

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION
COUNCIL

Tuesday, November 13, 2012
417 Kerckhoff Hall

PRESENT: David Bocarsly, Lana Habib El-Farra, Andrea Hester, Carly Yoshida, Kim Davis, Anees Hasnain, Taylor Mason, Stephen Kraman, Sahil Seth, Cassarah Chu, Jan Tacinco, Yasar Mohebi, Dr. Berky Nelson, Laureen Lazarovici, Bob Williams, Roy Champawat, Patty Zimmerman, Katrina Dimacali

ABSENT: Michael Starr, Cynthia Jasso, Dr. Deb Geller

GUESTS: Kateisha Menefield, Joey Donaldson, Jillian Beck, Ariana Rodriguez

I. A. Call to Order

- Bocarsly called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

B. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet was passed around.

II. Approval of the Agenda

-Hasnain moved to scratch the community service officer report.

- Mason moved and Chu seconded to approve the agenda, as amended.

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

III. Approval of the Minutes

A. *11/6/12

-Hasnain said she submitted the changes.

- Mohebi moved and El-Farra seconded to approve the minutes for November 6th, 2012.

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

IV. Public Comments

-Member of the Student Giving Committee

-He said he is here for facilities. He said right now, the blue and gold week challenge is happening. He said this is their chance to make a difference. He said if they have 1117 people donate, they will have \$50,000 donated to the chancellor's need fund. They are already halfway to their goal. They can donate on their Facebook page or on the UCLA fund website. They will also have a table at the bonfire for the Greek week check-in. He said they want to make their donations mark. They can donate to whichever department they want.

-Hester asked where the funds for the chancellor's greater needs funds go

-He said Night Powell, volunteer day, and an expensive book that they wanted for the library. He said if the faculty gets a good offer, the chancellor is able to give to whatever he feels necessary for the university. He said it ends at the big game and to get their donations in before that.

Helen Alonzo

She introduced herself as the proxy of the finance committee chair.

V. Special Presentations

VI. Appointments

A. Kateisha Menefield – CS Mini Fund Committee

-El-Farra moved to approve Menefield. Mason seconded.

-Hester said this is their final appointment. The vote was 3-0-0. They felt confident on her abilities. She said Menefield was the community service coordinator for ASU and treasurer for CPOSA. Menefield understands fair funding and has been involved in community service organizations. They felt confident on her ability to serve on this fund. She was recommended to talk to the chair about the committee and the fund itself since she hasn't applied for the fund herself.

-Menefield said she is a second year. She said she is involved with ASU as community service coordinator, CPOSA as treasurer, and a CPO leadership intern. She said she wants to be a direct help to projects that want to see their goals and accomplishments.

-Hester asked if she spoke to Martinez

-Menefield said she reached out to him and looked into the committee

-Hester asked about the fund itself and how the committee works

-Menefield said projects that want to get more supplementary funds apply online and after they set up a hearing week 5. Their money is allocated week 6 and they can use up their supplementary funds until next year. They have to be a recognized organization on campus that helps modify and alleviate conditions that the communities face such as poverty and education.

-Yoshida asked if she has applied to the fund

-Menefield said no but she knows about problems with the funds and applying

-Seth asked what she wants to see changed with the fund and why

-Menefield said she would change the process of it. She said she wanted the process to be a sit down and she would like to think about questions and why exactly they are applying for the fund.

-Mason asked what other experience she has with funding.

-Menefield said the work that she does at treasurer allows her to help her make sure they have all of their supplies. She said this is beneficial since she knows that people shouldn't apply last minute and the importance of timeliness. She said she knows about budgeting and she makes sure they allocate the appropriate amount of money for each line item.

-Hasnain asked what community service means to her.

-Menefield said it means different communities coming together for one cause. Now, she feels that community service means going cross-culturally for not just one cause but realizing that they need to serve each community to build each other up. She said community service isn't one day but a pathway for service recipients to grow. She said community service should be like a rolling effect.

-Seth called to question. Hasnain seconded. With a vote of 10-0-0, Menefield has been approved.

B. Dana Pede – Elections-Board Chair

-Mohebi moved to approve Pede. Seth seconded.

-Hester said the E-board chair is responsible to administering elections. Pede is an RA, a student leader, and part of random acts of kindness. She said that Pede was not part of any offices or slates. She said Pede is qualified because of her RA experience. The vote was 3-0-0. They asked her quite a few questions and she was pretty knowledgeable about last year. She said Pede was clear about ideas she wanted to pursue this upcoming year. She said Pede knew how she wanted to restructure the board. She said they suggested Pede to get the word out about USAC elections. This is something they touched on during the interview.

-Mason said she liked Pede's ideas. She said that Pede had a lot of ideas on how to bring their work forward to students, such as having an information card about each slate. She said Pede was really innovative.

-El-Farra said she knows Pede. She said she's qualified because freshmen year, Pede went up and said that she voted for 5 BU and 5 SF and she knew about each candidate. She said Pede didn't care about politics but would rather vote on each candidate

-Hasnain said she wanted Eena as vice chair

-Mason said she wanted someone who had experience in the committee to be there for reference. She said they can talk about that later. She said from her perspective it makes sense.

-Bocarsly said they approve the vice chair as well.

-Pede introduced herself. She said she is interested in being the election chair. She said she is an RA and is on the Quidditch team. She has been part of the random acts of kindness club. She said she is excited for the chance to be elections chair because she is interested in it and she wanted to learn as much as she could ever since she got to UCLA. She said she tried to find as much information as she could about it. She said making an informed decision is hugely important to her. She said she would love to have the opportunity to educate people on the elections.

-Hasnain talked about updating the elections code and asked her to expand on it.

-Pede said there are some grammatical errors. She said she really wants to have conversations about it and talked about the process code with administrators. She said she understands that things should be updated. She said the endorsement process needs to be looked at again and they should make sure only signatories are allowed at endorsement hearings. She said publicity is a big thing for her. She said it is great that the Daily Bruin gets information out, however she is concerned that the students they most want to access are the ones least likely to read the Daily Bruin. She understands the value of this but wants to make sure the information is marketed practically and cost-effectively. She said it is important that this information gets out to as many students as possible

-Kraman asked about impartial information

-Pede talked about getting impartial information out to students. She said she could publish a voter guide and a board before her hasn't done this. She said being able to offer impartial information would be really helpful for students who get intimidated by slates. She said while slates are effective, some students get intimidated and turn off to that. She said she would like to allow an outlet for that so that every candidate has the chance to say what they need to

-Seth asked why this is her thing. He asked why she is interested in this

-Pede said she read the Daily Bruin everyday since she came here. She said she would stand outside to listen to the results from the E-board chair. She said she is interested in their right to vote. She said as a concept, it is an amazing right that

they have. She said she loves learning about the elections and becoming as informed as she can. She said this was something she didn't consider but being the face of that is exciting to her.

-Mason asked what her skills are in dealing with conflict management and holding people accountable

-Pede said they have to strike a balance between being a friend and being an authority figure. She said her job is to enforce policies and regulations. She said even if it is her residents or friends, she knows that it impacts her community and it is important for her to set the precedent that she follows the law. She said even when it's the hard thing to do, at the end of the day that is what can make the community the best it can be

-Hasnain said last year there was a lack of respect and campus climate issues and that wasn't until one group was affected that it became an issue. She said another similar incident happened and it wasn't addressed in a similar manner. She asked how she would remain fair and neutral

-Pede said two values important to her are compassion and empathy. She said she became an RA because she wanted to be a support for people. She said she would try to be as accessible as possible. She said she would try to express her commitment to people's role in the election's process. She said she wants people to feel like their concerns are addressed. She said she heard about the Tumblr that was made attacking certain groups but wasn't sure about the Facebook posts. She said she hopes with communication and trust and how deeply she cares she can convey a humanizing aspect to this. She said if someone is being attacked for no reason it is not okay with her. She said she hopes she can adjust it according to the situation.

