

**Student Senate for California Community Colleges - Region V
Special Meeting Minutes**

September 25th, 2015
6:00-9:00pm

Modesto Junior College
2201 Blue Gum Ave.
Modesto, CA 95358

Building: Student Center
Room: TBA

Call-In Center Location Information

Please note that there may or may not be any person at these call in locations, for Region V cannot guarantee that a person will be present at these locations and these locations should be considered "Perspective" locations. Please inquire about call in locations before.com the meeting starts, inquiries can be made to the Chair of Region V:

regionvchair@gmail

Delta College
5151 Pacific Ave
Stockton, CA 95207

Reedley College
995 N Reed Ave
Reedley, CA 93654

College of the Sequoias
915 S Mooney Blvd
Visalia, CA 93277

Clovis Community College Center
10309 N Willow Ave
Fresno, CA 93730

West Hills College
Lemoore
555 College Ave
Lemoore, CA93245

Madera Center
30277 Avenue 12
Madera, CA 93638

Columbia College
1801 Panorama Dr.
Bakersfield, CA 93305

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Porterville College
100 E College Ave
Porterville, CA 93257

Merced College
3600 M St
Merced, CA 95348

West Hills College Coalinga
300 Cherry Lane
Coalinga, CA 93210

Fresno City College
1101 E. University Avenue
Fresno, CA 93741

Call-in Information

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Region V of the Student Senate for California Community Colleges will hold a meeting on September 31st, 2015 at 6:00pm at Modesto Jr College. The meeting time and location are noted above, as well as call-in locations/information for conference call options. Any questions regarding the agenda, or anything else related to Region V, can be directed to Chair Giovanni Ruiz at regionvchair@gmail.com.

I. Call to Order 6:00PM

II. Roll Call (5min.)

Executive Officers

Chair: G. Ruiz (P)

Vice Chair: K. Arellano (P)

Justice: M. Jones (A)

Treasurer:

Communications: B. Vogt (P)

Secretary: C. Ramirez-Sanchez (P)

Governance and Policy Senators:

C. Sedano (P)

V. Chavarin (PTC)

External Affairs Senator:

T. Childress: (P)

Delegates

Active:

Modesto: (P)

Columbia: (P)

Porterville: (P)

Bakersfield: (PTC)

Clovis: (A)

Fresno: (P)

Lemoore: (P)

Sequoias: (A)

Inactive:

Delta:

Coalinga:

Merced:

Oakhurst/Madera:

Reedley:

III. Public Comment (15min.)

This time is reserved for members of the public to address the Region on items not appearing on the agenda. Each speaker is entitled to three minutes per item for a total of fifteen minutes.

IV. Adoption of Agenda(5min.)

Columbia College's Address needs to be fixed

V. Approval of Minutes

- a. July 28th, 2015-Modesto Motioned to approve, Porterville Second, Motion Passed

VI. Action Items

- a. Region V Committee Appointments

- i. The Region will be briefed on committee affairs and shall appoint members to said committees. This shall be a standing item throughout the school year.

govt relations, budget advisory, public relations, rules- ben-columbia-budget advisory. B. treasurer-in order for elections to take place justice reads of the bylaws. Chair is reading the bylaws. **Fresno motioned to open treasurer positions second Porterville, motion carries unanimous.** Columbia nominated Errin. Manfredonia nominated for treasurer- Fresno. **Motion to close nomination-Fresno Porterville second, motion carries unanimously.** Errin, hello everyone most of you know me I've been here for 1 year and half, running because the region has no way of hosting funds, and holding funds. Took it on himself to look into what we can accomplish to get one. Use the California college foundation, so region can finally get funds, make us affordable. Manfredonia- we need specifics way to go about it, helps bring organizations I this, running because he will make it happen not just speak words. Questions for nominees. Errin-what current time constraints are for the nominees. What else are the nominees involved in. Errin why didn't you run before when you had the chance like three months ago. Answer to first question: Errin-timewise, spread thin, member of districts ASO student trustees work for both campuses, student ambassador for 6hrs a week. Manfredonia- 9units, senator of business, works for himself, has a lot more time, his mission was to become a delegate, and he made time specifically for this semester to make improvements. Answer to question 2: Manfredonia-not involved in any other committees, main focus in school to be a straight a student. Errin-part of the region over a year, student life on campus, and one year in high-school. Business classes this semester. Third question to Errin-when I first declined the vice chair, planning on running on vice chair, turned down vice chair or treasure and focused on cast, now focusing on the region again. Anymore questions. 4th question- what is your major and background, major plans beyond this position- Manfredonia business, dealer's licenses, opening up a dealership, figuring out how we can make more sales, working with uncle. For his future-1st year doing this, quite a few years left. Big focus for him. Errin-business, torn with political science, future plans, two ways, focused on business education not back to poli-sci, focused on economics, do bachelors with emphasis on economics, Columbia, ben, question. As a contender for the position which ways would you take to increase funds on region 5? Errin- 1st year and see who can give donations, requires 30000 budget, work with sccc to work with the regions. Delegate Manfredonia- has high hopes, not a person on just getting donations, believe what is hard earned is used much better, get more into depth with what he is doing, he will do more research to find the best and ultimate plan. Comments: no comments, roll call vote: **Modesto-Bass Columbia-Bass, Bakersfield-abstain, Fresno-Manfredonia, Lemoore-Errin.** Errin is treasurer now, invited Manfredonia to join budget advisory.

