

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION
COUNCIL

Tuesday, June 24, 2003
417 Kerckhoff Hall
6:00pm

MINUTES

PRESENT: Chen, Husse-Jerome, Kaczmarek, Kozak, Lam, McKesey, McLaren, Nguyen, Nelson, Saldaña, Schreiber, Wynn

ABSENT: Chiang, Eastman, Gaulton, Grace, Lawson, Palma/Saracho, Tuttle

GUESTS: Zara Bukirin, Menaka Fernando, Paul Marian, Emmanuel Martinez

- I. A. Call to Order
 - McKesey called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm.
- B. Signing of the Attendance Sheet
 - Chen passed the Attendance Sheet around.
- II. Approval of the Agenda
 - Saldaña, Kaczmarek, Schreiber and McKesey asked to be added to the Officers and Members Reports.
 - McKesey asked if there were any objections to approval of the Agenda, as amended, by consent. There being no objections the Agenda, as amended, was approved by consent.
- III. Approval of the Minutes
 - There were no Minutes this week.
- IV. Special Presentations
 - There were no Special Presentations this week.
- V. Appointments
 - McKesey said that Palma/Saracho was attending a meeting and would not be present at the meeting. She said that the ARC had not been able to meet and interview any applicants. She said that there will be quite a few applicants to approve in two weeks time.
 - Kaczmarek asked if any attempts were made to schedule any interviews.
 - Chen said that she didn't think any attempts were made.
 - Kaczmarek said that he will be out of town until the next Council meeting. He said that he will not be able to attend any of the ARC meetings in the next two weeks.
 - Schreiber asked if the CAC appointments will be pushed back.
 - McKesey said that it would be. She said that she spoke to Pam Cysner and was told that a two-week delay will not be a problem.
- VI. Fund Allocations
 - There were no Fund Allocations this week.
- VII. Officer and Member Reports

General Representative – Nelson Saldaña

-Saldaña said that he would be training as an orientation counselor over the summer. He said that for that reason he may not be able to attend the rest of the summer meetings. He said that he wanted to let Council know. He said that he will try to be at the meetings when he can. He also said that he spoke to some orientation counselors about the idea of USAC speaking at counselor training and tabling during orientation events.

External Vice President

-Kaczmarek said that he had just gotten back from Miami. He said that he attended the Jobs With Justice convention. He said that Jobs With Justice is an organization that works on labor oriented campaigns. He said that they bring community organizations together to launch citywide campaigns. He said that the workshops at the event were very interesting. He said that he will put together written reports on future events like this to deliver to Council. He said he would also like to mention that the Supreme Court came down with decisions on the University of Michigan affirmative action cases. He said that they ruled that the affirmative action policy of the University of Michigan's Law School was legal, but they struck down the point system used in the University of Michigan's undergraduate admissions policy. He said that UCSA sees the decision as good mainly because it could have been much worse. He said that there will be some setbacks but they are hopeful. He said that Chancellor Carnesale has made no statement as of yet.

Community Service Commissioner

-Schreiber said that during the previous weekend his staff had a retreat. He said that it went very well. He said that they want to have a day on campus to promote community service. He said that he hopes USAC could be involved in such a day. He said that it would be in fall quarter some time.

President

-McKesey said that she had had her first official staff meeting. She said that they talked about the presidential internship program and would like to include two parts in the internship. She said that one part would be for those interested in working in a specific office and the other would be for those interested in student government generically. She said that all of the interns would come together for bi-weekly workshops on different topics. She said that they will need the other Council members' help to make it all work. She said that they also discussed ideas for Welcome Week. She said that there is usually an open house. She said that they wanted to have a theme each day and that one of the proposed themes was community service. She asked Council to start thinking about other themes. She said that she will also be contacting those who turned in an application for a presidential appointment but didn't receive an appointment to see if they would like to participate in the internship program.

IX. Old Business

***USAC Retreat: Tentative Agenda and Location**

- McKesey said that she has a draft of the goals that people have said they would like to accomplish at the retreat. She said that there is a retreat sub-committee and they want to make sure that the retreat flows well and that everyone is involved. She said Council would not be voting at this meeting on any retreat plans, but would just be discussing them.
- Saldaña asked if all of the reading listed would be done at the retreat.
- McKesey said that they plan to have a retreat binder with that information for reference.
- Wynn asked if there was a location for the retreat yet.
- McKesey said that there are a few options.
- Nguyen said that Pismo Beach is in the right price range. She said that Santa Barbara and a few others are too expensive.

-McKesey said that Chen and Lam are working on the agenda for the retreat. She said that each Council Member will have to facilitate one portion of the retreat.

VIII. New Business

-There was no New Business this week.

X. Announcements

-McKesey introduced Emmanuel Martinez, USAC's Alternate Appointee to the ASUCLA Board of Directors.

-Martinez said that he would be around. He asked Council to feel free to contact him.

-Kaczmarek said that the recall petition for Gray Davis had reached 800,00 of the 840,000 required signatures. He said that a recall is likely to cause more conservative voters to come out to the election. He said that CRECNO will be on the same ballot as the proposed recall. He said that that could be bad and that students should start fighting CRECNO now.

-McKesey said that she has an open secretary position. She said that it is a paid position. She said that anyone who knows someone interested should contact her.

XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

-Chen passed around the Attendance Sheet.

XIII. Adjournment

-Kaczmarek moved and Nguyen seconded to adjourn the meeting. There being no objection, the motion was approved with 10 votes in favor, 0 against and 0 abstentions and the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 pm.

XIV. Good and Welfare

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen Araiza
USAC Minutes Taker