-Lazarovici asked about the connection with E-board and applied math

-Pede said her passion is education. She said she is passionate about equity and human beings. She said it is a facet of education that everyone needs. She said she is pursuing a minor in education. She said with that respect, that value for equity for all and individual empowerment is well-represented in the democratic system. She said it is separate but represent what she stands for

-Hester asked if there are steps that can be taken before the elections to make people more aware

-Pede said her platform is reaching out and increasing voter turnout. She said she reached out to people and asked why people don't vote. She said candidates publicize where to vote, etc. but not many people tell students why their vote matters. She said that is deeply connected to why USAC matters. She said people who aren't involved with USAC are deeply disengaged. She said she talked about an all USAC event on campus. She said she understands why people walk right past it. She said she wants to get students engaged with what the offices do. She said they would talk about what the offices do and what events they put on. She said students could be given the chance to meet who makes the decisions and relate it to their own student experiences.

-Chu asked about the election process. She talked about the method of the order candidates appear on the ballot.

-Pede said if they were able to implement a randomization system it would be more objective. She said it is something she cannot guarantee without reaching out to people yet. She said she would draw for ballot order with the understanding that they would work on randomization if they needed to

- Chu asked about the application to be a candidate. She said they needed at least 35 students to support their candidacy. She said they could not campaign at that point. She asked what her thoughts on that were.
- Pede said she doesn't want to state a strong position right away. She said she sees the idiosyncrasy with that. She said the campaign should be taken seriously. She said that is interesting and something she would like to discuss further
- Chu asked about officers or positions with an in house endorsement process
- Pede talked about SWC and the Campus Events Commissioner as well as the Community Service Commissioner. She said all she sees in the ones who are elected by the association. She said she doesn't feel comfortable evaluating the process
- Chu said those three commissioners have standing committees that return every year. She said that is the justification for it.
- Davis asked if there was anything that should be removed or looked at in the election code
- Pede said the endorsement hearings process should be reviewed. She said she doesn't have signatory experience with it but she would be interested in holding a town hall on it. She said she has heard about people who want to get rid of endorsements but there are also students who want to support their candidates. She said she would like to open up this conversation with council. She said she would like to look more into the Daily Bruin. She said last year was the first year the website was implemented and that she would like to reflect the technological shift
- Yoshida asked how she handles criticism
- Pede said that is something she would have to deal with. She said she takes things personally to the extent that they are her decisions and what she's done, but she said she won't let that affect her job. She said it is important to learn from those sorts of things for sure. She said this is a high-stakes position and a lot of tension would be reflected on her.
- El-Farra talked about publicizing election board and offices earlier. She asked how early they would advertise.
- Pede said when it comes to publicizing; council members as platform members use a lot of things. She said she would look at the potential of that office and possibly have it earlier in the quarter. She thinks mid-winter quarter is a good thing to shoot for. She hopes to pull E-board together by the end of this quarter. She talked about publicity on the hill. She said this would be in addition to the USAC visibility campaign and this would be closer to the elections.
- Hasnain called to question.
- Bocarsly asked about getting a team together. He said anyone who is stipend would have to be voted on by council
- Pede said she would like to pull that together
- Kraman said he thought she was great
- Seth called to question. Mason seconded. With a vote of 11-0-0, Pede was approved for the elections board chair.

C. Joseph Donaldson – Judicial Board

- Seth moved to approve Donaldson. Mason seconded.
- Hester said they also made another appointment for J-board earlier in the summer. They oversee judicial issues. The vote was 3-0-0. There was a conflict of interest. She said they felt like he had a good understanding of the role of J-board. She said Donaldson was a

good candidate.

-Bocarsly said that this is a 7 member board. He said they need 5 people for quorum.

-El-Farra asked what year he was

-Bocarsly said he is a 4th year.

-Hester said Donaldson worked at the Rosenfeld library. She said that he had to take the role of manager over a friendship. She said that the judicial board should put personal relationships aside and act in that role

-Bocarsly said they could see how long he would be here

-El-Farra asked if they knew what J-board has done in the past

-Bocarsly said they are most active during the elections. He said the most recent thing was two years ago with Birdie.

-Mason said there are only 5 on the website

-Bocarsly said there are books and books on things on J-board in his office.

