



## ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY

### Student Senate

Meeting Agenda

**May 9, 2025**

Location: Board Room

**10:30 AM-12:00 PM PDT**

*Posted by : Alicia Szutowicz-Fitzpatrick, Student Senate President*

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Associated Student Body Senate will hold a meeting on **May 9, 2025**. The location and meeting time is noted above. All Associated Student Body Senate meetings are held in locations that are wheelchair accessible. Other disability-related accommodations will be provided to persons with disabilities upon request. Persons requesting such accommodations should notify ASB Senate President Alicia Szutowicz-Fitzpatrick at [a.szutowicz.asbarc@gmail.com](mailto:a.szutowicz.asbarc@gmail.com) no less than two days prior to the meeting. Efforts will be made to meet requests made after such date, if possible.

### Indigenous Land Use Statement

We acknowledge the land which we occupy today as the traditional home of the Nisenan, Maidu, and Miwok tribal nations. These sovereign people have been the caretakers of this land since time immemorial. Despite centuries of genocide and occupation the Nisenan, Maidu, and Miwok continue as vibrant and resilient tribes and bands, both Federally recognized and unrecognized. We take this opportunity to acknowledge the generations that have gone before as well as the present-day Nisenan, Maidu, and Miwok people.

**I. Call to Order** **1 minute**

**II. Request for Remote Participation:** **1 minute**

*The Student Senate will consider member requests for remote participation under the provisions of [California Assembly Bill 2449](#).*

**III. Roll Call** **1 minute**

**IV. Adoption of the Agenda** **1 minute**

**V. Approval of the Minutes** **1 minute**

**VI. Chair's Message** **5 minutes**

**VII. Advisor's Message** **5 minutes**

**VIII. Public Comment** **5 minutes**

This time is reserved for members of the public to address ASB Senate on issues not already appearing on the agenda. A limit of two (2) minutes per speaker shall be observed, with a maximum of four (4) minutes per topic. No discussion is allotted on public comment. The law does not permit any action to be taken, nor extended discussion of any items not on the agenda. The ASB Senate may briefly respond to statements made for questions posed, however, for further information, please contact the ASB Senate President for the item of discussion to be placed on a future agenda. (Brown Act §54954.3(b))

**IX. Appointments/Swearing-In** **0 minutes**

This time will be reserved for the appointment and swearing-in of current members to ASB Senate and/or committees.

**X. Unfinished Business** **10 minutes**

**10.1 The Handover Retreat**

This time is reserved to update and take action the board on the current status of the Handover Retreat from the Director of Activities Tyesha Riley. This includes a game of Kahoot to be played during the meeting to aid in the award ceremony section of the retreat.. This includes but is not limited to location, food, guests, games, activities and any miscellaneous items.

**XI. New Business** **30 minutes**

**11.1 HomeBase Changes for the 2025-26 Academic Year**

This time is reserved to inform and discuss the proposals for the 2025-26 academic year for the ARC Homebases. Dean of Outreach, Pathway Communities and Student Life at ARC Main Campus Hannah Blodgett will be presenting the options that are being presented from the leadership team.

**11.2 Governmental Stipend Bill S25-13**

This time is reserved to take action on the allocation of up to \$20,000 from the Associated Student Body to cover costs for allowable stipends for serving in the participatory governance at American River College.

**XII. Committee Reports****10 minutes**

This time is reserved for committee chairs to provide the board with a brief report on the current standing of active committees.

**XIII. Board Member Reports/Announcements****5 minutes**

This time is reserved for board members to inform the board about relevant campus-wide events, and to report any pertinent committee progress/activities. A time of three (3) minutes per report shall be observed.

**XIV. SSSCC & Region 2 Updates****3 minutes**

This time is reserved for appointed board members, members of the Student Senate of California Community Colleges (SSCC) to provide updates about state and regional initiatives.

**XV. Public Comment**

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**XVI. Adjournment**

Alicia Szutowicz-Fitzpatrick **ASB Senate President**

Brett Sawyer **Advisor**

As a follow-up to the memo shared by Vice President of Instruction, Angela Milano, last semester regarding HomeBases relocation and sustainability efforts, we are beginning a series of brainstorming and listening sessions to explore potential possibilities for the co-location of the HomeBases.

Reviewing the resources we can allocate to HomeBases, we can sustain three locations or fewer across the campus. We have collected feedback from surveys and listening sessions, and used that to develop a [set of guiding principles](#) as we considered co-location options.

