

SENATE MEETING AGENDA

Friday, September 3, 2021

I. Call to Order

- a. Roll Call
 - i. Absent: None
- b. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Motion: Sarah Band
 - 1. Second: Kyle Tanimura
 - a. Unanimous
- c. Approval of Agenda
 - i. Motion to Edit: Rachel Berns: Motion to add an agenda item under New Business for a Crean event funding proposal.
 - 1. Second: Hannah Welsh
 - a. Unanimous
 - ii. Motion to Approve: Mo Hijazi
 - 1. Second: Brady Francisco
 - a. Unanimous
- d. Welcome Guests

II. Public Forum

a. None

III.Old Business

- a. Bouldering Wall
 - i. Coury Hawks: Application submitted, request reviewed.
 - ii. Hannah Welsh: Allocations reviewed the request, we recommend tabling the request. No documentation of student interest, want to see if the University will distribute funding before moving forward.
 - iii. Motion to Table: Mo Hijazi
 - 1. Second: Sarah Band
 - a. Unanimous



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IV. Committee Reports

a. Allocations

i. Hannah Welsh: First meeting occurred, reviewed 3 requests, approved one, recommended to table one request, last one we made a recommendation for the Triathlon Club. The request was for \$6,127.50, we have made the recommendation to fund this request partially, for the amount of \$2,880. We have a spokesman from the club to provide more information.

b. University & Academic Affairs

 Sarah Band: Portable chargers were deployed across campus, they are live, working with Avery to distribute PR regarding them and the printing stations.

c. Diversity Affairs

i. Kyle Tanimura: September infographic with DEI information and resources on campus has been submitted to the PR team. Working on a workshop as well.

d. Community Outreach

i. Brady Francisco: We will be going to the City Council Meeting of Orange next month to introduce ourselves, make connections, see if they would like to collaborate with SGA. We will be continuing and making a graphic for supporting local businesses.

e. Executive Council

- Philip Goodrich: Orientation events and Welcome Back Week were successful, we'll discuss the Graduate Exam Funding, newspaper readership program is back up, had a conversation with Dean Price about COVID, we will meet with Provost Bouchard and President Struppa in the coming weeks.
- ii. Coury Hawks: Finance team is being trained, budget numbers have been updated.
- iii. Christian Grevin: Filing is closed today, we have about 12 candidates running across 5 senate seats. Monday starts the beginning of campaign week. We'll discuss voting next week.
 - 1. Marina Logue: Senators can support people publicly.



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V. New Business

a. Yearbook

- i. Philip Goodrich: We have some guests to speak about the yearbook, voting will happen next week.
- ii. Kayla Wiechert: Yearbook has been discussed for years, it was previously fully funded by SGA, became virtual this past year, the question of if funding the yearbook is the best use of SGA funds is the biggest question. The cost currently is the editing staff's salary. The Yearbook last year was a PDF that is free and anyone can access.
- iii. Ashley Coscarelli: Current editor in chief, the yearbook doesn't get a lot of publicity, we don't get a lot of PR, we could have hard copies this year, think about what the yearbook can encapsulate for Chapman.
- iv. Mo Hijazi: How will we publicize the yearbook to make it more available to students?
 - 1. Ashley Coscarelli: We need help with PR.
- v. Rachel Berns: This seems to fall under other organization's scope as well, not just SGA.
- vi. Sarah Band: If we transfer it to someone else, who would that be?
 - 1. Philip Goodrich: There are many options.
- vii. Richard Rodriguez: Will the yearbook be a physical or digital copy?
 - 1. Philip Goodrich: We need to decide whether we want to invest in a physical yearbook or if people aren't interested and it should be digital. And we need to gauge who would be interested in buying a copy. Yearbook can work with Director of PR for PR for the yearbook and poll students for interest.
- viii. Rachel Berns: It would be good to make a decision.
 - 1. Mo Hijazi: Not everyone would be featured in the yearbook, they might not want to have one. Electronic copy could be better.
- ix. Juliana Glodek: How do you plan on getting content now that COVID isn't a factor?
 - 1. Ashley Coscarelli: More opportunities for content, we also ask students for content.



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- x. Sarah Band: How will this be different from when we were in person before? Will student orgs be responsible?
 - 1. Richard Rodriguez: Publicity will be a necessity. Will we publicize the yearbook or can other orgs be involved? SGA should not be doing it alone.
- xi. Rachel Berns: Conversation with the Panther may be good, having other orgs support the yearbook would be great.
 - 1. Ashley Coscarelli: There's a team behind this, COVID prevented us from meeting, now we can work on publicity.
 - a. Mo Hijazi: We don't want to let the people of the yearbook down, we want to make sure the yearbook is in the right hands.
- xii. Sarah Band: We should talk to the Panther, SGA can fund it, they can help with publicity.
- xiii. Coury Hawks: To clarify, we pay for yearbook staff salary. We don't fund the yearbook itself.
 - 1. Philip Goodrich: Coury is correct.
- xiv. Coury Hawks: Originally we funded \$35,000 and received revenue from the yearbooks people bought. Should we be collecting money from students as SGA, is that okay? But also \$35,000 is a large commitment.
- xv. Philip Goodrich: Recommend a formal vote next time or in the future.
 - 1. Brady Francisco: We should include multiple orgs in this conversation.
- b. Motion to move Triathlon Club Funding request prior to the graduate test exam item: Rachel Berns
 - i. Second: Mo Hijazi
 - 1. Unanimous

c. Triathlon Club Funding

- i. Hannah Welsh: Allocations recommends to fund this request impartial, for \$2880 out of the \$6,127.50 that was requested. This would cover the entry fee and \$10 per person for their kit.
 - 1. Triathlon Club Member: Uniforms are a vital piece of equipment, would appreciate the full funding, we have sponsors and SGA



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would be a sponsor, you would get PR from being on our uniforms.

