

# Senate Meeting Agenda

November 13th, 2023 | 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
DeRosa University Center 211

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## I. Preliminaries

### a. Call to Order

Motion to call the meeting to order at 5:30PM

Motion: Senator Tahir

Second: Senator Spaccarelli

Approved 8-0-0

### b. Roll Call Attendance

### c. Approval of Agenda

Motion to table Discussion Item: Leadership Philosophy Presentation by VP Manning

Motion: Senator Spaccarelli

Second: Senator Reyes

Approved 8-0-0

Motion to approve the agenda for today's meeting

Motion: Senator Reyes

Second: Senator Tahir

Approved 9-0-0

### d. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the meeting minutes dated October 30, 2023

Motion: Senator Tahir

Second: Senator Rana

Approved 10-0-0

## II. 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.

Daniella Cebayas is here to ask if ASuop can share her survey dedicated to her research.

- Wants to survey the student population to see if students would be interested in bike lockers and how they use transportation.

Senator Tahir asks for clarity on how ASuop can support in general

Daniella says that she would like ASuop to help spread the word about her survey

Senator Spacarelli says Senate Sustainability is aware of Daniella's research and would like to talk with the Director of Communications to repost her survey across different social platforms

Daniella says she has promotional items, and President Gomez asks for her contact information to get her in contact with Director Bright.

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Senator Reyes shares that a student veteran is sharing their event at the veteran center

- Thanksgiving style potluck
- Making care packages for students in need
- Nov 16 5PM

Senator Spaccarelli adds that if veterans are a part of any senators constituent groups, then it would be a good way to get that contact in.

### III. Business Items

- a. Discussion Item: Cabinet Reports *10 mins*
  - i. Chief Justice

Associate Justice Bailey Baer: Judicial Memo instituting a 3 strike policy

- Obligations that senators must follow
  - Enforcement has not been enforced enough
  - 3 strike rule: verbal, written, recommended to the supreme court and can result in impeachment
  - Policy will be in effect as soon as possible

Senator Spacarelli asks what would be considered a strike

- Not doing any of your duties as a senator

Senator Reyes asks if senator events are considered a strike

VP Manning explains that any duties not done will be considered as a strike

Associate Justice Baer explains that they also released a violation reporting form for election officer violations

Director Rossi asks when the judicial memo takes effect

- Immediately
- ii. Arts & Entertainment Programming Board
  - Homecoming, Brickyard were very successful this semester
  - Film series themed movies are still being held
    - Barbie themed movie
  - Collabed with Pacific Rec on Six Flags event
    - Looking into doing another tiger escapes with them
  - Programming on distress event
  - Spring calendar solidified
- iii. Director of DEI
  - Onboarded a new DEI coordinator, Ali
  - Finished the intersectional affinity mixer
    - Well done event
  - Starting the backlog of DEI documentation
  - Dining advisory meets on Nov 15th

iv. Director of Finance

Senator Spacarelli asks about the total allocated budget for career and graduate funding

- Director Rossi: \$10,000

Senator Padilla asks that if a student applied for funding during the the end of the fiscal year would it still count

- Director Rossi: Yes

v. Director of Academic Affairs

- Held 3 workshops with office of orientation on how to register for classes
- Infographics from Strat marketing for student research
- HSI working group and Academic grievance board
- OER committee is looking for more officers to join the committee
- Director Xu and VP Manning will be working together to help assist the Conservatory of Music students with navigating their Degreework.
- Coauthoring a memo regarding testing requirements (sat optional or sat free)
- University academic affairs committee
  - 3 degree programs
  - Data Science and Continuing Education
  - BS in Pharmaceutical Science
- Library committee
  - Study spaces are under construction
  - Esports lounge that there should be not interference about the space

Senator Padilla asks if other science classes will be taken off the general education requirements as well

- Follow up for these courses

VP Manning suggests collaborative efforts between external affairs and academic affairs

- Personal statement workshop
- Helping high school students to fill out the CIP application

vi. Director of Health and Wellness

- Campus Wide Food Survey that she is working on to send out to students around campus
  - Mentions accessibility, quality, diversity, and affordability
  - Trying to be more accessible with the form

Senator Spacarelli asks about the formatting with the form and if there is too much text on the form; Would it make students lose interest in the form.

Senator Tahir asks if this feedback will be sent to Bon Appetit, and recommends that quantity should also be added.

Advisor Magaña is concerned that the length of the survey is too long, and students will lose interest in the form.

