

# The Associated Students Senate Meeting

Sunday, October 25th, 2020

- A. Opening Business 5:00 PM
  - a. Call to Order
  - b. Roll Call
  - c. Review of Minutes
    - i. Passed - Motion to Pass by Senator Oledan, Second by Senator Rosasco
  - d. Review of Agenda
    - i. Passed - Motion to Pass by Senator Carrillo, Second by Senator Patel
- B. Public Forum 5:05 PM
- C. Docket 5:15 PM
  - a. Resolution to Change Diploma Policies - *Sofia Cuevas*
    - i. Passed - Motion to Pass by Senator Oledan, Second by Senator Diaz
- D. New Business 5:20 PM
- E. Reports 5:25 PM
  - a. Committee Reports
    - i. Finance Committee
      - 1. No new Programming Fund Requests this week, discuss four new Programming Fund Requests on Monday
      - 2. Approved 13 of 16 requests received
      - 3. Awarded just over \$5,600
    - ii. Institutional Affairs Board
      - 1. Senator Diana and President O'Neill met to discuss Senator Cuevas's resolution and found speakers for next meetings
    - iii. Student Organization Council
      - 1. Approved 4 of 4 requests received, no new requests
    - iv. Public Safety Committee
      - 1. Senator Mack met with Mark Nagel to get committee in motion
    - v. College Committee on Inclusive Excellence
      - 1. Discussed providing zoom links for resources after the election
      - 2. Discussed bringing election results into Seminar
    - vi. Bias Incident Response Team
      - 1. Attended BIRT training, meetings in future
    - vii. Sustainability Committee
      - 1. No report
    - viii. Food Committee
      - 1. No report

- ix. Campus Facilities Planning Committee
  - 1. Meetings in future
- x. Black Lives Matter Committee
  - 1. No report
- xi. Cummins Institute Committee
  - 1. No report
- xii. Governing Documents Committee
  - 1. No report
- xiii. Technology Planning Committee
  - 1. No report
- xiv. Senior Week Committee
  - 1. No report
- xv. First Year Experience Committee
  - 1. Meetings in future
- xvi. Student Rank and Tenure Committee
  - 1. Submitted names to committee, will be reaching out soon
- xvii. Library Committee
  - 1. No report
- xviii. Grade Appeals Committee
  - 1. No report
- xix. Fair Trade Committee
  - 1. No report
- xx. Additional Committee Reports
  - 1. Gender Equity Committee (Senator Patel) discussed Women's History Month and worked with departments to submit events
- b. Senior Class Chair – *Senator Oledan*
  - i. Confirmed Meet and Greet collaboration with Sophomore class on Thursday, October 29 at 6:30pm
- c. Junior Class Chair – *Senator Patel*
  - i. Met and discussed senator's resolutions
  - ii. Contacted two people interested in open senate position, interviews will be conducted throughout the week
- d. Sophomore Class Chair – *Senator Carrillo*
  - i. Met and discussed senator's resolutions
  - ii. Looking forward to Meet and Greet collaboration
  - iii. Created info-graphic on Cultural Appropriation for Halloween
- e. First Year Class Chair – *Senator Diaz*

- i. Reached out regarding BITE App
  - f. Vice President for Finance – *Vice President Hogarty*
    - i. Continue to chair Finance Committee
  - g. Vice President for Student Organizations – *Vice President Gubera*
    - i. Held Club Event Planning Workshop, planning to hold Mental Health Workshop
  - h. Associated Students President – *President O’Neill*
    - i. No report
  - i. Vice President for Administration – Vacant
- F. Closing Business 5:30 PM
  - a. General Announcements
    - i. Come prepared to the next meeting with questions
    - ii. AS Day is November 4th at 1:00pm
    - iii. Contact class chairs if interested in being apart of a costume video about cultural appropriation
    - iv. Email Jen Herzog (jgh3@stmarys-ca.edu) any upcoming events that are not on the SMC event site to be included in “The Scoop”
  - b. Adjournment at 5:19pm
  - c. Next Meeting- **THURSDAY** November 5th @ 7pm-9pm

Minutes by Vice President Hogarty

**Associated Students of Saint Mary's College**  
**Resolution to Change Diploma Policies**

**Authored By:** Sofia Cuevas, Class of 2023

**Introduction Date:** October 25, 2020

WHEREAS,

Acknowledging the concerns voiced by students and alumni of Saint Mary's College of California;

Draws attention to the college's diploma formatting guidelines wherein majors are absent from printed diplomas, as well as the policy of bestowing only one diploma to double majors;

Takes note of the 2020-2021 course catalog as the document that upholds these guidelines and hereby stating what it is expressed on the matter under section titled as Undergraduate Curriculum as being such that "The diploma will carry the name of the degree chosen by the student from the two completed";

