Senate Agenda

Thursday, February 28, 2019
12:15pm
University of San Diego,
Solomon Hall, Maher Hall

The public is invited and encouraged to attend and participate in all Associated Students Senate Meetings. All meetings are open to the public, and are accessible to those with disabilities. Public participation in all discussions is welcomed, and the public is invited to address the Student Senate on non-Agenda items during Final Business and Hearing of the Public.

1. Call to Order (12:15pm)
2. Roll Call
   a. Elena takes roll
3. Motion to appoint Rory as Chair pro tempore
   a. seconded, no further discussion, unanimously approved
4. Motion to insert the conversation about senator charlie young to discuss at the beginning of the agenda
   a. seconded, 11 in favor, 4 opposed, 4 in favor
   b. passed
5. Approval of the Agenda, February 28 (12:17pm)
   a. Motion to approve the agenda, seconded
   b. Dean: remove Frontiers USA to discuss in committees, Rameen-would like to have a conversation
      i. Rowan would like to hear this discussion
         1. unanimously approved
6. Approval of the Minutes, February 26 (12:19pm)
   a. Motion to approve the minutes from February 26, seconded, unanimously approved
7. Statement on Behalf of the Executive Board (12:21pm)
   a. Chris reads the statement on behalf of the exec team
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1. Report substituted by the exec team regarding the position of removed Senator Charlie Young

8. Statement on Behalf of Inclusion and Diversity Committee (12:31pm)
   a. Jesse Magaña makes a statement to the committee

9. Confirmation of Newly Appointed Senators (12:36pm)
   a. The newly appointed senator stand, rise and state their
      i. Ashley Reyes: School of Business
      ii. Leslie Martinez: CAS
   b. Motion to approve newly appointed senators, seconded no further discussions, unanimously approved

10. New Business
    a. Discussion of Charlie Young (10 min)
       i. Rowan makes a statement regarding Charlie
       ii. Elena: the conversation was from everyone
       iii. Rory: makes a decision to not restore Charlie’s right to vote
          1. Jocelyn: orders of the day, discussion has reached time allotted
       iv. Motion on the floor to repeal the decision,
          1. Dean speaks out
             a. 10 in favor
             b. 11 against
             c. 2 abstention
          2. Motion fails
    b. Approval of New and Re-Registering Student Organizations (12:41pm)
       i. Charlie presents Fraternity and Sorority multicultural council
       ii. Motion to approve the Frat and sorority multicultural Council
          1. seconded, no further discussion, unanimously approved
       iii. Presentation of Mathex
          1. Motion to approve Mathex, seconded, unanimously approved
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iv. Presentation of Shark Conservation
   1. Motion to approve Shark Conservation, seconded, unanimously approved

c. Frontiers USA at the Career Fair Discussion–Rameen Javadian (12:46pm)
   i. speaks on behalf of MSA
   ii. Shares how Frontiers USA would be attending the spring career
      1. Felt uncomfortable with the presence of this organization
      2. Had a conversation with Robin about this event
   iii. Will have a town hall to discuss what could have been done differently
      1. Rowan: create a student council to look through the student orgs

d. Notification of Constitutional Changes–Chris Hermes (12:56pm)
   i. Chris gives updates about the current constitution, shared with the group and people can review over spring break to write down any concerns or comments
      1. Jocelyn: will there be a meeting for Senators to attend that meeting
      2. Rowan: same draft?
      3. Charlie: in the drive as to what is being worked on

e. Approval of the Spring 2019 Associated Students Executive Budget (1:01pm)
   i. Stephanie presents the budget
   ii. only AS exec is presented, decreased a lot of the funding
      1. Lyft decreased and will keep $2000 for safe rides
   iii. Motion to approve the budget and take from the reserve, seconded
      1. Charlie: budget has been cut down as much as possible, not much can be removed, money from the reserves is completely necessary; needs a ⅔ vote to pass, all are encouraged to vote yes
         a. Dean: would like to thank ASBC (finance committee)
         2. Stephanie makes not that Finance committee will meet again
iv. 1 abstention, motion passes

