

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION  
COUNCIL

Tuesday November 16, 2004  
417 Kerckhoff Hall  
7:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Avila, Bhuiyan, Chan, Corella, Gaulton, Lee, McLaren, Martinez, Nelson,  
Palma/Saracho, Tripathi, Tseng, Tuttle, Vu, Williams, Wood

ABSENT: Gruenberg, Kurita, Villarin

GUESTS: Lucero Chavez, Lindsay Mullins, Brian Neesby, Roy Samaan, Ariel Stevenson, Joseph  
Vardner, Saba Riazati

I. A. Call to Order

- Palma/Saracho called the meeting to order at 7:11 P.M.

B. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

*Corella passed around the Attendance Sheet*

II. Approval of the Agenda

- Martinez asked to add a Resolution in Support of Prioritizing Funding for Student Initiated Outreach Programs as an Action Item under New Business, and passed out the resolution. He added that he needed to leave the meeting at 8:00 p.m., and asked that New Business be moved to before Special Presentations.
- Tseng asked to be added to the Officer and Member Reports.
- Avila moved and Lee seconded to approve the Agenda as amended.
- Martinez called for Acclamation. Palma/Saracho asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the Agenda was approved, as amended, by Acclamation.

III. Approval of the Minutes

**October 26, 2004**

- Martinez said that Hevily's last name should be spelled Ambriz, and also asked that he and Emmanuel Martinez be better distinguished than referring to both of them as E. Martinez.
- Gaulton said that, on page 10, National Treasure would actually be playing on Thursday, November 18.
- Martinez said that the third General Representative was Tseng.
- Tripathi moved and Tseng seconded to approve the Minutes as amended.
- Tseng called for Acclamation. Palma/Saracho asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the Minutes of October 26, 2004 were approved, as amended, by Acclamation.

IV. New Business

**A. \*Resolution in Support of Prioritizing Funding for Student Initiated Outreach Programs**

- Martinez said that the resolution was being brought to council because of a shift in the way that funding was being allocated. He said that the way students are targeted would

now prioritize academic preparation programs, and neglect outreach programs much in need of funding. Martinez said that what he wanted to do was to ensure that outreach programs are equally prioritized, so that they do not experience unnecessary cuts as a result of this. He said that this resolution would also be ratified by councils at Santa Cruz and at Berkeley. Martinez then introduced Lucero Chavez to council.

- Chavez said that she was from the Student Initiated Outreach Committee (SIOC), and said that it was one of the most unique outreach programs around. She said that there were lots of different things that they worked on, and said that funding was very important to what they wanted to do. She said that SIOC gave a lot back to the community, so she thought it was appropriate to fund SIOC.
- Martinez said that SIOC was one of the best outreach programs among all of the UC's, because not only does it help the community, but it targets the under-privileged who may have not even considered going to college in the first place.
- Vu said that UCLA's SIOC was the first of its kind, and has set a precedent that has led to the creation of many similar groups at other schools.
- Tseng said that last year after the recall election, Governor Schwarzenegger cut funding to outreach programs, and this was a very targeted and unfair cut given the work that SIOC does. He said that it was important to pass this resolution not only for its own merit, but to send a message to the Regents that these kinds of actions will not be tolerated.
- Avila moved and Tripathi seconded to approve the Resolution in Support of Prioritizing Funding for Student Initiated Outreach Programs.
- Lee called for Acclamation. Palma/Saracho asked if there were any objections to calling for Acclamation. There being none, the Resolution in Support of Prioritizing Funding for Student Initiated Outreach Programs was approved by Acclamation.
- Palma/Saracho asked if Council wanted to publish this resolution in light of the fact that the Regents meeting would be held before the resolution could be run in the Daily Bruin.
- Martinez said he thought that Council did not need to publish the Resolution.

