

AGENDA  
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL  
Kerckhoff Hall 417  
September 17, 2013  
7:00 PM

PRESENT: John Joanino, Avi Oved, Maryssa Hall, Sam Haws, Sunny Singh, Lizzy Naameh, Darren Ramalho, Jessica Kim, Omar Arce, Jessica Trumble, Armen Hadjimanoukian, Lauren Rogers, Savannah D. Badalich, Laureen Lazarovici, Cynthia Jasso, Patty Zimmerman, Dr. Berky Nelson, Dr. Debra Geller, Danielle Dimacali

ABSENT:  
GUESTS:

I. Call to Order

*-Joanino calls the meeting to order at 7:02 PM*  
*-Joanino passes around the attendance sheet.*

II. A. Approval of the Agenda

*-Trumble calls to question.*  
*-Ramalho asked if there are any appointments.*  
*12-0-0 agenda approved.*

B. Approval of the Minutes from September 10, 2013

*-Minutes approved.*  
*-Naameh moves to approve minutes. Arce seconds.*  
*12-0-0 minutes approved.*

III. Public Comments

*No public comments.*

IV. Special Presentations

*No special presentations*

VI. Appointments

**A. Faculty Executive Committee – Allyson Bach**

*-Received 3-0-0 recommendations. Did not have any recommendations.*  
*-Ramalho explains that faculty executive committee does general information with majors, minors, honors, interdepartmental majors, and the diversity requirement.*  
*Allyson Bach walks in.*  
*-Allyson Bach introduces herself as a junior, political science major and public policy urban planning minor. She's in Kappa Delta and does all the internal work. She worked in the academic affairs and in the executive director office.*  
*-Trumble asks about the LGBT minor situation.*

- Bach states she will implement the diversity requirement and UCLA offers a large variety of minors and majors, and she will question the lgbt minor be considered and really help the minor take place.
- Joanino asks about vision of the diversity requirement.
- Bach states she will really work with faculty about pros and cons, as well as getting the student feedback. What they realized was that it was the faculty wanted because of registration and administrative, and showing them how they could develop it as a requirement.
- Haws asks why the position appeals to her and what she plans to bring.
- Bach states she wouldn't be the only one, and working with another individual in representing the student body provides the diverse conversation and helps talk to faculty and is held accountable.
- Naameh asks what experience she has with faculty.
- Bach says she works with the academic senate chair and has provided so much help, and Kathy Baunch in the political science department while it was during her real lecture class. She gave her feedback of online compared to lecture, and the extra homework every week really helped develop the online class. An online class is a diverse form of learning.
- Naameh asks her experience advocating on behalf of students.
- Bach states her experience in the Academic Affairs senate has ensured academic success and getting to talk to students as counselor based and mental wellness. She said the executive committee helped her learn about what majors and minors mean to help the undergraduate experience.
- Kim asks how would she continue to pursue the goals if she wasn't chosen
- Bach states that she would still be in the Academic Affairs commission and will have the first hand look about what happens at each meeting and interacting with the other 2 to really help gage what the student body needs and the representation they need.
- Allyson Bach steps out.*
- Rogers says she fully supports her and she has great ideas.
- Trumble is impressed with the administrators who is now the chair of the academic senate.
- Haws states she is an amazing individual with a lot of heart and passion for the position.
- Ramalho moves to approve. Badalich seconds.
- 12-0-0 Bach is approved.

## **B. CS Mini Fund Committee – Cynthia Wong**

- 3-0-0 vote, strong applicant and the only recommendation was looking at the application and seeing how it can get approved.
- Cynthia Wong is a third biochem director, and a volunteer under CSC.
- Hardijimanroukin asks why shes interested in community service.
- Wong states giving back to the community is fulfilling and teaches you to be passionate about what you do, giving back that has given so much to her.
- Trumble asks for her experience with mini fund.
- Wong states her project had to apply for CAC, and the CS Mini Fund can be translated such as good documentation and stating all the needs.
- Arce asks how she would improve the CS mini fund.

- Wong states that holding large workshops prior to the CS mini fund would be beneficial to get extra details and important details.
- Jasso asks what her definition of fair funding is. She states that CS Mini is not very open to outside organizations of CSC, and how would she go out in opening up this fund to outside orgs.
- Wong states fair funding is two fold. One extent it's the responsibility of the applicant to provide a well written application and do the research for proper documentation to show that they have taken the time and effort to do research to assess their needs and translate it to their application. On the other side, it's the responsibility of the funding community and take into account the application and the individual in their hearing to ultimately decide how to allocate it not excessively. In regards to the second question, access the publicity channels to vocalize the funds available.
- Joanino asks why she wants to join.
- Wong says to help enhance the student body as a collective as well as advance the position.
- Wong steps out.*
- Oved says she is an amazing applicant.
- Trumble says her org affiliation is really valuable.
- Jasso likes her, and says that its valuable to get members of orgs they are helping.
- Arce says shes on point.
- Ramalho moves to approve Cynthia Wong for CS Mini Fund. Badalich seconds.
- 12-0-0 Cynthia Wong is appointed.

### **C. CS Mini Fund Committee- Diem Le**

- 3-0-0 approved, recommendations include knowledge of the structure, understanding need, and defining fair funding.
- Diem introduces her as a fourth year and a director of project health
- Ramalho asks what the structure of the CS Mini Fund is.
- Le answers it consists of 1 director and 4 chairs people.
- Hadjiminaoukin asks why she wants the position
- Le says she applied to the fund and it's a great way to sit on the other end of the table and help community service project with the funds.
- Oved asks her to define funding.
- Le states it must abide by the bylaws through the application, hearing, and look at the depth of the project.
- Jasso states that in the by laws its article 5, and there is a minimum criteria for funding.
- Naameh asks for improvements
- Le says a concern is that not a lot of orgs know deadlines, but publicizing it and helping ORL know. It is difficult to let other programs know, and one great way is providing access to try and have a feel of what is available.
- Le thanks all the council members and states it will be a great opportunity to be part of CS Mini Fund and she has applied numerous times, and it'll be great to reach out to other community programs and help services to improve it overall and feel empowered by helping other communities.
- Le steps out.*

- Jasso states she likes her and she has worked with her before, very on top of her stuff. She wants to say that any funding position if they see themselves as a facilitator. She enjoys the fact that she saw herself as an ambassador of student orgs, and look outside CSC. Jasso says if she's appointed she will have a lot of fun.
- Hadjimanoukian states that she has passion and qualification.
- Haws says she loves how she is driven by passion for students.
- Jasso states she will let John know roles for each appointment and where funding goes.
- Joanino says there are 5 appointees and 1 chairperson that alternates. He will echo the same concerns Cynthia has and how the reflection will impact the demography of who it serves.
- Singh moves to approve Diem Le for CS Mini Fund Chair. Hadjimanoukian seconds. 12-0-0 Diem Le is appointed as CS Mini Fund Chair.

## VII. Officer and Member Reports

### A. President – John Joanino

- Joanino shows the youtube video regarding 7000 in solidarity that will be shown to 12,000 students that educates about the campaign and urges them to join the pledge. Joanino wants to thank CEC staff with two videos. Joanino recognizes it is everyone's responsibility to change rape culture and stop sexual assault. He had a fundraising meeting with gold chair proposal regarding scholarship and says they are very receptive to it. He has a meeting with Allison Bear the corporate chair of Financial Services and meeting with those who want to change the bruincard. He is working on the campus wide email, with the deadline at 9pm.
- Geller asked about effective bystander.
- Badalich states that to be an effective bystander for preventing sexual assault, and it's not just rape, but any nonconsensual activity. CARE is a part of caps, a sexual assault department within CAPS with a specific training for supporting survivors, being an effective bystander, talking about alcohol and sexual assault trained by professionals. CARE training is roughly 7 hours, but 3 hours each Tuesday for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> week from 4-7pm so council members can come. This a great resource to be an effective bystander as well as being an advocate and support. This training is mandatory for anyone in part of 7000 in solidarity, and hopes that all council members will go.
- Berky is concerned that the term effective bystander can have a negative connotation. For some it might be your effective in helping someone engage in sexual activity, and the cynical side is that somebody might not fully understand and may not be able to fully understand what that means. He's not sure the message they are trying to convey may not be that clear.
- Joanino stated that the whole part of the pledge is being an effective bystander, and as it reads out it states "be an effective bystander, and preventing others acting without consent."
- Badalich states that on the video and text is a shortened version.
- Champawat states that bystander sometimes means standing by.
- Badalich stated that CAPS uses the term bystander, and is trying to make it effective.
- Hall states that adding the word effective makes it clear.

