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Senate Minutes

Thursday, October 28th, 2021  
12:15pm  
University of San Diego

1. Call to Order 12:29pm
2. Land Acknowledgement (2 min)
3. Roll Call (3 min)
4. Approval of the Agenda, October 28th, 2021 (2 min)
  - a. Motion to amend the agenda to remove Lauren and add Ceci to the CAS senator appointment. Motion seconded.
  - b. Motion passed.
  - c. Motion to approve agenda. Seconded.
  - d. Motion passed.
5. Approval of the Minutes, October 21, 2021 (2 min)
  - a. Motion to approve minutes. Seconded.
  - b. Motion passed.
6. Report from Speaker of the Senate (5 min)
  - a. Senate Lead Team meeting, been setting up speakers
  - b. Senators, Committee meetings are mandatory!
7. Reports from Committee Chairs and Coordinators (18 min)
  - a. Academics Committee - Valentina Rodriguez
    - i. Grants:
      1. Ari and Valentina had a meeting to discuss the faculty review meeting for the Grants and already started contacting them.
      2. Distributed the flyer to several school newsletters and social media.
    - b. Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility Committee - Siri Dandu
      - i. Met Ari and spoke about collaborating to have a forum to discuss the Horizon Project, IDEA related concerns and provide feedback. Ari and Siri will be attending meetings with the multicultural organisations in the upcoming weeks to further work on this.



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- ii. Reached out to active Multicultural Organizations to schedule meetings which will occur over the next few weeks.
- iii. Multicultural night is November 5th, 5pm-8pm.
- c. Student Orgs Committee Chair - Ceci Barron
  - i. Meeting with the SOC after Senate
  - ii. SOC Bylaws
- d. Student Life Committee Chair - Lauren Fettes
  - i. Hoping to have the first grocery trip on Sunday, November 11 & run them bi-weekly
    - 1. Considering lyft codes for grocery runs instead of renting trams
      - a. Gives students more flexibility
  - ii. Stall Talk
    - 1. Looking into curating a newsletter to put in residence hall bathrooms to make information about resources and events more readily accessible and concise
  - iii. Bi-weekly programming
    - 1. Starting to discuss vendors and locations to hold bi-weekly, informal programs to help create community for students
- e. Health and Wellness Coordinator - Jake Dredge
  - i. Due to high demand, 3 more QPR suicide prevention trainings were added : 11/10 (8am-9am), 11/16 (12:30-1:30), 11/22 (6pm-7pm)
  - ii. There will be a faculty/staff training session, feel free to prompt your professors to attend
  - iii. Wash your hands, stay home when you're sick, and encourage others to do the same!
- f. Sustainability Coordinator - Madeleine Woo
  - i. Met with Kobe about Eco-Fair
  - ii. Last day to join the CFOCH is **Friday, November 5**
  - iii. Ozzi bowls - following up on trying to see if ASG can contribute 100 bowls.
  - iv. Grocery Tram bags - sustainable company
  - v. SwagCycle
- 8. Reports from ASG Executive Board (18 min)
  - a. President - Justice Zoto
    - i. Student Input Survey: members of Exec met with Dean Keane + Associate Deans (School of Business) on Tuesday



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1. Currently scheduling a meeting with Dean Norton (CAS) and Dean Roberts (Engineering)
2. Hoping to give you all the same presentation to Senate next week
- ii. Later will be looking for your approval on appointing two senators to work with a grade grievance committee
- iii. COVID-19 dashboard now has quarantine room status and on-campus COVID-19 testing results data
- iv. Meeting with the committee chairs and coordinators on Friday, October 5th to have conversations around COVID + support
- b. Vice president - Ari Sambrano
  - i. University Senate
    1. Major: Currently there are discussions going around of what flexibility will be looking like moving forth to next semester
      - a. Planning another meeting with Dr. Guerrieri to discuss this more in detail
  - ii. Student Input Survey with Dean Norton next week
  - iii. Gail Baker has reached about an invitation to the Dean's Council Meeting
    1. Sarah will be attending and presenting concerns that are occurring in CAS
  - iv. Idea of Horizon Project forum
    1. I have connected with Siri, I will be joining in with her on some of the meetings she has with Multicultural orgs
    2. Currently drafting an email to reach out to Regina Dixon Reeves, though this can be coordinated with Siri, about the Horizon project and collaborations with her
    3. Strategically wanting to spread the word about the Horizon project → than beginning to create forums in the future for it
  - v.
  - vi. Currently in the process of reaching out to professors to help with the Academic research grants process.
- c. Chief of Senate - Logan Tucker
  - i. Keep staying on top of office hours!
  - ii. Call for Participation in Development of a Truth Racial Healing Transformation - Focused Campus Climate



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- iii. Opportunity for expanding relationship building and racial healing among faculty, staff, and other constituents
- d. Chief Justice - Sarah Babar
  - i. Entire undergraduate student body concerned in meeting with the Council.
  - ii. Student Org Bylaws.
  - iii. Senate Vacancies, certain residency spots are hard to fill so Justice Zoto is able to provide recommendations and then all of the senate is able to vote on that.
- e. TPB Chair - Kobe Huynh
  - i. Haunted Trails was a hit! Tickets were gone within 10 mins.
  - ii. Starting to plan for Nov/Dec events & early Spring Events
    - 1. Winter Wonderland, Black History Month, Ole-Fest (Spring Concert)
  - iii. If you want anything included in the Blue Buzz, please email me by Thursday morning PRIOR to the Monday you want something sent out
- f. Finance Chair - Shyen Hirabayashi
  - i. ASGBC Religious/Spiritual Org Chair Vacancy
  - ii. Planning to work with Siri and the IDEA Committee to address concerns and come up with initiatives regarding the funding of marginalized groups/orgs on campus.
  - iii. Working with Ricardo (ASGBC Controller) to establish more funding request guidelines
  - iv. Received first request for the Get Involved Fund. Working on creating specific guidelines for this fund.
  - v. The Center's Discretionary Fund Committee has approved its first request for the Women's Commons.
- g. PR Chair - Lucía Fiore
  - i. Printed out Academic Flyers to distribute around campus with Valentina
  - ii. All the marketing committee please share your google calendar with me by Friday
  - iii. If anyone has any marketing requests, please email me at [lfiore@san Diego.edu](mailto:lfiore@san Diego.edu)



