

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION  
COUNCIL

Wednesday May 14, 2008  
417 Kerckhoff Hall  
1:00 a.m

PRESENT: Birks, Chacon, Chibnick, Garcia, Gonzalez, Hosseini, Kohles, Liu, McLaren, Melgar, Nelson, Reodica, Roth, Shulman, Sien, Tressel, Tsai, Tuttle, Williams

ABSENT: Sobhani

GUESTS:

**The USA Council of 2008-2009 was sworn in at 12:53 a.m, on May 14, 2008.**

I. A. Call to Order

- Hosseini called the meeting to order at 12:53 a.m.

B. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

*The Attendance sheet was passed around.*

II. Approval of the Agenda

- Shulman asked that the "c" be taken out of his last name on the agenda.
- Melgar removed Ray Austin from Special Presentations.- Shulman moved and Kohles seconded to approve the Agenda as amended.
- Hosseini called for Acclamation. Hosseini 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 this week.*

IV. Public Comments

*There were no Public Comments this week.*

V. Special Presentations

*There were no Special Presentations this week.*

VI. Appointments

**Designations of USAC Officers for the Appointments Review Committee (ARC), Budget Review Committee (BRC), Constitutional Review Committee (CRC), and the USA Programming Fund Committee, Fall Quarter**

- Hosseini said that based on the applications sent to her from the other council members, she decided to designate the following people to each respective committee: Monica Kohles and Jeremiah Garcia to ARC, Elaine Reodica, James Birks, and Natalie Gonzalez to BRC, Galen Roth and Valerie Sien to CRC, and Penson Liu and George Chacon to USA Programming Fund. She tried to designate everyone to either their first or second choice.
- Garcia moved and Chacon seconded to approve the Designations of USAC Officers for the Appointments Review Committee (ARC), Budget Review Committee (BRC), Constitutional Review Committee (CRC), and the USA Programming Fund Committee, Fall Quarter.
- Tuttle said, while the method of block voting is appropriate for this situation, it is best for future appointments to address them one at a time.
- Council approved the Designations of USAC Officers for the Appointments Review Committee (ARC), Budget Review Committee (BRC), Constitutional Review Committee (CRC), and the USA Programming Fund Committee, Fall Quarter with a vote of 12-0-0.

VII. Fund Allocations

*There were no Fund Allocations this week.*

VIII. Officer and Member Reports

**President – Homaira Hosseini**

Hosseini said she attended the CSF Conference at UCSB this past weekend. They discussed what they, as students, felt should be cut and should not be cut in regard to the UC Regents. There is also an open seat on the UC Board of Regents, and the students attending the CSF Conference sent a letter to the UC Regents detailing the qualifications they would like to see in the next UC Regent to fill that position.

**External Vice President – Jesse Melgar**

Melgar said the UC Regents will be voting on the fee increase at 10:45 a.m, tomorrow at Covell Commons. Along with students from UCLA, Melgar said students from UC Berkeley and UCSB will show up along with UCSA and the press.

IX. Old Business

*There was no Old Business this week.*

X. New Business

**A. Discussion of Plans for USAC Installation Ceremony**

- Hosseini said the USAC Installation Ceremony is on June 8<sup>th</sup>, in the Kerckhoff Grand Salon, and it is the official ceremony where the previous USAC will pass the torch to the new USAC.
- Melgar asked how long the ceremony will take. McLaren said each speech that a previous council member gives lasts 15 to 20 minutes on average, and the entire event usually lasts 1.5 to 2 hours.
- Hosseini asked the council what the best time would be for the ceremony. Kohles said the ceremony should start at noon, and the rest of council did not object.

**B. Discussion of Date and Place for USAC Retreat**

- Shulman asked the rest of council to send him their summer schedule as soon as possible so he could finalize a proposal to council for the USAC Retreat.
- McLaren said he might want to present to council a first and second choice for the retreat scheduling.

XI. Announcements

- Melgar said tomorrow is the meeting of the UC Regents, and 8:30 a.m is the time for public comments.

XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

*The attendance sheet was passed around.*

XIII. Adjournment

- Gonzalez moved and Chacon seconded to adjourn.
- Hosseini called for Acclamation. Hosseini asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 1:16 a.m. by Acclamation.

XIV. Good and Welfare

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas King  
USAC Minutes Taker