



Senate Minutes

Thursday, October 21st, 2021
12:15pm
University of San Diego

1. Call to Order 12:28pm
2. Land Acknowledgement (2 min)
3. Roll Call (3 min)
4. Approval of the Agenda, October 14th, 2021 (2 min)
 - a. Motion to approve. Seconded.
 - b. Motion to approve agenda passed.
5. Approval of the Minutes, October 7, 2021 (2 min)
 - a. Motion to approve. Seconded.
 - b. Motion to approve minutes passed.
6. Report from Speaker of the Senate (5 min)
 - a. Met with VPSA Charlotte Johnson yesterday
 - b. Had lunch with interim AVP candidate
 - c. Planning meeting with Chairs and Coordinators about frustrations with Covid
 - d. Attended an ASGBC meeting
 - e. Will be interviewing a new Senate candidate later today
7. Reports from Committee Chairs and Coordinators (18 min)
 - a. Academics Committee - Valentina Rodriguez
 - i. The USD Academic Grants went live on Monday 18th
 1. Deadline to apply is November 8th
 - ii. Worked with Lucia in finishing the Grants flyer and having it ready before Monday
 - iii. In this week's Academic Committee meeting we further discussed the marketing plan for the flyers and we already started to distribute them across campus and in various newsletters.
 1. Talked about SMART goals and started to implement them during the week before every meeting so that

we can talk about our objectives and observations regarding our constituents.

- iv. Meeting tomorrow with Ari to discuss Academic Grants.
- b. Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility Committee - Siri Dandu
 - i. Currently reaching out to all multicultural organizations to understand their primary concerns
 - ii. Scheduling an appointment with Dr. Regina Dixon-Reeves to understand issues surrounding IDEA from an administrative standpoint
 - iii. Had a committee meeting to discuss actionable steps for this week to work towards our SMART goals
 - iv. Working on Cultural Appropriation Posters for Social Media Accounts and for the campaign discussed last week
 - v. Figuring out partnering with upcoming events on campus based on the themes of Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Accessibility
- c. Student Orgs Committee Chair - Ceci Barron
 - i. SOC meeting after Senate today
 - 1. We have new organizations coming to present
 - 2. Student Org Mentorship Program
 - ii. SOC met with our advisor to work on the SOC Bylaws to make necessary changes and adjustments
 - 1. We have submitted the Bylaws over to the Judicial branch
- d. Student Life Committee Chair - Lauren Fettes
 - i. Grocery Trams
 - 1. Budget Proposal & Senate Initiative Fund Form
 - 2. Logistics & Reusable tote bags for sustainable shopping
 - ii. Tram Accuracy & Efficiency
 - 1. GPS location services: A hardware issue that developed recently which we hope to have rectified within the next week or so.
 - 2. Frequency: currently understaffed
 - a. Currently at 12 drivers instead of 15 for just the trams
 - b. Increased competition for employing commercial drivers with no current timetable for filling these positions, they are attempting to fill them as fast as possible
 - 3. Efficiency/Schedule:
 - a. All drivers are given a specific schedule to operate and to take breaks independently from each other to provide the best service possible

with the limited resources available

- b. They do have the class schedules outlined and keep their scheduled breaks away from the busy being and end times throughout the day

- e. Health and Wellness Coordinator - Jake Dredge
 - i. Today is Purple Thursday, thanks to everyone wearing purple clothing/masks.
 - ii. Next week is National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week. No large events but possibly tabling/education event. Be mindful that not everyone in college drinks.
 - iii. Meeting with Dr. Burden tomorrow afternoon, let me know if you have any questions.
- f. Sustainability Coordinator - Madeleine Woo
 - i. Meeting with Kobe and Emily on Eco-Fair
 - ii. Join the CFOCH Council!
 - 1. Stay tuned for instagram post
 - iii. Creating GroupMe with Sustainable Orgs

8. Reports from ASG Executive Board (18 min)

- a. President - Justice Zoto
 - i. Currently at an open student forum for USD's Accreditation Campus visit.
 - ii. Meeting with Dr. Avery later today for a check-in
 - iii. Exec will be meeting tomorrow to organize the data responses we gathered from the student input survey
 - 1. Exec meeting with Dean Keane and Assistant Deans of School of Business on Tuesday (10/26) morning, no updates from the deans of the other schools within the college
 - 2. 152 responses (as of Wed. 10/20 morning)
 - iv. Attending Strategic Planning Steering Committee on Monday (10/25)
- b. Vice president - Ari Sambrano
 - i. Following up with Dean Norton about the Student Input Survey for a meeting next with our Exec team
 - ii. Academic grants are seeking faculty members to help with the process
 - iii. Met with Mayte and Daniela from the UFMC Council about a potential idea to have a forum where students, if comfortable, could ask questions to faculty about the Horizon Project and to be IDEA focused and provide feedback. This is very much being developed! Currently still collecting data if students would even be interested in seeing a forum such as this one.
 - 1. Looking to connect with Siri to collaborate with to further expand upon this potential idea and align forces as it is IDEA related.

