

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE COLLEGE OF ALAMEDA

Regular Meeting Minutes

January 24th, 2025 | 1:00 PM

In-Person Meeting Location: F building room F-216

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://peralta-edu.zoom.us/j/89150972434>

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the *Associated Students of College of Alameda* will hold a **Regular** meeting on **January 24th, 2025, at 1:00 PM**. The meeting information is noted below. The ASCOA Council reserves the right to suspend the orders of the day if necessary to conduct business. All ASCOA Council meetings are held in locations that are wheelchair accessible. Other disability-related accommodations will be provided to persons with disabilities upon request. Persons requesting such accommodation should notify Natalie Rodriguez at nrodriguez@peralta.edu no less than three (3) working days prior to the meeting. The ASCOA Council will make efforts to meet requests made after such a date, if possible. Please contact Director Natalie Rodriguez at nrodriguez@peralta.edu for any agenda-related questions.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 1:16 pm

Motion to call to order: Senator Gomez

2nd motion: Senator Beck

Vote: Unanimous

2. Roll Call

- a. President, Erson Payopay - Present
- b. Vice President of Operations, Anne Gormley - Present
- c. Vice President of Programs, Shemicka Johnson – Present (Via Zoom)
- d. Secretary, Abigail Yu - Present
- e. Treasurer, Jane Outlaw - Absent
- f. Communications Officer, Khadiga Zaabal - Present
- g. Senator, Carlene Beck - Present
- h. Senator, Cristiana Gomez - Present
- i. Senator, Jubilee Lew - Present
- j. Senator, Julie Deap - Present

3. Adoption of the Current Agenda (January 24th, 2025)

Motion to approve: Secretary Yu

2nd motion: Vice President of Operations Gormley

Vote: Unanimous

4. Adoption of the Minutes (December 13th, 2024)

Motion to approve: Senator Lew

2nd motion: Secretary Yu

Vote: Unanimous

5. **Public Comment** – No public comment was made.

This Segment of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the ASCOA Council on any matter of concern that is not stated on the agenda. A time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker and fifteen (15) minutes per topic shall be observed. The law does not permit any action to be taken, nor extended discussion of any items not on the agenda. The ASCOA Council may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed. Written statements may be submitted to the ASCOA Secretary for inclusion in the minutes. To place an item of discussion on a future agenda (Brown Act §54954.3) please contact Natalie Rodriguez, ASCOA Advisor at nrodriguez@peralta.edu

6. **Standing Business**

- a. **New Appointments (Discussion & Action)** - None
- b. **Dismissals (Discussion & Action)** - None
- c. **Clubs – Review any recently submitted/pending club constitutions** - None
- d. **Senator Office Hours (Discussion & Action)** - Every ASCOA present at the meeting completed an office hour schedule worksheet for the Spring 2025 term. Director Rodriguez will put together the final office hour schedule and ASCOA will receive the final office hour schedule in the next meeting (Jan 31, 2025). Office hours will officially begin the week of February 3rd.

7. **New Business**

a. **Events (Discussion & Action)**

i. **Events Committee (Discussion & Action)**

Vice President of Programs Johnson asked ASCOA if they had any suggestions or questions about the Events Committee.

1. Senator Gomez asked how much time officers would need to dedicate for the committee. VPP Johnson said the committee will have a meeting once a month and the meeting would be at maximum of an hour. President Payopay asked how the committee will be communicating with ASCOA. VPP Johnson replied that she will be reporting the activities of the committee to ASCOA.
2. President Payopay formally appoints VPP Johnson, Senator Gomez, Senator Deap, and himself as the Events Committee Officers with VPP Johnson as the chair.

8. **Reports (1 minute each)**

a. **Senators**

- i. President Payopay met with COA President, Melanie Dixon and he received updates about changes in the school.
 1. The vendor system will be updated so it will be easier to add vendors to the vendor system.
 2. COA will also be opening up the second floor of the F building for breakfast and lunch. President Dixon has made a deal with Jolie Cafe and Jolie Cafe will be providing breakfast on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday.
 3. President Dixon asked for ASCOA's availability to attend an onboarding event to better prepare the student council for committee meetings.
 4. President Payopay asked President Dixon if there is anything ASCOA can do to help COA. President Dixon said that she would like for more support for COA's basketball team with advertisement and encouraging students to attend the games.
 - a. VPP Johnson asked for the schedule for the games. Director Rodriguez will send the schedule to ASCOA after the meeting.
 5. President Payopay informed ASCOA there is a date for upcoming SSSCC (Student Senate for California Community Colleges). SSSCC will take place in Los Angeles from April 4th to 6th.

- ii. VPO Gormley has tabled for ASCOA for a couple of days for Welcome Week and is hopeful that students will have interest in joining ASCOA.
- iii. Secretary Yu informed ASCOA of the need for a representation in the Guided Pathway meeting with the Peralta College's student trustees, Pierce Byrne and Sophia Parmigiani at 4 – 5 p.m. Secretary Yu also informed ASCOA that Vice President of Student Services, Mildred Lewis will be on the agenda for the next meeting for a presentation on leadership.
- iv. Senator Beck had one report to make on the current situation with undocumented students due to political situation in the United States.
 1. She reports that COA has some resources that may be able to help and comfort undocumented students. She informs ASCOA that the Undocumented Student Success Coordinator, Ilse Gonzalez, can be contacted to comfort and provide resources for any undocumented students who may feel uneasy at this difficult time.
ilse.gonzalez@peralta.edu (510) 748-5281.
 2. Senator Beck also suggests a team building activity for ASCOA. This team building activity will be a fitness class. Director Rodriguez requested to add the Team Building activity to the next meeting's agenda.

b. ASCOA Advisor: Director Natalie Rodriguez

- i. Director Rodriguez informed President Dixie was informed that student trustees Byrne and Parmigiani to asks if there were any ASCOA members who were interested in representing student leaders to join district wide shared governance committees. Any ASCOA members who are interested in joining are to contact the student trustees for more information.
- ii. Director Rodriguez informed ASCOA of a student's interest in ASCOA to hold Lunar New Year Event. The student wishes to teach Chinese calligraphy and painting to fellow COA student. Director Rodriguez requested Secretary Yu to add the Lunar New Year Event to the next agenda.

9. Communications from the floor – There was no communication from the floor.

This time is reserved for any ASCOA Council Members to make announcements on items not on the agenda. A time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker and (15) fifteen minutes total shall be observed. No action will be taken and the total time limit for this shall not be extended.

10. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 1:52 p.m.

Motion to adjourn: Senator Deap

2nd motion: Secretary Yu

Minutes submitted by Secretary Abigail Yu.