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9. New Business

- a. Swearing-in of new AAG members (5 min)
  - i. Senators Natalia, Brennan, and Lizzie were sworn in.
- b. Presentation from Jonathan Oberg on Tram Services (20 min)
  - i. Upon returning there have been struggles with staffing
  - ii. Coverage on the East side of campus should become better, as there are recruiting processes and hopes of finding new staffing. Competition in the market is intense and there have been many competitors in taking staff.
  - iii. Technology of the trams has been having issues and the app is not up to par. Waiting for this to be resolved.
  - iv. If any questions there is a specified website to do so or can email at [trams@sandiego.edu](mailto:trams@sandiego.edu). Able to answer here and it will stay documented.
  - v. Will be having a bike library that is lended to students easily and in hopes of reducing tram usage. There are jobs available for students as well so if interested please contact.
  - vi. QUESTIONS:
    1. Madeleine Woo - HR keeps saying there are no jobs available, but there is a constituent looking for one. What is the best way to contact you for this? Best way is through email and please send information about the student so they can directly get in contact with them.
    2. Daniela Velarde - Is there a special license needed to drive these carts? There is a special license needed for the tram with 20 passengers, but for the golf cart there is no license needed and it is on campus so nothing out of campus. Only a regular drivers license.



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3. Ceci BarSTUDENT choosing to leave because of better be GOVERNMENT places? It is more of a benefit issue. The benefits are great, but some are drawn away because of competitors. Rates cannot be increased so much because ultimately it will not be good.

- c. Presentation from Maya Vargas on USD as an anchor institution (20 min)
- i.
  - ii. Envisioning 2024 - Source of public good and doing this leans into the continuity and making sure that there are positive cultural and social economic impacts.
  - iii. Emphasizes being part of the community and having a role to work together and make changes.
  - iv. Elements of being part of Anchor Institutions: People, Place, Philosophy, and Partnerships. At least 50 partnerships. Communities that we are so close to and need to acknowledge: Linda Vista, Barrio Logan, City Heights, and Tijuana.
  - v. Higher education institutions are critical local economic and intellectual engines linked to the long-term well-being of their home communities. There is work being done to strengthen and expand partnerships that confront the urgent challenges of our local communities.
  - vi. USD will intentionally invest resources to improve: access to quality k-12 education, enhance economic development, promote health care, and serve as a catalyst for local community development.
  - vii. Goal for USD: continue to buy local and hopefully want to be able to reach at least 13%.
  - viii. Visit: <https://he.cecollaboratory.com/sandiego>
  - ix. CUMU Anchor Learning Network



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- x. Advisory Com
  - xi. QUESTIONS
  - xii. Claire Ingrey - Where is the list for the local vendors? Should be on the Mulvaney Center Website.
  - xiii. Ari Sambrano - Who can we go to in order to be more involved and spread this information? For the advisory it is usually faculty, but will reach out and get back on how the student involvement is made more possible.
- d. Presentation on Student Org Committee Bylaws (10 min)
- i. SAI changed the student org handbook and thus the Bylaws were needed to be changed to correlate with the handbook.
  - ii. Student organizations now begin with students and end with students. The EAC will review.
  - iii. Article III was changed to give an option to appeal for the student org committee as well.
  - iv. Article V was just moved to keep order.
  - v. Many of these are approved by SOC and then goes to EAC for review. (Starting with students and ending with students).
  - vi. This will be posted for 5 days and the next senate will be voting on this, but will give time to let people go over them and see if any questions arise.
- e. Presentation on New and Returning Student Orgs (5 min)
- i. This is taking a little longer because advisors are taking longer to approve that they will be the advisors.
  - ii. GEEK
  - iii. Toreros on Ecosia
    - 1. Their main goal is for USD to leave Google and turnover to Ecosia in the long run, but still want to provide this information to new students. Will also be



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- iv. Motion to approve. Seconded.
  - v. Motion passed.
  - f. Appointment of CAS Senators Ceci and Eliza to the Grade Grievance Committee (5 min)
    - i. Motion to approve both new senators. Seconded.
    - ii. Motion passed.
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. Sarah Barbar - Previous senator Ezra has an event today in Saints 215 at 5:30pm if you are able to attend please do so.
  - b. Lauren Fettes - How does someone post something on campus, but not identifying themselves as who it is posting this?
    - i. Dr. Avery -- there are rules that the organization must be part of the poster so if that is not there then it might get removed.
  - c. Manda Sayegh - Strengths training meeting after senate next week. Need to complete this training and check your email from October 25th from Abby. Complete assessment prior to senate.
  - d. Nadia Al-Faraje - Who is responsible for posting the senate pictures to the website? It is not updated and the picture is from prior to COVID so it would be beneficial for students to recognize senators on campus.
    - i. Justice Zoto - It is the responsibility of the public relations chair, so I'm sure she will be willing to update that soon.
11. Adjournment (2 min) 1:37pm
- a. Motion to adjourn meeting. Seconded.
  - b. Motion passed.



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

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