#### **B. Discussion on Expected Cumulative Progress (ECP) – Tommy Tseng and Eligio Martinez Jr.**

- Palma/Saracho said that the ECP group had decided to update council on what was going on, and turned it over to Martinez and Tseng to present the latest information.
- Martinez said that Council had voted to make ECP an Action Item Goal, but the responsibility of handling all the necessary details for the campaign it had fallen onto the shoulders of just him and Tseng.
- Tseng said that they wanted to tell council what they had done this quarter, and what the plan of action should be for next quarter. Tseng said that three things have been done for ECP this quarter. He said that the first was to organize Academic Empowerment Week, and said that this had been a very successful event, including presentations to many organizations, and the Town Hall they organized with Judy Smith.
- Martinez said that the Town Hall meeting, although under-attended, had been a very successful way to inform students about ECP.
- Tseng said that the second accomplishment was compiling the questions for the Survey, which was now complete. He said that Martinez would be doing the main fact-finding for this.
- Martinez said that he would be assisted by the Student Support Services Director, Jerry Mann. He said that the faculty advisor for the survey project would be Judy Richlin-Klonsky. He said that it could take anywhere from a week to a month from now for the survey to be approved and sent out.
- Tseng said that the third accomplishment had been to create a Task Force. He said that the Task Force members had developed a committee structure, and the categories were Media, Outreach, and Strategy. Tseng said that he needed more of council to become involved. Tseng said that the Survey would be going out during Winter Quarter

because there was no longer enough time to get it out this quarter. He said that the schedule for Winter Quarter would be:

Week 1: Education and Outreach

Week 2: Survey and Postcard Flyering

Week 3: Same as Week 2

Week 4: Compile the Data

Week 5: Same as Week 4

Week 6: Finalize the Report

Week 7: Faculty Executive Committee Meeting on February 18, 2005.

Remainder: The Reform or Repeal of ECP.

- Tseng asked if there were any questions or recommendations by council. Seeing none, he said that he needed a lot more help with ECP than was being offered. Tseng said that one of the things that needed to be created was a website that taught students about ECP and offered a link where they can take the survey. He said that another idea was to make a testimonial film, of five minutes or less, that could be shown to educate students about ECP. Tseng said that the normal forms of publicity would also be helpful, and that education needed to be done. He said that presentations could be given to the Hill, the Greek system, Advocacy Groups, and others. Tseng said that the last step would be to lobby the Academic Senate Representatives.
  - Martinez said that they needed everyone to pick a group to get on board with.
  - Tseng said that they needed people to reserve space for an educational event or do something for the ECP campaign. He said that he would go down the list and ask for volunteers. Tseng said that the content for publicity had already been developed and asked who could work on making sure that the publicity got distributed.
  - Palma/Saracho said that some things would require resources from offices' budgets, while other things would require people from offices to handle the various responsibilities.
  - Chan said that council would be meeting with the OCHC in December, and suggested that council could educate OCHC leaders about how to educate the students on the hill. He said that there was one woman that worked for them whose sole job was to create surveys to send out to the students.
  - Martinez said that the survey had already been taken care of.
  - Tseng asked Chan to follow up with someone on the hill about educating the residents.
  - With regard to a listing of computers under "Publicity", Lee asked what they wanted the computers for.
  - Tseng said that, since the survey would be online, they wanted to have portable computers so students could take the survey online.
  - Avila suggested that A-Boards could be created, but asked if there were any A-Boards that were specifically for Council as a whole, rather than for specific USAC offices.
  - Palma/Saracho said that he didn't know of any that were for use by Council as a whole.
  - Bhuiyan suggested that the educational film be a trailer that the commissions, such as Campus Events and Cultural Affairs, could show before film screenings. He said he could help with that, perhaps along with other offices that screened films.
- Everyone on council looked expectantly at Jason Gaulton, Campus Events Commissioner.*
- Gaulton met Council's expectations by agreeing to help with the trailer and to show it before CEC screenings.
  - Lee said that if they would get a copy of the trailer to her, she could put it on CSC's website.
  - Tseng asked who wanted to make buttons.
  - Tripathi said that he could order them.
  - Wood suggested that council make as many buttons as possible, rather than spending money to buy them. She acknowledged that the ability to do that, however, would depend on which office took on that responsibility.

