



ASSOCIATED
STUDENT
GOVERNMENT
UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO

Senate Minutes

Thursday, April 4th, 2023

1:15pm

The Senate Chamber, Executive Board Room, University of San Diego

1. Call to Order
2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of the Agenda, April 4th , 2023
 - a. Senator Jacob. Motion to amend the agenda to include a resolution about speakers that engage in hate speech after old business with the set time of 15 minutes. Seconded. Motion passes.
 - b. Student life Coordinator. Motion to approve the Agenda with the amendment. Seconded. Motion passes.
5. Approval of the Minutes, March 23rd, 2023
 - a. Senator Morgan. 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. This past Friday, I met with the Finance Chair and others to vote on the Centers Discretionary Fund allocations.
 - b. Attended Ole Fest on Friday as well and had a blast!
 - c. Yesterday, I met with AVP Dr. Howlett to discuss the Student In Need Fund, and its dwindling funds!
 - d. I also met with Jelitsa Fonseca to discuss the funds of the Torero Pantry and Closet, and it's also dwindling funds
 - e. I have been working with the President to communicate to President harris his lack of attendance to ASG, as well as working with Exec to discuss several issues affecting campus in regards to Public Safety
 - f. I have set up a meeting with VP Ky Snyder and Bill McGillis for next week!
 - g. I worked with the IDEA Committee Chair and Senator Jacob to finish up a resolution regarding hate speech
 - h. Any questions at all, email me at asgspeaker@sandiego.edu
8. Reports from The Senate Leadership Team
 - a. Please do you're senate initiative sheet, by the end of today
 - b. Parliamentary Reminder: While every motion is voted upon, any member may request a vote be taken by an actual individual count of each member's

vote by calling for a division of the house. This must be done before a new motion, and does not need to be seconded.

9. Reports from The Committee Chairs & Coordinators

a. The Academics Committee Chair

- i. none

b. The IDEA Committee Chair

- i. THANK YOU TPB FOR THE CONCERT!
- ii. Finalizing what work will be continued and what will be placed in the transition files
- iii. Presentation on a resolution today! (Resolution To Support Queer and Trans Students and Deny Matt Walsh and Any Possible Campus Speaker that Engages in Hate Speech)
- iv. Reminder: Cookie for a Comment Event on April 14 in front of the UCs, 1:30-2:30! Catering will be from Maya's Cookies
- v. Have a lovely Easter Break!

c. The Student Org Committee Chair

- i. Thank you Alondra for being my proxy!
- ii. We will be meeting with Vietnamese Student Association when we come back from break.
- iii. We will be presenting at Senate more student orgs after we come back from Easter break.
- iv. I hope you all have an amazing and safe Easter break and enjoy the heat and sunshine that is coming!

d. The Student Life Committee Chair

- i. ASG Grocery Lyft, 130 rides, total cost: \$1,674.32
- ii. Thank you to TPB for putting on an amazing Olé Fest!
- iii. Prepping for Finance Committee
- iv. Brainstorming about increasing student engagement/campus spirit
- v. On-going Student Life Committee projects — reach out to collaborate!
- vi. Tram Stop Benches (led by Senator Maleah)
- vii. Dining Dollars Transfer (led by Senator Jonathan)
- viii. Valley Water Fountains (led by Senator Angelica)

e. The Athletics Coordinator

- i. Happy Senate Everyone! Sorry I can't be here today, I have 2 standing meetings on Tuesdays during dead hours!
- ii. Finalized the Senate Appreciate Game
- iii. Tuesday April 25th at 6pm vs SDSU (Mark your calendars!)
- iv. I am working with my committee to decide on what we want to do with the time
- v. I will be attending SAAC tonight to get updated on the Narcan

training

- vi. Will begin working with Student Leadership this month to create better training to be used in the Leadership Training Summit next semester
- vii. Games this week
- viii. Next home game isn't until Wednesday April 12th
- ix. Softball vs California Baptist @ 5:30pm
- f. The Health and Wellness Coordinator
 - i. Hi everyone! Super proud of everyone from the last senate meeting
 - ii. Had so much fun at Driver Era shoutout tpb
 - iii. Tabling event april 12 1-2
- g. The Sustainability Coordinator
 - i. Met with advisor on Friday
 - ii. Oat milk at Aromas!

