CLS Student Senate Meeting

Agenda

Tuesday, September 25, 2007

1. Call to order 9:04pm
   a. You can only proxy for one person – and you must send advance notice to Gabe
   b. If you are a proxy, please announce it when Gabe calls your name during roll call

2. Officer Reports
   a. President
      1. Thank you to emergency meeting-attendees and everyone who responded to email with comments. Minutes from that meeting were sent out last week.
      2. Five Senators, and no other students attended last week’s debt forum, the budget is posted on the senate bulletin board in the JG hallway. If you receive any questions about the budget that you cannot answer please direct to Max.
      3. Thank you to Dan Shin for putting together the Senate dinner
   b. VP
      1. Social Committee met last week, and is developing its ideas
      2. Newsletter is going well, but we need Senators to help with production
      3. All Senators can send social event ideas to Dan
   c. Treasurer
   d. Secretary
      1. Has everyone been receiving e-mails via the Senate listserve?
      2. Community Action Committee met and is developing ideas including canned food drive and clothing drive
      3. Will be meeting with IT co-chair Ben Brickner in the next week or so to revamp website. E-mail Gabe with ideas
4. We will be planning a forum to discuss free speech issues on campus. 
   Please e-mail me with input, as the E-board will be discussing the logistics 
   and parameters of the forum tomorrow.

5. Vote on whether to transition to google groups passes. Please sign up by 
   3pm on Sunday if not we will continue using yahoogroups

   e. Parliamentarian
      1. Student group recognition

3. Committee Reports
   a. Graduation
      1. Simrin and Francesco are the JD and LLM class gift co-chairs
   b. Housing
      1. Committee met this week. Ryan will meet with Kathrin to discuss other ideas
   c. IT
      1. Met, will be meeting again shortly have several ideas to help the school IT 
         run smoothly. Hope to set up a meeting with Library and IT representatives
   d. University Senate
      1. U-Senate met, discussed speaker invitation policy consistency and first 
         amendment rights were focus of the meeting
   e. Faculty Committees
      1. Committees that haven’t heard from their chairs: Advisory, Rules, 
         Admissions, Comparative Int’l Law, Disciplinary, Clerkship, Resources and 
         Development, Library, Student Services. Tope will get in touch with the 
         faculty committee chairs.

4. Student Group Recognition
   a. Many groups have been re-recognized because they did not make any changes
   b. Motion to call the question on approving recognition of groups alphabetically from 
      CalSoc through Y’allISA passes. Those groups are approved unanimously.
c. Vote on APALSA recognition. Discussion regarding clause in preamble that says Asian American and Pacific Islander students establish the group. Recognition passes

d. Vote on recognizing IsraeLaws. Discussion regarding overlap with Koleinu and JLSA. Recognition passes

5. Budget Allocations

a. Budget Committee met for 14 hours and prepared its proposals. The full Senate now must approve or disapprove each item. Max provided a full overview of the process.

b. Q&A on the budget

1. A number of questions on general budgeting policy, as well as specific line-items, were asked and Max answered them. $150 is the general lunchtime funding level, and $250 is the afternoon/evening event level. Different factors in making the decision including: detail of proposal, quality of the event and guidelines.

c. Debate

1. Funding events after-the-fact, especially when they are costly, may set a troublesome precedent.

2. Several questions regarding specific group allocations answered by Max and liaison of each group.

d. Vote on the budget committee’s allocations passes 41-1-2

6. Announcements

a. Next meeting will be held in two weeks expect agenda next week

b. Moment of silence was held for Josh Reeves, whom a Senator knew, and who was killed in Iraq

7. Adjourn @ 10:16 P.M. – record time!