



Senate Minutes

Thursday, February 23th, 2023

1:15pm

The Senate Chamber, Maher Hall, University of San Diego

1. Call to Order
2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of the Agenda, February 23th , 2023
 - a. Senator Jolie. Motion to approve the Agenda. Seconded. Motion passes.
5. Approval of the Minutes, February 16nd, 2023
 - a. Student Org Committee Chair. Motion to approve the Minutes. Seconded. Motion passes.
6. Raising of Questions from Members of the Public
7. Report from The Speaker of the Senate
 - a.
 - b. Last Friday I met with VPSA Charlotte Johnson, she committed to find funds from Student Affairs for transportation and for other fields
 - c. Attended Multicultural Night last friday with Exec! It was a lot of fun!
 - d. First Committee Chairs and Coordinators meeting went well and generated future speakers for senate!
 - e. Yesterday met with Dr. Burden, Serena Gandra, and President Melissa to discuss field use on campus and solutions, will be setting up follow up!
 - f. The Speaker Pro Tempore and I met with the Tribal Liaison to discuss her upcoming visit to Senate
 - g. The Speaker Pro Tempore and I will be gone from next week's Senate, as she will be in Las Vegas for Cheer and I will be attending Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees.
 - h. If you have any questions please email me at asgspeaker@san Diego.edu
8. Reports from The Senate Leadership Team
 - a. Completed Initiative Sheet:
 - b. <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ecsNBwIcISawlhxNcbqbOgUoVMqmkbM92OxURnEj8/edit?usp=sharing>
 - c. Break down the work that needs to be done DURING OFFICE HOURS
 - d. Spend an hour outside of office hours talking to your constituents (1 of 6)
 - e. Develop questions from your current projects or from Senate discussions

- f. We need a proxy for both clerk and SPT for next week
- g. Need volunteers for valley field event
- h.

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- i. Parliamentary Reminder: If you do not agree with a decision passed by the Speaker, you may appeal the decision for a possible override by a 2/3rds vote of the Senate.

9. Reports from The Committee Chairs & Coordinators

a. The Academics Committee Chair

- i.
- ii. Met w/ Madeline & Tess
- iii. Spring Grant Process is starting tomorrow!
- iv. Academic Committee has been reaching you to Commons on campus (receiving a lot of great feedback)
- v. Partnering with Copley for an affordability resolution
- vi. Feb. 23, 1965 - Constance Baker Motley elected Manhattan Borough president, the highest elective office held by a black woman in a major American city.
- vii. blong@sandiego.edu and O.H.

b. The IDEA Committee Chair

- i.
- ii. Valley A wheelchair accessibility: Cannot occur at this time due to Wellness Building construction beginning soon
- iii. Continued efforts to revisit bringing water tanks back to the Valley
- iv. Sen. Takilah will be meeting Tuesday with Andres, Lily, Mia, and Charles Ramos (Head of Dining) regarding different food options in the SLP
- v. Sen. Jacob met with K Thomas to learn more about how USD has been serving the LGBTQIA+ community & creating a safe environment
- vi. Lack of university announcement about STI outbreaks on-campus, increasing accessibility for queer students w/ sexual orientation-based questions on housing application
- vii. Looking into creating a survey to gauge student opinions on how to best accommodate those that used the Valley Field often; will discuss in next committee meeting
- viii. Working with Pres. Melissa and Sen. Sean to improve the food pantry this semester

