SENATE MEETING

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO

Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2020
Time: 6:00 P.M. PST
Location: via Zoom

SENATE MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:
(1) Public input centered on Armenia-Azerbaijan conflict
(2) AS Office of Health & Wellness on Thrive Peer Coaching Program
(3) New shuttle spot in Village/Pepper Canyon Neighborhood, increased transportation opportunity
(4) ASUCSD Fall Budget Revise 2020, approved some sections of the budget in this meeting
(5) California State Audit of UC Campuses, UCSD involved
(6) Resolution Committed to Condemning the Attacks on Artsakh and Standing in Solidarity with the Armenian Community at UC San Diego
(7) Charter for the Committee on Stipend Transparency, Accountability, and Reform (COSTAR)

Order of Business

MEETING STARTS at 6:08 P.M. PST.

Roll Call

Public Input
- In light of recent attacks on Armenia
- Call on AS to pass the resolution condemning attacks and standing in solidarity of the Armenian community
- Many of Armenian students can't focus on their work due to the current events, raise awareness in the campus community
- Disappointment, some chalking was washed off, deeply offended that campus administration has not condemned the attacks
- Hardly anybody is talking about it
- Call on AS to pass resolution “Committed to Condemning the Attacks on Artsakh and Standing in Solidarity with the Armenian Community at UC San Diego”
- Asking to pay attention to the region, Armenia is not well-funded; do not turn blind eye to this war
- UCSD has a considerably large Armenian population
- 90M people fighting 3M Armenians, necessary to know the cruelty that is happening
- Genocide is happening that started a long period of time ago
- All efforts on campus to raise awareness is being limited and erased
- We want a concrete message that genocide like this is not acceptable

Special Presentations
1 Special presentation by AS Office of Health & Wellbeing regarding the Thrive Peer Health Coaching Program
   - Isaac Lara
     - Associated Students Office of Health & Wellness
   - Jennifer Vu, Chief of Staff
   - Max Gruber, Office Director of Mental Health Advocacy
     - What is Thrive?
     - Program is a student peer health program that provides support (not counseling) for students
- Creates unique opportunity for students to gain professional training & education in the health field
- Professionally-training peer coaches who host one-on-one concessions
- Fostering culture of health and well-being
- Support, social justice, and professionalism
  - Peer-to-peer personalized coaching and support system
  - Prioritize needs of diverse student population → adequate and comprehensive health coaching
  - Training on various skills & compensation will be provided to make this opportunity more accessible

- **Peer health coaches** are the core of this program

  - **2020-21 Timeline**
    - **Fall Quarter**
      - Develop specific training modules and relevant Thrive internal procedures
      - Hiring for Senior Peer Health Coach and MOM
      - Development of Thrive website
      - Develop Thrive branding, and relevant publicity items
        - Thrive marketing strategy for winter quarter
      - Integrate Thrive into the AS system
      - Revision to standing rules
    
    - **Winter Quarter**
      - Develop campus partnerships
      - Creation of training
      - Assist in publicity efforts
      - Integrate-Thrive in the community
      - Recruitment
      - Begin hiring for Thrive Peer Health Coaches
    
    - **Spring Quarter**
      - Training for the Thrive Peer Health Coaches
      - Continue developing campus partnerships
      - Year-Long training modules

- **Coaching Framework**
  - Coaching Mindset, Boundaries, Ethics
  - Active Listening
  - Effective Questioning
  - Motivational Interviewing
  - Digital Literacy
  - Growth Mindset and Goal Setting
  - Risk Management
  - Communication
  - Certified Peer Education (CPE) Training
  - Time Management
  - Campus Resources + Referrals
  - Holistic Health Framework III
    - Dimensions of Well-Being
    - Mindfulness
    - Schemas, Self-Talk, Behavior
    - Combating Loneliness
    - Emotional & Psychological Wellness
    - Trauma-Informed Approach
    - CPR (Suicide Prevention)
    - Mental Health First Aid
    - Healthy Relationships
    - Stress Management
    - Fitness & Nutrition
    - Financial Literacy
    - Campus Sexual Harassment & Assault
  - Intersectionality
  - Dimensions of Identity
  - Cultural Humility
  - Anti-Blackness Training
  - Implicit Bias Training
  - Inclusive Language

- **Risk Management**
  - Not a counseling program, it’s a coaching program
  - Initial training will be the first level of risk management, coaches will engage in ongoing training throughout the year

- **Autonomy**
  - Collaborative & independent relationship with ASUCSD

- **20+ Thrive Peer Health Coaches**
  - Coaches training to accommodate 10-20 coachees

- **Budget Proposal**

  - **Compensation**
    - **Thrive Senior Peer Health Coach**
      - $16/hr x 12 hrs/week x 20 weeks
    - **Thrive Peer Health Coaches**
      - 6 Coaches x $80/week x 10 weeks
    - **Thrive Master of Media**
      - 1 MOM x $50/week
    - **Training**
      - $1600
    - **Publicity, Branding, and Marketing**
      - $10,000
    - **Operations**
      - $12,840
    - **Grand Total**
      - $35,000

- **Conclusions**
  - UCSD issues with socially-dead stigma and being the loneliest UC campus
- Benefit of additional services, alleviating demand on CAPS
  Mental Health Fee referendum was passed
- Students expressed that they're more likely to a peer rather than adult
- COVID-19 made increased need to attend to students’ mental and physical health
- Thrive will demonstrate power of the students to hear each other's needs, care for one another, and put our words into actions
  - Budget tonight does outline expected payment for staff for the first year
    - Huge intention on expanding number of peer coaches
    - Understand this is a heavy cost but this program can be essential
  - Not the coach’s job to fix the problem(s) of the coachees
    - Goal of the program is to give the tools to the coachees to fix themselves
  - Coaching vs. Counseling
    - Counseling touches on going back to the person’s past
    - Coaching is focusing on the future
  - Multi-dimensional training
    - Hoping to partner with staff and faculty within UCSD
    - Social justice, we have 7 community centers
    - Integrating the community into the development process
  - Health fee referendum does not fix everything

**Reports of External News**
- AVP Agni
  - MTS services are going to be free-of-charge on Election Day
  - Eliminate transportation barriers for voting!

**Reports of Senator Projects**
- Cheng
  - Working on improve internal communications within AS with Senators Angel and Jung
  - Thought about Slack/Microsoft Team in AS
  - Work similarly, Jung will discuss differences further
- Jung
  - Explain differences
  - Slack, larger focus on channels, fosters group discussion
  - Students have access to free version of Slack, more frequently used among students
  - Big point: compliance to FERPA
  - How do we store data regarding students?
  - If we were to use FERPA, certain conversations we could NOT have, such as mentioning a student’s PID
  - Main mode of communication is Microsoft Teams (MT), MT is flexible as well
  - We could discuss things on MT unlike Slack and Slack is not a main mode, no one would have to create another account for Slack
  - Negatives for MT: not known for students
  - Using some senators to test these platforms
- Quiroa
  - Alongside Tommy, introducing project about the AS Website
  - What is functional and isn’t? New and old?
  - Whole move to virtual environment → wanting to hold some revisions
  - Split into 3 components
    - Website logs: how we save everything on our website, wanting to list more elements such as photos, looking at how active AS is, photos currently very general
      - Projects uploaded on website
      - Senior memory book has nothing there
Website Revise; actual revision of the entire website
- Women’s Commission link is outdated
- Improve access to certain features

Jung: last component, add some things to the website
- No central place to get access to all AVP offices, no places to access other AS social media platforms
- Create a space for that as well
- Not a short-term project, not quarter-long
- Be a long-running project
- Meticulously of revising the website; might not be accomplished within this year

Reports of AS Senators
- Lam
  - Messaged all senators on AS roster
  - Starting committee regarding human rights and international issues that affect UCSD students
  - Shared document with everyone in AS Senate
  - Trying to get feedback on how to establish this committee
  - Going to finalize it soon, trying to get in order of business by next week

Reports of AS Offices
- AVP Agni
  - Brand new shuttle spot near the old Sixth College area (now the Village and Pepper Canyon neighborhood)
  - Full-fledged transit spot now
  - Still preliminary, but commitment from Transportation that they would increase mobility options in this area by including Spin scooters and bikes with a docking sanitizing station
- Giangtran
  - Synchronous lecture attendance information, discuss a new method of receiving student complaints
  - Met with someone from the New York Times about a potential partnership for student subscriptions
  - Police department on campus
    - Request to share UCSD PD budget, UCSD PD agreed to show
    - Present information at the next meeting
    - Wanting to know how many external police there are, how many equipped with assault weapons
    - There are 45 officers
  - Talks of having certified mental health professionals/specialists
  - Student Town Hall
    - Recordings found on UC San Diego website or on YouTube
  - This Monday, all presidents of UC campuses will be meeting with President Drake
    - First meeting, topics include protections for undocumented and international students, policing and campus safety, the November election, basic necessities and COVID-19, student insurance
- Kreitman
  - Got to meet with campus equivalent peers (as VP)
  - Looking for Advocate General
  - Push out advertising for that application
  - Big reminder: retreat is on Saturday
- FC Butler
  - Going over budget the next 2 weeks
  - Funding guide on the website!
Question Time
Reports of Standing Committees
  • Items F1 and F2

**ROLL CALL VOTE on F1:**
Jung: Yes
Quiroa: Abstain
Lonc: Yes
Allen: Yes
Tyler: Yes
Estus: Yes
Kulkarni: Yes
Zarucki:
Reyes: Yes
Rollison: Yes
Saraf:
Gharibian: Yes
Pandya: Yes
Levine:
Ying: Yes
Francisco: Yes
Wei: Yes
McClaren: Yes
Bradt: Yes
Taneja: Yes
Thompson: Yes
Gabelman: Yes
Shen: Yes
Lam: Abstain
Cheng: Abstain
Blackshire: Abstain
Terzian: Yes
Wood: Yes
Zekowski: Yes
Giangtran: Yes
Kreitman: Yes
Saxena:
Butler: Yes

*Yes being in favor of passing F1.*
*No being in opposition of passing F1.*
*Abstain being no vote on F1.*

VOTE OF 24-0-4. Item F1 is approved.

**Item F2: ASUCSD Fall Budget Revise**

**Hand Vote:**
8-25-3; Method of considering budget section-by-section wins
  • Referendum and Return to Aid, approved
  • Career Employees, approved
  • General (Senator Funds, AS Open House, etc.)
    ○ Interest in increasing Senator Funds, proposed increase of $4,000 to fund Triton Commuter Club for undergraduate students
This club “recognizes and rewards [students’] actions to reduce the traffic, parking and environmental impacts of driving alone.” (from https://transportation.ucsd.edu/)

Some rewards from this are gift cards, electric bikes, etc.

AS comes in because this would be a great partnership, increase incentives for undergraduate students

Select 10 undergraduate students every month for club giveaway

Avoid using Amazon, Lyft, and Uber; concerns about how those corporations operate right now, only looking at Target and the Bookstore

Goal: to reward students for taking more sustainable methods of transportation to campus

Move to amend Senator Funds to read $18,000.00, motion passes

Move to approve General of the budget, motion passes

Move to approve Administration of the budget, motion passes

Move to table the Fall Budget for one week, motion passes.

Reports of External Committees

- Pandya
  - Academic Senate committees
  - First meeting of Admissions Committee
  - Mention here: CA State Auditor conducted a review of the UC Admissions Practices by examining 2013-14 and 2018-19
    - Cal, UCLA, and UCSD, reports of audit were not great
  - 64 students were admitted but were non-competitive
    - 22 of them admitted on false basis of athletic capability
      - Of those 22, only 1 at UCSD
    - Other 42 were all from UC Berkeley, huge problem at Berkeley?
  - Conducted in light of the admissions scandal
  - How are readers evaluating applications?

