Thursday, November 3rd, 2011
12:15pm
University of San Diego, Salomon Hall

The public is invited and encouraged to attend and participate in all Associated Students Senate Meetings. All meetings are open to the public, and are accessible to those with disabilities. Public participation in all discussions is welcomed, and the public is invited to address the Student Senate on non-Agenda items during the Announcements and Hearing of the Public portion of the Agenda.

1. Call to Order
   a. The meeting was called to order at 12:25pm

2. Roll Call
   a. All senators and representatives were present

3. Approval of Agenda
   a. Nederen moved to approve the agenda
      i. Moved and seconded
   b. The Senate unanimously approved the agenda

4. Approval of Minutes
   a. Thursday, October 20, 2011
      i. Manalo moved to approve the minutes from the last Senate meeting, October 20, 2011
         1. Moved and seconded
      ii. The Senate unanimously approved the minutes from the last Senate meeting, October 20, 2011

5. Hearing of the Public (10 minutes per topic)
   a. Gabriel Debay
      i. Debay is an undergraduate student, sociology major and President of USD THINK, a club that brings together people of different areas to talk about social issues that affect them daily
      ii. He is competing for votes to go to the Ashoka convention for his video and asked senators to reach out to their constituents and solicit votes
      iii. Vote online at www.tedxashokau.com
1. Pavlovic stated that this information will go out in the AS Newsletter

   iv. Voting ends on November 15 at 8pm

6. Reports of Executive Board and Ex Officio Members

   a. Anthony Pavlovic, President

      i. No report

   b. Jeremy Whelan, Vice President

      i. Core Curriculum Update

         1. Whelan emphasized that the committee is in the process of redesigning the core curriculum

         2. Whelan asked how satisfied the senators are with their current majors

            a. Forey stated that the core curriculum had relatively little impact on his choice of major; he had to decide on a major before he had the opportunity to take all of his core classes

            b. Morgan stated that the core curriculum gives you a semester or a few to look around and figure out your major

            c. Zarley stated that there is an issue with getting into core classes as an upperclassmen

         3. Whelan asked the senators’ opinion of a requirement making it mandatory for students to take the classes as freshmen and sophomores

            a. Mendenhall stated that this depends on your major; students who are pre med or engineering have to start taking their major classes early in order to finish on time

            b. Pavlovic stated that he liked the freedom to take whatever classes you want early on and dabble in new avenues

            c. Whelan stated that the core curriculum committee established that these core classes are designed to help you choose your major

            d. Gallagher stated that if you take your core classes at once, you have to take your upper division classes at the end; this is not
beneficial for students who are science majors and have to fulfill lab courses  

e. Nederend agreed that it is nice to have some lower division courses at the end of your time at USD  
f. Kohli stated that at his first university (which he transferred to USD from), the advisors would recommend students to take core classes early on, but it was not a requirement  
g. Manalo stated that being able to spread your core classes across four years is helpful, especially if one is considering going abroad  

   i. Solomon explained that he took all of his core classes as an underclassmen and is finding it difficult to go abroad  

4. Chuck asked Jeremy what his senate’s role would be to move further  

   a. Jeremy stated that if they have any more feedback, they should attend the next meeting  

5. The committee’s next meeting is tomorrow at 3:30pm in Maher 205 

   ii. Library Quiet Zone for Final Exams  

1. Whelan explained that in the past AS has backed the library’s decision to be open for 24 hours a day for 2 weeks (finals week and the week before)  

   a. The first week, the library would have their usual policy but be open 24 hours, the second week (week of finals), the library would be completely silent and open 24 hours  

   b. There will be guidance as to where else on campus people can go to study with noise  

2. Manalo asked if there will be a coffee cart  

   a. Whelan will find out, as he is unsure whether or not it will be there
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3. Chuck recommended that we move this to the academics committee
   a. Ernesto moved to reassign the issue of Copley Library’s policy on Finals Week to the Academics committee
      i. Moved and seconded
   b. The Senate unanimously approved that the issue of the Copley Library’s policy on Finals Week should be assigned to the Academics Committee

c. Stephanie Atienza, Communication Chair
   i. Atienza thanked the senators for their work on Senator Meet and Greets
   ii. Weger stated that the Fall AS Philanthropy event is the Fight for Air Walk is Sunday, November 13
      1. Atienza explained that we are working with the Office of Sustainability
         a. There will be free t-shirts
      2. Weger stated that we will be meeting at 8am and taking trolley to downtown for an hour

d. Diana Rodriguez Agiss, Finance Chair
   i. No report

e. Kendal Lay, Torero Program Board Chair
   i. Lay announced three upcoming events on campus
      1. Women’s Soccer Tailgate is tomorrow
      2. November 14th is the first Men’s Basketball game
         a. Including spirit trams and body paint
      3. December 3rd 94.9 Holiday Hootenany Concert at the JCP
         a. There will be discount student tickets on sale for $25 beginning next week

f. Rebecca Garcia-Rangel, United Front Multicultural Center Rep
   i. Garcia-Rangel announced two upcoming events
      1. Mecha Salsa Night this Friday in Aromas
      2. FUSO’s Ugnayan Conference, Saturday from 8am-4:30pm in SOLES
a. Workshops about leadership, culture, history

  g. Robert Emma, RHA Rep
     i. Fun in the Sun, November 12, at 1pm at the Valley Field
        1. There will be an inflatable obstacle course and hamster ball races

  h. Caroline Brenes, Panhellenic Rep
     i. Thanks to everyone who came to the Halloween dance
     ii. There are two upcoming Fall Informationals for recruitment
         1. November 15 outside IPJ
         2. November 22 outside UC

  i. Mark Barnett, IFC Rep
     i. The new fraternity on campus, Fiji has begun distributing bids
        1. Initiation is November 13
        2. The consultants will be departing on November 16
     ii. There is an upcoming recruitment informational
         1. November 29 at 7:30pm on the 3rd floor of the SLP (SLIC)

