

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION
COUNCIL

Tuesday, October 25, 2011
417 Kerckhoff Hall
7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Emily Resnick, Kristina Sidrak, Joelle Gamble, Daniel Soto, Jamie Yao, David Bocarsly, Laureen Lazarovici, Andrea Hester, Kinnery Shah, Ronald Arruejo, Raquel Saxe, Matt Abulara, Jason Smith, Tamir Sholklapper, Michael Starr, Dr. Berky Nelson, Patty Zimmerman, Bob Williams, Roy Champawat, Katrina Dimacali

ABSENT: Dr. Deb Geller

GUESTS: Ryan Krebs, Ilsa Levine, Shoshee Jau, Sarah Baron, Molly Katz, Kendra Sitney, Mayra Lopez, Emilio H., Eden Gaona, Antonio Sandoval

I. Call to Order

- Resnick called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet was passed around.

II. Approval of the Agenda

-Saxe moved to add to new business the vote on the academic affairs funding board. She asked if this could be before the discussion item. She moved to strike both Academic Affairs grants.

-Arruejo asked if this was a consent item

-Saxe said it needs majority

-Bocarsly seconded the addition

-With a unanimous vote, the new business for the vote on the academic affairs funding board was added

-Arruejo moved to strike capital contingency

-Sidrak moved to add a special presentation from the president's office

-Saxe moved to approve the agenda. Starr seconded.

-Resnick called for Acclamation. There being none, the agenda was approved, as amended.

III. Approval of the Minutes

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-Starr moved to approve the minutes. Bocarsly seconded.

-Resnick called for Acclamation. There being none, the agenda was approved, as amended.

IV. Public Comments

Molly Katz- External Chair for Community Programs Association

She talked on behalf of the student panel. She said one is here and the other two are not here. She talked about the CPO welcome event. She said some concerns were raised. She said her CPO director and student leadership listened to concerns concerning a member speaking from the Irvine 11 group. She said that they would be issuing a statement and that they continued to hire

Jewish students. She said the comments made at the banquet were not anti-Semitic. She said they would never want students to feel marginalized or excluded. She said if they have other questions they can speak to her.

Sarah Baron- President of Hillel

She said she is interested in hearing the conversation on campus climate.

V. Special Presentations

A. President's Office- Ronnie and Elsa

-Ronnie said that they are not asking for funding but wanted to show them an idea they want to put forward. He said there is an election for major soon. He asked what they as UCLA can do. He said that UCLA should host the first mayoral debate.

-Elsa said they would like to have this at Royce Hall. She said they are trying to reach out to the UCLA community. She said they are looking to open it for the general public and making it free for UCLA students. She said they want to pursue sponsors.

-Ronnie said they would like to have a forum. He said this is one of the largest employers and universities in the county. He said being the second largest city in the nation. he would like to host this event. He said this would bring a lot of national attention and publicity. He said this could be educationally themed. He said that other school systems could attend as well.

-Elsa said they would like to receive UCLA support. She said they drafted a letter to candidates. She said they would like to get a secure venue. She said they are also looking at the De Neve plaza room and Moore 100. She said they would like to contact the media

-He said they would start early in Spring Quarter 2012. He said that they were welcome to answer questions

-Williams said they left out Ackerman.

-Zimmerman said they have the ASUCLA student union event fund, aka Waiverpool to help with facilities costs.

-Bocarsly asked if they wanted it on campus.

-Ronnie said on campus might be a better location. He said that having it on campus would show that it is sponsored by UCLA.

-Saxe asked if they were expecting large amounts of students. She said Moore 100 might not be large enough

-Ronnie said they would like to get Royce Hall or Ackerman grand ballroom

-Starr asked if they knew the maximum capacities for Ackerman and Royce

-Resnick said that these are all speculations. She said they haven't booked anything or looked into funding because they wanted to present it to student officials firstly

-Smith said he's not from LA. He asked how important are the elections to college students and how much does the mayor play in the role

-Ronnie said the mayor is the head of the city and issues. He said off campus, for example, has to do with the city government

-Elsa said students spend a lot of time in the city of LA.