-Donaldson introduced himself. He is a part of different organizations, such as Sigma Pi, works at the library, and MUN. He said he is passionate about the law and is something he would like to pursue later in life. He said he has a pretty good grasp of different viewpoints.

-Mohebi asked how he sees himself being a positive influence on J-board rather than it benefitting him. He said they need to have a good viewpoint of the campus. He said his involvement would be positive because they have an objective viewpoint and that he would be as objective as possible.

-El-Farra asked about past cases

-Donaldson said he looked up the cases on the website. He said they dealt with how members hold their powers and conflict of interest. He said they looked at how different powers looked at their policy changes.

-El-Farra asked if he disagreed with any decisions

-Donaldson said no. He said overall he did not hold any objections.

-Bocarsly asked when he would graduate

-Donaldson said he would finish in 4 years and he would graduate this June.

-Bocarsly asked if he contacted past justices and what he learned

-Donaldson said he contacted Bovna. He said she said to be open-minded since they would deal with different topics of different organizations. He said she directed him to the website. He said he tried contacting another member but unfortunately didn't get a response. He said he learned about the position's responsibilities.

-Yoshida asked if it was stipend

-Bocarsly said no

-Seth moved to approve. Kraman seconded. With a vote of 11-0-0, Donaldson was approved.

-Hester asked if they could put him into contact with Dana.

-Bocarsly said yes and it would be helpful come election time.

-Hester said it might be helpful for him to reach out to the new Elections Board Chair as well.

VII. Fund Allocations

A. EVP Travel Grant

-The total was \$740.00. They allocated to invisible children and they got \$440.00.

-Bocarsly asked for the total amount left over for the cultural affairs grant

-El-Farra said the other group got \$300.00.

B. Cultural Affairs Mini-Grant

Mason said the Vietnamese Student Union applied and got \$300.00. Act Three got \$750.0 for their performance. The Chinese Theater Group got \$100. They asked for things that weren't applicable to the fund so they didn't get the full amount.

-Bocarsly asked what the cap was

-Mason said the fund depends on if they are part of the cultural affairs collective

C. *Contingency Allocations

-Mohebi moved to approve contingency allocations. Davis seconded. There were no objections.

-Alonzo talked about contingency allocations.

-Total required is \$22,505.60. Total requested is \$5,262.81. The contingency balance is \$43,655.93. The total recommended is \$2,935.00. The social dance club was not recommended allocation for honorarium because Harper and Zimmer reached their cap for appearing at events. The group was notified and they can pull from other resources. She said two applications were rejected from the Olive Tree Initiative because they were turned in late.

-Mohebi asked what the cap was

-Bocarsly said 2 per quarter

-Alonzo said they have a count sheet

-Chu asked if they could cross-reference the list for BOD and contingency

-Bocarsly said they could but that is not what the bylaws say. He said they could choose the updates if they wanted. This would be with the help of Jasso and the committee. They can do this but there are no restrictions on it. He suggested the focus group.

-Mohebi called to question contingency allocations. El-Farra seconded. With a vote of 11-0-0, the contingency for this week was approved.

VIII. Officer and Member Reports**President – David Bocarsly**

-Bocarsly said We Run the City was this Sunday. 850 people showed up and 571 of those were from UCLA. They raised over \$50,000. He said it was a wonderful contribution. He said he was appreciative of all the help especially from the CSC. He talked about the 'SC game this weekend. They are facilitating a text giving opportunity where anyone in attendance will be able to text in a number and donate \$10 for the chancellor's greatest need fund. He said they are taking advantage of everyone at the game. He said the past president's leadership forum is this Friday. Most people have RSVP'd. He looks forward to seeing them and it is 9-3:30. He said there are 4 different parts of the program. He said he went on a UCPD ridealong. He said it is eye opening. He talked about his interns and them being in different offices.

-Hasnain said what help, we were only asked to contribute to publicity efforts

-Chu asked about how the interns get appointed.

-Bocarsly said directors will hopefully work with them with what works best. He said they could coordinate what works for certain places. He said if they would like she could talk to his intern directors. He said it would be an incredible opportunity for interns.