- Palma/Saracho said that the cost of the buttons could be shared, and that officers could apply for funding from Contingency.
- Lee said that she knew how to make buttons and would be happy to do that if someone else paid for them.
- Avila said that he had a button-making machine.
- Lee said that she *loves* making buttons.
- Tripathi agreed to oversee the button-making operation, though he would employ the assistance of others, namely Lee.
- Neesby said that he knew of a video guy that was really good.
- Tseng said that he thought that was already covered.
- Avila offered to make fliers.
- Gaulton offered to have his staff make the bookmarks.
- Wood said that bookmarks don't have to be too cute or fancy, with strings. Rather, she said that only paper was really needed.
- Tseng asked each officer to tell him how many A-Boards they could offer to help advertise.
- Neesby asked if it was a maximum of three A-Boards per issue, or three per office. *Several people responded in unison that it was per office.*
- Chan asked if this was the most effective way to advertise.
- Palma/Saracho said that he would donate his three A-Boards.
- Vu said that he could probably give three also.
- Neesby, speaking for Gruenberg, said probably three as well.
- Avila said he could give two.
- Gaulton said that he could give two.
- Wood said her office could give two, or all of the Gen Reps could give a total of four.
- Lee said they could have her two-and-a-half boards as soon as they were available.
- Palma/Saracho suggested that the information that would go on the A-Boards could be taken care of by the ECP Task Force.
- Avila said that he had markers he could let them use, in addition to the A-Boards.
- Tseng then asked who could be the point person to coordinate having computers at various locations on campus during second and third week.
- Wood said this sounded like a job for the Facilities Commissioner, but that she'd be willing to do it.
- Tseng then asked who could do Tabling.
- Chan asked if this was tabling for when the computers were on Bruin Walk, and asked if it was by the hour.
- Tseng said that he was actually looking for to take care of getting people to fill all the hourly slots. In other words, he said he was looking for a point person to coordinate the tabling effort.
- Palma/Saracho suggested that council return to this issue.
- Tseng said that they wanted to make presentations on the Hill, and asked who could help set these up.
- Chan said that he could set up the presentations.
- Tseng reminded him to make sure they were set up at least two weeks in advance, and asked who could make presentations to the Greek Organizations.
- Wood volunteered her office.
- Tseng asked how many associations there were on the Hill.
- Avila said that there were about 12.
- Tripathi said that it was 13.
- Neesby told Tseng to add Gruenberg, Tripathi, and Avila to the Hill effort.
- Vu volunteered to make the presentations to the Advocacy groups.
- Chan asked what presentation they would be making.
- Martinez said that it would be the same as the one they made during Academic Empowerment Week.
- Wood said that she could work on contacting the groups that did not fit into the above categories.

- Tseng asked if they should have one workshop per building per week in the dorms. He said he thought that, if they did this, it would be preferable to have the workshop run for about an hour, and that it be held in a room that would accommodate about 30 people.
- Tripathi suggested that if they wanted 30 people per meeting, he recommended having the meetings by a cluster of dorms, not by individual buildings.
- Martinez said that the one-hour presentations would be more in-depth than the five-minute presentations. He explained that the one-hour presentation would include background information on ECP and would educate students on how they might change or remove this requirement.
- Palma/Saracho said that, for clarification, the five-minute presentation was more like an announcement, while the one-hour presentation was actually a workshop about ECP.
- Chan said that he thought it would be very difficult to get 30 people to come to any of these meetings.
- Martinez said that ECP affects all students on campus, so he felt it was the duty of council to inform as many students as possible.
- Chan asked how many workshops they wanted to have. He said that if they just do presentations to the groups, the information would filter down to their constituents.
- Tseng said that the workshop would be more educational for students, and it would be a discussion with them instead of just a lecture to them.
- Tripathi asked that the meeting move on and let Chan and Tseng work out the details together.
- Chan asked what days these seminars would be held.
- Tseng said that they would be held on whatever days were available.
- Wood said that, in addition to reserving space for the workshops, this assignment would also include getting the materials together that would be needed for each workshop.
- Tseng said that, lastly, they needed more people to attend the General Body meetings which are held every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. He asked that everyone on council send at least one person from his or her office. Tseng asked if anyone would be unable to do this.