VII. Discussion Items (Possible Action)

a. Services offered for International Students

- i. The region will discuss and possibly take action on gathering information on all services offered to international students at each college campus in the region.**

Porterville- operate on a grant to get students to play, services are the same, and tuition is high. Fresno-300-400 students, had international and veteran's office and it was small, internationals office they had put dream act center in there. No place for international students for resources. Dream Act is nice but no fair to kick one group of students to put in another one. Fresno city is trying to tackle this. Columbia- doesn't have an international program, enroll down at MJC. Modesto- International and Dreamers share a center. Fresno-Veterans are happy to take in international students but space is still small. Modesto-rooms are very small. They have food for them, they still have fun. Lemoore-Jeronimo, he is an international student, we have a lot of problems. International students have a lot of problems. Seeing Fresno city get to the point of his dream and seeing it get taken away. What am I doing for my college, will all the effort I put into it, it gets taken away. How do I tell my friends? They go home without graduation. Devyn- by coincidence at the same time everything is happening, one of our students spoke about what WHCL is doing wrong about the students. We have been fighting for a long time. Porterville will get more information for Lemoore. Jeronimo-we are small, but we are here. The way we think is different. We want to be seen as a student just as everyone else. We are special students for the wrong stuff. For their rights they are just 40 students. We want you guys to go to your college, where are the international students. Try to invite them to their ASO, we want a chance to grow. Porterville grant is used just for athletes, usually basketball students. Use athletics as a loop hole to be able to help international students. Maria Mondragon for MJC- students get help, students get helps for dreamers and financial aid. Students get together.

b. Region Finances

Errin getting the budget advisory committee together. Requires are 24-30,000 budget. On the first year is approximately 3-4,000. Scale depends on our needs, benefits of CCFoundation. Better because, what if the school goes inactive, it makes it a lot harder. CCF is an organization. Provide a lot of services. No more weebly, no more gmail account, we would have emails within the organization. 10-13% is a little up there. Talk to local foundations to see how much it is for hosting the region V account. Question, if we went with CCF would SSCCC give us money, yes. The student rep fee-how are we going to use it for the regions. 30,000 per

region budget. SRF fee goes to scccc what ever money for the allocation was put down would go to the regions. Cover travel reimbursement cost. A lot of benefits if the right formula allocation is put for it. Uncomfortable with getting money from scccc. Scccc changing the formula allocation too much, make sure its included into a financial code which can only be changed in a general assembly, Travis-we don't want to be a subsidiary organization. As a region what do we need money for. Regions are the ones who allow their senators to go to their council. What if we want to do a march. Cost of ASO travel. Columbia has a lot of teleconference call because their student rep fee college is so low. Be able to pay for travel cost for the regions colleges. Pay for conferences, such as registration fee, hotel fee, and travel. For example, Region 9 just had a region wide conference. Chairman has no problem putting his own money. No way errin is going to agree to a formula allocation where SSCCC is over the regions. Find a way to keep scccc in balance. Cody understands and empathizes with Errin's optimism. Thinks we should first try to raise the money ourselves as a region. Make sure all the students know that their money is being used for travel. Before Errin would even say yes or no to something, he would bring it here. No questions on teleconference.

c. Website Update

- i. The Region will view and discuss possible updates for the SSCCC Region V Weebly website.

Cody Sedano, noticed that the website looks beautiful, get new layouts after making all the improvements. His picture is up there, but he is not Andrew Campbell. Lemoore- Devyn, we just made a website for our club. Really nice more simple. Specific page with all the agenda's and minutes. Page with all the officers, really simple. Jeronimo showed website. Ben-communications officer, is responsible for updating the website. New perspectives, new layouts, and student activities. Errin-thinks any committee would need to fall under public relation committee. Senator sedano, no comment. Senator Travis- see's we are waisting our time creating a committee. Porterville, Perez, computer science major, wondering if Ben has the expertise or familiar with making changes on the website. Ben is familiar with html and changing the website. He is making sure people in charge of updating webpage qualifies. Errin- we use weebly for our website hosting, but they have certain restrictions.

d. Region V Cooperation

- i. The Region will discuss possible ways to improve communication and cooperation across the region. Cooperation might be based on location of Region V Colleges.