-Hasnain asked for clarification and what they would be doing

-Bocarsly said they would be staff members. He said if there was space for them that would be great but if not they could go in another office. He said this has been a great starting point being an intern. He said it wouldn't be a uniform thing but rather something to cater to their needs.

Internal Vice President – Andrea Hester

Hester said they are working on an international comedy show. She said earlier in that week, the office of residential life is putting on a Bruin's Abroad Fair. She said their off campus living fair is January 22nd. She

said they are reminding them early and often. She talked about the international students advisory center. She said if they know international students looking for a leadership role to talk to them about the advisory council. She said she hopes they could work closely with them. There is a great entities committee meeting. They had a great dialogue about space and about the role in bringing people together.

-Bocarsly said he was able to look at the student union at UCR. He talked about elaborate studying versus quiet studying. He said to look at how the utilize all of their public spaces.

External Vice President- Lana El-Farra

El-Farra said she feels like she has a privilege to see how other student unions are SAC, Ackerman, and the student union put together. She talked about the Hub at Riverside, which is like the combination of all three. She said the allocation was for Naya Zimana for an acapella competition at Berkeley. She said right now, they finished voter education. She talked about Ask Me. She said UCLA's goal is 1500 surveys. She said delegates each got 10 surveys to get filled out. She said their deadline for that is January. She said in terms of state they had their UCSA meeting and the Students of Color Conference. She said they started their meeting at 7 and ended at 1am. She said this is in addition to campaigns they started working on. She talked about the situation in Santa Barbara. She said they will stand in solidarity with them. They voted to add a campaign around prison reform. She said they got money from the Rosenberg foundation. She said in terms of state issues, proposition 30 passed. She said it is a way to motivate students. She said they are trying to make students understand it is a band-aid solution. She said the regents meeting is today, tomorrow, and Thursday. She said the student of color conference took 109 students. She said they had an amazing time. She said national is having a day of action. She showed them a post card. It contained a letter to Karen Bass around two pieces of legislation. The first is HR2028. This reinstates loans to be discharged under bankruptcy. Another is HR4286, which reinstates the grace period from 6 months to 12 months. That is tomorrow from 10-2. She said they would have people sign the postcards and a photoshoot. There would be free wristbands. She said in two weeks she would go to Massachusetts for their USSA board meeting. She said Hester and herself are working on a potential social justice showcase. She said their two offices would showcase organizations on campus. She talked about vote. She said they registered over 6,000 students to vote. She said they are all feeling the pressure of midterms but that she has three papers and a midterm of next week. She said she might not be as responsive next week. She said after Thanksgiving week she will be back in council mode.

-Hester asked about boxes. She said there are quite a few in the hallway.
Zimmerman said to email her if there are things in the hallway besides normal trash.

Academic Affairs Commissioner— Kim Davis

Davis said they have two more academic appointments. She said she would send out more information tonight. She said that the academic senate undergraduate council is going under reviewing different departments at UCLA. She talked about the student representatives and said she would bring more information about which departments would be reviewed. She talked about Professor Sonders and how they are investigating. She said during 9th week they will have a student voice empowerment forum. She said if they would like to participate to talk to her.

Alumni Representative- Lauren Lazarovici

Lazarovici said she will be at the past president's forum on Friday. She said she needs to thank Bocarsly on that day. She said she finished her project on Saturday to make sure she could be at the event on Friday. She brought up the math question. She said she expected something completely different. She said that was a nice lesson where often sometimes they think they know what someone would say and it was completely different. She said she was interested in her own ability to be surprised at that. She said it was an interesting point when the permanent campaign was brought up. She said that is a fact of life for people that are in an elected office. She said that is a

permanent campaign. She said that has plusses and minuses. She said she lives in the congressional district. She said she got stacks of mail everyday. She said that her husband got a lot of mail as well. She said it was interesting to watch. She said members of congress have mailing privileges. She said after not hearing from Burman for years, she started getting congressional mail. She said for someone who had worked in congress she saw exactly what he was doing.