*Everyone indicated that they could send at least one person.*

- Wood asked if there was a meeting this week.
  - Tseng said that there was.
  - Palma/Saracho asked about the website.
  - Avila asked if all of the content was already created.
  - Tseng said that it was.
- Avila and Gaulton both volunteered their web guys for this.*
- Wood asked McLaren if the USAC web guy, Tony, could work on the ECP site.
  - McLaren said that she would talk to Tony about this request. She then asked what the timetable was for having the site up.
  - Palma/Saracho said they'd like to have it up within the next two weeks.
  - McLaren then asked about the plan to place laptop computers at various locations around campus.
  - Palma/Saracho said that they saw it as a way to help get the word out about the ECP survey, even if it would not be possible to take the survey on a computer that was located on Bruin Walk, for example.
  - Tseng said that he would email Council later tonight with an updated schedule that would include all the decisions and commitments that were made at this meeting. (*See Below for the updated schedule*).
  - Bhuiyan asked who would do the tabling.
  - Tseng said that they wouldn't be able to work that out until they saw what everyone's availability was.
  - Palma/Saracho suggested that the grid could at least be prepared now.
  - Tseng said that he would prepare the grid.
  - Wood asked about posting the fliers in the glass enclosed bulletin boards on the second floor of Kerckhoff.

- Lee said that she could put a flier in CSC's bulletin board.
- Gaulton said that he could put a flier in CEC's bulletin board.
- Avila volunteered to put a flier in the SWC bulletin board.

*From the E-Mail sent out by Tseng later that night:*

### Expected Cumulative Progress Task Force Report

#### Fall Quarter Accomplishments

##### Academic Empowerment Week

- Presentations to various campus organizations
- ECP workshops in residential halls
- Town-Hall with Judy Smith
  - Obtained a commitment from Judy Smith to work with the students to reform ECP if the policy is found to be problematic through the survey

##### ECP Survey is COMPLETED

- Finalized principal investigator: Eligio Martinez
- Jerry Mann has agreed to assist Eligio in this investigation
- Obtained a faculty advisor for the survey: Judith Richlin-Klonsky

##### ECP Task Force is formed

##### Committee structure developed

- Media
- Outreach
- Logistics
- Strategy

##### Meeting Times

- Coordinating Meeting: 2PM Fridays, SAC Conference Room
- General Body Meeting: 8PM Thursday, SAC Conference Room

#### Plan of Action for Winter Quarter

Week 1	Education and Outreach
Week 2	Survey and Postcards
Week 3	Survey and Postcards
Week 4	Compile Data: Statistical Analysis and Arguments
Week 5	Compile Data
Week 6	Finalize Report
Week 7	Faculty Executive Committee Meeting (2/18)
Week 8	
Week 9	
Week 10	

#### Tasks Delegated

##### Website – CEC and SWC

- General Information on ECP
- Link to the Survey
- Information on Task Force Meeting

##### Testimonial Film – ECP and TF

##### Showing of Testimonial Film – CEC, CAC, and CSC

##### Publicity

- Buttons – FAC
- Flyers – CEC
- Bookmarks – CEC

##### A-Boards (From beginning of quarter until end of survey)

*IVP 0*

*EVP 3*  
*CAC 3*  
*CEC 2*  
*CSC 2*  
*PREZ 3*  
*FSC 3*  
*SWC 2*  
*GROS 4*

Computers – *GROS*  
 Post-Cards – *PREZ*  
 Content – *Task Force*

Tabling – *GRO2*

Bulletin Boards – *CSC, SWC, CEC, and Nelson*

#### Education

- Set up 5 minute presentation to various student groups

Hill – *IVP, FAC, and FSC*

Greek – *GROS*

SAGS – *EVP*

Others – *GROS*

- Set-up ECP Workshop (1 hour, in room with capacity of 30 students)

Hill – *IVP and FAC*

- Viewpoint – *Task Force*

#### Lobby and Political Action

- *Academic Senate Representatives*

People in General Body Meeting (Thursday 8PM @ SAC Conference Room)

- *IVP, Pres, EVP, CAC, GROS, FAC, FSC*

#### V. Special Presentations

##### **World AIDS Day – Jenny Wood**

- Wood said that she was working with the UCLA AIDS Institute, and introduced her two guests.

- Ariel Stevenson introduced herself.

- Lindsay Mullins introduced herself, and said that she was working with Wood and Stevenson on Dance Marathon and World AIDS day.

- Wood said that she would show a clip of “World Walk” to give council an idea of what the world AIDS day event was.

*Council watched a five-minute clip of the movie “World Walk”*

- Stevenson said that World AIDS Day would be on Wednesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>. She added that people aged 15-24 comprise half of all the new infections, and 10 million total are currently infected. Stevenson said that black women are the most at-risk group.

- Wood said that AIDS is completely preventable, and World AIDS Day was important because there is such a social stigma surrounding AIDS. She said that if this stigma is addressed here at UCLA, this could spark the removal of the stigma elsewhere. Wood said that the day is international, and she thought it was important for UCLA to have a large event. She said that there was a small event last year, and added that there had been speakers present.

- Mullins said that they wanted to bring the focus on AIDS back to the UCLA community, while still keeping a worldwide perspective. She said that the theme for this year was “I Know”, emphasizing the importance of knowing one’s infection status. Mullins said that there would be a solidarity march from three locations on campus, eventually converging at Bruin Plaza, where there would be mobile testing units. She said that there would also be a band and also lots of organizations represented on campus.

- Wood invited everyone to come out to the events, and said that she wanted to see everyone participating.
- Stevenson said that the testing procedure was not a blood test, but an oral swab of the inside of your cheek. She said that it was similar to an oral swab that dentists use. She said that the test result is available in 20 minutes, and that all results will be provided within that time.
- Tseng said that he heard that someone could show a negative test result, but still have the virus if they had only recently contracted it.
- Wood acknowledged that what Tseng had heard was accurate.
- Stevenson said that people could also help by volunteering their staff, particularly in the march.

*Wood passed around sign-up sheets for council to volunteer to participate.*

- Stevenson said that the march to Bruin Plaza was only a half-hour commitment. She said that she wanted to get as many people to come as possible.
- Wood asked council to email everyone they know and also to put up flyers and posters wherever possible. She said that the event was going to be really big, with a lot of money invested, and celebrities. Wood said that the celebrity guests might be announced at the next council meeting.

*From the World AIDS Day Information Sheet presented to council by Jenny Wood:*

11:30 Solidarity March

- Meet at Schoenberg, Court of Sciences, or DeNeve
- Wear black, Get Free T-shirts, and march

12:00 "I Know" Celebration Bruin Plaza

- Convergence of hundreds of students
- HIV Mobile Testing Units available for 20 minute results and free "I Know" wristband for all students getting tested
- Live Music by *Grizzly Peak*
- Celebrity Speakers, Performances
- Patient Testimonials
- Community Organization Tabling Fair

All Day Educational Workshops About the AIDS Pandemic

- Message a Minute: How to use public media to stop AIDS  
9-10am Royce 314
- Loops: A Serious Look at Film and Television in Confronting AIDS:  
Powell
- Make Art/ Stop AIDS: 1pm Freud
- AIDS Treatment Reaching the People? The situation in Thailand, Malawi, and Guatemala: Freud Playhouse
- Condom Talk: HIV Prevention and the Law: Royce

VI. Appointments

*There were no Appointments this week.*

VII. Fund Allocations

- Corella said that there were 4 allocations this week, which were included in the Agenda Packet.
- Tripathi moved and Tseng seconded to approve the Contingency Fund Allocation Recommendations.
- Avila called for Acclamation. Palma/Saracho asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the Contingency Fund Allocation Recommendations were approved by Acclamation.

**Campus Events Commission****Requested: \$450.00****Recommended: \$100.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$100.00 for the cost of an Honorarium for the Westwood Plaza Noon Concerts featuring "Everybody Else" to be held on November 12, 2004.

**Project Literacy****Requested: \$805.75****Recommended: \$468.75**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$468.75 for the cost of Transportation and the partial cost of Admission Tickets for the Fall 2004 Field Trip to be held on November 20, 2004.