Reaffirming the notion that degree does not equal major and that the course catalog does not state any more relating to major names being absent from printed diplomas, it thus fails to address the issue of diplomas not having majors on them clearly and with transparency;

Notes that many universities in California, including the Cal State system, recognize their students' hard work by printing their majors on their diplomas such as fellow peer institutions such as Loyola Marymount University, Santa Clara University and University of San Francisco;

THEREFORE,  
The Associated Students of Saint Mary's College of California hereby calls for greater clarity of the course catalog's diploma policies and the **editing** of such policies to reflect transparently what students will receive on their final diploma;

Urging the college to **add students' majors** onto their diplomas as a way to recognize their hard work and individuality as well as providing them with the opportunity to display said diploma with pride;

Encouraging the college to **explore** the implementation of a new practice that will provide students who choose to double major with two diplomas as a way of honoring their achievements and to provide equal recognition of both of their degrees.

Approve     Veto

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Emily O'Neill  
President  
Associated Students of Saint Mary's College of California

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  - a. Resolution for the Appointment of Leah Coale as the Class of 2024 Senator - *Senator Yoseline Diaz*
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  - a. Committee Reports
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    - ii. Institutional Affairs Board
      - 1. Meetings in future
    - iii. Student Organization Council
      - 1. Approved 4 clubs (Transfer, Film, IGNITE, Fishing)
    - iv. Public Safety Committee
      - 1. No report
    - v. College Committee on Inclusive Excellence
      - 1. Meetings in Future
    - vi. Bias Incident Response Team
      - 1. Recent email sent about Zoom “bombings”, with resources to make Zoom more secure
    - vii. Sustainability Committee
      - 1. Discussed tangible milestones and set goals
      - 2. Established committees and subcommittees
      - 3. Awarded Gold Star ranking
    - viii. Food Committee

1. Announced Cafe Louis will be closing, students must now use BITE University app to order then pick up in Oliver Hall
  2. Discussed possible new changes with COVID restrictions easing up, students will be notified
- ix. Campus Facilities Planning Committee
    1. Meetings in future
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- b. Senior Class Chair – *Senator Oledan*
    - i. Working on resolutions regarding Board Representation on AS, the Library Committee, and grandfathering tuition, among others
    - ii. Collaborating with Class of 2023 for a Meet and Greet on October 29
  - c. Junior Class Chair – *Senator Patel*
    - i. All senators working on resolutions regarding recycling bins in student housing, and seeking proper representation at the Veterans Memorial as it is missing 2 branches

- ii. Meet and Greek went well, looking for partnerships in future
  - d. Sophomore Class Chair – *Senator Carrillo*
    - i. All senators working on resolutions regarding RA evaluations, rewriting the Senate Code of Conduct, supplying feminine hygiene products in bathrooms, and diplomas
  - e. First Year Class Chair – *Senator Diaz*
    - i. Published first class event, considering opening to all classes to increase participation
  - f. Vice President for Finance – *Vice President Hogarty*
    - i. In contact with Legacy Lee regarding DOC representation
    - ii. Continuing to chair the Finance Committee
  - g. Vice President for Student Organizations – *Vice President Gubera*
    - i. In contact with CAPS and Health and Wellness center to plan a Mental Health Workshop
    - ii. Working on workshop with Zachary Tedrow for club executives on brainstorming events
  - h. Associated Students President – *President O’Neill*
    - i. Contacted by Student Life Committee, presented view on current COVID situation on campus then discussed further steps to open more spaces for students to socialize on campus
  - i. Vice President for Administration – Vacant
- F. Closing Business 5:30 PM
- a. General Announcements
    - i. Senator Patel, library opens on October 19th for book pickup
  - b. Adjournment at 5:19pm
  - c. Next Meeting- Sunday October 18th @ 5pm

Minutes by Vice President Hogarty

**Associated Students of Saint Mary’s College**  
**Resolution for the Appointment of Leah Coale as the Class of 2024 Senator**

**Authored By:**Yoseline Diaz, Class of 2024

**Introduction Date:** October 11, 2020



WHEREAS,

Acknowledging the importance of the role of an Associated Students Senator and the need to fulfill such position in a timely manner;

Recognizing her numerous qualifications which are her organization skills, her preparation, her willingness to take initiative, her push towards inclusivity and her dedication to bring a positive change to SMC;

Accepting the conspicuous application of Leah Coale and reviewing her willingness to serve the student body to the best of their ability;

THEREFORE,

The Associated Students of Saint Mary's College of California hereby calls for the appointment of Leah Coale to the position of the Class of 2024 Senator.

Approve  Veto

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Emily O'Neill, President  
Associated Students of Saint Mary's College