Chair, this whole month we are having trouble communicating, we are spread thin on a vast majority of land. Recommends northern colleges

work together, southern colleges work together communications start happening. Region V is calling out their colleges for help in communication. Any questions. Any action, no.

VIII. Discussion Items

- a. Region V Outreach (Chair)
 - i. The Region will discuss ways and methods to increase active membership of colleges in the region.
- Sedano, happy to have the oldest and youngest community college. Almost harassing reedly to get in touch with them. Errin Columbia, met with their student trustee for delta. Merced had a thing down in clovis. Lemoore, meeting with coalinga, hopeful in getting coalinga active this year. Chair- Contacting inactive colleges. Maybe we can use a different method. Maybe inactive colleges can host a region V meeting. Sedano, if he hosted in fresno they would show up, we should concentrate in hosting it near them.
- b. Legislative Update (30min.)
 - i. The Region will be briefed on updates regarding the California Legislature and legislation concerning education.
AB1461 everything is high priority. AB1461 move to support it, for everyone who has a drivers license, automatically registered to vote. College textbook-move to support. AB968-Oppose if suspended out of school it goes on your transcript. Ab573- help students from colleges that closed down academically. AB1361-top priority. Questions, put on trial for perjury if moved addresses. Sedano did not like sccc opposing AB968. Bakersfield still on teleconference, AB967 sexual assault cases- to make sure victims are receiving proper treatment. AB964-support feature behind it. AB campus climate. AB1016 transfer student achievement report act. All high and medium priority for sccc. Lemoore- is ab967 the one where they have to report to the police first before getting treatment. Modesto- can I get a copy for that.
- c. Next Region V Meeting(s) Region V Chair (10min)
 - i. The Region will discuss region v meeting dates and locations, discussion will be led by the Region V Chair
Spoke with Gio, and Victor- working on a leadership course. Working on a retreat, Chair very happy for this, Porterville is working on student activity fee. People who are willing to stay from Thursday to Friday. Victor- full training, what date, Thursday October 30th. Next meeting in Bakersfield, Motion for Fresno city to host after Bakersfield, in November. Question, will it be after thanksgiving? Our duty to make sure we meet at least once a month. Motion carries unanimously, to have November meeting in Fresno city.

IX. Communications from floor (30min.)

- a. Delegates- Modesto: will not participate next month. Please be safe on our way home. Columbia- constitution day. Big hit, price, good way to represent veterans at our college. Thank you all for coming, we almost didn't make it. Thankfully had the opportunity to show up. Porterville- filled more positions for ASPC, have ASPC advisor, 1,000 memorial for one of the Bakersfield-conference, 500 students large, just 50th anniversary for Delano, talked about the school, about undocumented immigrants. Really grateful the ambassadors are moving do 250 students. What do the ambassadors do, campus tours? Organizing events. This program is split between student outreach ambassadors. Getting students in the alumni program. School service. ASO will be fully staffed in two weeks except for 1 position. Keep up the good work. Fresno City-congrats Bakersfield. Senate is overfilled, updated bylaws. 22 senators now. Constitution day was a big hit. People got prices. Jim Costa-second cousin to senator Sedano, donated 250 booklets had about 50 left. Have a few bike events, donate bike locks. Thankyou Everyone. Lemoore- BOT student activity fee election approved- big step. President is retiring, hosting a surprise retirement party. Club rush-Fall themed. 9/11 memorial, constitution day.
- b. Executives- Happy we had modesto, host phi theta Kappa. Water Drive, ASPC throws a pizza party. A lot of volunteers for senior day. Relay for life is coming up. Appreciate Karen for tending our advisor. Looking for new ways to tie relationship with administration. Vice Chair- we had a pretty good meeting. Had fun exploring. Treasurer- working with advisory committee. Call into budget advisory committee. Communications-happy region 5 is initiating update and design. Working on methods for outreach to inactive colleges. Happy to be here, enjoys face to face. Congratulations Errin on being treasurer. Sedano- Spring GA trying to push for it to be in Fresno. Looking at San Jose, Monterrey, and Visalia. We have a huge conference center, Fresno is cheap and doesn't smell like cows. Prop 13 reform, he is not for it. Cripple small businesses. Show direct correlation between prop 13 and community college. Chavarin not on the line. Childress- external affairs committee trying to get a telephone bank. Going over a lot of legislative updates. Chair of resolutions committee. Processes for submitting the resolution. Highly suggest holding a resolution workshop. Be allowed a voice in the sccc. Email him and he will email back resolutions. Articles of resolutions- is going to rules committee. Travis.childress@studentsenateccc.org. Get workshops, get resolutions built.
- c. Committees
- i. Governmental Relations Meeting on a weekend
 - ii. Budget Advisory Meeting soon

iii. Public Relations **Will send out the agenda and work on submitting things to the website**

iv. Rules **No Justice. No report.**

X. **Announcements N/A**

XI. **Adjournment 8:17PM**

