



## Undergraduate Student Government Senate Meeting – September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016

Sun Devil Fitness Center Floor 2M – ASU West, 2:00 PM

- I.** Call to Order 2:33 PM
- II.** Roll Call
- III.** Quorum
- IV.** Approval of Previous Senate Minutes August 20<sup>th</sup>
  - Motion: Senator Hoag
  - Second: Senator Melgar
- V.** Approval to Amend the Agenda for September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 Senate Meeting
  - Motion: Senator Herguth
  - Second: Senator Floda
  - Senator Herguth: I motion to amend the agenda by removing “Approval of Previous Senate Meeting for August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016.” I also motion to add “Discussion & Approval of bill 17.10 Event Funding for Hispanic Honor Society for the amount of \$2,667.06.”
  - Motion: Senator Floda
  - Second: Senator Melgar
  - All in Favor
  - Approved
- VI.** Approval of Amended Agenda for September 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Motion: Senator Melgar
  - Second: Senator Floda
  - All in Favor
  - Approved
- VII.** Executive Member Reports
  - a. Chief of Finance: As of the last senate meeting the total allocated amount for bills 17.3, 17.4, 17.5, and 17.6 equals \$2,954.92 leaving \$15,045.08 in the Event Funding Budget. For the SPARKS Event Funding Bill, we are still

waiting for the food waiver form to be approved before the event and if not SPARKS will have to move to Aramark to work within their budget.

- b. **Chief of Staff:** As this was my first official week in the position I was able to help at the West Welcome Dinner, I finalized the E-board minutes, and completed several office hours for the week.
- c. **Vice President of Services:** Good afternoon senate,  
I'd like to start by thanking everyone who came to the west welcome dinner on Tuesday. We had over 200 students attend which is a huge success. This was a trial year for the event and now that administration knows that the event works we will be able to improve the event in order to make it one of the yearly fall Welcome programs.

Another announcement I need to make comes in regards to our printer. On Monday night it jammed really bad and an important part was broken. From now on when dealing with a printer jam the procedure will be to inform Julie to let her work on unjamming the printer to prevent future incidents like the Monday one.

Besides the dinner, over the past two weeks Senate President Infante and I have been conducting a plethora of interviews. The amount of applications we have received has been very exciting. Alongside these interviews, I have begun the process of interviewing students for the desk assistant positions. On a completely different note, it is now September which is the month in which the first club council will be held as well as four funding workshops by USG to the club's to help walk them through the process. Please write down the following dates for if possible I would like the Senators to also attend in order to meet club leaders and begin the process of fostering a positive work relationship between senators and clubs. The first two will be next week and focus on club start up bills. The first will be presented by me at 10:30 on Sept 7th and the second will be presented by Senate President Infante at 3:30 pm on Sept 8th. Both presentations will be giving in the club room, UCB 260. The following week two presentations will be presented focusing solely on Event Funding bills. They will be held at the same time, so one on the 14th at 10:30 and the other on the 15th at 3:30 pm.

I look forward to seeing Senators attend these presentations.

Thank you for your time.

- d. **Vice President of Policy:** One thing I have been managing this month is the Impact Program and beginning this week up until elections we will be holding two days of voter registration a week, Wednesday and Thursday from 11:00-

2:00 PM. October 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> will be Voter Registration week which we plan to include free pizza for those who register. On that note we will also have the Impact Program relate back to the presidential candidate debates and possible hold events around those.

- e. **Student Body President:** Skysong was a very big success and I hope everyone that was able to attend gained some skills or further understanding of the USG on all four campuses as well as for the Graduate Student Government. Thank you all so much for aiding in making the West Welcome Dinner a huge success this year with a massive outcome of students. I am extremely excited with how well everyone is already completing their jobs by going above and beyond what we expected in a major transition. The Boards & Committees for West Campus still has a large number of openings that I would appreciate if everyone took the time to look into or find students that are passionate about improving the West Campus ASU experience. Additionally, the Indigenous People's Day bill will be coming to West Campus soon, we will be the last campus to vote on it, and will discuss that more in appropriations next week.
- f. **Senate Chief of Staff:** One announcement that I will repeat at every meeting we have is that office hours are due by Saturday at Midnight, if everyone could send those to me whether you are a director or Senate until further notice I would appreciate that. Also, if everyone could send me a copy of their reports for this meeting to add to the minutes that would be extremely helpful.
- g. **Senate President:** During the past week and a half, I have been interviewing candidates for the different senator positions. We have gotten a lot of wonderful applicants, and are still looking to fill the two MLF Teacher's college seats and the other WPC Senate seat. Along with that I have been going to multiple club meetings to talk to clubs about funding opportunities as well as to introduce myself as a USGW resource and liaison. With the help of Senate Chief of Staff Williams, we have been working on completing the Senator binders for the newly appointed senators. At the Skysong Inclusion training, I got to meet the other Senate Presidents for the other ASU campuses, and we all agreed to schedule a monthly Senate Presidents meeting to talk about the University Wide Senate meeting, the elections code, Constitution review committee, as well as other campus wide related content. We do not have a date picked but are still working to schedule it. All in all, I look forward to having a productive and friendly USGW Team this year, and I look forward to working with you all!