10. Reports from The ASG Executive Board

- a. President
 - i. Happy first week of April!
 - ii. ASG Food Pantry will be open until Monday, April 17 at 11:59 PM
 - iii. Have a WONDERFUL break and Happy Easter to all who celebrate!
- b. Vice President
 - i. Academic grant review meetings start when we come back from Easter!
 - ii. Some of my meetings have been shared with Senate; reach out if you'd like to be part of any of them. Shoutout to Senator Josh for this idea!
 - iii. Nominate a fellow student leader for an ASG Award!
NominationsForm
 - iv. -Happy Birthday to Robert Downey Jr (1965)
- c. Chief Justice
 - i. Looking to get Judicial Branch Interpretations up on the website
 - ii. Met with TPB Chair last week to go over edits Judicial Branch made
 - iii. Elections committee met last week
 - iv. Reminder: ASG members cannot endorse candidates!
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- e. Finance Chair
 - i. traveling this week, still available remotely
 - ii. The Controller is chairing ASGBC today in my absence

- iii. Reviewed a President's Discretionary Fund request, updated the ASGBC Funding Guide, working on editing ASGBC bylaws, and of course answering emails
- iv. Had a great time at Olé Fest last Friday - thank you and congrats on a job well done Kobe and TPB!
- v.
- vi. To put on your radar:
- vii. ASGBC over \$10k request to be presented at Senate after break
- viii. Q3 reports to be presented at Senate after break
- f. PR Chair
 - i. On Campus Promotions:
 - ii. Voting Days are April 12th and 13th!
 - iii. If you are campaigning please make sure to submit your campaign materials to me for approval :)
 - iv. Appointed position applications are still open for ASG Exec and TPB until April 16th!
 - v. Spring Research Grants open until April 14th
 - vi. Cookie for a Comment with IDEA Committee is happening April 14th in front of the UC's 1:30-2:30pm (Please tell your constituents!)
 - vii. Filmed a late-night style video with Andres and Dana
 - viii. Working on the Robert's Rules video with John
 - ix. Photo Op!! Smile for the camera in your ¼ zips after Senate is adjourned today :)
- g. Chief of Staff
 - i. You all should have received an email from me regarding nominations for awards that will be given during our banquet (if you did not, raise your hand)
 - ii. Please have these filled out and submitted by Friday, April 21st by 11:59 PM
 - iii. Non-formal awards
 - iv. Parliamentarian John brought up how this would be a fun way to have a little recognition for everyone aside from the more formal awards
 - v. If we decide to do this I would need help from 5-6 people, please volunteer now! :)
 - vi. Office hour logs
 - vii. Please respond to the gcal invite for our banquet ASAP.

11. New Business

- a. Confirmation Vote on the President's Appointments to the USD Grade Grievance Committee (8 min)
 - i. Academics Committee Chair, Senator Jolie

- ii. Sustainability Coordinator. What does this committee do.
- iii. President. For the college of arts and sciences. They need representatives that are from different apartments. And they deal with different grievances with grades given out from professors.
- iv. Student Life Committee Chair. Motion to confirm the presidents appointments to the USD Grade Grievance Committee. Seconded. Motion passes.