**Best Buddies UCLA****Requested: \$319.34****Recommended: \$121.54**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$121.54 for the partial cost of food and the cost of supplies for the Thanksgiving Bash to be held on November 11, 2004.

**Cultural Affairs Commission****Requested: \$675.00****Recommended: \$500.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$500.00 for the partial cost of an Honorarium for the ongoing Jazz Series taking place from October 25 to November 29, 2004.

## VIII. Officer and Member Reports

**Office of the General Representatives – Jenny Wood, Tommy Tseng, Anneli Villarin**

- Tseng said that an event coming up would be a one-day teach-in with the UCLA Center for Labor Research, and thanked Gaulton for volunteering a room reservation that he had made. Tseng said that the conference would be on this day because the Labor Group will be meeting in Los Angeles, and the Labor Center arranged to get the leaders of the Labor Movement to come to UCLA to speak to the students.
- Wood said that the Students of Color Conference (SOCC) was coming up this weekend. She said that Saturday and Sunday would be packed from 8 a.m. to midnight, then again from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., respectively. She then went down the Agenda for the Conference.

*From Jenny Wood's Students of Color Conference Agenda:*

**November 19, 2004: Friday**

7:00pm – 9:00pm            Registration

**November 20, 2004: Saturday**

8:30am – 9:00am	Breakfast/Registration	Bruin Plaza
9:00am – 9:30am	Opening Address	Wooden Center Gym
9:30am – 10:35am	Workshop Session I	Various locations
	Multi-Bi Racial Caucus	Ackerman 2408
9:30am – 11:50am	CSAAC Meeting	Kerckhoff 131-135
10:45am – 11:50am	Workshop Session II	Various locations
12:00pm – 12:30pm	Prof. Glen Omatsu	Wooden Center Gym
12:30 – 1:20pm	Lunch	Bruin Plaza
1:30pm – 2:35pm	Workshop Session III	Various Locations
	Queer S.o.C.C	Wooden Center Gym

2:45pm – 4:00pm	Students of Color Caucus Allies Session	Breakouts Ackerman 2408
4:10pm – 5:15pm	Workshop Session IV Queer Allies Caucus	Various locations Haines A25
5:25pm – 6:10pm	Assmbywmn Karen Bass	Wooden Center Gym
6:10pm – 7:10pm	Dinner in Ackerman	Ackerman Level 1
7:10pm – 8:15pm	Womyn's Caucus Womyn Allies Caucus	Wooden Center Gym Ack. Viewpoint Conf.
8:30pm – 11:00pm	Multiplying Thoughts	NW Campus Aud..

**November 21, 2004: Sunday**

9:00am – 10:00am	Breakfast	Bruin Plaza
9:30am – 11:05am	Eligibility Strtgy Session W.o.C.C.Strategy Session	Kerckhoff 131-135 Ack. Viewpoint A
	Labor Solidarity	Ack. Viewpoint B
10:00am – 11:05am	Workshop Session V	Various Locations
11:15am – 11:50am	Lunch	Bruin Plaza
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Students of Color Caucus Allies Session	Ack. Grand Ballroom Ackerman 2408
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Unity Meeting	Ack. Grand Ballroom

- Vu said that there would be approximately 1,000 students from throughout the state attending this event, and that 150 of them were from UCLA. He said that it was not just UC students coming, either. Vu said that there would also be performances by native groups, and that everything would be free.
- Wood said that there would be about 55 different workshops that could be attended. She said that there were five sessions, so people would have to pick and choose, but she encouraged everyone to come and participate. Wood said that there would also be strategy sessions, one which would address eligibility, one which would present information on a coalition working on labor/student interaction, and one on the Women of Color Conference that would be taking place at UCSB.
- Palma/Saracho asked when the volunteers should come.
- Wood said that the volunteer sign-up sheet would be going around.
- Lee asked where the conference would be.
- Wood said it would be all over campus, but the main room for the speakers would be in the Wooden Center.
- Bhuiyan asked where the registration table would be.
- Wood said that it would be in Ackerman Viewpoint Lounge.
- Wood said that she also wanted to talk about the USAC T-Shirts, and showed council what they would look like. She said that she would be emailing the offices and telling everyone how much they owed for the shirts they had ordered.