Senator Beck asks when this survey would be released

- It will be released after the meeting is over
- Will contain all of the feedback given by senators

Senator Kamran suggests that they can choose to do the scale or write it out themselves

Senator Spaccarelli suggests incentives, and Director Mann mentions the idea of having a raffle instead

- Health and Wellness week
  - Study session with animals
  - Arts and crafts
  - Sound bath
  - Health and wellness bag giveaway
  - Food raffles and other incentives
- Director Ajifu Santos reached out to Dr Blandizzi to talk about menstruation products and other concerns
  - Health and Wellness director position has been posted on Handshake

## vii. Director of Communications

Projects:

- October calendar
- Wrapped up Homecoming giveaway
- Trick or treat sign up went well
- Office hour promotional campaign
- Tabling and seeing what other incentives she can give away
- Collecting data and meeting with administration on strat marketing in order to get in touch with each college in order to reach students
- Still in a drafting project and making the school deans accountable for talking with the students in their respective schools
- Academic grievance committee

VP Manning explains that if you would like an event on the ASuop event calendar, please Slack or email her.

viii. Director of Strategic Marketing

Graphic Designer Felicity reports that Photographers and videographers have done many events this month

- Graphic design has also done many of promotional events
- Campaign for Tiger Tv and small scale RSO events
- RSO logos have been most requested

b. Discussion Item: Leadership Philosophy Presentation - VP Manning *15 mins*

Tabled for next week

c. Discussion Item: Constituent Engagement *30 mins*

Senator Rana: MSA and Biology students

- extended hours in the library
- Director Xu would like to have a list about students about extended hours

Senator Kamran: Students in STEM and APID

- Limited the hours for the student support space for no after hours
- Across from WPC
- Executive Assistant Dean of student support is in contact

Senator Spaccarelli: First year Honors students

- Improving communication about what opportunities they have to get engaged
  - They want to see more opportunities in ASuop
  - Divestment and sustainability

Senator Beck: Students with Disabilities, LGBT+ and Art students

- Accessibilities within Stripes and accessabilities within classrooms

Senator Gill: spoke with the Director of SSD

- Solution was to recreating accessible areas
- Senator Gill did not like the idea
- Spoke with Senator Beck and Director Ajifu-Santos about it

VP Manning tells Senator Gill to keep addressing these issues as much as she can

Senator Spacarelli talks about a recent conversation he has had; the matter with accessibility would be that professors want to accommodate but want to get paid for it as well.

Senator Padilla adds that another idea would be offering zoom accommodations.

Senator Beck explains that the student asks for an accommodation and that the professor explains that it would be unprofessional to add the accommodation.

Senator Padilla says that zoom could be a possibility.

Senator Beck says that the option of zoom is ableist because it would not be providing a solution.

VP Manning asks Advisor Magaña about who to talk to about this

- Class assignments are set by the registrar's office

Does a student have to make their accommodation known or not?

- Student and accommodation specialist will tell

Senator Lopez: Pharmacy and Pre Pharmacy students

- Destress event at Oak park Ice Arena
- Wanted to work on getting the water bottle station
  - Assistant Dean of Finance operations wants to move forward with the water bottle station

Senator Padilla: Students of Benerd College

Brainstorming how to promote Benerd College's 100 year celebration for next year

- Collaboration with Director Mann about sound bath and tabling
- Making sure that academics went well for education students
- Hiring a new professor for a class that students need

Senator Tahir: International students, muslim students, desi students, athletes

- Athletes wanted to see more students at their events
  - Pushing students to go to events

- Working with strat marketing to promote these events as well as UOP Sponsors, as well as half time games
- International students feel like it is hard to settle into America, and hopefully can get feedback about this issue

Chair Haight, President Gomez, and VP Manning have a meeting with Alec to talk about student involvement in the Tiger Den

VP Manning: International student committee can lead the committee to express your opinion on the matter

Senator Mendoza-Martinez: Business students, first generation students, commuter students, latino-hispanic students

- Business students: senator event Weber 102 12-1 thursday, working with career services for resume builder
- Mentoring students with CIP and doing this school wide
- Latino- Hispanic community: fraternity trying to start a chapter here at the university

Senator Reyes: Fraternity life, College Corp, Political science students, VSA, BSU

- Asks about the formal process to promote events on ASuop instagram
- Talking to different groups about student government increasing the student fee
  - More negative feedback

Advisor Magaña asks for clarification on the formal process to promote events

President Gomez explains that Director Bright will repost anything that is tagged ASuop or sent to them

Advisor Magaña: SLIC will advertise for students as well: tabling. For school specific senators, please focus on your school. For senators-at-large, please focus on one constituent group

**d. Discussion Item: Student Fee Conversation** *10 mins*

Senator Spaccarelli has a question about the graduate fee

- Understands that it is much less than the undergraduate fee
- Recommends fee increase



Advisor Magaña says that grad students don't utilize ASuop as much as an undergraduate student does.

