

Senate Meeting Agenda for September 25, 2013

12:10-12:25: Celeste Schenck

-Welcoming you to the Senate

12:25-12:30: Signing of Senator Contracts

12:30-12:40: Kevin Fore

-Role pertaining to student activities

12:40-12:50: Freya Damrell

-Info on an upcoming cultural program event

12:50-1:20: Clubs Committee – Penelope Shaw

-Overview and Explanation of their functions

- AUP Politics Association (AUPPA)
 - Presentation of budget for a Model United Nations
- Test Prep Club (if ready)
 - Presentation of budget

1:20-1:30: Sven Van Mourik

- Senators: voting on committee chairs
- Appoint committee chairs

Minutes:

Meeting begins at 12:10pm

1. Clare (USC VP): Welcome to first senate meeting of 2013. First order of business is a welcome from President Celeste

2. Celeste: Congratulations, I am pleased to meet you all. Voice of students in a university is hugely important to us. I am passionate about role of leadership in the senate. Leaders operate from every panel. We have all sorts of leadership platforms like faculty senate, workers council, hygiene committee etc... Take this opportunity and act responsibly. Lets keep lines of communications open so I can relay. We are planning to centralize campus more, either buy a building in the 7th or renovate Grenelle.

3. I want to ask the idea about the idea of Housing at AUP. The issue of dorms. We are working with 'The comforts of Paris'. We want to encourage more community.
4. Phil: looking around the room a lot of the people here are from Campusea, we are still friends and its interesting to see how we have grown together
5. Daniela: I have friends in college who have an apartment set up
6. Mary: My problem is that Campusea was very expensive, my only concern is that does comforts of home come with a range of prices
7. Celeste: yes, students have different budgets and we understand we need to accommodate that
8. Kelly: Will this be mandatory?
9. Celeste: No because some French students may already have homes, some students are still keen to live on their own.
10. Celeste: Second thing I want to talk about is a conversation I had with a parent and student. A student told me about a bar near here called Collins where she witnessed a number of students being roofied. I want to ask, what do we do about that?
11. Sarah: I am a grad student and I think it is the most important from incoming freshman
12. Rahael: I think orientation workshop on alcohol awareness should be mandatory
13. Ivon: More students should take initiative on this.
14. Celeste: This is a very pressing and worrying issue and I want to leave this to students

15. Phil: I think the presidents office should send an email and then have students to take initiative
16. Kevin: We are having a sexual aggression taskforce meeting tomorrow so let me know if you want to incorporate ideas.
17. Celeste: Thank you all for your opinions and advice
18. Clare: Next order of business, we want to sign senator contract on your desk. (insert contents of contract here) I would like to ask you all to sign it and date it and pass it to the front if you could.
19. Anissa: Next order of business, I would like to call Kevin Fore to the floor
20. Clare: He is actually going to pass the floor to Freya first for 2 minutes
21. Freya: Advertises two events upcoming in the next week.
22. Kevin: I wanted to meet with you today to talk who I am and my role in regards to student senate. I first want to congratulate you, we have an excellent group of senators. Our major goal as a university is to build community, there is a lot happening outside in Paris and a lot happening within the university. Our goal is to make this place something we care about. Clubs are essential to the university, but you as senators are a powerful voice to the community. Its all in your hands. What we need to do, we need to make sure you have the tools to do your job. That's where it becomes a back and forth collaboration. Now, I think you are stepping into one of the best organized senate forms. That is thanks to Sven to making senate a professional space and thanks to Clare and Anissa who have been working on this since spring. There is a lot of work to be done but we are stepping into a good structure. There is a percentage of the student body who still doesn't know how senate works, however today we have improved. In the past people complained about transparency. I think we have come a long way to improve. There are so many people on this campus who aren't aware, it is our role (Exec team) but yours too.

23. Kevin: What are your responsibilities? We have the budget of 100,000 euros. You allocate this money. You come listen, vote. Our goal is to get you more proactive and reach out to the community. Department reps should meet with department chair, you are welcome to attend and encouraged to reach out to your constituents. The point here is to be proactive in this process. This is an opportunity for you to do something, fun creative. I want each of you to think of a plan of action and make a change this year.

24. Kevin: what is my role here? I am an advisor to the SGA exec board, I support Clare and Anissa specifically in these senate meeting. I support the clubs committee, its an enormous job. I am one of the biggest advocates for senate. I want all senior staff and faculty to know what you are doing. I have a global vision for student leadership activities. I can help and provide background information if you have any new projects. We want a senate that lasts and that can grow. Hopefully I can help you pass on a structure and improve it from year to year. Thank you

25. Anissa: next I am going to call Penelope and Wen to give you an overall view of clubs and the budget

26. Penelope: I am going to talk about global budget, 100,000 euros. Penelope presents budget... (see powerpoint document with stats attached here)

27. Clare: any questions on budget

28. Penelope: Wen is now going to talk about a club

29. Wen: AUPPA is requesting a budget for the MUN conference in Hamburg from Dec 5th to 8th. There will be 450 delegates, guest speakers and staff.

30. Penelope: this is the first budget AUPPA has requested for the MUN (Penelope presents budget for AUPPA) There are also willing to pay some of their own funds (presents budget)

31. Clare: I assume you have all read the regulations
32. Alex K: I would like to move to a direct vote
33. Vote... motion passes
34. Anissa: Test prep club wasn't able to present today.
35. Clare: I would like to call on Sven to appoint committee chairs
36. Sven: SGA consists of several parts, the Exec board, the senate there is a third component which is Clubs Committees. Traditionally the undergrad student council picks on individuals and the senate can vote them in. I can give you my recommendations now. Social: Nora and Camilla who are hoping to be involved as co-chairs. Environmental: Anya Verkamp who has already gotten started on recycle work. On judiciary we have Ivong and Wen for Clubs
37. Clare: move to direct vote, All those in favor for the following
38. Motion passes...
39. Anissa: we have finished all orders of business, we will call on Kevin again who has one more thing to say and if you have questions let me know
40. Kevin: I just had a thought watching you guys approve budget for AUPPA. The clubs committee. I want you to think ahead about the budget and come in with a critical eye. I want you to be supportive but know what you are voting on.
41. Joe: you were discussing a follow up, who is going to be in charge to make sure the correct funds have been allocated

42. Kevin: we have an additional helper, Joelle to make sure the budget has been allocated, Penelope to check receipts and clubs committee. You will want to see what was accomplished with this money, photos etc...

43. Rahael does roll call

44. Anissa: Name tags will be provided next week so we can familiarize names.

45. MEETING IS ADJOURNED