

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION
COUNCIL

Tuesday April 26, 2011
417 Kerckhoff Hall
7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Jasmine Hill, Stephanie Lucas, Cris Santos, Matt Spring, Emily Resnick, Gatsby Miller, Suza Khy, Charles Ma, Jamie Yao, Kinnery Shah, John Christian De Vera, Ronald Arruejo, Linda Phi, Isaac Rose, Dr. Debra Geller, Dr. Berky Nelson, Willard Tressel, Patricia Zimmerman, Bob Williams, Roy Champawat, Katrina Dimacali

ABSENT:

GUESTS: Sean Wang, Paulina Popovsraia, Dau Xie

I. A. Call to Order

- Hill called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

B. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet was passed around.

II. Approval of the Agenda

-Lucas made a motion to add under New Business election ballot order as an action item. Santos seconded.

-Khy moved CRC presentation to next week.

-Santos moved Cornel West proposal under new business as an action item.

-Khy moved to strike ASRF.

-Arruejo moved to strike capital contingency.

- Spring moved and Phi seconded to approve the agenda, as amended.

- Hill called for Acclamation. Hill asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the agenda was approved, as amended.

III. Approval of the Minutes

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- De Vera moved and Spring seconded to approve the agenda, as amended.

- Hill called for Acclamation. Hill asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the minutes were approved, as amended.

IV. Public Comments

Sean Wang- The Den

Wang talked about a request to put an advisory question on the ballot next week. He said it has to do with Pauley Pavilion and the placement of seats. He said that this would get as many student opinions at once. Wang said that the previous question was vague. Wang said this would be detrimental to the student body as a whole. He said this would be a good way to gauge the student mood.

Paulina Popovsraia- CalPIRG

Paulina said she would like to highlight her lobby day with UCB and UCD to meet with staffers to talk about the importance of higher education as well as corporate tax breaks. She said they amended the resolution and it's back on the agenda.

Dawn Xie- Campus Organizer for CalPIRG

She said they have full time jobs for fellowships. She said that if people are interested to contact her. She said that they have paid positions. She said they would do overviews and interviews on campus next week as well.

V. Special Presentations

A. Student Alliance for Diversity Presentation- Khy and Vasquez

Khy said they are going to propose an idea for proposal. This is the proposal to include a student advisory vote for diversity on the ballot presented by the student alliance for diversity. She said that the campus climate indicates need. She talked about the recent events and how they demonstrate that intolerance exists at UCLA. She talked about the vandalism to the LGBT center at UC Davis last year and at UCLA years prior. She talked about the UCSD "Compton Cookout" and noose incident. She said that it is the responsibility of the university to introduce dialogue between communities. She presented the advisory vote language they would like to use. She said that they wanted to message to students that this would not introduce an additional requirement. She said that they would like to transform and shift one of the requirements under society and culture, given that under that foundation students already have to take 3 courses. The third requirement would be transformed to effectively address these issues. She said they would change communities to effectively meet needs. She said that an advisory vote is a poll of the association that is non-binding. She said she wants to apply pressure to faculty and the senate. Khy said that the vote would urge the faculty to approve the requirement once it goes to their vote. Khy said that they should support it because UCLA is the only university without a GE requirement that integrates a diversity requirement besides UCSF. She said to keep in line with the mission and vision of the UC system, they should have UCLA up to par with other UC campuses. She said that the requirement would better prepare students for a globalize economy. She said that through the requirement students would be better equipped with whatever business or relations people might have. Khy said that the chancellor supports diversity and he has supported diversity in multiple facets. She said that they would like to get the faculty to realize this is something they should embark on. Khy said that Bruins are leaders of LA, CA, and the county. Khy said that UCLA is a mechanism for developing leaders and students should recognize these constituencies. She said that this would allow students to lead the state and nation as well. She asked if anyone had questions.

-Spring asked how she plans to educate the campus on the importance of the vote

-Khy said they thought about teach-ins and educational materials such as flyers. She said that diversity dinners have been starting the discussions already. Khy said that in order to frame it, they could use educational materials.