-Bocarsly said they could have a projector outside the venue to show people outside of the venue what's happening. He said that they register a lot of people in LA and outside of LA. He asked if they have any action items they could help them with

-Elsa said they would love to get the support of the council. She said other than that, knowing they have their support is number one

-Arruejo asked when the event would take place

-Ronnie said March or April 2012.

-Williams said Ackerman is their student union. He said it they could get it really cheap.

-Resnick said food and parking would skyrocket that night

- Lazarovici said this is a good idea. She said charging someone for the debate doesn't sit well with her. She said with term limits, people who are on the city council tend to come back and forth between the city and state government. This helps solidify relationships
- Gamble said that this could help them get community support. She suggested having student moderators
- Zimmerman said she could help them book rooms in the student facility. She said looking for a room should be their first step.
- Dr. Nelson asked about UCLA alumni
- Ronnie said yes
- Dr. Nelson said the current mayor is UCLA alumni. He said that UCLA has been involved with mayoral elections. He said UCLA is a common player with what goes on in the state. He said UCLA has all sorts of things here. He said it would go well in the grand ballroom. HE said there are a lot of voters here. He said hundreds of thousands of people go a day
- Ronnie said even if you're not a registered voter, you pay sales tax. He said taxes go to the city. He said that since everyone contributes, they should know who's running.

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

Gamble said she emailed the travel grants out. She said there are three allocations. The Olive Tree Initiative is sending three representatives to an out of state conference. She said they got \$456.50

-Model UN got \$252

-Mixed student union for money for their conference at Berkeley

-Gamble said there is \$11,937.50 left in the travel grant.

-Saxe asked if she knew the name of the conference

-Gamble said she could look it up.

D. Cultural Affairs Mini-Grant

Shah said they had three applications, one from the mixed student union. They didn't get anything because it was an off campus event. She said the purpose of the event area was the part that needed work. They were great applications with needed documentation

E. *Contingency Allocations

-Arruejo said he emailed it earlier this week. Groups 4 and 5 are going to the same conference. He said they are co-programming and they do not get the full allocation, but a little more since they are working together. They didn't ask for travel grant or any other sources

-Starr moved to approve contingency allocations. Hester seconded.

-Gamble called to question contingency allocations for this week. Bocarsly seconded. There were no objections. With a unanimous vote, contingency was approved.

VIII. Officer and Member Reports

President - Emily Resnick

Resnick said a former USAC president passed away in a car accident last week. She said out of respect, they would have a moment of silence in his honor.

There was a moment of silence.

Resnick said this past weekend they got to meet with Yudolf. She said there is a press release to be sent to the Daily Bruin. There would be an increase in the cap for financial aid and he promised no fee increases in January

-Resnick said they had a great retreat at the challenge course. She was asked to speak at parent's weekend this Friday. She said there would be a campus wide email sent out this Thursday. She said thank you to those who sent her information. She said she is excited for her students to see some of the things USAC is up to. She said they should send information about reserving the communal office space. She said there is a new email address. She said there is a set calendar for groups that have reserved it for the quarter. The calendar would be posted on the door each week. She said Homecoming is three days away. She said to make sure that they are there Friday night. She said this would be a fun way to engage with their students. She encouraged their offices to get involved with their events. She said she would send information about the flash mob and flyers

-Bocarsly said three people have sent out information about the booth

-Resnick said this is a USAC sponsored event and she would appreciate any support. She said that their all USAC mixer is November 9. An official email would be coming out soon. She said in regards to appointments, such as the wooden board of governors, to send out information. She said she would love to do that. Resnick said they could have a Halloween meeting next week.

Internal Vice President - Kristina Sidrak

Sidrak said she sent out the funding calendar and the how to guide. She asked them to look if they had a fund. She said there are still outdated dates and she wanted to make sure the information they put out is correct. She said she is still going through it to triple check. She said the CSP resource fair will be November 9th. She said student leaders would be invited through Orgsync. Strathmore Saferides starts next Thursday. The fellows attended the ropes course this past week.

