



## Associated Students of Loyola Marymount University

### Senate Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, October 12th, 2016

12:40 pm - Malone 112

#### I. PRELIMINARIES

- A. Call to order—Meeting started at 12:50 pm
- B. Quorum check—Senator Sasso Absent
- C. Approval of Minutes—Approved
- D. Agenda Changes—None
- E. Hearing of the Public (10 minutes per topic) —At this time, any member of the public may address Senate on non-agenda items—See Below

#### II. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Business Cards: O’Mara discusses that there is an issue with the cards saying “Angels” instead of Angeles when the business cards have Los Angeles. So this is an issue with either the company or we made a mistake through the marketing team.
- B. Office Decorating: Senator Schembri states that one of our bonding activities could be hosting an office decorating party to decorate the Senate office. She states that the Senate should have a holiday photo-shoot. She’ll talk to Senator Anthony and Treasurer Lucho about funding for the decorations in the Senate office.
- C. Concerns vs. One Time Events: Senator Willis states that a lot of our concerns that we’ve been repetitive during our discussion items. We are overlapping.
  - Vice President, Marina, states that we have a running pole, so that we take account of the amount of the times that we have issues with Sodexo
  - Senator Schembri states that students should know how to contact Sodexo and she will work on making it more accessible for students and Sodexo to communicate
  - Senator Gresham states that we should have an iPad out that students can use that app that Sodexo has to put in complaints.
  - Vice President, Marina, states that if you have office hours, you should come to your office hours, and if you have office hours on Tuesday and Thursday we can get a boom box, food, and LMU Swag out on a table in Lawton Plaza or in front of Regents Terrace. Marina states that as Senators and ASLMU representatives we should have a bulletin board with that has a sign that invites students to state any ‘LMU Student Concerns’.

— Vice President, Marina, mentions that she will send out a Google Doc for all five days and this will be a consistent thing that we do from now on (Tabling). This will ensure that students know about ASLMU Senate more and feel comfortable to voice their student concerns.

D. “Spooktacular” Event for the Children’s Center from 3-5 pm on October 21<sup>st</sup>. Children will be in U-Hall and will be able to hand out candy to the children. Marina states that ASLMU will also have a table out in U-Hall to hand out candy to the children from 3-5 pm. Contact Marina if you are interested in helping out for 30-60 minutes. [Brooke Piedra, Katie Schembri, Mady Starr offer to volunteer]. We will have a sheet going out for people who want to volunteer too.

E. Senator Schembri mentions that we should have more meetings with Sodexo, and also Senator Piedra stated that we should publicize the smart phone application that students could use to message Sodexo about any student concerns that they have.

—Senator Makeliski states that we should have that list of current student concerns to give to Sodexo. Senator Willis states that we should have a “How am I doing?” sign with a number to call or text Sodexo/LMU Hospitality, as a sign on the windows of dining areas.

—Vice President, Marina states that we should work with the Communications team to carry this forwards

F. Feminine Products: Senator Willis states that in the bathrooms there are no tampons. ASLMU Advisor Anthony said that is a very feasible idea and that we need to make a list of the products and concerns in regard to the female bathrooms.

### III. ACTION ITEMS—None

### IV. STUDENT CONCERNS

- I. New Concerns—None
- II. Old Concerns—None
- III. Resolved Concerns—None

### V. INFORMATION ITEMS

#### A. Cabinet Updates

—Vice President, Marina, states that voter registration will be taking place in front of Lawton Plaza on Tuesdays and Thursdays, we will have a table with the iPads.

—Attorney General, Adrian, states the “Safe Walk” app that is going to be promoted and advertised by the Department of Public Safety.

## VI. OPEN FORUM AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. MECHA E-board member and Ignacio Companion leader, Antonio de Loera-Brust stated that the LMU Resilience, student organization and MECHA would like to have further meetings with Senators to craft a resolution that aims to make our campus a safe environment for our undocumented students.

— Antonio mentions that we must devote the resources that we have available on campus to protect the safety of LMU students who are undocumented, from legal entities such as the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). With the coming presidential election in mind, we must understand that there is a potential change in laws for undocumented students and ASLMU must take this into account as it represents the student body.

— Antonio discusses that the LMU legal team should continue to protect students against the courts and public departments such as ICE.

— MECHA did an event at the bridge at the bridge last week that brought awareness as this was a demonstration to make students aware that this community exists on campus.

— Antonio states that LMU departments and ASLMU must work in partnership to fill the gaps and bring about initiatives to protect those in the LMU Community who are undocumented.

— Senate thanks Antonio for speaking and states that next meeting we will discuss this further after the Senators do their research on the issues that pertain to LMU students who are undocumented. Senate further mentions that they will have a resolution ASAP and will be in direct contact with Antonio, and LMU Resilience and MECHA.

— Antonio states that the next meeting for LMU Resilience, student organization is going to be taking place Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 7:30-8:30 St. Robs 239 if any Senators are able to make it to the meeting.

## VII. ADJOURNMENT — Meeting adjourned at 1:34 pm