-Tressel asked about who the challenges were referring to.

-Dr. Geller said they should do rewording so it is clear that existing faculty would be teaching and not the council. She said that this sounds like it is adding one class in somewhere. She said the question doesn't include this

-Yao said that the question should be made more straightforward as referring to the second statement.

-Resnick said that the question should go at the end and made clear.

-Khy said that in crafting the language, the component was the replacement factor. She said there would be supplemental information.

-Dr. Geller said that any advisory question has to be approved by the chancellor. She said that it is about the wording of the question so that there is no misstatement of fact included. She said that the supplemental information doesn't include wording. She said that wording should be clear. She said that the question itself should be clear with no room for misinterpretation.

-Dr. Nelson asked what she intends to accomplish. He asked if she wants to get a sense of how the university responds to events, etc. He asked what she wants to find out.

-Khy said that they want to find out whether students would want a requirement that would teach all of these things. She said this type of proposal has come up to senate a couple of times. She said that the main objective and goal would be to see if students would think learning about these aspects is important.

-Dr. Nelson said that in light of events around UCs, if she thinks diversity requirements would look at those instances.

-Hill said that this should be communicated in a way so that students know that there would not be an additional requirement. Hill said she sees the intent in making students understand that it would be a component of an existing requirement.

- Dr. Nelson said that if “no additional requirement” is included, if they are looking for positive responses of negative responses. He said that they are looking for a positive vote. He said that it should be worded in a way that is as positive as possible.
- Miller asked who would sit on the committee for deciding courses
- Khy said that the committee developed an implementation workgroup. She said that herself and another person are on the committee. She said it tends to be faculty from a wide array of disciplines.
- Miller said thank you for her work on this and said it is a great thing to put forward. He asked if this would pose a difficulty for students to complete this requirement. He asked what they perceive the impact would be on students to fulfill requirements.
- Khy said that some of their GE courses would cover this requirement. She said it’s hard to gauge how many courses would be available because the implementation team would look over these courses. She said that she knows he expressed concern about not having enough classes. She said that this is a valid concern. She said that they should advocate for more resources. Khy said that it is difficult to determine because the implementation team is still crafting how many courses would be under this.
- Tressel said that getting to the essence of the question is important. He read a possible question. He said he doesn’t understand the wording.
- De Vera said that when looking at the question, it should be made clearer to see the true intent of the advisory board.
- Miller said that he wasn’t sure that students would know what community relevance would mean.
- Hill said that they are critiquing the language because they see this as a positive thing to do. She said that they would never have the opportunity to get at least 8,000 students to weigh in on these different things. She said that it seems that the council would like to push this forward. Hill said that if they approve this on Tuesday, it would be too late. If this would be approved it would have to be done tonight. Hill said that it would be appropriate to add this as an action item.
- Santos asked where this would be put. He moved to add the proposal to add a student diversity vote to the ballot as an action item. Yao seconded.
- Hill asked if there were more discussions on this.
- Zimmerman said that in regards to this and the Pauley question, they might want to vote on both proposed questions.
- Spring moved to bring the vote about the addition of the Den question to the agenda.
- Hill said that they should make an amendment to the amendment
- Spring moved to have a vote about the two proposed questions. De Vera seconded.
- Dr. Geller said they would need to vote on the amendment, which would be majority, and make a vote to add it to the ballot, which would need a 2/3 vote.
- Ma said he would like to call to question. Phi seconded.
- With a unanimous vote, the addition of the diversity question was approved.
- Santos called to question the addition of the diversity question. With a unanimous vote, the question was added to the ballot.
- Dr. Nelson asked for clarification.

VI. Appointments
There were no appointments this week.

VII. Fund Allocations

A. Academic Success Referendum Fund

There was no business for the Academic Success Referendum Fund.

B. Academic Affairs Mini-Grant

There was no business for the Academic Affairs Mini-Grant this week.

C. EVP Travel Grant

There was no business for the EVP Travel grant this week.

D. Cultural Affairs Mini-Grant

Shah said both requested asked for \$1,500. She said that each group got \$1,000 given the amount of money left in the pool. She said that next week would be the last week for allocations.

