ASUSF Agenda
Wednesday, March 25th, 2020 | Berman Room | 5:00 - 7:00pm

1. Call to Order and Roll Call [5:00pm]
   Cassie, John, Marisol, Olivia, Hector, Tanya, Metiya, Becca, Sarah, D’Vine, Tiana, Andrea, Austin, Frances, Marci, Alisha, Ethan Tan

2. Approval of Minutes
   - Tanya motions to approve
   - John seconds
   - Motion approved

3. Approval of Agenda
   - Austin motions
   - Tanya seconds
   - Motion approved

4. Open Forum
   a. Anyone who wishes to address the Senate

5. New Business: [5:05-6:00pm]
   a. Emergency Legislation Regarding Dean’s Emergency Fund
      i. Introduction
      - USF dean of students office administers an emergency fund to assist students who are unable to meet immediate, essential expenses due to a temporary hardship related to an emergency situation that may jeopardize their health, safety, and or academic performance
      - The max limit for it has been lowered from $600 to $300
      - This resolution grows from this to help students in need to allocate funds from reserves to help support the already existing emergency funds
         - More students have access to this and offer more money to it as well
         - Increase the maximum up to $600
      - Can not predict when this will end but we decided to go with the fiscal year of allowing this to happen until the end of summer 2020
      ii. Discussion
- Additional money will be coming out of the reserves
- Event fund pot can not be used due to all the cancelled events on campus
- Taking the student activity fee money and putting it towards back the student body
- $600 per person amount was chosen by dean’s office; they brought it down to $300 in the hope to help multiple students
- This applies to all fully enrolled students
- All students who already applied for the emergency funds and received $300 can still be consider to receive the additional $300 if the resolution gets approved
- Criteria is all determined by deans office
- Form that gives logistical information and proof of financial hardship and that proof is being more lienet due to the circumstances happening now

iii. Suspension of By-Laws
- Suspend with the understanding due to the extreme circumstances for it to happen to it tonight
- Great idea to do it now to help students who have pressing deadlines

iv. Voting
- Tanya motions to suspend ASUSF by- laws in order to vote to approve the support the USF Emergency Fun
  - Becca seconds
  - Motion approved
- D’Vine Motion to end debate on resolution 19-20-06 in support for the USF Emergency Fund
  - Tanya seconds
  - Motion approved
- Voting
  - Austin motions to approve resolution 19-20-06 support for the USF Emergency Fund
  - John seconds
  - Motion approved

b. Additional Support for Students during COVID-19
- Pass/fail options for their classes
  - Worry: that this should not go to all students if they do not suffer or need it
  - Making it an option to decide for specific classes
  - Decision has still not been made around it

Discussion within senate
- Positive feelings towards the pass and fail option
- The students and other universities did not ask students permission rather it was forced upon students
- Being able to have the opportunity and choose the courses will help students with learning disabilities, or accommodate their learning styles online, etc.
- How would labs work when it is incorporated with lecture grade?
- Senate should provide the information of what it means to be a pass/fail class system
- Be transparent with the information to student body
- Give the students the control to have the voice to leave it at the best fairest way to support them
- There has been comments from students on the change.org petition
  - There so far is around ~1,500 want to get to 2,500
  - Some comments
    - Would be helpful during this time of need
    - Don't want it to be passed but don't want to go against the grain
    - Students being scared to voice out concerns not wanting to implement this
    - Some don’t know how it will affect them
- How will pass/fail affect students gpa?
  - Don’t want to take the route for everyone to have to take the pass or fail but yet the university should allow students to choose certain classes for this system
  - Will not affect gpa
  - Some scholarships want gpa but these pass/fail grades won’t be accepted
- Conversations with lester
  - One of the barriers that he said we would be facing but will be speaking/following up/ and outreach to see if this is something to implement and what could some of the roadblocks be.

Other ways for senate to support students
- Each week hector does an instagram live for a weekly update to break everything down instead of seeing all these emails from the school
- Live should be informal
- Organizational zoom meetings → provide support

- Tanya motions
- Austin seconds
- Motion approved

7. New Business: [6:05-6:20pm]
a. Resuming of Senate Office Hours + Updates

Office hours
- Zoom waiting conference call / zoom desk
  - Connect with team and students ; kind of chatting at the desk
Everyone will do an hour or two hours of office hours
- These will be publicized
- If you have a schedule planned meeting with someone you can just pull them into a different call

Senator reports
- Excel sheet in email link sent out
- Everyone has their own tabs
- This will allow everyone to see what everyone is working on incase there can be a collaboration formed
- Every 2 weeks
- Mark in senator report sheet when you did the other two office hours

8. Senator Announcements, Accomplishments, Updates [6:13-6:22pm]

9. Executive Announcements [6:22-6:55pm]
   a. Hector Bustos, ASUSF President
   - Resolutions
     - Something that can still happen next year
     - Don't let this stop you for pushing for your resolution or you initiative so it can be passed on next years senate where they can carry it on
     - Find creative ways/alternative ways to carry on your resolution
     - Brainstorm with exec pairs and VPA
   - Check ins
     - Personal check ins
   - Applications
     - Due this friday
     - Encourage all friends and peers to apply for any position
     - Send them the link
     - Reshare the posts
     - Want them to be competitive
   - Instagram Live
     - 8pm tonight explaining the resolution
     - Everyone will be able to do a take over through the week to outreach to students and promote your position
   b. Cassie Murphy, VP of Internal Affairs
   - Internal
     - Turning everything on online
     - Presenting a resolution with VPA tomorrow
     - BOT Academic Affairs meeting - attending
   c. Tiana Valerio, VP of Finance
- Looking for 5 million dollars back to subsidy prorated for room and board students for and other things such as parking permits
- BOT finance committee tomorrow
  - Think about future financial next year
- Finance committee
  - Meeting Friday
  - Next week for annual budget presentations which is open to the public
d. Irene Nguyen, VP of Marketing and Communications
e. Marisol Castro, VP of Advocacy
- Progressive relaxing board
- Career services board
  - Not happening this semester only had one meeting
  - Only one meeting
- Advocacy committee
  - Come
  - Bring resolutions
10. Advisor Report [6:47-6:50pm]
Student leadership nominations
- Nominate people
- Person who gets nominated gets tagged and has nominated you get a choice to let them know if you want
- Both undergrad and grad students
- Awards for sophomore, juniors, and mostly graduating seniors
- Zoom connection with students and staff and faculty
- University committee
  - Pull together resources in one place
    - Specific page of learning and resources
    - Ex: virtual engagement
- Activity Hour drop in
  - Student staff and faculty drop in available
11. Announcements [6:57-7:00pm]
12. Adjournment [6:54pm]
- Austin motions
- Becca seconds
- Motion approved