External Vice President-- Joelle Gamble

Gamble passed around two postcards, one statewide and one nationwide. She said they are targeting Brown. She said it is important to find new revenues for California. She said there are demands on the postcards. She said it looks like Brown will try to put a reform on this ballot. She said the residential property tax is important, but they snuck in corporate favors with prop 13. She asked council to sign the postcards. She said some of them already have a hundred postcards signed. National affairs are starting next week, targeting the super committee targeting Pell grant. She said they wanted to make sure the Pell grant didn't suffer. She said this is mostly educational. There will be a week of action for these campaigns. They would be on Bruinwalk and would have shirts. She asked if there were questions about these campaigns.

-Resnick asked if she had more postcards.

-Gamble said they have some but they will have more next week

-Resnick said they could take the flyers to their staff meetings

- Gamble said the student of color conference is coming up. They will be bringing 100 students so far. They will have two trainers about organizing. Gamble went to the making cents conference in Berkeley. She said Bruin Lobby Corps is going on two visits this week. She said it would be nice to see some of them going on these visits. She said thank you to AAC for helping them respond to voters. She the students are coming Nov 1 to give a presentation, including the student designate and the student regent to speak about what they are doing. She said there is a UCSA staff member coming this Thursday. She said if anyone wants to come, they can let her know.
- Williams asked about taxing student referendums
- Gamble said they wrote a resolution about this.
- William said it would tax student referendum fees. He said this could really hurt them
- Gamble said they could bring something more comprehensive next week

Academic Affairs Commissioner--Raquel Saxe

- Saxe thanked Gamble for coming to their last staff meeting. They had the stress free event. They tried to get the USAC name out there more. She said people are starting to recognize USAC more. She said the flashmob went well. They will have a positivity conference on November 13. She said they had a lot of alumni mentors sign up. She said they opened up these applications for an alumni mentor. She said she signed up this morning. She said people signed up from a range of ages. She said it helps with personal development. She said they are working on a kickoff event for their initiatives. She said they were working with Yao on how to get credit for community service hours. She said they had Judy Smith approve the syllabus letter that will be going out to faculty this week.

Dr. Nelson- Administrative Representative

- Dr. Nelson said thank you for honoring Steve Halpern. He said there is a number of things he has done to make their lives on campus happy ones. He said he would be missed

Williams- ASUCLA Executive Director

- He said that Steve Halpern was working on a book. He said he is not sure what will happen to the project
- Resnick said it is called the view from Kerckhoff.

IX. Old Business

There was no Old Business this week.

X. New Business

A. Academic Affairs Funding Board Appointments

- Bocarsly moved to approve the appointment to the academic affairs funding board. Smith seconded
- Saxe said that this fund needs a funding board with a chair approved by council, two undergraduate affairs members, a member of the undergraduate associate affairs council, executive director, and herself. She said Bocarsly would need to be approved. She said the best way to allocate members would be to choose her two chiefs of staffs.
- Smith asked what the fund does
- Saxe said this has to do with academic programming on campus. She said this would be on the how to guide and on the calendar.
- A member from the academic affairs committee said this would be any fund that enhances

academic growth, such as a culture night. She said some people ask for funding for art exhibitions.

-Saxe said an educational component qualifies

-Smith asked if this was for students

-Saxe said everyone needs a letter of recommendation from staff

-Gamble called to question the appointments to the academic funding board. Starr seconded. With vote of 10-0-2, the appointments were approved.

A. "Campus Climate Issues and USAC Solutions" Discussion

-Resnick said this will not be solved overnight but through creative solutions they can contribute something to making their campus climate better.

-Gamble said there is a breakdown. She said some things were brought up. She said she would like people to share and address initiatives.

-Resnick started with the first item.

-Sidrak said verbal or religious attacks is an example

-Gamble said that racialized slurs were written in dorms. She said that last year, there was something written in Hedrick that upset the African American community

-Yao said that last year there was vandalizing of the Queer alliance board

-Starr said that the Rieber steps are often called rape trail

-Saxe said that language that offends students

-Smith said gay bashing

-Saxe said intruders on Hilgard

-Resnick said different issues that students face in dining halls or the dorms.

-Saxe said gender inclusive housing

-Dr. Nelson he's been on campus many times and he recognized California being a diverse state. He said that part of the problem goes from what they derive at home. He said many homes have biases, which aren't challenged when they go to UCLA. He said there is a sense of entitlement and everything they've done comes with praise. He said that people believe that they have their own first amendment rights. He said there are people that believe it is their right to yell "fire" in a crowded theater. He said when they see bad things said, it is easier to get angry and they should. He said they should understand that those who do these things are ignorant and/or uninformed. He said reasons to have diversity so that when they graduate, they would be familiar with different people. He said trying to look at it and try to be helpful in getting them to grow. He said the socialization process should be kept in mind

-Smith said personally, they have a campus climate component. He said that they should put information and knowledge out there. He said one of his initiatives is Bruin Talk, so people could check how they speak to others that may affect how other's feel. He said they would try to take away the ignorance. He said they hope to put together this multimedia campaign. He said they would touch on social issues on the broader community. He said if they have questions or suggestions to let him know. He said their goal is to leave the university speaking not how they were programmed. He said they need to recognize and change the way that they speak

-Resnick said he could bring this up again in the third part of their discussion

-Shah said that Halloween is a controversial time. She said there is a group called Stars that reminds people to be conscious of their costumes. She said they should engage their staffs. She said she wishes that they had these conversations earlier. She said there was a lot of ignorance. She said that they could use their listserves so at least they start here and this could be kept in mind for future programming

-Dr. Nelson said oftentimes, someone would say something and says that they don't mean to be offensive. He said it's not the call of the person on the receiving end. He said if they hear this kind of thing, the person on the receiving end might have a different interpretation. He said the

key to showing someone enlightenment is that they project and think first. He said there is a tendency to think what they think and individual thinks.

-Starr said since there is a lot of ignorance, it is important to keep things as non-hostile as possible. He said that the thought of saying “you guys” would not have crossed his mind. He said the approach should be enlightening rather than condemning.

-Zimmerman said the Halloween idea crossed her mind. She said if the council would like to post a message to the community, they could put it on their website

-Saxe said it would be nice to have a unified message with a positive message. She said it would be helpful to have a unified paragraph.

-Starr said as an example there was a rethink Columbus Day video.

-Shah said they encouraged people to be conscious of their costumes. She said they had a brief quote that explained the idea behind them and why it’s important to be conscious.

-Saxe asked if she could send them that

-Shah said yes

-Gamble said a lot of people come from places where people are similar to them. She said people feel alone. She said this might affect how you feel and your retention on this campus. She talked about cross-community engagements in a safe and non-hostile way. She said people form cliques because they make you feel safe

Resnick said next in the conversation has to do with taskforces or initiatives surrounding creating a more inclusive campus climate.

-Resnick said they have someone here from the campus climate office. She said the committee is on a point where they are looking to take on different projects. She said she met with them earlier today. They are excited to serve as the liaison as the force behind this. She said they started with reaching out to organizations and what they could do to help organizations with different issues that they have. She said they also would be setting up set office hours in the president’s office. She said she likes that they are both going out to the groups. She said a cool idea would be creating an email to address the campus climate. She said they had an idea where it would email a person back right away as a response to student groups. She said there would be an emergency contact there as well. She said one of their directors met with the committee as well. She said that they could bring their comments and ideas to the meeting next week as well. She said she is very excited that they could bring their ideas to a certain group.

-Gamble said there is a system wide committee on campus. She said if there is something to be brought to the system wide level they should let her know.

-Yao said CSC doesn’t have a taskforce for campus climate. She said community service could be an avenue that student groups can engage in. She said in a way, CSC is a way of helping address campus climate.

-Bocarsly said he understands the importance of addressing a problem before it happens. He said it is also important to be proactive. He said one project is a movie expo. He said this would be a way for students to express themselves and their stories. He said this would happen next quarter. He said they would make a clip that shows the diversity and unity on this campus. He said they would be looking to other projects as well. He said if there are other ideas to let him know

-Saxe said they have an academic climate committee that could help promote understanding in the classroom. She talked about the diversity requirement. She said they would be tackling what problems students might have with the requirement. They are working with the Muslim Student Association about creating a course. She said that the course doesn’t follow GE requirements yet. She said this is an option to learn about religion and culture. She said they are compiling a “when i grow up” speaker series She said that in the past, American Indian studies and other courses were cut. She said that they would like to see what people have done with these majors and

minors after they graduated. She said if they know anyone that could sit on the panel, to let her know.

