ASUSF Senate Minutes
Wednesday, September 2nd, 2020 | Zoom | 5:00 – 7:00pm PST

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**

   Holden, Manny, Marci, Emily, Rebecca, Ethan, John, Lovepreet, Austin, Brooke, Aditya, Berkelee, Dimmyra, Tanya, Sarah, Liyanos, Maalik, Andrew, Stacey, Fiza, Meron, Abby

2. **Approval of Agenda & Minutes**

3. **Open Forum**
   a. Anyone who wishes to address the Senate
      i. Candidates for Freshman Class Representative introduces themselves:
         Andrew, Stacey, Maalik and Liyanos

4. **New Business:**
   a. SLE Update – Marci Nuñez
      i. Review of SLE Team: We are able to schedule meetings with someone on the team based on the area (i.e. Student Organizations, Leadership Programs, etc).
      ii. Goals of SLE: Cultivate Leadership Development, increase involvement, and promote engagement
      iii. Policies and requirements
         1. Student Organization Recognition: No more green/gold and simplified the requirements and processes
         2. University requirements: canvas modules and advising for specific situations
         3. Senate requirements: call to represent and serve & accountability for ASUSF funding
      iv. Student Organizations Finances
         1. Access to balance through google sheets
         2. Advises and provides resources
         3. Actively monitoring and updating finance records
   b. USO Account Approvals
      [5:30-5:40]
i. African Student Association account
   1. Becca Motions to approve
   2. Ethan seconded
   3. Motion approved

ii. Association for Women in Chem account
   1. Austin motions to approve
   2. Ethan seconds
   3. Motion approved

iii. Greek Council account
    1. Becca motions to approve
    2. Austin seconded
    3. Motion approved

iv. MAPS account
    1. Austin motions to approve
    2. Holden seconded
    3. Motion approved

c. ASUSF Amendments [5:40-6:00]
   i. IA committee went over the Bylaws to change appointment questions and update typos/position names
   ii. Amendments:
       1. Update VPPR to VPMC
       2. No more senator reports
       3. No more vision committee
       4. Update meeting time to 5pm
       5. Update questions for the appointment interviews:
          a. Add pronouns next to year
          b. Reword diversity question
          c. Update initiatives questions
          d. Add greatest weaknesses/strengths questions
   iii. Austin motions to approve the amendments as non-substantive
1. Becca seconds
2. Motion approved

iv. Amendments to Committee Code
1. Change number of senators to 2; update GPA
2. Becca motions to approve changes as non substantive
   a. Holden seconds
   b. Motion approved

   d. Holden motions to amend the agenda to move Senator of the Month up
   i. Austin seconds
   ii. Motion approved

5. Senator of the Month
   a. Initial vote was a tie
      i. Execs voted to break tie
      ii. Becca is Senator of the Month
   b. Becca motions to go into break
      i. Austin seconds
      ii. Motion approved

6. Break [6:00-6:05]
   a. Motion to move the break earlier in the agenda
      i. Becca motion
      ii. Austin second
      iii. Motion approved

7. Guest Speaker: Angeline Vuong (Voter Registration) [6:05-6:45]
   a. 2020 Election is Tuesday November 3rd
   b. 46.8% (Both undergraduate and graduate) students at USF who were eligible to vote actually did so
      i. 2% higher than the national average
   c. This current generation is one the biggest voting groups in this election
   d. Initiatives for USF Votes
      i. The Election 2020 Toolkit
ii. Reclaim our vote: Calling young people of color to encourage them to vote
e. Voter turnout could be lower this year due to COVID
   i. Would love Senate’s help in promoting the election, getting students to register to vote, and having students actually vote
   ii. California will be sending all registered voters a Vote by Mail
      1. Common mistakes of vote by mail: Did not receive it but do not follow up with the elections office, did not sign the registration form right, kept the ballot with you until the actual day of the election
   iii. You are able to track your ballot
f. Important election dates
   i. National Registration Day - September 22nd
   ii. Voter Education Week - October 4th to October 9th
   iii. Deadline to Register to vote for California - October 19th
   iv. Vote Early Day - October 24th
   v. Last Day to Submit your Vote By Mail Ballot - October 27th
g. Feedback/questions
   i. How should Senate work with students who believe that their vote won’t matter as much due to the tradition of that state’s voting (i.e. California being a Blue State)?
      1. Have a one on one conversation with that person on why that person believes this and gradually work with them to understand on how every vote does count
   ii. A suggestion was made that they should use their tool kit as a Instagram series
   iii. A suggestion was made that they use Instagram live to explain some of their content/resources
h. Full Senate agrees to do an “I Vote Because...” video for the next general senate meeting
8. **Announcements** [6:55-7:00]
   a. Listening sessions for the search of the new Vice Provost for academic affairs are now available for sign ups
   b. Fall Elections started today for the Freshman Class Senator and will close Wednesday, September 9th by 4:00 PM
   c. The entire board should be promoting the election
   d. The Public Health Ambassadors are looking for feedback and are attending the marketing committee this week
   e. ISA put out a statement last week for empathy towards international students who have lost their job due to the announcement of students only can work if they reside within the United States
   f. For the next general senate meeting, three resolutions will be reviewed and voted on and Dan Lawson will be giving a presentation about Public Safety,
   g. The Internal Affairs Committee will be reviewing applications for 3 Student at Large Applications and 2 Transfer Representative Applications
   h. For office hours, all members should be now utilizing slack to clock in

9. **Adjournment** [7:00 pm]