**Order of Business**

**Meeting Highlights:**
1. Academic Senate updates on P/NP extension policy
2. Senate Leadership Position discussion
3. Fang's Presentation on the AIO and AI review process regarding international students

Meeting started at 6:02 P.M. PST.

Roll Call

Public Input

Special Presentations

1. Special Presentation by Wen Fang regarding UCSD's AIO Review Process for International Students

- Wen Fang
  - How can the AIO process be improved for all students, including international students?
  - Academic Integrity Office (AIO)
  - For international students with English not as first language, AIO process falls short
  - My story
    - Met with AIO representative, did not want to take responsibility for charge facing
    - Provided evidence that showed I did not break any rule
    - Misunderstanding that I wanted to take responsibility
    - Could not show my side of the case
    - Requested a translator to be present at the formal hearing, request was denied
    - Appeal was denied, AIO allegedly followed procedure
    - Policies were not crafted to accommodate international students
  - Challenges for international students
    - Language limitations
    - No access to translator
    - Fairness
  - AS UCSD should advocate for translators in the AI process
  - AIO process should be open and fair; only UCSD-approved personnel allowed in the hearing
  - Recommendations
• Access to a translator, etc.
  • Wei
    o Reason for not allowing a translator?
  • Fang
    o No rationale, just rejected request
  • Wei
    o AIO ignored many of my emails
  • Pandya
    o Have you received representation from Office of Student Advocacy?
  • Fang
    o Had contacted AS Advocacy, I believe they emailed me but they do not speak my language
    o It could be disadvantageous to represent, they feel like they could not help?
  • Pandya
    o You did contact them, you had asked to look at this process, but AIO rules are not directly under our purview, encourage to look at Sr. AVP of Student Advocacy
    o Hope to improve language options? Confused on what we can do?
  • Fang
    o Just want to be fairly treated
    o Don’t want to admit to something I did not do

Reports of External News

Reports of Senator Projects

Reports of AS Senators
  • Medina/Reyes
    o One of the college council presidents made a Slack for all the transfer representatives across campus
    o Working with ACTA, drafting constitution in collaboration with AS, ACTA, and the Triton Transfer Hub
    o Make it more formalized, help each other out to serve transfer students together

Reports of AS Offices
  • Kreitman
    o Office figuring our Triton Dine
    o Rules for distribution and food
    o Landed on $2000/qtr for Triton Dine
      ▪ Gift cards for Ralphs or Vons
      ▪ Google form for give aways/drawings
      ▪ Hosted event during Finals Week → advertising for this
    o Vacancy on the Campus-Wide Senator position
    o Appointment of election’s manager, collaborating how to run an AS election event
    o Few people reaching out about my position, graduating this year, feel free to talk about the VPCA position
    o Reminder from Adam AVP of EDI: meeting with Becky Petitt next week, if any of you have input, reach out to him
    o Hearing from students about getting charges for testing, should get unlimited free testing
    o If a student is getting tested frequently, almost daily, they will be charged
    o Case will be seen individually
    o Recommended to go through PC site because specifically for students
  • Butler
    o Triton Outfitters is coming out, updating with new stuff soon
We are not spending enough money allocated for student organizations
Fourth Floor reimagining committee will meet next week

Question Time
- Wei
  - When was the deadline supposed to extended for P/NP?
- Giangtran
  - Wanted to extend to Week 9, it did not happen
- Wei
  - Don’t think we should put that the stipend at $45/week for Campus-Wide senator if HR hasn’t approved it
- Giangtran
  - EPC (Educational Policy Committee) is meeting on 15th to discuss extension P/NP for Winter and Spring, filling out the survey office of academic affairs sent out, asking for student testimonies
- Jung
  - In the conversation about the P/NP, has the petition been mentioned at all from Change.org?
- Giangtran
  - Petitions/change.org have been brought up but don’t usually make a difference in our arguments

Reports of Standing Committees
- Items L1-L3 were approved
- Items L5-L7 were approved
- Items L4 and L8 are discharged to the Senate Floor
- Bradt
  - Move to approve item L4
  - Item L4 is approved

Reports of External Committees
- Pandya
  - Item L8, we talked about it Legislative Committee
    - Amendment for Standing Rules
    - How we do assembly and cabinet
    - Establishment of cabinet meetings particularly
    - Big part is the transferring of the language from Title 3 4
    - Cabinet meeting every other week, alternating weeks will have assembly meetings
    - Senators on alternating weeks, discussion for what Senators can do still happening
  - Item L8 is approved

Committee Question Time

Discussion Items

1 Additional Senate Input on the Establishment of the Senate Leadership Position.
Sponsored by Senator Pandya.
- Pandya
  - Consensus for a Senate Leadership Position
  - Talking about establishing it
  - Concerns about responsibilities overlapping and issues of accountability
Alternative suggestion: establishing a new executive position that would absorb responsibilities

- They would be elected by students + carry out oversight functions

- Would not be an unusual move to transfer VPCA responsibilities because other UC campuses are spreading out VPCA duties

- It does solve issue of discomfort of an internally elected person

- Either options are viable, trying to gauge what all of you feel is viable

- Kreitman
  - Curious, what the problem is trying to be solved, what is the bigger goal?
  - I got a little lost when I thought it was supposed to limit executive oversight?

