

Senate Meeting – 06 February 2013

AGENDA

15th Student Senate Meeting

- 12:10 – Call to order and agreement agenda.
- 12:10 – Introduction USC Executive board.
- 12:20 – Introduction by USC Vice president (Sven), reiteration update on Senate Procedures, and overview senator survey Fall 2012.
- 12:30 – Report Environmental Committee by GSC Vice President (Dave)
- 12:35 – Budget request presentations by Treasurer (Mimi Adrien)
- 12:50 – Old business + New Business.
 - Announcements and Adjournment.

Minutes

Taken by Stephanie Dissette (USC Communications Director)

Meeting begins (12:14PM)

1. Sven (USC VP): Welcome – review for new Senators of Regulations, etc.
 - a. Upgraded professionalism in the Senate – (e.g.) dressing up
 - b. Cannot miss more than three meetings – new
 - c. Will resend the Senate Regulations (to be attached), following Robert’s Rules of Order – brief overview now
 - d. Intend to have efficient meetings
 - e. Senator Surveys
 - f. If at any point you disagree with the Senate order, you have the power to change it – constitutionally, you have more power than the Executive team
2. Sven (USC VP): introduces the Executive team – all present members speak, including Patrick (USC President); Mimi (Treasurer); Luka (USC Social Director); Sven (USC VP); Stephanie (USC Communications); and Dave (GSC VP)
3. Dave (GSC VP): reads for Dana Kianfar (former CS Senator and Environmental Committee Vice Chair)
 - a. (Letter to be attached)
 - b. Report on the Environmental Committee from the past semester
 - c. Dave (GSC VP) offers to be the contact for Senators looking to work on this committee

- d. Sven (USC VP): we need a new Vice Chair amongst you; you have the power to work on these issues; you will have support, but we need someone who is passionate about it
4. Sven (USC VP): AMP is called forward, Maya (AMP) and Mimi (Treasurer) introduce a budget request
- a. Mimi (Treasurer): AUP Music Production – basic intro; Maya has already started revamping the room and club
 - b. This is the first request of two for the semester – hopefully the second next week
 - c. Maya (AMP): we’ll be asking for the money to replace broken equipment and redo the production studio, already have some help from the multi-media office and maintenance
 - d. Mimi (Treasurer): this is about having all the material and equipment to run Open Mic nights and overall AMP business (all this can be transferred to the new building)
 - e. (PP presentation to be attached)
 - f. Any motions on the floor?
 - g. Darcee (MPL/MPPA): moves to approve the budget for AMP
 - h. Togzhan (Senior): seconds
 - i. Laura (ICP): can you please go back to the price page – I feel there are desks for under 99 euros
 - j. Mimi (Treasurer): the idea is to have a sturdier desk that lasts over time – Maya has looked this all up in advance
 - k. Max (Econ): how many clubs should we expect this semester – and which ones?
 - l. Mimi (Treasurer): I have two more I can think of, including swimming
 - m. Togzhan (Senior): move to the previous question
 - n. AMPs budget approved by a majority vote
 - o. (Sven (USC VP): we can applaud!)
5. Old/New Business:
- a. Luka (USC Social): can we discuss world’s fair
 - b. Stephanie (IBA): Luka, please do discuss
 - c. Sven (USC VP): technically you cannot, but will be allowed
 - d. Alex (JCC): It is constitutionally allowed if a Senator asks for it
 - e. Luka (USC Social): essentially, the more the merrier – other than the two Senators already involved (Nour and Michael), who would like to join the committee? The idea is to bring it back to its former glory
 - f. Rene (MAGCS): would like to be involved
 - g. Carol & Loraine (GC): also willing
 - h. Luka (USC Social): I have a meeting with Michael (Junior) after this meeting to discuss this – if you become excited later, please let me know
 - i. Sven (USC VP): Luka’s email address will be included in the next email

- j. Max (Econ): next week on Wednesday (6:30PM) Grand Salon – a professor will discuss the influence of China on Africa; it would be great to have you all there
6. Closing announcements:
- a. Sexual Aggression Awareness Committee – Stephanie (USC Communications)
 - b. Sven (USC VP): of course, you are meant to communicate with your constituents – helping them with any of their concerns; also, you need to be in contact with your counterpart on the Faculty Senate; having a relationship with the Department Head of your particular department; Tonight, at 6:15PM, we need you to come meet/talk with your Department Chair; we discussed this with Ali Rahnama, and you have been invited for the beginning of the meeting – you are required unless you have a serious excuse (to be discussed with me following this meeting); we will invite you to come to the SGA office for some refreshments after
 - c. Loraine (GC): did we receive an email about this?
 - d. Sven (USC VP): unfortunately, this wasn't approved until this morning, so we apologize for the short notice

(Meeting adjourned 12:51PM)