



CYPRESS COLLEGE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS REGULAR MEETING



September 15, 2025 1 – 3 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 August 28, 2023. 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
Executive Vice President _____	Samantha Sweiss
Student Trustee _____	Zachary Colinco.
Vice President of Internal & External Affairs _____	Sania Usmani
Vice President of Student Organizations _____	Alfa Anan Madhu
Vice President of Campus Activities _____	Sundehi Hassan
Vice President of Fiscal Affairs _____	Ayesha Arif
Vice President of Public Relations _____	Yessenia Oseguera
Executive Secretary _____	Connor Foley
Activities Coordinator _____	Adeline Yoo
Activities Coordinator _____	Rahma Fares
Activities Coordinator _____	Madelyn Voung
Activities Coordinator _____	Claire Jung
Activities Coordinator _____	Alika Joshi
Senator _____	Gianna Garza
Senator _____	Alec Gibson
Senator _____	Helen
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

Meeting called to order at 1:09PM

(1.2) Adoption of Agenda

Adoption of Agenda for September 15, 2025

(1.3) Review of Minutes

Approval of Minutes for September 8, 2025

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

N/A

IV. NEW BUSINESS

(4.1) CCAS Council Member Swear-Ins

Council members will swear-in for the 2025-2026 academic year.

Activities coordinator: Alika Joshi

Alika Joshi successfully sworn in as Activities Coordinator

(4.2) Cypress college governance-student representative appointments

Students will be appointed into individual committees

(4.3) Muslim Student Association Club Grant

The Council will approve a club grant to not exceed \$400 for the Muslim Student Association

Muslim Requesting club grants to fund event activities and promotional materials for banners etc and cultural and educational activities for students on and off campus. APPROVED

(4.4) Chinese Culture Club Grant

The Council will approve a club grant to not exceed \$400 for the Chinese Culture Club **Tabled**

(4.6) Engineering Club Grant

The Council will approve a club grant to not exceed \$400 for the Engineering Club

Engineering requesting grants to fund events such as potlucks and workshops for students interested in engineering. I also need money for mini competitions and guest speakers to come in and present. APPROVED

(4.7) ESL Club Grant

The Council will approve a club grant to not exceed \$400 for the ESL Club

ESL Club requesting grants for food, supplies and for any other promotional items. APPROVED

(4.8) Cypress VRC Women’s Unity Club Grant

The Council will approve a club grant to not exceed \$400 for the VRC women’s unity Club

VRC Women's Unity requesting grants for activities and collaboration with the community. Would like to obtain a banner for the club. APPROVED

(4.9) Political Science Club Grant

The Council will approve a club grant to not exceed \$400 for the Political Science Club

Poli Sci requested funds for covering operating costs, food, guest speakers and more. APPROVED

(4.9) International Club Grant

The Council will approve a club grant to not exceed \$400 for the International Club

International Club requesting funds for hiking events, world tour event, and other activities. Plan to collaborate with the Chinese Culture Club. APPROVED

V. EVENT RECAP

(5.1) N/A

VI. GOVERNANCE REPORTS

Shared Governance Committees

(6.1) Accreditation Steering Committee	NO REPORT		D. Su
(6.2) Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee	NO REPORT		Ward Alkeelany
(6.3) Planning and Budgeting Committee	NO REPORT		J. Kim
(6.4) President Advisory Cabinet			A. Hernandez

Dr. Thayer announced a town hall hosted by AS to help “ease the community” as well as the admin have noticed there needs to be clarity regarding AB 1705 mentioned 5 hour time frame, AS feels this could be trimmed down to 3 hours.

(6.5) Professional Development Committee	NO REPORT		A. Gibson
(6.6) Safety Committee	NO REPORT		S. Hassan

Representative Bodies

(6.7) Academic Senate			A. Hernandez
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AI usage and how its graded will be implemented in Cypress College grading system

(6.8) Curriculum Committee	NO REPORT		G. Garza
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Campus Committees

(6.9) Guided Pathways Committee	NO REPORT		S. Sweiss
(6.10) Student Equity and Achievement Committee	NO REPORT		D. Su

(6.11) Technology Committee	NO REPORT		I. Dumatol
(6.12) Distance Education Committee	NO REPORT		H. Vu

Workgroups and Taskforces

(6.13) Sustainability Committee	NO REPORT		A. Anan
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Associated Students Internal Committees

(6.14) Events Committee (Activities Coordinators)	NO REPORT		S. Hassan
(6.15) Student Affairs Committee (Senators)	NO REPORT		S. Usami
(6.16) Inter-Club Council	NO REPORT		A. Anan
(6.17) Civic Discourse Committee	NO REPORT		Connor Foley
(6.18) Public Relations Committee			Y. Oseguera

Working on club rush posts for socials, need to make committee meetings first to create reels for socials.

(6.19) Mental Health Committee	NO REPORT		S. Hassan
(6.20) Campus Garden Committee	NO REPORT		G. Garza
(6.21) Civic Engagement	NO REPORT		C. Jung
(6.22) Student Representation Committee	NO REPORT		A. Anan

Student Representative Affairs

(6.23) Region VIII Executive Board	NO REPORT		S. Usmani
(6.24) Delegate Assembly			S. Usmani

First Region VIII Delegate Assembly this Friday from 3-5

VII. ADVISOR AND EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

(7.1) David Okawa, Advisor **Wondering if Cypress still thought about hosting delegate assembly, yes. Reminder about Pumpkin Bash, possible date for October 29th. Going to finalize this wednesday. Possible idea of having AS with a theme/costume for the event. Roommates for CCSAA need to be given as soon as possible. Voter Registration event scheduled for the 8th. Establishing what town hall really is going to discuss.**

(7.2) Joseph Shonkwiler, Co-Advisor **Governance and Decision making feedback review - Received a quick chart last cycle, detailed how the governance webpage is dated and the minutes are not being regularly posted. These minutes cannot be posted on PDF and they need to be 100% accessible for the general public, which they are currently not. Need to convert all current minutes to accessible files which will take a very large portion of time. No self evaluation completed for the 24-25 school year as well. Asking for rep on accreditation and institutional effectiveness committee. David**

Su is listed on this committee. Asking officers to be present on wednesday. Tentatively, monday september 29th AS photo, full council photo.

(7.3) Pending, 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 **NO REPORT**

(7.7) Alfa Madhu, Vice President of Student Organizations **NO REPORT**

(7.8) Sania Usmani President of Internal & External Affairs

Committee assignments delegated last week, in addition read through slack message as all emails have been sent out and reps have been CCd. As for internal committee chairs, create slack and add members to discuss times and dates.

(7.9) Zachary Colinco, Student Trustee

At the district meeting, went over the proposed budget. Hold and Harmless policy, FTES. All CCC remain unaffected by education budget cuts so far. Potential renovations to the conference room to highlight past and present student trustees while highlighting students from each campus. Passed resolution to reaffirm student safety in light of events. It was brought to attention that a new strain of Covid-19 might be a concern for some people. Going to leave a disposable camera on his desk for anyone to take photos with.

(7.10) Samantha Sweiss, Executive Vice President **NO REPORT**

(7.11) Angel Hernandez, President **NO REPORT**

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(8.1) N/A

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IX. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting is adjourned at 2:00pm

Agenda Reviewed and Approved by:

Angel Hernandez, President

David Okawa, Advisor