- Geller encourages everyone to attend, and anyone who has friends or contacts in sororities, and if you can encourage that population to attend there is a lot of risk situations that have alcohol present.
- Badalich stated they are trying to get sororities to get participation. There should be general interest in safety anyways, but there is definitely a need for incentive.
- Joanino stated they met with BRC and ORL to talk about how men could be better allies. USC student government is interested in partnering with us.
- Badalich states the women's wellness representative reached her out and they had an amazing talk and felt empowered, excited, and really wants to bring a form of 7000 in solidarity to USC. She felt angry that her student government wasn't already interested in it. She wanted to use the cross-town rivalry to make it on board. She wants to make it a model and will meet with USC student government.

#### B. Internal Vice President – Avi Oved

- Oved states that IVP is currently compiling all USAC funding and what specific line items to apply for. Cynthia from FiComm will provide a funding calendar and tells you what funds and contacting CSP and have it register as a student organization. He is working with SOUL to host workshops from anything to branding to funding to how to apply and also different campus climates such as inclusion and being more conscience of sensitivity issues with liability and managing risk. They are going to create a new set of workshops. Hadjiminaoukin is jumping on board and reached out to Den Keller to create own options at UCLA to bring different companies. The IVP has four different internships and needs help promoting.
- Naameh asks what internship means
- Oved elaborates on internships and about participating

#### C. External Vice President – Maryssa Hall

- Hall states they were going to organize calendars as well as registering at least 1000 students to vote. There is a regents meeting. She met with with Cal organizers and they went over the IGNITE campaign.

#### D. Academic Affairs Commissioners -- Daren Ramalho

- Ramalho states that Major Blast is coming back to the Hill on October 16 from 6:30-8:30. He will bring all the USAC pamphlets, and will work on counselor connect. The diversity dinner will be coprogrammed by the academic affairs commission. The topic is demystifying the community. You can RSVP by September 30. He invites council members to attend.

#### E. Administrative Representative

Roy Champawat

- He stated that the 7000 in solidarity that the big screens in Kerhoff are available for messages and the full council.

Deb Geller

-Geller asks everyone RSVP's for the governance dinner and to put dietary preferences. The program is coming together and at 9 will be light breakfast and an interactive networking activity. From 10-11 there will be five brief presentations with the goals and speeches. From 11-12 there will be two sections for undergraduates and graduate students. The chancellor will speak during lunch. From 1-2 the final session will be a giant fundraise session to finalize panel presentations on issues related to sexual violence, prevention, and response. She will be on the panel as well as Badalich, and are looking for an appropriate graduate student. Tuesday is new student activities fair, Wednesday governance day, and Thursday classes start.

Lauren Lazarovici

-She states that the appointees reminded her of developing influence, which is different than formal power. A lot of folks that are appointed to different parties are in a point to influence other people but sometimes don't have necessarily formal power. It's a different skill than decision-making skills. The young lady appointed to faculty executive committee stated how listening was important. Listening and active listening and mindful listening is an under rated and underappreciated leadership skill. A useful way is to ask yourself "what is it that keeps my stakeholders up at night?" You must identify who the stakeholders are. Parts of the 7000 in solidarity campaign have parts of introducing influence and how they influence each other. We can imagine a bystander, but what might happen before then? There are cases where other people have formal power, and as an elected how are you going to exercise that?

Dr. Nelson

-Nelson wants to commend 7000 in solidarity, and when college universities had same sex dorms, the only answer was men and women not living together. He is proud to see how students take the issue and take responsibility. The power of students is amazing, and about 40 years after the time.

