

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION
COUNCIL

Tuesday May 3, 2005
417 Kerckhoff Hall
7:00 P.M.

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

ABSENT: Corella, Gruenberg, Lam

GUESTS: Chris Aquino, Saba Riazati, Todd Sargent

I. A. Call to Order

- Palma/Saracho called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

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

II. Approval of the Agenda

- Martinez asked to be added to the Officer and Member Reports.
- Lee asked to be added to the Officer and Member Reports.
- Gaulton asked to be added to the Officer and Member Reports.
- Vu tabled to next week's meeting the Special Presentation on the University of California Student Association 2005-2006 Budget and also tabled the Approval of the UCSA Budget which was under New Business.
- Palma/Saracho tabled to next week's meeting the Judicial Board appointments.
- Avila asked to be added to the Officer and Member Reports.
- Chan asked to be added to the Officer and Members Reports.
- Martinez moved and Tripathi seconded to approve the Agenda as amended.
- Vu 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

March 8, 2005

- Avila said that, on page 6, under his Officer Report, the event had been RollAIDs, not World AIDs Day
- Martinez said that, on page 6, under his Officer Report, the first two instances of the word "professors" needed to be changed to "teachers".
- Avila moved and Vu seconded to approve the Minutes as amended.
- Villarin called for Acclamation. Palma/Saracho asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the Minutes of March 8, 2005 were approved, as amended, by Acclamation.

IV. Special Presentations

The Special Presentation on the UCSA Budget was tabled until next week.

V. Appointments

The Appointments to the Judicial were tabled until next week.

VI. Fund Allocations

- In Corella's absence, Aquino reported that, of the fourteen Contingency Applications, Corella had handled one in keeping with her discretionary authorization, and the remaining thirteen were before Council tonight for review and approval.
- Gaulton moved and Martinez seconded to approve the Contingency Fund Allocation Recommendations.
- Lee 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.

Vietnamese Language and Culture (VNLC)**Requested: \$1,290.00****Recommended: \$ 774.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$774.00 for the partial cost of Transportation for the Saturday Vietnamese Tutorial to be held every Saturday.

African Student Union (ASU)**Requested: \$1,513.92****Recommended: \$ 640.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$640.00 for the partial cost of Equipment for the ASU Higher Education Conference to be held on May 7th, 2005.

African Student Union (ASU)**Requested: \$2,400.00****Recommended: \$ 400.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$300.00 for the cost of Advertising and \$100.00 for the cost of Graphics for Malcolm X Day to be held May 19th to 21st.

Fashion and Student Trends (FAST)**Requested: \$1,903.84****Recommended: \$1,000.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$1,000.00 for the partial cost of a Runway for the Veritas Fashion Show to be held on May 24th, 2005.

Samahang Pilipino**Requested: \$4,520.10****Recommended: \$3,296.10**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$474.00 for the partial cost of Advertising, \$2,072.10 for the cost of Facilities, and \$750.00 for the partial cost of an Honorarium for Samahang Pilipino Cultural Night 2005 – "Bayan Ko" to be held on May 14th.

Japanese Animation Club**Requested: \$450.00****Recommended: \$292.50**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$292.50 for the partial cost of Graphics for Fresh Produce Anthology to be held from May 28th to 30th.

Student Welfare Commission (SWC)**Requested: \$1,995.00****Recommended: \$ 574.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$474.00 for the cost of Advertising and \$100.00 for the cost of Graphics for SWC's Spring Blood Drive to be held May 9th through May 13th.

Vietnamese Student Union**Requested: \$1,041.98****Recommended: \$ 804.98**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$735.76 for the cost of Facilities and \$69.22 for the cost of Graphics for Café Am to be held on May 15th.

UCLA UniCamp Mentorship**Requested: \$392.25****Recommended: \$392.25**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$392.25 for the cost of Transportation for the Magic Mountain Field Trip to be held on May 7th.

Mishpacha**Requested: \$4,746.50****Recommended: \$3,000.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$3,000.00 for the partial cost of an Honorarium for the Mishpacha Comedy Extravaganza to be held on May 26th.

Ethnomusicology Undergraduate Student Organization**Requested: \$2,500.00****Recommended: \$1,500.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$1,500.00 for the cost of Facilities for Worldstock to be held on May 7th.

Campus Events**Requested: \$950.00****Recommended: \$150.00**

The Finance Committee recommended the allocation of \$150.00 for the partial cost of an Honorarium for Buddy Wakefield on May 16th.

Community Service Commission**Requested: \$86.00****Recommended: \$86.00**

In compliance with the discretionary authorization granted to her in the 2004-2005 Finance Committee Guidelines, Corella recommended the allocation of \$86.00 for the cost of Transportation for Project SET held April 27th, 2005.