- ix. Google Form survey will be sent out in the coming weeks
- x. Initiative sheet will be filled out for IDEA as a whole by Friday due to unforeseen circumstances needing an extension
- xi. Questions? Contact ajanumov@sandiego.edu
- xii. Office Hours: M & Th 3-6PM
- c. The Student Org Committee Chair
 - i.
 - ii. We are still working on making easy to follow guidelines about registering student orgs and things like that to put on posters
 - iii. We are also finalizing details about our student org spring mixer that is on March 21st!!
 - iv. Thank you and if you need to reach out to me my email is: dfarhoud@sandiego.edu
- d. The Student Life Committee Chair
 - i. Grocery Lyft Codes active
 - ii. Code: ASGGROCERY23
 - iii. Every Sunday (whole day)
 - iv. February 26th - May 21st
 - v. Between USD and Mission Valley shopping center (Target, Trader Joe's, etc.)
 - vi. 150 rides - carpooling encouraged
 - vii. Submitting request for Spring Break Lyft codes for students who are staying over break (encourage engagement with USD community and surrounding community)
 - viii. Saturday - Little Italy Mercato Farmer's Market
 - ix. Thursday - Belmont Park/Beach
- e. The Athletics Coordinator
 - i.
 - ii. Have made arrangements to improve student leader training to be better for student athletes
 - iii. Games this week
 - iv. WBB tonight at 6pm vs Gonzaga
 - v. Softball tomorrow 10:30am vs UC Berkeley
 - vi. WBB Saturday @2pm
 - vii. Baseball Saturday @ 6pm
 - viii. MBB Saturday @7pm
 - ix. Football Saturday @4:30pm (Spring game)
 - x. Baseball Sunday @1pm
 - xi. Softball Wednesday @5:30pm
- f. The Health and Wellness Coordinator
 - i. Meeting with Sarah Diamond Rescheduled for March 1 w/ President

Melissa

- ii. Met with my advisor and Senator Chloe to review our wellness discussion
- iii. Collaboration with Copley Library in the future to market our wellness resources

g. The Sustainability Coordinator

- i. Let me know any ideas for Earth Day fair
- ii. Office hours:
- iii. ASG offices, Mon., Tues., Wed. and Fri. 1:30-3
- iv. Sustainability questions, concerns ideas?
- v. Email me! spala@sandiego.edu

10. Reports from The ASG Executive Board

a. President

- i. Happy Thursday all! Unfortunately I am out sick and can't be here today :(
- ii. Putting together a Food Pantry feedback survey w/ IDEA and Student Life committees
- iii. Judged at Multicultural Night last Friday! Was super fun and thanks to everyone who came!
- iv. Had the first Pop-Up Lunch on Wednesday! It was very successful, and heard some interest from them to join Senate and TPB next school year!
- v. Attended a tour of Ryan Bros. Coffee on Tuesday, a sustainable coffee brand started by USD alumni
- vi. Brainstorming the potential of getting sustainable coffee kegs in Aromas!
- vii. Met w/ Dr. Chris Burden and Serena from Campus Rec to discuss Campus Rec relocations and funding
- viii. [Meeting Notes Here!](#)
- ix. Meeting with Claire Gosen and Sarah Diamond w/ Chloe Holm next Wednesday, March 1 to discuss the potential of getting contraceptives on campus
- x. Meeting w/ Dr. Lisa Nunn (date TBD) from CEE to brainstorm messaging to faculty regarding Wellness practices in the classroom
- xi. If you have anything you want me to bring up at these upcoming meetings, please let me know!
- xii. Will begin making my relevant ASG meeting notes readily accessible for ASG members to stay updated on important matters and administrative collaborations

b. Vice President

- i. At Faculty Senate today. I will be discussing the following topics in

my faculty announcements:

- ii. Met with Tribal Liaison Sahmie Wytewa last week- ASG and the CID want to move forward beyond our land acknowledgements
 - iii. Education about the indigenous experience and history can be included in our core attributes
 - iv. Compass points can be awarded for participation of Office of Tribal Liaison events/ indigenous student org events
 - v. Questions comments concerns- asgvicepresident@sandiego.edu
 - vi. Today in sports history: Lakers guard D'Angelo Russel is born in Louisville, KY (1996)
- c. Chief Justice
- i. Finalizing Spring 2023 Elections Application
 - ii. Judicial Branch will be presenting Senate Bylaw updates NEXT Senate
 - iii. Meeting with TPB Chair to work on TPB Bylaws
- d. TPB Chair
- i. Goodbye Valley Field: Tuesday, 2/28 from 5:00-8:00 PM
 - ii. Thank you to those who are volunteering!
 - iii. Shoutout to Senator Ceci for the t-shirt giveaway idea :)
 - iv. Mean Girls Musical: Tickets gone in two minutes!
 - v. TPB Chair Application closes this weekend.
 - vi. Working w/ the Chief Justice on TPB Bylaws
 - vii. Save the Date: Women's History Month Speaker on March 14th in Shiley Theater
- e. Finance Chair
- i. We (finally) have a full ASG Budget Committee!!!
 - ii. Experiencing a very large backlog of requests & have not been able to get people there money as quick as we were; currently trying to figure out what to do
 - iii. We have multiple over \$10,000 ASGBC requests in the pipeline
 - iv. including 1 presentation today & 2 next week
 - v. Reviewed 2 more Get Involved Fund requests; allocated for one and denied the other
 - vi. Had fun at Multicultural Night last Friday
 - vii. Will be MIA next Senate (@ Board of Trustees Finance Committee Meeting)
 - viii. Have a fun Spring Break everyone
 - ix. Fun Fact: France's longest land border is with Brazil (French Guiana's border with Brazil)
- f. PR Chair
- i. Happy Pisces Season!!

- ii. Still working on preparations for Spring Elections
- iii. Promotion of parking changes/improvements to take place after Spring Break
- iv. Possible collab with Cal Fresh Marketing
- v. If any new Senators have yet to receive their ¼ Zips, let's connect so I can give it to you!
- vi. Contact: asgpublicrelations@sandiego.edu
- g. Chief of Staff
 - i.
 - ii. Still continuing on planning out our bonding and banquet! If anyone wants to help me out with planning, please email me, especially if you are an event planning queen/king/slayer.
 - iii. Bonding will be on March 24th! Make sure to reply to the gcal!
 - iv. Office Hours Log!!! Turn those in, at least like five people are missing.
 - v. Not much more from me.
 - vi. Quote of the Day: "I can be changed by what happens to be. But I refuse to be reduced by it." -Maya Angelou

II. New Business

- a. Presentation and Vote on New and Returning Student Orgs Presented by the Student Organizations Committee Chair, Dana Farhoud (10 min)
 - i. All new and old clubs that have been on campus but not in recent years must get approved by Senate.
 - ii. We have 1 new student organization and 1 old-new student organization that we are presenting today.
 - iii. Delta Lambda Phi
 - iv. Mission:
 - v. To create a safe and inclusive space for the male queer and ally community.
 - vi. Goals:
 - vii. To establish themselves and have their message reach students and create a relationship with other fraternities here at USD and participate in a philanthropic way in the community.
 - viii. African Student Union
 - ix. Mission:
 - x. The objective of this association shall be to foster a support network for all African students. The organization will serve as a proactive agent in the community. It will create a safe space to discuss issues that affect the local and greater African community. This association will also encourage the retention of Africans and the completion of their educational goals.
 - xi. Goals:

- xii. To assist in projects with community advisors, perform acts of services to the students of the future, celebrate different african tribes and their culture and food.
 - xiii. Any questions or concerns?
 - xiv. Move to approve all of these clubs
 - xv. IDEA Committee Chair. Motion to approve the two organizations presented. Seconded. Motion Passes.
- b. Presentation and Vote on Club Rugby's over \$10,000 Request Presented by the ASG Finance Chair and the ASG Controller (35 min)
- i. \$133,000 left - 10 more meetings
 - ii. How ASGBC Works
 - iii. Budget comes from a larger asg budget. We support all undergraduate orgs on campus, voting members are 2 senators 1 tpb rep, and reps from different campus org categories, asgbc follows the asgbc funding guide for requests but there is some discretion to modify we want to try to be consistent, our budget this semester is \$170,000, Reviews over 10k come to senate, we choose to fund in full or in part or not at all.
 - iv. USD Men's rugby, competitive club with varsity expectations and championship pedigree, historic season that saw us hoist a national championship in 7s and a 5th place finish in 15s. We need your help to pay for flights, hotels, and food, in conjunction with a change funding campaign, this will ensure our athletics have every opportunity to build upon last year.
 - v. 50 student athletes, coaching staff of international professionals, american olympians and USD alumni, network of over 400 toreros alumni. City champions in 19, 21, and 22, 15s celtic 8 in 22, 15s final four in 14, and 7s national champions 22
 - vi. Set a timeline of all the most prestigious tournaments we can play in
 - vii. West Coast Regionals, in 15s in San Diego
 - viii. Collegiate Rugby Championship 7s in Washington DC
 - ix. USA Rugby National FInals 15s in Kansas City, MO
 - x. Need to succeed
 - xi. About 31000\$ from asg
 - xii. Hotels-\$7000
 - xiii. Food-\$6000
 - xiv. Flights-\$15000
 - xv. Van Transportation-\$3000
 - xvi. We estimate we about 45000\$ total for both trips
 - xvii. USD Support for television and to get the word out
 - xviii. More detail cost breakdown on slide

- xix. Broke down per night and place for each person that would be attending, not bringing entire team to either tournament. Including flights and transportation etc. Meals (2 meals a day)
- xx. Impact:
- xxi. Funding directly impact 50 students and hundreds of alumni
- xxii. Competing in these tournaments can bring positive attention to the university and its students
- xxiii. Have opportunity to win two national championships
- xxiv. Enable our athletics to have college defining experience
- xxv. All this for less than \$700/student
- xxvi. What is not used can be refunded as only one tournament to Washington DC is guaranteed
- xxvii. Contact Felix Morales: GM for USD Rugby,
felixmorales@sandiego.edu
- xxviii. ASGBC Recommendation
- xxix. What to consider
- xxx. One request but look like 2 because they are two different championships
- xxxi. How are other groups funded on campus? How should or shouldn't sports clubs be considered different?
- xxxii. What is the value-added of what we are funding? How does what we fund and support reflect our values?
- xxxiii. Club sports also get funding through Campus Rec but they can't predict championships so they are told to come to ASGBC for that, they are not allocated funding through campus rec for championships.
- xxxiv. How do we balance the budget to ensure we can fund requests throughout the semester?
- xxxv. Club sports are most similar to the conferences section of the funding guide-so that provides a good reference
- xxxvi. Recommendation from ASGBC:
- xxxvii. Kansas City broken down to \$11,800-35 people total, pays for \$7000 flight and \$1800, hotels \$3000
- xxxviii. DC broken down to \$5,990 15 total- pays for \$1950 hotels, \$1040 for food, and \$3000 for flights
- xxxix. Total \$17,790 for both requests
- xl. Senator Valeria: This number that ASGBC recommends is different from rugby's request? Did rugby look at the cheapest option out there?
- xli. Felix: We use Lucid Travels via Club Rec, and we try and find the cheapest option through Lucid Hotels possible.