VII. Fund Allocations

**A. Contingency Programming**

Ramalho moves to approve. Kim seconds.

-There was a total of 16 applications recommended \$7,540.63. The budget reports \$68,978.79 left in contingency.

-Ramalho moves to approve. Kim seconds.

10-0-2 contingency approved.

^Badalich stated pledge cards \$1,600, stickers would cost \$540, and ad space on Daily Bruin from \$400, and the t-shirt with "no blurred lines without consent." The USAC logos will be on there. The pledge cards is form the Healthy Campus initiative, the ORL will contribute towards more pledge cards, and SWC paid for banners. They are asking for \$1,500 from discretionary for the fall quarter.

-Jasso asks if there may be more.

-Badalich states there may be more. In winter quarter they'll go into campus 9 act, and aren't quite sure on what it's going to look like. We can't assume it'll cover the entire year.

-Jasso states that if you pay for 1 day during welcome back issue, they will give you half off two days.

-Naameh asks how many pledge cards are there.

-Badalich states 1000.

-Champawat asks if the assumption is that they'll get cheaper shirts if in bulk.

-Badalich states that for 4 colors, is still about \$1000 and will try to get less than 500 shirts.

-Champawat states that it comes from a value based thing and makes sure the conditions are appropriate to the value, not sweatshop.

-Joanino states he will look further.

-Rogers asks how much each of the office is contributing.

-Joanino states \$500-\$600

-Badalich stated \$200 for gender health and for any sexual assault. Additional funding from programming will put roughly \$2000. She isn't comfortable with anymore especially with 12 other committees. As much as she wants to put her own agenda, it would be disrespectful.

-Oved asks what other funds

-Badalich stated TGIF.

-Jasso states about 10,000 will remain in the account.

-Joanino asks Jasso to explain what previous councils have used it for.

-Jasso states they bought a projector, USAC banquet, CareSOS, all USAC t-shirts, and only less than \$4000 used. It was established as a rainy day fund for council initiatives. She says it strikes her as unfair for only 2 offices.

-Singh asks when council used for discretionary funds, do they become part of surplus?

-Jasso states that everything that isn't spent goes back to surplus.

-Rogers asks about the standards of discretionary fund.

-Jasso states there isn't a formal application, and you ask for a specific request and must attach minutes so SGA can process it. Initially discretionary was used as all USAC initiatives, but has been used to supplement campaigns.

-Champawat stated that in general it is unused, and there may be plans for using it this year.

-Jasso states that surplus is always a conversation that happens, and a lot of people want to have a lot of surplus to protect programming funds, but they had a random surplus scare. She wants everyone to get into the mentality, that money you have must be used. Students are investing in you. She looks at it as an investment. The fact that the council asks and never uses it, needs to stop. They have money set aside. Surplus in theory should not exist. As you move forward you need to think we are trying to get 0, to use student money in the best capacity. If that's investing in 7000 solidarity, so be it. Make sure you follow up and use your money.

-Trumble says she is impressed that they're using it and reaching out to other funding sources.

-Oved moves to approve. Arce seconds.

11-0-1 approved.

