MEETING MINUTES
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO
The Wednesday, April 15, 2020 meeting was held at 6:02 PM via Zoom.

Roll Call

Public Input

- **AVP of Transportation and Transformation:** I will be here to answer questions in the chat during the presentation.
- **AVP of Academic Affairs:** I will be on a panel on the future of education regarding rising cost and use of technology.

Special Presentations

- Special Presentation by Erik Mumm and Josh Kavanagh regarding Transportation. Presented on anticipated route changes for Fall 2020, responding to recent construction changes, and proposed Campus Loop.

Senator Hickman moved to extend time by ten minutes.

- **Senator Hickman:** With reduction to service to Gliderport, are they aware of the walking?
- **Kavanagh:** The only need for walking through the buildings is the need for elevators.
- **Senator Lonc:** It is confusing knowing which buses take you where. How are you working to onboard new students on the routes?
- **Kavanagh:** We have worked with one of the colleges on orientation material and a video on transportation. We will be dedicating time to communicating with new students.
- **Senator Pandya:** I support the Campus Loop. Given these new routes and the current situation, do you anticipate any effect on student employment.

Senator Giangtran moved to extend time by five minutes.

- **Kavanagh:** The only circumstance with an adverse impact on the number of students employing is a delay with people meeting together because it would affect the training of student employees.
- **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso:** Will there be extra signage out for telling students about these changes?
• **Kavanagh:** Before the quarter, we send out these changes. Our website is also one of the most trafficked websites. We will also be doing work at orientation.

• **Senator Hickman:** In 2021, do you see any issues with the UPass?

• **Kavanagh:** I am writing a check to MTS because we have a partnership. It compensates them for the services. I don't see any impact on that.

**Reports of External News**

• **Senator Hickman:** Brief updates on COVID. Almost 2000 cases in SD.

• **Senator Giangtran:** Upcoming event of Study Body Conference. Students from 10 UC campuses lobby together. It’s a week long. We are meeting with our legislators.

**Reports of AS Offices**

• **FC Christensen:** Student org funding is fully operational. The deadline is 2 and 3 weeks. AS Safe Rides program and Lyft codes, we restructured it for Spring. We are offering 10 free rides per student in a certain area.

• **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso:** TritonTalks is being held in Spanish. They will be talking about financial aid and HDH. Tuesdays is Triton Dine Tuesdays and every even week Monday is Make It Mondays.

• **President Grudin:** I will be discussing proctoring exams virtually and academic integrity related topics. The Academic Integrity Office wants us to work with them on a voluntary academic pledge.

**Question Time**

• **Senator Hickman asking President Grudin:** Would our chancellor be helpful in the process of the voting threshold?

• **President Grudin:** This will be in discussion item.

• **Senator Lonc asking President Grudin:** On the pledge, what are they trying to achieve?

• **President Grudin:** I am not sure. We have to schedule the meeting. They are looking for peer to peer pressure.

**Reports of Standing Committees**

• **FC Christensen:** We are updating the funding guide.

**Reports of External Committees**

• **Senator Giangtran:** Committee on Diversity and Equity, we talked about virtual and in person classes happening at the same time. Some concerns are two different classes, different syllabi, and equity issues regarding COVID. Talked about using cameras because it shows students financial status.
• **Senator Manlutac:** 2020 Commencement Committee met and no solid plans made, but for sure not cancelling commencement. Very likely it won’t happen in the summer so postponing it around fall quarter.

• **President Grudin:** Regarding fall, there is a guarantee to incoming off campus international students for them to take classes online. There are super expensive plane tickets for them to move.

• FC Christiansen: We have finished the proposal for funding.

**Committee Question Time**

• **Senator Pandya:** On nonresident students and dual campuses, is this long term or fall?

• **President Grudin:** This is all temporary. There are no plans extending past fall quarter right now.

**New Business**

President Grudin moved to enter discussion item into new business.

President moved to enter discussion for fifteen minutes.

• **President Grudin:** This is on students’ needs for summer classes. We should continue the P/NP and add/drop deadlines. As of right now, there is no change to summer session grading. We want to know if we should advocate to departments to ease up on major requirements.

• **Senator Hickman:** I think the P/NP system is a necessity.

• **FC Christensen:** We should have the P/NP until week 10 as long as we have online learning. We are paying full tuition for some professors that aren’t teaching.

• **Senator Giangtran:** Echo sentiments of how difficult it is taking classes online.

• **Senator Alsaied:** Summer session is harder because everything is condensed. We should have it until week 10.

• **Senator Vu:** Everyone learns differently. It should be scaled to what we have right now.

• **Senator Gong:** I support and emphasize that all students come from different backgrounds and if university supports that, they should extend it.

• **President Grudin:** Does anyone have a dissenting opinion?

**Open Forum**

President Grudin moved to enter a fifteen minute moderated caucus on the voting threshold.

• **President Grudin:** The population includes grad and undergrad. This is regarding the CAPS fee referendum.
• **FC Christensen:** If we leave it how it is, it is not possible. There was a 4% voter turnout. Without the physical Library Walk and classes, it is not possible. We should drop the threshold so student voices are heard.

• **Senator McKeever:** We are already not politically engaged. College council already had low numbers. 5 or 10% is a good idea.

• **Senator Hickman:** College Council election had 2.9% turnout and there won’t be higher numbers without physical tabling. I agree with 10 or less.

• **Senator Pandya:** We all agree 20% is not reachable. 5% or lower would be a problem. I think 7 or 8 is fine.

• **Senator Giangtran:** Important to restate what everyone has already said. How did UC Berkeley get a higher voter turnout during this pandemic than last year? Is there something we can learn from them? We can get admin or faculty to announce that it is elections week.

• **President Grudin:** Not sure, but Berkeley did campaign before we went remote so they could have in person campaigning. Their GSA went really hard to get the vote out. It was their reduced price bus pass which everyone uses.

• **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso:** Since we had referenda in the past, 20% is not easy to get. Whatever number we decide, 10% should have the least amount we go for. I don’t think it should be easy for anyone to run a fee referendum.

• **Senator Kulkarni:** What would happen if we kept it at 20 or 10 and it failed? When can we propose the referendum again?

• **President Grudin:** According to policy, we can’t run it in the same academic year. We can do it in another year. I want straw pull on 7%, 10%, 12.5%, and 20%.

• **Senator Giangtran:** Caution us on dropping the threshold too low because of the possibility of extreme ends and high numbers.

• **Assistant Director Weng:** For those who weren’t at assembly today, we talked about senator transitions.

**Final Roll Call**
**Meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.**