

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO**

**The Wednesday, January 16, 2019 meeting of the Associated Students Senate was held at 6:05 PM in the Price Center East Forum, Speaker Nikhil Pothuru presiding and Clerk Christian Walker was present.**

**The roll was called.**

**The following members were present:** Kiara Gomez, Daron Woods, Nathan Park, Kenji Asakura, Jasraj Johl, David Hickman, Kelly Morris, Ethan Christensen, Leslie Silva, Joseph Giltner, Elvin Topalov, Amor Goetz, Aaron Hanna, Shirley Zhang, Annika Manlutac, Kimberley Giangtran, Noah Palafox, Spencer Lee, Eni Ikuku, Arthur Porter, Eric Ron, Eleanor Grudin, Nikhil Pothuru, Brandon Milledge, Melina Reynoso, Myra Haider, Jamshed Ashurov.

**Public input was provided by Melisa, manager of AS Graphics Studio,** regarding their Tenth Anniversary event happening next Friday night and also part of Saturday, in conjunction with Triton Fest. The event is named "Make Art", and they are building art exhibit spaces, having a bear garden forest, a sun god escape room, and a film screening.

**Reports of Members:**

- **President Gomez** reported on open positions within her office, including an election manager, a policy analyst, and an outreach person, who will disseminate information to students with the goal of increasing transparency. UC San Diego was highlighted at the UC Regents Committee meeting for their work on basic needs, including providing a housing assistance grant for select qualified students and recovering over 1000 pounds of food. There are also now increased hours at the Triton Pantry and there is an upcoming CalFresh Super Clinic on February 22. The commuter fridge opened yesterday and it is commuter appreciation week next week.
- **VP Campus Affairs Woods** reported on senator business cards, which are almost finished, but they are not doing pictures until week 4. Vice President Campus Affairs Woods also reported that half of all outstanding people have now been sorted into committees and will receive email if sorted.
- **Financial Controller Park** reported that SOVAC is adding senators to sit on a committee when they decide funding requests, to make sure senators know what they're funding. Only finance committee members will have a vote, but legislative committee members can attend the meetings to voice their opinions and concerns for their constituents.

**Reports of Senator Projects:**

- **Senator Reynoso** reported that she will be hosting an academic major and minor fair on February 19 and requested ideas for food to give out, in order to have an avenue to talk to students. Marshall Monday's is also scheduled for week 4, in Marshall Avenue Building.

- **Senator Ron** reported that his senator event, New Year, New Muir, went well, and roughly 150 people attended, even though it was raining and the location had to be moved.
- **Senator Pothuru** reported that he has been working on his project, ASTalks, for the past two weeks. The goal of the project is to bring a diverse set of speakers, who can speak on whatever they want, but the theme is that future starts right now. Senator Pothuru wants the speakers to talk about how they got into their field and developed a passion for the problems that they faced. The event is planned for March 6 and he will be distributing flyers. Senator Pothuru will be posting again on Facebook to determine preferences on catering.
- **Senator Christensen** reported that he has been working in conjunction with the off-campus housing department to create a system of rental certification for students, where students will watch a video and complete quizzes. Those who complete the quizzes successfully and show improvement will be eligible to have their rental application fee waived. Senator Christensen is also creating a peer mentorship program, where students can be trained to become peer mentors, which should be rolled out around the same time as their off-campus housing fair.
- **Senator Giltner** reported that he had dinner with Chancellor Khosla and his family on Saturday, and they talked about transfer experience at UCSD from Senator Giltner's perspective, as a returning student. Senator Giltner is also on a transfer student work group, which has its first meeting in couple weeks. Senator Giltner has been discussing the bylaws, when it comes to transfer students, and looking at the appointment vs. election of transfer senators.

#### **Reports of Committees:**

**Financial Controller Park reported on behalf of Finance Committee** that the following item was tabled indefinitely: Allocations of \$199.34 from Programming Funds to TASA Presents: Jeopardy Night.

With no objections, the item stands tabled indefinitely.

**Financial Controller Park reported on behalf of Finance Committee** that the following item was approved: Allocations of \$5,265.00 from Programming Funds to Undergraduate Investment Society 14th Financial Horizon Conference.

With no objections, the item stands approved.

**VP Campus Affairs Woods reported on behalf of Legislative committee**, that the committee began reviewing the standing rules regarding senator responsibilities, to make sure that AS rules don't conflict with council rules. The committee also came up with ideas to make academic senators more effective, by translating policies directly into responsibilities.

### **Open Forum:**

- **President Gomez** reported that the MLK parade is coming up and that UCSD has giant float. The gender recognition act also goes into effect this year, which has an implication on how we collect data and think about gender identity. President Gomez also reported that an issue regarding a delay in student paychecks has been resolved, and that EJA applications are out.
- **Financial Controller Park** reported on an update regarding the finance committee, pertaining to issues involving funding, relating to interpretation of funding guidelines. Last year night markets were funded, including flyers and rentals, but not necessarily food that was made. The finance committee is reviewing the funding guideline of not funding any item which generates income.
- **Senator Asakura** reported that he attended the undergraduate council last week and that the seventh college proposal is now on academic senate website. There is still the opportunity for students to give input, by going to the academic senate website. Senator Asakura also went to OneStop and booked spots on library walk for senator office hours, on Wednesday, February 6, from 9-3. Senator Asakura requested for ideas on a theme and ideas on catering.
- **Senator Johl** reported that he attended a meeting with the open space committee, regarding the utilization of open space on campus. They are planning to build housing on pepper canyon west and east and having vegetation in the middle. They are also looking to reduce noise and air pollution. They are planning to have bike paths and a walking paths outside the building and giving the students enough space to study outside. They are also planning to expand canyon view, replacing a parking lot, and building a center for sustainability on campus.
- **VP Campus Affairs Woods** reported that weekly reports will be sent out tomorrow and that the information collected will be made publically available to constituents and the media. VP Campus Affairs Woods reported that AVP Maddula has taken control of committee assignments and that academic senators will be given preference. VP Campus Affairs Woods will also be doing a resume workshop next week.
- **Senator Reynoso** reported that she has started meeting with a program called Period at UCSD, which has been getting information out about menstrual products to students on campus. Senator Reynoso has been asking for free menstrual products for students on campus and requested for help, because they have stopped responding to her messages.
- **Senator Grudin** reported that the library student advisory council is having their first meeting of the quarter on Tuesday next week and requested for any feedback regarding Geisel to be sent her way. The Third Annual Woman's March in San Diego is also taking place this Friday, from 10am-2pm, at Waterfront Park in San Diego.

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**Meeting adjourned at 6:51 PM.**