VII. Officer and Member Reports

Campus Events Commissioner – Jason Gaulton

- Gaulton said that the \$2 movie this week was The Sea Inside, and that Wednesday evening would be the Weezer Listening Program from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in Kerckhoff Coffee House. Gaulton said that last week had been The Roots concert, with 7,500 people in attendance. He said that the response from the Administration had been positive, and said that he has been talking with Kenn Heller, CEC's Advisor, about the possibility of holding more evening concerts in the future. Gaulton then announced that the cost of facilities for The Roots concert had come in almost double the amount they had originally projected. He said that their estimates had been low because this was somewhat of a trial, and they really had no similar event to refer to. He noted that they had spared no expense on security and that additional tenting of the stage and artists' area had been added because of the possibility of rain. Gaulton said, prior to

finding out how much they would have to pay for The Roots concert, CEC had been going into the rest of the year with a healthy budget, but that is no longer the case. He said that CEC has planned two events for May that he felt would be good for the student body. He said that one event is a concert and the other features The Walkmen, a music group, and Todd Barry, a comedian. Gaulton said that both of these events were rather expensive, and passed around a sheet with the budget estimates. He said that CEC would need about \$25,000 to make these two events happen but, after figuring in The Roots expenses, CEC was \$15,000 over budget. Gaulton said that he had talked with Debra Simmons from SGA, and she said that surplus funds are not always used by the end of the year, and that Council makes the decision on whether or not to roll over surplus to next year. Gaulton said that he was not asking Council to take action tonight on this matter because he thought it would be good for them to think about it and ask questions before they took make a decision. He said that a check wouldn't have to be cut until next week, so the decision could be made at the next meeting.

- Williams asked if the \$80,000 cost included the new budget.
- Gaulton said that it did.
- Nelson asked when the two upcoming events would take place.
- Gaulton said the concert would be on May 12th, and that the comedy night would be on May 17th.
- McLaren asked how much Gaulton was asking for.
- Gaulton said he would be asking for \$15,000.

Student Welfare Commissioner – Jason Avila

- Avila told council to remember to sign up for UCLA Run/Walk. Avila also said that the upcoming Spring Quarter Blood Drive would also include a bone marrow registry. He said that the Health Symposium held last week had hosted about 120 people.
- Nelson asked if SWC was holding more blood drives this year than they usually do.
- Avila said that SWC had always held a blood drive during Sixth Week of each academic quarter, and that this year was no different from the prior years.

Community Service Commissioner – Crystal Lee

- Lee said that this Saturday would be Parental Involvement through the Arts (PITA). She asked council to please eat a lot of canned food and give Lee the empty cans. She explained that the cans would be used at the PITA event for a beautification project, where people would decorate the cans and then plant flowers in them which could be taken back to their neighborhoods.
- Williams asked what size cans were wanted.
- Lee said any kind or size could be used. Lee also said that there was a grant writing workshop coming up on Monday in her office. Lee ended by saying that CSC's year-end banquet would be held on Friday June 3rd. She handed out invitations to everyone at the table, and asked them to please come.

Academic Affairs Commissioner – Eligio Martinez, Jr

- Martinez said that, with regard to the Late Drop Policy, there might not be a decision within the college. He said that, if this was a faculty vote, it was very likely that the policy would not be changed. Martinez said that he was working with Faculty members to determine their response to the proposed changes. He also said that they were also talking about the possibility of changing the total number of classes that could be dropped in an academic year.

External Vice President – John Vu

- Vu said that he would be attending the final UCSA meeting in San Francisco this weekend and would be interviewing candidates for UC Student Regent.
- Nelson asked how many of the candidates were Bruins.
- Vu said that four UCLA graduate students were in the running.

Internal Vice President – Darren Chan

- Chan said that, with regard to the concerns brought up about the Unofficial Guide to UCLA, he had met with the Communications Board, and they would be speaking with their lawyers to examine any potential problems with the Unofficial Guide. He said that, in the past, every Professor Review had been screened before posting. He said that now, however, due to the volume, there is a form of self-regulation, where browsers are asked to report inappropriate reviews.
- Tuttle said that his hope was that this publication would go through the normal Communications Board process. He said that projects often went through Communications Board, and this process of appropriate review was necessary. Tuttle explained that he was agnostic about the opinions of the Communications Board's lawyers, but he assumed that they would give good direction. He said that his urging was to go forward with the normal Communications Board process.
- Chan said that everything that would be published on the website would be going through Student Media. He said that this would be published under the Communications Board's website.

VIII. Old Business

B. ECP Task Force Updates

- Martinez said that he had met with the ECP committee. He said that recommendations had been made to present information to the faculty, and he said that he would be making a presentation at the June 10th meeting of the Faculty Executive Committee. Martinez said that he was drafting a proposal, in addition to trying to inform faculty about USAC's position on ECP.

IX. New Business

The New Business item regarding the UCSA Budget was tabled to next week.

X. Announcements

- Gaulton corrected his earlier statement by saying that the Weezer Listening Project would actually be Thursday night from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in Kerckhoff Coffee House, not Wednesday night.
- Bhuiyan passed around fliers for WorldFest, Eclectic, and a documentary by Wayne Bird. He asked council to try to attend the WorldFest events. He said that there was an event tonight from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
- Wood said that, on Monday from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., the author of The Vagina Monologues would be speaking in De Neve. She also said that next week would be Women for Change Week.
- Avila said to get tickets at the Central Ticket Office.

XI. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

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

XII. Adjournment

- Avila moved and Gaulton seconded to adjourn.
- Vu called for Acclamation. Palma/Saracho asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m. by Acclamation.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Keesler
USAC Minutes Taker