

# Senate Minutes

## March 11, 2019

### Opening:

*Speaker Boos:* Call to Order  
Moment of Silence  
Reading of the ASUP Affirmation of Values

*Director Burks:* Roll Call & Establish Quorum

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE PREVIOUS MINUTES PASSES BY SENATOR MAYER**

### Communications:

1. Guest Speaker: Care Team Coordinator, Gina Loschiavo
  - Care Team: exists to support students having physical, emotional, academic, or personal health concerns. Reports can be submitted by parents, faculty, or staff
  - Some examples of referrals:
    - Multiple absences
    - Missed quizzes, tests, papers without prior communication
    - Difficulty staying engaged in class
    - Substantial change in behavior, mood, or appearance
    - Inappropriate classroom behavior or engagement with peers or faculty
    - Significant personal or family problems
  - Student concerns, such as time management, homesickness, and transition concerns, goes through campus referral
  - Student distress goes through Early Alert
  - BITA (Behavioral Intervention & Threat Assessment): to address distressed student behavior
  - Care Team staff: includes faculty & staff across campus
    - Gina Loschiavo, Care Team Coordinator
    - Dr. Carol Dell'Oliver, Director of Health & Counseling Center
    - Brenda Greiner, Director of the Shepard Academic Resource Center
    - Matt Daily, Program Manager for Special Populations & Learning Assistance in the Shepard Academic Resource Center
    - Courtney Campbell: Program Manager of First Year Programs in the Shepard Academic Resource Center
    - Dr. Elise Moentmann, Associate Provost

- Dr. Matt Rygg, Associate Vice President for Student Development
  - Andrew Weingarten, Director of Residence Life
- How to submit an Early Alert: visit the website ([up.edu/earlyalert](http://up.edu/earlyalert)), click “Submit an Early Alert”, and include your name and contact info
  - Can submit anonymously but when meeting with students, distrust happens if they don’t know where the report is coming from. Uncomfortable to not know who’s concerned about you & submitting a report on your behalf
- Process of submitting an Early Alert:
  - Referral is submitted
  - Early Alert case is created by the Coordinator, Gina Loschiavo
  - Coordinator follows up with the reporter to ask for additional info
  - Coordinator “pings” the appropriate parties
    - Associate Dean, Hall Director, Health & Counseling Center, etc.
    - Prefer the most comfortable person to reach out
  - Those ping’d on the case will collaborate with the team to best support the student
- Emergency Situations: Early Alert does not respond to emergencies → call Public Safety
- Behavioral Intervention & Threat Assessment (BITA Team): students that are a threat to self, others, & the community
- BITA functions: gather data from the community via Early Alert, analyze the data using objective rubrics, tools, & assessments, intervene & follow up based on the level of risk resulting from the assessment process
- What students should know: this is not part of the student conduct process. We care about what students need and how we can support them – you’re not in trouble. Students usually have a choice to meet unless it’s a high concern and most choose to
- Mental health is something we talk about a lot at UP and students want to support each other but students take on too much and by the time they let me know, they don’t know what to do. Reach out sooner rather than later
- If there’s a group of friends concerned about one friend, do we submit as a group? (*Sen. O’Connell*)
  - You can put multiple names and all meet together.
- How quick is this process usually? (*Sen. Moore*)
  - I try to meet with students within 72 hours but it’s usually really quick, less than a day. Longer on weekends.
- Would this also apply to someone who might be being bullied so that they can reach out anonymously? (*Sen. Kasper*)
  - No one’s reached out to me in that situation but I would encourage them to report that if they’re being bullied.
- Have you found any differences in how much is reported by on-campus vs of-campus students? (*Sen. Owen*)
  - About 75% are for on-campus students and 25% for off-campus students, probably because we’re more visible to on-campus students while off-campus students are more independent.

- How would you suggest advocating for trying to prevent people from flying under the radar? (*Sen. Owen*)
  - Students know how other students are doing first, so reach out and let us know. We're ready and comfortable to meet with students to find out what's going on and students tend to share. You are all our biggest supports for off-campus students.
- Does the care team also deal with students experiencing drug & alcohol abuse? (*Sen. Moore*)
  - Sometimes students share that they're struggling with drinking or substance abuse, but I won't report that, I'll connect them with the HCC for a referral to find resources
- Do you contact the student following each report? (*Sen. Paino*)
  - 99.9% of the time when an Early Alert comes in, we're reaching out to the student directly. Sometimes reports come that don't make sense and I won't report those
- Faculty have expressed that particularly for off-campus students, they have a hard time identifying the signs for students that need help. Are there ways for faculty members to learn more about warning signs? (*Sen. Krigger*)
  - The academic network and training for faculty is being developed. I also present to all faculty with small things they can do. There is usually something more going on when students are missing class, not turning in their work, or changing their behavior.
- If students have an issue and come to Early Alert and reveal that there has been interpersonal violence or sexual assault, do you report that? (*Sen. Krigger*)
  - I am a mandatory reporter. Our conversation is private but not confidential like with the Health & Counseling Center. I have to send that to the Title IX Team, but I'll let the student know and give them their choices.
- Does BITA have access to data from P-Safe about students causing trouble in the community so you can reach out? (*Sen. Paumier*)
  - P-Safe sends me reports whenever there are students that may be a safety concern to themselves or others.
- How long has the program been running? (*Sen. Paino*)
  - Three years now.
- If you know someone is harming themselves or others, what's the protocol? (*Sen. Mandla*)
  - It depends on the behaviors that we're seeing and the severity/risks of the situation. Sometimes we notify parents but only after consulting the student first.
- If someone contacts you and tells you about someone, would you continue to contact that person for more information? (*Sen. Musquiz*)
  - It depends. I want updates as they come. I can't share information with the reporter about the student but they can share information with me.
- Have there ever been any events or advocacy campaigns between Early Alert and Active Minds? (*Sen. Owen*)
  - No but that's a great idea.
- About how many alerts do you get a year? (*Sen. Krigger*)

- Every year we get more. We see about three times more now than when we started.
- How many this year or semester? (*Sen. Krigger*)
  - 130 this spring semester, which is a lot. Students are using the program.
- Would you say that number has increased because of awareness of the program? (*Speaker Boos*)
  - Yes, I think people are more comfortable talking, not struggling more.
- Is the program introduced to freshmen during Orientation? (*Sen. Paumier*)
  - Yes, the workshop leaders talk about it.

## Old Business

### 1. Bylaws Update

MOTION TO TABLE THE DISCUSSION UNTIL NEXT MEETING BY SENATOR TAYLOR

Pros:

- We have a meeting at 6:30 pm for elections and need the Senate meeting to be over by then

MOTION TO TABLE THE DISCUSSION UNTIL NEXT MEETING PASSES UNANIMOUSLY BY SENATOR TAYLOR

## New Business

### 1. Opportunity Grant application: by Mock Trial

- \$3,000 left in the Opportunity Grant
- Explanation of request by Senator Krigger, President of Mock Trial:
- Mock Trial is moving on to Nationals
  - Didn't ask for money for Nationals since they didn't know if they'd make it or not
  - Competed in Regionals in February and both teams got bids and will be moving on to Nationals
  - Not enough funding to send everyone. Doing additional fundraising and draining funds from Waldschmidt but need the Opportunity Grant
  - Will cost approx. \$13,000 to take the team to Nationals in Virginia
  - Done \$6,000 of fundraising, asking for \$6,000 from the Opportunity Grant
  - Mock Trial has a donor but also needs backup due to not anticipating sending two teams to Nationals
  - Leaving this Thursday

Q&A:

- What personal costs are students taking? (*Sen. Paumier*)
  - We have high fees associated with Mock Trial in order to compete. Students have to contribute usually between \$100 and \$200 with flying trips but likely more for this trip if we can't fundraise more. Spent approx. \$350 per person already this year

