



ASSOCIATED
STUDENT
GOVERNMENT
UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO

Senate Minutes

Thursday, April 27th, 2023

12:15pm

The Senate Chamber, Solomon Hall, University of San Diego

1. Call to Order
2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of the Agenda, April 27th , 2023
 - a. Senator Jolie. Motion to approve the Agenda with the amendment.
Seconded. Motion passes.
5. Approval of the Minutes, April 20th, 2023
 - a. Student Org Committee Chair.. Motion to approve the Minutes. Seconded.
Motion passes.
6. Raising of Questions from Members of the Public
 - a. Katherine. Leaving USD at the end of the semester, accepting new role in CSU Channel Islands to work more directly with students. Dean Byrd will identify new person.
7. Report from The Speaker of the Senate
 - a. If any of you that have been re-elected to senator positions and would like to go for Speaker please reach out to me, and I would love to sit down with you and talk about the role, and answer any questions you may have
 - b. On Monday, I met with VPSA Johnson to discuss President Harris and other issues as well as the Student's in Need Fund
 - c. Threw the Opening pitch at the USD Baseball Game v CSUN, it was a great experience and got to see so many of you there!
 - d. Worked to finalize resolutions with some senators
 - e. Yesterday, attended a thank you lunch from VPSA Johnson at La Gran with President Melissa
 - f. Any questions please email me at asgspeaker@sandiego.edu
8. Reports from The Senate Leadership Team
 - a. SLT met to complete ASGBC appeals.
 - b. WE ONLY HAVE THREE SENATES LEFT! (including today)
 - c. If you would like something on the May 4th Senate agenda, the deadline is May 2nd!
 - d. The last date to submit anything in terms of resolution or initiative that

needs to be approved by the senate is May 4th!

- e. Please finalize projects ASAP so that we can have adequate time to put it on the agenda for the last day.
- f. Mandatory training for next year is on May 6th.
- g. Swearing in of team members for next year is May 11th.

9. New Business

- a. Presentation and Vote on a Resolution To Support Queer and Trans Students and To Deny Guest Speakers Engaging in Hate Speech, Presented by the IDEA Committee Chair and Senator Jacob (20 min) PLEASE COME PREPARED TO DEBATE AND VOTE, and discuss this in senate.
 - i. The lenard law-cannot make rules on conduct or speech, fear of crossing that line
 - ii. Sustainability Coordinator. This is about students and not speakers, so I do not see the trouble there. Asg representative should act to convene on this. How would you choose this person and stay accountable?
 - iii. It was mainly about phrasing. It risks violating 1st amendment rights and USD may not be able to bar people from coming.
 - iv. Sustainability Coordinator. I was curious if you had a vision on how this representative would be chosen.
 - v. We toiled around with many ideas and we decided it could be from any branch. There are many acts that do not allow hate speech.
 - vi. Senator Jolie. There is an exemption with it with schools with religious organizations. You could make it more generalized. Instead of hateful speakers you could make it that any speaker could possibly be denied.
 - vii. For the exemptions it must fall under there tenants.
 - viii. Manda. We have taken it into account and we usually use lenards law.
 - ix. Senator Valeria. I do not think there would be legal trouble because it targets hate speech.
 - x. We must make sure we do not get into legal trouble however.
 - xi. Senator Josh. Hate speech is protected under the first amendment so this should be protect.
 - xii. Senator Chloe. You met with VP Johnson and you mentioned you discussed some of this with her, did she shine any light on this?
 - xiii. My meeting with her discussed more of the substance not the process. She shared how she wants to look into how we choose it more. And bridge the gaps to whether we want these types of speakers to come to senate or not. This was more about opening the idea with her.
 - xiv. Jen. This is why it is really important to meet with the offices. Our office does this and it is very extensive. I would hate for this to make it more stricter and in terms of reviewing I encourage you to think about if you really want to be apart of this. This is done for anyone who comes, any speaker for any event.
 - xv. Parliamentarian. Point of Order the allotted time has expired.
 - xvi. Senator Jolie. Motion to extend allotted time for 10 minutes. Seconded. Motion passes.

