



Associated Students of Copper Mountain College

6162 Rotary Way, Joshua Tree CA, 92252

January 18, 2013, 3:00-5:00 pm

Room 112

Minutes

I. **Call to Order**

II. **Roll Call**

a. Present

b. Excused Absences

Semhar Abraham, Bria Parker, Marysita Brown

c. Unexcused Absences

III. **Confirmation of Agenda for January 18, 2013**

All were in favor.

IV. **Confirmation of Minutes for December 14, 2012**

V. **Swearing in of senators as needed.**

VI. **Public Comments**

a. Ashley voiced her interest in joining senate.

VII. **Reports**

a. Officers

Adam- he met with VP Brown and talked about the grievance policy. Adam will report back to us. He passed around a proposed Constitution and Bylaws. It is still a rough draft and the Constitution and Bylaws Committee took Cerro Coso Community College's Constitution and Bylaws and fit them to CMC. We can vote on what policies we would like to change. They raised the GPA requirement to a 2.5 or above if you are interested in being an officer. He would like people to read through it and we can talk about it next week.

Chad – Went to Academic Senate, didn't know what was going on.

b. Senators

Scott – March on March is in Sacramento. We march with faculty and staff from other CC's. We would appeal to our legislatures to promote our education. Adam and Anita did it last year. We should make sure the Occupy protesters aren't there. You meet with your assemblymen. They didn't get to meet our senator last year.

Melissa – There is a display case in Phase 3 that we could maybe use. Possibly talk to Carolyn Hopkins about using it for clubs. If we could get a key for it, clubs can post in it. We should have put up club booths. Two students want to set up a student and faculty sports game. Nothing official. It could be a dollar to play. The schools need to better communicate the concept of AA-T's.

Amy – We have a bulletin board and Amy will put up flyers if a club needs anything to be posted. There is a golf tournament May 4th.

Ashley Hooks – They are having a Brown Bag Series. Mr. Terrific will speak on Thursday February 14th. Bring lunch to Community room in Bell Center. Ribbon cutting at the library for the opening on the 20th of March. ASCMC can set up a booth at the resource fair.

Matt – CMC Foundation got funding for a veteran's scholarship. They are selecting veterans for ten \$250 scholarships.

CMC Speech and Debate team went to Utah for tournament. Day 1- out of 23 schools, we finish 5th for sweepstakes. We placed 8th overall. The Speech and Debate team is looking for debaters.

Chad – is looking for people for elections committee.

Randy – A student came to him and had a problem with receiving e-mails for classroom changes.

- c. Advisors
- c. Board and Administration
- d. Faculty and Staff

VIII. **Discussion/ Action Items**

IX. **Old Business**

X. **New Business**

- a. Discuss and take action on the approval of ACCESS's Constitution and By-Laws. (Ana)
Item is tabled due to absence.
- b. Discuss and possibly take action on raising the GPA requirement for ASCMC Officers and Senators. (Scott)

Scott- wanted to make it that Officers must have a 2.7 to qualify. Because we are student representatives, he feels we should be able to hold our own.

Adam added that he feels the GPA should be raised for officers because he believes that anything lower than that, students should be focusing on their grades.

Chad adds that we are here to promote participation.

Semhar joined at 4:17

Marlania motioned. Tim seconded. All were in favor. Motion Passes.

- c. Discuss and possibly take action on t-shirts for ASCMC. (Marlania)

Melissa got an invoice. The total was \$350. Marlania motioned that we approve the cost. All were in favor.

- d. Discuss and possibly take action on March on March. (David)

David went over how it would work. You are meant to talk to your legislatures. There is a workshop the Sunday before on how to talk to them.

General Assembly would be in San Francisco on the 26th of April until the 28th. We should start thinking about who should go to each one. Scott motioned to table this item. All were in favor.

- e. Discuss and possibly take action on an incentive for senators. (Scott)

Scott wants to give three awards out a semester that would be signed by the president and advisor to award individuals on their dedication to ASCMC.

Matt motioned to discuss the item. Ashley asked when it would be done. Scott said that he would want it done in the middle of the semester and at the end. Chad thinks it is a good idea and would like to back Scott up on it.

Matt feels the idea is over the top. The recognition should be brought up daily. It could create hostility. Melissa feels it would be a motivating factor. Mary Lombardo talked about how good it would look on a resume or college application. Ashley thinks it would be best to give them out in the middle of the semester. She thinks it would make people work harder. Chad says if we're going to do something like that, they should be given to two officers and two senators. All were in favor of Scott pursuing the idea, other than one abstention.

- f. Discuss and possibly take action on a possible daily parking pass. (Matt)

Matt was curious about if there was anywhere to go for a daily parking pass that could cost a dollar. Scott motioned to table this item. Melissa seconded. All were in favor.

- g. Discuss and possibly take action on ASACC (American Student Association of Community Colleges). (David)

David talked about the organization. Randy found out ASCMC belonged to it at one point because someone went to their conference in 2003. There is a conference that is lengthier than March on March. You can meet with members of congress. Melissa motioned that we table the item.

XI. **Future Agenda Topics**

The Constitution (Adam)

Add the days that we meet for the entire semester to our agenda. (Scott)

Grievance policy discussion. (Adam)

Get maps for smoking areas. (Ashley)

Having a mentor for beginners. (Scott)

Have a presentation on ethics with regard to ASCMC (Scott)

Possible Spring Fling (Semhar) (Marysita) (Ashley)

Go Over Robert's Rules. (Melissa)

XII. **Adjournment**

