



**Official Undergraduate Student Government  
Senate Meeting Minutes**

7:00 pm, TCC 350

October 17th, 2017

- I. Call to order
  - A. Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM
- II. Reading and approval of minutes
  - A. Senator Ackerman moves to approve the minutes
  - B. Senator Bradshaw seconds
- III. Approval of the agenda
  - A. Senator Lee moves to approve the agenda
  - B. Senator Hall seconds
  - C. Voting
    1. Approval of agenda passes unanimously (11-0-0)
- IV. Open Forum
  - A. None
- V. Reports of officers and directors
  - A. Morgan Monahan, Vice President
    1. A&M Updates
      - a) We currently have over 20 of our projects in the hands of Nikias, Quick, or Carey, and over half the platform we ran on is complete. As far as the 411 number update, that is done and we decided on two numbers on the USCard. Blue books are ordered and ready to go, and we'll be picking the five locations for pickup to roll it out in time for the second wave of midterms and finals. We will also have free menstrual products available soon and will have our trial run in the first week of November. Additionally, we will also be having our SC Speaks events soon.
    2. WWVPD
      - a) I am a meeting-haver, so I've been having meetings with many administrators. I'm also a Culture Carrier, so I've been pushing forward the USG Study Nights.
    3. Personal Projects
      - a) Most of my personal projects are centered around accountability.
    4. Moving Forward

- a) Lunch with Leaders
  - b) Next Year - Org Structure & Support
  - c) Student Fee Transparency
  - d) Vending Machines and Wellness Initiatives
- B. Ivana Giang & Cindy Pineda, Co-Chief Diversity Officers
1. Role Updates
    - a) No longer overseeing Advocacy
    - b) Meetings are now need-based
    - c) Holding the entirety of the organization accountable
    - d) Anyone should have the opportunity to come meet with us to be able to make their work more inclusive
  2. Space Committee
    - a) Received email from ResEd director Emily Sandoval -- meeting on October 6th
      - (1) Committee created by Student affairs -- goal to assist in the creation of an ideal cultural space report
      - (2) Space survey
      - (3) Hosting a town hall on Nov. 10th from 12PM-2PM to allow student body to come talk about their concerns regarding space so they can gain more input to bring to the committee
  3. United University Church Space
    - a) Cultural Center Directors contacted USG regarding a space opening in UUC as a multicultural space
      - (1) Funds would be allocated from the Diversity Fund
      - (2) Purpose is to fill in gaps
  4. GSG + USG Relationship
    - a) Met with GSG individuals to figure out collaborative opportunities
  5. Shoah Foundation
    - a) Met with people from the Shoah Foundation
    - b) (Bradshaw yields)
  6. Personal Initiatives
    - a) LEAD SC Scholarship
    - b) Undocumented Student Resources
    - c) Cultural Spaces
    - d) Cultural Competency
      - (1) Figured out there is money in the site. New resources are being added.
      - (2) Since the last presentation -- figuring out whether South Asian students are included within APASS, really need the voices on the table
      - (3) 1-unit student development course that Marina and Blake are working on -- to make sure that everyone on this

university is prepared to live and work alongside each other

VI. Presentations

A. Debbie Lee, Senator

1. Introduction
  - a) Constituencies -- SSA and APASA
2. Dining Hall Takeout Container Resolution
  - a) Collaborating with Bella, Katie, Sydney, Blake
3. Where I Am
  - a) Working on a housing spreadsheet with Annie
  - b) USC Initiative to End Homelessness
  - c) SSA Homelessness Awareness Video
4. Where I Want to Go
  - a) Publishing Housing Directory -- right now, there is a directory but it is next to Veteran's Resources. Trying to get this on the Residential Affairs website.
  - b) Student Free Transparency
5. Senate Aide: Annie Ly -- freshman studying English

B. Blake Ackerman, Senator

1. About Me
  - a) I'm a sophomore majoring in business administration. My leadership involvement includes Residential Student Government, USC Hillel, and the Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity. My constituencies are PSA and ACA. A fun fact is that I went skydiving in Switzerland two summers ago.
2. Updates
  - a) I am working on the First-Year Student Development Course with Marina (Wellness) and Ivana (CDO).
  - b) To the aim of getting Kosher/Halal dining halls, I am working with the Office of Religious Life, and am still trying to make more kosher food available on campuses.
  - c) I also have been working on the Dining Hall Takeout Resolution, which has also been sponsored by other Senators.
3. Senate Aide: Cody Ela -- PPL major

VII. Unfinished business and general orders

A. Dining Hall Takeout Container Resolution

1. Senator Antounian moves to approve
2. Senator Ackerman seconds
3. Debate
  - a) Senator Andrews: One of my concerns is that there isn't necessarily a cap on how much they could charge if they would make this an all-inclusive program. I know it says "minimal" in the

resolution, but for anyone who was on the bill, can you explain that?

- b) Senator Smith: We didn't put a specific cap on this resolution because we don't know the specific costs so we didn't want to discourage them from putting this into practice.
- c) VP Monahan: Can you further explain what you're talking about?
- d) Senator Smith: We don't know the exact costs that this is going to be because nothing is certain right now.
- e) Senator Lee: It's actually \$6 per container for neighboring schools. One of the reasons we didn't want to put a cap on it is that. UCLA has some different swiping rules. That's why we didn't want to put a policy based on a swipe-basis. There's another thing about taking containers back kind of thing. This was the reasoning behind it.

4. Voting

- a) Resolution passes unanimously (11-0-0)

VIII. New Business

- A. None

IX. Announcements

- A. None

X. Discussion

- A. None

XI. Adjournment

- A. Senator Antounian moves to adjourn the meeting
- B. Senator Hall seconds
- C. VP Monahan adjourns the meeting at 7:27 PM