- ii. Rachel Berns: Coury, how much is in the student line?
 - 1. Coury Hawks: \$70,000.
- iii. Motion to approve allocations of \$2,800: Mo Hijazi
 - 1. Second: Elyse Crimmins
 - a. Unanimous

d. Graduate Test Exams

- i. Coury Hawks: Presented application, students can apply for up to \$250 for test fees for grad school. Grant is open to 200 students.
 - 1. Jonathan Verigno: What if more than 200 students apply?
 - a. Coury Hawks: We've allocated \$50,000 but we have reserve funds, Senate could vote to move reserve funds to the test fund.
 - 2. Sarah Band: What about people who have their tests scheduled already and can't meet your deadline for applications?
 - a. Coury Hawks: They will not receive funds.

e. Crean Event Funding

- Rachel Berns: Presented on Coffee and Crean Event, an informational social opportunity for Crean students to meet their career advisor and feel more connected to Crean. Would like to request \$97.94 for coffee and donuts from the Senate line.
 - 1. Motion: Kyle Tanimura
 - a. Second: Hannah Welsh
 - i. Unanimous

VI. Open Forum

- a. Speaker Reekie: We'll be discussing COVID.
 - i. Mo Hijazi: Cases are rising, will contact tracing improve?
 - 1. Speaker Reekie: Does anyone have assigned seating in classes for contact tracing?
 - a. Elyse Crimmins: Yes.



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- ii. Philip Goodrich: Trying to access faculty emails, there is a training for Chapman faculty about seating charts through Canvas.
- iii. Sarah Band: Testing has been an issue, can vaccinated students be tested once a week?
 - 1. Coury Hawks: Testing center may not have the capacity to test 8,000 students, with 5% going in twice a week.
 - a. Hannah Welsh: People have been denied, tests may be running out. Could we help fund tests?
- iv. Philip Goodrich: Met with Dean Price, testing center has plenty of tests, issue is staffing and space, health care staff is overwhelmed.
 Epidemiologists with Chapman's consulting encouraged us not to test vaccinated people. Testing center wants people to wait 3-4 days before testing.
 - 1. Coury Hawks: Is there a policy about exposure and going to class?
 - a. Richard Rodriguez: Contradictions happening between admin and faculty about classes, and not being able to use Zoom.
 - i. Philip Goodrich: As of yesterday faculty can provide alternate modes of instruction.
- v. Marina Logue: Can professors provide an alternate method of teaching?
 - 1. Kyle Tanimura: Students are being told by professors that they must come to class even if they've been exposed but not tested positive. Maybe we can post something for students showing updated policies, what we know, what is in place, and update that weekly.
- vi. Philip Goodrich: If a student gets a notification from the health center, they must provide proof to the professor, they need to email the Dean of Students office. They changed the way they notify faculty, they will know from Dean Price as well. Faculty should know if students are positive.
 - 1. Rachel Berns: Faculty should not punish students for staying home. Can we do anything on our end to make information clear so students know their rights? Some are not receiving accommodation.



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- vii. Marina Logue: How is faculty being notified about changes in policy?
 - 1. Philip Goodrich: By email and CU Safely Back website.
- viii. Kyle Tanimura: Should we refer students to CU Safely Back?
 - Philip Goodrich: Communication is lacking, Dean of Students knows. Provost should communicate more, we're meeting with her.
- ix. Juliana Glodek: Lack of alternate teaching is an issue, no protocol.
 - 1. Rachel Berns: Agreed. We should advocate for that.
- x. Kyle Tanimura: There's a lack of technology for hy-flex teaching, can we advocate for that?
 - 1. Sarah Band: Zoom option has been bad. Can we push on that argument and try to equip classrooms with better tech?
 - a. Philip Goodrich: It's difficult for faculty to manage two classrooms at once.
- xi. Brady Francisco: Could we have a workshop for professors?
 - 1. Mo Hijazi: Good point, could there be a rule or a point where classes can go online if the majority of the class cannot attend in person?
- xii. Coury Hawks: SGA deals with students, not professors. Our focus should be how to help students at home or school, through money or other means.
 - 1. Kyle Tanimura: We should use our voice for the students, even those complaining.
 - a. Richard Rodriguez: We have the voice for students who don't. A lot of students don't know protocol, from my experience at Residence Life. More information needs to go to students.
- xiii. Sarah Band: We need to streamline communication, talk with admin of amending policies, try to protect students.
 - 1. Juliana Glodek: Contract tracing needs to be better so students are safe. SGA should advocate for their education.



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VII. Announcements

- a. Danny Gaitan: Office hours and committee meeting info will be sent out this week. Look over the Roberts Rules handout in your folio, see you after for social.
 - i. Brady Francisco: Do we have another training?
 - 1. Danny Gaitan: No, but it wouldn't hurt.
- b. Rachel Berns: Volunteer from Mary's Kitchen is trying to get support from Chapman students to attend the City Council meeting on September 14th. If you're interested, let me know. Also, for office hours attendance, I recommend reaching out to your College Dean or Department Chairs to try to get a link to your office hours on Canvas.

VIII. Adjournment

- a. Motion: Sarah Band
 - i. Second: Rachel Berns
 - 1. Unanimous / Adjournment 2:47pm PST