

# **MEETING MINUTES**

## **THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA SAN DIEGO**

**Date:** Wednesday, May 04, 2022

**Call to Order:** 6:16

**Location:** <https://ucsd.zoom.us/j/98762880541>

### **Roll Call**

### **Public Input**

### **Special Presentations**

- VP Isaac Lara – Constitutional Overhaul
  - Standing Rules
    - Can expect a very large bill in the upcoming weeks that will go over the standing rules.
  - What to expect
    - Will have a discussion on the numbers of college senators as well as the number of all campus senators
  - I ask that y'all be candid with me about your thoughts on any changes to senate
- Q&A
  - Warren Senator
    - What are some of the things we will be talking about next week?
    - Lara: We will be going over the bylaws as they currently do not dictate what the constitution says. Additionally, we will go over stipends.
    - Will have a presentation that breaks down each section for y'all
    - Reduction of College Senators from 2 to 1
      - Where can we compensate with Campus Wide Senators
    - Hoping to pass a clause that allows for changes of punctuation but not words without the approval from senate

### **Reports of Senator Projects**

- Senator Zick
  - Working on a project to better serve transfers by having a committee where issues can be discussed.
- Senator Callahan
  - Trying to create spaces where students can better connect with academic faculty

- Would like to make a branch within my office where students can have someone from AS reach out to a professor as a proxy
- Senator Eng
  - I realized there were no undergrad students on any of the boards in the biological sciences boards. Working on getting a seat open on there
- Senator Lopez
  - Zero Waste project, trying to encourage students to use liquid detergent rather than pods
  - Working with VP Blackshire on getting UCSD to provide free menstrual Products
- Senator Soria
  - The form is now live. Looking for collaborations with other senators

### **Reports of AS Senators**

- Senator Callahan
  - Ground works
  - Triton Lobby Corps has been very active and will be having a solidarity rally around Library walk on May 10<sup>th</sup>
  - Abolition May,
    - Coffee not Cops outside of Taco Villa
    - UCSD FTP socials
  - Monday May 9<sup>th</sup>
    - Global Freedom Struggles
- Senator Zick
  - Transfer hub is promoting and event in the black resource center.

### **Reports of AS Offices**

- VP Lara
  - I encourage y'all to do written reports in this upcoming year
  - Triton Dine is this upcoming week
  - Interviewing soon for CCO, CPO, and CFO
  - I will be reaching out to your Presidents/Chairs to present the legislation for the Constitutional Overhaul
  - If you have any questions on how to support students during this time, feel free to reach out to me or pro staff

### **Questions**

## Reports of Standing Committees

- Legislative
  - L1 and L2 were tabled indefinitely
    - Will be breaking these up into 4 different sections in order to allow for an easier time in distinguishing sections

## Reports of External Committees

- VP Lara
  - Current concerns are that health and well-being is spread thin
- Senator Eng
  - EDCPO Hiring committee. Hiring new position and working with firm Isaacson Miller and hiring by June
- Senator Lopez
  - HDH Housing advisory council
    - Opportunity for students
- Senator Callahan
  - Currently working on updating and launching arts.ucsd.edu
  - Hoping to be a way to better showcase the great arts departments at UCSD

## Committee Question Time

### Discussion Items

- Constitutional Overhaul Sponsored by VP Lara
  - One underdeveloped area of the standing rules is how to connect with colleges and college councils
  - Please share any concerns about the languages that have been discussed today
- Senator Mandal
  - Is there a way to make it so that there is a delay to the lowering of senators until there are more new colleges to?
- VP Lara: I had not considered this idea and we will look into that
  - There was miscommunication on the presentation of the
- Discussion 2
  - VP Lara, personally interested in overhauling the elections process
    - What were barriers that stopped you or people you know from running
    - One thing I am proposing is not allowing students to run in both a college and AS position

- Do you have concerns about being able to Slate in AS instead of Council?
- Senator Mandal
  - Have heard that people felt unqualified or unable to run outside of a slate
  - Would be interesting to look into supporting independent candidates especially for advertising and campaigning
- Senator Leung
  - Better advertising the elections before hand
  - I think it would broaden the relationship between AS and College Councils if senators could run in both types of slates
- Senator Callahan
  - More promotion with that deadline
  - AS should be more transparent about what a slate is
  - Moving debates to earlier timeline because students have already voted or formulated opinions
- Senator Tabia
  - Maybe AS Should be more involved in making sure the candidates are known
  - Having less restrictions to the way materials can be released
- VP Lara moves to increase time by 15 min, second
- Senator Soria
  - Looking into removing candidate photos could be an interesting way
- Senator Foley
  - It was difficult to make sure I could get my name out there due to the restrictions on materials
  - It would be good to have an AS rep go into every council meeting in order to explain elections
- Senator Chiew
  - We can use AS to advertise the elections more
- VP Lara
  - Would like to recognize the member of the public
- Ulises
  - I agree that the photos were a strong determinant of results

- There should be a way to use the university voice while making it clear that is not endorsed by the University
- VP Lara
  - One thing that has been proposed is a fund for low-income students to campaign
  - Move to extend by 5 min
- Senator Mandal
  - Having example candidate's statements and other materials for candidates to use as templates or references for their own materials
  - Having the elections website be updated well in advanced
- Senator Callahan
  - Can it be mandated that vote on triton link etc. not have to be on everything or clarify it in the rules

### **Unfinished Business**

### **New Business**

### **Open Forum**

- Move for 5 min recess, will resume at 8:25 pm
- Senator Callahan
  - Would like to ask for opinion on incentives for people to come to AVP hiring
  - Moderated caucus for 10 min
    - VP Lara objected
    - Y: 10 N: 2 A: 0
    - Senator Callahan
    - Senator Leung
      - Can it be from a sustainable source and environmentally friendly
    - Senator Zick
      - Look at activities like ticket to the zoo as a prize as well
    - Senator Mandal
      - Coffee shop gift cards

### **Roll Call**

### **Written Reports**

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:38 pm**

## Bills in Committee

### Finance Committee

**F1.** Allocation of \$899.56 from Programming Funds to Students for Justice in Palestine for GBM #3.

Sponsored by FC Kamron Williams.

### Legislative Committee

**L1.** Standing Rules Overhaul Part 2: Remainder of Title II (AVP Offices), Title III (Senate), Title IV (Judicial Board) (Attachment Forthcoming). Sponsored by VPCA Isaac Lara.

**L2.** Resolution on Demands to UC San Diego to Support Students through the Housing Crisis (Attachment Forthcoming). Sponsored by VPCA Isaac Lara.