**External Vice President - John Vu**

*From the report issued to council by External Vice President John Vu.*

**Students of Color Conference**

- Thank you for those who volunteered to help with this conference! Again, we need more volunteers! Please send any volunteers from your offices that you know of! Also, following this USAC meeting, there will be a work party in the Student Activities Center at 9pm. Come by and help out and get some free food!

**UCSA**

- Again, the UC Regents meeting will be happening Wednesday and Thursday. Students are currently pushing their efforts toward speaking at public comment at Noon on Wednesday and 9:55am on Thursday. Public comment is a time allocated when the public can speak about issues pertinent to the Regent's discussion of various issues at their meeting. We will be having several students making testimonials to how they will be affected by the decisions the Regents if they decide to pass them. On

Wednesday, the UC Regents will have discussion on Outreach programs. On Thursday, the UC Regents will have discussion and voting to increase student fees by 8% and decreasing return to aid (33% to 20%). Students are lobbying for the Regents to postpone their decision to their January 2005 meeting.

- We also have three amazing UCSA staff members helping us out with the Regents meeting and the Students of Color conference: Alicia Schwartz, our Organizing Director, Monica Henestroza, our University Affairs Director, and Amalia Chamorro, our Legislative Director. If you have any UC, legislative, Regents, University of California, Office of the President (UCOP), or organizing-related meetings, please feel free to stop by the EVP office to talk to any of these women..

#### USSA

- I have been selected to be on a delegation of six students to a national labor conference called the Replenishing Democracy conference, a national summit to discuss labor and its impact to a diversity of communities, during January, 28-30<sup>th</sup> in New Orleans, LA. Yay! I will be representing USSA's Student Labor Action Project (SLAP).

#### Lobby Corps

- Currently, I am talking with Amalia Chamorro, UCSA's Legislative Director and Jasmine Harris, USSA's Legislative Director to set a legislative timeline and plan of action to strategically set our in-districts and legislative lobby visits. Our lobbying foci will be on the action agenda items of both organizations.

#### Additional Items

- November 17-18, 2004-UC Regents Meeting
- November 19-21, 2004-Students of Color Conference
- November 25, 2004-Jason Gaulton's B-day
- December 18, 2004-Pavan's B-day

#### **Internal Vice President - Darren Chan**

- Chan said that the UCLA Student Leadership Summit had been moved up to the second week of Winter Quarter, and it was now being sponsored by the Student Alumni Association (SAA). He said that the summit was still in its planning phase, and asked anyone who was interested in holding a seminar to let him know. Chan said that he would soon be receiving the list of interns who wanted to work for council, and asked council if they wanted to have the intern draft pick at a separate meeting or during a council meeting.

*There was general agreement among council to hold a separate meeting.*

- Chan said that there were 50 or so interns, and he would soon be getting their lists of preferences. He said that each office would receive these preferences, and it was then up to council member to decide who they wanted. Chan asked when council wanted to have this meeting, and then suggested ninth week.
- Avila said that Wednesday was bad for him.
- Tseng asked how long it was expected to take.
- Chan said about two hours.
- Palma/Saracho asked if this could be set up over email.
- Wood asked if they could just look at the applications on their own and see who they thought would work best in their office.
- Tuttle said that it would probably be wise to do this over email, rather than through a draft. He said that a prioritization formula could probably be worked out to make sure that everyone got who they wanted.
- Chan said that the last thing for his report was that he had spoken with the Commissioner of the On-Campus Housing Council (OCHC), and he was interested in working with Council. Chan said that he wanted to educate the commissioner about the Expected Cumulative Progress (ECP) campaign that would happen at the beginning of Winter Quarter, and asked council if it would be possible to do this at another joint USAC – OCHC meeting on Wednesday of tenth week.