-Shah said the Cultural affairs Commission is all about this and educating people. She said the Word on Wednesday is where they could hear how students feel marginalized on campus. She said this is an open free space for students to express themselves. She said hip-hop congress is a way of education. She said that hip-hop appreciation month and congress addresses stereotypes and flaws. World fest brings together communities of culture and celebrating the culture. She said they were doing classes and co-programming with a lot of organizations. She said they really need to push this for this year. She said it came from a riot as advised by the Chancellor. She said it is an important week and they need to engage the community. She said now they have a Pilipino exhibition in the art gallery. Diversity tours takes people out to the communities. She said the collective is a new thing. It started last year and had their first info session yesterday. This brings together organizations that put on events. She said they would continue that.

-Saxe commended Shah on the collective. She said that she is impressed on what there is to offer. She said she's doing a phenomenal job.

-Resnick said in the president's office, they have an immediate support and relief committee, a cooperative efforts committee to encourage student groups to co program, and all of the different USAC facets. She said she would like to add that the campus climate is working on a newsletter every month or quarter that focuses on these issues and leads up to a discussion. She talked about being preventative and proactive. She said she is proud of everyone and she is 100% positive that even those who didn't speak are doing things to benefit the campus climate. She said it would only get better from here

-Shah said a lot of things they do are reactionary, probably because they didn't do a campus assessment. She said that if there is a way to do a campus assessment and address the issue, this would help because they are coming from different perspectives

-Smith asked how their relationship with UCPD is. He said he is interested in that as well. He said that there are people on this council that sit on the campus safety alliance

-Sidrak said the campus safety alliance is made up of different entities. There are voting and ex-officio members. She said they deal with whether or not students are safe. She said they've been emailing back and forth and they are looking to getting things together. She said they do take minutes as well. Sidrak said they did a campus climate survey in spring. She said this was institutionalized and she would be interested in seeing where they can improve on.

-Dr. Nelson said that right now, they are going through diversity training. He said new officers should know the new expectations. He said the police are trying to make this as environment as safe as possible.

-Resnick said this would be a great time to move into their third bullet point. She asked how they could address these issues.

-Sidrak talked about the Museum of Tolerance presentation. She said if they could go and continue this discussion, this would be a tremendous support framework. She said they are very willing to hear from them.

-Shah said as a part of national coming out week, she was contacted by MSA saying that they felt alienated and marginalized by the museum. She said they felt like they weren't well represented. Shah said they need to keep in mind there might be issues. She said that for national coming out week, it would make sense but it might not make sense for all communities.

-Sidrak said they could take the responses from MSA to challenge these institutions.

-Dr. Nelson said students must follow up to see that they come up with some kind of resolution. He said if follow up does not take place, nothing would happen. He said to complain and not do anything does not help the party that complained. He said that if an individual doesn't want to go,

they could bring someone who's vision aligns with them

-Sholklapper said that is important and nobody can be a mind reader. He said it takes a lot of effort. He said they would never know everyone's struggle and passion and not everyone would share that. He asked how people start their thought process and how many people realistically change their view by the time they leave UCLA. He said they don't see their lives as static reflections of their education. He said that a lot of students live on the hill. He said that so many people start the thought process in UCLA students. He said they could look at how people start their time at UCLA. He said by the time they reach the end, they would have their difference made or be into their studies and miss out on what UCLA has to offer. He said ORL is passionate about bringing things to residents. He said some students have been stubborn and he wouldn't want to convince them that they're wrong

-Resnick said Sholklapper is bringing up a good point. She said they could bring up programs or work with orientation.

-Zimmerman talked about Yao's comment and how community service goes out to help different communities. She mentioned Smith's comment about volunteer day. She said students who were less effected were those who did not have face-to-face interactions with communities. She said they could volunteer in that site prior to that day.

-Gamble said ORL has themed floors that deal with different topics. She said they could work with students before they get here. She said they could see how students think before they come to campus

-Saxe said the global leadership conference would bring together people from different backgrounds. They would be speaking with admissions as well. She said this is a great way of reaching out to students before they get here. She said not all students live on the hill. She said it's important that they have support on these types of initiatives.

