

Senate Minutes

March 3rd, 2020

Graduate Education Auditorium, 6:30 PM

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
   1. Present: 35
   2. Proxy: 10
   3. Absent: 0
3. **Approval of the Minutes**
4. **Special Orders**
   1. Reports (5 minutes each)
      1. Special Reports
      2. Advisor, PJ Martinez
         1. No report
      3. Graduate Assistant Katie Mahar
      4. President, Jared Pinkerton
         1. OER Week (just for the faculty)
            1. Panels and Q&A sessions
            2. Encouraging professors to make their own and understand the process more
         2. We fund professors to write OER’s
            1. If you know a professor that would be interested in this, send them to Jared
         3. All Call next week with CAPS at 5pm
         4. Presidential Poll Results & ASG Census Results will be sent out in an email this week
      5. Vice-President, Sadie Bryant
         1. The ASG End of Year party will be on April 29th
         2. The Faculty Appreciation nomination form deadline has been extended to March 13th
         3. Applications for the Faculty Appreciation review committee will be open soon
            1. Anyone can apply
            2. You are able to review apps on your own time
         4. Any graduating seniors should let Kianna know so she can order the cords
      6. Treasurer, Kevin Smith Jr.
      7. Secretary, Jack Skidmore
         1. No report
      8. Chief Justice, Justyce Yuille
         1. General Election week!
            1. tomorrow is the last day to vote
            2. Post the graphics and reach out to all your friends, we want everyone to vote!
            3. Expenditure reports due March 5th
         2. March 6th will be the announcement of general election votes
      9. GPSC President, JD. D’Loreto-Hill
      10. Cabinet Reports
          1. Chief of Staff, Arianna Kiaei
             1. Ring week tabling starts this week, please sign up

This is something that we want more people to get involved with

Thursday and Friday of this week

* + - * 1. Save our students kick off will be on Monday March 16th, talk to Saylor Sisemore or Arianna soon if you want to go
    1. FLF Coordinator, John Hedgecock
    2. Chair of the Senate, Kianna Sarvestani
       1. Fill out all parts of the ballot, it must be completely filled out in order to be counted (even proxies)
       2. Continue sending in hours, there will be an updated list of everyone’s hours next Tuesday
       3. If you don’t get your hours, you can’t go to top golf
       4. If you send proof that you voted in the ASG election and the local election to Kianna, you can get a Senate hour
       5. Chair of Senate will be announced with the general election results

1. **Appointments, Nominations, and Elections**
   1. Parliamentarian Nominations
      * 1. Senator Anna Cook (Sego)
        2. Senator Luke Long (Kalajyan)
   2. Chair of Senate Speeches and Voting
      * 1. Senator Parker
           1. Loves being in senate and will be here regardless of who wins
           2. Reflected on some of his favorite legislation from the year and why he believes in the importance of Senate
           3. Will respect students and be there for people
        2. Senator Brown
           1. Has found so many friends here and loves the U of A now
           2. Enjoys senate, but wants the culture of senate to change and wants to be a part of solving this
           3. Implement a more extensive orientation for new senators
           4. Wants to facilitate immediate activeness in Senate
           5. More team-building events (foster collaboration)
           6. Wants to ensure that all legislation is brought to the floor for voting
2. **Public Comment (3 at 2 minutes each)**
3. **Old Business**
   1. ASG Senate Resolution No. 13- A Resolution to Support the Transition to eAccounts Blackboard for Student Transaction Systems
      1. Author(s): Senator Chloe Bevenue
      2. Sponsor(s): Senator Bailee King
         1. Campus Life Committee Report
            1. The committee loved the bill
            2. Recommends that it pass as written
         2. Academic Committee Report
            1. Recommends that it pass with a small clerical error
         3. Authorship
            1. No new news about the legislation
         4. Resolution passes: 45 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions
   2. ASG Senate Resolution No. 14- A Resolution Supporting the Increase of Gender-Neutral Bathrooms in the Union
      1. Author(s): Senator Andrew Stark
      2. Sponsor(s): Senator Luke Long, Senator Sarkis Kalajyan, Senator Mackenzie Selby
         1. Infrastructure Committee Report
            1. In support of the resolution with a couple amendments
            2. Amend line 16 to say “isolated to the second floor”
            3. Amend line 41 to add “Throughout the entire union and future renovations”
            4. Amendment to strike lines 45-48
            5. Amendment to remove highlights from lines 19-35
         2. Authorship Report
            1. Appreciates the amendments
            2. The goal would be to use this legislation as a model of support for other buildings that may make these changes in the future
         3. Resolution passes: 39 yes, 4 no, 2 abstentions
4. **New Business**
   1. ASG Senate Bill No. 9- A Funding Bill to Support the Collection of Student Opinion for ECOICA
      1. Author(s): Senator Anna Cook, Senator Kate Sego
      2. Sponsor(s): Senator Esteban Lopez, Senator Lizeth Martinez, Senator Nathan Martinez, Senator Katie Gardner, Senator Caleb Parker, Senator Mackenzie Selby, Senator Kathleen Bridgforth, Senator Grayson Lee, Senator Hunter Simmons, Senator Levi Brown, Senator Anthony Kammerer
         1. Authorship:
            1. The goal is to incentivize students to actually fill out the survey
         2. Referred to allocations committee
   2. ASG Senate Resolution No. 15- A Resolution to Support the SafeZone App
      1. Author(s): Senator Esteban Lopez, ASG Director of Student Safety Lexi Robertson, Warren Lewis, Jacob Kinney, Andy Powers
      2. Sponsor(s): Senator Hunter Simmons, Senator Mason Hook
         1. Authorship Report:
            1. This app is a direct line to police officers
            2. We want every student to feel this kind of safety
            3. The goal of the resolution is to help reach RIC, Housing, and everyone else that we can
            4. Question answered about how this is solely just to support an already fully developed app
         2. Referred to Infrastructure committee
   3. ASG Senate Bill No. 10- A Funding Bill to Renovate the Union Nursing Room
      1. Author(s): Senator Natalie Ceniceros, Students for Loving Choices Vice President Lydia Miller, Students for Loving Choices Treasurer Chelsey Stull, Students for Loving Choices Secretary Abigail Thurstenson, Senator Dania Rahal, GPSC President JD DiLoreto-Hill, and GPSC President Pro Tempore Rachel Slank
      2. Sponsor(s): Senator Walker Franklin
         1. Authorship report:
            1. This is joint effort with the GPSC
            2. Passed unanimously in Graduate Student congress
            3. GPSC agreed to split the cost of renovations ($250 each)
            4. This money would be used for a waterproof diaper changing pad, new chair, and changing table (which sizes and styles have been approved by the staff)
            5. All funds not used will be reallocated back to budget
            6. Question about the Union’s budget revealed that the union needs to keep its money for future renovations
         2. Referred to Allocations Committee
5. **Announcements**
   1. Kappa Sig Dog Day, buy your ticket from Caleb Parker
6. **Adjournment**