Committee Question Time

Discussion Items

Unfinished Business

New Business

- Motion to Approve L1: Resolution Committed to Condemning the Attacks on Artsakh and Standing in Solidarity with the Armenian Community at UC San Diego.
  - Sponsored by Deena Gharibian and James Terzian.
  - Ben Lonc
    - Desire to have a roll call vote before approving
  - Jamila Francisco
    - Move to move into a roll call vote

ROLL CALL VOTE on L1:

Jung: Yes
Quiroa: Yes
Lonc: Yes
Allen: Yes
Tyler: Yes
Estus: Yes
Kulkarni: Yes
Zarucki:
Reyes: Yes
Rollison: Yes
Saraf:
Gharibian: Yes
Pandya: Yes
Levine:
Ying: Yes
Francisco: Yes
Wei: Yes
McClaren: Yes
Bradt: Yes
Taneja: Yes
Thompson: Yes
Gabelman: Yes
Shen: Yes
Lam: Yes
Cheng: Abstain
Blackshire: Yes
Terzian: Yes
Wood: Yes
Zekowski: Yes
Giangtran: Yes
Kreitman: Yes
Saxena:
Butler: Yes

Yes being in favor of passing L1.
No being in opposition of passing L1.
Abstaining being no vote on L1.

VOTE OF 27-0-1. Motion passes, and resolution has been approved.

Motion to approve L2
- Summary of L2: Transparency and outreach to AS’s constituency is suboptimal, and compensation of AS assemblymembers is questionable. Committee on Stipend Transparency, Accountability, and Reform (COSTAR) aims to (1) develop recommendations for changes to the Standing Rules and (2) develop methods of transparency and outreach with constituency to ensure AS membership compensation is justified
- Discussion on L2.
  - Purview of the Judicial Board (J-Board), would they be allowed to partake in these discussions?
  - Benefit AS to consult J-Board; J-Board would make the final change on rules if necessary

ROLL CALL VOTE on L2:
Jung: Yes
Quiroa: Yes
Lonc: Yes
Allen: Yes
Tyler: Yes
Estus: Yes
Kulkarni: Yes
Zarucki:
Reyes: Yes
Rollison: Yes
Saraf:
Gharibian: Yes
Pandya: Yes
Levine:
Ying: Yes
Francisco: Yes
Wei:
McClaren: Yes
Bradt: Yes
Taneja: Yes
Thompson: Yes
Gabelman: Yes
Shen: Yes
Lam: Yes
Cheng: Yes
Blackshire: Yes
Terzian: Yes
Wood: Yes
Zekowski:
Giangtran: Yes
Kreitman: Yes
Saxena:
Butler: Yes

Yes being in favor of passing L2.
No being in opposition of passing L2.
Abstain being no vote on L2.

VOTE OF 27-0-0. L2 has been approved.

Open Forum
- Giangtran
  - Our e-board application closes Friday at midnight
- FC Butler
  - Dirty Birds opened up, please get wings with me :)

Roll Call
Written Reports

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:24 P.M.
**Finance Committee**

**F1** Office of Health & Wellbeing Allocation of $35,000 from Mandate Reserves for Thrive Peer Health Coaching Program. Sponsored by Hannah R Kreitman

**F2** ASUCSD Fall Budget Revise. Sponsored by Nicholas Butler and Kimberly Giangtran (Attachment Forthcoming)

**Legislative Committee**

**L1** Resolution Committed to Condemning the Attacks on Artsakh and Standing in Solidarity with the Armenian Community at UC San Diego. Sponsored by Deena Gharibian and James Terzian (see Attachment 1)

**L2** Appointment of Ella McLaren as First Year Senator effective immediately until appointment of successor. Sponsored by Hannah R. Kreitman.

**L3** Approval of the Charter for the Committee on Stipend Transparency, Accountability, and Reform (COSTAR). Sponsored by Hannah R. Kreitman (see Attachment 2)

**L4** Appointment of William Wei as First Year Senator effective immediately until appointment of successor. Sponsored by Hannah R. Kreitman.