- Pandya
  - Nature of these proposals are not solely mine
  - Just sharing ideas I’ve had when talking to people
  - I don’t think sole purpose was to shift/stop executive oversight
  - Main focus was accountability, what is accountability for Senators?
  - Current system is not working
  - Concern that an internal leader: favoritism, allegiance with people

- Wei
  - Advising duty is fine
  - Representation duty is fine, but an issue is impartiality → representing Senate or Student Body as constituency
  - Internally-elected → possibility of factions
  - My suggestion: Senate oversight → create an oversight committee of multiple senators as opposed

- Pandya
  - Points are very valid
  - Impeachments can happen from other senators
  - Issues of possible bias, uneven playing field valid
  - Write down sentiments

- Giangtran
  - Where/when would external election happen?
  - When does this person come in the picture?

- Pandya
  - Simultaneous to other elected positions
  - If INTERNAL → after Senators are termed-in

- FC Butler
  - I agree with Kreitman and Giangtran
    - Concerns of externally-elected position

- Pandya
  - I am willing to hear opinions of other Senators
  - Internal position → you could include flexibility or choose to leave it vacant

- Jung
  - Is there a seniority requirement?
  - Scenario could be an election of an executive who has not been a Senator

- Pandya
  - Haven't heard of that, excellent suggestion to have qualification

- Lonc
  - Having someone internally elected is the best move
  - Waiting to see things shake out → deciding on a leader
  - Seeing the dynamics and relationships between each other

- Pandya
  - This person would not have influence on Senate proceedings
  - Would still want to hear feedback from Senators
• Wei
  o They wouldn’t have influence → however, just by virtue of having oversight, there’s going to be influence, power *could* be abused
  o Senate accountability committee is still the best option

Unfinished Business

1 Standing Rules Title III Amendment. Sponsored by Tommy Jung.

• Jung
  o Getting a Senator Project page on our website up and running
  o Senators can now submit a project summary, goal and budget
  o Accessible to other Senators and AS UCSD general body
  o One way to make organization transparent, also for students interested to look into
  o Previous version of this amendment had issues:
    ▪ The current version states, “The primary organizer shall notify the VP Campus Affairs that they have submitted a project summary for review.”
      • This line was originally a regulatory amendment; no legislative precedent to do so, hence it will be removed
    ▪ Senator Project section could be used as grounds for impeachment
      • Other senators may have different views on what is sufficient to be a project description
      • Mitigate that → new section added to the current amendment
      • Recommended minimum of 2-3 sentences
  o Hourly contribution requirement for Senators to reflect updated weekly stipend for Senators
  o Move to Amend Item 1 (Standing Rules Title III Amendment) to match the language that was sent over the ListServ.

• Motion passes.
  o Move to approve Item 1
• Item 1 is approved.

New Business

Open Forum

• Kreitman
  o Discussion about the Senate Leadership Position and other structural changes
  o Past VPCA did small meetings to discuss AS questions and issues
  o We could hold meetings, open space to gauge what VPCA can be doing
  o Straw poll on if meetings would be beneficial
    ▪ Open space in the beginning of the quarter for those who want to speak

• Pandya
  o Directed at Assistant Director Weng
  o Mentioned how someone approached me about if marine biologist students under the Scripps Institute fall under my purview

• Weng
  o Actually depends on organization chart
  o I can look and check

• Giangtran
  o Wanted to fill everyone in, regarding P/NP extension
  o Waiting for resolution endorsing the academic accommodations
  o Last week, P/NP extension on Fall 2020, unfortunately they didn’t vote on it and dismissed it
• Ended up voting on the policy regarding withdrawing class without W, it did not get passed
• Ended up not getting accommodations and asks met

Walker
• Advanced notice, if you need assistance, contact me up until Dec. 11th
• Brief update on Senator Stipends, they are considering increase along with minimum wage increase, conversation should wrap up soon

Roll Call

MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:25 P.M. PST.
**Bills in Committee**

**Finance Committee**

**Legislative Committee**

**L1** Appointment of David Hickman as AS Elections Manager effective immediately until the conclusion of his duties in Week 5 of Spring Quarter. Sponsored by Kimberly Giangtran.

**L2** Appointment of Ai Hong as the Marketing Coordinator for the Office of Local Affairs. Sponsored by Alisha Saxena.

**L3** Appointment of Husnaa Jamshed as the Office of External Affairs Campus Engagement Director. Sponsored by Alisha Saxena.

**L4** Resolution Calling for Academic Senate to Extend Academic Accommodations for Winter and Spring Quarter of the 2020-2021 Year. Sponsored by Deena Gharibian and Jamila Francisco.

**L5** Appointment of Rafael Ubriaco as Student Orgs Event Intern. Sponsored by Nicholas Butler.

**L6** Appointment of Steven Shuster as Student Orgs Event Intern. Sponsored by Nicholas Butler.

**L7** Appointment of Nicole Bulgatz as Student Orgs Chief of Staff. Sponsored by Nicholas Butler.

**L8** Enhancing Communication Among ASUCSD Assembly Act (Amendment to the Standing Rules from COSTAR). Sponsored by Senator Pandya.