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1. Welcome & Land Acknowledgement
2. Strategic Direction Task Force update

JK: I scheduled today to have presentations and a plan. As chair I will present, but other from that task force are welcome to jump in. As a whole we have been meeting once a week. As we progressed, we struggled with what way that we were trying to head in. The task force started in November and that made it hard to commit. For the amount of time that we had and work to do, there was not enough time. We talked about the honorarium and having that for all organizations. Three weeks ago we came to the realization that we wanted to reshape ASLC, but to do that we need to meet with a lot of people. Therefore, we are leaving it for next year to finish the plan that we started. Ques

AT: We did not achieve what we set out to do, but we have a good template for recommending what the next task force should do. We got some good questions made for what organizations should be asked. This is not as much as we wanted to get done, but next year's task force will be set up to achieve what we set out to do.

3. Legislation

OW: This bill (SB004) amends the student fee timeline, shifts the power to the SOC and Finance Committee for the student fee, which will then be called the Director of Allocations. An important thing that changed is addressing the honorarium because of the issues we had this semester. It creates a schedule for a cabinet member who is being paid and if they step down there is a schedule for that as well.

JK: Questions? This bill means that starting from the end of this semester we will have honorariums rather than stipends, the EOC coordinator will have \$1000 instead of \$1,500. We have some clauses that talk about honorariums with how long someone is in a position.

AT: I feel a lot of this is essential that we pass today because the college is upset with us calling things stipends. Therefore, changing the name will make the college happier. I think the time has changed for when someone is not staying in the position, it makes sense to save that money for the people who are here and doing the position than other people who are not doing the position. Like when I am gone next spring that money can go to the other person who is taking over for me. The student fee timeline change can help with those who become confused in the student fee.

AG: As we move towards calling it an honorarium, we should have a guide to what that means and terms. Regular people do not know what that means in terms of their rights. The reason that we are changing this is because they are not getting stipend anymore.

MB: Robin was talking to me about that, but the reason that we are moving away from stipends is because the college is not using that system. I agree with making that more clear and it is important and we are working on that.

JK: Any other questions? Still not hearing any questions. If you have private questions you can message me. You can motion to vote or if you want more discussion we can do breakout rooms for you to talk about debating and discussing

the bill.

PC: I feel break out rooms will be helpful because the outcome of the bill will affect all of us. I know we have talked about how ASLC on zoom has caused a loss of collaboration.

JK: Let's do that and if you end early you can come back to the main session. I am going to send you all to break out rooms. If you have a question bring that back to the main session.

JK: Any questions of opinions that came up.

JP: I was curious why we are reducing the EOC's stipend?

MB: So EOC and SRC was CSRS and last year we decided it was too much for one person to do. We split things into the committees we have now. The Senate decided last year that since the jobs were presented as equal time commitments they should get equal stipend. Katie and Sarah can attest that is not necessarily the case. SRC has a lot more time and day to day logistics than EOC. Not to undervalue the EOC work, you all should be racing out the student body any ways. The EOC is there to help facilitate that rather than do that for you. The SRC is the person in charge of that committee and getting those resources to students. Madeline is the person in charge of EOC next year and we checked in with her to make sure that was okay and you can add to that if you would like.

MM: Olivia reached out to me to make sure that I was okay with this being lowered. I see EOC as that facilitation role because I do not make a full event, but to help facilitate advertising and the manual labor of social media and posters. I think the \$1000 stipend makes perfect sense for that role.

JK: How do honorariums look in terms of taxes, partially for international students?

MB: I will look into that and get back to you.

TP: Motion to vote

AT: Second

FP: Where does the SAAB board fall into honorariums and which area does SAAB fall into? In the bill only the sub chair is mentioned to get \$2000, but no mention of the rest of the board.

MB: SAAB board is not mentioned in our constitution, but there is a section that recognises them on the SAAB committee members and refers to SAAB bylaws.

EP: I think what you have written is really good. I think that we should acknowledge the work put into this because of the time it takes to write this.

JK: All those in favor of this bill passing please put a yes or thumbs up. I do not see any no, that means it passes.

AT: This bill (SB005) to change auditory bylaws, it does not add a ton, but more edits to make them a bit clearer. It adds a minutes taker for the Auditory which helps to increase accountability. Previously the Auditory was supposed to create a library, but now a google folder will be shared. Now the Auditor will do summary reports on job descriptions and the last edit is that everyone will have access to those things upon request.

PS: The reason why I am adding an official ASLC note taker, because I am adding more jobs to the Auditory role. I also feel like taking minutes is a secretary job. I feel like this role is more of a secretary position and that is not what the Auditor is supposed to be doing. This is someone who is not going to be able to vote and they are given an honorarium of \$500 for the whole year. That is just to take notes and attend senate and anyone in ASLC can request them to take notes. The biggest thing I was thinking here was SOC allocation day. If SOC is allocating money they need minutes taken anyways. Let's say a SAAB historian cannot take notes, they can request the note taker. It also offers a job to a student. The Auditor is supposed

to have every document of everything and it is supposed to be in their drive, and so this folder that I am creating will make it so that everyone has to put their documents into that. Unless there are some cases where it is confidential, this is to help the Auditor be the actual archive of ASLC. The Auditory reports are new. Jeremiah had brought it up to me last semester and I did not have time to start that then. Any ASLC position and ad-hoc committee is going to help with keeping data for future ASLC. It is going to take a lot more moving parts to this. The rest is just including the Auditory reports to the rest of the bylaws. Does anyone have any questions?

