

AS SENATE MEETING

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN DIEGO

Date: Wednesday, May 19, 2021

Time: 6:00 p.m. PDT

Location: via Zoom

MEETING RECORDING ON FACEBOOK: <https://fb.watch/5BOzwMfeDh/>

Order of Business

MEETING STARTED at 6:03 p.m. PDT.

Roll Call

Public Input

1. Alexis Plazola
 - a. Had a very successful year
 - b. Wanted to offer discount code THANKYOU, good for free shipping until week 9
 - c. Pop up shop June 4th in PC Plaza

Special Presentations

Special Presentation by Kaitlyn Willoughby regarding Councilmember Joe LaCava Monthly Update. Sponsored by Kimberly Giangtran.

1. Willoughby
 - a. Priority is to involve the youth more
 - b. Restarting youth council of San Diego (advisory board to mayor's office and city council to youth-related issues)
 - c. Budget—budget hearings, budget related to police was discussed
 - d. Councilmember is putting together final budget memo for the mayor for the mayor to make edits for the Council's final approval
 - e. Plan Update—University City is going through Plan Update for the next 50 years for land use decisions and whatnot from there
 - i. Land use discussion; topics such as affordable housing
 - ii. A lot of people in this space are from higher socioeconomic backgrounds, do not reflect student body at UCSD
 - iii. Make sure opinions are heard

Special Presentation by CALPIRG regarding Annual Updates.

1. CALPIRG (Ria Gilbert, Jarred, Tiara, Aanvi, Abhinav)
 - a. CALPIRG Students, UCSD
 - b. Mission
 - i. CALPIRG Students' mission is to train student leaders to act on problems that affect the lives of all Californians and to promote solutions. We do this by combining the energy of students with the

expertise of professional staff including advocates and organizers who work both on and off campus to advocate for the public.

- c. Funding
 - i. CALPIRG Students is funded through a voluntary, opt-in fee of \$10 per quarter by 10% or more of the student body
 - 1. Signed up 1750 new members this year
 - 2. Signed up the most new members of all the UCs!
 - 3. Still virtual pledge has made it difficult to reach new people, so will run big drives in the Fall
- d. Awards
 - i. Grand Prize for the Youth Earth Week national events challenge hosted by Greenpeace, the Plastic Pollution Coalition, and more, more for our CA Climate Action Summit
 - ii. American Climate Leadership Award 2020 for work to get UCs committed to 100% clean purchased electricity
 - iii. Joining the Civic Engagement Office, we collectively won the Ballot Bowl Award from the Secretary of State for Most Voter Registrations of the UCs
- e. Clean Energy CA
 - i. If the past year tells us anything, it's that we can't wait another 25 years to reduce our emissions. We need 100% clean electricity by 2030, and we're calling on Governor Newsom to make that a reality.
 - ii. CA Climate Action Summit
 - iii. 70 Lobby Meetings for Renewable Energy
 - iv. 25,000 petitions collected
 - v. Videos from Chair of SD Board of Supervisors Nathan Fletcher and rapper Lil Dicky!
- f. Affordable Textbooks
 - i. Goal: Get the UC Regents to pass an open textbooks grant to incentivize faculty to use open-access resources to make course materials more accessible and affordable for all students!
 - ii. Highlights:
 - 1. 1400+ student petitions, UCSA Resolution, AS UCSD Resolution
 - 2. Educated over 40 faculty members
 - 3. Partnered with UCSD Library to host 2 panel events with 50+ attendees including students, faculty, and staff
 - iii. Bonus: Raised \$1,465.50 for Tritons Rock Hunger Donation Drive
- g. New Voters
 - i. Goal: Our ultimate goal is to see every eligible voter cast a ballot in an election and increase civic engagement.
 - ii. This year
 - 1. 10k Voter Registrations statewide, 500 at UCSD
 - 2. 100 Class announcements
 - 3. First-ever UCSD Activist Training Summit
- h. Plastic Free Seas
 - i. Goal: Have Whole Foods CEO phase out single-use plastic packaging at its stores.
 - ii. This term
 - 1. 200+ Personalized social media posts

2. Emails to corporate offices
3. Photo petitions
4. Bonus: Public testimony and media work on plastic utensils only on request bill
- i. Looking Ahead
 - i. Focus on transitioning back to in-person organizing and activism
 - ii. Lead Campaign: 100% Clean Energy by 2030
 - iii. Potential Campaigns:
 1. Affordable Textbooks, New Voters Project, Plastics / Waste Out of Fashion, Houselessness
- j. Thank you all for your support and collaboration this past year!

