

11 October 2021 Student Senate Meeting
Meeting Called to Order at 7:03 PM
Quorum is met

Approval of the Minutes

- I. Minutes are approved.

Community Comment

- I. No community comment.

Committee Updates

- I. Environmental Sustainability
 - A. Chair White updates the Senate that Gustieware is back, and the Caf will be charging for clam shells again. Chair White also has a meeting with the Sustainability Interns tomorrow.
- II. Public Relations
 - A. Chair Brown still needs a full picture of the Senate, and would like to get it taken as soon as possible. Chair Brown also needs to meet with the Finance Committee for reimbursement for Canva, and the Environmental Sustainability Committee for an idea.
- III. Technology
 - A. Chair Doran spoke with Chair Hailu about the Gus Bus, and they will put a feedback survey about the Gus Bus on the Student Senate website. This idea is met with positive feedback. Another option mentioned by Chair Doran is class representatives emailing their classes with a link to the survey.
- IV. Ethics
 - A. Ombudsperson Nelson updates that an email went out to the students this morning that was a lot more informative than previous emails, and requests the Senate's feedback on it.
- V. Health & Housing
 - A. Chair Hailu met with Advisor Ruble and called the manager of the Gus Bus and told him of the Senate's concerns. The manager said that he will address them, and hopes to have more feedback on the Gus Bus. He also said that they stop taking calls at 1:45 because they get so many calls it ends up going until 8. Chair Hailu says the Senate needs to decide whether or not to pay the Gus Bus to keep taking calls until 8. She also mentions that Wednesdays are not a very busy day for the Gus Bus, and we could pay more to have less waiting time on Fridays & Saturdays by eliminating Wednesdays. Also the Gus Bus does not have a lot of drivers, which is part of the reason it takes so long. Chair Hailu also says that the Senate could advertise the Gus Bus more.
 - B. Chair Hailu will be talking to the head of Physical Plant about the water bottle filling stations and shower heads, and the director of ResLife about the trash bins.

Old Business

- I. Health & Housing Charges
 - A. Senator Alders mentions that she brought up the charges because of complaints from her constituents in Complex about shower heads and also the lack of consistency. Senator Barrios also mentions that sometimes the water is very dirty. Chair Hailu asks Senator Alders where the complaints were from, and she responds that they were from 3rd floor North and 1st floor Sorensen.
 - B. Speaker Bailey mentions that the Senate should think about the efficacy of the blue light system before making a decision. Chair Hailu reiterates her support for the system.
- II. Ethics Email
 - A. Co-President Olono Vidales provides positive feedback on Ombudsperson Nelson's more informative email, and says that the Senate should look into the shower heads issue more before making a decision.

New Business

- I. Club Tennis Mid-Year
 - A. Controller Thompson introduces the budget. Discussion is held. Co-President Menke calls a vote. The budget passes.
- II. LineUs Mid-Year
 - A. Controller Thompson introduces the budget. Discussion is held. Co-President Menke calls a vote. The budget passes.
- III. LAUNCH Mid-Year
 - A. Controller Thompson introduces the budget. Discussion is held. Co-President Menke calls a vote. The budget passes.
- IV. Democracy Matters Mid-Year
 - A. Controller Thompson introduces the budget. Discussion is held. Speaker Bailey motions to postpone a vote on funding for Events 3-8 on the budget. Seconded by Senator Fischer. Discussion is held. A vote is held. The motion passes. Senator Davison motions to vote on the first half. Seconded by Senator Alders. Discussion is held. A vote is held. The motion passes.
- V. Away Days Bus
 - A. Senator Alders brings up the idea of an away fans bus for regular season matches. Advisor Ruble recommends Senator Alders to talk to someone on Hill Crew about this. Co-President Menke announces his support for the idea.
- VI. High Caf Prices
 - A. Senator Usmonova mentions how expensive the food in the Caf is, and the inconsistency in prices. She mentions she has heard several complaints from her constituents about it. Chair Hathy and Senator Alders mention that students stealing from the Caf leads to the increase in prices. Several Senators mention how this problem has personally affected them. Ombudsperson Nelson mentions

that the Caf has to operate like a business, and is not sure how to solve this problem. Co-President Olono Vidales mentions that a Senator should charge a committee to look into these problems and meet with the Caf's higher-ups. Senator Davison mentions that Senate should inform the student body of the reasoning behind the price gouging, and motions to charge the Health & Housing Committee with the issue of the inconsistency in Caf prices and the price gouging. Seconded by Senator Usmonova. Discussion is held. Speaker Bailey motions to move into a vote on the charge. Seconded by Senator Alders. A vote is held. The charge passes.

Announcements

- I. (Co-President Menke) Go to the Heritage Room for the Indigenous Relations update after the Senate meeting!
- II. (Chair Doran) Senators Cochran, Forsberg, and Fischer, please meet with Chair Doran after the meeting.
- III. (Ombudsperson Nelson) Please sign up for tabling.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM