Senate 2/28/19

Resolution SP19 SR002

- Sponsored
 - Alex
 - Maxine
 - Nick
- Resolution in support of textbook affordability
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Questions

- DSU
 - Is there going to be a fund?
 - Answer- yes, it will be covered in the bill
- Jack
 - Why don't we send it to the student body
 - Answer- we will advertise it next year, after we have it established, figured out, and in place
- Hannah
 - Why isn't it being sent to Robin?
 - Answer- that is a friendly amendment
 - Amended, now the resolution will be sent to Robin, the dean of student life
- Public comment via email
 - Mikah said that he agrees that the cost of textbook is too high but, as the documents says, student across the country are struggling financially so how will the group decide who gets subsidies for books and who does not. The storage subsidy, though similar, was a truly unexpected cost whereas textbooks are relatively expected. Maybe figuring out a different system that can help the student body campus wide is a better idea. Maybe a book drive/renting/etc
 - Answer- we have looked into some of these ideas, also these comments are directed more towards the bill rather than the resolution, we still believe textbooks are a high cost they should be subsidized for those who need it. Also, not everyone will apply because they do not need to know and CSRC will do evaluations to decide who needs it the most
 - Jack- can we get a response from the csrc coordinator
 - Answer- it would apply to the budget and is definitely feasible. The form will ask for a background and explanation or why a student needs subsidy and we can figure it out from there
- DSU- whatcabout sending this to some department heads

- Answer- we are in conversation with some dept heads now and figured it would be best to wait and figure things out before getting them involved officially
- Maxine-why are you passing the bill now when there are people you want to include but haven't yet?
 - Answer- we want to but csrc has to submit the budget this week so we want to get this passes now so we can work on it this year
- Alden question for Ariel- is it possible to look at both items before voting

 Yes
- Do we want to look at the bull before voting?
 - Vote says yes
- Alex- just keep in mind the differences between the bill and resolution in their goal before voting overall

Lookin at the Bill SP19 SB004

- Sherlock- we cant vote until csrc voted as a committee
- Alden- is this bill able to be brought now?
 - Ariel- it can be tabled
- Alex- can we apply for the money if the bill has not passed yet?
 - Tom- you can apply for all the money you want it does not have to be

Motion to table the bill

Tabled

Back to the resolution

- Hannah- do we want to table this as well?
 - o Alex-no, I want to pass it now because it is not directly tied to the bill
- Max- are we thinking that Mikah comments are enough to reconsider a different system?
 - Alex- does anyone have serious concerns about those points?
 - None
- Nick- some formatting suggestions
 - Friendly

Vote

FSU- aye DSU- aye jack- aye Max- aye Nick- aye Maxine Sherlock- aye Hannah- aye Ben- aye Elsa- aye Alex- aye SAC- aye ISLC- aye

Resolution passes

Ad hoc reports

Jack- only thing is that he is meeting with the Dean of student life and the ad of forest to go over access to tamarack

Alex- we passed the resolution and he met with Katie to work on the bill

FSUmovie night Zine making night Know your rights title 9

Dsu Waiting on the auditory meeting

Jack

Besides ad hoc he has had students come talk to him about resolutions and why they are a thing. People questionin the rationale

Max Working on NSO

NIck Working on an on boarding document for future senators

Posted about senate on his Instagram story and that was successful

Marshall brought up a resolution on the attacks on lgbtz people on Portland, will being work in that

Maxine

Also posting in her Instagram about ASLC and heard that people want better lighting in campus and better info in non-work study jobs on campus Violet- Reahl our to Facilities's about light and he about jobs

Qsu - working on a document

Wants to work on that lgbtq resolution as well

Sherlock Nothing

Hannah Volunteered with the oscars event. Success

At least one bill from Saab will be in the next meeting

Robin is great, she interviewed for pio log

Ben Nothingness

Elsa Received a zesty comment from the anonymous tip line Will read it during discussion period

Alex Nothing

SAAC One more week of mental health awareness

ISLC Poetry night was a success This Saturday is the international affair brunch in the bon from 11-1

Still looking for volunteers

Monday is a cooking without boarders in Holmes. Check Facebook/Instagram for info and to sign in

Cabinet reports

Tom SOC app is out. It is a success so far Allocate funds to the elections

Start meeting with admin and faculty to talk about other forms of revenue for student organizations

Looking into next year and helping the next SOC chair

Katie

Sunday is tabling outside the bon. Sign up sheets will be sent out.

Helen

Tabling! Especially since office hours were decided to not be the forested way to get contact with the student body

Communication survey is out

1. Word of mouth 2. Bark

Looking into sti testing

• talked to reed and other schools to get an idea of other school systems

Working on the accessibility survey

Ariel

Not much but we're filming othe night so if anyone wants to be an extra please come

Violet

Meeting with people about Maggie's no longer serving alcohol

- they only sell 3/4 beers weekly so it wasn't worth continuing
- Dsu- also the person with a license to serve alcohol no longer works those nights

William Nothing

Naylor Nothing

Mary Claire Cabinet elections soon, debates are next week Ballots will be open for a week

Tabling will be a thing

Marshall

Looking into a new position in Sab and getting sab reps paid

Harold

Applaude the textbook initiative, would recommend talking to faculty about it and get them involved and thinking about low income students

Csrc redid the website. It now has an anonymous form

- Racial bullying was in that form
- There is a anonymous response team available, please spread the word so that people feel like They have options

