Cowell Senate Minutes  
November 10, 2016 8:05 PM  
Cowell Conference Room  
Minutes prepared by Sabrina Au

Guests: Kara Snider, Morgan Livingston, Madeline Ng, Anneliese Hastin, Armand Hevvera, Lucy Ashton, Alyssa Valdez

Selectpersons: William Garvey, Alice Malmberg, Rick Takeuchi, Keshav Kumar, Kalena Conlon, Trevor O’Hickey, Lo Veness, Natan Lao, William Walker, Miguel Lepiz, John Angeles, Tyler Olson, Madison Hatfield, Sabrina Au, Jose Cadenas, Nina Agah, Gavin Shaw

Absent: Ryan, Nikki Santiago

I. Introduction
   A. Agenda: Natan motions to approve, Miguel seconds, motion passes by general consensus.
   B. Minutes: Alice motions, Rick seconds, motion passes by general consensus.

II. Announcements
   A. Saturday was the first Cowell fall mixer and was a great success. Planning for winter quarter now.
   B. Senate social in Apartment Community room on November 11 from 7PM to 9PM. There will be pizza, including vegan, and games.

III. Treasury Report
   A. Treasurer is absent.
   B. General assistance: $4495
   C. Prior: $17000
   D. Senate programming: $1262.22

IV. Presentations
   A. Students for Professional Development: A group of students who specialize in building other student's career path are planning on hosting a Hack-a-thon where the participant doesn't have to know Java, Python or C++. Students will be competing for prizes in two categories: “Be the Change” and “Innovation.” They will draft a business plan and will be judged by guests speakers. Investors will come out. They've been mapping out the logistics since October, and now working on funding. Promised to market Cowell Senate’s logo. Reached out to major departments and college senates. Total budget is around $9000. Working with SOAR and reaching out to companies. The event will take place on February 25. The cash prizes for first place is $1000, second is $500-300 and third is a donated device by Kickstarter. Cowell students will receive a discount. Ticket price cost will be around $12-15 but depends on attendance. 
   Requesting $300 for cash prizes, room and tech.
   B. Fruitcake Magazine: A magazine that incorporates students art and cartoons. Magazine is published in spring quarter. There were 500 copies last year; this year looking to printing 48 pages and around 1000 copies. They $230 saved,
V. Discussion
A. Nima motions add 2 minutes for reviewing last week’s minutes to figure out treasury report; Alice seconds; motion passes by general consensus.
B. SPD: Seems sketchy, and is a non-technical Hack-a-thon considering it’s not the traditional type of Hack-a-thon. Alice motions to fund $100 out of general assistance; Miguel seconds; motion passes (7-4-6).
C. Fruitcake Magazine: Could come up with a better way to market and being more sustainable. Their had their first issues last spring and had a limited amount so that might be reason people have not really seen it around. Tyler motions to fund $200 out of general assistance; no second. Sabrina motions to fund $100 out of general assistance; Tyler seconds; motion passes (11-3-4).
D. Historians Committee: Camera seems like very high quality. The camera gear is important on the way the picture comes out. Should fund full amount because the remaining money will be returned. Trevor motions to fund $600 out of prior; John seconds; motion passes (13-0-3).

VI. Reports
A. CPC: College Night will be next Tuesday, there will be 8 different UCSC programs performing. If you want to volunteer, contact Kara. Pitch Slam is renting the dining hall and there will be a $500 award. Will take place on November 29th from 7 to 9PM. Deadline to apply is November 14th. November 21st is Cowell Fresh Workshop, a grant by the state county for people work 20 hours per week will receive $982 for food; only eligible if you have 55 meal plan. Use ZimRide, can book rides and have it secured. StudyZone will turn Stevenson Event Center into studying spaces so meetings and events can’t happen during finals week. There
will be free scantrons and bluebooks for students to take. Starts December 2nd and goes through Thursday of finals weeks.

B. SFAC: Contact Alice if you need someone to talk to, she is there to support y’all. Finally got numbers for funding in SFAC. Can give more money than Senate. There is an application you have to submit to be considered for funding. OPERS coming in next week to talk about funding referendum. Will have a group get together so committee can get to know each other. Last year, had a huge prior account but spent all of it. This year’s account is less.

C. SUA: Committees just started and just got reports back. Hector created safe place for people to pray. Online diversity training, similar to Alcohol Edu. Judith is president. Creating mental health survey. Approved the SOFA budget. Check recording. Tamra secured on campus pantry area and clearing up locker rooms. Free with ID card swipe. Thinking of ways to create mixed-ethnicity students for students. Looking for replacements for Alice Galloway.

D. SOFA: A lot programs and clubs came in asking for funding, but several were turned down due to tight funding.

E. SCOC: Had 3 applications for 3 separate committees and had 3 rejections. Contact Keshav before you send it in and he can help you out. There are 4 committees left waiting to be filled: Admission and Financial aid with 2 more positions left, Affirmative Action and Diversity and working with Hector Navarro, Committee on International Studies, and Library Student Advisory Committee. Applications are reviewed every Wednesday night.

F. SUGB: Did not show up.

G. Entertainment Co-op: Did not show up.

VII. Final Business

A. Senate Mixer was going to be on Student Bill of Rights, but re-prioritizing on what to talk about. Nima motions to add 5 minutes to brainstorm ideas for retreat; Rick seconds; motion passes (14-0-4). Have a chill hangout and get food, have a mental health day to de-stress. Rick motions to add 3 minutes; Madison seconds; motion passes by general consensus.

B. Bryna motions to add 5 minutes; Alice seconds; motion passes (13-0-5). Get involved if you’re uncomfortable with what is happening at the moment and get your voice out there.

C. Madison motions to adjourn, Tyler seconds, motion passes by general consensus.