



Senate Minutes

November 14, 2024

A. WELCOME - Alfredo Trevedan

B. WORSHIP - Luey Estrella

- a. Introduction
 - i. Missed meetings due to biology class
- b. Last meeting Alfredo said something that Luey took to heart
 - i. We have leaders on this campus
 - 1. We have the power to influence and change
 - ii. Think about Jesus
 - 1. He was 12 years old when he made an impact on His parent's lives
 - 2. They left Him
 - a. Were looking for Him
 - i. He was doing His Father's work
- c. 1 Timothy
 - i. Don't let your age limit the things that we can do
- d. How do we should leadership in our lives
 - i. We should strive to be a good example
- e. We should follow God's example
 - i. He is asking us to conduct yourself in a way that people will be able to see His love
- f. Friend from Sophomore year
 - i. Luey was going through a hard time and he spoke with his friend
 - 1. They stopped to pray in that moment
- g. You can make a change
- h. Your can make a difference
 - i. It can be with just one person
 - 1. The people that you surround yourself with

C. SERVICE OPPORTUNITY - Sandra Delgado

- a. Project for Senators to thank donors for their donations from last year 2023-2024
- b. There are people who are engaged with Southern and we want to thank them for everything that they do
 - i. We want to do something more personal
 - 1. Senators will be creating personal videos for donors
 - a. This will be more meaningful
 - ii. Form of confidentiality will be signed
- c. Donors will receive videos from student leaders
- d. Senators have until Tuesday (11/19) to record and submit all videos
- e. If you are unsure about something while recording please double check donor information before sending
 - i. Feel free to reach out to Sandra Delgado between 8am-12pm
- f. Find a place that is not noisy
- g. Find a nice background
- h. Tuesday Event**
 - i. Thankathon on Tuesday 11/19
 - 1. 12pm - 2pm
 - 2. Ask people on the Promenade to be in thank you videos
 - i. Thank you for everything that you will be doing

D. COMMITTEE UPDATES

- a. Bylaws Committee - Amanda Leitao**
 - i. Meet with Dr. Negrón
 - 1. Has discussed changes to Constitution
 - a. Will move on to next document
 - 2. Will have presentation by next semester
- b. Community Service Committee - Nathalie Jacome**
 - i. Has had community service project
 - ii. Had 10 students for translating service opportunity
 - 1. Translate for Spanish speaking parents and parent teacher conferences
 - a. People were very grateful
- c. Finance Committee - Fabian Lubis**
 - i. Sent survey to club presidents and treasures
 - 1. Plans for semester

- 2. Cut off date in October
 - ii. Criteria
 - 1. Departemental Status
 - 2. Number of Members
 - 3. Club Activity
 - iii. New criteria added
 - 1. All clubs are expected to send Minutes to Alexis Grentz to show activity
 - iv. Club Appropriation Proposal
 - 1. Voting will happen next Senate meeting 12/5
 - v. Questions
 - 1. Are all clubs shown separate?
 - a. Yes
- d. Public Relations Committee - Caroline Bridges**
- i. Currently working on getting mics
 - ii. Working on promoting what Senate does
 - iii. If you have something you would like to promote please send it a week in advance
- e. Safety Committee - Priscille Mikala**
- i. Sent google form to students to ask what they would like to see
 - 1. Will meet to discuss results
- f. Scholarship Committee - Josh Nerona**
- i. International student scholarship
 - ii. Student leader scholarship
 - 1. Deadline November 22nd
 - a. Will review all applications
 - b. Will present students who will receive scholarships next meeting
- g. Social Committee - Isabel Genovez**
- i. Last Senate Surprise went well
 - 1. Next Surprise will be next semester

E. PROJECT PRESENTATIONS

- a. Project 1 - Senat Project Fund
 - i. Ideas for fund
 - 1. Has 11,000 in fund for Senate project
 - ii. Sent out survey to see what students would like to see

1. Options
 - a. Student Missionaries
 - i. Scholarship
 1. Estimated Division: \$1500
 - b. Departmental Base
 - i. Under represented department
 - c. CROSSWALK
 - i. Ledford Hall
 1. Putting a crosswalk by building
 - d. Washing Machines
 - i. In dormitory
 1. Estimated cost:600 - 700
 - e. Printers
 - i. In dormitory
 1. Estimated Cost: 200- 400
- iii. Questions or Opinions
 1. Liked washing machine
 2. Who would keep up with maintenance?
 - a. Needs to be researched
 3. Student Missionary Scholarship
 - a. Already a scholarship given
 - i. Looking into increasing scholarship amount
 4. Will all of these projects be approved, or will we choose one?
 - a. Will choose one or two depending on projects chosen
 - i. Senate has always approved multiple projects
 - ii. Senators have power to make motion for more than one project to be approved
 5. Washing machines in the dorm is a good idea, but should we let the dormitories deal with it because it is in their facility
 - a. A lot of feedback asked for washing machines
 6. Will we be increasing the quality of washing machines?
 - a. Will need to replace washers
 7. Where will washing machines go?
 - a. To Thatcher
 - b. Needs to be researched
- b. Project 2 - Pickleball courts
 - i. Why Pickleball courts?

1. Growing sport around campus
2. Brings community and social connections
3. Keeps students active and engaged
- ii. Huge Demand
 1. Pickleball classes are always filled
 2. Always a wait at courts
 3. Will help tennis players be able to play more often
- iii. Feedback
 1. 4 courts can be completed by the end of Winter semester
- iv. Logistics
 1. Estimated Total cost - 140,000
 2. Install by basketball courts
- v. Questions
 1. If they have to include a retaining wall how much would that cost?
 - a. Needs to be researched
 2. Alfredo - total is more than current contingency fund
 - a. If Senators choose to move forward with this project there will need to be funds added
 - i. Needs to be researched
 - ii. Donors are willing to donate for this project
 1. Cost can possibly be lower
 3. What is this funding from?
 - a. Contingency fund
 4. Would these courts be for the community as well?
 - a. Yes
- c. Project 3 - Futsal courts
 - i. Soccer is very popular
 1. Futsal is an extension of this
 - ii. 25% of students are Hispanic
 1. Futsal is a very popular sport on campus
 2. Futsal is a way for people to have a sense of belonging
 3. Creates community
 - iii. Sent out survey to students for futsal
 1. "A place where we can enjoy playing without event conflict."
 2. "A lot of people enjoy futsal, so we should have a court."

- 3. Southern students have had to leave other facilities because they are not Southern property.”
- iv. Student cannot play on field year round
- v. Possible locations are on slides
- vi. Asked students what they would like to see for these fields
 - 1. Lighting
 - a. There will be lighting added
- vii. Finances
 - 1. Spoke with Darrin Bissell
 - 2. Estimated total - \$76,000 - \$90,000
- viii. Timeline for completion
 - 1. 4-5 months
 - 2. Winter semester or during summer
 - a. If Senators choose both Pickleball and Futsal courts priority will go to pickleball
- ix. “Everyone has a sport to play, except soccer.”
- x. Questions
 - 1. Is there a possibility for the courts to be multipurpose?
 - a. It is possible
 - i. Needs to be researched
 - 2. Will the placement of the courts conflict with intramurals?
 - a. Does not seem to be an issue
 - 3. Do students already play soccer in this location?
 - a. Yes, but they cannot play year round

F. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. International Sabbath at Merge this weekend
- b. Thankathon on Tuesday 11/19
 - i. 12pm - 2pm
- a. Christmas tree lighting 12/3
 - i. 6:30pm
- b. Convocation: Student Association Town Hall 12/5
- c. Next Senate Meeting 12/5
- d. SA Smile Initiative 12/6
- e. SA Christmas Party 12/8
 - i. 6:00pm - 9:30pm

f. Senate Christmas Party 12/10