Discussion period

Elsa

- the comment in question from the anonymous tip line
 - How do resolutions help the student body. We need bridges/dsa's/ and racial bullying addressed
 - Any response?
 - Alex: there is some merit there. If we just voice our opinions on bigger issues then it seems like our voice is focused on issues not directly on campus. Anti vax, etc is important but we need to address in campus issues
 - Jack: a lot of these resolutions are not in line with ASLCs mission. The individuals who worked on them worked hard and thet are important but they would be better suited in the opinion section of the pio log. It detracts from the image of ASLC and our values
 - Hannah: yes they are somewhat important but the real issue is that these resolution are sent to the student body and it is all they see. There needs to be more variety in what the students hear about as ASLC success
 - Maxine: doesn't know if they entirely distract from ASLC but there should be a middle group found. Maybe a separate page or channel wherein the opinion are released
 - DSU: it seems that action is missing. We could add things like resources for action. Making what we do more accessible to the students would be good. They have no idea what we do

- Elsa: I don't think the solution is less resolutions. They represent the student body and that is important to look back on. A solution may be to pass more concrete bills and legislation. Resolutions are easier and we need more ambition in senate.
- Alden: most of the bills this year have been corrective and there is much more potential in their existence
- Alex: resolutions are good but there needs to be a lot more tangible action. We all ran to do something on this campus. Now is a good time to start working on action.
- Jack: we say they represent the student body as a whole but that is not neccearilly true. A lot of the resolutions are very liberal and we are in an isolated place and risk isolating a lot of student groups
- Hannah: we see that a lot of actions we do are not advertised and that is our constant struggle. We need more transparency in our actions and in process things
- Alex: while our views are more liberal we have voiced our opinions on a public health crisis (anti-vax), human rights crisis (cages at the border), etc. there is a lot of deeper meaning in our resolutions that we pass
- Maxine: we can start this process of action on this resolution of lgbtq protection now
- Jack: could qsu put out a message to the study body?
- Qsu: we don't have the snow rewch as ASLC
- Violet: what if we have a committee to look into this. Last year seems to be the first time resolutions too on such a large view. Should we lol at past resolutions?
- Aden: we can look at the new website
 - We denounced Roy Moore last year
 - Summer storage maintained
 - Fossil fuels
 - A new major
 - Trump
- Violet: those look majority internal. Recently they have been more external away from campus
- Alden: please look at the archives to get an idea of how resolutions have been used
- Alex: it looks like we're not doing much for the student body. Passing resolutions about external things is not bad but we need to increase the internal resolutions
- Islc: it seems like we are passing a lot of resolution and then forgetting about it. We need to take time to look at resolutions, how they affect the student body, and how it can be followed though. Then include the impact/reason for the resolution in the email to the student body
- Helen: attacks on queer people in southeast is not an external thing. We need a call for action and the very least show out solidarity

- Hannah: reach out to those who are compiling resources would be good.
 Give advice on how to help and stay safe
- Elsa: is there any way to get campus security involved about what students can do if they feel threatened on or off campus
- Hannah: they would defiantly help a student. They go off campus to help out in any situation
- Elsa: set up a presentation on the availability and ability of campus safety
- Ben: have we explored the option of a buddy system for off campus students. If there are people concerned for they're safety maybe we can help combat that
- Maxine: most of the concern is a mental taxation rather then actual physical attacks. Qsu has seen a higher level of anxiety/depression/stress
- Alden: past ASLC sent out emails about emergencies and how we are available to students
- Violet: that was more on campus. Totally willing to send out a similar email. How should we do that?
- Elsa: can we form an ad hoc committee? To set up better discussion.
- Hannah: we could also just work in it
- Max: is in contact with campus safety now but can talk to them about this
- Dsu: are they willing to pick up threatened students from around Portland
- Hannah: campus safety is centered around campus so they may not be the best one to call
- Harold: PUAH. A tool to report incidents and get counseling and training, etc
- Alex: Lyft is offering discounted rides to threatened individuals, we should get word about these other resources out to the student body
- Maxine: can we share a google doc and send out info by the weekend?
- Violet: ya let's figure it out and tomorrow we can meet in the office
- FSU: all this work is important to communicate safe spaces. We don't want people to feel accountable for the violence they encounter
- Dsu: there is a student on campus who cannot eat because there are not gluten free options
- Violet: talk to the dietician
- Dsu: is there something more immediate
- SAAC: also gluten free but if you talk to a worker they will make something in the moment
- Violet: bon management is often in the office
- Dsu: we have, just nothing is being done about it
- Hannah: talking to the workers is the most immediate. She can also reach out to Maggie's
- SAAC: you can get a card that lists allergies and you show it to the staff to get appropriate food
- Sherlock: knows that chefs are aware and available to help

- Mary Claire: back to the bill. It gives responsibility to csrc to set up at the beginning of the year but csrc is not a thing until after senate meets once or twice
- Alex: true
- Violet: can we set up a committee that commits to meet right at the beginning of the semester?
- Nick: should we set up a committee for this and students in financial aid in general?
- Alex: the whole issue of not having committees until after senate is formed is an issue
- Ben: other then cabinet are there any student body's that are elected and ready to act before next semester?
- Maxine: unions
- Marshall: kinda Saab
- Ariel: can we give permission to allocate the money to faculty?
- Tom: organizations cannot donate or give money administrators
- Alden: administrator cannot make decisions alone regarding student fund money
- Ben: we should consider using Saab. Since csrc is already elected they can oversee the process. It needs to be run by students so we need to have a standing student body deal with it. Saab is qualified. Or we can change the bill entirely to be reimbursement
- Alden: the bill is tabled so any changed have to be amended on the floor
- Maxine: morning to adjourn
- Violet: come to the office, met and work together outside of senate

Alden final remarks

No senate next week, there is cabinet debate next week. It should be fun

Motion to adjourn

Adjourned