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- A MEMORANDUM TO THE SG SENATE -

To: *The Honorable Student Government Senate*
From: *Salud Martinez, Senate President*
Subject: *Repercussive Actions as a result of being out of Decorum*
Date: *9/3/2019*

On Monday, August 17, 2019, the Senate President spoke with Director Manka about standardizing the way that we all handle any disruptive person(s) who is out of decorum during official SG Meetings. Here are the necessary steps that were agreed upon.

Computer and Cell Phone Use:

Computer and Cell Phone use will be permitted in senate meetings and committee meetings at the discretion of the chair. Computers and phones shall not be used by senators during presentations. Computers and phones shall only be utilized for work-related items. This shall not include: social media, the livestreaming of games/TV shows or anything else not related to work. If the Sergeant at-arms sees the misuse of cellphones/Computers he shall give a warning each time. Negative points will be assigned after 3 warnings.

Step 1: Speaking Rights

Senators shall receive warnings every time they speak out of turn or display disruptive behavior.

If any senator receives three warnings, the chair shall assign negative points (this is to mean that when they receive their third warning, they shall receive negative points not after they have done it for a 4th time) for the remainder of that meeting.

Step 2: Asked to Leave the Room

If any Senator continues to be disruptive, they shall be asked to leave the room by the chair.

SGATO will refer the Senator to student conduct, as well as writing a referral for disrupting the academic process.

Step 3: Refusal to leave the room

If any disruptive Senator refuses to leave the room, the chair shall ask SGATO to call the Dean of Students to call University Police to escort the Senator out of the room.

All chairs shall remind their committee members of these rules at their first meetings of the fall and spring semester.

No chair shall show bias when enforcing these rules.

Signed,


Salud Martinez
Senate President

9/3/2019

Date