Reports of Senator Projects

1. Ramos
 - a. Begin recording videos for director of student activities so they can be put into the orientation canvas model for all ERC first years and transfers
2. Bianchi
 - a. Triton Transfer Day
 - b. Looking forward for next year! Some students showed interest in AS UCSD

Reports of AS Senators

Reports of AS Offices

1. Kreitman
 - a. Allocated 100K to support transitional housing
 - b. Wrote the MOU for this
 - c. Can support recent graduates, moving to next phase
 - d. Going to use list of emails for the basic needs grad packs and other basic needs to let them know about the availability of the housing program
 - e. Update on the RIMAC as a gym reopening: changing vaccine site to be in Price Center, goal to RIMAC to open as a gym starting after graduation
2. Giangtran
 - a. MOUs between ISPO, Office of Student Life, and Financial Aid have been sent out; all set in place
 - b. Last time we approved last week—we approved the 125K for support of the APIMEDA community through staff and programming
 - c. Fourth update: second meeting with Becky Pettit and Alysson Satterlund; I don't know what happened between first meeting and second meeting that caused their change of heart
 - d. While they initially said that it was not feasible, they framed it as a disconnect in information and we may have been on different pages on which physical space we were seeking out
 - e. Space above blue pepper and they thought it was the space above Taco Villa
 - f. It seemed like there was some miscommunication; now that we think we are on the same page, they asked if I wanted to have the APIMEDA conversation back in place
 - g. If it's possible, I would much rather pursue the APIMEDA Center

- h. Conversation is still in play! Although we approved the money, it'll be hanging out in the air
 - i. I hope the next administration/Senate will continue these efforts
 - j. Regards to Fall Classes,
 - i. Schedule of classes came out yesterday
 - ii. Schedule of classes are still subject to change until July 1st
 - iii. What you see is NOT set in stone
 - iv. Classes can still change in method of instruction
 - v. Faculty can switch from in person to remote but not remote to in person
 - vi. Classes in person now can change to the remote option
 - vii. We often forget the students who may have been able to take classes from home and save the money for housing
 - viii. Prioritization : no mechanism in place to prioritize students who can't take classes in person for remote classes
 - 1. ISPO currently working on list of students who CAN return and take classes in person and students who CANNOT
 - 2. Mechanisms are clunky—they don't have a good solution at the moment
 - 3. Best that they can offer
3. Paskowitz
- a. Event that happened on Wednesday with SDPD and houseless community members
 - b. Helped compile resources on how to help our houseless community and take action against police brutality
 - c. Responded inquiry about office's support for AB 988-create 911 line for mental health emergencies
 - d. Mobilizing to help this passage
 - e. Emergency Broadband Program
 - f. Governor May Budget Revise
 - g. UCSA Leadership successful for restoration of the 800K\$ UCOP cut to undocumented student programs and financial aid

Question Time

Reports of Standing Committees

Reports of External Committees

- 1. Kreitman
 - a. Finished the Remote Student Experience Report
 - b. Mentorship For All committee — provide a mentor for every student who wants one starting next year
 - i. Should UCSD push for usage of Tritons Connect? OR two separate platforms with different usages

Committee Question Time

Discussion Items

Unfinished Business

New Business

1. Giangtran
 - a. Move to suspend by-laws
 - b. Move to Submit the Reallocation of \$125K to support APIMEDA programming, programming support staff or expenses related to the establishment of a Resource Center
 - c. Move to approve Reallocation
 - d. Item has been approved

Open Forum

1. Kreitman
 - a. Thank you to everyone!
 - b. I feel really lucky to have been a part of this.
 - c. Thank you everyone for a great three years.
2. Giangtran
 - a. Most challenging thing I've done in my life but the most rewarding
 - b. We've truly moved mountains
 - c. We did not have a single outbreak, even with population of 9,000 on campus
 - d. Thank you all for your leadership.
 - e. I hope to see you all soon in-person.

Roll Call

Written Reports

MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:04 p.m. PDT.

Bills in Committee

Finance Committee

Legislative Committee