

Student Government of Loyola Chicago



01/19/2021, 4:30 PM
Zoom
Senate Minutes

- I. Elect COO Pro Tempore
 - A. Senator Bronec was elected as COO Pro Tempore
- II. Roll Call
 - A. Call to Order at 4:33pm
 - B. All Present
 1. Not Present: Senator Schmidt
- III. Visitors & Guest Speakers
 - A. None at this time.
- IV. Approval of the Minutes
 - A. No Amendments Made
 - B. Minutes are approved at 4:40 PM
- V. Advisors' Reports
 - A. New Advisor (**Samantha Maher Shehan**)
 1. Sam (she/her). It's Sam's fourth first day at Loyola, she first was at Loyola undergrad in psychology and used to be part of SGLC. She got her Masters at Loyola and worked in student life. When she was a student at Loyola, she commuted. She's coming to us from St. Xavier (20 years of experience in higher ed). Sam has three kids. Her favorite ice cream flavor is cinnamon.
 - B. Advisor (**Dean Rodriguez**)
 1. Welcome back everyone! Advisor Rodriguez is back on campus, so nice to see some students on campus. Updates New Associate Dean of Students and SGLC Advisor. Keep in mind the following activities spring welcome week, Black history month programs. Reminder that health and safety protocols must be followed, need to test once a week if off campus and two times if you live on campus. Every student must do their part.
- VI. Unfinished Business
 - A. None at this time.
- VII. New Business & Discussion
 - A. Budget Committee
 1. Speaker O'Brien reviewed Special Committee Election procedure.
 2. Motion to create a Budget Committee with a minimum of 3 members and a maximum of 7 members approved.
 3. Motion to open the floor for nominations approved.
 4. Senator Doyle nominated Senator Riopedre.
 - a. Senator Riopedre approved.
 5. Senator Rafiq nominated Senator Harrison.
 - a. Senator Harrison approved.
 6. Senator Palmer nominated Senator Doyle.
 - a. Senator Doyle approved.
 7. Motion to close the floor to nominations approved.
 8. Senator Riopedre, Senator Harrison, and Senator Doyle gave their acceptance speeches.
 9. Motion to close the floor to all non-SGLC members and candidates and move to discussion approved.
 10. *Floor closed at 4:55 PM.*
 11. Motion to open the floor to all non-SGLC members and candidates approved.
 12. *Floor opened at 5:0 PM.*
 13. Senator Riopedre, Senator Harrison, and Senator Doyle have been nominated to the Budget Committee.
 - B. Engagement Requirement (**CoS Dervishi**)
 1. We expanded the options for this semester because we wanted to make it as easy as possible. We took the feedback from the winter break survey and created new options. As a reminder, the engagement requirement is a way for us to tap into the needs of our constituency [the student body].
 2. Each senator must pick one option. Each senator must send proof of outreach to the engagement requirement email by March 26th, 2021. If you are running for public office, we recommend completing it by March 6th. The three options for engagement requirement are as follows: 1. Attend a virtual event and speak on your experience, clear with event organizer. Signup for org fair is in CoS report. 2. Contact any organization hosting a large event and host an Instagram takeover. Make sure to CC ACO Esparza so she can help coordinate that take over. 3. Refer a constituent or friend. The report has all this information and links.
 3. Senator Robbins Question: Issue with last semester of engagement not happening

