ASUW SENATE MINUTES

The March 26th, 2019 meeting was called to order by Vice President Wilkins at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, the mission statement was read, and roll was taken. Ex Officios from Faculty Senate, International Students Association, College Panhellenic Council, Staff Senate, Student Athlete Advisory Committee, and United Multicultural Council were absent. Senators Anselmi-Stith, and Brooks were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved as circulated.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

OPEN FORUM

Marianna Pizzato addresses the Senate on behalf of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes regarding concerns with the funding process, the Judicial Council and the appeal process.

SPECIAL EVENT

Shelby Kennedy addresses the senate about the Safe Zone a nationwide organization with the goal to educate allies on the issues surrounding the LGBTQ community. She opened the discussion up to the Senate and encouraged open conversation about hand out that were passed around. She described the meaning behind LGBTQ and broke down the acronym. She described how to read the environment surrounding the word Queer and other terms that fall under the LGBTQ umbrella. The Safe Zone project encourages allies and the many identities that are supported by Safe Zone. She explained what it is to be an ally, there are three different kinds an ally that stands by someone, an ally that stands in front of someone and an ally that stands behind someone. All of these are people that constantly support as an ally. She explains words that should be taken out of the vocabulary that are listed in the packet. She encourages Senators to attend Safe Zone sessions which are Fridays in April, starting April 2nd.

SUSTAINABLY COALITION

Senator Herold moved to approve the Sustainability Coalition as an Ex Officio Senator from First Year Senate seconded. Sustainability Coalition co-chairs presented their ideas for Ex Officio position for ASUW Sustainability Coalition as an Ex Officio passes. (20-0-0)
RSO FUNDING BOARD REQUESTS

Senator Madhyanam moved to allocate $7,939.49 to Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan for their Fiesta Primavera
Motion Passed

Senator Madhyanam moved to allocate $8,482 to Muslim Student Association for their Islamic Awareness Week
Motion Passed

Senator Madhyanam moved to allocate $8,485 to Latter-Day Saints Student Association for their Brown and Gold Ball
Motion Passed

COMMUNICATIONS

Executive Reports
Chief of Staff Harris reported on needing volunteers for wellness events and all branch ASUW dinner. She passes signup sheets for both of these events. She reported about a summer fair and panel with programs about how to use the summer well. She will be out of the office Friday morning.

Director of Governmental and Community Affairs Houghton reported about the Governors Dinner and sent around a signup sheet. He will be out of the office for a few day in the new few weeks for community college visits.

Chief of Legislative Affairs Sanders reported that the away meeting will be April 16th in Animal Sciences 103. It will be held at the normal time of 7:00 pm. April 5th last day for legislation.

President Mulhall reported about taking the campus climate survey. She reminded Senators to encourage voting in the upcoming elections. She had a meeting with student media about the future of student media and ASUW. Attended meeting with Union visioning. Reminded about Rave Guardian events in April. Looking forward to new things with the business budget. Reminded Senators to keep a look out for upcoming events.

Vice President Wilkins reported he will be out of town at a conference for the end of the week. Reminder about getting service hours and turning them in by the end of the administration.

Advisor Lozano reported that elections are coming up soon and making sure that everyone knows the rules. NO campaign material in the ASUW office, do not move others camping material and no campaigning within 25 feet from a polling station. Follow elections code and university policies.
Ex Officio Communications

First-Year Senate reported on their meeting and voting on the upcoming bills and resolutions

Interfraternity Council reported that they and CPH met with ASUW to discuss the sexual assault and misconduct prevention programming for April. They are looking forward to Greek Week next week.

Non-Traditional Council reported on an event with the veterans association and an upcoming event involving an Easter Egg Hunt. They want to make meeting more accessible.

RHA reported on successful March events and Upcoming events in April.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Steering reported that they met before the meeting to steer and discuss legislation.

Advocacy, Diversity, and Policy reported that they had to reschedule their meeting and they have a recommendation of the senate resolution.

Budget and Planning reported that they will be working on realignments in the upcoming weeks.

Programs and Institutional Development reported on recommendations for senate bills.

RSO Funding Board reported that they allocated money to RSO’s.

Student Outreach and Programming reported that they set event dates for elections.

Student Wellness and Advisory Board had no report.

COLLEGE CONTACT REPORTS

Agriculture and Natural Resources reported that they are working on an Ag trivia night for the college. Casino Night coming up in the next few weeks.

Arts and Sciences is working with professors to increase communication.

Business had no report.

Education reported on trustee candidates coming to campus to meet with students.

Engineering and Applied Sciences reported that they are working to meet with the dean of the college.
Haub School has no report.

Health Sciences had no report.

Law reported had no report.

School of Energy Resources reported that their resume event for summer internships and will have a speaker in the next week.

OLD BUSINESS

Senate Bill #2654
Passed (21-0-0)

Senate Resolution #2655
Passed Unanimously

Senate Resolution #2656
Passes (21-0-0)

Detailed minutes of Old Business are not available due to technical difficulties.

NEW BUSINESS

Senator of the Month
Ex Officio from First Year Senate Nominated Senator Swartz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chief of Staff Harris reminded senators to sign up for the Governor’s dinner.

UMC annual Drag Show April 13th with GSA day

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