E. *Contingency Allocations

Miller moved to approve contingency for this week.

-Arruejo said that the allocations for April 22 are okay for now. He said the allocations sent today are retroactive allocations. He said that programs for student groups followed all procedures and some were misplaced. He was not made aware about the allocations until this week. He said that it was impressed upon him the urgency of their allocations and reviewed the allocations without the committee. He said that it was a lack of following rules by the previous chair. He asked the council to override the rules of retroactive funding.

-Zimmerman said they would need 3/4ths of a vote for suspending bylaws.

-Santos said that the allocations were made an issue.

-Arruejo said that applications were emailed and they followed up through emails over the past month. He said that it was hard to believe that they didn't turn in the paper application and said it was probably misplaced. He said that the Jewish Student Union was supposed to be put in the matrix but it wasn't there. He said that he was looking at emails and said that they followed the rules, but it was due to misappropriation by the finance committee.

-Miller asked if these groups were made aware that they were receiving funding

-Arruejo said no. He said that after phone calls and email, the groups did follow the right procedures.

-Miller said that he is concerned that they spent money and never were told they were receiving funding.

-Hill asked if they requested money for events that already past

-Arruejo said that his role is to see that the proper allocation was given to them. He said that he assumes they spent it and is giving an allocation necessary for their event. He said that for the Hindu Student Association, he reviewed this allocation alone.

-Dr. Nelson asked if the event took place.

-Arruejo said yes.

-Shah said that they spent their own money but took it out of their own budget.

-Miller said that he supports this but would like to make sure that regardless of where the money came from, the groups expected contingency guaranteed when it isn't guaranteed.

-Arruejo said that only 10-20% of groups actually email the chair. He said that since these groups made multiple attempts to contact him, the groups are warranted the allocation they were given.

-Dr. Geller asked if he was contacted before their events.

-Arruejo said he wasn't the chair then.

-Dr. Geller asked if the emails were dated before the events.

-Arruejo said that it isn't the group to ask for funding but it is up to the ficom to update them about funding.

-Dr. Geller said that there is differences between follow up before or after the event. She said that the group could either plan with expenses or cut out things. She said that it isn't good fiscal practice for anyone to spend money that hasn't been committed on an event. She said that if they started to follow up before the event is different than if they started to follow up after the event.

-Hill said that the nature of the inquiry matters. She asked about their interactions. She feels uncomfortable in assuming they spent the money regardless of them giving it to them. She said she feels like if it is a group that was supposed to be entered into the matrix, it seems strange that they didn't receive that money.

-Miller said that he understands that the Jewish Student Union was told they received money and didn't. He said that he would like to know about the nature of the communication with the Hindu student union.

-Arruejo said that the Hindu Student Union asked about their funding before the event. He said there was communication but the allocation was lost.

-Hill asked what group this was.

-Arruejo said this was for the Hindu Student Union.

-Miller said that they should put on the application that funding is not guaranteed once a group applies. He moved to approve to suspend the rules. Santos seconded.

-Zimmerman said they should add that they want to approve the allocations

-Miller moved to suspend the rules to approve the retroactive funding on the contingency allocations. Santos seconded.

-Miller called to question. De Vera seconded. With a vote of 12-0-0, the two rules were suspended to approve the retroactive funding.

- De Vera called to question contingency allocations for this week. Spring seconded. With a vote of 12-0-0, the contingency allocations for this week were approved
- Miller asked how much is left in contingency.
- Arruejo said that there is \$15844.23

VIII. Officer and Member Reports

President – Jasmine Hill

Hill said she would like to talk about the proposal brought in by the member of the Den. She met with Sean to talk about the back and forth about the issue of Pauley. She said that there is rumor that it has been said that the movement of Pauley was USAC sponsored and initiated, which is not the case. She said that it is important that they serve the students and collect information. Hill said that the presentation was made in good spirits. She said that they have the responsibility to listen to students. They have been meetings to see what to do from here. Hill said that they could discuss this as a council. She commended the CRC for their work. She said that she said conflicts of interest language would be discussed next week. She suggested talking about all CRC recommendations at once and everything could be approved next week. She said that they could look at ways to better clarify the bylaws. She thanked Spring and Resnick for attending the meeting.

-Miller asked for clarification about what she was recommending.

-Hill said yes and she would like to explain why that happened.

-Hill said that ASUCLA and other groups have been talking about social needs. She said that they have asked to speak to USAC leaders about their experiences with space. She said May 3rd at 6pm, the consultants would be here to survey their opinions. Council would be asked about what they do, their storage space, etc. She said she would love to see CSC, Cultural Affairs, CEC, SWC, general representatives, etc. She said that there would be provisions of food. She said that she would send an email.

Internal Vice President – Stephanie Lucas

Lucas said she has been having meetings about the How-To guide. She said she started a survey for Saferides recap to talk about how as a council they have increased safety at UCLA. She said that Phi pointed out they should meet once a quarter.

External Vice President--Chris Santos

Santos said they have been trying to get rooms for the UCSA meeting and student regent meeting. She said this is starting Friday on the 6th. He said that the student regent selection is private. Santos said they are working with UCSA to address new revenues for higher education. He said they are really trying to make use of tactics, such as working with the California Teacher's Association. Santos said they are trying to push legislatures for tax extensions. He said that they gave them advice for what to say on the commercial. Santos said they have a list of what they would like to see from different entities on campus. The next step is to get all of these entities on the same table and to draft an agreement from that. Santos said that he expects to drive voter registration numbers to almost double.

Academic Affairs Commissioner--Suza Khy

Khy said she met with the director of the Bruin Resource center to talk about the parent student population. She said that they were supportive of the decision. Vice Chancellor Smith also thought it was a great idea. She said that with save Covell they are working to find alternatives to fund Covell. They are looking with speaking with Vice Chancellor Montero. She said that this is a model other universities have with peer facilitator tutoring. She said that she seemed open to the idea and they are going to meet with the director of ORL to see how they could move this forward.

Administrative Representative- Dr. Geller

She said that May 25 from 4-5:30 would be the chancellor's student honor reception at his house. She said that it should be sent to their emails. She said that the invitations are not transferable. She said key committee

appointees are invited as well. She said that none of the addresses are organizational. She said that this is a fun event.

Student Support Services- Patty Zimmerman

Zimmerman said that they would be linked in to a wireless network and printers. She said that this is for key people. She passed out wireless access forms. She said that she would like to get this started because their offices need it. She said that offices need a wireless adaptor. She said they could do a group wireless bridge. Zimmerman said that they could work this out with them. She said that they don't have to switch.

-Spring asked if this was for 5th floor offices.

-Zimmerman said yes.

-Arruejo asked if this was only for elected offices.

-Zimmerman said it is for all student offices.

IX. Old Business

A. *OSAC 2011 Allocations-Myca Tran

-Hill said that the committee has been working to address some of the concerns they had to follow up with groups.

-Spring moved to approve OSAC allocations for 2011. Yao seconded. There were no objections.

-Hill said that they would be here to communicate any edits they would make. She commended them for calming any hysteria.

-Tran said they would be going over the same presentation as well as what was done over this past week. She introduced herself. Her staff introduced themselves. Tran said that they would go through the process.

-Hill said that they could just do a general overview since they were there last week.

-One staff member talked about their multiple avenues of outreach. He said that they wanted to make sure that groups had the chance to apply for space based on whether they met these requirements. He said that they used Facebook, daily ads, radio, posting on their doors, etc. He said that they got a big turnout and a lot of groups knew about the process. They also had a town hall meeting about how to apply and what the requirements were.

-Tressel said that since it was on the record, they don't have to go through everything again. He said to just go through what was done over the past week.

-Tran said that they called individual groups that were moving in general within Kerckhoff. She said that they sent out allocations via email and they will post them on OrgSync after approval.

-One member talked about groups that he talked to. He said that two groups didn't know that they had offices in Kerckhoff. HE said that groups were using the space they had already for meetings as well.