- a. That's why we expanded for this semester.
 - 4. Senator Pittman Question: Refer a friend to apply for SGLC that means apply, right?
 - a. Yes
 - 5. Question: How does the documentation look for this?
 - a. Send an email with which person has applied, who the person is, what they are applying for, when you referred them.
 - C. CPD Educational Partnership (**Senator Harrison**)
 - 1. Brief included in the minutes
 - 2. We are shifting gears with the partnership, moving in a different direction with the legislation.
 - 3. Find different partners for educational partnership
 - D. Sophomore Reorientation (**Senator Nanda**)
 - 1. Brief included in the minutes
 - 2. Connecting with Martin for FYE and Senator Brist
 - 3. President Drescher added that as a continuation or expansion of this project, students from the Rome start program and/or Transfer students should also be included
- VIII. Internal Reports
- A. Legislative Branch
 - 1. Standing Committees
 - a. Academic Affairs (**Senator Palmer**)
 - i. Met over break. Look at the report. Scheduling the in-service care packages. Filled out form with addresses, survey set up for changed addresses. Drop off or pickup available. Preference selected on form. <https://forms.gle/Yn9HCugFNcAP2Pks9>
 - b. Allocations (**Senator Doyle**)
 - i. Spot one for 2021, due Friday January 15. 15 request \$12,700. In a normal in person year there would be 80-100,000 in requests. Creative event requests are happening, we are excited for hearings, happening this Saturday. A week from tomorrow we will have final decisions.
 - c. Facilities & Transportation (**Senator Carberry**)
 - i. Senator Carberry is the new F&T chair. Senator Luu and Senator Carberry will be putting information together for the continuity of F&T
 - d. Justice (**Senator Bronec**)
 - i. All information is in the report. Hope you all had a restful break. Thanks to all of those who shared briefs during new business and discussion. Justice Committee is meeting 5-6pm on Thursdays.
 - e. Residents, Commuters, & Dining (**Senator Caputo**)
 - i. Tentative Tuesday meetings. Second piece of legislation to hit the floor end of February beginning of March.
 - f. Safety & Wellness (**Senator Rafiq**)
 - i. Self-defense classes
 - 2. Special Committees
 - a. Governance Committee (**Senator Kwak**)
 - i. Initiative workloads will be divvied up. Governance members will go to each individual committee. We will be reaching out soon.
 - b. Spring Elections Committee (**Senator Richards**)
 - i. Finalizing schedule of when packets are going out and what the tasks are. Senator Walsh is working on logistics. Meeting in the next week. March 1st packets will be released (tentatively).
 - B. Judicial Branch (**Chief Justice Mooney**)
 - 1. Office hours will be hosted this semester. All AJs are accessible by email. Please reach out, we are always here.
 - C. Executive Branch
 - 1. President Drescher & Vice President Flores
 - a. Hope you had a restful break. Let's continue to care about each other and care for ourselves. Welcome to our new advisor Sam.
 - b. COVID Protocol: If you as a member of SGLC are caught on campus or in the community not following COVID protocol you will be faced with duplicate disciplinary action. Walk the walk-in terms of COVID protocol. For folks that are on or around campus, there still will be no access to the office, 2nd floor of Damen. We will be keeping our spaces virtual as it is more accessible for folks both on and off campus.
 - c. Legislation: Spring semester is usually the heavy period of legislation. Included in the report and the SharePoint are President Drescher's reasons for presidential veto. We want to make sure whatever comes out of this body is the most perfect version of that piece. When we have debate and discussion, have healthy dialogue and agreements. Better to workshop the piece of legislation here than be faced with that question at an administrative level.

- d. Internals: Share internals on social media and in your classes via the zoom chat. Before sending things in zoom, be sure to connect with your professors and ask for permission.
 - e. Community Building: Welcome week is happening virtually. SAGA website and social media has all that information
 - f. SGLC Survey: Passed along the quantitative data to you all previously. There was a qualitative part to the survey, that information is super valuable but time consuming to code. It shows what students are thinking and going through this semester. CJ Mooney and Flores are working on creating a report. Look out for the report around the time of in-service. Introduced preliminary data.
 - i. Highlighting a few points that were well received:
 - i. More understanding from professors.
 - ii. Accessibility question introduction of closed captioning in webinars and in zoom classes
 - g. Vice President for Advancement on Calendar as well.
 - h. Happy to discuss out of Senate and questions. Hope you had a good first day.
2. CHWO Raheyima Siddiqui
- a. Information from wellness center:
 - i. Dozens of group therapy options:
<https://www.luc.edu/wellness/mentalhealth/groupcounseling/wellnesscentergroups/>
 - ii. New toolkit that is COVID focused, free resources and activities:
<https://www.luc.edu/wellness/healthpromotion/toolkitforstayingwellandconnectedduringcovid-19/>
3. CoS Dervishi
- a. Org Fair is on Thursday
 - i. sign up here: <https://loyolauniversitychicago.sharepoint.com/:x:/s/Groupsglc2020-202177/Eaw6XMT6OcxLqt3tJudRqU0BMyEM2ZKwIX9hCs2jG2cpxw?e=OgIOo7iSEP>
 - ii. Non senators can also sign up, just to the right.
 - iii. At least 3 people per hour
 - b. Community Building:
 - i. Informal community building night information in the report
 - ii. This semester we may have opt in informal community building nights
 - c. Spring In-Service Planning Committee
 - i. Conflicts or concerns about spring in-service attendance should go to President Drescher ASAP.
 - d. Make sure the calendar is up to date
 - i. If you are a member of Cabinet, etc. Be sure to send in your meeting times for the SGLC calendar
 - e. Archives
 - i. If you have any supplementary Legislation information, please send it to CoS Dervishi. The archives should be a living document.
4. ACO Esparza
- a. Internal Elections are happening, again be sure to share on your socials
 - b. Org Fair Graphic is coming up tomorrow, be sure to share on your socials.
 - i. COMM's team is creating a media plan for transition, which aims to explain all of SGLC's media plan
5. CSO Hoyos
- a. Most sustainability initiatives have been covered but wanted to highlight the Green RSO Handbook and Paper Limited Campus Initiative.
6. Speaker
- a. As a reminder NB and Discussion is your space for feedback and discussion. Please bring things up!
 - b. Internals
 - i. Encourage your friends to run
 - c. Go to Judicial if you are writing legislation
 - d. Tentatively planning a Legislation Writing Workshop in the next two weeks.

IX. Adjourn

- A. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM