

**October 14, 2015**

Fall 2015 Semester's Fifth Senate Meeting

Quorum Met

Minutes Taken by USC Communication Director Elizabeth Segre-Lawrence

**12:10- Attendance Taken**

**12:15- Message from President Celeste Schenk**

- Lots of great new students are attending the university in all departments, especially Freshmen
- The full campus renovation is a **three year project**
- The campus will go from nine buildings to six
  - Thus far, Combes has been officially added to campus as a true student space/campus hub
  - Over the summer 150 people who work at the university moved to La Tour Mabourg for office purposes
    - The whole administration is now under one roof as opposed to scattered around campus
    - This building costs far less than Bosquet
  - There's a new classroom building now at Rue Saint Dominique
    - Student mail is also delivered there
  - Grenelle was going to become the student learning center which will hold...
    - Library
    - Academic advising
    - ARC
    - Students should have been able to use this building in order to make the academic and outside lives of students much, much easier
  - Another building, directly behind combes might be used for this purpose instead, or at least for over all student purposes. Thus the learning center would be here and not at Grenelle, due to issues of renovation with the city
- Grenelle will be used for classrooms, faculty offices, and lounges
  - Grenelle should be done sometime during Spring Semester
- A gift of 5 million dollars has been given to the school by an AUP parent which will be used to build new learning centers

**12:34- Senator and MA Program Rep Events Overview**

- If senators haven't heard from any advisors, asking president Schenk to pressure faculty more
- IBA and ICP have a meeting set up with their respective department heads about their open house

- Global Communications, psychology, and Computer Science will all be holding an open house
  - All three reps have met with professor Talcott to discuss the ins and outs of the event which will be taking place October 20th
- Film Studies, Art History, Complit, and Philosophy will be holding a collective open house
- Visiting Rep will be working with Joelle on Charity Week
- The Sophomore Rep will be handling the World's Fair which will be taking place in April
  - World's Fair will be a collaboration between AUP and other schools in Paris
- Senior rep is in charge of Graduation and the Graduation Gala
- The Economics department is putting together a "water tasting" to look at the marketing behind lots of different water brands
- The French Department is working on the International Student Soirée and an open house
- MAGC is putting together some lunches to get to know each other and is setting up something for the 10 year anniversary of the MAGC program and an end of the year party
- The Computer Science department is trying to create a club
- The Junior Rep is working on the careers fair and a workshop called "designing your life"
  - It would be best to use as much as Combes as possible so it might be best for the careers fair to take place on a Saturday
  - Potentially to take place some time in April

### **12:51- Global Budget Round-Up/ACC Presentation**

- The Wine Society and Fashion Club are currently looking for leaders
- **Budget Requests**
  - SGA Bonding Trip
    - Ropes Course and Zip-Lining
    - Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at Park Floral
    - Asking for a total of **690 euros**
      - If passed, the SGA Executive Team will be contributing **40 euros**
    - **Motion approved**

### **1:01- Judicial Committee Presentation**

- New amendment to the "tie procedure"
  - In the event of a tie in elections, the two candidates will be notified and elections will be open for two school days
  - In the case of a second tie, the two candidates will be brought in front of the senate and the senate will vote
    - Amendment **approved**

- Amendment on who can be represented in the senate
  - All majors may submit their case for representation and after presenting to the Dean of Students, the GSC and USC Presidents, and the Judiciary Committee, the department itself and senate may vote
    - Amendment will be voted on next senate meeting

### **1:11- Social Committee Presentation**

- French Club Cultural Excursion (October 11<sup>th</sup>)
- Psychology Lecture (October 12<sup>th</sup>)
  - Very successful
- Bachelor/Bachelorette Auction (October 13<sup>th</sup>)
  - 1,323 euros were raised with at least 150 more on the way
  - Very Successful
- Gender and Sexuality Club Film Screening (October 13<sup>th</sup>)
- Construction Remorse as a Legal Category Lecture (October 14<sup>th</sup>)
- Dr. Pike's Birthday Lecture (October 14<sup>th</sup>)
- Open Mic (October 15<sup>th</sup>)
- CAF Workshop (October 15<sup>th</sup>)
- Vernissage by a Alexandra Shuritz (October 15<sup>th</sup>)
- Sean Casey Speech (October 15<sup>th</sup>)
- Talk by Hilde Lindemen (October 15<sup>th</sup>)
- *Do I Sound Gay* Film screening (Saturday)
- French Acting Workshop (October 17<sup>th</sup>)

### **1:20- Questions for Upcoming Meeting with provost Springer**

- Senators are to compile questions and comments to send off to the two Vice-Presidents in terms of over all academics
- The Provost will be coming to senate at some point, but that will be confirmed at a later date

### **1:19- New Business**

- The Eiffel Room is missing some items so the student senate should try to get money back for lost items
- The Charity Week Taskforce will start meeting soon