
 - vi. Abby H. – yes
 - vii. Daniel H. – yes
 - viii. Josh T. yes
 - ix. Kelley S. – yes
 - x. Conrad O. - yes
 - xi. Dominick H.– yes
 - xii. Christian V./Abby W.'s proxy – yes/yes

- xiii. Emily F. – yes
- xiv. Elma D/Andres G.'s proxy –yes/yes
- xv. Taylor B. – yes
- xvi. Dan F. – yes
- xvii. David J. - yes
- xviii. Thomas D. – yes

- 4. Motion approved unanimously, and the board approves the Legislative Affairs Committee's recommendation to formally oppose and take a stance against Prop 107. Outreach to students that would be affected by 107 and educate them on the issue and give them the tools to work on it. There will be the creation of campus coalition's as well as ensure there is a student voice on the statewide campaign committee. There will not be full campaign.

ii. Proposition 302

1. Discussion

- a. The proposition is to move the voter approved funding from First Things First (early childhood education) to the general fund.
- b. It's a bad precedent to set that voter approved funding can be taken away by the legislature. We may want the possibility of having voter approved funding in the future.
- c. It will save jobs and research opportunities for students, by keeping First Things First.
- d. There is a large coalition to fight against the initiative.

- 2. Recommendation - ASA Board should join the other education stakeholders in being opposed to prop 302 and take the following actions:

- a. Notify the university presidents that we are opposed to prop 302 and ask them to come out against it
- b. Notify First Things First that we are opposed to it
- c. Continue to be updated about the No on 302 campaign through the March4Schools coalition
- d. Pass out Expect More Arizona material that includes information asking supporters of education to vote no on 302
- e. Notify college of education students
- f. Let students know how they can become involved with defeating proposition 302

3. Vote

- a. Elma D. moves to approve the recommendation.
- b. Lauren T. seconds
- c. Motion passes unanimously.

- 4. Action: the board will join the other education stakeholders in being opposed to prop 302

- e. Bylaw Change: Committee Structure

- i. Background: there is no formal structure for governing the committee.
- ii. There are the issues of quorum and membership:
 - 1. How it's written – all board members have a vote on every single committee should they want it.
 - 2. Set a number? Discussion versus action?
 - 3. Should chairs be able to kick people off who aren't attending or participating
 - 4. Committees only recommend not actually decide
 - 5. Taylor Kicking people off sets a bad precedent
 - 6. Emily If it's only for quality discussion, maybe set a number with no regards of campus or district
 - 7. Setting a quorum could limit the option, it's equivalent to a filibuster, action can be stalled.
 - 8. No quorum for all committees except finance, maybe treasurer and one person from each region, since they allocate the issue campaign disbursements.
 - 9. Not showing up is a definite tactic to stall action.
- iii. First reading of committee structure:
- f. 2010-2011 Board Meeting Schedule – required to attend.
 - i. Change Friday, September 24th to be in Flagstaff during CASL and ABOR
 - ii. Change October 22nd to be in Phoenix.
 - iii. Times?
 - 1. Later in the day to miss as little class as possible and also attend committee meetings.
 - 2. There are early classes on Thursday, one should be wary of late drives.
 - iv. The meetings on Wednesdays will be at 6 pm tentatively
 - v. The meetings on Fridays will be at 3 pm tentatively.
 - vi. Meetings can be rescheduled on limited bases.
 - vii. Vote:
 - 1. Elma D. moves to approve the meeting schedule with the aforementioned adjustments.
 - 2. Michael W. seconds
 - 3. Motion approved unanimously.
 - viii. Action: the 2010-2011 board meeting schedule is approved.

XV. Announcements – there are none.

XVI. Adjournment

- a. Chase H. moves to adjourn the meeting.
- b. Taylor B. seconds
- c. Motion passes unanimously.
- d. The meeting is adjourned at 7:49 pm.