- There are 10 going to one location and eight going to another, so 18 total. Approx. \$1,400 out-of-cost expenses for students without financial support (*Dir. Wester*)
  - Cost \$594/person for flights to Virginia
  - The program usually only pays for one team dinner. Students pay out-of-pocket for all other food and additional expenses. We're asking to help get there, stay there, and pay registration fees
- Senate has \$1,000 for projects, which is not currently being used. I'd recommend donating that to the Opportunity Grant (*Dir. Wester*)
- So there is \$3,000 left but you're requesting \$6,000 so will you have to fundraise that additional amount? (*Dir. Burks*)
  - Yes.
- This is just for the first round of Nationals, right? (*Sen. Mathias*)
  - Yes, but with only about 100 teams rather than the 800 that compete around the country.
- What happens if you move on to the second round? (*Sen. Mathias*)
  - We have resources we can ask but we'll have to address that when it comes.
- Are those resources hard to access right now because of the short timeline? (*VP Gallagher*)
  - Yes, it's hard to pull from those now because of the short notice.
- If they were requesting money for an event that wasn't for sure happening, FMB would cut it anyway (*Dir. Wester*)
- We have about \$43,000 sitting in our account that can't be used for anything because it wasn't allocated. I was going to take about \$10,000 to put into the Opportunity Grant, but because of the incorrect description of the endowment in the Constitution we can't use it (*Dir. Wester*)
  - Is there any way to change that? (*Sen. Kasper*)
  - It'd have to be voted on by the student body to change the Constitution (*Dir. Wester*)
- Are there any other applications for the Opportunity Grant? (*Sen. O'Connell*)
  - No, this is the only one (*Dir. Wester*)
- Do you think that even funding the half of this \$6,000 will allow the participants to be able to make it? (*Sen. Owen*)
  - Yes, we won't take away students' ability to go. It adds depth and breadth to the program, allows us to see the best competition and recruit better. Any money you're willing to give us will be incredibly helpful because it's so expensive already and we're worried about student costs.
- I understand the significance and how it's going to help, but if you don't deny students the opportunity to go, where does the money come from if they can't pay for it? (*Sen. Kasper*)
  - We have a Waldschmidt account that we do use but this is taking all of the money from there.
- There are no other Opportunity Grant applications and we should spend this money by the end of the year. Although things can come up (*Sen. O'Connell*)

- Does anyone have a project underway for the Senator project money? (*Sen. O'Connell*)
  - I was planning on using it (*Sen. Moore*)
  - You can use the Senate Discretionary Fund (*Dir. Wester*)
- Speech Night is going to be March 21<sup>st</sup> and we're trying to plan it in an economical way, so we'll likely have unspent funds to donate to the Opportunity Grant (*VP Gallagher*)
  - ASUP upper budget can be moved to the Opportunity Grant as we decide on as well (*Dir. Wester*)
- Everyone has spent every cent given to them by the Opportunity Grant (*Dir. Wester*)
- One thing worth noting: Mock Trial has earned where they're at, it's an impressive accomplishment. We're giving a really high performing club money (*Sen. Owen*)
- Does anyone want to consider donating the Senator project funding? (*Speaker Boos*)

MOTION TO NOT TAKE MONEY OUT OF THE SENATE PROJECT FUND TO PUT IT INTO THE OPPORTUNITY GRANT BY SENATOR TAYLOR – NO SECONDS

MOTION TO FUND MOCK TRIAL WITH THE OPPORTUNITY GRANT AT \$3,000 BY SENATOR PAUMIER

- Pro: We're funding a great organization to go across the country to represent the University of Portland (*Sen. Paumier*)
- Con: I don't think we should empty the Opportunity Grant in one sweeping motion. We can't deny other clubs funding (*Sen. Taylor*)
- Pro: Things are still getting funded, this is just one thing (*Sen. Paumier*)

MOTION TO FUND MOCK TRIAL WITH THE OPPORTUNITY GRANT AT \$3,000 BY SENATOR PAUMIER FAILS AT 35.71% WITH SENATORS KRIGGER & MUSQUIZ ABSTAINING

