1. **Call to Order and Roll Call** [5:00pm]
   Sarah, Tanya, Simi, Marisol, Leo, Belen, Irene, Hector, Paolo, Cassie, John, Chloe, D’vine, Olivia, Tiana

2. **Approval of Minutes**
   John motions
   Sarah seconds

3. **Approval of Agenda**
   - D’vine motion to remove induction from tonight into approval of financial budgets for organizations
   - Chloe seconds
   - Chloe motions to approve changed agenda
   - Sarah seconds

4. **Open Forum**
   a. Anyone who wishes to address the Senate
   b. Guest Speaker: Micheal Beseda [5:03-5:35pm]
      i. Assistant Vice Provost, Strategic Enrollment Management
         - Financial aid - supervise
         - “Every student and family at USF is making substantially sacrifices of all kinds of levels specifically financial”
      - Challenge for financial aid office: take limited resources we have to try and make it possible for students to enroll and graduate from this
institution by following federal laws and how students access pell grants and state grants

- “We must be fair” - principle that government and financial aid program is based on

- As a whole made the decision 2 years ago to change the service model; to move away from one stop and go straight for a financial aid staff

- National Association of Financial aid
  - Leading financial aid experts came in to look at the program/experience
  - An extensive report from the survey to improve office and services → they are going through the list one by one to improve

- Applying for aid
  - If first year student they recommend fafsa and css profile
    - Found it was not effective
    - Will not be using the css profile to simplify process; to make it easier for students to give the office information and easier for the office to communicate back

- Proactively address process issues so student and families don’t need to contact office but rather get the information up front

- Viewing and improving website to have information simple and easy access

- Limitations on what the financial aid office can do
  - Financial aid does not decide on the budget process
  - Rare additional grant resources so they work with students for loan eligibility, working for federal and state eligibility

Questions

1. Theres been a new addition when we want to upload documents you have to link your fafsa, however for undocumented students this process is twice as hard, is there a reason why or a solution to this?
a. With the financial aid staff they are discussing on how to move away from css profile to best support undocumented students.

b. Providing a paper base fafsa or applying electronically → really up to the student

c. There was no intention to harm undocumented students

d. Students can file fafsa even for undocumented students; there are techniques that the office can help with
   
i. Will look into this and get back to you

2. Financial aid office moving in and understaffed but this has caused a lot of issues for students that are more bureaucratic. Is there a way to file a complaint?
   
a. “I'm sorry if you or any other student had dealt with that, that is not what the office should be providing. You can come directly to me. You can find my cell phone number directly on the website and anyone can reach out to me at any time.”

b. We are not struggling with few staff members it is hard to retain staff members to live in San Francisco. Chronically there are 3-4 unfilled positions, having the office look for people to fill these positions.

3. What is the support that the financial aid office during the summer months?
   
a. Again “painful to hear and I apologize because no student should have to deal with that.”

b. The reasons why that happened this summer:
   
i. Unfilled staff positions
   
ii. Not having a good service plans in place
   
iii. “These are all excuses which shouldn’t be allowed” The financial aid office is meeting this week to focus on these problems.

4. Could you clarify on financial aid for international students? Is there someone particularly working only for these students?
   
a. There is a whole team of international admission folks who are out there recruiting students
b. Only aid for international students - high academic and some other factor based - very common in other institutions
   i. Only for first year students
   ii. Every year it gets tweaked ranging around $5,000 - $20,000 a year

5. Can you elaborate on international resources to gain financial aid from USF or outside USF?
   a. International admission page that have links based upon country for financial aid
   b. The accurate statement is we target students with high academics; do not know anything upon economic background
   c. Based upon if the student reports or school report on their academics

Email: mbeseda@usfca.edu; also walks around campus feel free to contact or say hi

   c. Guest Speaker: Cesar Delgadillo [5:38-6:00pm]
      i. Associate Director, SLE
         - Why?
           - Referendum - how to best move forwards?
           - Best use of space
           - Student voice- make sure we are making decisions based on students' experiences and opinions
         - The survey
           - Distribution
             - All execs to all green, gold, and chartered student orgs
           - Content
             - Questions regards to UC 4 space, funding, and new service requirement
             - 517 emails sent; 128 surveys completed
         - Results
           - If space were to be resigned → my org would benefit an advocate from these space resources
- There were different options but can choose up to how many they want
  - Highest answered: shared spaces
  - Were asked to describe how their org would benefit from a fixed assigned desk space
  - Asked to describe how org would benefit from a shared desk space
  - Asked to describe how often and for what purpose you believe your org would utilize a small meeting space with conference table and chairs
  - Asked keeping your org needs in mind to rank these types of storage from most useful to least
    - Lockers
    - Oversized item storage
    - Off campus storage

- Moving forward
  - Looking at testing options
  - Where GSS used to be → test space to try something new to see how useful this is for other orgs outside of CSO’s
  - Seeking feedback
  - Collecting more data from current leaders → coming up with 3 options to present and ask for feedback

Questions

1. When will the lockers be available
   a. Application is due tomorrow (10th); gave the orgs a couple of days beforehand to apply
   b. Applications for lockers & desk
   c. We know based on funding events, and traditional events where orgs need those spaces.
d. This email were sent to all the exec’s listed when they registered through the canvas portal

