



## Senate Minutes

Thursday, October 30th, 2025

The Senate Chamber, Salomon Hall, University of San Diego

1. Call to Order - 12:30 pm
2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of the agenda for October 30th, 2025
  - a. Speaker Pro Tempore - motion to amend the agenda to add the confirmation vote for the PR Chair for 5 minutes as the first item of new business, and swearing-in for 5 minutes as the second item of new business. Seconded. Motion passes.
  - b. Academics Chair - motion to approve the amended agenda. Seconded. Motion passes.
5. Approval of the minutes from October 23rd, 2025
  - a. Senator Sophia - motion to approve the minutes. Seconded. Motion passes.
6. New Business
  - a. Speaker Pro Tempore - motion to approve the new PR Chair for the 2025-26 academic year. Seconded. Motion passes.
  - b. Swearing-in of PR Chair, conducted by Chief Justice
  - c. Speaker Pro Tempore - motion to table the next agenda item. Seconded. Motion passes.
    - i. President - point of information, when are we tabling it for?
    - ii. Speaker Pro Tempore - Rahul from ITS is supposed to come at 1, so it might be tabled for final business.
  - d. Approval of new student orgs, conducted by Student Org Chair
    - i. New student orgs: USD Transfer Connect, Psi Chi, USD Unified
    - ii. Senator Wyatt - motion to approve the new organizations for the 2025-26 academic year. Seconded. Motion passes.
  - e. Future speaker brainstorm, facilitated by Speaker Pro Tempore
    - i. Speaker Pro Tempore - parking services is coming in 2 weeks - any other recommendations for senate speakers from senators?
    - ii. Senator Wyatt - specific question about parking services
    - iii. Speaker Pro Tempore - bring that up when parking services comes;

- any ideas for people on campus that you want to talk to?
- iv. Academics Chair - academics committee is meeting with Dr. Regina Gong (Copley dean) soon, so she might be a good senate speaker in the future
  - v. Sustainability Coordinator - John Alejandro and the facilities team would like to come in to discuss sustainability & facilities management on campus
  - vi. Senator Abigail - Anne from wellness came in last semester, it'd be interesting to hear from her again
  - vii. President Lily - QPR training and Narcan training; representatives from finances to discuss where the university's finances go
- f. Speaker Pro Tempore - motion to take from the table the ITS presentation and have it happen now. Seconded. Motion passes.
- g. ITS presentation, conducted by Rahul Dhiman
- i. A few months ago, a phishing situation caused students to lose money; in another phishing situation, students' official information was hacked and changed
  - ii. As a result of those incidents, cybersecurity insurance company was contacted and established that having Duo open for 7 days made it easier for the hackers to get in
  - iii. Duo update: authentication lasts for 24 hours on the same browser on the same device
  - iv. Phishing is the biggest problem, and ITS sends campus-wide messages about it frequently; but 50-60% of recipients don't read phishing warning emails, so what can we do to better get that information to faculty, students, and staff?
  - v. Do not approve any Duo prompt you get unless you're expecting it
  - vi. Forensic team from cybersecurity team recommended that we disable Yam (extension to Chrome/Gmail that lets you send mass emails)
  - vii. Haven't received phishing messages for the last several messages since making these updates
  - viii. ITS sends fake phishing emails to help students identify characteristics of phishing
  - ix. Planning to move to passwordless-authentication for better ease and security; using biometric information or text message codes
  - x. Student Life Committee Chair - many people don't know to check who emails are coming from, which is a very obvious way to see if emails are scams (ITS: we send many emails to the campus about this; scam emails always have links, so check those too)
  - xi. ITS is expecting a huge increase in cybersecurity problems due to

- proliferation of AI
- xii. Maybe messages on the MySanDiego portal would be better than emails
  - xiii. Sustainability Coordinator - fake phishing emails are effective because they're like a wakeup call for students, so we should keep doing more of that
  - xiv. Health & Wellness Coordinator - are push notifications still going to be available to students who don't want to use the passwordless method? (ITS: Duo push notifications will no longer be used)
  - xv. Senator Michael S - is it possible to make it easier to transport our Canvas calendar to Google Calendar? (ITS: not sure if that is possible)
  - xvi. Speaker Pro Tempore - you can already transport Canvas calendar to Google Calendar
  - xvii. Senator Eliana - motion to extend the allotted time for this agenda item by 10 minutes. Seconded. Motion passes.
  - xviii. Senator Rhonel - instead of sending caution emails, we should add a mandatory cybersecurity training
  - xix. Senator Madeleine - contact LLC professors to tell them to tell their classes about cybersecurity tips (ITS: that will not work; maybe ASG can forward messages from ITS)
  - xx. Vice President Kaitlyn - is it possible to not be logged out from Duo while we're actively on a tab? (ITS: we can work on getting Duo to reset at 12 am for everyone)
  - xxi. Senator Abigail - I normally read texts from USD, so monthly ITS texts could be helpful
  - xxii. Sustainability Coordinator - motion to extend the allotted time for this agenda item by 10 minutes. Seconded.
  - xxiii. Athletics Coordinator - we should extend by only 5 minutes.
  - xxiv. Speaker Pro Tempore - we should extend by 10 minutes so that we don't have to stop again if we exceed 5 minutes.
  - xxv. Motion passes. Time has been extended by 10 minutes.
  - xxvi. Athletics Coordinator - monthly text messages should specify that they will only occur monthly, so students will be less likely to stop them (ITS: get back to us after confirming it's what constituents want)
  - xxvii. Senator Sophia - as long as texts are concise and infrequent, it shouldn't be an issue
  - xxviii. Student Life Chair - wants to do a poll of students to see if they would like to see ITS text messages