- xvii. Finance Chair. I understand for the larger speakers. I think this we should make it more broader and maybe not get involved with it all.
 - xviii. Speaker pro tempore. Motion to table the discussion on the resolution. Seconded. Motion passes.
- b. Presentation and Discussion on Compass Points and Academic programs by Vice President and Provost, Roger Pace; Senior Director Career Development Center, Matthew Yopez; and Associate Director Career Development Abbey Racelis-Massey (20 min)
- i. Career readiness program. Compass, connect, passport points.
 - ii. CRP outcomes. Students can identify majors and careers of interest. Students can describe the process of pursuing post-graduate plans. Students can identify their professional network.
 - iii. These are career programs specialized to students in each college Passport: Business Compass: A & S Connect: Engineering. The CRP programs are managed through our office.
 - iv. Before students graduate, they need to complete a number of career activities such as going to a career fair, an interviewing workshop, or networking event.
 - v. Each student has a personalized point tracker on the Career Readiness page in their MySanDiego portal.
 - vi. These experiences help them explore career opportunities, gain valuable skills and build professional networks.
 - vii. Go over difference in regards to COMPASS has Articulating the Value of Liberal Arts but less flex points
 - viii. However Connect and Passport can attend the Articulating the value of liberal arts session to earn flex points
 - ix. Students can track their CRP program progress by logging into the MySanDiego portal and going to the Career Readiness tab.
 - x. Highlight the Tracker
 - xi. Showcase it is one stop shop - can log onto handshake here
 - xii. Feel free to log onto your portal to show them where it “lives”
 - xiii. Find CRP events on the portal, instagram, or newsletter
 - xiv. What counts?
 - xv. Learning outcomes important for career readiness, helps us determine how many points or networking
 - xvi. Future of CRP
 - xvii. ONE PROGRAM
 - xviii. BEGINS THE FIRST DAY YOU BECOME A USD STUDENT VS. WHEN YOU DECLARE YOUR MAJOR
 - xix. FINDING WAYS TO ENCOURAGE MORE EVENTS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR CRP POINTS
 - xx. POINTS AWARDED FOR ALL INTERNSHIP AND RESEARCH CLASSES
 - xxi. UPDATED WEBSITE AND PORTAL
 - xxii. BACKEND SIMPLIFICATION WITH ITS

- xxiii. COLLABORATING WITH CAMPUS PARTNERS TO FIND FUNDING FOR MORE IPADS WITH SALESFORCE ATTENDANCE TRACKER
 - xxiv. Stay connected with our website or social media.
 - xxv. President. What would be the overall goal and justification of combining the programs.
 - xxvi. Its gets confused within the students. And some do not think it applies to all the points. And a lot of backend on our end makes it to where we reach out saying you should consider the others.
 - xxvii. Senator Devon. For double majors that is across two different schools do they have to do both.
 - xxviii. No they select a primary major so they only have to choose one of them. But on your portal it may show both. BUt you can get that cleared.
 - xxix. Speaker. How is the determination made between the different events.
 - xxx. It is really important for the student to select the boxes and it makes sure that all the descriptions are important.
 - xxxi. Senator Tatum. Is this for only majors?
 - xxxii. This is only for what your major is.
 - xxxiii. Speaker pro tempore. What would the potential be for events like senate to be qualified.
 - xxxiv. You could submit your experience on sitting on a internship form. And this is reward off your description. You could get points.
 - xxxv. Student Org Committee Chair. My question is about online classes being accepting on trying to get approved. Do you have any updates of this being without exemptions?
 - xxxvi. I was talking to a student from sacramento and nothing was within 50 miles from him. I know the cc in SD are slow to getting into person. I sent a taskforce to investigate. Nothing is really going to get back to you for this summer. But our proposal is going to senate next week. I encourage you to participate in a survey and 300 people responded! I know this is strong concern. Ultimately we will adjust. But faculty have concerns about the quality and cheating. We are trying to find a medium but it is still being worked on.
 - xxxvii. Senator Mia. Would this also include intersession classes.
 - xxxviii. It gets hard to make it towards just a session. So i think it would be for everything.
- c. Presentation and Discussion on Dining Services and Catering from the Charles Ramos and Carol Norman (25 min) Please make sure you ask respectful questions but ones that help move the process along.
- i. Many of peoples questions are actually on our website so I wanted to show all of you.
 - ii. Sustainability is a very important topic. You can see what we do on our website. We were one of the first universities to have a composting machine. This is the only machine that is in the US, the harp machine. We make it into a compost piles and is used. We are going to start giving it away.