2. Is there a sign up sheet for a specific area or conference rooms where orgs can sign up for a certain time and space to have less conflict from all the negative results from not having a space
   a. Only way to book a room is through EMGS where everyone else from the university has to go through

3. What SLE action plan?
   a. Looking to fill the spaces we have open
   b. Using GSS space as a test space
   c. Come up with a couple design options for that GSS space and then get feedback from senate and other orgs to see which one to try
   d. Look at it as phases

Contact: cdelgadillo@usfca.edu

5. **Break**

John motioned
Sarah seconds

6. **New Business:**

   a. UC 4th Floor Renovation
      [6:06-6:25pm]
      - Survey/feedback form to all CSO officers
        - Asking if they vote on the referenda
        - If they fully understood the referenda
        - Asking how much time they spent on the floor
        - If they hold a CSO exec position
          - Asking about office hours space and time
          - How many people utilize space & how necessary
      - Get/opening the survey to the greater student body
      - Meeting with CSO’s
        - Issue: 1. Keep desk space 2. Or kicked out
- Not trying to do either of those; reality to move forward to create a plan and a system that can have them ultimately use the space
- This resolution was drafted last year → not sure what the reason is or why it got drafted in the first place
  - The vision this year is not the same vision as last year’s senate
  - Realistically the renovation will not fully be finished by this year because of the pushback and wanting to include all orgs in the conversation
- The privilege that CSO’s have with this space
  - Is this space beneficial?
  - Are you getting the work done or just hanging out?
- Taking into account/ think of a plan on how to restructure
  - This space is for all of the student body

Questions
1. Who makes the decision upon this?
   - SLE & Senate collaboration
   - Decisions being made by the remodel is being done right now by SLE
2. How many surveys are we going to send out because there have been many surveys sent out?
   - Need to follow up with SLE on their survey
3. How is this information getting sent out?
   - Senate does not have access to top exec officers; so senate needs to hand it over to SLE
   - Chose two first names of execs from the club
   - Check with SLE email for a follow up on the survey
b. Presentation Theater
   [6:26-6:40pm]
   - Josh - space manage for presentation theater
   - News: 30 - 50 million to renovate the theatre
     - Looking at years to reopen
- How to move forwards
  - Find immediate resolution
  - What are the long term goals on how to get presentation and theatre back up and running
  - Having father fitz understand that this a priority
  - Reach out to alumni to have support
  - An advocacy plan
  - Conversation on how to all work together to get the space up and running in a couple of years
  - Call to action letter based on the wants and needs to advocate for wanting the space back and how to improve it to make sure it serves our future students better than it served us

Questions/ Suggestions

1. Background on presentation theatre
   a. Only traditional theatre space on campus - School of Ed
   b. Since 1930’s
   c. It is a hazard → decided to close due to space hazard, emergency exits, air issue
   d. Theatre is the only space on campus to hold hundreds of people
      - Ex: human rights festival, barrio, plays
   e. Everything was broken; and run down
      - Intention of getting new equipment

2. Is there any way to involved the larger student body?
   a. Purpose of the committee
      - Wouldn't suggest a large committee or else it would prolong the issue
   b. Get perspective of students to have this space be used on a smaller scale to help get more advocacy
      - Will bring to the committee

3. Have we thought about senate finance committee?
- Yes we have
- “Biting the bullet” because we have no choice
- Have to get donations
- Perfect time to add this towards the universities campaign - capital campaign

4. Are there repercussions on the person who oversees everything
   a. No because he did advocate for it the university still saw that it can operate
   c. Financial budgets for orgs [6:39-6:50pm]
      - When big money request comes in (over $5,000) → it needs to go in front of senate
      - 2 requests: Senate decides if the over 5,000 request should be funded toward our students or not
      - ISA - Culturescape
         - Transport light and sound to make up from presentation theatre
         - Total: $5,880
         - Last year ask was just below $7,000
         - John motions to approve
         - Chloe seconds
         - Vote: 1 abstained; motion passes
      - College Players
         - Total: $11,152
         - Rough estimate
         - Free for students
         - Sarah motions to approve
         - D’Vine seconds
         - Motion approved

7. Executive Reports [6:53pm]
   a. Hector Bustos, ASUSF President
      - President roundtable
      - University council for diversity and inclusion led by DECO
- Appointed all new senator positions

b. Tiana Valerio, Vice President of Finance
   - Cochair advisory board budget committee
     - Educational session on how university approach tuition
     - Awarded a good amount of money for travel and internal developments

c. Irene Nguyen, Vice President of Marketing & Communications
   - Cassie will present resolutions soon
   - D’vine meeting with public safety
   - Have snacks for senate (meet and greet)

d. Paolo Sayas, Vice President of Advocacy
   - Marisol meet with julie
   - Leo sexual
   - Belen orgs for student of color committee
   - Paolo: student satisfaction survey
     - Food pantry

8. Advisor Report [6:58pm]
   - No updates
   - Student leadership conference in November
   - Senators can also attend

9. Announcements [7:00pm]
   - Weekly updates through canvas
   - Senator reports
   - Appraisals will start soon - due in a couple of weeks
   - Spread word about town hall - culture clubs - have a conversation with public safety

10. Adjournment [7:00]