ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MERRITT COLLEGE, INC.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, August 17, 2026 | 2:04 PM – 3:33 PM

Berkeley City College

2050 Center St, Berkeley, CA 94704

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Position	Name	Status
President	Ronniedith Dimapasoc	Present
Vice President	Raymond Corona	Present
Vice President of Finance	Andrea Gilmore	Present
Vice President of Communications	Monique Choyce	Present
Vice President of Participatory Governance	Vacant	—
Vice President of ICC	Vacant	—
Senator	Rhashad Norton	Present

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Vice President of Communications Choyce moved to approve the August 17, 2026 agenda.
Second: Vice President Corona.
Action: Agenda approved.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the August 3, 2026 regular meeting minutes.
Motion: Vice President Corona moved to approve the August 3, 2026 minutes.
Second: Vice President of Communications Choyce.
Action: Minutes approved.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Violet expressed continued interest in the vacant Vice President of Participatory Governance position.

VI. APPOINTMENTS & REMOVALS

Vice President Raymond Corona was considered for appointment as Merritt College's Region III Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC) Delegate.
Motion: Vice President Corona moved to discuss his appointment as Merritt College's Region III SSCCC Delegate.
Second: Vice President of Finance Gilmore.
Roll-Call Vote: Yes; Yes; Yes.
Action: Appointment approved.

VII. GUEST SPEAKERS

No guest speaker was recorded.

VIII. REPORTS

Advisor Report: Director Doris Hankins thanked members for showing up. Training and merger-related conversations involving Merritt, Laney, and other Peralta colleges were noted.

President Report: The President requested support with time management, meeting mediation, staying on topic, and constructive feedback from Board members.

Vice President Report: Raymond Corona reported receiving emails from a potential public speaker/program representative and planned to learn more before requesting agenda placement. He also reflected on Express Enrollment participation and the visibility of EOPS and other campus programs.

VP of Finance Report: Andrea Gilmore reported focusing on Welcome Week and learning the process for using Peralta funds, including vendor invoices, Jamba Juice, Peet's Coffee, pastries, and required paperwork.

VP of Communications Report: Monique Choyce thanked the Board for approving the new minutes format, shared plans to update the agenda format, and encouraged unity and increased involvement as the Board grows.

VP of ICC Report: Chartered and unchartered clubs expressed interest in Welcome Week tabling. Outreach included re-chartering information, available start-up funding for new clubs, table/chair needs, and prospective student contacts.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Management Policy – MP 6200

The Board discussed updating the appointment process while retaining eligibility review, the written prompt/application, advisor review, Board involvement, and a clear attendance requirement. Members emphasized giving applicants the process early so expectations are understood.

Motion: Vice President of Communications Choyce moved to discuss Management Policy MP 6200.

Second: Vice President Corona.

Extension: Vice President of Finance Gilmore moved to extend the discussion by five minutes; Vice President of Communications Choyce seconded.

The agreed process was summarized as follows: Student Activities and ASMC leadership communicate applicant interest; Student Activities checks applicant qualifications; the prompted memo/application and Board interview/review are completed; the applicant attends two meetings; and the applicant may be considered for appointment at the third meeting.

Roll-Call Vote: Raymond Corona – Abstain; Andrea Gilmore – Yes; Monique Choyce – Yes.

Action: Motion passed, 2 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention. The revised appointment process will be used moving forward.

B. ASMC Inc. Team/Community Agreements

Motion: Vice President of Communications Choyce moved to postpone the ASMC Inc. Team/Community Agreements until the August 31, 2026 meeting.

Second: Vice President of Finance Gilmore.

Action: Item postponed to August 31, 2026.

C. ASMC Appointments Process

The Board clarified that future appointments should follow the revised process and be properly placed on a future agenda. Potential appointments for the vacant Vice President of ICC and Vice President of Participatory Governance positions were discussed for a future meeting.

Action: No separate appointment action was taken under this item.

D. Bylaws / MP 6100

The Board discussed reviewing the bylaws so the current Board can become familiar with the existing rules and determine whether amendments are needed. President Ronniedith Dimapasoc reviewed MP 6100 and the existing amendment procedure. A student/senator review model for suggesting bylaw ideas was also discussed.

Motion: Vice President of Communications Choyce moved to discuss the ASMC Bylaws.

Second: Vice President of Finance Gilmore.

Action: Discussion opened.

Motion: Vice President Corona moved to table the bylaws until the August 31, 2026 meeting.

Second: Vice President of Communications Choyce. **Action:** Bylaws tabled until August 31, 2026.

X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Welcome Week Finalization of Events

The Board reviewed Welcome Week 2026 logistics, outreach, promotional flyers, staffing, daily captains, vendor quotes, food, photography, supplies, and volunteer coverage. **Motion:** Vice President of Communications Choyce moved to discuss Welcome Week finalization of events. **Second:** Vice President Corona. Monday, August 24: Coffee and pastries were planned. Alternative vendors were discussed after Café Santana had not returned a quote. Tuesday, August 25: Jamba Juice and professional headshots were discussed. Wednesday, August 26: Games and DJ activities remained part of the plan. Friday, August 28: A food quote for 70 people was discussed. The Board also reviewed Amazon supply orders, updating the event proposal with quotes/receipts, and financial coordination. **Extension:** Vice President of Finance Gilmore moved to extend the Welcome Week discussion by five minutes; Vice President of Communications Choyce seconded. **Action:** Welcome Week planning continued and members identified availability and volunteer coverage.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Time: The meeting concluded at 3:33 PM. **Action:** Meeting adjourned.

SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL ACTIONS

Action	Result
Approve August 17 agenda	Approved
Approve August 3 minutes	Approved
Appoint Raymond Corona as Region III SSCCC Delegate	Approved by roll-call vote
Revised MP 6200 appointment process	Passed: 2 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstention
Extend MP 6200 discussion five minutes	Approved
ASMC Team/Community Agreements	Postponed to August 31, 2026
ASMC Bylaws	Discussed and tabled to August 31, 2026
Welcome Week Finalization	Discussion/planning continued
Extend Welcome Week discussion five minutes	Approved
Adjournment	3:33 PM

Prepared by: Monique Choyce, Vice President of Communications