## **VIII. Advisor Report**

A couple of reminders for everyone so please bear with me for a few minutes. The first home football game is tomorrow with the shuttling leaving at 5:00 PM in front of Verde Dining Pavilion, if you haven't preregistered you may still come to the shuttle and receive any open or free seats that are left. By riding the shuttle, you are guaranteed a ride back to campus as well as being pooled together with the other West campus students for seating. The Kesha concert is happening next Friday and if you're interested make sure you reserve your ticket through OrgSync there is also free food as well as other give away items so make sure you attend and enjoy yourselves responsibly. Lastly, I will continue to nag you all, Sun Devils wear gold on Fridays so attempt to set an example for all students by showing off your Pride and Tradition.

## **IX. Director Report**

### **a. Director of Student Involvement**

I apologize for not being able to make the meeting today. I am probably on the shuttle back to West as this is being presented.

For my position as Director of Student Involvement over the starting weeks of school, aside from attending the mandatory trainings, I have been working closely with Tasha on the USG events that we have hosted thus far. The events I assisted at were the Fear the Fork Barbeque and the West Welcome Dinner. I have also met with Faith and Zujaila amongst Tasha to discuss upcoming plans for club council. I also had a follow up meeting with Zujaila regarding a Club News Letter to coincide with Club Council. I have also been attending meeting for many clubs, organizations, and events on campus for S.W.A.G., RHA, PAB, and Spectrum.

For the future, I will continue to be a resource for USG and being available to help with events or other needs. I will continue working with Tasha and Faith regarding Club Council and keep working with Zujaila to have the newsletter template ready for the first Club Council Meeting. I will also be continuing to go to more clubs and events to be sure they know that they are supported by USG and that USG is a resource for them to utilize.

### **b. Director of External Public Relations**

Good afternoon Senate,

During the past two weeks I've been working on a two graphics for USG: one for the West Welcome Dinner as well as one for the USG Funding Workshop. The West Welcome Dinner flyer was completed August 12th. I'm still working



on refining the USG Funding Workshop one - I need to accommodate for two additional dates on the flyer, and there are also some problems regarding the design in general that I'd like to fix before finalizing it."

## **X. Committee Reports**

### **a. Senate Committee of Appropriations**

Hello everyone, I do not have much to report so this should go by rather quickly. Today we will be voting on two bills, 17.9 and 17.10. Bill 17.9 is for SPARKS for a total of \$873.90. Bill 17.10 is for the Hispanic Honors Society for a total of \$2,667.06. You will hear more about the bills once we vote on them. Thank you and have a good rest of your day.

### **b. Senate Committee of Government Operations**

Last week in the Committee on Government Operations, we focused on the Bylaws and Constitution. We discussed the need to type up the current version of the Bylaws to post on the website. There needs to be an official definition in the Bylaws of professional development and the website needs to be updated accordingly. We need to figure out how to best represent all students through appropriate senate seat delegation. There is also discussion of including gender-neutral language in the Bylaws. Concerning the Constitution, there is a proposal for a university-wide Constitution Review Committee which would be composed of senators from each campus and go over the Constitution all USGs share to make sure it is up to date and fair and balanced. This review would be completed by winter break so it could be finalized by the end of the spring semester.

### **c. Senate Committee of University Affairs**

At our meeting we discussed the promotion of the Pay It Forward Initiative, please continue to promote the initiative, the Divestment at ASU, petitioning ASU to cease investing in fossil fuels, the Mental Health Awareness Week, Psi Chi is hosting a week of events to spread awareness of mental disorders and we are representing Anxiety, the Indigenous People's Day, Senator Melgar is creating the bill so that all four ASU campuses may recognize this day in place of Christopher Columbus Day, and this concludes my report.

**XI.** Introductions & Call to the Audience

**XII.** Old Business

- a. **USG West: Discussion & Approval of Barrett the Honors College Senate Seat\***

**Motion:** Senator Hoag

**Second:** Senator Floda

**Senator Herguth:** Is there a nomination for the Barrett the Honors College senate seat?

**Senate President:** There is a nomination, her name is Rosa Reyes, and she will introduce herself.

**Rosa Reyes:** Hello everyone my name is Rosa and I applied to become a Senator for Barrett as I hope to become more active in USG once more, I was very active as a Freshman, and help improve the West Campus experience.

