

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION  
COUNCIL

Tuesday February 15, 2005  
417 Kerckhoff Hall  
4:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Bhuiyan, Chan, Gaulton, Lee, McLaren, Martinez, Nelson, Palma/Saracho, Tseng,  
Villarin, Vu, Williams, Wood

ABSENT: Avila, Gruenberg, Tripathi

GUESTS: Chris Aquino, Brian Neesby, Narges Zohoury

I. A. Call to Order

- Palma/Saracho called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

B. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

*In Corella's absence, Chris Aquino passed around the Attendance Sheet*

II. Approval of the Agenda

- Before considering the Agenda, Palma/Saracho commented on the reason for Council meeting at 4:00pm instead of at its regular meeting time of 7:00pm. He referred to the fact that Council was not going to be able to meet quorum at the regular time, so members had agreed on an earlier time so they could take care of the items on the agenda that were time-critical, particularly the Contingency Fund Allocations. He thanked everyone for rearranging their schedules to accomplish this purpose. Palma/Saracho then asked if there were any amendments or additions to the Agenda.
- Martinez asked that the Action Item under New Business entitled "Resolution in Opposition to Excess Unit Fee Policy" be tabled to the next USAC meeting.
- Martinez also asked to be added to the Officer and Member Reports.
- Tseng asked that the item under Old Business entitled "ECP Task Force Updates" be removed from the agenda
- Martinez moved and Tseng 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

*There were no Minutes to be approved this week*

IV. Special Presentations

*There were no Special Presentations this week.*

V. Appointments

*There were no Appointments this week.*

## VI. Fund Allocations

- Aquino said that, of the eight Contingency requests, one had been dealt with through the Finance Committee's discretionary authorization, and the remaining seven recommendations were before Council at today's meeting for their consideration and approval.
- Martinez moved, and Vu seconded, to approve the Contingency Fund Allocation Recommendations.
- Tseng 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.

**Bruin Raas Team****Requested: \$5,608.00****Recommended: \$ 254.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$254.00 for the partial cost of Transportation for the National Gujarti Conference to be held from February 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Vietnamese Language and Culture****Requested: \$774.00****Recommended: \$258.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$258.00 for the partial cost of Transportation for the Saturday Vietnamese Tutorials/

**Association of Chinese Americans****Requested: \$4,209.57****Recommended: \$3,565.38**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$2,921.02 for the total cost of Facilities and \$644.28 for the partial cost of Supplies for the Chinese American Culture Night 2005 to be held on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Nikkei Student Union****Requested: \$4,760.01****Recommended: \$3,758.88**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$2,629.45 for the partial cost of Facilities, \$684.93 for the partial cost of Supplies, and \$444.40 for the partial cost of Graphics for the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Culture Night to be held February 21<sup>st</sup>.

**SWC CPR / Standard First Aid Committee****Requested: \$2,398.70****Recommended: \$1,335.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$585.00 for the total cost of Supplies and \$750 for the total cost of Other: ARC Cards for the Super CPR Event to be held February 21<sup>st</sup>.

**UCLA Yukai Daiko****Requested: \$450.00****Recommended: \$450.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the Retreat Cap of \$450.00 to cover the full cost of Facilities (\$300); Supplies (\$50.00); and Honorarium (\$100) for the Yukai Daiko Winter Leadership Retreat to be held from February 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Bruin Partners****Requested: \$392.15****Recommended: \$175.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$175.00 for the partial cost of Transportation for their Winter Quarter Field Trip to be held February 26<sup>th</sup>.