## VIII. Old Business

*No old business*

## IX. New Business

### **A. Discussion regarding Janet Napolitano appointment**

- Initially ASUC Berkeley and ASUCI have been taking stances on, and he wants to remain proactive to move forward or not to move forward.
- Oved asks for Berkeley's stance.
- Joanino states there was a list of demands such as addressing the undocumented struggle. They do not have confidence in her to meet the vision. The UCI stance was relatively similar.
- Naameh states that they can take action and stance, and shows that this discussion needs to happen. The no confidence vote isn't helpful because it's inevitable. We must work with her, and having a list of demands would be good to be allies. She wants to do it in a more relationship building way.
- Oved states its important to start off the right foot, but the stances by other colleges shouldn't cloud other judgments. They want to work with her, and rather than coming off aggressive or defensive, they should have positive feedback.
- Hall states that going in with concrete proactive demands is beneficial. Napolitano must be transparent, we should be having that conversation. She likes Berkeley's stance such as requesting town halls that are accessible to all students. If you come in with a partner status and gradually back off will be better than just lying down. We want her to meet us with these demands to further the relationship. There's some sanctuary cities such as San Francisco where local and state government officials will not use their resources to enforce federal laws. Immigration laws are an example of federal laws.
- Lazarovici states that the strategic standpoint would be clarifying goals and imagining the ideal future state. She is shaky on the word demand, because for formal power, do UC students have the power to make those demands? The answer could be yes and no. Clearly there are very few parties on those decision makers and how will they exercise power and then bargain from there to clarify.
- Badalich stated they could potentially do that with power because of her history with undocumented families and deportation. She doesn't have confidence in being inclusive and having a safe space if she shows history of doing that. It's not necessarily a no confidence vote, but rather demands. She agrees with Hall. The University of California is a university for students. I think we should go in with demands because that is our right. This is not a stance, it's just a pros and cons list. They are meant to make demands, and she agrees with Maryssa and thinks we have the power, duty, and responsibility of those undocumented students.
- Joanino states that a hard no-stance would cloud what they are asking for rather than what they see out of her.
- Oved respectfully disagrees because severing relationships isn't the way. Writing a resolution is a step in itself, but they must be realistic with a scope of power and if nothing happens they look delegitimize. If she feels unwelcomed, she won't go in. She must have legitimate concerns to be constructive.
- Champawat states he understands the concerns as it related to undocumented students, but the crisis has varied and has many dimensions. He wants everyone to be educated.

-Singh wants to add context, and looked at her record as the governor of Arizona and was ranked as one of the top five governors and heavily invested in university, keeping students loan low, and loan forgiveness. He agrees with Avi that a strong no stance would be unproductive and it would discredit her remarkable work in the state of Arizona. She spoke in support of the DREAM act about comprehensive immigration reform.

-Joanino states those are interesting points. She has a very extensive record with her past and have been in face with security of homeland security. His thing was saying that in the speech when she said she supported comprehensive immigration reform despite her actions.

-Nelson stated that China was not recognized and Nixon hammered on the fact that democrats lost China. What if this person did not support those that were undocumented, made a statement and supported the DREAM act. Often times the best ally is usually seen as an adversary.

-Hall states that a group wants to take a no stance and other demands as a whole.

-Singh states it depends what the demands are.

-Hall states many students have echoed her that they feel unsafe, and Cynthia Jasso understands she is supposed to be the voice of students.

-Jasso says the more the conversation goes, it becomes more circular.

-Hall states she has already started drafting a resolution, and communication cannot always be translated via internet so she prefers to have the conversation in person.

-Oved asks who is she working with

-Hall states that she is working with IDEAS and other folks in her office.

-Badalich stated that regardless there should be a list of demands, and on a personal level no one would want to work with someone who has no confidence. There is a responsibility to make a strong response.

-Rogers states she agrees with Oved and Singh.

-Joanino states they will take a different approach.

-Trumble states that you must consider her history and students and their families for retention. The word demand scares a lot of people, but the structure is different.

-Joanino states its an excellent conversation.

## XI. Announcements

-Oved states he wants to sign up council for classes together.

-Jasso states the true bruin distinguished senior year award is out for \$5,000. OrgSync will have contingency programming to finally provide a use for it. It's like facebook with no friends at all. As USAC to provide avenues to better utilize it.

-Badalich stated OrgSync can be used for bruin plaza. The total wellness is a magazine committee produced by SWC. The new issues out and talks about 7000 in solidarity and other cool things with a way to advertise. At bruinfest SWC will have 10 tables.

-Kim says bruinbash is less than a week away, and for EAF must check in by 9:30 facing Jans steps. The Bruin Bash concert tickets are available.

-Rogers says the iclicker reservation would be online for those with students that require it. It is no cost.

XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

*The attendance sheet was passed around.*

XIII. Adjournment

Singh moves to adjourn. Badalich seconds.

Meeting adjourned 9:01 pm.

XIV. Good and Welfare