7. Reports from Chairs of Standing Committees (3 minutes each, unless otherwise noted)
   a. Meghan Czarnecki, Academics Committee
      i. Czarnecki explained that the committee is working on getting a printer in the Shiley Science and Tech building
         1. Senator Kevin Forey has been communicating and collaborating with the Chair of the Chemistry Department
         2. Pavlovic asked what the next step is
            a. Czarnecki answered that the committee is now working on how they can fund it
            3. Pavlovic asked if there are potential rooms in the building for a printer
               a. Czarnecki stated that there is a student lounge that could easily host the printer

   b. Alex Hermann, Inclusion and Diversity Committee
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i. Hermann explained that the committee is currently working on a statement on behalf of AS to the Executive Council about the policy change with gender expression and gender identity
   1. Pavlovic asked what the statement is going to say
      a. Hermann explained that the statement will thank the administrators for the addition
   2. Schreiber reemphasized that any committee that is currently working on a statement needs to be mindful of the deadline

c. Coral Anderson, Student Life Committee
   i. Anderson stated that the committee met with dining services about a coffee cart in the west lot, marketing for vegetarian and vegan food items, food for Thanksgiving, and extended hours in La Paloma
   ii. Thanksgiving tram to the airport
      1. Anderson explained that it is cheaper to outsource for a tram
      2. There will be a Super Shuttle promotional code for students to use
      3. The price will be $20 roundtrip from campus to the airport
         a. Anderson emphasized that it is usually $20 for a one way taxi
      4. Anderson stated that if this is successful, we will get lower prices for Christmas or next year
   iii. The committee is also working on water filters in buildings
   iv. Flix and Stix – similar to Redbox
      1. In order to obtain this service, the university must have at least 35,000 students
      2. The committee is currently researching a contract with Clicks and Sticks

d. Katt Manalo, Student Organizations Committee
   i. Manalo explained that the committee is working on establishing a Student Organizations Committee Tab on my.sandiego.edu
      1. This tab will be beneficial for student orgs members and leaders
2. The committee is currently working on a survey for the content of tab
   a. The survey will be given out at the next ICC meeting on
      November 15
      i. The committee is also working on ways to improve ICC
         meetings
   ii. Student Organizations Committee E-mail Address: usdstudentorgs@gmail.com
      1. The committee has established an email for suggestions from student
         organizations
   iii. Approval of Clubs and Organizations
      1. Manalo stated that there are 5 new clubs and organizations and 15
         reregistering clubs and organizations that have been approved through
         the committee and now need to be voted on in Senate
      2. Reyes-Hernandez asked what the “Leaders of Tomorrow” club is
         a. Manalo answered that the club hopes to bring outside resources
            to campus to discuss leadership, networking, interpersonal
            skills
      3. Manalo moved to approve the 5 new clubs organizations and 15
         reregistering clubs organizations
         a. Moved and seconded
         b. The Senate unanimously approved the 5 new clubs and
            organizations and 15 reregistering clubs and organizations

8. Unfinished Business
   a. None

9. New Business
   a. Health Center Fee Presentation – Assistant Vice-President, Student Wellness, Dr. Moisés
      Barón and Health Center Director Pam Sikes
      i. The presenters explained that they are planning to present the new Health
         Center fee to the Board of Trustees at their February meeting
1. They are hoping to gain the senators’ endorsement and are asking for feedback

ii. The presenters emphasized that the current Health Center facility is not sufficient, it was originally designed to aid half of the student population

1. They are planning to create a state of the art facility in Maher Hall, where the Banquets and Catering office used to be located

iii. The increase will be from $23/semester to $70/semester

1. This fee, if approved, will go into effect in the Fall of 2012

2. Pavlovic asked if the increase will cover everything that needs to be renovated

   a. The presenters explained that the increase will cover everything and that if approved, the University will be giving them a loan to move forward

   b. The Health Center does not want those who will not be benefitting from the renovated facility to have to pay (i.e. graduating seniors)

3. Atienza asked if the university is paying for any of it

   a. The university is not paying for anything, but they are contributing

4. Rodriguez-Agiss asked if the increase will be permanent

   a. Yes

5. Manalo asked if they have considered a Detox facility

   a. No, but they will take note of that

6. Cook asked if senators have questions to talk to Dr. Baron and Pam Sykes

   a. Cook recommended that senators go back to constituents to solicit feedback, the issue was tabled until the next Senate meeting

10. Final Announcements and Hearing of the Public
a. Atienza announced that senators can get reimbursed for items they bought for Senator Meet and Greets by following the instructions sent out in the AS Newsletter

b. Morgan encouraged commuter senators to attend the Beach Town Hall meeting next week

i. Chuck suggested those who live at the beach attend

c. Mahallaty announced “The Scoop” on the ToreroLife website to promote students’ involvement in on campus activities

d. Hermann invited senators to participate in Beta Theta Pi and Gamma Phi Beta’s Almost Famous Talent Competition on December 6, auditions will be taking place next week

e. Anthony stated that tomorrow at 12:30pm everyone is strongly encouraged to meet in front of the health center to promote the subsidized flu shots for students

f. Manalo stated that she is on the Commencement Committee and encouraged senators to give her feedback to report back

g. Weger stated that November 11 is Student Veterans Day

h. Kohli announced that Dean Pyke will be giving a presentation for the Management Consulting Club next week

11. Adjournment

a. The Senate meeting was adjourned 1:38pm.