2. Planning to reach out to multicultural organizations/the commons to see if they would be interested in this idea via email and connecting in person, also what their needs are
 - a. In this interaction, I plan to ask if students are aware of the Horizon project and if they have any specific questions that they would like to be answered to really narrow down to student needs.
 - b. Planning to connect with the Mulvaney Center as well for feedback as well.
 - c. If anyone is interested please feel free to send me an email @ asambrano@sandiego.edu
- iv. Meeting with Valentina today to discuss faculty that might be interested.
- v. Planning to reach out to ADA about their experience with zoom and flexibility in the classroom and how we can best support them and align forces.
- c. Chief of Senate - Logan Tucker
 - i. Office hours are all done, but one person.
 - ii. Lunch with James A. Parker
 - iii. Exec will be meeting at 5pm in the ASG offices today and outreach from there.
- d. Chief Justice - Sarah Barbar
 - i. Student Org Committee Bylaws
 - ii. Filling Senate vacancies w/ Judicial Branch and Speaker
 - iii. Will start updating the Senate Bylaws soon
- e. TPB Chair - Kobe Huynh
 - i. Homecoming was a SUCCESS!
 1. Shoutout to Arissa, Chloe, and Andres for volunteering at the Tailgate!
 2. As senators keep in mind that you need to volunteer at at least one event a semester.
 - ii. Haunted Trails on 10/27; be on the lookout for details
- f. Finance Chair - Shyen Hirabayashi
 - i. ASGBC Chair Vacancy
 - ii. ASGBC Funding Request Guidelines
 - iii. Meeting with Dean Keane and Associate Deans 10/26
- g. PR Chair - Lucía Fiore
 - i. Worked with Valentina this weeked to have the Academic grants flyer up and ready to be posted.
 - ii. Thank you to all who volunteered for the marketing committee. It is greatly appreciated.
 1. Just a reminder to please share your google calendars with me.
 - iii. If you have anything you would like to share please share it over to me so I could happily promote it!

9. New Business

- a. Swearing-in of new Senators (7 min)
 1. Elizabeth Nickleson as new senator.
 - b. Vote on Returning Student Orgs (5 min)
 1. Motion to approve. Seconded.
 2. Motion to approve returning student organizations passed.
 - c. Presentation from Catherine Paolillo on BibliU (30 min)
 1. Night librarian at Copley.
 2. Textbook Affordability Task Force
 3. Print textbook Reserves Collection in the past years.
 4. Has been difficult to get these books to students off campus and during COVID due to the regulation that these books needed to be quarantined for four days.
 5. BibliU was funded by ASG in order to help students be able to access new books online and increase new books.
 6. Copley works to help provide these students with new books and support ASG in this new website.
 7. A lot of accessibility features through BibliU for students that might not like online/not the best source for them.
 8. Discovery and Accessibility:
 - a. LibGuide:
<https://libguides.sandiego.edu/c.php?g=1129159>
 - b. <http://bibliu.com/users/saml/SamlUniversityOfSanDiego>
 - c. linktr.ee/copleyatusd
 9. Status and Future Updates:
 - a. \$8,917 remaining of original \$10,000 set to “expire” in February 2022
 - b. \$20,000 is allocated for AY2021-2022, but withheld putting it into BibliU because there is still so much funds left from last.
 - c. There are needed marketing strategies in order to get students to use this more often because right now there has not been much usage and only a total of 18 readers.
- ## 10. Questions -
- a. Lauren Fettes - Marketing with ASG and combining with Copley at a tabling event with free stuff could be a good way to get BibliU more announced.
 - b. Shyen Hirabayashi - If no book on BibliU is there a set number of students needed to get this book on here?
 - i. There is a concentration on books with higher usage but if a student needs it then we should try to add it. Could look at the threshold and then add the books depending on the class.
 - c. Lucía Fiore - How do you accurately know that they are actually reading the book and not just leaving their computer/tab open?

- i. Not sure if going by active screen time but will ask someone at BibliU for an answer to this.
- d. Lauren Fettes - Is there a way to partner with a language textbook company to buy with access codes?
 - i. Unfortunately, these access codes are wanted per user and cost prohibited.
- e. Jen Lee - Ari did speak with Dr. Avery and those who have books for a language and need help paying for access codes are to apply for a student in need fund.
- f. Claire - Suggestion to boost enrollment: torero store to get printout so if there is a way to pinpoint on your textbook receipt to know that this textbook is available on BibliU.
 - i. Cannot undercut book store but could reach out to professors and let them know that they could get on BibliU and will be looking into ways that faculty can make these available to students.
- g. Sarah Barbar - Exec tries to meet with the dean of schools and could bring this up to them and from there they are able to reach out to their faculty. It is quick to want to submit a book recommendation.
- h. Jake Dredge - Comment: Could definitely reach out and the academics senate should take lead in helping get this out for students that are in need with funding for books.
- i. Andres Fernandez - The platform that is announced on, is it just on USD instagram or just Copley?
 - i. Have reached out to the ASG Instagram and still need to contact the bigger USD instagram in order to see if they can post this as well.
- j. Ceci Barron - Have student support services been reached out to about this?
 - i. Yes and those titles of books have been added. Hopefully we can reach out more.

10. 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)

- a. Omar Araiza - One of the interim supervisors for the military program. There are a variety of students on campus that are helped be involved and attend events. Would like to request additional training for future events they are hoping to put on. Have had troubles with finance requests and such.

- i. November 11th Event for Veterans Day.
 - b. Andres Fernandez - Would like to share an idea that will be talked about in the Judicial Branch. In an effort to bring the holistic aspect and bring more collaboration between the branches, would like to amend bylaws and add that the Judicial Branch can be a part of the voting and adding of laws. Involved in work that everyone else is doing. Mostly trying to make it clarified and in writing. Will further be discussing this in later meetings.
11. Adjournment (2 min) 1:28pm
 - a. Motion to adjourn meeting.
 - b. Seconded.
 - c. Motion to adjourn meeting passed.

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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