

01.13.25 ASUOP Senate

Call to Order at 6:10pm

Roll Call Attendance

Present:

- Deng
- Bansal
- Shaikh
- Meneses
- Hua

Late:

- Wade (6:40pm)

Absent:

- Le
- Lnu

Motion to approve today's Agenda

- Motioned by Hua
- seconded by Deng

All those that approve of agenda

- all

Public Comments

- none

Reports

- VP Simon: no reports
 - Still digging around for farmer markets
 - Good progress with Bon Appetit
 - Deciding how to pay for goods – tokens, or meal plan?
 - No proposed date yet, hopefully more updates by March
- Pres Moreno:
 - Executive orders coming soon – especially pertaining to executive bylaws
 - Been working with Cabinet
 - President for Association of Students of Health Sciences
 - McGeorge and Dugoni don't pay student fee
 - Want to make representation more proportionate by including School of Health Sciences (deputy director?)
 - Weekly president's newsletter
- Cabinet
 - A&E Alysha: indoor iceskating, ponies on Wed 1/15
- Rules Chair
 - Working on something to help people campaign
 - [put elections for chairs on the agenda for next week]
- Advisor David
 - Still conducting interviews for head of SLIC (to act as co-advisor)

Business Items

A. FBAR

- a. David doesn't consider it biased to vote on an organization that a senator is part of if the FBAR is voted on as a whole
- b. Bylaws *encourage* but do not require senators to abstain from voting when there is bias
- c. Organizations that people are part of and what they abstained from:
 - i. Jaden: Math Club, Psychology/Psi Chi Club, Ceramics Club
 - ii. Julianna: Sigma Alpha Iota, Conservatory Student Senate, Intermusic Fraternity Council, Pacific Repertoire Orchestra
 - iii. Gavin: none
 - iv. Ria: The Pacifican, Pre-Dental Society, Club Scope
 - v. Farheen: Mixed Student Union
 - vi. Simon: Beta Theta Pi, Kilusan Pilipino, Mortar Board, Phi Alpha Delta, Phi Alpha Theta

- d. Motion:
 - i. By Deng
 - ii. Seconded by Hua
 - iii. Approved by ALL

B. Elections Coordinator – Julie Kim

- a. Julianna: What went well and what would you do differently
 - i. Good: events, voter outreach/turnout
 - ii. Improve: clarify campaign materials to candidates, easier access for candidates
- b. Farheen: very few members were elected/campaigned – what can be done to spread information among students about the election so that they can participate? (a lot of students were interested in running but did not know about the campaigning)
 - i. Continue doing what was done last semester: social outreach through social media and fliers
 - ii. Farheen: only a few people were able to participate in campaigning
 - 1. Information sessions *before* the campaigning period in order to get more student outreach
 - iii. Deng: any suggestions to
 - 1. Farheen: big event at DUC ballroom or another common place to reach out to potential candidates
 - 2. Hua: what kind of event?
 - a. Farheen: try to have multiple locations to reach a wider student population
 - b. Deng: senators can help with elections committee; senators are also going to be working on elections code
 - i. Julie: last semester, the issue was that the campaign materials were due too soon before the campaigning period → give candidates more time to complete the required paperwork
 - 3. Side note from David: upcoming elections are for 25-26 academic year
- c. Discussion
 - i. Side note from David: Julie did really well and increased the participation in the special elections – one of the highest numbers of participation in a long time
 - ii. Julianna: Julie is very organized, honest, clear communication

- iii. Farheen: Julie helped Farheen understand the elections and campaigning process
- iv. Katherine: 3rd highest voter participation since 2019

d. Motion:

- i. To approve by Deng, seconded by Hua
- ii. Approved by ALL

C. Quorum Revision Act

a. Side note from David:

- i. Executive memo from Katherine to suspend the quorum bylaw *temporarily* for today's meeting
- ii. <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fsdARnOE812dIU8Jf3zUbinIEf56le2SPF-nULyHuQI/edit?tab=t.0>

b. Discussion:

- i. Deng: table to next meeting?
- ii. Meneses: add something about having a minimum number of sitting senators to the Revision Act
- iii. David:

c. Motion:

- i. Deng: motion to table to next time we meet quorum
 - 1. Seconded by Hua
 - 2. In favor: Wade, Hua, Bansal, Shaikh, Deng
 - 3. Oppose: Meneses
 - 4. Abstain: none

D. Senate Rules Chair Election

a. Hua: who is on current rules committee?

- i. Simon: Jaden

b. Simon: we will nominate and elect

- i. Hua nominated Deng, rejected by Deng
- ii. Deng nominated Naim – Naim needs to be present to accept
- iii. Meneses nominated Meneses

c. Discussion:

- i. Deng: Meneses keen eye for bylaws

d. Motion:

- i. Approve: Wade, Hua, Bansal, Shaikh, Deng
- ii. Oppose: none
- iii. Abstain: Meneses

Open Forum

A. Apology Letter

- a. Hua: any updates?
 - i. Deng: yes, been working on it with Julianna – waiting on the other senators to sign
- b. Katherine: it's been a long time, if it's taking too long to get other senators' signatures then maybe leave them out due to the urgency of the situation

B. Monthly Reports

- a. Will be due every last day of the month
- b. Will be a Google form

Announcements

- A. David: Elections begin Feb 3
- B. Katherine: ASUOP officer shoutouts in the weekly newsletter
- C. Julianna: Teams notifications need to be manually turned on inside the app (for general notifications from the app) and also inside every channel
 - a. Click on the channel's name ("General" "Senate")
 - b. Then click on it's name at the top
 - c. Click on "notify me for new posts" at the bottom
 - d. Select "all new messages in this channel"
 - e. People will also be notified of your posts if you tag the channel's name

Adjournment

- Motioned by Deng
- Seconded by Hua
- Approved by ALL