-Sidrak said that a lot of responses are reactionary. She said if there was ways that where they can add a question on the EOL, they could know what events are coming to campus. She said as the EOL is reviewed, they could see if people reached out to different communities.

-Bocarsly said this is a great idea. He said that some speakers were upset because they didn't know about speakers in advance. He said that they could bring up campus climate and see if they could ask if they contacted certain groups.

-Resnick said this is an amazing idea. She said there are times where they need to be reactive. She said being preventative is important. She said they could see if they would be interested in programming with a different group.

-Dr. Nelson said this is a great idea. He said ASU was inviting a speaker. This raised an issue at the Jewish community. ASU said they were not there to offend them to see what they have to say. The Jewish community said they would protest him coming. The University of Pennsylvania called UCLA and asked how they did this. He said this allows communities to understand each other and take it as a learning opportunity

-Resnick said this could be out of respect for different people on campus

-Zimmerman said having multiple perspectives and bringing in another speaker or bringing in both sides of an event present would enhance an event.

-Bocarsly asked if this is something they could do and make it happen

-Sidrak said she will set up a meeting with Mike and if this is doable, they could go from there and get feedback

-Zimmerman asked to be cc'd on this email as well

-Lazarovici said she has been reflecting on this. She said not a lot has changed since she graduated. She said when she was viewpoint editor; it involved a campus wide issue around affirmative action. She asked how people who have different views address each other in a respective way. She asked about how people disagree with each other and how they could express this on campus.

- Resnick said that it would be cool to bring together student leaders. She said when they could put a face and a person with their different beliefs; she would hope that people would be respectful
- Sholklapper said this would be like a dinner with 12 leaders. He said looking at Berkeley vs. UCLA, he thinks about everyone chaotically and coming out with some opinion. He asked if there is more separation that comes out of that dialogue or does it make people closer with more understanding
- Gamble asked for clarification.
- Sholklapper talked about bringing diversity and having it very present. He said he doesn't understand why people get upset with this presence
- Smith said at Berkeley they have a multicultural center. He said Berkeley's and UCLA's histories are different. He said he could speak on the differences between their two campuses. He said here, people are not willing to engage and speak up but more likely to be reactionary rather than solution oriented. He said that is the disconnecting difference.
- Sholklapper asked if they should have small or large programs. He said a lot of their programs are reactionary. He said some programs should come from students.
- Gamble said this is a good observation. She said people skate over the issue until something happens. She said it couldn't just come from them. She said they could bring it back to the people that they do know. She said they need to be aware of what affect it has on people. She said that sometimes, they never get to the issue because they try too hard not to offend people. She said Berkeley has their own space for this. She said they need to bring up the issue before something happens.
- Resnick said the idea of EOL is a good idea because it allows groups to make their events inclusive. She said they should think of how to put responsibility on their student groups as well
- Zimmerman said she liked Bocarsly's idea. She said sometimes groups are so wrapped up and might not think that it could marginalize another organization. She said this could open their eyes to a possible issue. She said this would allow them to get this additional information
- Sidrak invited them to come to her meeting with Mike
- Sholklapper said a lot of students don't know about the events that are going on. She asked why they don't have a student happening's website.
- Bocarsly said they are working to have a forum where they can have student events on there. HE said this is a fight and he's not sure why they aren't making it a priority. He said he thinks this is important as well.
- Resnick said they could utilize the USAC website to advertise student events as well.
- Zimmerman said she likes the idea of the Google Doc
- Yao said she is on the Berkeley student website and how it encourages collaborations, a blog, filled calendar, etc. She said this is a great resource. She said they could do something with funding to encourage student groups to come together with different perspectives. She said this could be a great addition to the USAC website
- Shah said visiting other UC campuses is different. She said that Santa Barbara had a lot of flyers. It makes it seem like more is going on. She said the campus aspect of community is lost. She said being on those campuses; she could feel like activity was happening
- Smith said there are a lot of different functions on MyUCLA that is underutilized. He said that USAC could make a stance on how MyUCLA looks.
- Resnick said she has a team working on the degree planner but they could bring this to them too. She said they could start with their own USAC website. She said this is a cool idea
- Bocarsly said in response to Shah, he would love the idea to making the campus theirs. He said that there is a lot of push against that because they are into the beautification aspect
- Yao said that they have forums every two weeks. She said they are trying to make it more of an open space to talk about problems they're having. She said it becomes more of a representation space. She said it would be cool to have a coalition of student leaders. She said people could

speak together and discuss pertinent issues

-Gamble said there should be food, which brings people together.

