



## Senate Minutes

Thursday, February 9th, 2023

1:15pm

The Senate Chamber, Maher Hall, University of San Diego

1. Call to Order
2. Land Acknowledgement (1 min)
3. Roll Call (3 min)
4. Approval of the Agenda, February 9th , 2023 (3 min)
  - a. Student Org Committee Chair. Motion to approve the Agenda. Seconded. Motion passes.
5. Approval of the Minutes, February 2nd, 2023 (2 min)
  - a. Senator Anna. Motion to approve the Minutes. Seconded. Motion passes.
6. Raising of Questions from Members of the Public (5 min)
  - a. Katherine. Update on Bibliu. That all funds were exhausted. The Dean helped with a little extra money to support more books.
  - b. Senator Devon. Asking if there is a way to know if there will be extra demand.
  - c. Katherine. Knows that more people overall demands due to faculty increase.
7. Report from The Speaker of the Senate (3 min)
  - a. Happy Senate to you all!
  - b. Attended a meeting with Campus Rec to discuss the Field repercussions and have serious concerns after discussion and sharing updates right now
  - c. Attended the lunch with Archbishop Fabre with the Finance Chair
  - d. Met with AVP Andre Mallie with the Chief of Staff and the Student Life Committee Chair, and she will be giving updates later
  - e. Have been in contact with other Student Governments from San Diego in an effort to move forward with the leadership conference
  - f. Will be meeting with the Chief Justice today to discuss the senate bylaw amendments, will be updating soon!
  - g. Will continue to meet with Mike Dils for parking and will be working to figure out how we can help those who park in the valley lot
  - h. Any questions at all, email me at [asgspeaker@sandiego.edu](mailto:asgspeaker@sandiego.edu)
8. Reports from The Senate Leadership Team (2 min)
  - a. Who do you want to see come to Senate?
  - b. Office hours need to be productive...

- c. Resolution work happens in Office Hours.
  - d. Each committee should focus on a resolution.
  - e. Working on an active document to keep each other updated on what we are working on.
  - f. Active Tasks Example Sheet
  - g. Parliamentary Reminder: You can request information on any item at any given time without recognition from the Speaker by declaring a “Point of Information”. Similarly, you can provide information on any item or answer a point of information without recognition by declaring a “Point of Clarification”.
9. Reports from The Committee Chairs & Coordinators (10 min)
- a. The Academics Committee Chair
    - i. Happy Thursday!
    - ii. Attended the BSU GBM this week
    - iii. Working on a survey for affinity groups on campus to gain insight on the intersectionality of the student experience and student identities
    - iv. Working on a “Book Pantry” res. within the Academics Comm.
    - v. Alternative study space with long hours to accommodate students
    - vi. blong@sandiego.edu
    - vii. Senator Bella- MLC, @usdcas posted a few days ago that it’ll be open Mondays through Fridays from around 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. 😊
    - viii. Feb. 9, 1995 - Bernard Harris, African- American astronaut, takes space walk.
  - b. The IDEA Committee Chair
    - i. If you or anyone you know would like to sign up for this year’s Multicultural Night on the 17th of February, please visit [tinyurl.com/2023-MCN](https://tinyurl.com/2023-MCN)
    - ii. Events to look out for:
    - iii. UFMC’S Multicultural Night on the 17th of February.
    - iv. Office of the Tribal Liason’s Stronger Together: No More Stolen Sisters will be held at Soles Reading Room on the 21st of February.
  - c. The Student Org Committee Chair
    - i. Hi everyone!
    - ii. Last week we approved 3 organizations and are going to vote on 2 later this meeting.
    - iii. We invited the African Student Union to come meet with us tomorrow.
    - iv. We are in the works of planning a Student Org Spring Mixer and our tentative date is March 21st, 2023 from 12:15 pm - 2: 15 pm. We will have more information about that soon and are open to any ideas

anyone has!