**Motion:** Senator Floda

**Second:** Senator Melgar

**All in Favor**

**All Abstentions: Senator Herguth**

**Approved**

- b. **USG West: Discussion & Approval of New College Senate Seat\***

**Motion:** Senator Floda

**Second:** Senator Hoag

**Senator Melgar:** Is there a nomination for the New College senate seat?

**Senate President:** There is a nomination, his name is Eric Warner, and he will introduce himself.

**Eric Warner:** Hello everyone my name is Eric, I am currently majority in Sociology and hopefully by the end of the semester I can dual major in Psychology. I have previously advocated for foster care youth, on my

own time, and I would enjoy to continue being a voice for people by being a senator for New College.

**Motion:** Senator Hoag

**Second:** Senator Floda

**All in Favor**

**Approved**

**c. USG West: Discussion & Approval of New College Senate Seat\***

**Motion:** Senator Melgar

**Second:** Senator Floda

**Senator Melgar:** Is there a nomination for the New College senate seat?

**Senate President:** There is a nomination, his name is Robin Choi, and since he was unable to attend he proved a video for his nomination.

**Robin Choi:** My name is Robin Choi, I am from Los Angeles California, and my current major is political science. I apologize that I am unable to attend this meeting however, the reasons I would enjoy becoming a member of USG is to continue to increase my skills gained from student government in high school and share my knowledge with the officers of USG.

**Motion:** Senator Herguth

**Second:** Senator Floda

**All in Favor**

**Approved**

**d. USG West: Discussion & Approval of Mary Lou Fulton Senate Seat\***

**Motion:** Senator Floda

**Second:** Senator Herguth

**Senator Hoag:** Is there a nomination for the Mary Lou Fulton Senate seat?

**Senate President:** There is no nomination for either Mary Lou Fulton senate seats however, interviews will be held next week with potential candidates for these positions.

**Senator Melgar:** Without a nomination I motion to table line items d and e until there a nomination.

**Second:** Senator Floda

**All in Favor**

**Approved**

e. **USG West: Discussion & Approval of Mary Lou Fulton Senate Seat\***

Tabled until a Nomination is presented.

f. **USG West: Discussion & Approval of W.P. Carey Senate Seat\***

**Motion:** Senator Hoag

**Second:** Senator Floda

**Senator Melgar:** Is there a nomination for the W.P. Carey senate seat?

**Senate President:** There is no current nominations for the open W.P. Carey senate seat.

**Senator Melgar:** Without a nomination I motion to table line item f until there is a nomination.

**Second:** Senator Hoag

**All in Favor**

**Approved**

g. **USG West: Discussion & Approval of Thunderbird Senate Seat\***

**Motion:** Senator Floda

**Second:** Senator Hoag

**Senator Hoag:** Is there a nomination for the Thunderbird senate seat?

**Senate President:** There is a nomination, her name is Leilani Viscaina, and she will introduce herself.



**Leilani Viscaina:** Hello everyone my name is Leilani and while I was in high school I was part of the Speech and Debate club as well as several other extracurricular organizations. I would greatly enjoy bringing what I have learned in those organizations to USG.

**Motion:** Senator Herguth

**Second:** Senator Floda

**All in Favor**

**Approved**

**h. USG West: Discussion & Approval of Thunderbird Senate Seat\***

**Motion:** Senator Floda

**Second:** Senator Hoag

**Senator Melgar:** Is there a nomination for the Thunderbird senate seat?

**Senate President:** I do have a nomination, her name is Annalise, and however she is not currently present. I received no information as to why she is absent so I recommend we table this position until a nomination is made.

**Senator Melgar:** As the nominee is not currently present I motion to table line item h until the nominee responds or we have another nomination.

**Second:** Senator Floda

**All in Favor**

**Approved**

**i. USG West: Discussion & Approval of Finalized Bill Process\***

**Senate President:** This line item is referring to the bill process that we discussed at Skysong, I sent everyone information about the process, and since everyone has read over the material we are approving that this will be the agreed process.

**Motion:** Senator Hoag

**Second:** Senator Floda



All in Favor

Approved

**XIII. New Business**

**a. USG West: Discussion & Approval of Director of Special Events\***

**Motion:** Senator Floda

**Second:** Senator Hoag

**Senator Melgar:** Is there nomination for the Director of Special Events?

**V.P. of Services:** We do have a nomination, her name is Noël vonMizener, and after our interview we all agreed she was very qualified for the position. She will now introduce herself.

**Noël vonMizener:** My name is Noël; I am a sophomore studying Business Administration with a minor in Art History. I am currently the president of Well Devils, I believe the event experience gained from that position will transfer over into USG, I am also a member of Honor Devils and I have always had a passion for student engagement especially in the college setting.

