Senate minutes 12/6/18

Mikah and Violet want to take some pictures for the 12 days of ASLC

- A. Senate evaluation
 - a. Anonymous
 - b. Evaluate the senate space and relationship between cabinet and senate
- B. Ben's presentation
 - a. Resolution against the treatment of the people on the US/ Mexico border
 - i. FA004
 - ii. Done with the help of a community member
 - b. Questions?
 - i. FSU: Was it about the caravan?
 - 1. Ben: about the tear gassing
 - ii. Alex: change the title to A Resolution Against the Trump Administrations....
 - 1. Ben: Friendly
 - iii. Sherlock: Most people are from southern American countries, can we change the language to "Latin AMerican Countries"?
 - 1. Ben: Friendly
 - iv. FSU: It's in response to the tear gassing? At the end it seems more about Trump in general/ title seems more general
 - 1. Ben: Yes, we can change the language if need be
 - v. Mikah: why choose those schools to let know? Do you have plans to work with them?
 - 1. Ben: they are just in the community/ nearby
 - vi. Alex: ICE is under the control of Trump
 - 1. Ben: do you want it more specific
 - vii. FSU: it seems to be a rejection of Trump's fear mongering/ tactics, maybe we can change something to highlight the tear gassing incident
 - 1. Ben: it is a response to the continued treatment of the people,
 - a. The tear gassing was an example of the behavior we condemn

- viii. ISLC: are we just sending this to other schools or trying to work with them?
 - 1. Ben: just sending it to them, but if they want to work together we are open to that
- ix. Alex: move to vote
 - 1. Seconded
- c. Vote
 - i. ISLC= Aye
 - ii. DSU= Aye
 - iii. Jack= Aye
 - iv. Max= Aye
 - v. Annika= Aye
 - vi. Maxine= Aye
 - vii. JAcob= Aye
 - viii. Sherlock= Aye
 - ix. Jacob S= Aye
 - x. Alex= Aye
 - xi. SAAC= Aye
 - xii. FSU= Aye

Committee reports

- A. Ad Hoc Swipe committee
 - a. There is not enough diversity to concretely say we do or do not need universal access, so they want to send out a survey to get a wide audience
 - i. Questions
 - 1. Do you feel that access to the main lounges of other residential areas will support community
 - 2. Three questions on personal safety
 - a. Will universal access make you feel unsafe?
 - b. Does limited swipe access make you feel safe in your dorm?
 - c. Does the fact that a large part of campus being inaccessible to you make you feel unsafe around campus?
 - ii. Jack: Point of Information

- 1. What is the administrations point of view on this issue?
 - a. Last he heard, they were unwilling to budge on it
 - b. Should we talk to the administration before we take this to the student body?

2. Alden

- a. A few years ago there was a safety issue on campus
 - i. Mixed feelings within the faculty
 - ii. Campus living has the final say on the matter
 - 1. They like how it is
- 3. Mikah:
 - a. Campus living has a say on the issue
 - i. BART and executive council also have a large part of the decision
- 4. Alex:
 - a. Our job is not to represent the administration, it is to represent the students
 - i. We should do the survey and take that info to the administration
 - 1. If students do not want that we can tell the administration
 - If the students want access we can take that to administration
 - a. Win win

- 5. Ben:
 - a. Exactly, the survey can not really go wrong
 - i. Good info no matter what
- 6. Max:
 - a. Will bring this up at an RA meeting tomorrow
 - b. The people who feel comfortable not having access are not necessarily the majority
 - The ones who are against swipe access may have issues with simply hearing that universal access is being talked about
- 7. Jack:

- a. Good point, even if the majority want universal access, this will not mean that it is necessarily the right decision
- 8. Alex:
 - a. We still need to ask the student body to get an idea of the extent of the majority and the minority
- 9. Maxine:
 - Possible solution could be a note in the survey inviting people to come to the next Ad Hoc meeting to voice their concerns
- 10. Ben:
 - a. There is some disagreement, if anyone has strong feelings on the topic/survey, come to the next meeting
- B. Jack: community spaces committee
 - a. Creating a broader sense of community
 - i. Beter gazebo space
 - ii. A new mural
 - iii. Community cooking spaces
 - iv. More outdoor tables/chairs
 - v. Swipe access issue was brought up regarding Tamarack
 - b. Emailed Mcpheeters
 - i. Has not returned the email

