



Associated Students of Glendale Community College  
ASGCC Legislature Committee Minutes  
November 25, 2024  
1:30 – 3:30 PM  
Student Center 208 – Verdugo Campus

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**I. Call to Order at 1:31 pm by Vice President of Administration Carlos Matute**

**II. Flag Salute**

**III. Roll Call**

**Present:** Carlos Matute, Claris Boghosian, Iren Abelian, Isabelle Karayan, Levon Chaglasian, Alejandro Zamarripa, Lianna Avanesian, Lidiia Khanheldian, Hasmik Khachatryan, Ryan Avakian, Lena Markosian, Kelin Minasian, Alex Kalantaryan, Anahit Nazloyan, Masaki Sannomiya, Eric Tsaturyan, Aren Sepanian, Emily Churukian, Mane Asilbekyan, Arineh Khachikian, Tamar Chavdarian, Liana Issaian, Emily Kasumyan, Francisco Corletto

**Absent:** Lilit Yerkanyan

**Non – Voting:** Claudia Juan, Advisor

**IV. Approval of Minutes – November 18, 2024**

**MSC:** Lidiia Khanheldian / Lianna Avanesian

**V. Approval of Agenda – November 25, 2024**

**MSC:** Aren Sepanian / Claris Boghosian

**VI. Report of President/Student Trustee - Lilit Yerkanyan**

- Andre will review UC application essays tomorrow from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM. Attendance is encouraged if interested.
- For International Students Thanksgiving, supplies will be purchased for the event happening tomorrow on November 26.
- The CCLC conference in San Francisco was successful and included valuable networking opportunities.

**VII. Report of Administration Committee - Carlos Matute**

- The Grateful Across Borders initiative was a success, with special thanks given to Francisco Corletto and Hasmik Khachatryan for their contributions.
- The March for March event is scheduled for March 4 in Sacramento.
- The event aims to advocate for change in higher education, promote environmental justice, and support students.
- The number of participants for this year needs to be determined, and there is likely funding available to support the event.

**VIII. Report of Finance Committee - Claris Boghosian**

- The financial educational initiative is on Wednesday, November 27.

**IX. Report of Activities Committee - Iren Abelian**

- An event is scheduled for Monday, December 2, related to Christmas festivities.
- Activities will include cookie decorating and watching the movie Home Alone.
- The event will take place from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Student Center.

**X. Report of Relations Committee - Isabelle Karayan**

- Classroom visitations are going well, with appreciation extended to everyone participating and those going above and beyond by visiting extra classrooms.
- Study Buddies events are scheduled for December 4 and are expected to be fun and engaging.
- The Study Buddies events will be held in the Learning Center on December 3, the first floor

of the Buena Vista building on December 4, and the Library on December 5.

#### **XI. Report of Organizations Committee - Levon Chaglasian**

- The last IOC meeting of the semester is next Monday.
- Be sure to attend the Study Buddies event, which will feature food options including Panda Express, Jersey Mike's, and Pizza Man.

#### **XII. Report of Officers Reports of Governance/Special Committee Meetings**

##### **1. Student Affairs Committee - Isabelle Karayan, Carlos Matute**

- The committee reviewed AR 5530, incorporating feedback and updating language, and conducted the first read of AR 5135 to create and clarify catalog language and catalog rights.
- The Transfer Scholars Network connects community college students with 19 universities, including Yale and Princeton, offering resources on financial aid, scholarships, and transfer eligibility for those with diverse experiences, a GPA of 3.75+, and an income below \$100,000.
- A presentation on TimelyCare services was provided, and updates on school ID cards were discussed, including design improvements and background changes.

##### **2. Academic Affairs Committee - Levon Chaglasian, Alexi Alexandrian**

- Academic Senate Report Discussed the pros and cons of the 27-21-unit general education requirements, emphasizing the need for additional courses in American institutions, local government, and health and wellness, with plans to implement these by Fall 2025.
- New Programs and workforce Initiatives launched a strong workforce photography program.
- There is a newly hired station manager for the Baja program.
- There is an approved a program to Italy for Winter 2026, and 21 students will participate in the Paris study abroad program this winter.
- The January Scholars program received 117 applications for Spring 2025.

##### **3. Safety Committee - Aren Sepanian, Iren Abelian**

- A bulletin board fell and cut an employee's face, but no further action was needed.
- A significant number of elevator emergencies were reported, mostly caused by students jumping or mechanical errors, rather than actual emergencies.
- Increased reports of smoking in restricted areas, including the bridge and parking garages, led to suggestions for a campus-wide email reminding students of the no-smoking policy and clarifying that smoking is only allowed off-campus on sidewalks.
- Concerns about parking structure safety were discussed, including the possibility of adding speed bumps. However, the engineer advised against them due to potential structural impacts and trip hazards.
- AED units are delayed due to paperwork issues but will be added to campus maps and the college website once finalized.

##### **4. Scholars Program Committee - Arineh Khachikian, Shirag Derbedrosian**

- Scholars are not required to financially contribute to remain in the program, and participation in fundraising is optional.
- Scholars with a 3.7 GPA or higher who complete the program gain direct admission to the UCI Honors Program (deadline: December 6). Additionally, 60-70% of scholars are accepted into UCLA compared to 15-20% for non-scholars.
- There is a banquet on December 19 that will feature a talent show, scholarships, and In-N-Out catering.
- The meeting room has moved to SR 106. Discussions emphasized making financial contribution policies more public to help students feel comfortable seeking support.