-Champawat said it was interesting because Sherman had always sent that mail throughout his tenure.

-Lazarovici said there are members of congress who do a much more consistent job of staying in touch with their constituents. She said they are all engaged in the permanent campaign.

Roy Champawat- Student Administrator

-Champawat presented the initial look of surplus. He said surplus is coming and to start thinking about it. He said he is just putting it on the table and giving everyone an equal shot of what they proposed to do. He said the surplus document starts with big numbers. He said there is a high level surplus number. The 702 numbers includes a bunch of money, which is restricted surplus. He said that is money that is incoming. He talked about mandatory fees and said that the money in their accounts never gets mixed into surplus. He said some money is restricted money. He talked about referendum of money that would stay in their cycle. He talked about the surplus allocation. He said the number went back up to a significant number compared to last year's number. He said this is among the 5 highest surpluses they've recorded. He said the year before that it was 400. He said that the total 2011-2012 surplus was \$702,748.41. The net surplus available for allocation is \$386,257.17. The remaining surplus is \$386,257.17. The total remaining surplus available for allocation is \$308,257.17. He said they would always have a significant surplus. He said that the money comes from pockets of money from various places. He said it would be great if they had \$350k surpluses. He said they allocated one allocation anticipating they would have enough money to cover it. They took out Bruin Bash of the total remaining surplus available for allocation. He said most council has made allocations for that unless they had specific reasons for avoiding that. He asked if they had any questions.

-Bocarsly asked when they would put the numbers into the system and when they would need to decide

-Champawat said the money usually came forward in January. He said if they made decisions earlier, this money would give them a shot to look at their finances. He said this is as earliest as they can bring it. He said it is all up to you.

-Bocarsly said it is significant because last year, they didn't want to allocate contingency more than a third of what they had in contingency. He said now they can make a more accurate judgment call.

-Champawat said they could show what was normal in the past and put together the last 6 years of what the surplus number up to this point was. He said this would allow them to get a sense of that

-Bocarsly said this would be helpful. He suggested that they get this money into the system as quickly as possible. He said they should choose whether to put the money back into BOD and contingency.

-Champawat said they might want to do it before the end of the quarter

-Bocarsly said to please think critically of what they want to use this money on

-Zimmerman said once they determine which projects they do they can't tap into the money later. She said to think about the whole year since they can tap into programs that might happen in spring. She said they could think about future initiatives

-Champawat said generally it is not a programming fund. He said it is a council wide fund for things such as Jazz Reggae. He said the entire council has exposure to Jazz Reggae. He said it is not

open to the general student body. It is the council's choice to bring something forward and advocate that program.

-Mason asked if this was in general of any commissions or projects specifically

-Bocarsly said this is money that would typically go back into student programming. He said last year they didn't tap into it because of the shortage of money. He said to be aware of that but if there is something they need money for to bring it forth

-Champawat said surplus is an unstable element to its programming. He said it is inherently unstable and fluctuates. He said sending money into programming can wreck havoc on communities. He said that groups came in and felt the council was cutting budgets on programs, which was not what they were doing. He said they wanted to expend all of their money. He said they are supposed to spend their own money. He said they can't possibly be that precise. He said the remainder is not unusual. He said if there is a high number it might be a time to take care of some issues and stabilize things. He said they would work on how to stabilize this situation.

-Alonzo said allocations have fluctuated and it is important for student groups to have some of these funds. She said some groups got cut by 75%. She said to keep that in mind

-El-Farra asked when they should bring proposals ready to bring to the table

-Champawat said they should all know when to bring their ideas to the table

-Mason asked if they could do this by week 9

-Bocarsly said yes, they could have it by week 9 or next week ideally. He said they could allocate the money or put it into the other funding sources.

-Champawat said until they decide their allocations, the determination cannot be made for the three-way division. He said on the date they will bring their ideas forward they could look at where they will allocate. He said usually council takes a piece of this money but not all of it. He said for example they worked on night Powell, Covell, John Wooden Day, etc. He said they would show how much was used and what went back into the cycle

-Bocarsly asked if this number was finalized

-Champawat said it won't really change

-Bocarsly said they could have any projects they want brought forward by 9th week

-Mason asked if it would be a formal presentation.