-Another member talked to a group that didn't respond. She said that since they didn't have any other way of communication, they would not be getting space next year.

-Tran said that she talked to Red Cross and they did not apply back after multiple calls and emails.

-Hill asked about groups that were asked to move

-Tran said that two groups decided to stay in their space. She said that other groups would be staying in their office. They minimized movement.

-Spring asked why one group allocation was changed.

-Tran said that since other groups aren't moving that they decided to move them.

-Hill asked if there were more groups moving

-Tran said it was the same number

-Dr. Nelson asked if they took notes about which they tried to contact. He recommended having record of this.

-Miller asked about moving the mailboxes.

-Tran said that the ones on the right column were the ones they were adding on

-Zimmerman said they have space available in the communal office space.

-Tran said that she hopes these allocations are approved. She said that they would be reopening applications for lockers. She said they might propose more allocations for lockers.

-De Vera called to question OSAC allocations. Spring seconded. With a vote of 12-0-0, the OSAC allocations were approved.

-Hill thanked them for their work and flexibility.

B. *CalPRIG Resolution

- Spring moved to approve the CalPIRG resolution and a 1/3 ad this week. Resnick seconded.
- Hill said that some concerns about documentation have been addressed. She said a citation section was added. She opened the space for questions about the resolution.
- Spring said he met with Paulina about revisions. He said that he is pleased with the changes that were made. He said that problems found last week were addressed.
- Hill said that this could correlate to a decision made on campus. She said this should be taken seriously.
- De Vera asked for clarification for the last let it be finally resolved. He said he doesn't know whom they are referring to by saying "executive president."
- Hill said that it should read "external"
- De Vera moved to change this to read external.
- Santos asked if there was a reason to have two letters.
- Yao asked why external vice president is on there. She made a friendly amendment to capitalize students.
- Hill asked for someone to keep track of the changes made.
- De Vera said to go off that, he would like to amend the statement to read "be it finally resolved that the Undergraduate Student Association's Council.." Miller seconded.
- Hill said this would mean that the council as a whole would support this. She said that the resolution in itself is like a letter.
- Spring said that with the second "whereas," he said he doesn't agree with the use of the word "burden." He said that there could be a different word.
- Hill said that she feels like this was amended. She said that she hears his concern.
- Yao moved to amend the whereas to read "whereas since CalPIRG's first contract UCLA's enrollment has grown significantly by 15% without the corresponding increase in CalPIRG staff capacity to reach its 15% goal."
- De Vera asked what the title of the resolution is.
- Hill said that it could be a "Resolution in Support of Decreasing the UCLA Chapter of CalPIRG Participant Threshold."
- Miller asked what they call people who have pledged CalPIRG.
- Dawn said that they are called a "member."
- Santos proposed the title "Resolution in Support of Decreasing the Voluntary Pledge System Agreement for UCLA's Chapter of CalPIRG." Resnick seconded.
- Spring said that he wanted to makes sure that Dr. Geller is pleased with the changes that are made.
- Miller called to question the amendment.
- Spring read the resolution as amended.
- Santos seconded.
- With a vote of 12-0-0, the Resolution in Support of Decreasing the Voluntary Pledge System Agreement for UCLA's Chapter of CalPIRG was approved.

X. New Business

- Hill requested that they switch things. She said guests have questions about the advisory vote. She requested that the StudentsVote! coalition would move to the end.
- Miller asked if they needed to table it
- Zimmerman said that this is a consent item

A. Additions to the Ballot

- Miller moved to approve the addition of the Pauley Pavilion referenda to the 2011 ballot. Shah seconded.
- Tressel read the proposed question that read, "Since Pauley pavilion opined in 1966, UCLA students have occupied the north sideline seats at (center court) at UCLA basketball games. The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics has proposed moving all the student seats to the behind the basket to the east end of the court. Do you support this proposal?"
- Miller agreed and said that the language is biased. He proposed the language be what Tressel said.
- Santos moved to amend the proposed language "Since Pauley pavilion opined in 1966, UCLA students have occupied the north sideline seats at (center court) at UCLA basketball games. The Department of

Intercollegiate Athletics has proposed moving all the student seats to the behind the basket to the east end of the court. Do you support this proposal?"