Senator Reyes asks if the student fee is going to model tuition increase or to our own rate

VP Manning states that the conversation with President Gomez

- Raising the fee and making it match tuition will still be discussed

Senator Spacarelli says that a constitutional amendment needs to be implemented for a recurring fee change

President Gomez: Marketing for this is to state everything we offer and do, and how the student fee helps ASuop

- Proposes an Open budget forum

e. Discussion Item: President Gomez & Advisor Magana Presentation 15 mins

Advisor Magaña: We disperse many funds but we do not have any revenue

- Screen printing shop
- Form will be given out to be done before January to come up with an idea that can generate revenue for us

President Gomez says that if there are anything to change on the form please let him know

f. Action Item: SAOR on Presidential Succession and the Presidential Ticket 10 mins

Spaccarelli explains the significance of the SAOR

- When the president resigns, does the vp have to take up the position for president or not?
  - Making sure that we get a clear answer for the court
- Does the president and the VP need to run together on the same ticket?
  - We want to make changes if the court can clear up having a constitutional amendment or not

Motion to vote on SAOR Presidential Succession and the Presidential Ticket

Motion: Senator Padilla

Second: Senator Beck

Approved 10-0-0

g. Discussion Item: SB:05 RSO Temporary Funding Act 15 mins

Senator Spaccarelli explains that since we cannot give organizations the money at the moment, RSO's can charge for tickets to offset any costs

- This is a temporary change and will expire at the end of the fiscal year

Director Rossi suggests to amend the bill in order for it to say ASuop fiscal year instead of fiscal year

Senator Padilla gives a hypothetical about how letting an RSO charge a fee for entry or even a membership fee would help them with funding themselves

VP Manning talks about her conversation with the Chief Justice, and how we can do this on a case by case basis

- Breaking even or turning into a fundraiser

Advisor Magaña says that we give too much contingency funding to organizations

Director Rossi says that organizations with semi annual only got 12% of their contingency funding allocation

Senator Tahir if this senate bill passes would students be paying for both student fee and RSO charges

VP Manning reiterates that RSO's do not have to charge

Senator Spaccarelli: We can't give RSO's the amount of money that they need because of all the cutting that we did in the past

- Would prefer case by case basis

Senator Beck asks if we should limit the amount of charge that the RSO can request

Director Rossi says that it would be hard to limit.

Senator Spaccarelli clarifies that this isn't for membership, only for entry fees for events if they want to.

Senator Mendoza-Martinez says that if ASuop wants to become an revenue based organization, it would be good for as well to become these revenue based

Director Rossi: ASuop fee allows for students to partake in every RSO event

Advisor Magaña: limiting the ways that RSOs can create revenue isn't fair to them,

- Something that he had in his undergrad was the Get involved fund
- they were able to apply to these funds
- Allowed students to do things that required money
- Be more creative and less limiting

Spacarelli explains that it isn't fundraising, it is for them to be able to provide themselves with funding that ASuop cannot provide.

VP Manning explains that it is a temporary hold and recommends that we put more funding into semi annual funding so they don't have to rely on contingency funding in the future

#### **IV. Announcements 7:25**

##### a. Vice President

Alumni board conversation

- Document from raising the student fee will be shared with ASuop

Legislation about areas of addressing SSD about a resolution to the accessibility issue

Office hours: log in and do not work during thanksgiving break

Judy Chambers HALM

- Sharing valuable awards and memorabilia and displaying it in the office
- Push it into next semester
- Vote on the HALM in the end of senate and redirecting to the SLIC office

Raising the student fee

- Student fee forum in the early spring semester
- Take all the feedback and write a resolution for this

##### b. President

Special elections: go vote

ASuop bonding day: December 1st 4-6PM potluck style event

Last Senate meeting is the monday before final weeks

c. Advisor

Special elections and 225 people voted

Assistant Director for Fraternity and Sorority Life has moved into the SLIC office, please welcome her.

All staff meeting on Thursday

SLIC Office: no access after 5PM unless ProStaff is present

d. Officers

Senator Spaccarelli: Rules is here and would love to have resolutions and bills, please write them and ask us how to write them. Divestment committee is reaching out to senators about divestment and if anyone would like to join then please let me know.

Senator Kamran: Senator event will be in Khoury Hall; Pakistani snacks will be provided; Friday 12:30

## V. Adjournment 7:30

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33PM

Motion: Senator Rana

Second: Senator Beck

Approved 10-0-0