



CYPRESS COLLEGE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS REGULAR MEETING



November 17, 2025 at 1 p.m.
Minutes

Meeting Location: SLL/VRC Conference Room (Building 8, Room 150)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Associated Students of Cypress College will meet, commencing on November 17, 2025. The start time is approximate. Pursuant to the Government Code Section 54955 and 54954.2(b) (3), the council may adjourn, reconvene, and re-adjourn from time to time, as may be necessary to transact the business of the Council. Those wishing to address the Council shall be present during public forum and express their concern. For further information, please contact Student Life and Leadership via email at: StudentLife@CypressCollege.edu.

Cypress College Associated Students Council

President _____	Angel Hernandez
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Activities Coordinator _____	Alika Joshi
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Senator _____	Alec Gibson
Senator _____	Helen Vu
Senator _____	Jules Kim
Senator _____	Ward Alkeelany
Senator _____	David Su
Senator _____	Ian Dumatol
Advisor _____	David Okawa
Co-Advisor _____	Joseph Shonkwiler

I. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

(1.1) Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of Quorum

ABSENT: ANGEL, MADELYN, IAN

(1.2) Adoption of Agenda

Adoption of Agenda for November 17, 2025

APPROVED

(1.3) Review of Minutes

Approval of Minutes for November 10, 2025

APPROVED

II. PUBLIC FORUM

This time is reserved for members of the public to address the AS Council on issues not already appearing on the agenda. A limit of five minutes per speaker and fifteen minutes per topic shall be observed.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(3.1) N/A

IV. NEW BUSINESS

(4.1) Finals Fuel Grant

The council will approve funding to now exceed \$600 for finals fuel

APPROVED

(4.2) Finals Fuel Pop up

The council will approve funding for the finals fuel pop up to not exceed \$300

APPROVED

(4.3) CCAS Meetings: Times for next year

The council will discuss the CCAS meetings time for next year

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V. EVENT RECAP

(5.1) N/A

VI. GOVERNANCE REPORTS

Shared Governance Committees

(6.1) Accreditation and Institutional Effectiveness

| D. Su

NO REPORT

(6.2) Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee

| W. Alkeelany

In our last DEIAA Committee meeting, we focused on reviewing the draft resolutions intended to support Jewish and Muslim students and address religious discrimination. A major concern raised was that these drafts were created without consulting any Muslim, Arab, Palestinian, or pro-Palestinian students or employees, which many people in the room felt was unacceptable. We also discussed concerns about Jewish students on campus feeling too uncomfortable or unsafe to speak publicly, which led to the idea of creating an anonymous feedback form or suggestion box. I also noted that if we go this route, we need to heavily regulate and monitor it, since anonymous submissions can lead to comments with no accountability.

On the action side, the committee approved a \$2,000 budget for the KCF Pacific Islander dance group to perform at the upcoming Celebration of Dance event.

(6.3) Planning and Budgeting Committee | J. Kim

NO REPORT

(6.4) President Advisory Cabinet | A. Hernandez

NO REPORT

(6.5) Professional Development Committee | A. Gibson

NO REPORT

(6.6) Safety Committee | S. Hassan

NO REPORT

Representative Bodies

(6.7) Academic Senate | A. Hernandez

NO REPORT

(6.8) Curriculum Committee | G. Garza

NO REPORT

Campus Committees

(6.9) Guided Pathways Steering Committee | S. Sweiss

NO REPORT

(6.10) Student Equity and Achievement Committee | D. Su

The Student Equity and Achievement committee reviewed the draft of the 2025-2028 Cypress College Student Equity Plan. We discussed reforming the funding approval process to make it more equitable and strategic, moving away from a first-come, first-served approach. Where funding requests would be submitted during specific windows, allowing for holistic review and potential ranking of applications. We also approved a funding request from the Veteran Resource Center to attend the 18th Annual Student Veterans of America (SVA) National Convention.

(6.11) Technology Committee | I. Dumatol

NO REPORT

(6.12) Distance Education Committee | H. Vu

NO REPORT

Workgroups and Taskforces

(6.13) Sustainability Committee | A. Anan

NO REPORT

Associated Students Internal Committees

(6.14) Events Committee (Activities Coordinators) | S. Hassan

AS Banquet theme: "Night Under the Stars"

(6.15) Student Affairs Committee (Senators) | S. Usami

NO REPORT

(6.16) Inter-Club Council | A. Anan

NO REPORT

(6.17) Civic Discourse Committee | C. Foley

NO REPORT

(6.18) Public Relations Committee | Y. Oseguera

Working on reels for finals fuel

(6.19) Mental Health Committee | S. Hassan

Will collaborate with Active Mind, Psychology Club, and ARISE for the winter destress event

(6.20) Campus Garden Committee | G. Garza

NO REPORT

(6.21) Civic Engagement | C. Jung

NO REPORT

(6.22) Student Representation Committee | A. Anan

NO REPORT

Student Representative Affairs

(6.23) Region VIII Executive Board | S. Usmani

NO REPORT

(6.24) Delegate Assembly

| S. Usmani

NO REPORT

VII. ADVISOR AND EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

(7.1) David Okawa, Advisor

Reminder on Thanksgiving basket donations,

(7.2) Joseph Shonkwiler, Co-Advisor

Reminder of Public Forum for SSCCC Resolution Proposals coming up soon.

(7.3) Connor Foley, Executive Secretary

NO REPORT

(7.4) Yessenia Oseguera, Vice President of Public Relations

NO REPORT

(7.5) Ayesha Arif, Vice President of Fiscal Affairs

NO REPORT

(7.6) Sundehi Hassa, Vice President of Campus Activities

Winter Destress:

Cookie Decorating Station

Destress Zone: Fidget toys, make globes, coloring pages, sensory activities, and Positive affirmation/ notes on a poster

Hot Cocoa Bar: Students customize cocoa with toppings (marshmallows, whipped cream, candy canes, etc. donuts, cookies and pastries

Mindfulness Table: Guided breathing cards, gratitude activities, and ARISE wellness resources photo booth area, music

(7.7) Alfa Madhu, Vice President of Student Organizations

NO REPORT

(7.8) Sania Usmani President of Internal & External Affairs

NO REPORT

(7.9) Zachary Colinco, Student Trustee

NO REPORT

(7.10) Samantha Sweiss, Executive Vice President

NO REPORT

(7.11) Angel Hernandez, President

NO REPORT

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(8.1) N/A

| A. Hernandez

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting is adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

Agenda Reviewed and Approved by:

Angel Hernandez, President

David Okawa, Advisor