Minutes of the Meeting

Date: 19th April 2024

Location: Senate Chambers

Attendees:

Mitchel Mauro

• Will Coats

• Gabriel Trujillo

• Akshayaa Ganeshram

• Milo Halpern

• Alyssa Nilemo

Jarrick Brown

• Betsaida Andres

• Kelsi Dew

1. Opening

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mauro at 10:06am, who welcomed all attendees.

Agendas:

1. New Business:

1. Policy 2.2.2 - Posters, Flyers, and Chalking Policy:

• The policy was discussed extensively with inputs from various speakers. Concerns raised included the specific policies regarding flyer distribution in different areas, the impact on students, and enforcement of policies related to temporary postings versus permanent installations.

2. Policy 3.4.1 – Free Speech and Peaceful Assemby:

- The discussion also covered the enforcement of policies, differentiating between hate speech and free speech, and the responsibilities and liabilities of organizations versus individuals in the case of policy violations.
- A decision was deferred to the next meeting where a resolution of dissent or support would be discussed.

3. Enforcement of Policies:

- Further clarifications on the enforcement of policies regarding public and nonpublic areas were discussed. Concerns about potential charges for cleanup in case of policy violations were also addressed.
- The distinction between spontaneous protests and planned events was clarified, emphasizing the treatment and administrative processes involved in both scenarios.

2. General Discussions:

- Additional discussions included the treatment of hate speech versus free speech, the handling of external protests on campus, and the administrative challenges of managing spontaneous events.
- The concept of normal campus functions and their interference was also debated, ensuring clarity on what constitutes normal activities versus disruptions.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00am with plans to continue discussions on the specified action items in upcoming sessions.

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