12. Old Business

- a. Discussion and Vote on Senate Bylaw Amendments presented by the Chief Justice, Alana De La Torre (15 min)
 - i. The only change that was made, was adding directly from the constitution the speaker of the senates powers. No other changes were made.
 - ii. Speaker pro tempore. Motion to approve the bylaw amendments presented by the Chief Justice. Seconded.
 - iii. Senator Chloe. I wanted to clarify. Were any of the other recommendations added to the bylaws from last senate.
 - iv. No because of the discussion.
 - v. Speaker. So all the other changes made by the judicial branch will be approve with this vote?
 - vi. Motion to approve the bylaw amendments presented by the Chief Justice. Seconded. Motion passes.
- b. Discussion and Brainstorm on Upcoming Senate Speakers led by The Speaker Pro Tempore of the Senate, Lily Giovannelli (15 min)
 - i. Charles Ramos, Dining Services Director, Carol Norman , Director of Hospitality, Services, Presenting on: Food hours, options, and pricing
 - 1. Sustainability Coordinator. Lot on the pricing side and meal swipes and dining dollars and whether you can give them away. Seek transparency.
 - 2. We will make a google doc. He would be more on swipes and dining dollars. Would anyone want Andre Mallie to come to senate?
 - 3. Valeria I know we've mentioned about swipes maybe we can talk about using swipes earlier than what it is now?
 - 4. After 4:30 when the dining hall opens for dining, meal equivalences open. We can definitely talk about extending the time. And transparency.
 - 5. Devon. I want to see the percentage of meal swipes used. And present the income statement form auxiliary services.
 - 6. Tatum. I would like to see how to see food options more inclusive. And I know people have talked to higher ups and

they haven't changed.

7. Senator Jacob. Ask about the communication about using meal swipes in other areas at dinner. And help ways to get this out.
 8. President. I know Charles oversees the approved food vendor list. And many people have problems with this. And if he is open to reopen this and make it easier for student orgs to navigate.
 9. Senator Osa. I do not think this is applicable to freshmen and if this isn't true. I want to go over the process of how they are trained because I know they have lots of struggles with this.
 10. Senator Mia. Me and Senator Takilah are working with Charles to improve the options at the dining hall. We can for sure go over this with him.
 11. PR Chair. Mine is the food waste. I want to hear the updates on this. And food options and allergies I want to see how they are trained with peanut allergies and how the staff is trained and what they do.
 12. Senator Josh. I heard the machine in the back of the slp doesn't work.
 13. Sustainability Coordinator. I wanted to respond to that I know that was a concern with that last semester. I know we had to get a new composter this semester so I do not think this is relevant now. To my knowledge this is in use. I have seen the workers throw stuff in the trash. Having spoken to Charles, he does have good answers so you need to find specific points about this.
 14. PR Chair. To my knowledge the compost system is working right now. I do see them put them in the machine. It is outside behind the slp.
 15. Senator Devon. I know that the only thing that is not in the sustainability plan is not in the plan as of right now. Maybe we can see how he does with emissions.
 16. Parliamentarian. Point of order the allotted time has expired.
 17. Sustainability Coordinator. Motion to extend allotted time by 10 mins. Seconded. Motion Passes.
- ii. Katy Roig Vice President for Finance and Chief Financial Author, Marie Davis, Budget Director, Presenting on: Financial transparency, budget and planning, tuition increases
1. Sustainability Coordinator. Is it possible to do a tabling event before they come to senate. This is one of the biggest

complaints. So maybe we can get direct input.

2. Senator Chloe. How they deal with students with exceptional financial needs.
3. President. Dr. Harris. Will also be here this day. So if you all can brainstorm for him this would be great.
4. Senator Valeria. Breakdown the addition to tuition is going towards. What tuition percentage is going towards.
5. Senator Mia. How the large number of freshmen coming in affects the tuition. Why is it still being raised with more students?
6. Speaker. I want to discuss how the new wellness building is being paid for.
7. Senator Valeria. I had a proxy two senates ago who told me, but do we need a membership for it? Who gets access to it?
8. There is no membership, just any students can scan into it. But there is another fee that is added to tuition.
9. Senator Maleah. Is this another fee is continuous? Or just being built?
10. This will be for the students after it is built? But will be continuous until it is paid for.
11. Senator Devon. How much of a delta is there between the raise with the change in tuition?
12. Senator Chloe. I would be interested in working with different groups on campus because I know people feel overheard on campus.
13. Proxy for Student Org committee chair. Is this something for alumni to use as well?
14. Senator Angelica. With the tuition increase how do they plan on housing everyone that needs to live on campus.
15. Senator Tatum. On why they decided to build a new building before making the other buildings better.
16. Parliamentarian. Point of order the allotted time has expired.
17. Sustainability Coordinator. Motion to extend the allotted time by 10 mins. Seconded. Motion Passes.
18. Senator Sean. So is the President now coming?
19. The senate lead time and I have worked with him to attend senate as has the president. We have heard he was booked full and unable to attend. And he was able to come tentatively. His office didn't provide any further dates. So the president and I saw this as disheartening. The president and I drafted a letter to his office where two dates opened up.