- Tuttle said that he saw council as a tremendously dedicated group, but cautioned them greatly about holding these meetings ninth or tenth week, with finals approaching. He said that he was excited at the prospect of working with OCHC on ECP.
- Chan said that perhaps by holding this meeting tenth week over a meal, it would not be lost study time. He said that this meeting had to be held before the beginning of Winter Quarter so that OCHC could be ready for the ECP campaign.
- Wood said she thought that it would be okay to have the meeting 10<sup>th</sup> week.
- Chan said that he would ask the OCHC Commissioner if Wednesday of 9<sup>th</sup> week, December 1, from 5:30-7p.m. would work for him.

**President - Allende Palma/Saracho**

- Palma/Saracho said that last week he went to the Alumni Board meeting, and they had talked about fund-raising for the UCLA Alumni Association. He said they also talked about nominations for the Outstanding Alumni Award, and he talked with them about getting a new Alumni Representative appointed to council to replace the one who resigned. Palma/Saracho said that the students in his internship program had indicated which USAC offices they would like to work in, and that some offices had been ranked very high by all the interns, but some offices had not been ranked at all. He said he would get this information out to council soon so that they could each indicate the interns they wanted. Palma/Saracho said that a lot of planning had been done for the Regents meeting, with a public comment period to be held at 9:45a.m. on Thursday, and at noon on Friday. He also said that there would be a press conference at noon.
- Tripathi asked if people could go to the open sessions of the Regents Meeting.
- Vu explained that there was a small public space, where public comment could be made. He added that people could be in this public space during open session, but not during closed session.
- Palma/Saracho said that they usually set it up so that people outside of the room could hear what was going on in the meeting.
- Tuttle said that the Regents meetings are something that people will recall attending in years to come. He recommended that everyone on council go to this meeting.
- Palma/Saracho said that the press conference would be held in front of Covell Commons.

IX. Old Business

*There was no Old Business this week.*

X. Announcements

- Gaulton announced that "The Bourne Supremacy" would be playing on Thursday at 9:00 p.m., and that "National Treasure" would be playing on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and again on Friday at 9:00 p.m. He added that "Alexander" would be playing on Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. Gaulton said that on Monday there would be a concert performed by "Dance Disaster Movement". Gaulton said that last week he went to the kickoff meeting of the University Communications (UComm) Department to launch their new advertising campaign to reach out to students about the various events and activities that take place on the UCLA campus, and represent what UCLA is all about. Gaulton said he thought that this was a very good idea because a lot of great activities that take place on campus are poorly advertised. He said that he would be emailing to UComm information on everything that USAC sponsors so that these events could be listed on UComm's calendar and website. Gaulton said that in January there would be another meeting with the committee members. He said that the advertising campaign is called, "Drop the Laptop", and that Harlan Lebo, the Director of Communications for Letters and Sciences, is spearheading the campaign.
- McLaren said that this advertising effort, which will run to the end of Spring Quarter, is being funded by a grant from the Alumni Association.

- Gaulton said that they were running ads each week in the Daily Bruin which highlight a long list of on-campus events that would be of special interest to UCLA students. He said that the ads also include the UComm website where students can find an extended calendar of free and paid events. He said that the committee was looking for feedback.
- McLaren said it was her understanding that, if this campaign is successful during its pilot phase, it would be likely to become an ongoing communications project.
- Gaulton said he didn't know if that was the case, but said that he did feel there was a sense of urgency and a goal of showing positive results rather rapidly. He said that anyone who had events they wanted to have listed should email them to him and he would forward them to UComm. Gaulton also said that they were doing some new profiles, or spotlights, on student leaders which would become part of their overall campaign.
- On another matter, McLaren thanked council for their support in getting the mailboxes fixed without having to undergo the expense of replacing them completely. She said that if anyone did not have a key to their mailbox yet, she could give them a Key Request Form tonight so they could get a mailbox key as soon as possible.
- Bhuiyan said that there would be a noontime concert on Wednesday and a comedy show at the Coop that night.

XI. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

*Corella passed around the attendance sheet.*

XII. Adjournment

- Tseng moved and Avila seconded to adjourn.
- Tseng called for Acclamation. Palma/Saracho asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m. by Acclamation.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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USAC Minutes Taker