- What is the approximate amount each student will have to contribute if we partially fund it? (*Sen. Taylor*)
  - There's no way to calculate that right now (*Sen. Krigger*)
- I think funding partially is important. It's a valid grant request and for an admirable thing. And maybe make sure it's not an arbitrary amount (*Sen. Owen*)
- I think if we're not going to give \$3,000, we should at least give \$2,000 (*Sen. Mandla*)

MOTION TO APPROVE \$2,000 OF THE OPPORTUNITY GRANT BY SENATOR MANDLA

- Pro: What Joey said earlier (*Sen. Mandla*)

**MOTION TO APPROVE \$2,000 OF THE OPPORTUNITY GRANT BY SENATOR MANDLA PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**

2. Swearing-in of Elections Committee Members by Vice President Gallagher  
~*Senator Kasper, Senator Mathias, Senator Krigger, & Sam Starkey repeat the ASUP Elections Committee Oath*~
3. Swearing-in of FMB Members by President Nath
  - Two FMB members dropped due to scheduling conflicts, so I hired two more (*Dir. Wester*)~*Matt Arlt & Justin Hawkins repeat the ASUP Financial Management Board Oath*~

**Reports:**

*Executive Board Report, President Nath:*

- Diversity Committee met before the meeting – Interfaith Roundtable meeting will be next Thursday at 6:00 pm. May move the date since it's also Speech Night
- Meeting with Fr. Poorman on Thursday
- Holding extra office hours this week and next – will not be here next Monday
- Directed to Senate: Keep professionalism up – reach out if you need help during debates

*Elections & Services Report, Vice President Gallagher:*

- Met with Lauren for Espresso UP – Women Takeover event on March 20<sup>th</sup>. There will be live performances of music composed by women and Meet the Candidates Night
- Getting puppies & bunnies later this semester for Espresso UP
- Worked with Amanda over the new TV screens program for ADvantage – presenting in Senate soon. Still working on a-frames
- Elections application closed on Sunday at 11:59 pm. 45 applications turned in. Interpreting the Bylaws accurately but liberally. Meeting tonight at 6:30 pm. Elections Committee also meeting tonight, at 7:00 pm
- List of candidates & positions they're running for:

***President and Vice President***

1. Nick Owen & Olivia Mitchell
2. Tristan Martin & Megan Musquiz

***Director of Finance***

1. Annael Mejia
2. Matt Arlt
3. Brendon Wexted Hand
4. Joey Paumier

***Director of Communications***

1. Ryan Thoms

***Campus Program Board Director***

1. Victoria Beccar Varela

***College of Arts & Sciences Senator (2)***

1. Teddy Russell
2. Angelina DiLisio
3. Berkeley Franklin
4. Zachary Sessa
5. Kila Ung
6. Lake Witkowski
7. Ashley Martinez

***Pamplin School of Business Senator (2)***

1. Michael Rewers
2. Joe Crowley
3. Mellanie Muller

***School of Nursing Senator (2)***

1. Monica Millett
2. Justin Borden
3. Sam De Leon
4. Brittany Vander-Top
5. Abby Meyer
6. Heidi Olyaei

***Shiley School of Engineering Senator (2)***

1. Kavya Mandla
2. Kai Richardson
3. Kyle O'Connell

***School of Education Senator (1)***

1. Daniel Sloan

***Sophomore Class Senator (2)***

1. Jacob Saligumba
2. Connor Heffernan
3. Madison Johnson
4. Hazel Stange
5. Janiece Moore
6. Teresa Do
7. Victoria Bajanov

***Junior Class Senator***

1. Jordyn Mayer
2. Sage Taylor

***Senior Class Senator***

1. Alexandra Newsom
2. Elizabeth Tripp
3. Stephanie Kinsey
4. Megan Gravert
5. David Mudd
6. Aidan Booth
7. John Kennedy

- March 20<sup>th</sup>: Meet the Candidates Night at Espresso UP



- March 21<sup>st</sup>: Speech Night. Town-hall style, for the Executive Board
- March 24<sup>th</sup>: last day for candidates to send headshots
- March 26<sup>th</sup>: expense reports due for candidates. Polls open at 7:00 am
- March 27<sup>th</sup>: polls close at 7:00 pm. Candidates informed of decision at 8:00 pm

