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# Senate Minutes

January 17, 2024

Absent Senators: Kilah Runnels

## **A. WELCOME**

## **B. WORSHIP - Dain Ochoa**

- a. Three words to describe your spring break
- b. There have been a lot of positive remarks, and don't forget about it! Finish strong
- c. Prayer Requests: Exams, moving process, silent

## **C. Student Voice Committee- Kristen Sihotang**

- a. The chemistry department has ordered their lab stools and models
- b. History department are waiting for giving days to come in

## **D. Social Committee - Amanda Leitao**

- a. Senate Surprise day - Panera Bread
- b. April 26 is the next Senate Surprise

## **E. Community Service Committee - Herve Kazembe**

- a. Had their last community service event - it was a success because of those who were able to participate. 25 showed up
- b. Thank you to those who took part and thank you to those who took part in another form by marketing - especially PR
- c. We only have a few weeks left, but if you think there is something we should be a part of let us know

## **F. Finance Committee - Chidi Onyeije**

- a. Making sure they did their community service, and meeting with Alexis on Tuesday
- b. Need to email each club how much they got and why

### **G. Scholarship Committee - Minha Yang**

- a. Working with PR to get the scholarships out

### **H. PR Committee - Matthew Taylor**

- a. Originally, working with some people with Wright Hall to do Faculty Appreciation. There was some accident over spring break. Possibly pushed back
- b. Chairs: quick video talking about what you do in the committees so that people can get a better understanding of your job

### **I. Bylaws Committee - Samuel Mora**

- a. Culture Liaison position Voting: 24/25 (Yes/total)
- b. Currently, RVP was too specific and did not allow creativity. Weekly was a bit too much to handle. A little more open to allow creativity
- c. **Religious Vice President : e-vote tonight**

### **J. Safety Committee - Lauren Gerath**

- a. Survey with questions that will help safety committee next year
- b. Process of buying the materials that we presented to you last Senate Meeting
- c. Had the AirTags in the cart, but would like to buy invisewear tag, but you have to pay a subscription for it.
- d. Is it worth it? - nevermind, they are buying airtags

### **K. Budget Proposal - Jeni Bautista**

- a. This is for next year
- b. 3.14% increase from last year's budget. 2,475 students. \$170 from general fee contributed
- c. Budget Allocation.
- d. Administration 33.12% total : Salaries: 41% // President: 57% // Office (misc) 2%
- e. Budget Proposal: President 12/hr VP: 11/hr Directors: 10/h Senators: 11/h
- f. Social 16.72% total: Salaries: 14% // Social events: 86%
- g. Senate 12.59% total: Student Voice 20.6% // Committees 46% // Mascot 3.7% // Ignite 12.7% // Others 17%
- h. Cultural Liaison 2.57%: Vendors 16.67% // Student Tickets 75% // Decorations, PR, Misc 8.33%

- i. Spiritual Life 1.6% of total: Sabbath Chats: 71.45% // Afterglow of Vespers 14.29% // SA Vespers 7.14% // Misc 7.14%
- j. Communication 0.34% total: Equipment 40% // Miscellaneous 60%
- k. Accent 12.4%: Salaries 69.41% // Publication Expenses 25.83% // Office 4.76%
- l. Memories 16.05% total: Salaries 27.81% // Publication Expenses 66.62% // Office 5.57%
- m. Strawberry 4.27% of total: Salaries 65.21% // Production 21.37% // Office 13.42%
- n. Are international students able to be Accent Editors? Yes; they will simply only work for 20 hours
- o. Proposal was approved by HR
- p. Memories hourly pay? \$10

#### **L. Voting - Sexual Abuse Class**

- a. Our class is asking for 600 dollars to help buy materials for our booths so that we can properly advocate for the safety and prevention of student here on southern campus
- b. Voting: 24/25 (yes/total)

#### **M. Giving Day**

- a. Date: April 3 & 4
- b. Giving day: a chance for faculty, alumni, and friends to donate to different projects
- c. Departments, clubs and the Southern fund
- d. Allows students to be grateful
- e. Thank the donors that do help. 94% of students are here on scholarship or donation
- f. How are we involved? Kick off, golf carts/booth, finale
- g. 7:45-8:00 – give out snacks and shirts and a video of thank you for your donation
- h. 9:00-3:30 - golf cart rides on the promenade and man booth
- i. 12:00 - Pop confetti cannons at the countdown
- j. Clock in!

#### **N. Announcements**

a. Oakwood Retreat : This Saturday