-Hill said that people don't hate or love this proposal.

-Dr. Geller said since this is a nonbinding vote, they could see what their position is, such as if they support, oppose, or don't care.

-Chris said that this wouldn't be possible to have this as an option.

-Hill asked if they could have this.

-Chris said that this wouldn't be possible but is assuming that they couldn't do this.

-Miller said that if this technically works, if they could have two questions asking if they support this and where they stand.

-Champawat said the question should be simple and crisp.

-Hill said that they have the language.

-Tressel said that if they want to play with the language, they could see if they support moving students to the end of the court.

-Hill said that this is similar to supporting this proposal. She asked if people are comfortable with this or if they should move to a three-prong question.

-Shah said ideally, it should be yes, no, or I don't care. She asked if they could make a two-prong question.

-Hill said that they could but they would need to create a second question.

-Miller said he thinks the assumption yes would be the default option for people that wouldn't care about this issue.

-Dr. Nelson said that to make it as fair as possible, they could see what they would prefer: center seats or east seats.

-Hill said she likes this since it gives light to what the intention is from athletics in making the shift.

-Khy said she feels like if a student care, it would have been a no. She proposed keeping the question as a yes or no.

-Hill asked if they could put, yes, no, or indifferent. She said that they are trying to gauge that do not like this.

-Dr. Nelson said people could not vote at all. He said that they would get people who care and who don't.

-Ma said that the seats behind the backcourt are worse. Ma said that they are the only university that has seats where they are.

-Arruejo said they should keep the question to read yes or no.

-Phi asked if they could have a visual element to the question.

-Hill said that this probably wouldn't be done.

-Chris said they could but it would include an external link

-Yao said that they should add an "I don't know" or "indifferent" response because this changes results.

-Hill said that several people are in favor of an indifferent option. Hill said that from what she's hearing, the favorite is having three options and the other option is to have yes or no. She said that she feels like people will vote even if they are indifferent.

-Spring said that having a yes, indifferent, or no could gauge where people are. He said that language should be clear.

-Tressel said that they could have yes, no, or no opinion.

-Resnick said that if they can't do a three-prong option, they could see a "do you oppose this" and that could be yes or no

-Champawat said that they should try to get as much information as they can.

-Yao said that the responses could be yes, no, or "no opinion."

-Miller said he agrees with Yao.

-Ma asked why does it matter if they have no opinion. He said that if they had yes or no, it forces people to pick one.

-Miller said statistically, if people don't care, it shouldn't be an issue. He said that by having don't care, that this would be useful information

-Phi said that they could say "no preference" rather than "I don't care."

-Hill said people's first preference is to have a yes/no if they can't do a three-prong model.

-Spring asked if this would be a second option.

-Hill said yes. It would go yes/no/no preference or yes/no.

-Yao said that they should ask for no opinion since some people don't go to games.

-Hill asked if it would just be two questions.

- Yao said yes. She said that's what real pollsters do.
- Arruejo said that he respectfully disagrees. He said that this way would make it difficult to draw conclusions. He said that if there is no majority, they couldn't draw a conclusion
- Ma said that no preference would let them do whatever they want
- Santos said he appreciates the conversation and said that if this is on the ballot, the decision shouldn't be based on this. This should be based on the Den, who goes to every game.
- Hill said that this is a key part of the issue. She said that the leaders approved moving the students.
- Miller said that if it is only yes/no, we don't know how many people who didn't have a preference. He said that they danced around the point of three or two prongs.
- Miller amended the motion to include the following: the addition of the language as agreed upon by council with the three options of yes, no, or no preference. If this were not feasible, the answers would only be yes or no. Phi seconded. Miller called to question.
- Hill read the question. With a vote of 11-0-0, the amendment was approved.

