

**Princeton USG Senate
Meeting 23
September 20, 2020
9:30PM (EST)**



**Undergraduate
Student
Government**

Introduction

- 1. Question and Answer Session (15 minutes)**
- 2. President's Report (5 minutes)**
 - USG committee applications are open until October 2nd.
 - Discussed creating an interactive mental health forum for the CPS website with Allen Liu and Dr. Chin.

New Business

- 1. University Sexual Misconduct Policy: Regan Crotty and Michele Minter (45 minutes)**

Background

- New Title IX regulations were instituted in August 2020. However, conduct that violated University policy last year will continue to violate University policy this year, but will be adjudicated under two different grievance processes.

Shared attributes of University Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policies:

- Separation of investigators from adjudicators
- Live hearings
- Presiding hearing panelist will be a retired judge
- Parties to be provided with pre-determined financial resources to assist them in engaging attorneys to serve as their advisers
- Informal resolution process

Differences Between University Sexual Misconduct and Title IX Policies:

- Cross examination:
 - Title IX Policy: Live cross examination by adviser
 - University Sexual Misconduct: Cross examination in writing
- Exclusion of Evidence:
 - Title IX Policy: If a party or witness declines to be cross examined, no evidence they provided can be used.

Questions from the Senate:

- Is there a limit on the amount of money a party chooses to pay for their advisers?
 - No

- If a person has a complaint filed against them and it is resolved through an informal process, will it be put into consideration if there is another complaint against them that follows the formal process?
 - Yes

Informal Resolution Process:

- Voluntary—must be consented to by both parties
- Must be approved by Title IX Coordinator
- Does not appear on the respondent’s disciplinary record
- Once the agreement is signed, it is binding on both parties
- Possible agreed-upon options may include:
 - Skewed no contact order housing changes, restrictions from activities/events, agreement to participate in alcohol education program or Community Integrity Program

Additional Updates:

- The CPUC Committee on Sexual Climate, Culture, and Conduct is active and will seek input from the community and consider ways to improve campus climate and resources relating to sexual misconduct.
- The Working Group on Restorative Practices produced a public Executive Summary discussing the applicability of restorative practices on campus.
- The SHARE Office created first annual public Community Report, which provides info regarding its services, staff, intersectional programs, SHARE peer diversity
- A Working Group is concluding its work exploring ways to streamline student access to resources related to medical and mental health funding.
- A new Global Safety and Security unit has been created within the Office of the Associate Provost for International Affairs and Operations, which will provide additional support for travelers.
- An online module for international travelers with information and resources related to sexual misconduct is being finalized.

2. Oral History Project: Austin Davis (5 minutes)

- The Oral History Project is intended to retain institutional memory within USG through archival information.
- The premise of the project is to interview USG presidents from 1977 about their experiences in USG in working in groups of four presidents at a time. Past presidents are encouraged to collect any materials that would help provide more information about their time as president. The interviews will be transcribed and then retained in USG archives.

Questions from the Senate:

- Will the Slack be archived?
 - As of right now, there are no plans to archive the Slack.
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Consent Agenda

1. Movies Chair Confirmation: Julie Kim '21

- a. Julie is from Baltimore, Maryland and she is a current senior studying Economics. She's been involved with the USG Movie Committee since sophomore year. In the past, she has helped with data analytics and communication regarding the weekly movie. After a quick hiatus from the committee last semester due to study abroad, she has worked closely with Addele and Rachel to prepare for the delivery of the movies through the Canvas classroom for the upcoming school year.