

AS Student Senate Minutes
Thursday, October 22, 2009
12:15 pm
University of San Diego, SLP 3rd Floor Courtyard

1) Call to Order

2) Roll Call

- At Traffic Court: Jeff Clark, Anthony Vieira, Anthony Pavlovic, and Kirk Leopoldo
- Absent: Student Alumni Association

3) Action Item- Approval of Agenda:

- Motion to approve-Crystal, Second-Sarah, Motion Passed

4) Action Item- Approval of the Minutes of Prior Meeting(s)

a. Thursday, October 8, 2009

- Motion to approve-Ashley, Second-Angela, Motion Passed

5) Hearing of the Public (10 minutes per topic)

- Can say non-announcements
- Mecha:
 - ? about Posting Policy
 - flyers are being taken down
 - front of Maher & Founders
 - ⇒ marketing policies are online
 - ⇒ Angela will contact Maintenance

6) Executive Board Reports (3 minutes each)

a. Alex:

- undergrad curriculum com. attended
- New Architecture major

7) Committee Reports

a. PRIDE Resolution:

- Sarah and Amelia: attended PRIDE last night
- planning an event and could collaborate with Senate
- Rally: wants each group to come up with one way they could support each other's groups
- Emanuele (IFC): talked to Msgr. Dillabough this morning
- issue wasn't controversy, he said it was a processing dilemma
- Katie: motion to open discussion, Crystal: seconded, motion passed
- Discussion:
 - Mackenzie: is on the Exec. Board for PRIDE
 - She disagrees that it was miscommunication
 - PRIDE was told by Dr. Avery that the event wouldn't happen
 - only after further discussion it came as an approval

- Alex: senate represents the student body & make statements for the school
- damage was already done
- PRIDE didn't feel welcomed is the biggest problem
- Amelia: critique is that Administration isn't communicating well
- IFC: doesn't want us to become insensitive to other issues
- Cathy: question to clarify the events that took place prior to the PRIDE dance
- Sarah: should have collaborative effort, perhaps a peaceful march to show we support each other
- not set in stone
- Amelia: criticizes how the Administration responded to the student organizations
- support PRIDE: they should feel welcomed
- Katie: not issue on morality
- Clarification by Alex: AS had not made a decision
- CC: does not feel that Senate is coming in as a powerhouse to the Administration
- thinks it is okay to speak up when we disagree
- Emmanule (IFC).: thinks controversy also exists with students
- Ashley: few points of view
- already dealt with it & spoke with the Administration
- now we are following up
- understands where we are coming from
- although some may disagree with the letter we came up with it collectively
- Mackenzie: as AS we should support Pride
- wants an apology
- wants intramural and open forum to communicate to the student body
- IFC: Emmanuelle:
- approach to situation: don't attack school
- Amelia: a lot of Catholic students might be opposed
- could have educational piece on Catholic views
- Spectator: Johnny-be careful putting bias into situation
- respect decisions and support AS
- Katie: CST supports inclusion
- CC: despite moral beliefs, there will still be controversy whether we take action or not

8) Old Business

a. PRIDE resolution:

- came up with proposal to express to Administration- done by MRB & Student Issues
- Faculty Senate: main points- they passed a resolution
- faculty said the Administration made a mistake against PRIDE
- Cathy- motion to table draft discussion to next Senate to discuss changes, Katie- seconded, motion passed, discussion tabled

b. New Student Orgs:

- USD Acapella
 - motion to approve: Cathy, Mecha: seconded, motion passed, USD Acapella approved

9) New Business:

a. New

1. CASA

- Question from Crystal: students might be confused because there is already a club called CASA
- *next week they should bring a new proposed name for their club
- Sarah: club would be located in Multicultural Center

2. IIE: no representative

3. Model UN

- Question from Mecha: Will they hold competitions?
- not planning on it, but are not opposed to researching it for the future

4. NSCS

- Question from Crystal: Have they talked to Honors Program?
- Question from RHA: Are they aware that the Admissions Office gives tours and they could collaborate with them?
- They will collaborate with them

5. NET

- No representative

6. Rotaract

- They will talk with CASA and CSL in hopes of collaborating efforts

7. STAND

- No Questions

8. USD AD Club

- No Questions

9. USD Dance Club

- Question from Dance Sport: Have they talked to the President of Dance Sport?
- Will they compete?- Possibly in the future but not now, because they will just be getting started

10. Democracy Matters

- Question from the Public: Are they affiliated with any political party?- They are non-partisan

11. Real Estate

- Question from Public: Will they connect w/ USD program?- Yes

12. Biology Club

- No Questions

13. Shelter San Diego

- No representative

10) Announcements:

- Junior Senators collected student issues at their Froyo Event
- Freshman Senators: Oct. 29 is Free Food for Freshman: donuts, & Jamba Juice @ Plaza Mayor
- Sophomore Senators: Nov. 6: Pool party and will pass out tanks
- Amelia: will discuss the feedback forms
- Cathy: Senior Night is 10/22
 - Support Alpha Delta Pi: Texas- will be selling tickets next week in front of the SLP

- Support Alpha Phi's Red Dress Gala

11) Adjournment: motion to adjourn meeting-Alex, seconded- Mackenzie, meeting adjourned at 1:33 pm