Senate Meeting Minutes

7 October 2019

21:08pm

**Senate Agenda**

1. Welcome & Sign-In
2. Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes
3. Committee Updates
	1. Retreat this Friday 6-8pm
4. Mission Statement, Diversity Statement, & Nondiscrimination Clause Discussion & Vote
5. Open Forum

**Minutes**

1. **Call to Order**
	1. 9:08pm
2. **Approval of Last Week’s Minutes**
	1. Seconded
3. **Committee Updates**
	1. CIC
		1. Blue Light in-between apartments is FIXED
		2. Committee Met
			1. Study Space guide
				1. Write up
				2. Video
			2. Menstrual Products
	2. EAC
		1. Reducing single use plastic at Snack
		2. Bringing utensils
		3. Collins composts
			1. Behind the scenes
		4. Advertising GreenWare more
		5. Carbon neutrality resolutions
			1. Meeting with professors and administrators
	3. AAA
		1. No funding requests this week
		2. One next week
		3. Committee Meeting to prepare for the following weeks
			1. Delegate roles
			2. Complaining forms to request funding on one form for clubs and organizations
	4. SEC
		1. Committee Members Introduced
		2. Focus Groups
			1. Trying to get as many sign-ups as possible
		3. 5C Video Guide, Social Media campaigns
4. **Senate Retreat**
	1. Bonding, goal scoping, etc. on Friday from 6-8pm
	2. What is useful? What do you want to learn about?
		1. Senate’s last year budget
			1. How it was spent
			2. Most commonly asked funding questions
		2. Project Proposal time
		3. Senate history
			1. What has worked, what hasn’t
		4. How to pass a resolution
		5. Past ASCMC events
			1. Recruiting opportunities
	3. If you want to go, chat with Bryan ASAP
5. **Mission Statement, Diversity Statement, & Nondiscrimination Clause Discussion Edits**
	1. Proposed change for changing from “advancing social justice” to “social justice”
		1. You can’t advance something that is static
	2. Proposed change for changing “affirmative action”
		1. Affirmative action has connotations
	3. Proposed change for changing end of nondiscrimination clause
		1. Restating from the top, changing language in an effort to not repeat
	4. Definition of social justice? For Diversity Statement draft
		1. Important conversation
		2. Adopting a new definition or sticking to the dictionary?
			1. Exec board discussion or Senate discussion?
	5. Working towards a Constitutional Amendment
		1. AAA going to work on it
		2. Exec or Senate can vote
			1. Needs a ⅔ majority
			2. Must pass both bodies
	6. These clauses would be commitments ASCMC wants to make
	7. Should gender expression be included in the “non discrimination clause”
		1. Proposed edit in Non-Discrimination Policy
		2. Gender expression can be stigmatized
		3. Proposing immigration status to be added to non discrimination policy
	8. Remove the word strive? Make it more demanding
		1. “Commit to taking proactive measures” instead
	9. *Will be voting the next time these are opened to Senate*
6. **Open Forum**
	1. Good things to bring up in Open Forum?
		1. News/events/concerns/questions
	2. Campus Improvements:
		1. More funding for the Marks music room
		2. A funding request?
	3. OCTOBER 28 THE NEW DIRECTOR OF CMS ATHLETICS
		1. Goals/questions
	4. November 11th Head of CMC marketing and Head of Admissions will be here to chat about prospective/new students
	5. On-campus jobs postpone
		1. Trying to push them back
			1. A discussion was unproductive
			2. Some clubs take a month to train, clients to satisfy, etc.
			3. A lot of organizations attended a workshop on effective hiring
				1. Not asking for resumes
			4. Pushing back would be a long term goal
			5. A lot is happening in regards to moving forward on this issue
			6. Is it on the leaders of the groups to restructure their organizations?
			7. A goal a lot of groups have to achieve together (2)
			8. Students shift culture around fall hiring
			9. Senate could write and pass a resolution around this issue
		2. Hiring again in the spring
		3. Is there a way for ASCMC to change anything about this issue?
			1. Invite heads of institutes about hiring (2)
		4. Build the momentum now for next year
	6. Students can affect change, you don’t need to go higher up
	7. Stealing on campus
		1. Campus safety
		2. DOS is definitely having these conversations
		3. Can go into ITS and talk to Mike
		4. CMC reimbursed for burglary
7. **Motion to Adjourn**
	1. Seconded