

## Student Senate Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2026

11:14 a.m.

College of the Sequoias Board Room

1. **CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Commissioner of Clubs, Jose Lezama, has concerns about attendance, especially in key roles such as President and Vice President. He believes that at a certain limit of days missed, the officer in question should be removed from their position. He states, "Thousands of people are counting on us to run the show."

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a. Approval of previous minutes

**Motion:** Andrew Luna **Second:** Jamie Rodriguez

Motion passes by unanimous consent.

- b. Approval of the current calendar

**Motion:** Jose Lezama to approve the agenda with the correction of turning May 4th to May 5th. **Second:** Jamie Rodriguez

Motion passes by unanimous consent

5. **REPORTS: EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS**

- a. President - Rheanna Gallegos: Nothing to Report
- b. Student Trustee - Elizabeth Martinez: Nothing to Report
- d. Commissioner of Records - Adriana H. Candelario: Not Present
- e. Commissioner of Clubs - Jose Lezama Duque: Nothing to Report
- f. Commissioner of Publicity - Andrew Luna: Nothing to Report
- g. Commissioner of Activities - Jamie Rodriguez: Nothing to Report
- h. Commissioner of Finance - Richard Guzman: Not Present

### COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

- **Ag Council** - Jose L - AG Council are celebrating their achievements and awards by holding a banquet. They are holding a horse sale and also going to the Fresno Chaffee Zoo.
- **Bylaw Review Committee** - Joseph R / Dominic G / Richie G / Mia L - Expediting voting to one person supports in keeping quorum and in ensuring equitable participation.
- **SSCCC Reg. V** - Rheanna G / Robert F - No update. Next meeting is May 10th.
- **Mosaic** - Andrew L - Finalizing furnishing
- **Board Trustee** - Elizabeth M - Nothing to Report
- **Academic Senate** - Aner B / Jazmine C - Electing Officers and making transitions.
- **District Governance** - Elizabeth M - Nothing to Report

6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a. Nominations for the Executive Board

Taking nominations to fill the Executive Board for the 2026-2027 Academic term.

- Jose Lezama **nominated** Hayley A. Gutierrez. He states that she's president of one of the most successful and active clubs on campus. **Second:** Andrew Luna
- Elizabeth Martinez **nominated** Jose Lezama for Student Trustee. **Second:** Jamie Rodrigez
- Jacob Van Groningen **nominated** himself for Commissioner of Activities. **Second:** Elizabeth Martinez
- The board has approved all candidates by unanimous consent

b. New Club Charter - The Alternative Club (The Club)

- Jose Lezama **motioned** to approve The Alternative Club Charter **Second:** Andrew Luna.

c. AP5410 Review

- President Rheanna informed everyone that the AP5410 has been reviewed by a committee and changes were made. Everyone was given the edited version to review.
- Jose Lezama noted that we should review our election AP because the language is too broad.
- Andrew Luna **motioned** to approve our amended AP5410. **Second:** Jamie R.
- Passes by unanimous consent

**7. NEW BUSINESS.**

a. No new business

- President Rheanna wants to meet with the executive board one more time before the semester ends. Be on the lookout for a when to meet link, which will be sent via email.

**8. DISCUSSION**

- a. The Board was asked about a Disneyland trip; it may be in the cards, but there's a minimum requirement that we don't yet meet.

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- a. The Final is on May 14th at 11 am - 1 pm
- President Rheanna invited the SSCCC board to join us for our final.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE STUDENT BODY**

- Jose Lezama went back to his earlier point, having found the AP that it relates to. (Article 4 Section D) where it states "Determination of Vacancy. The existence of whether an officer's position is vacant shall be
- made as follows: Absences, Tardies, Election, and Failure: The existence of a vacancy is based on unexcused absences, unexcused tardies, the failure to elect a candidate, or recall, shall be determined by a unanimous vote of the remaining elected members of the Student Senate Executive Board."
- Rheanna stated that the packet officers get should include an absence policy/ requirement. Along with those reasons for absences should be accounted for, such as if someone was in Hanford on the other campus for a reason, their absence would not count against them. Aner B asked about personal reasons for absence, such as loss and or sickness. It was discussed that it would then be determined by the board whether they can stay in their position or not.

- Aner B made another point with transportation issues, claiming that the transport isn't always timely and reliable.
- Rheanna suggests maybe leaning more into Remind to communicate absences, because one absence can impact a whole meeting. Along with that, Zoom was suggested as a good way to keep everyone in the loop, even if they are in fact running late or sick.

10. **MOTION TO ADJOURN** at 11:55 p.m.