

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE COLLEGE OF ALAMEDA

Regular Meeting Minutes

February 21st, 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 *February 21st, 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

Motion was called to order at 1:16 p.m.

Motion to call to order: VPO Gormley

2nd motion: Senator Beck

Vote: Unanimous

2. Roll Call

i. President, Erson Payopay – Present

ii. Vice President of Operations, Anne Gormley – Present

iii. Vice President of Programs, Shemicka Johnson – Present (via WhatsApp video call)

iv. Secretary, Abigail Yu – Present

v. Treasurer, Jane Outlaw

vi. Senator, Carlene Beck – Present

vii. Senator, Cristiana Gomez – Present (via WhatsApp video call)

viii. Senator, Jubilee Lew – Present

ix. Senator, Julie Deap – Present

x. Senator, Kandi Patterson

3. Adoption of the Current Agenda (February 21st, 2025)

Motion to approve the current agenda with amendment: Senator Lew

2nd motion: Senator Beck

Vote: Unanimous

4. Adoption of the Minutes (February 7th, 2025)

Motion to approve: VPP Johnson

2nd motion: Senator Beck

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

- i. **New Appointments (Discussion & Action)** - None
- ii. **Dismissals (Discussion & Action)** - None
- iii. **Clubs – Review any recently submitted/pending club constitutions**
 - i. The dance instructor wants to start the Dance Club this semester. The assistant for the instructor has filled out an incomplete club packet.
 - ii. No updates to the Pre-Med Club. VPO Gormley and Director Rodriguez have yet to receive any notifications.
- iv. **ASCOA Elections**
 - i. President Payopay informs ASCOA that the Elections Committee will meet with the candidates early March and meet again to certify results of election sometime before April 21st.
- v. **SASCCC**
 - i. Director Rodriguez was not present at the meeting. There were no updates, so ASCOA decided to move on to the next agenda item.
- vi. **ASCOA Team Building Activity (Discussion & Action)**
 - i. Senator Beck requested that the ASCOA Team Building Activity should wait until the end of the elections.
- vii. **Events**
 - i. VPP Johnson informs ASCOA that the Events Committee wants to plan for a COA spirit week. The only issue is that there isn't active Communications Officer and Treasurer in ASCOA so it difficult to plan for it.

7. New Business

- i. **President Jeff Sanceri (Discussion) - Updates in the District and at COA.**
 - i. Discussed about the current cuts on the budget:
 1. Some professors are worried about being cut from the school and he wants to reassure them that the Peralta Federation of Teachers has a solid plan going forward.
 2. President Payopay remarks on that the COA bookstore is closing and the library has very short open hours. Students want to have a place to study, and the library has very short open hours worries them.
 3. There are rumors that the campus might close and there might be a consolidation of two campuses into one because COA isn't able to sustain the amount of classes and students.
 4. President Sanceri says that there is a plan to hire student organizers to work with them on how to fill up classes.
 - ii. March 4th: All community colleges will go to the Capitol Building in Sacramento to speak and urge for more funding for community colleges. Anyone who is interested can reach out to President Sanceri at (562) 652-8554 or through his email (sanceri@gmail.com).

8. Reports (1 minute each)

- i. **Senators** - None
- ii. **ASCOA Advisor: Director Natalie Rodriguez** - None

9. Communications 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.

- i. A student has joined as a guest for the meeting. He raises the issue that Tasty Tuesday conflicts with his classes and he is unable to get food by that time. He requests that Tasty Tuesday start and end at a different time to fit his schedule or to move it to another day. He also requests that the fitness gym at COA open for more hours.

10. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

Motion to adjourn: VPO Gormley

2nd motion: Senator Deap

Minutes submitted by Secretary Abigail Yu.