-Bocarsly said it depends. He said it could be a vote from there.

IX. Old Business

A. USAC Outreach & Visibility

-Mohebi moved to table old business until after new business. El-Farra seconded. There were no objections.

-Hasnain said they were thinking about having the meetings elsewhere 1-2 times a quarter would be ideal. She said ideas included on the hill, SAC, Pauley, Wooden, etc.

-Seth asked if it could be in the Northwest Auditorium

-Hester said it is closed this quarter. She said she reached out to Geronimo and Carlos from OCHC and they could co-program with them

-Kraman said in Pauley, nothing is reservable until winter and Wooden could be sooner

-Zimmerman said if they make this extra step, they need to outreach and perhaps they should have councils there earlier so people can meet and greet them. She said she wasn't sure if people would get a lot out of just a meeting.

-Seth said they could do the first part in a dining hall.

B. Council Expectations & Goals

-Hasnain said she sent out the document and will they will show how public or private it would be.

-Bocarsly asked if it was sent just to him.

-Hasnain said she sent it to all of the council but she might have just sent it to the old council

-Seth asked for clarification

-Bocarsly said usacouncil is attached to their asucla addresses. The google doc sends to their gmails they added. He said if they send it to usacouncil@googlegroups.com it is last year's council.

-Hester said that could be deleted

-Bocarsly said they could delete it from their address book.

-Seth asked which is to their personal group

-Mohebi said usacouncil2012

-Bocarsly said the googlegroup is their personal email and the one at asucla is to everyone on this table

X. New Business

A. UC-wide Climate Survey

Mason talked about the email she sent out. She talked about a campus wide survey sent out and on their campus it would be launched to January. She said she met with Christine Mata, a point person on the campus wide survey. She said they are pushing for a big marketing survey. She said that they wanted 30% of the student population to take it. She said they want to incentivize students to take it. She said from a council perspective, they want them to set up an initiative of 5 reasons why the survey is important. She said they should push it to students who usually do not respond. She said they should tap into marginalized student groups. She said they would work on campus initiatives that could eventually improve campus climate. She said they could set a time to think about their 5 reasons. She sent them an article. She said to keep sending those along. She said she would meet with Christine and everyone else

-Bocarsly said this is the biggest higher education survey that will be conducted. The survey takes 15-20 minutes and will take a big push to make it happen

-Davis said a lot of students felt marginalized by the actual questions. She asked if it was changed

-Mason said she didn't know but she would ask about it

-Bocarsly said the office of the president hasn't done a campus wide survey before. He said a lot of people are worried that they would release only what they wanted to but with this one there would be full disclosure

-Mason asked what specific study she was referring to

-Davis said it was from the office of the president

-Mason said she will ask and get as much information

-Kraman said they could use surplus to incentivize this

-Davis said she heard that one of the prizes is a full year of tuition

-El-Farra said it includes all of the UC's

-Bocarsly said Sholklapper went to the last meeting

-El-Farra ceded the floor

-Sholklapper showed them the questions. He said it would be faculty, staff, and students. It is the biggest thing that has been done on this campus. He talked about numbers that were statistically significant. The data would be available through the research review board.

-El-Farra asked how consultants decided

-Sholklapper said they don't know yet. He said that if they want to see specific questions, he will pass it around

-El-Farra asked when the next CODY meeting was. She talked about questions that were asked in the past. She said she wanted to know if there would be another meeting

-Sholklapper said beginning of winter quarter and the survey would be released in January. He said the questions are already done. The consultants are removed from this system. The people presenting talked about how they want to analyze the data not how they want to ask the questions or bias the study.

-Bocarsly said they should ask for raw data.

-Seth asked if the survey was finalized.

-Sholklapper said the questions were mostly finalized.