PC: On there you called it the Auditory committee, I don't think that is a thing? I am confused by that because it is a collective of people.

PS: We are a committee and people are free to be on my committee. In the past we have had people.

JK: If you have clarification just ask them and we can do breakout rooms. If you are not comfortable let me know and we can discuss this further.

PC: Motion to vote

TP: Second

JK: Given everyone is comfortable we are voting, if you are in favor please put a yes or message it. I saw 16 yesses and that is about all of senate. That is passed.

#### **4. State of the School address**

MB: I am giving a state of the school address, we are going to pre record the video and then send out a QR code. We are going to have a big lawn event for that. It is going to be one of the largest events the college has had, and I need everyone to help out with that. If anyone is open please sign up. All of you have \$100 each for senate outreach. They used to do food sessions for their class. If some of you would like to contribute to that we can buy more fun activities.

JK: All senators and representatives have \$100 to reach out to your peers. The condition for spending this money is spending the money on people not in ASLC. Previous COVID, they would combine the money and spend it on food and do a big meet and greet. It is a way to get you to outreach. If you choose to contribute, you can say that you want to contribute it to a certain event. The straw poll is probably the best way to do this.

MM: Straw poll to propose. Who has used their \$100 dollars? Has anyone? Could you put no if you haven't.

MB: I don't think anyone knew about it to be fair.

PC: Can we all just give our money to the State of the School Address, since no one knew it existed? Unless people think they are going to use it in the next month or so.

JK: There are two things in the chat. Can we choose a food truck that is BIPOC owned.

LP: We are trying to get all the food trucks BIPOC owned.

MB: There is also supposed to be a non-drama lama, but that lama passed away.

JP: I am looking at the constitution, it says each representative and senator get \$100. I think that it depends on what you define outreach as. Also, if you want to make an argument, the outreach may only apply to events not activities.

LP: I think this qualifies because this is the largest event that we are having this year and the impact for students will be high.

AG: I would love to do something for students who are not able to make the event on campus. I don't know how we can do that but I am sure we can figure that out.

AT: I guess there are the off campus students feeling isolated and the real question is, how much money are you lacking? I feel like we should make a tiny event around

finals week instead if you have it all funded. To spread the money around.

MB: The issue with finals week is that you cannot have events. We would not be able to move it any later. CAB has agreed to pay for our expenses, I suggest the money goes to more food trucks or lawn games. CAB has a lot of extra they are willing to share.

LP: Another thing to keep in mind is to look at your schedules, so you are not over committing.

EP: Some of us could organize an online event for those online. We could always just give them a gift card.

MB: WE are working on some virtual programming, forgot to mention it.

AT: I propose that we as Senators is sponsoring one large remote event for those online. HAVe that be a motion for ASLC saying that we support the remote and in person environment.

FP: I also see us organizing a bif scavenger hunt because ISLC is planning to have an online component for that. I am going to ask the person in ISLC how that is working in case you would like to contribute to that.

JK: I do not know how you all want to proceed with this. We can straw poll or discuss this in a less formal setting. No one has a clear idea yet, I will leave this open. You could email Mikah or me to put it there.

OW: I want to comment that there are a lot of good ideas about events and that is what CAB does. If you want to see an event like these please reach out to CAB. I don't think senate space is not the best place to plan events, I forget that CAB exists and that CAB is doing all that.

LP: I just want to thank Olivia about that reminder. Please reach out to us and we can help you with anything that you bring us in terms of events. We have all the resources to guide you and consult you. Hopefully soon because we need a couple

weeks to plan that.

JK: We have that time frame because anything in person will take a couple days to get that approved. We have access to funds in a variety of places, we have finance and CAB to help fund anything. I think the conversation has given everyone enough perspective. My proposal is that if you have a plan make a proposal and if there is nothing then we can decide next week.

## **5. Closing remarks/announcements**

TP: Motion to adjourn

MM: Second

**AG:** Anna Graff - ASLC Asian Student Union Representative

**AT:** Alaryx Tenzer - ASLC Senator

**EP:** Ela PencI - ASLC Student Academic Board Co-Chair

**FP:** Francisco Perozo - ASLC International Students of L&C Representative

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**MB:** Mikah Bertelmann - ASLC President

**MM:** Madeleine Macwilliamson - ASLC Senator

**OW:** Olivia Weiss - ASLC Senator

**PC:** Phoenix Cox - ASLC Senator

**PS:** Payton Schurr - ASLC Auditor

**TP:** Tor Parsons - ASLC Senator