## 7. Report from The Speaker of the Senate

- a. When using the restroom during senate, please say "point of personal privilege" beforehand - you do not need to be recognized

- b. Make-up training must be completed by Friday, 11:59 pm
  - c. Email etiquette - remember greetings, thank yous, and advisor CCs
  - d. Event scheduling - please do not schedule any events for Thursday Torero Hours
  - e. Clerk of the senate - please email by November 13th to express interest in the position
8. Reports from The Senate Leadership Team
- a. Speaker Pro Tempore - thank you for the speaker brainstorm! Senate initiatives form is linked on the slide
  - b. Clerk - reach out with any questions about the position; keep submitting funding requests (remaining initiatives fund = \$9,616)
  - c. Parliamentarian - not here today; meeting with Pres. Harris
9. Reports from The Committee Chairs & Coordinators
- a. The Academics Committee Chair
    - i. Circulating academic grants flyer
    - ii. Midterm check-in completed by 50+ students
    - iii. Hoping to collaborate with IDEA chair regarding priority registration for cheer, dance, and ROTC students
    - iv. Checking out study rooms to see if improvements can be made
  - b. The Student Org Committee Chair
    - i. Regular meeting location secured: SLP 319, Wednesdays at 8 am
    - ii. Representatives from student orgs join committee meeting via Zoom; 15 student orgs will be reviewed next week
  - c. The IDEA Committee Chair
    - i. Interview questions generated for diverse social media series
    - ii. ROTC priority registration form created
  - d. The Student Life Committee Chair
    - i. Tabling event 11/4 from 12-2, please reach out if you can help
    - ii. Mental Health Mondays on the way
    - iii. Tell constituents about grocery Lyft codes
  - e. The Athletics Coordinator
    - i. Met with athletics director Kimya
    - ii. Volleyball game tonight at 7
    - iii. New app called USD Toreros; gives game updates, stats, etc.
    - iv. Student Athlete Advisor Committee meeting next week
    - v. December 9th - USD tailgate for men's basketball game
  - f. The Health and Wellness Coordinator
    - i. Movember tabling event (men's mental health) happening on 11/12, please reach out if you can help
    - ii. Will be updated on used STI testing funds weekly
  - g. The Sustainability Coordinator

- i. Met with John Alejandro to discuss a competition idea between Camino and Founders to reduce power and water usage
  - ii. Wants to run a tabling event regarding sustainability
10. Reports from The ASG Executive Board
  - a. President
    - i. Welcome new PR Chair!
    - ii. Senate on Tuesday, November 18th - business professional; President Harris coming in
    - iii. Attended parking mobility committee - came up with new proposals regarding parking passes and future construction projects
    - iv. Looking to fill Finance Chair position - application due Nov. 7th
  - b. Vice President
    - i. Academic grants due Nov. 3rd
    - ii. Attended university senate - faculty Bill of Rights was discussed, along with intellectual property policy
    - iii. Academic grants will be reviewed November 13th and 20th
  - c. Chief Justice
    - i. Parking re-appeals court meeting is scheduled for next Monday
    - ii. Attending hazing prevention and education meeting
    - iii. Continuing work on judicial branch bylaws
    - iv. Parking re-appeals process is the same for all undergraduate students
  - d. TPB Chair
    - i. Boo basket making event was a success!
    - ii. Coming up: Civic Circus, destress event, Wicked 2, winter wonderland
  - e. PR Chair
    - i. Isabelle Barako - sophomore from AZ majoring in marketing and psychology
  - f. Chief of Staff
    - i. Thanks to everyone who came to bonding
    - ii. Attended academic calendar meeting and parking mobility meeting
    - iii. Working on planning finance committee and another bonding event
    - iv. Make sure you're attending office hours!
11. Old Business
  - a. Speaker - 1:1 meetings have been scheduled with all senators, so please respond to GCal invitations
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. Senator Madeleine - motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded. Motion passes. Senate adjourned at 1:57 pm.

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