



ASSOCIATED
STUDENT
GOVERNMENT
UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO

Senate Minutes

Thursday, April 13th, 2023

1:15pm

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 13th , 2023
 - a. Speaker pro tempore. Motion to amend the agenda to table the presentation on dining services to a later date. Seconded. Motion Passes.
 - b. Point of Information. Do the spring allocation need to be on the agenda or can they be with the my other presentation.
 - c. Speaker. I planned them together.
 - d. Health and Wellness Coordinator. Motion to approve the amended Agenda with the amendment. Seconded. Motion passes.
5. Approval of the Minutes, April 4th, 2023
 - a. Athletics Coordinator.. 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. Set up meeting with VP Ky Snyder for this next week!
 - b. This week, I met with the Finance Chair to discuss the overdrawn funds from my budget
 - c. Have been working with Senators to look at their individual resolutions and initiatives, Keep up the good work!
 - d. Please prepare themes and questions for President Harris but make sure that the questions are respectful and kind. Attack ideas not people!
 - e. Met with VPSA Johnson on Tuesday to discuss issues regarding admin and campus speaker decisions
 - f. Met with Finance committee on Tuesday to look over Q3 reports and reallocations
 - g. Please continue to fulfill all your responsibilities and duties, I know it is the end, but we need to give our final push to really finish well!
8. Reports from The Senate Leadership Team
 - a. Thank you to Dana, Arissa, Chloe, Melissa, Connor, Ashley, Kayley, and

Amaya for doing your slides by Wednesday night :)

- b. 4/20/2023
 - c. President Harris/ VP Johnson COMING TO SENATE
 - d. Katy Roig and Marie Davis
 - e. 4/27/2023
 - f. Roger Pace, Mathew Yopez, Abbey Racelis-Massey
9. New Business
- a. Presentation and Vote on Club AChA & MEChA over \$10,000 Request Presented by the ASG Finance Chair and Controller (35 min)
 - i. Chicax and Latinx Graduation Celebration May 13th, 1-4 pm
 - ii. History: first started in 1995 and for the past 28 years the ceremony includes all the identities today. It is an intimate ceremony that provides students the opportunity to reflect on how their identity, heritage, and family contributed to their academic achievements.
 - iii. Ceremony involves a faculty keynote speaker, presenting stoles and other recognition gifts with a reception. Allows the graduates to enjoy a meal, music and photos. All festivities are planned for about 300 attendees. With 110 being students and allowing all students 2 guests. Hosted with UM with the reception in the courtyard.
 - iv. Food and Entertainment-total 5,223\$
 - v. Grad specifics-4,737\$
 - vi. Other-1740\$
 - vii. Total-11700\$
 - viii. Importance-aligns with horizon project-USD as anchor institution, improves diversity and sense of belonging, setting the standard for an engaged, contemporary catholic institution.
 - ix. Event is different from commencement as they ceremony is bilingual, intimate and acknowledges the culture that is woven into the achievement of graduation.
 - x. ASGBC recommendation: merchandise 12\$ a person, banquets allocate up to 10\$ a person.
 - xi. Lump sum: \$6009, except no funds for other merchandise or photo booth, and maximum of \$1158 for stoles.
 - xii. Decided by our guidelines and what we allow per person.
 - xiii. Questions:
 - xiv. Senator Valeria. There definitely are things that are unnecessary in the gifts part. And we want to stay equal. So what is the priority in the budget?
 - xv. We have been making this budget as the dream. The stole and at least 1 personalized gift. Alumni and relations do give gifts but we want something to make it special. The photo booth is something

that gives everyone something they can take away from the graduation.

- xvi. Sustainability Coordinator. Is there a way for the photo booth to get from the graduate representation. Because technically we do not represent graduate students.
- xvii. We have been working with their student council. The amount we have is based on the 60 students.
- xviii. Senator Chloe. Is there a fee for the UM space. Is that amount of money standard for a photo booth?
- xix. The fee is still to be determined. We have reached out. And they haven't received clarification if it is the same fee as the KIPJ. The photo booth is high price. And we have looked into finding more local options.
- xx. Senator Jacob. How much as this ceremony has grown with participation?
- xxi. Last year there were two separate ceremonies. This is the biggest that I know of. But we have put graduate and undergraduate students together.
- xxii. Senator Alyssa. Where y'all open to a background than a photo booth. And y'all could have someone with a polaroid person there. This could be a better and cheaper way to get this.
- xxiii. TPB Chair. We have found vendors that are more affordable and I will share them after.
- xxiv. Sustainability Coordinator. For budget allocations you can share a ballpark.
- xxv. TPB Chair. The last time we used 549\$ for ours but inflation may have gone up.
- xxvi. Senator Devon. Ashley, can you remind us what we classified this as. Does this include the gifts?
- xxvii. Ashley. The overall events and the merchandise for the stoles. We did not fund any other merchandise. And we stopped funding merchandise after stoles due to the low budget we have.
- xxviii. Senator Valeria. Motion to call to recess for 5 minutes. Seconded. Motion passes.
- xxix. Senator Valeria. I move to approve \$6559 as a lump sum except no funds for other merchandise and a maximum of \$1158 to be used for graduation stoles.
- xxx. Senator Maleah. What is the plan if the amount allocated for stoles is not enough to purchase one for every graduate?
- xxxi. Been looking for cheaper stoles, but due to inflation things are much more expensive; we estimated upwards in case of emergency, so

