# **SUNY Orange Student Senate Meeting**

Zoom: **935 2393 7276** September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Minute Taker: Brittany Siegel

Meeting Called to Order: 11:01 A.M. Members Present: Ryan Demarse - S (VP) Kira Pedicini – S (T/Student Trustee) Brittany Siegel - S (S) Christine Staley - S Austin Marin - S Adrienne Victor - A Steve Harpst – A Madeline Torres-Diaz - Guest

## President Report: Ryan Demarse

- Approval of the minutes: 5-0-0
- Welcome Madeline Torres-Diaz
- Introductions of Senators and their majors
- Questions of what Senate feels has been the most helpful this semester and if there are any concerns?
- Discussion of pros this semester being asynchronous and remote offerings, Blackboard. Concerns are additional Zoom training for Professors as well as the difficulty of scheduling when it comes to course offerings
- Ryan asked if there was any follow up on Snow Day Resolution, Madeline replied there is no update as of right now, but will inform us with any updates
- Interclub Council Meeting Discussion of best dates/times for Senate, will come up with a form to respond on what works best Discussion of putting out a survey to clubs for their best dates/times

#### Vice President Report: Ryan Demarse

- Discussion of President Young attending a Senate meeting and creating a form with at least (3) Thursdays to choose from
- Committee reports:
  - Brittany reported Academic Policy Committee is looking for at least one other Senator
  - Chris reported CIDE will have events for Hispanic Heritage Month as follows -
    - Tuesday 9/28 11:00am, Virtual, Congo, Spoken History & Word Daniel Villegas
      & DJ Park Truth
    - Wednesday 9/29 12:30-1:30pm, Library Rm. 130 MTWN, *Migration in Orange County* Discussion with Dr. Jean Carlos Cowan

- Thursday 9/30 11:00am, Virtual, *It's Real* Mental Health Advocacy & Suicide Prevention Judy Battista
- Monday 10/4 12:00-2:00pm, Orange Hall, Rm. 23 MTWN & Virtual, *Congos: The Heart of Latin Music* Renato Thoms
- Tuesday 10/5 11:00am, Virtual, *Our Hispanic Heritage in Music & Dance Movements* Judy Battista
- Wednesday 10/6 12:30-1:30pm, Library Rm. 130 MTWN, *Poetry Readings in English, Spanish, & Spanglish*
- Tuesday 10/12 11:00am, Virtual, *Poetry Workshop* Daniel Villegas
- Wednesday 10/13 12:30-1:30pm, Library Rm. 130 MTWN, *LatinX:* Grammatical, Cultural, & Political Perspectives Discussion with Dr. Jean Carlos Cowan
- Ryan reported Executive Committee is looking to generate ideas on how to increase engagement to make the most out of the activity fee

# Treasurer Report: Kira Pedicini

- SVA appeal to change approved budget to include \$950 for apparel, Motion by Kira to vote on approval, Vote 5-0-0

## Secretary Report: Brittany Siegel

- Nothing to report

# Student Trustee Report: Kira Pedicini

- Mentioned enrollment is down 11% and ideas to promote enrollment were discussed during the trustee meeting

#### Advisor Report: Steve & Adrienne

- COLT Night 10/8 4:00pm, need representatives from Senate, Ryan volunteered
- Discussion of hybrid meeting format, room in Middletown is set up for next week's meeting for those wishing to attend in person
- Reimbursement of purchased books for Senators who fulfill their Senate requirements

#### **Old Business: Anyone**

- Nothing to discuss

#### New Business: Anyone

- Nothing to discuss

#### **Open Forum: Anyone**

- Discussion of ideas to promote student engagement through activities funded by activity fee
- General overview of minutes procedure

#### Meeting Adjourned: 11:39 A.M. (5-0-0)