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2001 Third St., Norco, CA, 92860



March 18th, 2021

10:00AM-12:00PM

Senate Meeting

Contact Number: (951) 372-7007

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Associated Students of Norco College
Senate Meeting

I. Call to Order: **President called meeting to order at 10:08 am.**

II. Roll Call:

ASNC Advisor -- Dr. Edwin Romero

President of the Associated Students of Norco College – Angelica Calderon

Vice President of Administration – Anisha Salhotra

Vice President of Finance – Tharek Phounsavat

Vice President of Campus Activities – Tamilore Ajayi

Vice President of Campus Relations – Samia Irfan

Vice President of Campus Organizations – Isaac Nuñez **Tardy**

Senator of Administration- Arielle Benas

Senator of Finance- Makenna Ashcraft

Senator of Activities- Valerie Diaz **Absent**

Senator of Activities- Ryan Snyder

Senator of Activities- Roman Zuniga

Senator of Relations- Michael Moreno

Senator of Organizations- Rochelle Duran

Senator of Organizations- Gerlene Aquino

Roll call completed at 10:08 am.

III. Approval of Minutes on March 11th, 2021.

Approved

Motioned By: Samia Irfan

Seconded By: Roman Zuniga

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IV. Announcements/Comments from the Public

This time is reserved for members of the public to address the ASNC on issues not already appearing on the agenda. A limit of three (3) minutes per speaker shall be observed.

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None.

V. Old Business:

None.

VI. New Business.

Sen.03.18.01 Approval of up to \$3,608.80 from Golf Cart (92903) to purchase film-making equipment.

**Motion Author: Umoja Filamu Productions – Film Club
(Discussion/Action)**

The Associated Students of Norco College will consider approval of the purchase of two LUMIX G7 recording cameras, a zoom lens, two microphones, two tripods, a boompole rode, two lights, a light stand, a gimbal, an Apple Macbook and Final Cut Pro software, not to exceed \$3,608.80.

Edwin Romero: The Filamu Club is basically a film club. They are currently working on a documentary. They want to purchase some new equipment. I spoke with them and let them know that if ASNC purchases it, all the stuff will live with belong to ASNC. The club advisors will be able to check out those items. They want to purchase two cameras, a zoom lens, and some other products. The items we have now are currently with other clubs so purchasing new stuff would be smart. They have already shopped around, and the amount is very specific.

Motioned By: Ryan Snyder, Seconded By: Samia Irfan

11-0-0

Sen.03.18.02 Approval of up to \$900 from Golf Cart (92903) to purchase t-shirts and trophies for Umoja Filamu Productions – Film Club.

**Motion Author: Umoja Filamu Productions – Film Club
(Discussion/Action)**

The Associated Students of Norco College will consider approval of up to \$400 to purchase 25 t-shirts, and \$500 to purchase 10 trophies for the Umoja Filamu Productions club.

Edwin Romero: They are doing a series of events. Flyer is almost ready, and they should start promoting every week. At the end of the year, they are doing an event and ICC approved the funding for promoting attendance at this event. They are asking for money for trophies and t-shirt. T-shirts are going to be used as uniforms, so they look professional.

Motioned By: Samia Irfan, Seconded By: Ryan Snyder

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VII. ASNC Advisor Report

Edwin Romero: Short report today. Two things. One, I wanted to talk about our meetings. We should have our cameras on when and if you can. It is hard to present or speak when everyone's cameras are on. Particularly when we have guests that are presenting, please plan on having your cameras on. We want you guys to be connected and engaged. Same goes for the student governance committees. I understand you are busy but if we were in person you would have to be there and present. Two, I have been sending you a ton of emails. It is your job to read those emails and be aware of the events going on. It is encouraged that you repost and share. You as student government officers know what is going on, but the general population of students do not know what is going on so share and reach

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out. It is event season in April and May with all the events going on. We have clubs hosting events. I have sent you information about all the events next week!

VIII. Executive/Committee Reports

Administration

Anisha Solhotra: I do agree with Edwin when he speaks about turning our cameras on. The flyer for elections should be done soon and when it is done, I will share it. Please share it in your groups or clubs that you are in. I will be reporting attendance every other meeting because I feel like every meeting would not be efficient. Also let me know how you guys would like to view attendance.

Finance

Tharek Phounsavat: I sent out the budget yesterday morning. Some transactions that have happened this week and last week, there are events for Umoja. Sean Davis is doing a good job getting students involved in events. There is also a new transaction of purchasing a golf cart. We also had one more which was for student employee recognition for the bookstore. This is a yearly award that Carmen gives to the bookstore employees.

Activities

Tami Ajayi: Couple things to share. Women's history month jeopardy event is tonight. Next week is women's empowerment week and there will be a few events. On the 23rd, we will have a speaker. Today we will have a biomedical engineer speaker. We have other events as well, flyers to follow. If you have any questions, please let me know and I will be happy to share.

Relations

Sami Irfan: Instagram is basically the same, but I will be posting today! Also, in the process of working on the flyer for women's trivia.

Campus Organizations

Gerlene Aquino: We decided on a name for the leadership conference. We are just waiting on a flyer; I do not have the exact date for that right now. We have decided on a guest speaker as well.

