



**ASUSF General Senate Minutes**  
Wednesday, April 26, 2023 | Fromm Hall | 5 - 7pm PDT

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call** [5 pm]
  - a. Forrest, Adriana, Ryan, Charlotte, Leo, Nadine, Ethan, Stefan, Dariga, ET, Dmitry, Thompson, Bianca, Martina
  
2. **Land Recognition Statement**
  
3. **Approval of Agenda & Minutes**
  - a. Ryan motions to approve the agenda
    - i. Adriana seconds
  - b. Kiannah-Nicole approves the minutes
    - i. Forrest seconds
  
4. **Open Forum** [5:05-5:15 pm]
  - a. Anyone who wishes to address the Senate
  
5. **Check In**
  - a. What is a food that you just really do not like?
  
6. **Guest Speaker** [5:15-6:05 pm]
  - a. Chinyere Oparah, Provost & Vice President of Academic Affairs
    - i. Discussion topics
      1. University Strategic Plan, Student engagement and Retention, Transparency and Communication, Burnout, Community and Belonging
    - ii. University Strategic Plan/Enrollment
      1. 2025/2027 enrollment cliff



- a. USF doesn't believe they will be that affected by the enrollment cliff because of the student populations the university attracts
- b. They are seeing east coast schools setting up campuses such as Northeastern in Oakland so if anything there's more competition
2. Recruitment has been different this year
  - a. Intl. students are gaining interest in USF but exchange rates have been volatile recently so its become more of a financial burden for some
  - b. Domestic students are struggling with the pricing because cost of living has become so high and a lot of family incomes have stayed the same
  - c. They were more selective in admissions which has improved admission rate reputation
- iii. Student engagement, belonging, community on campus
  1. Retention rates are highly dependent on freshman year so they are intending on being much more communicative with freshman over the summer
  2. LLCs
    - a. They're introducing a new peer mentor program!
- iv. Communication and transparency
  1. Disconnect between what students want to hear or where they get information and what the university puts out
  2. What do students want in terms of communication?
    - a. Administration town hall
    - b. Administration tabling
      - i. It could be beneficial for students to understand who the Admin are and feel comfortable bringing concerns to them
- v. Burnout



1. The opposite of burnout is engagement
2. Task management system
3. Being more forgiving for yourself
4. Get yourself a wellness buddy !!

## 7. Old Business

[6:05-6:15 pm]

- a. Vote on [International Student Relief Fund Resolution](#)
  - i. Ryan motions
    1. Dmitry seconds
      - a. 10 ayes
        - i. This resolution passes
- b. Vote on [Faculty Statement of Support](#)
  - i. Ryan motions
    1. Kiannah-Nicole seconds
      - a. 10 ayes
        - i. This resolution passes
- c. Vote on Financial Account Approval
  - i. National Society of Black Engineers
    1. Leo motions to approve
      - a. Forrest seconds
        - i. 10 ayes
          1. This account is approved

## 8. Leo motions to amend the agenda to vote on the 23-24 Budget

- a. Kiannah-Nicole seconds
  - i. Leo motions to vote
    1. Dmitry seconds
      - a. 10 ayes
        - i. This motion passes

## 9. New Business



- a. Non-Substantiative [Constitution](#) & [Bylaws](#) Changes [6:10 pm]
  - i. Ariana
    - 1. Leo motions to vote on constitutional changes
      - a. Ryan seconds
        - i. 10 ayes
          - 1. this motion passes
    - 2. Adriana motions to vote on changes to the bylaws
      - a. Leo seconds
        - i. 10 ayes
          - 1. this motion passes
- b. Present [Textbook Cost Resolution](#) [6:20 pm]
  - i. Ryan
    - 1. Questions and feedback
      - a. Include casa coaches as they are a main touch point for students
- c. Present [Transgender Athlete Statement of Support](#) [6:30pm]
  - i. Ryan & Adriana
    - 1. Questions and feedback
      - a. Larry williams not signing
      - b. Reach out to Sabrina Kwist
- d. Present [ITS Flexi Transfer System Resolution](#) [6:40-6:50 pm]
  - i. Kiannah-Nicole
    - 1. Does this solve the problem?
- e. Present [Clinical Transportation Resolution](#) [6:50-7:00 pm]
  - i. Charlotte
    - 1. Great resolution
- f. Present [Textbook Exchange Network Resolution](#) [7:00 pm]
  - i. Matthew Isidro

## 10. Announcements

- a. ASUSF Senate Celebration May 10



- b. Thursday, April 26, Activity Hour
  - i. Kiannah-Nicole's Freshmen Class Event, Privett Plaza
  - ii. Sexual Assault Awareness Month SPEAK OUT, Gleeson Plaza

11. **Adjournment**

[7:10 pm]

- a. Leo motions to adjourn
  - i. Forrest seconds