**September 11th, 2019 SGA Senate Minutes**

Taken by USC Communication Director Alex Lane

**12:10 - Attendance**

**12:15 - Introductions**

* About Senate
  + Presentation of Weekly Events, Budgets, etc.
  + Senators
    - Represent their class or department
    - Required to join one of five committees and 3.0 GPA
  + Judiciary Committee
    - Renata Chair, works to amend constitution
  + SGA at Senate
    - Fio and Seve presidents attend when they can
    - Comms director attends for attendance and minutes
    - Treasurer attends to present budgets
* Ice Breaker

**12:20 - Elections Update**

* Speech Night Debrief
  + Reflections by Renee VP – went well, only one student disqualified from absence
  + Missing -
* Ballots Open Thursday, Winners announced Monday

**12:25 - SGA**

* Nike Debrief about Clubs Night
  + Turn out was good, stressful at beginning with not enough tables

**12:26 – Senators**

* Responsibilities:
  + Make amendments to the constitution
  + Organize and go to department events
  + Represent student voices by being open and accessible to students from your department and present ideas
  + Come to senate every Wednesday at 12:10 (cannot miss more than three)
    - Send a letter to Rennee, Margot, or Renata to send proxy for your spot
  + Serve in one committee – Judiciary, Careers, ACC, Environmental/Service, Events
  + Training Day Saturday, September 28th ?

**12:30 – Committees**

* One chair a senator, one elected by students
* Volunteers first come first served
* Monthly report on projects, events, and then submitted to senate
* Judiciary
  + Maintain constitution, make amendments
* Events
  + Chair chosen by Liv and Alex, and other senator
  + Get volunteers
* ACC
  + Chair nominated by treasurer
  + Organize clubs, review budget for clubs and for senate
* Environmental
  + Service projects around AUP
* Careers
  + Organize career events (networking)
* Questions/ Comments:
  + Michael – role of senators on committee?
    - Fio – Senators are co-chairs
    - Safia – way for senators to be more involved in community, not just attending senate and voting on budgets
  + Mark – senators should come prepared, do more than just budget but bring issues to the surface from students, as a student body what do we want to fix
  + Safia – Would it help to meet next week to review committees?
  + Renata – make clear to student body what the constitution is
* What senators are interested in:
  + Alessandra – Judiciary
  + Even – Events
  + Miranda – Events
  + Eleanor – Careers
  + Anna – Careers
  + Vera – Careers
    - If already elected as a chair last year does senator still hold that chair position?
      * Unclear in constitution, amendment has only been tabled, NOT officially adopted into the constitution
        + ACC has only clear outline for how chairs elected
        + Other committees chairs elected within committee

**12:30 – Closes**