EMAIL VOTES

- I. USSA Letter – June 18th 2010
 - a. The vote is to approve the USSA letter and send it to USSA leadership. The votes are due by THIS TUESDAY, JUNE 22ND AT 3:00PM. (See USSA Letter)
 - b. Vote
 - i. *Northern*
 1. Chase Hunt: Yes
 2. Lauren Talkington: Yes
 3. Blaise Caudill: Yes
 4. Kate Murphy: Yes
 5. Sheena Kauppila: Yes
 - ii. *Central*
 1. Kelley Stewart: No
 2. Conrad Ottey: No
 3. Christian Vasquez: No
 4. Abby Wischnia: Yes
 5. Abby Henderson: Yes
 6. Jacob Goulding: Yes
 7. Michael Wong: Yes
 8. Josh Tucker: Yes
 9. Daniel Hatch: No
 10. Dominick Hernandez: No
 11. Victoria Nuciforo: Yes
 - iii. *Southern*
 1. Emily Fritze: Yes
 2. Taylor Bell: Yes
 3. Emily Connally: Yes
 4. Elma Delic: Yes
 5. Daniel Fitzgibbon: Yes
 6. Andres Gabaldon: Yes
 - c. Action: Motion carries and the USSA letter was approved and sent to USSA leadership.
- II. Check signer and accounts – June 29th 2010
 - a. Elma Delic moves we suspend the policy that states "Organizing Director" and that the Board authorizes a new second signer for the ASA accounts.

The following will need to be voted on by Friday, July 2nd at 3:00 p.m.:

- 1) Suspend Section IX. Checks
- 2) Authorize David Martinez III to be the second signer on ASA's accounts and remove Alice Smart from all of ASA's accounts.

- b. Vote
 - i. *Northern*
 1. Chase Hunt: Yes
 2. Lauren Talkington: Yes
 3. Blaise Caudill: Yes
 4. Kate Murphy: Yes
 5. Sheena Kauppila: Yes
 - ii. *Central*

1. Kelley Stewart: DNV
2. Conrad Ottey: Yes
3. Christian Vasquez: Yes
4. Abby Wischnia: DNV
5. Abby Henderson: Yes
6. Jacob Goulding: Yes
7. Michael Wong: DNV
8. Josh Tucker: DNV
9. Daniel Hatch: Yes
10. Dominick Hernandez: Yes
11. Victoria Nuciforo: DNV

iii. *Southern*

1. Emily Fritze: Yes
2. Taylor Bell: Yes
3. Emily Connally/Thomas Dennis: DNV
4. Elma Delic: Yes
5. Daniel Fitzgibbon: Yes
6. Andres Gabaldon: Yes

- c. Action: motion carried and Alice Smart was removed from the accounts and David Martinez III was approved as a check signer. Section IX therefore suspended.

III. AIMS proposal – July 7th 2010

- a. Elma Delic moves to approve the AIMS proposal. (See AIMS Proposal)

b. Vote

i. *Northern*

1. Chase Hunt: Yes
2. Lauren Talkington: Yes
3. Blaise Caudill: Yes
4. Kate Murphy: Yes
5. Sheena Kauppila: DNV

ii. *Central*

1. Kelley Stewart: DNV
2. Conrad Ottey: Yes
3. Christian Vasquez: DNV
4. Abby Wischnia: Yes
5. Abby Henderson: Yes
6. Jacob Goulding: Yes
7. Michael Wong: Yes
8. Josh Tucker: Yes
9. Daniel Hatch: DNV
10. Dominick Hernandez: DNV
11. Victoria Nuciforo: Yes

iii. *Southern*

1. Emily Fritze: Yes
2. Taylor Bell: Yes
3. Emily Connally/Thomas Dennis: Yes
4. Elma Delic: Yes
5. Daniel Fitzgibbon: Yes
6. Andres Gabaldon: Yes

IV. Organizing Director – July 5th 2010

- a. Elma Delic moves to accept the internal affairs committee's recommendation to authorize Interim Executive Director Robyn

Nebrich to hire a permanent Organizing Director and to eliminate "Interim Organizing Director"

b. Vote

i. *Northern*

1. Chase Hunt: Yes
2. Lauren Talkington: Yes
3. Blaise Caudill: Yes
4. Kate Murphy: Yes
5. Sheena Kauppila: DNV

ii. *Central*

1. Kelley Stewart: DNV
2. Conrad Ottey: DNV
3. Christian Vasquez: Yes
4. Abby Wischnia: Yes
5. Abby Henderson: DNV
6. Jacob Goulding: DNV
7. Michael Wong: DNV
8. Josh Tucker: DNV
9. Daniel Hatch: DNV
10. Dominick Hernandez: Yes
11. Victoria Nuciforo: Yes

iii. *Southern*

1. Emily Fritze: DNV
2. Taylor Bell: Yes
3. Emily Connally/Thomas Dennis: DNV
4. Elma Delic: Yes
5. Daniel Fitzgibbon: DNV
6. Andres Gabaldon: Yes

- c. Action: motion carried and the board authorizes Robyn Nebrich to hire a permanent organizing director and eliminate the position of "interim organizing director."