##### **5. Study Abroad Committee – Aren Sepanian, Sosie Berg**

- The Winter 2025 Program is full of 21 students, and orientation is on December 7. For Summer 2024, Armenia has 10 acceptances, Bali 12, and Greece is full of 24 acceptances.

- The Summer 2025 Boot Camp in France, separate from Study Abroad, offers free university credits but is a more intensive, classroom-focused program, raising concerns about potential competition.
  - The Summer 2026 programs to France, Spain, and Vienna & Prague have been approved.
- 6. Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Committee - Emily Kasumyan, Alejandro Zamarripa**
- The Spring Retreat is scheduled for after March 4, before the third week of March. It will include training and gathering feedback on implementing the EEO plan.
  - A task force for hiring policies is being established to collaborate with HR and ensure functional policies.
  - A work group for outreach and job fairs is being formed to develop effective outreach strategies and engage candidates in becoming strong applicants.
- 7. Release Time/Extra Pay (RTEP) Committee – Iren Abelian, Lianna Avanesian**
- The RTEP Paramedics Department is supporting a clinical coordinator position, with plans to create a job description and potentially hold an emergency meeting to finalize recruitment for Fall 2025.
  - The EMT Director proposed reducing their teaching load and increasing release time, while the AI Release Time Position, funded by Title V, will focus on peer and AI review in writing instruction.
  - Donna Martella has exceeded her job requirements, showcasing dedication. It was suggested she attend the next meeting to discuss her role and job description in detail.
  - DE Coordinator Form was reviewed and received positive feedback with no suggested changes.

### **κIII. Guest Speakers**

- **Drew Sugars**
  - The Director of Communications highlights the department's efforts in marketing, branding, and connecting with the GCC community.
  - The logo was redesigned in 2017 to represent GCC's core values, incorporating arches as a historic symbol and bridges as a metaphor for connecting students to opportunities and success.
  - The three arches in the logo symbolize GCC's three campuses: Verdugo, Garfield, and Montrose.
  - The tagline "Connect to Tomorrow" was created to encapsulate GCC's mission to connect students to resources, opportunities, and the future.
  - GCC is the number one community college in the U.S. for upward economic mobility, helping students achieve the American Dream.
  - Marketing efforts aim to enhance GCC's visibility, particularly among underserved communities.
  - The presentation concluded with a reminder that GCC's success relies on the positive experiences of its students, encouraging them to share their journeys and inspire others to join.

### **KIV. Old Business**

### **XV. New Business**

**1. Approval of \$1500.00 for Holly Jolly Hangout – AS Assemblies**

MSC: Alex Kalantaryan / Tamar Chavdarian

**2. Approval of \$ 250.00 for System Impacted Individuals OES Application – AS Organizational Event Support Account**

MSC: Tamar Chavdarian / Liana Issaian

**3. Approval of \$500.00 for Psychology Club OES Application – AS Organizational Event**

MSC: Mane Asilbekyan / Emily Churukian

**4. Approval of \$750.00 for GCC Leukemia and Lymphoma Society OES Application – AS Organizational Event Support Account**

MSC: Anahit Nazloyan / Aren Sepanian

**5. Approval of \$750.00 for Armenian Student Association OES Application – AS Organizational Event Support Account**

MSC: Claris Boghosian / Aren Sepanian

**6. Approval of \$335.00 for Alpha Gamma Sigma Honors Society OES Application – AS Organizational Event Support Account**

MSC: Aren Sepanian / Iren Abelian

**7. Approval of \$250.00 for Student Nurses Association OES Application – AS Organizational Event Support Account**

MSC: Mane Asilbekyan / Liana Issaian

**8. Approval of \$215.00 for Advisor Round Table – AS Inter-Organizational Council (IOC)**

MSC: Emily Churukian / Aren Sepanian

**9. Approval of Finance Report #9 – Action Item**

MSC: Claris Boghosian / Iren Abelian

**10. Executives Offices – Discussion Item**

- ASGCC offices and the executive conference room are personal workspaces and should be respected.
- While friends are welcome in the Student Center, they are not allowed in ASGCC offices or the conference room without an ASGCC member present.

**XVI. Report of Advisors**

- **Claudia Juan**

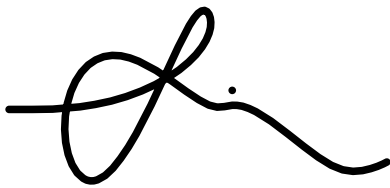
- A special thank you to everyone for all their hard work put out this semester

**VII. Announcements/Information**

- The Thanksgiving celebration will take place at Isabelle Karayan's house.
- Members are reminded to sign up for classroom visitations only if they can attend and to inform the team if they are unable to go, so alternative arrangements can be made.

**VIII. Adjournment at 2:35 pm**

MSC: Liana Issaian / Ryan Avakian



**Submitted by Lianna Avanesian**

**Senator of Administration**

**November 28, 2024**