- v. We are also working on making easy to follow guides on the student org registration process to then be made into a poster and posted on the Instagram.
  - vi. I will be meeting with the Academics Chair Bre'Arra tomorrow to discuss our idea about a resolution and will have more information next week!
  - vii. Thank you and if you need to reach out to me my email is:  
dfarhoud@sandiego.edu
- d. The Student Life Committee Chair
- i. Meeting with Andre Mallie:
  - ii. Follow-up after last semester's meeting
  - iii. Presented to the Board of Trustees in December, got approved
  - iv. Shift to lower tier items (more affordable)
  - v. 461 new products introduced
  - vi. Meal deals (ex: \$9 lunch special) continued — approx 4,800 uses — exception: dinner
  - vii. Breaking boxes
  - viii. 10% Campus Cash Deal
  - ix. What's next:
    - x. Seeing if and how products move (get sold)
    - xi. Possible areas of improvement:
    - xii. Pre-made products: price driven by labor costs, minimum wage increase this past January
  - xiii. Beverages: Coca-Cola limitations
  - xiv. Email me at arissalelevier@sandiego.edu with questions, suggestions, etc.
- e. The Athletics Coordinator
- i. Happy Senate!
  - ii. I met with leadership within the Scholastic Assistant program and it went really well! Gabriella is actively talking about logistics with her team and I will have updates on Monday
  - iii. I met with my advisor yesterday and we are working on having a Black Owned Business Food Festival at an athletics event this month
  - iv. Meeting with Arthur Cummins on Monday about making Narcan training available to student athletes and scholastic assistants
  - v. Still working on initiative for the Rugby game this month
  - vi. Games this week
  - vii. Women's Basketball tonight @7 vs LMU
  - viii. Men's Tennis Saturday @11am vs Pacific
  - ix. Women's Basketball Saturday @2pm vs Pepperdine

- x. Men's Tennis On Sunday @12pm vs Santa Clara
- xi. Don't forget about Torero Thursdays at Belmont Park!
- f. The Health and Wellness Coordinator
  - i. Happy Senate!
  - ii. Reached out to Facilities for feminine hygiene products
  - iii. Meeting with Sarah Diamond to discuss sexual education on campus and ongoing efforts to enhance sexual education on campus
  - iv. Remind everyone about Mental Health and Wellness on campus
- g. The Sustainability Coordinator
  - i. Sustainability Summit Feb. 14! Still time to sign up!
  - ii. New office hours:
  - iii. ASG offices, Mon., Tues., Wed. and Fri. 1:30-3
  - iv. Sustainability questions, concerns ideas?
  - v. Email me! [spala@sandiego.edu](mailto:spala@sandiego.edu)
  - vi. <https://www.sandiego.edu/events/detail.php?focus=87344>
  - vii. Robert Bullard - "Father of environmental justice"
  - viii. <https://www.nytimes.com/2022/09/12/climate/robert-bullard-environmental-justice.html>

#### 10. Reports from The ASG Executive Board (10 min)

- a. President
  - i. Happy Thursday! Thanks to everyone who helped out at the Alcala Bazaar!
  - ii. Received 168 more responses regarding Academic Wellness from our Instagram poll!
  - iii. Need help brainstorming resolutions from Academic Wellness survey, so please touch base with me if you'd like to work on this data with me!
  - iv. ASG Pop-Up Lunches form is LIVE! Please share with your constituents who are interested in building relationships with ASG!
  - v. Reaching out to administrators regarding communication efforts from Student Affairs to students and Campus Rec regarding Wellness Building Construction
  - vi. Still working on communication with student leaders from other universities to plan Student Government Conference
- b. Vice President
  - i. Bibliu: funds are currently used for the semester. Will be working with finance committee and Copley to help in the best way possible.
  - ii. Coming soon: Initiative request for \$3000 to the office of undergraduate research for travel grants.
  - iii. Today in sports history: Phoenix suns acquire Kevin Durant from the Brooklyn Nets (2/9)