11. 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.* (1:06pm)

   a. Kate Burnite: makes some remarks regarding ANSWER; was an ex-officio member last semester and is no longer on senate, felt un-necessary to have her name mentioned
      
      i. This body does not do due diligence, do not mistake this as the exec team as trying to silence
      ii. Asks not to disregard the voices and lives of other students
      iii. AS seen as a chamber of thought
   
   b. Carolina Moreno: would also like to address the statement that was made; took steps that irresponsibly put the JSA on alert, spreading the news of anti-semitism including abroad, smeared the name of students and professors in front of admin
      
      i. created division between two groups which is not fair at all
      ii. find every word in the book to keep him and position safe, not allowing the group to go through the process, ANSWER’s voice was not considered before the allegations were made
   
   c. Motion to recall Charlie’s position as Senator, seconded,
      
      i. Allanah makes statement about her sentiments regarding the voting turnout with Charlie’s position, he is meant to represent but voices have been silenced and students have been confronted about their reputation following Charlie’s power of abuse to make claims about their character. Ask senators to be reconsider their decision and sets reminder about their role to represent students on this campus.
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ii. Wendy speaks out in regards to the separation in the room between different students on this campus, the abuse of power taken by Charlie, and the barriers face on this campus

iii. Dean speaks on allegations made against Charlie and that if his facts were false it should have been forgotten and not cause an uproar as it has

iv. Student from the audience states her different identities and that she identifies with minorities and that this is still an attack/threat on all students

v. Person from the audience speaks in regards to Charlie being represented and labeled as racist.

vi. PJ refers back to Dean’s remarks on Charlie and points out that the manner which he went about the process and took advantage of situation without by portraying students

vii. Marion speaks out about going out of her way to get both sides of the story and got Charlie’s presentation but the way that the way because it broke protocol and reaching out to the group about why things happened. Unsafe environment because of the way it was handled.

viii. Anna clarifies that the anti semitic remark was not aimed toward the group but rather towards the organization that has encountered problems in the past

ix. Allana clarifies that Charlie did personally identify and call out students and clarifies that being white passing still constitutes some privilege.

x. Individual from Jewish Organization that ANSWER is an organization that supports terrorism and attack on Jews. (Singles out Jesse and Carolina for previous statements)

xi. Re-vote for Motion regarding Charlie’s position/recall vote
   1. seconded,
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2. Jocelyn clarifies that we can't have a recall vote so we need to kill this motion then have recall motion with the terms of a recall vote
   a. Tyler Warren steps in to clarify that someone needs to make a sub secondary motion to make it a recall vote
      i. motion to recall vote
         1. seconded, motion passes unanimously
   xii. Motion on the floor to remove Charlie from the office
        1. seconded
        2. Yes= To call a vote of his constituency to remove him
   xiii. Move to go into a recess to clarify what our next moves regarding the vote (5 minutes)
        1. seconded, motion passes immensely

d. Rory calls the room back to order (1:45pm)
e. Jocelyn appoints Tyler Warren to take her place (point of privilege)
f. Charlie clarifies that he is allowed to vote and speak on this issue
g. Motion on the floor to call for a recall vote of Charlie Young
   i. seconded, ⅔ majority needed
   ii. Rory refers to bylaws to explain the reasoning for Charlie’s removal
   iii. Kate Burnite clarifies his constituency
      1. Vistas
   iv. yes= to call a vote of Charlie’s position
   v. Tyler clarifies that he can only vote when his vote will sway the vote one way or the other → will only vote if it changes the outcome
   vi. yes (13), no (8)
      1. motion fails, ⅔ majority is 15
         a. Deja brings up if we can bring this up again
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b. Charlie brings up that someone from the other side would have to change their vote for it to be brought back up

c. Individual in audience asks if there’s anything that can be done to kick Charlie from office (the Vistas)
   i. 20% of those voting in the election of the senator must sign a petition (150)

2. Jen lee will verify this number

h. Individual from USD Vista brings up question regarding the appointment of new senators and the finance budget
   i. Stephanie responds in regard to budge
   ii. Rory responds to information and process of newly appointed senators

i. Librarian Summit for Faculty and Staff from First Generation Action Team talks about event over Spring Break

j. Tyler rises to appoint of order
   i. Josh is limited to 60 seconds at podium
      1. Three proxies step in for Maya DeLaTorre and Deja, and Leslie Martinez
      2. Josh points out Rory brought the situation to his attention, points out that he does not view any of the students associated with ANSWER as racists and applaud an organization that stands up against those injustices but does not approve of an organization associated with the opposite values. Ends his speech with stating that Jewish students feel unsafe.

k. Adjournment (2:00pm)
   i. motion to adjourn the meeting
      1. seconded, voted unanimously
      2. meeting adjourned