

Senate Meeting Agenda

February 5th, 2024 | 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
DeRosa University Center 211

I. Preliminaries

a. Call to Order

Motion to call the meeting to order at 6:02PM

Motion: Senator Rana

Second: Senator Beck

Approved 9-0-0

b. Roll Call Attendance

All senators are present!

c. Approval of Agenda

VP Manning updates Senators of changes to the agenda because of special circumstances

Motion to amend the agenda to replace Discussion Item: Salary Model Conversation — VP Student Life with Discussion Item: Senator Events and Programming

Motion: Senator Padilla

Second: Senator Tahir

Approved 9-0-0

d. Approval of Minutes: 01.29 Senate Meeting

Motion to approve the meeting minutes dated January 29, 2024

Motion: Senator Beck

Second: Senator Reyes

Approved 9-0-0

Public Comment

401.4 Public Access to Senate Meetings

All ASuop members shall be guaranteed the right to address the Senate:

1. Any individual recognized by the Chair shall rise and state their name.
2. Any individual may have up to three (3) minutes to speak.

Speakers should sign up to speak by filling out their contact information (name, email) on a speaker [sign - up list](#). The Vice President will receive official responses and communications from ASuop within approximately 5 business days.

II. Business Items

~~a. Discussion Item: Salary Model Conversation — VP Student Life 20 mins~~

a. Discussion Item: Senator Events and Programming

VP Manning talks about the discussion senate had before about the increase of the student fee

- “Should we do a full 20% increase or split it 10% and 10%”

VP Manning asks senators to share how they feel about senator events

- Ran out of money for Semi-Annual Funding
- Orgs started to source money from other departments
- Should we have Senator events?

VP Manning says that money can be used for RSO’s funding

Senator Padilla says she has 90% commuter constituents

- Making her own event allowed for the commuter constituents to try and go, but ASUOP A&E events as well as Club events feel like enough

Senator Beck says students prefer to go to club events

- Likes how their event was able to be spread to other departments
- Feels like they are not taught on how to put on an event; difficult to execute

Senator Reyes agrees with Senator Beck

- Hosted their event with college corp and external affairs
- Tried to make their outreach wide and their cost low
- Getting rid of senator events, but outreach should be expanded

Senator Lopez talks about his distress event

- Good turnout for his event.

Senator Beck says moving where they have their office hours could help

- Example: If they were moved to CII, they could have more outreach

Traveon Jefferson introduces himself to Senate

Senator Tahir: Important to connect to constituents

- However, you don't need that much money to put on the event

Senator Menarez-Hernandez: Collab with different departments to create senator events

- Money doesn't need to be spent; Doesn't require a big budget.

Senator Beck: Spend such little money on their event

- Collaborating with departments helps the cost lower

VP Manning talks about what a senator is

- A senator event is to provide students with a platform, however it would be a good idea to expand and collaborate with other departments, and to be more grounded on campus.
- Connecting the RSO group with the department and helping them pointing them in the right directions

Interim Elections Coordinator Spaccarelli: Regarding the budget:

- \$5,000 could be redistributed to Semi-Annual Funding from senator event budget

VP Manning will consult with Chief Justice Berryhill, the court, and the Rules committee about this matter

- Lets focus on our own budget
- Doesn't want senators to be stressed with planning their events
- Will invite Director Kaur to a meeting to discuss

b. Informative Item: Committee Reports

i. Senate Rules Committee — Senator Le

- Senator Le is the new Chair of the Rules Committee!
- VP says that rules has helped her with verbiage
- Senator Padilla will give the report for the senate bill we will talk about today

ii. Senate Sustainability Committee — Senator Beck

- Began to plan the event
- Eco clam video promotion
- Sustaining Pacific and the Green office program

iii. Senate External Affairs Committee — Senator Reyes

- Haven't officially met yet, but are planning on hosting their meeting this Wednesday
- Tabling for nonprofits in the area
- Adopt-a-park is being planned as well

VP Manning says that Zoom meetings are always an option if you need to

c. Action Item: **SB:06 Annually Funded Organizations Act**

Senator Padilla will lead the discussion

- Clarification on SLIC name and ASUOP Departments
- Cut out Annually Funded groups
- Finishing up the change
- These groups have shifted to Semi-Annual or other types of funding as well

VP Manning goes in depth on the senate bill and explains why the change was made.

- If the External Group is student led, they are allowed to receive student money
- \$250 or less does not need to be approved by the Senate, only by the Director of Finance

Motion to vote on SB:06 Annually Funded Organizations Act

Motion: Senator Tahir

Second: Senator Reyes

Approved 8-0-1

d. Discussion Item: **SB:07 Judicial Hiring Act**

Senator Le will lead the discussion

- Judicial Hiring Committee
 - Senators can serve on this committee
 - Unanimous decisions

Senator Padilla: Having that unanimous decision makes it fair

- If they are hired by both branches, they can check both branches
- Asks Senators for their opinion on the hiring process for Judicial Branch

VP Manning talks about the constitutional amendment

- Making the judicial apprentice exist
- Talks about the hiring committee
- Equal representation of hiring from both departments
- Personally believe that this bill should be consistent with all the hiring in the department.
- Talks about past hiring, and how it could be biased

III. Announcements

a. Vice President

- Salary Remodel is rescheduled
- Student fee conversation
- Senator 1v1: Please schedule your meeting with me
- RSO Outreach: Greater conversation will be done
- Office Hours: Please use the QR Code and do your office hours, Communicate where you
- Space Race: Black History Month Event; Black @ Pacific

b. President

- Election season Orientation this week
 - If you want to rerun, please follow all guidelines

c. Advisor

- None

d. Officers

- Please run for officer positions!
- Grad Seniors or uninterested in running again, please run for elections committee
- 3 orientation times
 - Noon to 1
 - Wed 5:30-6:30
 - Fri 3-4

Senator Padilla: Do we know who is tabling for pacific friday this week?

- Elections Committee!

IV. Adjournment 7:30

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:52PM

Motion: Senator Tahir

Second: Senator Beck



Students

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Approved 9-0-0