- c. Chief Justice
  - i. Set the Spring Elections Timeline
  - ii. Working on updating ASG application
  - iii. Senate Bylaw Updates
  - iv. Finished Judicial Branch Petition Form: should be going onto the site next week
- d. TPB Chair
  - i. Thanks to those who helped out at the Alcalá Bazaar
  - ii. Valley Field Event on 2/28 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM
  - iii. Mean Girls Broadway Tickets go live 2/20; check IG for more details
  - iv. Olé Music Festival on 3/31 at Torero Way
  - v. Working on TPB Chair Application; will go live later this month
- e. Finance Chair
  - i. Alcala Bazaar + ASGBC Recruiting
  - ii. No ASGBC meeting this past Tuesday
  - iii. Updated Funding Guide
  - iv. Monday Lunch with visiting Bishop of Louisville on race + the Catholic Church
  - v. Reviewing multiple Discretionary Fund requests
  - vi. Reviewing center's request for funding modification
- f. PR Chair
  - i. Happy Thursday!
  - ii. Thank you for a very successful Alcalá Bazaar!!
  - iii. On-Campus Promos:
  - iv. ASGBC Applications OPENED
  - v. Lunch with Prez Melissa
  - vi. New Zoom Set-up!
  - vii. Student Org Spotlights are up and running
  - viii. Working on Spring Elections
  - ix. Contact: [asgpublicrelations@sandiego.edu](mailto:asgpublicrelations@sandiego.edu)
- g. Chief of Staff
  - i. Hello Everyone!!
  - ii. Thank you to those who turned their office hours in. Just a reminder:
  - iii. The link is THIS ONE
  - iv. Have potential dates for bonding and our banquet. March 24 or 25 Bonding and May 12 for our Banquet
  - v. Met with Andre Mallie yesterday with Speaker of the Senate Andres and Student Life Chair Arissa Lelevier
  - vi. Attended Changemaker CORE Meeting, met a lot of people and received updates from SSS, Changemaker hub, Sustainability, SA, Mulvaney Center, Career Development and more. I was also able to

update them on our plans for this semester as a team.

- vii. Quote of the day: "Breathe. Let go. And remind yourself that this very moment is the only one you know you have for sure." - Oprah Winfrey

## II. New Business

### a. Welcome and Remarks From the New Assistant Vice President for Student Life Dr. Byron Howlett (10 min)

- i. Came from Santa Clara University for the last 5 years
- ii. ASG is apart of my blood and used to advise at cal poly pomona
- iii. Worked in higher education for over 30 years, committed and passionate working for us and with us
- iv. Doesn't want to just sit in office, will be out and about
- v. Wants us to invite him to different places on campus to hear and translate our needs to other administrators
- vi. Been at USD already for a month
- vii. Feels at home, and shouts out the people who came to the welcoming
- viii. Melissa a huge reason for accepting this position from the interview process
- ix. Alcalá Bazaar let him meet so many people
- x. Already has made great connections to the cheerleading team, loves taking risks and chances and is committed to doing so everywhere on campus
- xi. Wants us to help him student life on campus

### b. Presentation and Vote on New Student Organizations 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 along with re-registering clubs that missed expedited re-registration deadline.
- ii. We have 1 new organization and 1 old-new student organization that we are presenting today.
- iii. Her Healthy Habits
- iv. Mission:
- v. To help women with self love, spirituality, fitness, whole circle empowering women.
- vi. Goals:
- vii. Their goals are to take a more holistic approach to self love and physical health and empower women and promote body positivity. They would like to collaborate with different clubs on campus like womxn's fitness club and the pilates club.
- viii. Sigma Eta Pi

