

Graduate and Professional Student Senate
6 February 2006
LAW Building Room 3, University of Southern California
Minutes

I. Call to Order 6:05pm

II. Finance Requests

a. Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy - Slated

- i. Building Bridges
- ii. Request → \$1000
- iii. Finance Committee Reco → \$850
- iv. Voting [\$850] → **(52,0,0)**
- v. Motion to fund \$850 passes

b. Iranian Graduate Student Association - Slated

- i. Iranian New Year (No-rooz)
- ii. Request → \$1812
- iii. Finance Committee Reco → \$1500
- iv. Voting [1500] → **(52,0,0)**
- v. Motion to fund \$1500 passes

c. Keck USC School of Medicine Class of 2006 - Slated

- i. End of Year Celebration
- ii. Request → \$1000
- iii. Finance Committee Reco → \$1000
- iv. Voting [1000] → **(52,0,0)**
- v. Motion to fund \$1000 passes

d. Troy Philippines - Slated

- i. 14th Annual Pilipino – American Culture Night
- ii. Request → \$2500
- iii. Finance Committee Reco → \$2000
- iv. Voting [2000] → **(52,0,0)**
- v. Motion to fund \$2000 passes

e. Association of Indian Students - Slated

- i. Spring Dance Fest
- ii. Request → \$1273
- iii. Finance Committee Reco → \$1273
- iv. Voting [1273] → **(52,0,0)**
- v. Motion to fund \$1273 passes

- f. EGO - Education & USC ASHA & Engineering Graduate Student Association - **Slated**
 - i. Music of the World Concert
 - ii. Request → \$1500
 - iii. Finance Committee Reco → \$1500
 - iv. Voting [1500] →(**52,0,0**)
 - v. Motion to fund \$1500 passes

- g. Program in American Studies & Ethnicity Organization & Graduate Students of Color Network - **Slated**
 - i. The National & the Natural – 4th Annual Crossing Borders Ethnic Studies Conference
 - ii. Request → \$2500
 - iii. Finance Committee Reco → \$2500
 - iv. Voting [2500] →(**52,0,0**)
 - v. Motion to fund \$2500 passes

- h. Student Gerontology Association - Pulled
 - i. SGA Student and Alumni Dinner / Mardi Gras
 - ii. Request → \$1665
 - iii. Finance Committee Reco → \$900
 - iv. Voting [1665, 1350,900] →(**1,20, 31**)
 - v. Motion to fund \$900 passes

- i. La Raza Law Students Association - Pulled
 - i. Judges and Lawyers Night
 - ii. Request → \$1000
 - iii. Finance Committee Reco → \$1000
 - iv. Voting [1000] →(**52,0,0**)
 - v. Motion to fund \$1000 passes

- j. USC Volunteer Center - Pulled
 - i. NO-LA Immersion
 - ii. Request → \$2500
 - iii. Finance Committee Reco → \$0
 - iv. Alternate Amount → \$1500
 - v. Voting [2500, 1500, 1000, 660, 0] → (**2,31,12,4,2**)
 - vi. Motion to fund \$1500 passes

III. Of the Months [February]

- a. **Senator of the month: Katie Mussack (Physics)**
- b. **Committee of the month: Judiciary**
- c. **Student organization of the month: Marshall Net Impact**

IV. New Business

V. Old Business

a. Legal Counseling

- i. Student Council has withdrawn their proposal and will not present at the Senate meeting

VI. Committee Reports

a. HSCCC

- i. Open Mic Nite - 2/23 Seaver Cafe, 6-9pm: email hscopenmic@gmail.com
- ii. Kid's Day Event - 2/24, HSC Quad
- iii. Next HSCCC meeting - 2/15, Seaver Cafe, 5-6pm

b. Student Life

- i. Recruiting member, join this committee!
- ii. Next meeting is Tuesday, February 7, 2006 at 12pm, meet in GPSS office, lunch at Upstairs Commons
- iii. Student Handbook project
- iv. Contact: nancylop@usc.edu

c. Alumni Committee

- i. Meeting Tuesday Feb. 7th, 5pm GPSS Office
- ii. Alumni Club of USC

VII. Officer Reports

a. President- Ronalee Lo (gpsspres@usc.edu)

- i. University Updates
 - 1. Health Center & Student Center has been pushed up the agenda.
 - 2. New Cameras around north of USC Campus
- ii. Career Services for Graduate Students
- iii. Campus Safety Concerns
- iv. Housing Survey
- v. Please fill out orange form if you have any suggestions about Career services, Campus Safety
- vi. Housing Survey - a survey from Surveymonkey will be sent out to you soon.

b. Vice President- Alison Kraigsley (gpssvp@usc.edu)

- i. Fee Proposal
 - 1. New option E proposed - Assess all students \$23.22 per semester and that would not increase our budget.
 - 2. Motion to vote on all 5 fee change options A, B, C, D, E
 - a. Option A: Assess all students \$31/semester
 - b. Option B: Assess all students \$28/semester
 - c. Option C: Assess all students \$25/semester
 - d. Option D: No Change
 - e. Option E: Assess all students \$23.22 /semester
 - f. Vote (A,B,C,D,E) → (39,9,2,0,0)
 - g. Motion passes

3. Motion to set a minimum cap on the negotiation with Dr. Jackson - \$28 and maximum cap of \$31 & negotiate on behalf of students
 - a. Vote (27, 25,0)
 - b. Motion passes
- ii. Legal Counseling
- iii. Student Health
 - a. New International Student Policy
http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/Health_Center/docs/2006.screening.immunity.requirements.pdf OR http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/Health_Center/ms.tuberculosis.screening.shtml
 - b. UPC/HSC Health Centres: Would you like access to the other campus?
 - c. National College Health Assessment Data available (it's interesting) http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/Health_Center/docs/ncha.2005.pdf
 - d. The UPHC website has lots of self-diagnosis information online http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/Health_Center/oh.index.shtml
- c. Finance Chair – Albert Lai - None
- d. Social Programming Chair- Dollie Davis (gpssoc@usc.edu)
 - i. Co-Ed Speed Dating and Pizza Party for Grad. Students
 When: Wed. Feb. 15th 5:00pm-7:00pm
 Where: on campus at Ground Zero
 Spaces are limited: must rsvp to Dollie at gpssoc@usc.edu with name, sex, and Dep't.
- e. Academic Affairs Chair- Chris Viggiani(gpssacad@usc.edu)
 - i. Book Salon, A Confederacy of Dunces, Feb 15th, contact gpssbooks@gmail.com
 - ii. Phd Comics Feb 24
- f. Community Service and Special Events- Karen Chien (gpsscs@usc.edu)
 - i. Textbook Drive Updates
 1. Winner of the raffle
 - ii. Peace Games – Volunteers needed!!
 - iii. Habitat for humanity – tentative date: 2/20/06 all day
 1. Please sign up if you're interested!
 - iv. Grad Committee Meeting - next thursday
- g. Public Relations Chair- Will Troutman (gpsspr@usc.edu) - Absent
- h. HSC Chair- Samantha Yeligar (gpsshsc@usc.edu)
 - i. Bally's Update
 - ii. Fitness classes are full
 - iii. GPSS HSC Office Hours: M-Th 12-1pm, F 10:45-11:45am, or by appt.
- i. Elections and Recruitment Chair- Drew Thomas (gpsser@usc.edu)

- i. Attendance update
 - ii. Elections info
- j. Communications Chair- Pallavi Shingte (gpsscomm@usc.edu)
 - a. Ballys online sign-up Page completed - sign-ups have begun!
 - b. Updates to Committee Webpages and Senate information - Completed.
 - c. HSC website - Currently working on it.
- k. GSIR- Amanda Printz (gsir@usc.edu)
 - a. The Role of the Graduate School
 - i. Email Amanda your views regarding the Graduate School's Role - Should they do more? Or are they doing alright?

VIII. Other Announcements

- a. **March 6 Meeting** - is at HSC. Bus Leaves at 6pm.

IX. Committee Meeting Time

- X. **Adjourn** at 8:06pm