**General Representative #2****Requested: \$1,137.00****Recommended: \$ 600.00**

In compliance with the discretionary authorization granted to her in the 2004-2005 Finance Committee Guidelines, Corella recommended the allocation of \$600.00 for the partial cost of Transportation for the Student Labor Action Teach-In held on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

## VII. Officer and Member Reports

**Academic Affairs Commissioner – Eligio Martinez Jr.**

- Martinez said that the ECP Survey had been completed and that the results would be made public some time next week, probably early in the week. He said that, in the meantime, no one should be making any statements about the survey, including such things as how many students completed it. He said that all questions about the survey should be directed to him or to Lisa Raigosa in Jerry Mann's office.
- McLaren suggested that it might be better for Martinez to handle all questions that are raised. She said she was recommending this because, historically, all such matters have been handled by duly elected members of USAC rather than by a member of ASUCLA's staff.
- Martinez accepted McLaren's suggestion by amending his statement to ask that all questions about the ECP Survey be directed to him for reply.

**External Vice President - John Vu**

- Vu said that he would have a written report next week on the President's Budget.

**Internal Vice President - Darren Chan**

- Chan said that his office had received about 40 applications from students who want to serve as Editor of the Unofficial Guide to UCLA, and that he and his staff would begin interviewing them very soon. He then thanked everyone who showed up at last week's meeting with OCHC.

**President - Allende Palma/Saracho**

- Palma/Saracho said that he would be attending the UCLA Alumni Association meeting tomorrow evening, preceded by dinner with the Chancellor. He said that he would update Council on this meeting next week.

**Administrative Representative – Berky Nelson**

- Nelson reminded Council about the dinner meeting with Student Affairs Administrators on Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Faculty Center.
- Palma/Saracho asked about the time of the dinner.
- Nelson consulted his calendar, and confirmed that the dinner was set for 5:30pm and that it would be in the Redwood Room of the Faculty Center.
- Palma/Saracho asked who Council members should contact regarding specific issues they might want to discuss at that meeting.
- Nelson replied that they should send an email to Vice Chancellor Montero.

**ASUCLA Interim Executive Director – Bob Williams**

- Williams said that, at a Special Meeting last Friday, the ASUCLA Board of Directors approved the language of the proposed fee increase. He said that a copy of it will be provided to USAC very soon. He said that he and other Board members would be meeting with the GSA Forum on Wednesday, the 16<sup>th</sup>, and that he would be talking with Palma/Saracho regarding when to bring this matter before USAC. Williams closed by saying that he had been talking informally with the Daily Bruin to help them understand the process and the timing of the proposed new fee.

## IX. Old Business

*There was no Old Business this week.*

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## X. Announcements

- Gaulton announced that the movie, Sponge Bob Square Pants, would be shown on Wednesday and Thursday at 7:00pm and 9:30pm in Ackerman Grand Ballroom. He said that The Animation Show 2005 (A Night of Bitter Films) would also be held on Thursday evening. Robert Wuhl from HBO will be appearing on Thursday from 6:00 – 7:00pm in the Kerckhoff Grand Salon.
- Tseng announced that the Student Labor Center's Action Teach-in was going on today and that workshops were being conducted in Room 3517 Ackerman and in the Ackerman Grand Ballroom. He said that they'd be having dinner at 5:30pm, and that a speaker from the United Farm Workers would be presenting a Call to Action at 6:30pm. He said all the events were free and open, and he encouraged everyone to participate.
- Williams said that AVC Tom Lifka had asked him to hand out booklets on Financial Aid as background for an upcoming Special Presentation to USAC next week on the subject of undergraduate student financial support which Lifka and other Administrators would be making. (Williams then distributed to all Council members a copy of the publication entitled, "University of California Los Angeles Undergraduate Student Financial Support, 2001-2004.)
- Lee announced that, next week, CSC was sponsoring Disability Awareness Week from February 22-24. She said that their hot dog sale will also be held next week on Tuesday the 22<sup>nd</sup> from 11-2pm on Bruin Walk

## XI. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

*In Corella's absence, Aquino passed around the attendance sheet.*

## XII. Adjournment

- Villarin moved and Wood seconded to adjourn the meeting.
- Lee called for Acclamation. Palma/Saracho asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m. by Acclamation.