- xlii. Senator Chloe. For the budget committee, why do you choose not to fund transportation?
- xlili. Jordan. Travel and food and cost will not be funded based on how we fund conventions, conferences and retreats, but this was the closest category similar to this. We didn't find it necessary to fund vans which are expensive.
- xliv. Felix: Per campus rec we cannot drive ourselves and use ubers. Campus rec makes us use the approved drivers.
- xlv. Student Org committee Chair. Why did the budget committee decide to fund food but not for other events you wouldn't?
- xlvi. Ashley. They do not fit in any category so we decided to fund at least some of the food based on all the expenses they will have to have
- xlvii. Student Life committee chair. How much do you think you will get from your change funding campaign?
- xlviii. Felix. Made 19000\$ from this last year, so our goal this year is \$20,000. We already charge our athletes \$700 a semester.
- xlix. Senator Ceci. Would this money be refunded back to asgbc if they do not make one of the tournaments?
 - l. Ashley. All things not used for a certain purpose will be refunded back to the us.
 - li. Athletics coordinator. If their rules do not let them use cheaper transportation why would you not give them money for this purpose.
 - lii. Jordan. This fact that they were limited in transportation was not made aware to us at the time of their initial presentation to ASGBC.
 - liii. Clerk of the Senate. So we know that rugby has high joining fees and got lots of money from torero tuesday, how is this money currently used.
 - liv. Felix. We try to use about 75k this year, and with these dues coming in we can use this on coaching and on jerseys and other tournaments along with gym memberships. But we try to maintain a 10% to rollover so we know we are not low on funds.
 - lv. Jordan. And to make it clear, flights will cost about double of what was allocated.
 - lvi. Felix. We know it will cost well over the asked amount, however, we are doing a change funding campaign that will help us raise more money.
 - lvii. Senator Jonathan. Does rugby have thoughts about becoming a D1 team, because funding may become easier if you do this.
 - lviii. Felix. There have always been talk about us moving up to D1 sports from the club level. But many restrictions would be placed on the

- team if we were to move to join the athletics program, which has prevented us from doing so as we like to have it open to all students.
- lix. Parliamentarian. Point of Order the Allotted Time has expired.
- lx. Student Life Committee Chair. Motion to extend allotted time by 15 mins. Seconded. Motion Passes.
- lxi. Senator Jonathan. So can we wait to approve the Kansas City request and separate the line items?
- lxii. Ashley. I do not think we should wait, because they would have to go through this process all over again and prices would increase and they would have little turn around to receive the money.
- lxiii. Senator Takailah. How has rugby given back to the community at USD?
- lxiv. Felix. Through many efforts like involvement and changemaking. This is done by our tabling and being involved in different functions around campus each semester. And creating entertainment.
- lxv. Speaker Pro Tempore. ASGBC recommendation is around \$17000 and did not include transportation and not a lot of food was not funded as they changed the amount asked for food from \$10 to \$20 a meal, but by giving them this we could given them \$26,860.09 for food. I would keep 15000\$ for flights and the money for rooms. But I would change the meals from 20 to 10 \$ and give them money for ground transportation, as they are limited to how they are allowed to move.
- lxvi. Senator Jacob. What is our track looking like each month to spend to stay on track?
- lxvii. Ashley. It is about \$12000 but this changes with each month, especially with our \$10,000 requests and we have a backlog.
- lxviii. Senator Valeria. How many undergraduate vs graduate students do you have?
- lxix. Felix. There is only 1 graduate student and we have 50 people total.
- lxx. Senator Takailah. Motion to call to recess for 5 mins. Seconded. Motion passes.
- lxxi. Student Org Committee Chair. Motion to approve rugby \$26790. Seconded.
- lxxii. Speaker Pro tempore. Point of Information. Want to hear what Ashley has to say on the issue at hand.
- lxxiii. Ashley. Look back on how much money we do have left and for future events coming in. Specify how much you want to allocate for each line item.
- lxxiv. Jordan. Historically we do have an influx of requests towards the end of the semester.