B. *CRC Recommendations

- Khy read the proposal from the CRC. Miller seconded.
- Hill said that the recommendation was to make sure that this was not a full course but a requirement
- Tressel said that this should be the undergraduate students association.
- Miller said they talked about this earlier and since there are no comments, he would like to call to question. Shah seconded. There were no objections. With a vote of 11-0-0, the proposal to add "In order to prepare Bruins as future global leaders, reinforce UCLA's commitment to diversity and academic excellence, and foster the understanding of intergroup dynamics, shall the Undergraduate Student Association support the replacement of an existing General Education requirement in the Foundations of Society and Culture to integrate diversity in the curriculum?" was added to the ballot. There was a vote of 10-0-1.

C. Election Board Order

- Hill passed around election board flyers reminding students to vote.
- De Vera moved to approve the election ballot order. Phi seconded.
- Hill asked if there were questions. She said this is a random order.
- Ahrens said this would be the order on the ballot
- Miller asked if they needed to add the advisory vote to this.
- Hill said the initial motion amended the election ballot. She said they are in motion to approve this as amended.
- Miller called to question. Shah seconded. With a vote of 11-0-0, the election board order was approved.

D. Cornel West Event Proposal

- Hill said she has interns to talk about the event. She said they are requesting \$4000 from the USAC wide fund. She said there is over \$8000 in this account.
- The interns introduced themselves. She said that the discussion is on the hill and sponsored by numerous entities. She said this is a very relevant event and to today's time. She said that they would talk about how this is relevant to UCLA and how students can benefit.
- They said that this is an opportunity to have a dialogue with people at the forefront of America. She said that with events that happened on campus, this is relevant. She said that a bulk of the people would be students. She said it promotes UCLA as an institution.
- They said that projects at the community programs office would benefit from this as well. He talked about mentoring and tutoring projects. He said that the goal is to motivate students and help them be more successful in life. He said funding for this is important since it would encourage the community to deal with incarceration
- Santos moved to approve this proposal. Shah seconded.
- Hill said that one of the departments at the last minute meeting had to drop out because of other funding needs. She said that people have probably heard advertisements for this event. She said they have been asked to take over the cost. She said that they feel bad about asking for funding late. She said that they are excited to showcase performers and primarily the work is coming from a coalition from different

departments. She said she hopes to foster controversial dialogue. There is question and answer and if they offer support, everyone would get VIP seats.

-Miller said that co-programming is something that they have been encouraging. He asked if the \$8000 is unallocated or undispersed.

-Hill said undispersed. She said she talked to SGA and there is only around \$2000 that is unallocated. There is money coming back from Can You Hear Us Now.

-Miller called to question. Shah seconded. With a vote of 11-0-0, the funding for the Cornel West event was approved for \$4000.

E. StudentsVote! Coalition

-Santos moved to approve the resolution for the StudentsVote! Coalition

-Santos said that they have been doing a lot of work on this. He said that after carrying out voting efforts, it was clear that this was the right thing to do. He said that this is not something that would benefit them now but would benefit them when the November elections occur. This would benefit them greatly for the presidential elections. He said that they received a lot of support for this. Santos said that they have been working on this. He said that they haven't gotten official support from USAC.

-Hill asked if there were questions, comments, amendments, or friendly amendments. She said this is important since this has to do with student engagement. She said that this is a way they could manifest student engagement. She said that every year, close to 4,000 students moved into dorms. She said that the opportunity to vote is one of many of the changes that the EVP and the StudentsVote! Coalition is working on.

-Resnick commended his efforts to do this so early especially since by the time the national election rolls along, the voter numbers would increase.

-Santos reiterated the fact that this would lead to clear and visible changes in the amount of voters they are able to register. He said that they were able to register 3,000 students at UCLA. He said that they tabled at dining halls and on campus. He said the only thing that separates them is that they have agreements made already. Santos said that with their passion and dedication, he has no doubt they would be able to register the most students in the UC system. He said UCSB registers the most students in the US.

-Miller said dormitory is taboo on the hill and they should say residence hall.

-Hill said that this would be a friendly amendment. Hill asked if this would be feasible.

-Dr. Geller asked if there has been conversation with Suzanne Cephlo.