- iii. We have a food waste program. And are tray free so we do not create more waste. Toreros against hunger. The extra food is brought back to our warmers.
 - iv. Reduce single use plastics. We sue Sysco as our main vendor. We do not throw oil away. Used for biofuel or reused after filtered.
 - v. To reduce cost we have come away with meal deals during lunch for cheaper lunch. We want to keep things low and will not raise pricing in the middle of a semester.
 - vi. We want heirloom to be a better spread for events of certain cuisines. But we want to work on marketing for the smaller things we do.
 - vii. We are going to have a nutritionist when the new building opens to make our transparency better. And we have what everything falls under online.
 - viii. There is a catering menu for students. And if your budget doesn't work with it, I can work with you to meet your budget.
 - ix. Senator Valeria. Is there a plan on opening up another dining area on the weekends?
 - x. This is always a consideration. We do have to operate in our budget. So during our analysis we look into when people are there. So this is done when people are actually around. There are reasons, mainly for traffic reasons of people not being there. The smart market, was decommissioned from the company originally. They ran out of money. We found another company, and when it opens up then it will be open 24/7.
 - xi. Speaker pro tempore. We want to help connect the gaps with students. We are always around do not be scared to talk to us.
 - xii. PR Chair. In terms of dining and on campus options for students to work at. How does the training look at for the students especially for allergies.
 - xiii. I actually just came from a meeting on this. How do I have accountability for training. We are launching a new LMS. Because we do train on every aspect. They will have a login and specific trainings can see who, when, admin pass or fail. Then we can look at users and make sure they stay accountable.
 - xiv. TPB Chair. Could you talk more about the processes about the process of attending events and how you choose the prices.
 - xv. A lot comes down to the type of event. 1 attendant per hot food items for buffets. For plated meals 1 attendant per 30 people. Regular buffets with no attendant, drop set and go. The only time a charge for attendants you get charged per. We finally have students but we still have to use an outside system.
 - xvi. Parliamentarian. Point of Order the allotted time has expired.
- d. Presentation and Vote on Club USD Global Medical Brigades over \$10,000 Request Presented by the ASG Finance Chair and Controller (30 min) Please do your work ahead of time and review the slides for the information on the request!
- i. Medical Brigade to Honduras
 - ii. August 6th - August 12th, 2023
 - iii. 6 nights, 7 days
 - iv. Medical Brigades is a student-run, non-profit organization that provides

- primary health care services to small and under resourced rural communities with limited to no access to medical care.
- v. Our focus is on education, SPECIFICALLY, the Global Brigades holistic approach which focuses not only on sustainable health systems, but also water and sanitation infrastructure and economic development.
 - vi. We will be volunteering every day to support and empower these communities to become healthier and self-sustainable as well as learn about their culture and connect with them individually.
 - vii. Physicians provide patient consults and prescribe treatment for acute or chronic illnesses.
 - viii. Student volunteers work DURING FULL CLINIC DAYS in triage, shadow physicians, provide education workshops, and help to distribute medicine in the community pharmacy
 - ix. Also participate in community outreach events throughout the semester leading up to brigade
 - x. Funded Through Student Movement
 - xi. Full-Time Local Teams
 - xii. 100+ full-time local staff, 300+ part-time local staff year-round
 - xiii. Community-Led Sustainability
 - xiv. Community members lead through the formation of committees and long term funding for future sustainability
 - xv. Instead of our teams implementing ourselves into the community, communities submit proposals for our entrance into their community, which is first met by extensive team member education. This helps to ensure that we are aiding communities in their own public health efforts, and not imposing our own ideas about what we think these communities need.
 - xvi. Government Collaboration
 - xvii. Working with local governments instead of against or in replacement of local governments
 - xviii. Holistic understanding of Honduran culture and health systems
 - xix. Bringing positive, changemaking ideas to our own campus from what we learn during Brigades
 - xx. Who are our volunteers and when are funds due? 23 total
 - xxi. Victor Zambrano, Advisor
 - xxii. 21 Undergraduate Students
 - xxiii. 1 graduate (will graduate next month)
 - xxiv. The deadline to have funds in for the Brigade is July 1st.
 - xxv. Our cost breakdown is based off of these values that were provided by our in-country Program Associate. Per Brigade member, the expense is \$1,500 for Brigade expenses seen above as well as \$900-\$1000 for the roundtrip airfare to and from Honduras for a total of \$2,490 per person and overall total funds of \$57,250
 - xxvi. Each brigade member is responsible for funding their own transportation and flights to Honduras as well as in-country costs that include lodging,

