

Senate Minutes

April 14th, 2020

Zoom, 6:30 PM

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
   1. Present: 27
   2. Absent: 14
   3. Proxy: 0
3. **Approval of the Minutes**
4. **Special Orders**
   1. Reports (5 minutes each)
      1. Special Reports
      2. Advisor, PJ Martinez
         1. Good to see everyone
         2. PJ is still here for us, his door is still open
         3. If you know of any friends who need help, submit a uacares report so somebody will reach out to them
         4. Thank you for doing a great job in Senate! Please continue to do great things and still reach out to PJ if you need anything!
      3. Graduate Assistant Katie Mahar
      4. President, Jared Pinkerton
         1. State of Students Address
            1. Last time to report to the Senate Body
            2. Thank you for serving students in this weird time
            3. Shout out to all the student leaders to have continued to put students first with legislation and organizing local help systems
            4. This speech is not about what we have lost due to COVID-19, but about what we have been able to achieve despite it
            5. Creation of the membership development coordinator
            6. Cabinet reform (leadership and marketing committees)
            7. Razorback Readership teaming up with New York Times to go completely online
            8. New positions added to cabinet like mental health director and international director
            9. International Game Day Experience
            10. Pre-existing initiatives have been improved and expanded (like the Meal Swipe Drive)
            11. Special shout out to the BHO staff
            12. And the list goes on… Thank you!
      5. Vice-President, Sadie Bryant
         1. Two Faculty members chosen as winners, look in newswire for the names
      6. Treasurer, Kevin Smith Jr.
         1. OFA Standing Rules
      7. Secretary, Jack Skidmore
      8. Chief Justice, Justyce Yuille
         1. Just wanted to thank Kianna and the Senate Body
      9. GPSC President, JD. D’Loreto-Hill
      10. Cabinet Reports
          1. Chief of Staff, Arianna Kiaei
             1. Last cabinet, next Tuesday
             2. Thank you for collaborating!
      11. FLF Coordinator, John Hedgecock
      12. Chair of Senate, Kianna Sarvestani
          1. Proclamation No. 3 Recognizing Dr. Carlos Acosta,
             1. Author(s): Senator Angel Meneses, Senator Esteban Lopez, Senator Nate Martinez, Senator Kate Sego
             2. Sponsor(s): Senator Caleb Parker, Senator Dania Rahal, Senator Beck Williams, Senator Lizeth Martinez, Senator Andrew Stark, Senator Greyson Dickinson, Senator Gabie Gautheir
             3. Pass: 26, Fail:0, Abstain: 1
          2. The officer of the year application closes tomorrow, so please fill it out before then on Hogsync (they will be given a plaque over the summer)
          3. Senate party next week!
             1. Details to come
             2. Send a little blurb about yourself and Kianna will make a little powerpoint
             3. Thank you, Senate body for all still being dedicated and thank you to exec members as well
             4. Thank you to the GA’s
             5. Caleb will do awesome next year!
             6. Seniors, good luck with the real world, you’ll do amazing
5. **Appointments, Nominations, and Elections**
   1. **Senator of the Year Nominations and Elections**
      1. **Senator Hunter Simmons (Kamerer)** 
         1. His legislation has been very meaningful, like the contraceptives bill
      2. **Senator Ángel Meneses (Martinez)**
         1. Very engaged and hardworking and positive! The Random Acts of Kindness week bill was really amazing!
      3. **Senator Natalie Cineceros (Bevenue)** 
         1. Found a way to effectively spend our senate budget on an underserved student group!
         2. Very great job at serving as pro tempore
6. **Public Comment (3 at 2 minutes each)**
7. **Old Business**
8. **New Business**
   1. ASG Senate Resolution No. 21- A Resolution to Establish Immigration Basics for International Students as an Academic Hold Every Semester
      1. Author(s): Director of Global Affairs Prakshyapan Prasai, Director of AMP Thomas Davis, Senator Angel Meneses
      2. Sponsor(s): Senator Natalie Ceniceros, Senator Grayson Lee, Senator Lizeth Martinez, Senator Esteban Lopez, Senator Anna Cook, Senator Brandon Fields, Senator Ryan Harra, Senator Anthony Kammerer, Senator Katie Long, Senator Nathan Martinez, Senator Kate Sego, Senator Jacob Spradlin, Senator Jake Troye, Senator Beck Williams, Senator Gabie Gautheir, Senator Mason Hook, Senator Andrew Stark, Senator Brynn Lea, Senator Lily Jones, Senator Luke Long, Senator Brooklynn Warren, Senator Phil Necessary, Senator Andrew Kutchka, Senator Dania Rahal, Senator Jesus Perera, Senator Caleb Parker, Senator Kathleen Bridgforth, Senator Mackenzie Selby, Senator Sarkis Kalajyan.
         1. This is to help International students know their visa restrictions with working and other things
         2. A lot of students have had to go back to their home countries because of these rules and miscommunication of details
         3. This would be a little quiz about what the exact rules are and how serious any violation would be to their studying here.
         4. The blame falls on the student even if it was their fault
         5. Referred to Campus Life
         6. The Campus Life Committee recommends to pass as written
         7. Moved to second reading
         8. Authorship: Nothing new, thank you!
         9. Pass:20, Fail:0, Abstain:0
   2. ASG Senate Resolution No. 22- A Resolution requesting clarification of stance on International Students during the Covid-19 crisis.
      1. Author(s): Director of Global Affairs Prakshyapan Prasai, Director of AMP Thomas Davis, Senator Angel Meneses
      2. Sponsor(s): Senator Brynn Lea, Senator Lily Jones, Senator Kate Sego, Senator Lizeth Martinez
         1. A lot of international students try to work more over the summer, but there is a lot of uncertainty now
         2. Students need to know what they can do this summer because some will have to go back home and won’t be able to keep attending the university if they can’t work
         3. We know the school is also uncertain about a lot of things, but we want to encourage them to have this on their radar!
         4. Referred to Campus Life
         5. Moved to second reading
         6. The Campus Life Committee recommends to pass as written
         7. Authorship: Nothing new, thank you for doing second reading
         8. Pass: Fail: Abstain:
   3. ASG Senate Bill No. 8- A Bill to Promote Sustainability in Residence Halls
      1. Author(s): Senator Angel Meneses, RIC Sustainability Director Nate Cole
      2. Sponsor(s): Senator Dania Rahal, Senator Brynn Lea, Senator Beck Williams, Senator Mason Hook, Senator Natalie Ceniceros
         1. Helps promote sustainability on campus, specifically in residence halls
         2. People do not always look at all the sustainability initiatives on the website
         3. This bill could help by giving people a positive message about even small things that can help make an impact by making mirror clings to help get the word out
         4. Referred to Allocations
         5. The Allocations Committee recommends to pass as written
         6. Moved to second reading
         7. Authorship: Nothing new
         8. Pass: Fail: Abstain:
9. **Announcements**
   1. Please let us know if you have any recommendations for the party next week please contact me, Natalie, or Kianna!
10. **Adjournment**
    1. **MOTION TO ADJOURN!!!**