-Saxe said although she sees what's going on, it all becomes overwhelming. She said there is so much information. She said they need to look at the tangible impact they have on these things. She said the collectives are bringing together a lot of groups already.

-Resnick said Shah could sit on the campus climate committee as well. She said she liked Yao's idea

-Sidrak said her student advocacy committee would be working on this mini forum/banquet idea.

-Sholklapper asked how realistic it would be to have a bulletin board on Bruinwalk.

-Shah said Hill had a lot of trouble with this. She said they could look into it but had issues with getting this to happen

-Resnick said they could keep looking at this. She said they are bringing up a lot of cool ideas to address. She said everything they can do is one step closer to making a better campus climate.

-Bocarsly said they could get flyers to be approved.

-Sholklapper said it is very different

-Gamble said flyers are in halls or in buildings. She said this needs to be reformed to some degree

-Saxe said this is interesting because ASUCLA is doing a campaign to advertise and get their name out there. She said people advertise in the bathroom stalls in the library. She said they could target students with things that already belong to students

-Resnick said that on the bottom of the stairs, they had a USAC sign. She said they could think of different ways to let students know where to go.

-Zimmerman said she would love to make this poster again. She said this is something they do automatically. She said they are moving forward with a couple of other ideas. She said they want people to utilize the screens. She said they have display cases for flyers. She said if it's a student group it's never an issue. She said if they want to put signs in the restroom, they have people take them down. She said they could have frames where people could post things.

-Resnick asked if she could email whom to contact about whom to talk to about the screens.

-Saxe said to clarify on the bathroom thing; it could be like a newsletter. She said it could be USAC publicity that highlights things that weekend.

-Resnick said she likes this. She said they have an all USAC publicity team. She said she would contact her directors about this. She said they're not aware of what they're allowed to post or how to sign up for things

-Zimmerman said she'd work with marketing and send out a poster for USAC. She said if they want it to change to let her know. She said she would send it out for approval.

-Sidrak asked what are their plans for reaching out to students beyond just their events. She said last year they did roll out. She asked what they could do so people know who they are. She asked if people really know USAC

-Resnick said her office and Smith's office are looking at how to perpetuate programs from last year

-Smith said his office is working to utilize the Ask USAC table. He said this is coming soon. He said there are some programs that will be taking place soon. He asked everyone if they have suggestions or if they have an outreach/visibility component, to let him know. Smith said they should make sure they're on the same page and that they're not trying to do different things

-Shah said they have a lot of ideas but something they could think about is that they could make students aware that they belong here. She said if they're doing additional things they could look at what they're doing as a council. She said they should keep this all in mind. She said this is something they could come back to soon.

-Sholklapper said they could make USAC more available to everyone. He said that it's difficult to make it available if people don't know who they are. He said that they could have a USAC member in attendance for their events. He said that they could send out a flyer with their faces on

it. He said no matter what their positions are, he thinks that they all want to be representatives

- Hester said often, students know that there is a student government. She said they could have a flyer that says that they have a meeting every week.
- Resnick said that in her campus weekly email, she announces the meeting.
- Shah said they have a campus wide email. She said that the emails they do are significant. She said they could push that more to send in their concerns so that they're able to hear their stories.
- Resnick said they were thinking about a USAC live chat and USAC forum. She said that they are trying to make their website best available. She said they could have this on the website. She said they are still working on the USAC shirts that say "ask me about it." She said this is a great way to better the campus climate and address their concerns. She said this doesn't just need to be a discussion on the council table. She said they could see how they best check on their campus climate. She said this is a great idea to have this talk at least every quarter. She said she has a lot of follow-ups and is excited for her CSP meeting. She thanked everyone for his or her ideas an input.

