

I. Call to Order 12:16

II. Roll Call

III. Reading of the Minutes Senator Rodriguez motioned to approve the minutes as being read and it was 2nd by Senator Zamora.

Discussion: It was mentioned how the minutes have not been shown properly and it was motioned by Senator Zamora to have the minutes emailed to the senate, Vote: Y-5/N-2/O-0 motion failed.

Vote for the minutes: Y-6/N-1/O-0

IV. Officer Reports

a. President Garza

- i. Island tribute is April 3rd and everyone has to attend because it is a mandatory event because it is being put on by SGA. Meet at the SGA office at 5:30 and 7 at the latest, wear the polo shirt and khaki pants.
- This is to remember the Islanders who have passed away

b. Vice President Garcia

- i. Island Day last Island day of the year and there will be a table from 10:30 to 1 at the Island Fair, please sign up to be there and meet in the SGA office
- ii. Student Fee Advisory Committee meetings are on Fridays at 1-2:30 in the UC 210.

- still need to have one more person from SGA to join this committee, please let the VP Garcia know

V. Senator/Representative Reports

VI. Committee Reports

VII. Old Business

a. Constitution was tabled to this meeting

- Most of the changes were punctuation or moving content
- Reviewed the constitution& the punctuation; and will be brought up at voting in the beginning section (not the bylaws)
- All the highlighted words are ones there were added in and the red words are to clarify wording
- Senator Mollaei talked to her dean about having more graduates senator, and he said that there should be more than one but they should not always be the representatives the under graduates so maybe not one to every college but just more than 1 representative.

- The President last year changed to vote in to have 3 senators per college but they did not remove from the constitution the “500 students per senators” law
- But it was brought up that it is already hard enough to fill up the 3 senator per college instead
- Senator Lee motioned to strike the line about not having graduates apply for senators of a college and it was 2nd by Senator Zamora
- Discussion: it was the proposed purpose change of allowing graduates to apply for senator positions of a college
- Representative Lee does not want this implemented into the constitution
- Representatives Mollaei wants to keep this line there b/c of her dean’s advice & that graduates should not represent undergraduates however there should be at least more than 1 graduate representative.
Vote: Y-2/N-6/O-0 motion did not pass
- Representative Mollaei motioned to change the wording graduate senators from 1 to 2 graduate representatives, it was 2nd by Senator Zamora
- Discussion: grad program is growing & it would be easier to have more than one
Vote: Y-8/N-0/O-0 motion passed
- “will to” changes to “2 senators may be elected”
- Senator Zamora motion to change the wording and it was 2nd by Senator Bhatari
- Discussion: wording says that it might happen but cannot control how many grad senators we will get, we can’t force people into seats
Vote: Y-6/N-1/O-1 motion passed
- In the duties of the senate just changed some wording
- Business attire was define & you can be addressed by the president
- Do not wear flip flops to business attire meetings
- If you do not comply to dress code, it is up to the president to decide to give a warning or give half an absence
- Representative Lee motion to strike the dress code out of the constitution, motion to failed because it was not 2nd
- Senator Zamora motion to open the floor to have a short discussion about the dress code and it was 2nd by Senator Gonzales
- Discussion this has been brought up before,
- Lee though that there was a standard that men had to be more appropriately dress than women. Talked about the “modest” line & how it was degrading
- Was brought up that in the real world it is responsible to wear business attire & should want to show you’re responsible & modest
Vote: Y-1/N-6/O-1 motion fails & we are moving on
- Section 4
- Senate has the power to create positions sections changed the tense
- Changed the tense
- Continued to review all the changes brought up from last meeting
- Changed the GPA requirement to 2.5 cumulative because everyone has a bad semester
- Article 3, Section 3

- Senator Rodriguez motioned to change the wording from an to a and it was 2nd by Zamora; vote: Y-7/N-0/O-0 motion passed
Article 4 Section 5
- Add to the constitution changes that changed punctuations but not the content we will not be brought up the student body
- The constitution committee is the one that interprets the constitution & what does or does not change the content
- The constitution committee meeting is open & even if they say that something does not change the content it is still up for the senate to vote
- Representative Lee motion to strike section 5 out the constitution, it was 2nd by Senator Paret. Vote: Y-2/N-6/O-2 motion fails.
- Senator Zamora motion to keep section 5 and it was 2nd by Senator Rodriguez
- Discussion: includes the changes VP Garcia made, vote: Y-6/N-2/O-0 motion passes to keep section 5
- Senator Zamora motion to move section 7 to the bottom of the Constitution with the current date, it was 2nd by Senator Rodriguez , vote Y-7/N-0/O-0 motion passes
Code Ethics
- The future president needs to have been in SGA for a year
- Senator Lee motion to strike the line about having to have a years' experience to be president, it was not 2nd and motion failed
- Senator Zamora to add "unless there is no one running with SGA experience & then anyone can apply. IF they have previous leadership position". It was 2nd by Representative Lee.
- Speaker move to resend Senator Gonzales' 2nd
- Discussion: VP Garcia recommend to say "if and only if there is no one running with SGA experience then we can open up the election to people with other leadership experience
- Vote: Y-0/N-5/O-3 motion fails
- Representative Lee motioned to extend the meeting another hour, there was no 2nd motion failed
- Senator Zamora motioned to table the by-laws till next meeting it was 2nd by Senator Rodriguez , vote: Y-6/N-1/O-1 motion passed
- Senator Zamora motioned to adjourn meeting and it was 2nd by Senator Rodriguez, vote: Y-7/N-1/O-0 motion passed

VIII. New Business

IX. Open Forum

X. Robert's Rules Tips

XI. Announcements

- a. **Meeting Location and Speaker** Dr. Killebrew in Tejas B, on Wednesday 28th it is business attire, 12:15-1:45

XII. Roll Call

XIII. Adjournment