**Motion:** Senator Hoag

**Second:** Senator Herguth

All in Favor

Approved

**b. USG West: Discussion & Approval of Director of University Affairs\***

**Motion:** Senator Melgar

**Second:** Senator Floda

**Senator Hoag:** Is there a nomination for Director of University Affairs?

**V.P. of Policy:** We are currently still in the process of interviews for the position of Director of University Affairs so I would recommend tabling line item b for now. Additionally, we do not have a nomination for Director of Legislative Affairs so I would recommend tabling line item c as well.



**Senator Floda:** Without nominations for both the Director of University Affairs and Director of Legislative Affairs I motion to table both line items b and c until a nomination has been made.

**Second:** Senator Melgar

**All in Favor**

**Approved**

**c. USG West: Discussion & Approval of Director of Legislative Affairs\***

Tabled until a Nomination is presented.

**d. USG West: Discussion & Approval of Director of Internal Public Relations\***

**Motion:** Senator Melgar

**Second:** Senator Hoag

**Senator Melgar:** Is there a nomination for Director of Internal Public Relations?

**V.P. of Services:** There is a nomination, his name is Andrew Nguyen, who was unable to attend today. In his place he submitted a video to introduce himself.

**Andrew Nguyen:** Hello my name is Andrew; I am a Junior who is studying double majoring in Global Logistics Management. I am extremely interested in this position as I would to aid in branching USG and PAB--I am currently in charge of marketing for PAB--, help bring the community of ASU together, and increase the college experience for the students of our campus.

**Motion:** Senator Melgar

**Second:** Senator Floda

**All in Favor**

**Approved**

**XIV. Recess**

**Senator Herguth:** I would like to motion for a five-minute recess at this time.

\* Indicates Voting is Needed

Second: Senator Floda

Five Minute Recess

**XV.** Call Back to Order 3:21 PM

**XVI.** New Business Continued

e. USG West: Discussion & Approval of COA.AY 17.9 Event Funding for Dive into Service with SPARKS for the amount of \$873.90\*

**Motion:** Senator Hoag

**Second:** Senator Floda

**Senator Melgar:** Unfortunately, no members from SPARKS were able to make the Senate meeting time due to class so I will speak on their behalf. This event is meant to work as an engagement, getting students back into working with SPARKS, as well as a recruitment by having current SPARKS members speak with the students that come to the event. It will be held at the Sun Devil Fitness Center and their funds will be going towards purchasing food. When I last spoke to the contact for the bill the food wavier was still unapproved and if, by the event, it is not approved they will have to take their budget to Aramark and work from there.

**The stipulations are as follows:** Add the event to OrgSync and change the bill number on the bill face

**Motion:** Senator Floda

**Second:** Senator Melgar

**All in Favor**

**Approved**

f. USG West: Discussion & Approval of bill COA.AY 17.10 Event Funding for Hispanic Honor Society for the amount of \$2,667.06\*

**Motion:** Senator Hoag

**Second:** Senator Floda

**Hispanic Honor Society:** Our event's main goal is to help expand on people's appreciation and understanding of the various Hispanic cultures and

heredities of ASU. We would like to have this event celebrate the differences of the multiple Hispanic and Latino cultures by means of food, music, activities, and a live performance.

**Senator Melgar:** The stipulations are as follows: Update the bill number and add the event to OrgSync.

**Motion:** Senator Herguth

**Second:** Senator Viscaina

**All in Favor**

**Approved**

## **XVII.** Announcements

- a. **V.P. of Services:** Relating back to the Funding workshops we will be hosting this month I would recommend new senators attempt to attend one of the workshops for bill process training.
- b. **V.P. of Policy:** If anyone is able to help table for the Voter registration days we are hosting they will be included towards your office hours.
- c. **Advisor:** Relating back to what the V.P. of Policy said, if you notice people on campus attempting to get students to register to vote that are being over aggressive please try to approach them if you are comfortable with that. It would be extremely helpful to know what organization those people are with and if you are uncomfortable please call me and I will come by to help. If they ask for things that are unnecessary to register to vote (i.e. Social Security Number) then please go ahead and call the Campus Police in case those people are looking for fraudulent information.
- d. **Senate President:** All stipulations, due to the Labor Day holiday, will be due Wednesday by 5:00 PM. Senate Sponsors please email the clubs and organizations that due have stipulations about the date change for this week. If you are a new Senator, please stay around afterwards so I am brief you on some simple things so you are ready for the next week.

## **XVIII.** Adjournment

**Motion:** Senator Hoag

**Second:** Senator Floda

**3:33 PM**