XII. Announcements

- Gamble said they should give her back the postcards
- Yao said this Saturday she had a meeting with Dr. Singleton. He is an econ professor at LMU. He spearheaded the tutorial movement in UCLA that was the foundation of CSC. It was an interesting conversation and provided insight on history. She said they had their service jamboree today. She said they made goodie bags to bring to orphanages in TJ. She said they were able to talk to potential student volunteers
- Chikanov said this Friday they wanted to have a small Halloween kickoff. They wanted to make sure that people would be careful with their costumes. He said they would keep it clean and get some candy before the Halloween weekend
- Bocarsly said last Thursday was Westwood live. He said they had a lot of people come out. He said that it would be every 3rd Thursday of the month. He said he looked forward to continuing this
- Zimmerman asked about the office lines and how it was important that there was continuity. She said some offices might not use them because they might need a phone tutorial. She asked if this would be helpful. She said she would work on something. She said if it's not short enough, she could email it out.
- Gamble said she doesn't have a phone
- Zimmerman said to send her an email
- Bocarsly asked if the phones were to call people in UCLA.
- Zimmerman said it is mostly used for local calls, especially on campus calls. She said there is a fee for calling long distance
- Resnick said that as a gen rep, she did not touch her phone. She said the tutorial is a great way to start. She said they could evaluate if they want to continue them
- Zimmerman said it is important to have consistent contact information. She said if they want contacts to last, they should keep consistency. She said they should keep this in mind. She said if there are specific questions about the phone, they could email her.
- Resnick said she brought up a great point
- Smith asked if she could update the directory
- Zimmerman asked if he could email her. She said they have Waiverpool. It is getting a name update. The new name is ASUCLA Student Union Event Fund. She said it pays for expenses rather than waiving them. She said she is changing it on the website. She said they have deadlines coming up, which are November 4th and December 2nd for January.
- Resnick said that it was difficult for some groups to know when they got funds. She said they could notify groups.

- Zimmerman said they would try to explain to students that it is a fund
- Bocarsly asked about the application process.
- Zimmerman said in those cases, they would see it on the reservation. She said that he would be using events that are not events spaces. She said this is an exception to the rule. She told him to check all of them. She said this Friday is the TGIF deadline.
- Sholklapper said one of his platforms was working on the spread of disease and the general spread of the flu and cold. He said he has been working on a cold clinic through SWC. The talks are with Ashe. They are working to give out masks, hand sanitizer, tissues, and cough drops. He said that cold clinics could not prescribe medication. He said they are trying to get this before December.
- Soto said that they didn't address how marginalized communities are shaped. He talked about the cultural affairs panel that addressed issues. He talked about women in Hollywood and how they are represented. He said he would like to explore another panel this year. He said Tuesday, November 1, they are presenting the Jack Benny award to Betty White. Jack Benny was a comedian. Soto said he has invitations for all of them to the reception after. It is at noon next Tuesday. He said tickets are available at the CTO.
- Shah said the word on Wednesday is every week 7:30-9. Thursday is world fest, where they would have the Irish jig in Ackerman second floor lounge from 5-7. She said she would send out an email. They have a second round of applications. She said they opened up some internship positions. She said they are looking for a Webmaster and video production interns. She said they are looking for publicity interns and staff members. She said they need their phone.
- Smith said his office would have a transfer awareness day. He said that his campus is made up of transfers to not only get services and resources but also dialogue about issues that occur in the transfer community. He said that some are not able to solidify a place on campus. He said a lot of students do not get the same 4-year experience. This will be Thursday. They will have a transfer resource fair in Bruin Plaza. He said CCCP will be there and other representatives from CPO as well. He said there would be a town hall diversity dialogue. He told them to come out. He said this could be a great resource for them.
- Saxe said the undergraduate writing center would be great to send there.
- Resnick said one of the directors has created a website. She said there is a forum where students can post if they are offering a part of their home. She said they already made a few connections. She said they would have more information about this. This addresses student homelessness. She reminded them to get their Homecoming shirts for \$5. She encouraged them to get more involved with Homecoming.

XII. Signing of the attendance sheet.

The attendance sheet was passed around.

XIII. Adjournment

- Smith moved and Bocarsly to adjourn the meeting.
- Resnick called for Acclamation. Resnick asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 9:38 p.m. by Acclamation.

XIV. Good and Welfare

Respectfully Submitted,
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