20. Senator Mia. If we have further questions can we email you?
 21. Senator Jonathan. Ways we can help out in transparency.
 22. I know a lot of the student-facing things are mainly revenue based. So asking about where this money goes, that students tap into everyday.
 23. Senator Maleah. I would like to see a breakdown of our tuition money. To see what is used every year and how much is put into the endowment. And to see if they would be open to funding some of the commons and other funds.
 24. Senator Devon. I would like to see if we can get a financial statement and breakdown of the tuition money.
 25. Sustainability Coordinator. Maybe we can get specific financial statements to see how they fund different things on campus. And maybe a look into the endowment and how much goes into it yearly. And what they plan on doing with it.
- iii. Dr. Roger Pace Vice Provost Mathew Yopez Senior Director, Career Development Center Abbey Racelis-Massey Associate Director, Career Development Center, Presenting on: Compass points and classroom wellness
1. Senator Chloe. For a year I have been trying to get ideas for points to be approved. So I want to see how they decide how they decide this.
 2. Maybe we can try to get the senate as one to help get more student engagement.
 3. Senator Jacob. What does classroom wellness mean?
 4. It is anything we want to guide them in. So maybe adding pages to the syllabus for classroom wellness, or anything you want them to elaborate them on.
 5. Sustainability Coordinator. Transferring credits and reaching out about complaints and retaking classes is really hard here.
 6. Parliamentarian. Point of Order the allotted time has expired.

13. New Business Part II

- a. Senator Jacob's presentation on a resolution about speakers that engage in hate speech to not speak on campus. (15 min)
 - i. To support queer and trans students and to deny Matt Walsh and any possible hate speech.
 - ii. Lots of constituents do not feel comfortable paying their fee with speakers like this on campus.
 - iii. Parts of constitution that his platform goes against and our mission statement.
 - iv. And how we fund LGBTQ+ events. How we denied the funding based

on the mission statements.

- v. And other speakers should be denied based on creating unsafe feelings on campus and how this should not be allowed with other speakers that would be just as harmful. No form of oppression to marginalized communities.
- vi. In law we are showing support to these communities and we stand for them in the future. How we will deliver it to. With upper administration.
- vii. Point of Information. Where is the link?-speaker notes in slides.
- viii. Senator Devon. Maybe have a clause that describes hate speech with specifics and macro-level to make sure what we clarify.
- ix. Sustainability Coordinator. The more specific the better. The most fair is if we stop for specifics. At the asg discussion the biggest description is that we were using the fee for it. I did hear mention that we are stopping him from campus. But we didn't feel to pay for it. This does go further than that, and we are going to need to fight for this from constituents.
- x. Senator Chloe. We need to clarify this regardless of any political side. Anyone who promotes hate speech and does harm to other groups. People like him should use this as a publicity stunt that he can't use against us.
- xi. Parliamentarian. You have a line that says any measures necessary you may want to reword this so we don't seem too authoritarian.
- xii. Senator Osa. Making sure to highlight that they cannot use victimhood against us and make sure that they do not feel silenced. Maybe cut beliefs.
- xiii. Senator Devon. Avoiding similarity and focusing on speakers and define and propagate hate speech.
- xiv. Point of order the allotted time has expired.
- xv. Osa. Extend by 5 mins. seconded

14. 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.*

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15. Adjournment

a. Motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded. Motion passes. (

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
March 30th, 2023 | 12:15pm