-Santos said that they determined what they want and they're ready to have these conversations.

-Dr. Geller expects there would be support and feels like it would be adversarial and would expect the conversations to happen before referendum.

-Santos valued the comment. He said that he's not demanding anything but they have a lot of letters of support ready. Santos said he would like to have something not adversarial and would like to see support and have conversations. He said the goal is to have everyone sit on the same table and come to an agreement. He said that if there is language that is adversarial, he is willing to change it.

-Tressel said this is very timely. He asked if anyone saw the article about voting in the New York Times. He said that people could vote in other places if they have a license but not if they have a student ID.

-Miller asked if it is possible to wait a week and to speak to Suzanne, since she would make the idea open.

-Hill said that one of the biggest steps is directed toward the ORL. Hill said that the primary support is from them

-Santos said that they want to introduce the resolution, hopefully get it passed, send an email with a cover letter expressing why they believed this would be a necessary change, and asking for all these entities. He said that the ORL, student affairs, and themselves would attend an orientation. He said that they would meet and talk about what they would like to see from this specifically. Santos said that this would add urgency to their request. He said he knows this is a busy time for everyone. He said that to address the concerns about what they would ask for was that the director of the StudentsVote! Coalition talked to an advisor from UCSB that gave them tips about what they expected from students in terms of the agreement and expectations. Santos said that it is important and they would follow those things.

-Dr. Geller said that the orientation program is called the new student and transition programs. She said that perhaps they would like to read "collaborating with the entities in question" so it seems more like a partnership.

-Santos asked for clarification.

- Miller said it was the new student and transition programs. He said that his concern is that even when it came with registered census poll workers, it was more difficult to let people into the dorms. He said he had reservations about the last two whereas's.
- Santos asked for clarification.
- Miller said when working with census workers, it was hard to just let people into the dorms. He said that the language from the ORL end would be more specific than what they have here.
- Santos asked about the second to last whereas and what should be changed.
- Miller said that it's more of the last whereas.
- Santos said they could just take it out. He said that they could just take it out and just have it be in support of the collaboration. He made a motion to remove the last whereas. Spring seconded.
- Santos asked if the language would be better if edited. He read his changes
- Dr. Geller said this part might be redundant
- Santos moved to amend the second to last let it further be resolved to read "let it further be resolved..."
- Spring seconded. There were no objections.
- Ma called to question.
- Santos read the resolution as amended.
- Spring seconded. With a vote of 11-0-0, the resolution from the StudentsVote! coalition was approved.
- Spring moved to approve a 1/3 Daily Bruin ad with this resolution. Shah seconded.
- Arruejo asked for the attendance sheet.
- Miller called to question. Phi seconded.
- With a vote of 11-0-0, the printing of a Daily Bruin ad was approved.

XI. Announcements

- De Vera said that there reservation for practice space is going on. Sign ups are Sundays at 11. They are doing allocations tonight.
- Spring said that they are drafting a resolution about the move of the students seat
- Phi said that Bruin Health week went really well. Run/Walk is May 15 and registration is open for everyone. Registration before May 1 is \$5 off. It is \$30 for individuals and \$25 per person in a group.
- Zimmerman said installations are May 22. She said that she was doing mail distribution so there are a lot of full mailboxes. She said that people should check their mailboxes.
- Miller thanked everyone for his or her support of ally week. He said that the shirts flew off the shelves and thanked the offices involved.
- Arruejo said gen recs are due this Friday. He said after the 29th, recs would go through the normal process. He said that the May 10th council meeting is the last time they will allocate funding. He said that he would be in his office all day Thursday. He said that he might be gone but he will post it.
- Zimmerman said that if they are turning in reimbursements after May 29th, it could take up to 10 weeks to get reimbursed. She said to do POs and cash advances.

XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet was passed around.

XIII. Adjournment

- Miller moved and Ma seconded to adjourn the meeting.
- Hill called for Acclamation. Hill asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 9:42p.m. by Acclamation.

XIV. Good and Welfare

Respectfully Submitted,

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