*Financial Report, Director Wester:*

- Opportunity Grant applications approved:
  - \$150 to Mesa Redonda for taqueria
  - \$900 for Hawaii Club to pay for metal detectors for the Luau
  - \$1,400 for Holi event through the International Club
  - \$800 for collegiate challenge between halls
- \$43,000 difference between what's in our account and what's available to spend. \$21,500 is the lowest amount in excess. Whatever's not spent this semester will be added → there will still be excess due to the writing of the Constitution
- Ran a full analysis of how much student activities fees are compared to the rest of the west coast – UP's is lowest even among community colleges, up to 5-7x lower. Recommend looking into raising the student activities fee to about \$150 per student per semester, which would still be below many colleges in the nation, but would allow us to fund clubs and events more

*Communications Report, Director Burks:*

- Worked to spread the word as best I could about ASUP applications and pleased with the turnout! Thank you to everyone who helped advertise
- Focusing attention on upcoming elections & Speech Night
  - Working with Tyler & Michael on event details – there will be lots of free food & prizes, so tell your friends to come! Opportunity for E-Board candidates to explain their platform and for students to ask questions
  - Tabling events to advertise – hopefully outside with the good weather. ASUP cup & pocket wallet giveaways
- International Night has specifically asked for ASUP help in spreading the word about the event & recruiting volunteers – sign up to volunteer! The event is Friday, March 22 from 5:00-7:30 in the Quiet Side of the Commons

*CPB Report, Director Sullivan:*

- Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> tickets start selling at Chiles Center Box Office for Rock the Bluff – free for students, \$10 for guests
- RTB donation campaign for Camp STIX, a camp for kids with type 1 diabetes. Accepting cash-only donations. Incentives to donate: \$1 → sticker, \$5 → sticker & bracelet, \$10 → sticker, bracelet, & chance to meet the RTB artists. Donations through OSA or at upcoming CPB promo events
- In the process of hiring CPB leadership members – 2 RTB coordinators, 2 dance coordinators, 2 marketing coordinators, 2 special events coordinators

*Student Affairs Committee Report, Senator Krigger:*

- Michael reaching out to the Health & Counseling Center for data about STI testing that ASUP funding – how many people utilized it

- Working to get art in St. Mary's – possibly flags that represent UP's home countries
- Reaching out to Diversity & Inclusion Programs to form a Diversity Committee to change Bylaws in the Constitution to include a Diversity Committee

*Infrastructure Committee Report, Senator O'Connell:*

- Sustainability Subcommittee meets on Mondays at 3:00 pm
- Belmont Goats: open on Saturday & Sunday from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm
- UPNA meeting tonight with Grant at 7:00 pm. Looking for volunteers to work with the goats – apply on the website ([thebelmontgoats.org](http://thebelmontgoats.org))

*Communications Committee Report, Senator Mayer:*

- Olivia & Jordyn have finished their sections on the ASUP manual, which is almost done
  - Added more so I'm working on editing it (*Sen. Krigger*)
- Olivia, Jordyn, & Joey are in contact with Yuri about providing feminine products to academic buildings across campus – reach out if you want to help
- Working on tabling at the Library, Espresso UP, elections

*Academic Affairs Committee Report, Senator Kasper:*

- Working with Sen. Anderson & meeting with Xan about making the Library a 24/7 study space or brainstorm alternatives
- Sen. Kasper working with Sen. Musquiz for the student art show in BC
- Met before Spring Break about the DegreeWorks project. Receptive to student feedback, received helpful information. It's important for students to be involved in the DegreeWorks process – things need to be put in manually to the system, so students need to petition to fix DegreeWorks to the Registrar, where it will be fixed right away (*Sen. Anderson*)

