***Senate Meeting Agenda***

September 25, 2023 | 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

DeRosa University Center 211

1. **Preliminaries**
2. Call to Order

Motion to call the meeting to order at 5:30PM

Motion: Senator Tahir

Second: Senator Reyes

Approved 9-0-0

Senator Kamran has joined the meeting

1. Roll Call Attendance
2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to add an additional business item regarding SAOR

Motion: Senator Spaccarelli

Second: Senator Padilla

Approved 10-0-0

Motion to approve the agenda for September 25, 2023

Motion: Senator Tahir

Second: Senator Reyes

Approved 10-0-0

1. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the meeting minutes for September 11, 2023

Motion: Senator Mendoza Martinez

Second: Senator Beck

Approved 10-0-0

Motion to approve the meeting minutes for September 18, 2023

Motion: Senator Tahir

Second: Senator Reyes

Approved 10-0-0

1. **Public Comment**

401.4 Public Access to Senate Meetings

All ASuop members shall be guaranteed the right to address the Senate:

1. Any individual recognized by the Chair shall rise and state their name.
2. Any individual may have up to three (3) minutes to speak.

Speakers should sign up to speak by filling out their contact information (name, email) on a speaker [sign - up list](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSevIDqC832f4z1fC5EDue-nbz8dD2g98hiAj-PMjBbvxGoXwg/viewform). The Vice President will receive official responses and communications from ASuop within approximately 5 business days.

1. **Committee Reports**
2. Senate Rules Committee

Senator Spaccarelli: We are working on a variety of bills; One you will see today, as well as 2 the following meeting. We are also working on constitutional amendments. Finally, we are working on templates to make sure if any senator would like to create a senate bill or resolution, to make sure that it is formatted and organized.

VP Manning: A quick mention— Senator Mendoza-Martinez has joined the rules committee!

1. Senate Sustainability Committee

Senator Beck: Currently in the process of working with Sustaining Pacific, as well as planning a clothing drive and food drive. We are also pushing the initiative to make the SLIC office a green certified office. Compost bins have been a great way to help with sustainability, so we want to start adding compost bins to the dormitory and apartments on campus, starting with Calaveras.

1. Senate External Affairs

Senator Reyes: I am working with establishing connections with SJ County and ASuop. We want to spread awareness of the free resources that the county has, such as the 211 hotline, which is a free hotline that provides free societal resources. For now, we will work on advertising and activity around campus.

VP: Another quick mention — Senator Lopez has joined the committee.

1. **Business Items**
2. Action Item — Elections Coordinator Nomination[PN 23-24:13 Maliysia Poeun](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MgQ5w-rbm1TJaHxX9mFeJ9-FNgWhcpcAocupgoCHxu0/edit#heading=h.1tb2qbz8o3uo)

Summary: 3rd year student, main reason why she would like to join ASuop. She is interested in getting involved on campus and making an impact through ASuop. One of the main qualifications that she had included holding the role of DEI vice president and was a part of the elections committee for her Sorority. Some impacts that she made for her chapter included being nominated anonymously to make an executive board, which meant that she had the trust of many members of the organization.

Senator Tahir: In the position of elections coordinator, there will be a lot of challenges; how will you hold all of that?

Maliysia: I feel like I possess leadership and have been in situations where candidacy was at stake and I feel like I can allow them to open up. I am not biased so I think I can handle it.

Senator Spaccarelli: Impartiality — this role might involve people you know, so how can you make decisions that are fair rather than personal opinion?

Maliysia: Being a VP of DEI, I feel like I had to discipline people that I was close to, and tell people closest to me to separate the idea of me being their friend and looking at me from me being the VP of DEI. I am more than capable of drawing the line and being as unbiased as possible.

Senator Tahir: How do you handle criticism?

Maliysia: Easing tension and not really attacking anyone is one of the best ways to handle a situation. Talking and working things out is what I would normally do. I am not afraid of conflict, and I try to look at things from a positive note.

Motion to vote on the nomination for the elections coordinator

Motion: Senator Padilla

Second: Senator Tahir

Approved 10-0-0

1. Action Item — [FBAR 23-24:3](https://pacificedu-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/g/personal/a_buenrostro1_u_pacific_edu/ESqbymAKZK1Nm47tOtbAx6YBnU_O8bo93uBX1hMBFgx7og?e=mt15uV)

Motion to vote on FBAR 23-24:3

Motion: Senator Tahir

Second: Senator Reyes

Approved 10-0-0

1. Discussion Item — Presentation by Director of Communications

Summary: Director Bright went over the different attributes on the ASUOP website, such as where to find resources and FAQs. Overall, the website will be very helpful to all students!