Executive

Angelica Calderon: I know you guys saw an email go out about campus opening in Fall. How do you guys feel about that? Yesterday I had an unofficial meeting with the other presidents from the college. We are all hearing different things and the district does not have the information set in place. I heard only 25% of class sizes can go in person. My concern was how are they going to select the students that do go in person. Some others were hearing 20/80. Some others are hearing 100%. They have not released an official statement. The district should have asked for student and faculty opinions before deciding that we are going back. It is because of budget issues. The district gets money depending on students attending classes. In my opinion they are rushing this, and they are not fully prepared. There is a vaccine but that too is not 100%. If someone does catch COVID, they are going to have to shut everything down and make everything online. My whole family caught

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COVID, and I was the only one who did not get it. I was not able to be home and I had to stay with different family members. If we are all exposed to it, we would be bringing it back to our homes and it could affect them really bad. Right now, I feel like the district does not care about the students or faculty, all they care about is money.

Roman Zuniga: I am excited because of the opportunity, but I think we are going to have to be careful. Say we do go back in person, how would we social distance if we have ASNC meetings or how would we stay safe?

Samia Irfan: It can be a little scary because of the vaccine. I do think it will be good for everyone though. It is important that we do have online classes because COVID will still be a thing and online classes should be available for people who are at high risk. When I went to the return to school task force, they cannot hire anyone to say this or that, so how are things going to be regulated. If we are using the guardian app, I do not want to go back because it is basically like an honors system. People can just lie and say they do not have symptoms. Now that we are talking about it, it does not seem like a good idea at all. We need to get the word out to people.

Edwin Romero: From my understanding, the plan is to be unrestricted and social distance if needed. It is hard to say what we can and cannot do. Come August we will know. If you guys are all the representatives at large, what concerns do you have when it comes to reopening. The plan is to also offer more online classes. A lot of students have been able to work more so would online classes be offered?

Gerlene Aquino: One of my biggest concerns is that there is a lot of students that work. If lectures would still be recorded or if attendance will be strict. A lot of people are just trying to make ends meet considering a lot also lost their jobs.

Tami Ajayi: What about class sizes and mask use in the coral? I feel like it is too soon to be going back. I am a therapist and I got COVID. They did not disclose that to me and then I was giving it to everyone. It got intense and I had to go to the hospital. I know exactly how that is, but I still am not able to go back to work. They had our sessions strictly online, and some of the clients wanted to go back into person and that is when I caught it. If they were to put vaccinations into the equation how would that work?

Rochelle Duran: I take a lab once a week, but there is protocol. They provide hand sanitizer and we do not have lab partners. We use the guardian app, and it is advised that if you have some symptoms to not go.

Anisha Solhotra: So, a part of me wants to go back onto campus, but something that is getting to me is if someone does have COVID. If someone has COVID what is going to happen. How would those processes work if someone does have COVID? Grades would drop and be affected. There is a lot of complications with going back onto campus. I wanted to mention that we have spaces like this so our voices can carry because it does hold weight. It is hard because we are not in person, so I just wanted to say and reinforce that we can say our honest opinions because this is where we shape and mold our student and campus. It is clear that money is the issue, and it is about capitalism. It is more than that and we should say something.

Michael Moreno: Anisha hit it right on the spot. It is concerning. I am transferring but hopefully the university will be prepared, and I will be more comfortable attending classes in person. I do want answers from Norco College.

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Makenna Ashcraft: I agree with what Anisha said. I would love to go back but the protocols will not be enough. I got really sick in 2019 and then Angie got sick, and it is like a domino effect.

Ryan Snyder: All of California is in the red tier right now. It is risky to go back to school. I think we should wait til things do get a lot better. School would be good to reopen if circumstances were better than they are now.

Arielle Benas: I feel like they should conduct a survey to see if student do want to go back or if they do not want to go back. Also, if we do go back in person, do students have the option to not go in person if they are not comfortable.

Tharek Phounsavat: My biggest concern is if we are going to be able to do online. I agree with Arielle about the survey. It was apparent that our school was not prepared for online, and I also do not think we are prepared to back in person. It is much smarter and safer to perfect the blueprint of going back in person.

Isaac Nuñez: I think Tharek stated this, that we should wait and see how other schools are doing first. Education should come first before store opening and all that other stuff.

Academic Senate

Angelica Calderon: We discussed on the return of being on campus. A lot of the staff had concerns and were very strongly opinionated. Many said it was negative. One of them said that we should start with hybrid classes instead of fully going back in person. Another student mentioned that students have had to step up in their households. There is a lot of factors that come in to play. They have students were confused about if they had to attend zoom or not. One professor mentioned that the email going out with no answers, students are going to be scared away and they are not going to want to register for classes.

ISBC

Angelica Calderon: As you guys know we have a calendar for the meetings that happen regularly. There was discussion about having the same calendar but setting aside a certain day during college hour where we cannot hold events and just to hold meetings. My concern was that it was going to restrict out events.

Isaac Nuñez: Students know every Tuesday and Thursday there is college hour, and they go to their club meetings and then go to their next lecture. Only way this would work is if they set aside one Tuesday for that so we can attend those meeting.

Curriculum Committee

Rochelle Duran: They have a new class for geography studies.

IX. For the Good of the Order/Announcements/Comments from the Public

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X. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 12:12 pm.

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