- food, transportation, insurance, supplies, and other travel needs.
- xxvii. Flights cost from \$750-\$900 per person and in-country costs are \$1500 per person as shown on the slide above. We hope to provide healthcare to over 300 Hondurans, as well as immerse ourselves in the country's rich culture.
 - xxviii. As of now we have 20 volunteers signed up (\$49,800 total, \$2490 per/person)
 - xxix. ASGBC recommendation:
 - xxx. Submitted under the philanthropy category. Budget committee believed that community outreach event our be a better fit.
 - xxxi. Cost Breakdown:
 - xxxii. Total Cost: \$57,250
 - xxxiii. Cost Per Person: \$2,490
 - xxxiv. Request: \$18,000 to help fund:
 - xxxv. A portion of in-country costs (meals, transportation, lodging, and Medical Brigades staff with us in-country)
 - xxxvi. \$705 allocated to each volunteer
 - xxxvii. Advisor Cost
 - xxxviii. \$2,490 to pay for advisor cost
 - xxxix. Total Cost Per Person - On Brigade Expenses/Between Brigade Expenses and Travel Funds:
 - xl. ~\$750-\$900 for round-trip flights to Honduras
 - xli. ~\$150 for Medical Brigades to purchase medications/supplies for the community
 - xlii. ~\$195 for Medical Brigades staff traveling with our chapter in-country
 - xliii. ~\$235 for in-country lodging facilities
 - xliv. ~\$175 for in-country transportation costs
 - xlv. ~\$145 for in-country meal costs
 - xlvi. ~\$600 for brigade preparation, travel team, insurance, operating, admin expenses, and year-round sustainable development work costs.
 - xlvii. Approve \$5170 with no funds going towards non undergraduate students. Based on only funding lodging, \$235 per undergraduate student, allocated as a lump sum also consider recategorizing to community outreach event
 - xlviii. Reasoning and applicable information: asked for 18000\$ about 2490 per person, request 1 advisor and 22 undergraduates, funds only go to undergraduate. One student is a senior who is graduating, trip is in august but items begin purchased this fiscal year. For conventions and conferences, travel and food are not funded, only lodging, their lodging is within \$50/night that we would allocate at most (trip is 6 nights) \$235 for in-country lodging facility * 22 students - \$5170
 - xliv. Questions:
 - l. Senator Jacob. So is this based off which category.
 - li. Technically there is no difference between the funding. It is just organizational.
 - lii. Senator Mia. What happens to the left over money.

- liii. This is more university so they cannot use these funds until the university approves. So it will be redistributed because we couldn't get the money back.
 - liv. Senator Jolie. How much have you fundraised so far.
 - lv. We have been doing a lot of fundraising. As of right now we have gotten a few hundred. And this is our first in person. And have gotten some scholarships for that. Which has helped go towards our total.
 - lvi. Student Org Committee Chair. How much money is left?
 - lvii. We are around 45,000
 - lviii. Senator Jacob. Have you had any other going out of the country and how would this expand your student org.
 - lix. This has been on campus for a long time and was very prominent before covid. We have been doing tellabrigade. We have been trying to get this first in person brigade. And many people used to be involved on campus.
 - lx. Speaker pro tempore. Motion to move to recess of 5 minutes. Seconded. Motion passes.
 - lxi. President. I think we should consider community outreach events.
 - lxii. Athletics Coordinator. I think we could consider housing/lodging and transportation fees.
 - lxiii. Athletics Coordinator. Motion to fund \$9020 in lump sum for medical brigades only for undergraduates.. Seconded.
 - lxiv. May want to specify just to undergraduates.
 - lxv. Senator Maleah. Can you clarify how you broke it down.
 - lxvi. I got it from housing and transportation per undergraduate student.
 - lxvii. Senator Chloe. Is there a reason you selected Honduras.
 - lxviii. So we submitted the proposal mid last week. And we provided the school and we have many programs all over the world. There are many precautions and level 3 is mostly crime in major cities and we will not be there. We will also have 2 security and a doctor with us, if not more. There are extensive measures that taken. And our last tellabrigade was in Honduras to create solid ground with the community.
 - lxix. Senator Jolie. Move to call to question. Seconded. Motion passes.
 - lxx. Athletics Coordinator. Motion to fund \$9020 in lump sum for medical brigades only for undergraduates.. Seconded. Motion passes.
10. Speaker pro tempore. Motion to table. Reports from The Committee Chairs & Coordinators. Seconded. Motion passes.
11. Quorum lost and Senate Adjourned. (2:28 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.

Associated Student Government of the University of San Diego
April 27th, 2023 | 12:15pm