-Seth said it seemed like a long survey and it might be difficult to get a lot of people to complete it

-Sholklapper said some questions are for faculty, students, staff, etc. He said questions are longer

-El-Farra said the survey before was longer and shortened multiple times

-Davis asked if it was different than the UQ survey

-Bocarsly said yes

-Lazarovici talked about a total health assessment that her employees to take. She said it is an intrusive list about health habits, which returns a personalized plan tied to their health. She said it is a hard sell but it seems like it will be their job to see what they would get out of it. She said it sounds like it will be up to them to say how they want to improve campus climate and not just UCLA but the entire UC system

-Mason said what Sholklapper said about incentivizing faculty and staff is important. She said a lot of faculty and staff are concerned and this could be framed as their one chance to get their voices heard. She said if they as a council decide what those reasons are they

could have different sects they want to reach out to and hear what each group's concern are.

-Hasnain cautioned them to tell them what the survey is actually about. She said to make it clear of what aspects they would be able to voice

-El-Farra said they are able to get incentives too. She asked if they can give incentives to students who refer professors.

-Bocarsly said that would be an interesting idea but there should be a way to see if they can recognize the student

-Seth said it would be interesting to have a competition between the UC's. He said this would get the whole campus vibrant

-Hasnain ceded the floor

-Sholklapper said they hesitated because it might show who is answering questions and who isn't.

-El-Farra asked for clarification

-Sholklapper said they are worried about showing this data because they don't want to show individualized data

-Bocarsly said if they get a small enough group it could be a privacy issue

-Sholklapper said they think it is a slippery slope but not that they wouldn't do it

-Seth asked for clarification. He said it wouldn't actually that case

-Bocarsly said they should reconvene in a couple of weeks.

B. CSC By-law Proposal

-Hasnain submitted a bylaw change proposal to reflect other entities on campus that it is a requirement to have a delegate on the student risk education committee and the volunteer center fellows.

-Bocarsly asked when it would be brought to a vote

-Hasnain said it would be today.

-Zimmerman asked if they have that documentation with them. She said she didn't make copies of it because she thought it was a discussion point.

-Bocarsly asked her to re-email it to everyone.

-Chu said she would send it.

-Hasnain said the bylaw change would be discussed today on the email.

-Zimmerman said it was voted on CRC.

- Hasnain talked about the changes to the bylaws.
- Zimmerman said this is the perfect formatting for bringing forth a bylaw change. She said this way people know where it is in the bylaws. She said this is the perfect procedure for bringing up a bylaw change.
- Chu moved to make the CSC changes an action item. Mohebi seconded. With a vote of 11-0-0, it was an action item.
- Hester moved to approve the CSC bylaw changes. Kraman seconded.
- Hester asked if CSC already made appointments. She asked how many years they were doing that.
- Hasnain said not many very years yet. She said she could look into it. She said it is in the bylaws that they should have a representative on there.
- Mohebi called to question. Kraman seconded. With a vote of 11-0-0, the CSC bylaw has been changed.
- Zimmerman said they turn in the final paperwork signed by the IVP so they could update it on the website.
- Hester asked if she wanted her to turn in the one from her meeting
- Hasnain said yes

XI. Announcements

- Hester said great job to El-Farra for the voter efforts
- Alonzo said they could book Jasso for funding presentations
- Mohebi said they will be on Bruinwalk about the new policy of becoming tobacco free. He said they will pass out quick kits and quick cards. He said to fill out the doc
- El-Farra said thank you for helping with voter reg. She said to come out tomorrow from 10-2 to fill out a postcard and take a picture. She said to invite people on Facebook. She said to come out and support and it is a change. She said it is very important and they want students to be excited about it
- Seth talked about the peer to peer mentorship program. He said he needs three more. He said they will present either this week or next week.
- Tancinco said campus movie fest is happening right now. Next Tuesday they are sneaking Red Dawn.
- Mason said next Tuesday at 6pm will be a light painting workshop. She said they will host anti-label week winter quarter week 3. She said they will have a drop box for students and their labels.

XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet was passed around.

XIII. Adjournment

- Mason moved and Davis seconded to adjourn the meeting.
- Bocarsly called for Acclamation. Bocarsly asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m. by Acclamation.

XIV. Good and Welfare

Respectfully Submitted,
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