

ASUSF Senate Minutes

Wednesday, March 9, 2022 | McLaren 252 | 5:00 - 6:15 pm PST

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

[5:00pm]

a. Lovepreet, Marisol, Berkelee, Angelo, Sarah, Bas, Nam, Maya, Anant, Tania, Sidney, Avneet, Jasleen, Fiza, Annie, Nick

2. Approval of Agenda

- a. Fiza motions to approve the agenda
 - i. Avneet seconds
 - 1. Unanimous approval
 - a. Motion passed

3. Open Forum

- a. Anyone who wishes to address the Senate
 - i. Sarah motions to amend the agenda to discuss the Tri Delta Funding Request
 - 1. Bas seconds
 - a. Unanimous approval
 - i. Motion passed

4. Tri Delta Funding Request

[5:08-5:14]

- a. This request falls under travel requests
 - i. They are requesting the use of a bus to attend an in person event
- b. Bas motions to vote on the travel request
 - i. Fiza seconds
 - 1. In Favor: 6
 - 2. In Opposition: 1
 - 3. Abstain: 2

5. New Business:



a. Guest Speaker: Provost Chinyere Oparah

[5:14-5:50]

- i. Acknowledgement of Chris Liang
 - 1. There will be a memorial held on Thursday, March 10
- ii. Currently running a search for:
 - 1. The Dean for the School of Management
 - 2. The Dean for the School of Nursing and Health Professions
 - a. It may take around two weeks to finalize a candidate
 - 3. Vice Provost for Equity, Inclusion, and Faculty Excellence
 - a. Focusing on the issues that resources that benefit faculty,
 while also building relationships with students to promote
 an environment catered for students
- iii. Strategic Plan has been approved by the Board of Trustees and now needs to be implemented
 - 1. Reimagine Jesuit Education
 - Invest in and Promote the Scholarly, Creative, and Community-Focused Endeavors
 - Provide a Radically Inclusive, International, and Welcoming Campus Experience
 - 4. Extend our Visibility, Prominence, and Accessibility
 - 5. Ensure USF is an Equitable and Extraordinary Place to Work
 - 6. Develop Inclusive and Participatory Shared Governance Structures
- iv. Questions:
 - 1. How is the program tackling the mental health crisis?
 - a. We are looking at the needs of students, faculty, and staff



- b. The mental health of students are under Student Life, but there is a partnership with Student Life in order to ensure academic success of students
- c. Are also considering ways to best support faculty as well
- d. As a country, there is a shortage in mental health professionals. This makes it incredibly difficult to fill the need of the institution.
- 2. What would you recommend to students struggling with mental health?
 - a. From personal experience, she does not recommend to ignore what has happened and hiding those feelings from that experience
 - Recommends to implement a practice that fosters wellness every day
 - i. Such as:
 - 1. Exercise
 - 2. Meditation
 - 3. Practicing accountability
 - a. Living under personal standards
 - 4. Doing something that connects you with others
 - 5. Finding some king of gratitude in yourself or the situation you are in
 - ii. It allows you to look away from the problem and towards a solution

6. Senator Inductions

[5:50-5:52]

a. School of Nursing and Health Professions Rep: Tania Farjat



- b. Student of Color Rep: Avneet Johal
- c. College of Arts and Sciences Rep: Sidney Tran
- d. Senior Class Representative: Sarah
- e. Student Wellness Representative: Anant

7. Title IX Referendum

[5:52-6:00]

a. Establishment of the Title IX REPS (Resources, Education, Prevention, and Support) Representative as a permanent seat on ASUSF Senate

8. <u>Senator Reports</u> [6:00-6:25]

- a. Sarah
 - i. Working on Senior Week with Caitlyn, the Graduate Intern for Student Engagement
 - ii. Brainstormed and discussed potential resolution ideas
- b. Akhnoor
 - Met with Trina and Ariana to work on a resolution with the intention to finish the resolution by the end of the semester
- c. Bas
 - i. Attending ISA meetings and discussed a meal diversity plan
 - ii. Sent out a survey to get feedback on meal diversity
 - iii. Working on a Work Study Initiative
 - 1. Could potentially be a resolution
- d. Nam
 - i. Recapping previous UBAC meetings
 - ii. Helping Bas with his resolution
 - iii. Creating a transition document for the next UBAC representative
- e. Ariana
 - i. Transitioning into the position
 - ii. Attended REPS meetings



- iii. Presented for Take Back the Night
- iv. Working with Akhnoor on her resolution
- v. Working on new projects

f. Maya

- i. Working on scheduling events that will occur later in the semester
 - 1. Self Defense class
- ii. Attended REPS meetings
- iii. Working on Introductory Posts for the REPS instagram

g. Fiza

- i. Working on the Halal resolution
- ii. Working on MSA events
- iii. Working on finding permanent prayer rooms
- iv. Revisit the Ramadan Resolution
- v. Working on Ablution Stations Resolution
- vi. Brainstorming on a mental health resolution for Muslim students

h. Jasleen

- i. Working on Kirpan Resolution
- ii. Working on communicating with other campuses
- iii. Working with USM, a Sikh student association

i. Anant

- i. Working on a resolution for students to have access to better food options during a COVID isolation period
- ii. Would like to create a "buddy system"

j. Avneet

- i. Working on the Kirpan resolution with Jasleen
- ii. Potentially creating a hybrid program as a COVID protocol\



iii. Creating a link tree bio for students to have an available source for different opportunities

k. Tania

- i. Finding a way to potentially have a uniform color change
 - 1. Trying to gain some feedback from students about the color of the uniform in order to create a resolution
- ii. Meet with USF Bookstore to be more consistent with the patches for nursing students

l. Sidney

- i. Trying to get in contact with the Dean of College of Arts and Sciences
- ii. Brainstorming potential events
- iii. Looking for a way to connect students with new opportunities

9. Senator Appreciation [closed session]

[6:25-6:26]

10. Announcements [6:26-6:30]

- a. Deadline to Submit a Resolution (to Angelo): Friday, April 15th @ 5 pm
- b. ASUSF Elections, Nominations, and Shadowing are all open.
- c. Student Leadership Awards Nominations are now open. Nominate your peers!

11. Adjournment [6:30pm]