Student Academic Senate

October 20th, 2023

University Union, 3rd Floor, Capital Room

Meeting Minutes

- Call to Order (12pm)
- Roll Call
- Approval of Minutes for 10/06/2023
  - Motion to approve; passed, approved
- Public Comment
  - Event for grad students on 11/14 in the Global Lounge starting at 6pm and ending at approximately 7pm or 8pm.
  - Student listening session regarding the Palestine and Israel crisis
    - Individual meetings for Palestine and Israel
  - Student leaders and faculty should potentially be prepared to make a statement
    - Keep a neutral stance; statement should be in support of civilians
- Faculty Senate Agenda Review
  - Attempt to pause the vote on the tuition increase because it was approved outside of school session
    - Student governments were unable to advocate
    - Tuition increases by 6% annually for the next 5 years
    - Change to financial aid and FASFA policies
  - Resolutions passed on 9/8
  - Number of study programs have been added, amended, and discontinued
    - Will not affect any students currently enrolled in the major
  - Grading policy amendment
    - Certain policies have been stricken out
    - Change in grading language
  - Discussion on grading scale
    - Plus and minus grade scale has impacts on GPA
  - Letter Grading Policies
    - Able to take multiple courses of action
      - Appeal
      - Incompletes
      - Next meeting will be centered on grading policies
- Discussion Items
  - Professors not emailing responses in a timely manner
    - Can be addressed through the Faculty Policy Committee
    - AB 789 passed: readmission and reinstatement of undergrad students
Follow up on last meeting
   EBT is accepted at the courtyard market; not a lot of student traction
   Discuss with Hornet Hospitality to find out EBT eligibility
Campaign or formulate a resolution for safety awareness implementation
New lighting updated
   Lighting upgraded in Lot 7
    • Halls: Alpine, Douglas, Calveras, Mendicino
   Potentially provide contact information if the lights are out of operation
   Proposed to install sensor lighting for areas that don’t have lights installed

Announcements
  o President Wood is hosting a listening session
  o Transfer Center is trying to expand resources

Adjournment (1:01pm)