1. Action Item — Second read of [SB:01 Special Elections Act](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1GFZb29Git4XUoraPm57AX_IKDwK_oBZ2F3gPZl2rjc4/edit)

Senator Spaccarelli: Section 405.2 — we added this to ensure that for someone who steps out of the position, there is someone who will fill the seat in order to ensure that we are making the decisions. Hopefully this ensures that we have enough senators in order to remain a full senate. Clarifying the timeline for the elections coordinator and the elections committee end date of the term of the elections committee. This is for the fall special elections only, the spring elections are to be revoted on. All mentions of “school days” have been changed to business days to ensure accuracy.

Motion to vote on SB:01 Special Elections Act

Motion: Senator Spaccarelli

Second: Senator Reyes

Approved 10-0-0

1. Action Item — Ad Hoc Committees: RSO Outreach

Senator Tahir: for the RSO outreach committee, it will be a very important resource and a lot of senators were struggling to find a constituent group. Yesterday , I witnessed an event where I felt like the rso would be essential. Incidents like this make it essential to make an rso outreach committee. I wanted to make a canvas channel in which we can provide RSO’s with resources. Senator Mendoza-Martinez expressed interest in this initiative as well.

VP Manning: Ad Hoc committee attendance is not strict like standing committees. I attended an RSO event, and I learned that they didn't know how to get and receive funding. With this committee, we are able to give RSO’s the support that they need. Building relationships with others

Senator Padilla: We can help by reporting to VP and Tahir about RSO’s that need direction to the committee.

VP Manning: Senator Tahir is self nominated chair, and Senator Mendoza-Martinez would be an active member.

Senator Lopez: Is there a requirement for an ad hoc committee attendance?

VP Manning: you compose the committee as you see necessary. There was a point where in a past Ad Hoc committee I was in, we did our due diligence and then the committee dissolved.

Senator Spaccarelli: you can be very flexible with ad hoc committees.

Motion to vote Senator Tahir as the chair as the RSO outreach committee

Motion: Senator Spaccarelli

Second: Senator Reyes

Approved 10-0-0

1. Discussion Item — [Tiger Catering.docx](https://docs.google.com/document/u/1/d/1hQ2-sTayrAVUzhpWNbzJ9T-YxSwFFhsU/edit)

VP: I will be sitting on the dining advisory committee, and I will bring these concerns to Josh and Sia.

Senator Padilla: Student catering menu for RSO— have the student RSO’s who are religious and have dietary needs to provide feedback.

Senator Rana: In MSA, we do eat fully halal, Hand slaughtered only, but Bon Appetit provides machine slaughtered food, so we cannot eat it.

Senator Tahir: I like the menu items for breakfast, but the dinner items lack a lot of diversity as well.

VP Manning : Are we giving students enough money to pay for food? And should we have a further conversation with Sia and Josh and overall making a better student friendly price

Senator Spaccarelli: I feel like the price is reasonable. In terms of diversity, there is a very narrow and diverse cuisine. If there is any leeway for dietary restrictions

Senator Lopez: Do orgs have a food budget from asuop.

VP Manning: only $150

Senator Mendoza Martinez: Is there a set price for the meals?

Senator Spaccarelli: A solution is similar to apparel, making a firm limit will not be inclusive to clubs with 5 members, or with 50 members

VP: Director Rossi, is that sustainable?

Director rossi: Yes

Advisor Magaña: Note that a lot of this food is at cost and is not being charged. I'm trying to find the equivalent of the items.I will talk to Sia about dietary accommodations and diversity as well. Also adding vegetarian dishes, and opening the idea of an opportunity for students to submit recipes to Bon Appetit.

1. Action Item — [SAOR on End Date for Directors](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SR1_CAL6gC1GywSwELfyG_p9BJF1L0S6df1PH__91Qk/edit)

Motion to vote on the SAOR—End Date for Directors

Motion: Senator Tahir

Second: Senator Reyes

Approved 10-0-0

1. **Announcements**
2. Vice President

Official cabinet reports— cabinet meeting minutes are meeting minutes, not reports. On Thursdays, minutes will be in the drive. I will not be sending the minutes to you, I will get you a report. Gomez provides a written report, and cabinet directors provide a verbal report. October 2nd, all directors will give out a report.

Invited the provost to introduce themselves and for you to introduce them

October 9th, scholarship dinner.

Senator Padilla: I would like to have the meeting in order to be productive. We should still be accessible and hold the Monday meeting.

VP Manning: I will try my best to not put voting items on that agenda, I will reask in the slack.

Advisor Magaña : I will also not be available that day.

1. President

None

1. Advisor

Advisor Magaña I'll be out Friday, and next Tuesday, Friday, and Monday. I won't be physically on campus Thursday, please text message. Asuop advisor position is going to be posted asap.

1. Officers

Senator Padilla: I’ve said it a bajillion times but on October 5th, I’m having a constituent event in Benerd College for World Teacher’s Day! Please come support!

1. **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:39PM

Motion: Senator Spaccarelli

Second: Senator Kamran

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