- ix. Mission:
  - x. To bring an entrepreneurship business fraternity. Our focus is innovation and open for all majors. To bring a partnership with other chapters at Harvard, USC, Berkeley, Upenn, and other top universities.
  - xi. Goals:
  - xii. Their goal is get started and have a foundation, with a team so the fraternity has the opportunity to grow. Their most important goal is to collaborate with anyone because business should be a part of any career.
  - xiii. Any questions or concerns?
  - xiv. Move to approve all of these clubs
  - xv. Senator Ceci. Motion to approve one New and one old-new club on campus. Seconded. Motion passes.
- c. Discussion on Mental Health Practices and Resources led by Health and Wellness Coordinator Chloe Holm and Senator Chloe Choen (10 min)
- i. Wants us to take this back to help us with our roles.
  - ii. Asks us about what we think we can approve of in our roles on campus.
  - iii. Senator Alyssa. Loves the resources but doesn't think they are marketed right. Knows about an app but thinks it can be used better. Wants us to help with the marketing.
  - iv. Senator Anna. Wishes the app was marketed better to all students other than just the posters and at freshman orientation. Loves the 24 hour access.
  - v. Senator Mia. I Want to thank you for this conversation. Her constituents wish there was peer counseling on campus. I Know more people would want to talk to people around her age. The Psych department could be good.
  - vi. Knows there are different groups that people can be a part of like discussion groups that are peer focused.
  - vii. Chief of Staff. Wants to help market to the right community and knows of the group therapy because of the little amount of sign-ups. Wants to target the right communities at the right times.
  - viii. Chief Justice. Knows that counseling centers are many people's only source and many people get cut off and want to help set up people after they graduate.
  - ix. Senator Chloe. Wants to grant access more to students than the limit and when people go on medical leave.
  - x. What do you think works well, and what can be improved?
  - xi. Senator Jolie. Wants to make sure the number is out there, because

many people don't know where to get it. And knows everyone who uses it loves it.

- xii. Senator Maleah. Notice it's hard to get in if it's your first time or if it's not an emergency. She was dropped multiple times because of the limited appointments available. Wants to set more time aside for the first time people.
- xiii. Speaker Pro Tempore. Does anyone have specific ideas for more publicity?
- xiv. Sustainability Coordinator. Wants to point out that word of mouth is the most effective way. And wants to help take the stigma of mental health. Educating the incoming freshman is the most important tool, but after their freshman year you lose many resources and want to help set up something for after that time to remind people of the importance.
- xv. Parliamentarian. Point of Order. Time allotted has expired.
- xvi. Senator Osa. Motions to extend the line item by 10 minutes. Seconded. Motion passes.
- xvii. Senator Devon. Knows that social media builds mental health problems and believes that it would be counter intuitive to put mental health on social media. Would rather see mass emails or text messages.
- xviii. Senator Angelica. Helped run a mental health club before. Wants to have a table set up to promote the resources on campus, which could be super helpful.
- xix. PR Chair. Suggests that a collab with wellness with tabling.
- xx. Senator Valeria. Wants the wellness to set up a time during the day that the counseling service can set up where anyone can just walk in.
- xxi. Senator Chloe. Thinks that Senator Maleah and valeria ideas are very important and will bring these up in the future.
- xxii. Senator Anna. Wants to have USD student testimonials. To help share stories that have been faced on campus. And to let other students know if they are going through certain obstacles in their life they are not alone. This will help bring comfort to students all over campus as it's a way to get the student voice heard and not just talking to people older.
- xxiii. Senator Osa. Flier locations. Like in bathrooms or higher traffic areas.
- xxiv. Senator Mia. Wants to know more about the limitations.
- xxv. Senator Chloe. Asks Claire if she wants to respond
- xxvi. Claire. Works with student wellness and is taking notes and feedback. There is no limit and works with students case by case, and only

offers short term support and if long term support is needed will help refer to counseling in SD. Has timely care flyers for the senate to give out and show others.

- xxvii. Senator Jolie. Wants people to know that their parents will not know and will not be notified.
- xxviii. Chief of Staff. Wants a one page document, and wants professors to add to the syllabus so students have access everywhere.
- xxix. Senator Devon. Yield time to vice president byron.
- xxx. Byron. Consider benchmarking with other institutions. At santa clara dropped the limit on campus which was student lead, but still not long term, but will still do more. And have urgent care hours.
- xxxi. Point of Order. Allotted time has expired.

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.* (10 min)

13. Adjournment (1 min)

- a. Senator Isabella. Motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded. Motion passes. (2:21 pm)

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