- lxxv. Speaker pro tempore. Point of Clarification. the number I had calculated was \$26960.09 earlier, not the amount that was mentioned in the motion.
- lxxvi. Speaker pro tempore. Motion to amend the current motion to \$26960.09. Seconded.
- lxxvii. Senator Osa. Point of Information. How time sensitive is this information for the championship.
- lxxviii. Felix. We will not find out if we make one of the championships until later. However, we want to buy things as soon as they are cheaper in advance and we want to make the most out of our budget.
- lxxix. Parliamentarian. Point of Order. The allotted time has expired.
- lxxx. Student life committee chair. Motion to extend the allotted time by 10 minutes. Seconded. Motion passes.
- lxxxi. Ashley. I recommend you do look at this as if the money will come back. There typically is a standard reasoning for how you all calculated hotels, I recommend having a set price per person. And who these prices
- lxxxii. Madeline. I wanted to clarify the motion. If you do not break it down and only give it in lump sum, they are allowed to use this money for anything.
- lxxxiii. Student life committee chair. Motion to call to question. Seconded. Motion passes.
- lxxxiv. Senator Isabella. Point of Information. Are we voting to amend or approve the original motion?
- lxxxv. Speaker of the Senate. We are voting to amend.
- lxxxvi. Motion fails to amend the original motion to \$26960.09.
- lxxxvii. Senator Chloe. Do we need to specify between the championships?
- lxxxviii. Ashley. What I would say you should be as specific as you can be when allocating this money to make sure it is used for what you want it to be used for.
- lxxxix. Student Life committee chair. Motion to call to question on the main motion of 26790\$. Seconded. Motion fails.
- xc. Health and Wellness Coordinator. What is being funded between this amount and the old amended amount, how did we obtain this number?
- xc. Student Org Committee Chair. Motion to amend the motion to \$23,790. Hotels will stay the same as mentioned with ASGBC recommendation. We will add \$3000 for ground transportation, but keep the same for flights and food. Seconded.
- xcii. Ashley. This needs to clarify for what championship and who the money is for.

- xciii. Student Org Committee Chair. Point of Information. How can I amend it again?
- xciv. Parliamentarian. We must vote on this amendment before you can change it again.
- xcv. Student Life committee chair. Motion to call to question. Seconded. Motion passes.
- xcvi. The main motion amended to \$23790. Motion to amend motion Passes.
- xcvii. Parliamentarian. Point of Order the allotted time has expired.
- xcviii. Senator Jolie. Motion to extend allotted time by 10 mins. Seconded. Motion passes.
- xcix. Speaker pro tempore. Motion to amend motion recommending the Kansas City Trip \$11800 for Food. Hotels-\$3324 Airport transportation: \$1500 Ground transportation \$2827. Washington DC: Food- \$5590. Hotels: \$3329. Motion fails.
 - c. Academics Committee Chair. Motion to move to recess for 5 mins. Motion fails.
 - ci. Senator Chloe. Motion to approve the number for the motion. With the following specifics. All funds will be used for undergraduates. KC: \$7000 for flights. \$1800 for food. DC:\$3000 for flights. \$1040 for food. 50\$ a night per hotel differencing the amount of students that are stated to go in this presentation by Felix. \$3000 for both cities ground transportation. Seconded.
 - cii. Jen. Point of Clarification. What was the amount for transportation for Kansas City, MO?
 - ciii. Senator Chloe. It was \$3000 for ground transportation for each city. Everything is allocated only for students.
 - civ. Jordan. Point of Clarification. It is \$3000 total for ground transportation in both cities, not for each.
 - cv. Speaker Pro Tempore. Motion to call to question.Seconded. Motion passes.
 - cvi. Motion to move to vote on \$23790 as stipulated by Senator Chloe. Motion fails.
 - cvii. Senator Chloe. Motion to amend total amount to \$20790. Based on the same stipulations I stated earlier however, making ground transportation \$1500 in each city. Seconded.
 - cviii. Jen. Point of Clarification. Was there a point for the flight amount?
 - cix. Athletics Coordinator. Point of Information. I can't amend something that hasn't been approved? Motion to amend the motion to \$25,790 due to flights. Motion fails.
 - cx. The current set is still \$23790.

cxii. Senator Chloe. Uses the same specifics as before, however, makes emphasis that she stated flight total which was the same to bring the total to \$20790. Seconded. Motion passes.

12. Final Business and Hearing of the Public. *At this time, any Senator may take from the table any motion previously laid on the table in the meeting the week before or present urgent business; any member of the public may voice any concerns to the assembly on non-agenda items.*

13. Adjournment (1 min)

a. Student Org Committee Chair. Motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded. Motion passes. (2:24 pm).

The public is invited and encouraged to attend and participate in all Associated Student Government Senate Meetings. All meetings are open to the public and participation in discussion is welcome during Final Business and Hearing of the Public.

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