**Constituency Reports:**

1. Stop signs removed outside of Beauchamp & Lund, between Chiles → more dangerous now (*Sen. Krigger*)
2. Good feedback about Pilot Express over Spring Break (*Sen. Owen*)
3. UP mobile app wasn't working before break (*Sen. Owen*)
4. Constituent told me that they were having a mental health crisis, went to the Health & Counseling Center, were asked if they were suicidal, and were turned away when they said they weren't (*Sen. Mitchell*)
  - a. Were they made aware of Proto-call or other services available? (*VP Gallagher*)
  - b. No, they were told to leave
5. Engineering students can't take certain classes in certain semesters, so it's hard to graduate on-time or in four years (*Sen. Moore*)
  - a. It's hard to take classes early because you can only take capstone your junior & senior year (*Sen. Mandla*)
6. Requests for more spicy food and with labels to distinguish them (*Sen. Moore*)

7. Requests for manga in the Library (*Sen. Paumier*)
8. Requests for a CAS career fair (*Sen. Paumier*)
9. Requests for orange chicken in the P-House (*Sen. Paumier*)
10. Requests for want more variety in the P-House (*Sen. Paumier*)
  - a. Last year the P-House was overpowered and had to change because they were doing too much. The food option coming to Lund should help. Also what the menu says isn't what they directly serve – ask (*Speaker Boos*)
11. Broken table in the Terrace Room (*Sen. Moore*)
12. Not enough vegan options on weekends (*Sen. Moore*)
13. Students know we're here to serve the students but would like us to extend that to the outer community too (*Sen. Joglekar*)
14. Need more vegan options in the Pilot House (*Sen. Mayer*)
  - a. They sometimes have a vegan patty melt (*Sen. Krigger*)
15. Students want to be aware of non-UP events happening on campus, like with the basketball tournament (*Sen. Musquiz*)
16. Wobbly table in Franz 112 (*Sen. Musquiz*)

From tabling in the Library:

17. "Election process seems vague and student input isn't asked for"
18. "More accessible club committee"
19. "Better parking"
20. "Cheaper food options - \$3.50 for a bagel? Too much!"
21. "Bring a pool back!"
22. "Need more quiet study spaces!"
23. "More free food!"
24. "More notification over social media, less dense emails. Students don't read them"
25. "Diversity and P-Safe interaction needs to be improved"
26. "I like everything – more food tho"
27. "I love the community and willingness to help from organizations on campus"
28. "Free food lol"
29. "More public student class meetings!"
30. "Is there a way to have a continuous survey open for feedback? So many things can change throughout the year"
31. "I like the promos for events"
32. "Bike covers please!"
33. "More money for immersions"
34. "Soo much homework"
35. "Great newsletters"
36. "You guys are doing great!"
37. "More time to drop classes! Please & thank you"
38. "More seating outside for nice days!"
39. "Doing amazing!"
40. "More Commons workers are needed"
41. "Pool!"
42. "More parking & 24 hr spaces"

43. "Election process seems vague and student input isn't asked for"
44. "Diversity and inclusion is really good. As a Hispanic woman, I feel equal and appreciated!!"
45. "More free coffee!"
46. "ASUP Films was great!"

**Open Forum:**

1. April 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Commons: hosting a refugee resettlement action event with the Moreau Center & Political Science Department. State representatives and local organizations will speak about Oregon's role (*Sen. Owen*)
2. ASUP Films showing *On the Basis of Sex* on Sunday, March 17 at 7:00 pm in BC Aud. Discussion after (*Sen. Krigger*)
3. Women's Month events: (*Sen. Musquiz*)
  - a. Tomorrow at 6:00 pm in Beauchamp: Self Defense Class
  - b. Wednesday at 7:00 pm: speaker on female empowerment
  - c. Looking for student performers for next Wednesday's Espresso UP
4. Career Fair this Friday from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm in Chiles Center (*Dir. Burks*)
5. Fill out the notecards with your eco pledge and number of Earths (*Dir. Burks*)