there should be enough money to fund stoles for everyone. Still figuring it out

- xxxii. Health and Wellness Coordinator. How was the motion's amount decided on?
 - xxxiii. Student Org Committee Chair. Decided on by doing the lump sum as recommended by ASGBC but added \$550 for a photo booth as suggested by the TPB chair
 - xxxiv. Sustainability Coordinator. It seems like the mariachi and the photo booth, and possibly the food and drinks will also be accessible to the graduate students attending the event. It is only fair to consider that when funding those items because the graduate student council should fund those things as well.
 - xxxv. Athletics Coordinator. It's difficult to consider that question because it is hard to fund only half a mariachi band etc..., but if ASGBC included them in their recommendation that should not be a concern. Move to call the question. Seconded. Motion passes.
 - xxxvi. Speaker. We will now move to a vote to approve \$6559 Chicax and Latinx Graduation Celebration.
 - xxxvii. Senator Deven. Can we get the Finance Chair's opinion on adding money for the stoles
 - xxxviii. Speaker. We have already moved to call the question so discussion has ended.
 - xxxix. Speaker. Move to vote to allocate \$6559 for Chicax and Latinx Graduation Celebration. Motion passes.
- b. Presentation and Vote on ASG Budget Quarter 3 Reports Presented by the ASG Finance Chair (15 min)
- i. Documents to reference: spring ASG allocations, q3 reports, center funding guide.
 - ii. Two topics: asg q3 expenditures including asg funded centers and asg exec budgets, additional allocations form 30k rollover-open to asg exec
 - iii. Still events that were not approved and will need to be reimbursed. Womens commons, bsrc, sss, mcnaair, speaker
 - iv. Modification from last quarter, in q2-bsrc a blackly black experience, do not fund past \$500, high cost per person and less people attended that what was allocated for
 - v. In q3, change to reimburse \$150
 - vi. Questions:
 - vii. Academics Committee Chair. I move to approve the Q3 budget report with exception to the clarified modifications to the BSRC's Blackly Black experience allocations.

- viii. Additional allocations made: Speaker total 9000\$, VP-\$5000, TPB-\$12000, PR Chair: \$1150, Finance Chair- \$2850 total
- ix. Questions:
 - x. Senator Devon. Was VP Connor able to talk to the Copley contact regarding BibliU funding?
 - xi. Student Org Committee Chair. Move to approve the additional allocations made. Seconded.
 - xii. Speaker. Any further discussion?
 - xiii. Sustainability Coordinator. What is the Center's discretionary fund?
 - xiv. Finance Chair. We allocate extra money for the Center in case of additional requested funding during the year and so that money does not all go to the Executive board.
 - xv. Speaker. Move to a vote to approve the additional allocations made. Motion passes.

10. Reports from The Committee Chairs & Coordinators

a. The Academics Committee Chair

- i. Apply for grants, and encourage others to as well! We would love to see some applications rolling in. Due 4/14 @ 11:59PM
- ii. 2 confirmed department chairs to sit in on grant meetings
- iii. Initiative being finalized for Valley residents impacted by power outage
- iv. Resolutions in the works for Academic Comm. if anyone is interested [water in the Valley w/ Bella, alternative/ additional studying space besides Copley open close to 24hrs w/ Aashika + Jolie, compass points/volunteer hrs for students to visit + engage w/ senate, a sustainable "Reuse Room" for misc. supplies and items to be utilized by students w/ Bre'Arra

b. The IDEA Committee Chair

- i. VGM and On-Campus Speaker Resolutions are still in progress
- ii. Thank you for an engaging conversation last Senate!
- iii. Finalizing "Decolonization Efforts at USD" survey
- iv. Cookie for a Comment is TOMORROW! 1:30-2:30 in front of the UCs
- v. On-Campus Events
- vi. Community Conversation: Decolonizing USD (Friday Apr. 21, 3PM, Maher RM205)
- vii. Apartheid and Human Rights in Palestine: A Panel Discussion (Friday Apr. 21, 5-7PM, SOLES Warren Auditorium & Zoom)
- viii. C.L.A.S.S. Awards nominations are open! Nominate graduating students for one or multiple awards to recognize their achievements and contributions at USD.