Senate UPdates

- A. ISLC
 - a. Final event on the 7th
 - b. At the ISLC office
 - i. Write letters to friends
 - ii. Event about relaxing
 - c. International Affair event
 - i. Cooking from different regions
 - ii. Anything that people want to do
 - 1. Looking for people to get involved
- B. DSU
 - a. Event on sunday
 - i. Destress in QSU with food

- b. Met with auditory
 - i. Discussed doing a survey
 - ii. Sometime next semester
- c. Maggie's meal equivalency
 - i. Complaint was raised
 - 1. Bowls will still have sides but amount in the bowl will lessen
 - 2. Next semester there will be no sides
 - a. Maxine: was there an announcement?
 - i. DSU: nope
 - Alex: how can we let people know? Feels similar to the DSA removals
 - i. DSU: yes, we have a copy of the management's instructions to go back to the original standards

- C. Jack
 - a. Ad hoc
- D. Max
 - a. SOC meeting
 - i. Talked to charlie and jason about next semester
 - ii. Looking to increase membership
 - 1. Larger amount of diversity to handout large amount of money

E. Annika:

- a. Last finance committee
 - i. Talked about letting people know there is money available
 - Mikah: If anyone has ideas of how to let students know about the money available, let us know! Any unused money will go back to the 4300 account

F. Maxine:

- a. Thinking about expanding LGBTQ+ resources on campus/health center
 - i. DSU: wants to compile a mental health database
 - ii. FSU: inherited a website with a database about accessibility
- G. Jacob:
 - a. Not much to report
 - b. Thanks for a great semester!
- H. Sherlock

- a. Meeting tomorrow with IT
 - i. Will report next semester
- b. Halal is hosting Shabbat for the last day of Hanukkah in ODell
- c. In regards to community spaces
 - i. Wants more spontaneous things in addition to the constant things
- d. Working on CSRC bylaws
- e. Talking to BSU about universal swipe access
 - i. Hearing about the details of the incident that closed off universal access
 - 1. The more we know the better
- I. Ben:
 - a. Committee meeting
- J. Jacob S
 - a. Working on the App
 - b. Working with the bon regarding the \$20,000 they lose to stolen goods
- K. Alex:
 - a. Nothing
- L. SAAC
 - a. Next week is a destress event
 - i. Hot chocolate bar and karaoke in Stamm
 - b. Thursday is the dodgeball tournament
- M. FSU:
 - a. Still working on meeting with the Title IX coordinator
 - b. Sat with Mcpheeters on how to access better administration communication

Cabinet Updates

- A. Tom:
 - a. SOC met with Charlie and Jason about next semester
 - b. Allocated last funds for this semester, still have money left over
 - c. Looking to the future
- B. Mary-Claire
 - a. Special elections were wonderful
 - i. Good questions/discussion
- C. Mikah
 - a. 12 days of ASLC

- i. Last day is the 12th, there will be tabling
 - 1. Handing out candy canes and wishing happy holidays
- ii. 14th
 - 1. ASLC destress
 - a. Hot chocolate, vegan food, cookies, fun
 - b. Thayer 10-1
 - c. Also sorting clothing drive donations
- iii. Last CSRC meeting of the semester
 - 1. Excited
- iv. We are reaching out to other student governments to see how other groups run
- v. Great semester
- D. Ariel
 - a. Thanks everyone who came to Nicotine ' know your rights'
- E. William
 - a. Finance committee met for the last time this semester
 - b. Because how allocations changed, a lot of clubs are going to appeals rather than finance committee
 - i. Next semester there will be an increase in outreach
- F. Alden:
 - a. On behalf of Violet
 - i. Hoffman Gallery
 - 1. Rumors of the gallery closing
 - a. Not true, there will just be a change in the curator
 - b. Changing to be more student-centric
- G. Harold/Advisor updates
 - a. Great work
 - i. Way to work on both ASLC and student body concerns
 - ii. If you want to connect with people off campus come to Harold
 - iii. Impressed with the size/success of committees this year
 - 1. Mikah, we will miss you
 - iv. Registration for MLK day of service is open
 - v. ASLC put a lot of money into alternative spring break
 - 1. Still accepting people

Public updates

- A. Katie
 - a. Excited to be here next semester

VP updates

- A. Alden:
 - a. Great work
 - b. Thanks for cleaning up the bylaws and governing documents
 - c. He will be shaving his mustache

Adjourned