**Option 1:**

- **Location: Arts and Science Building** | *HomeBases: Arts, People, Culture & Society, STEM*
- **Location: STEM Building (3rd Floor)** | *HomeBases: Business, Language & Communication*
- **Location: CTE Building** | *HomeBases: Health & Education, MCT, Public Service*

**Option 2:**

- **Location: Health & Education Building** | *HomeBases: Health & Education, Public Service*
- **STEM building (3rd floor)** | *HomeBases: Business, Language & Communication, STEM*
- **Location: CTE Building** | *HomeBases: Arts, MCT, People, Culture & Society*

**Option 3:**

- **Location: Arts & Science** | *HomeBases: Arts, STEM*
- **STEM building (3rd floor)** | *HomeBases: Business, Language & Communication, People, Culture & Society*
- **Location: CTE Building** | *HomeBases: Health & Education, Public Service, MCT*

**Option 4:**

- **Location: TBD** | *All HomeBases Co-located: Arts, STEM, Business, Language & Communication, People, Culture & Society, Health & Education, Public Service, MCT*
- *Pop up locations during key times*



# Student Senate Bill S25 – 13

## *Governmental Stipends for the 2024-2025 Academic Year*

Introduced by: <b>Sapeidah Saeedi</b>	Co-Sponsor(s) :
Dates Presented: 05.09.2025	Last Amended:

Account Name: Advocacy Fund  
Account Number: 72

**Motion:** That the Associated Student Body of American River College Student Senate (ASBARCSS) allocate up to \$20,000 to fund stipends for student government leaders for the 2024–2025 academic year.

This funding supports equitable compensation for student leaders who dedicate substantial time and effort to enhancing campus life, governance, and advocacy. Providing stipends helps reduce financial barriers and ensures that leadership opportunities remain accessible to all students, regardless of socioeconomic background.

According to the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office regarding allowable uses of the Student Representation Fee (SRF), this funding falls under: “Stipends to participate in participatory governance meetings and activities.” This allocation is therefore consistent with state policy and the intended use of SRF funds (see SRF Guidance Memo, p. 2 for screenshot).

The stipends will be distributed per semester as follows:

1. Student Senate Stipend Allocations (per semester):

- President: \$600
- Vice President: \$500
- Directors / Whip Positions (x6): \$400
- Legislative Analyst: \$375
- Senators (x11): \$300

Total Estimated Cost Per Semester for Senate:  $\$600 + \$500 + \$2,400 + \$375 + \$3,300 = \$7,175$

**Total Estimated Annual Cost for Senate: \$14,350**

2. Clubs and Events Board (CAEB) Stipend Allocations (per semester):

- President: \$500
- Vice President: \$400
- Directors and Historian (x5): \$300

Total Estimated Cost Per Semester for CAEB:  $\$500 + \$400 + \$1,500 = \$2,400$

**Total Estimated Annual Cost for CAEB: \$4,800**

**Total Estimated Annual Cost for the 2024–2025 ASB Board: \$19,150**

3. Total Allocation Request: To account for any potential adjustments or unforeseen expenses, the total requested amount is rounded up to \$20,000.

**Excerpt from “Allowable Student Representation Fee Uses” Memo (ESS 22-300-006, May 3, 2022), p. 2:**

**SRF Allowable Uses**

May 3, 2022

- Student attendance at conferences, meetings, and events sponsored by the SSCCC or other nonpartisan student organizations that are for the purposes of legislative training, legislative awareness, disbursement of legislative information, or the election of SSCCC officers
- Visits to legislative offices to lobby and advocate for issues affecting the student body
- Hosting costs (food, marketing materials, spirit wear) for on- or off-campus meetings, conferences, and events to provide the student body legislative training, legislative awareness and information, and to increase engagement in student government and participatory governance
- Travel costs (flight, mileage, lodging, local transportation, meals, business center use, incidentals & per diem) associated with attending or hosting conferences, meetings, and events
- Stipends to participate in participatory governance meetings and activities
- Organizational dues and or special donations to the SSCCC or any other recognized student lobbying association
- Local or campus media campaigns to make available information about legislative issues of interest to the student body
- Purchase of equipment used for lobbying and or advocacy (e.g. computers, printers, Wi-Fi hot spots, tablets, etc.)
- Subscriptions to education oriented newsletters and or magazines

**Vote:**

**Date:**

**For:**

**Against:0**

**(Abstain: 0)**

***I adopt this measure as the President of the Associated Student Body Student Senate of American River College.***

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*Alicia Szutowicz-Fitzpatrick, President*

*Date*