- c. The Student Org Committee Chair
 - i. Meeting with Vietnamese Student Association tomorrow
 - ii. Will be presenting a few organizations for approval next week
 - iii. Thank you and I hope you all have a great week!
- d. The Student Life Committee Chair
 - i. Funds used for Grocery Lyft Codes — new Senate Initiative Request form submitted
 - ii. ASG Budget Quarter 3 Reports meeting went well
 - iii. Idea: Financial transparency on ASG's part for constituents to know where their fee is going toward — maybe they can offer input?
 - iv. Feedback notes from outreach with constituents:
 - v. Received positive feedback on Grocery Lyft Codes
 - vi. Requests for additional locations and/or flexibility with time
 - vii. Students requesting for additional BibliU titles
 - viii. Students having issues with maintenance/repair requests in dorm rooms
- e. The Athletics Coordinator
 - i. Tabling for Timely Care yesterday went really well!
 - ii. Set up a meeting with Joann Vállese and Arthur Cummins for next steps regarding next semester narcan training
 - iii. Had my first meeting with Facilitating Scholastic Assistants to get the ball rolling on better Student Leader training
 - iv. Games this week
 - v. BSB vs Portland tomorrow @6
 - vi. Saturday
 - vii. MSOC vs Point Loma @1
 - viii. SB vs Pacific @12
 - ix. BSB vs Portland @5
 - x. Sunday
 - xi. SB vs Pacific @12
 - xii. BSB vs Portland @1
 - xiii. Wednesday
 - xiv. WTEN vs Pepperdine @1:30
 - xv. BSB vs SDSU @6
- f. The Health and Wellness Coordinator
 - i. Tabling event was a success!
 - ii. Senate shoutout
- g. The Sustainability Coordinator
 - i. Sustainability Fair on Tuesday, April 18th!! Please come and bring all your friends!!!
 - ii. Oatmilk initiative is still live

11. Reports from The ASG Executive Board

a. President

- i. Happy Thursday, and welcome back from break!
- ii. The Food Pantry survey is still LIVE!
- iii. will be open until Monday, April 17 at 11:59 PM
- iv. Met w/ AVPSA Charlotte Johnson and updated her on recent funding requests. She will be attending the Senate with Dr. Harris on April 20!
- v. Met with AVPSL Byron, Jen, and the SSRJ to discuss sex education and contraceptive policies on campus
- vi. Working on writing a resolution, I will really need your support to bring this to the admin!
- vii. SBA and GSG have committed to backing this resolution
- viii. Wrote collective feedback document for the new USD Mission Statement
- ix. Mission Statement Suggestions

b. Vice President

- i. At faculty Senate today
- ii. The Academic Grant deadline is April 14!
- iii. An additional \$5000 has been allocated for Bibliu next academic year :)
- iv. Today in sports history: Kobe Bryant scored 60 points on his farewell game in a win against the Utah Jazz (2016)

c. Chief Justice

- i. Last day to vote on MySanDiego Portal!
- ii. Commencement committee meeting today
- iii. Writing up Judicial Branch interpretations/Getting on website
- iv. Finalizing TPB Bylaws
- v. Still editing ASGBC Bylaws
- vi. Reminder: Application for appointed positions are due SUNDAY!
- vii. If you ran for elected position, you can still apply for appointed position

d. TPB Chair

- i. Sustainability Fair on Tuesday, April 18th at Garden of the Sky (In front of KIPJ)
- ii. Late Night Breakfast on Wednesday, April 26th from 9:00-11:00 PM
- iii. TPB Applications are due Sunday, April 16th at 11:59 PM

e. Finance Chair

- i. ASGBC is going well
- ii. working on bylaw and funding guide updates
- iii. Presenting one over \$10,000 request today and likely another one

next Senate

- iv. Chaired the ASG Finance Q3 Meeting on Tuesday - will be presenting today

f. PR Chair

- i. Happy Voting Day!!
- ii. On-Campus Promotions:
- iii. 48-hour Voting Period ends tonight at midnight!
- iv. Spring Research Grant Applications due 4/14
- v. Applications for Appointed/TPB positions are due THIS SUNDAY at midnight
- vi. Cookie for a Comment happening tomorrow in front of the UC's 1:30-2:30pm
- vii. Working on the Senior Photo Event
- viii. Possible collab with JC and the Changemaker Hub for their Oatmilk Pilot
- ix. Got some questions about where to find the Marketing Request form so here she is :)

g. Chief of Staff

- i. Continuing to work on banquet things
- ii. Will be working with Finance Chair Ashley to find local SD and/or BIPOC sandwich shops for Senior Photo event
- iii. If you are familiar with any/something comes to mind please do reach out
- iv. Office hour log information and next steps will be discussed with Speaker Andres and Clerk Gunner
- v. Fill out award nominations!! Due April 21st by the end of the day.

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

- a. Student Org Committee Chair. Motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded. Motion declined.
- b. Senator Takilah. Motion to override speakers decision to decline today's meeting. Seconded. Motion passes. (1:51 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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