

AGENDA
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
Kerckhoff Hall 417
May 20, 2014
7:00PM

PRESENT: Devin Murphy, Avinoam Baral, Conrad Contreras, Manjot Singh, Nihal Satyadev, Fabienne Roth, Allyson Bach, Greg Kalfayan, Cynthia Wong, Irmay Garcia, Carlos Quintanilla, Heather Rosen, Savannah Badalich

ABSENT:

GUESTS:

I. Call to Order

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The sign in sheet is being passed around

-Murphy calls the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

II. A. Approval of the Agenda

-Bach moves to approve the agenda. Rosen seconds.

-Bach moves to strike ASRF. Garcia seconds.

-Quintanilla moves to strike Arts Restoring Community Referendum. Garcia seconds.

-Badalich moves to strike the Student Wellness Fund. Baral seconds.

-Garcia moves to strike the Cultural Affairs Mini Fund. Rosen seconds.

Agenda approved by consent.

III. Approval of the Minutes from May 13, 2014

-Minutes have been tabled to next week.

IV. Public Comments

Gabriel

-He's sure that most of the council members have been approached from a group called Bruins for Israel and one of the clauses is problematic that denounces all anti-Zionists. This criminalized opposition to a political ideology. Political Zionism seeks to make a Jewish majority and it has been necessary to deny the right of return of Palestinian refugees who were expelled in order to maintain the ethnic majority. Many Jewish people and Palestinians consider themselves anti-zionist. It's only talking about one right wing viewpoint, so please do not sign on the statement because it's criminalizing legitimate political opposition.

Angelica Bassara

-Bassara states the statement questions white privilege and most people understand that white privilege is a real issue and some problematic part of that statement and people need to acknowledge that all forms of privilege are important and pertinent to the statement. The fact that the statement deals to question rather than deal with privilege is problematic.

Omar

-He likes to open the section responding the joint statement ethnic and council members receiving free trips. One of the critiques was attempting to single out political ideologies. They are just trying to stop sponsored trips that further marginalizes other communities.

Agatha, SJP

-Agatha states they point out specific communities and that's relevant to their community. Our statement is inclusive of any group that marginalizes any community. "We further ask USAC council members don't accept free trips that further marginalize any other communities."

-He wanted to follow up about what Agatha said about listing organizations specified in their ethics statement. The reason why organizations like AIPAC and ADL are problematic is because of the offensive and marginalizing stances that they are documented in having promoted such as islamophobia and Armenian genocide denial. We don't believe it generally represents the study body, and if any council member is involved they just want council members to distance themselves that clearly and openly have taken these stances.

-If you don't denounce the policies you are supporting lobby students instead of students.

-Listing the organizations isn't singling AIPAC and ADL groups but there are other groups that are Pro-Israeli that isn't islamophobic and problematic.

-She states that what's so scary is conflating identity based discrimination with opposition for a political ideology. Are you insulting her intelligence or insulting her own? She's anti-nationalist and to be anti-Palestinian is one thing and is wrong, but to be an opposition of Palestinian nationalism is totally fine. She urges those who signed out to reconsider because opposition to a political ideology is normal and this critical thinking should be encouraged at a university level.

Natalie Kalibikan

-Kalibikan states that she was personally very upset that it was sensationalized throughout the internet and it was completely misconstrued and no where did they cite the language that they put the consideration. They didn't want any student group to feel targeted; they don't think any council member here is islamophobic or denies Armenian genocide. It was really hurtful that supposedly the campus took a stance on Armenian genocide but when it hit close to home they weren't willing to question the policies. The only reason they drafted that and throughout this year we brought up concerns about AIPAC and council member and celebrating Azerbejani ambassador. It was completely dismissed for the rest of the year and this could be prevented next year. We cannot assume every council member or bruin to know about this but when the Armenian students give a whole presentation she expects people to listen and take it to heart. When we say that we are against student leaders taking trips, this includes trips anti-Semitic or holocaust denying. This includes everything. She wants to go in details with ADL and AIPAC and we've spoken to everyone, there were two responses. There was a group of

council members that were too general and there were another group that it was too specific. The reason they didn't include the general cause because why would council members have a sweeping statement. She's not criticizing anyone the past is the past. This is not to prevent trips to Israel or students themselves from going to conferences and if they decide they still want to do that's on them, but as student leaders you promised you'd want to represent the student body and these are sacrifices. ADL still opposes Armenian genocide recognition and genocide denial is a racist ask and should be taken seriously because no one deserves to go through that.

Assi, CEC

-Assi said they will be screening Lego movie. Tomorrow Greg Cistero will be coming to speak in Kerckhoff Grand Saloon. They will be screening A Million Ways to Die in the West. CEC the benevolent forces decided to extend their hiring period to Friday at noon so take that as a warning. Next Tuesday they'll be screening her and next Wednesday they'll be a concert from Gold Room and on Thursday YG will be performing.

Kim, former CEC

-Kim wishes this year's council the best of luck

-Jacob Manheim

-Jewish voice for peace and is concerned about the politically hijacking by Bruins for Israel and the chancellor isn't about ethics it was about going on sponsored trips that AIPAC, ADL, and Hasbara because they previously have provided free trips to USAC and these groups marginalize Armenian and African and Palestinian students. There are a number of Pro-Israel groups that were purposefully not included because they don't perpetuate hateful statements. It conflates it with anti-Semitism and it asks council members to denounce anti-Zionism. Many students consider themselves anti-Zionism and UCLA's most famous historian declared they can no longer consider themselves Zionists over policies. BFI is not speaking on behalf of him but speaks for only right wing. Political Zionism believes that Palestinians should be denied the right to return to their home.

-A member of the Armenian student association and asked council members if there are other problematic orgs that have a history of marginalizing students, we worry about the precedent it sets for other lobbying orgs and tried to cut out all external lobbying orgs. People have brought up certain issues regarding the language, and while there have been general claims, no specific claims have really been brought up. They as ASA feel like they are being bullied and pressured to suppressing the truth which is very problematic. Even if you do have an issue with the language, because everything in the statement is true. They are not falsifying any claims and if there are any other specific claims they will be bought up.

Janay Williams, Afrikan Student Union

-Williams states that the statement tried to denounce the work and research and their stance. The Israeli government has demonized African immigrants and the president of

Israeli has been documenting saying that African immigrants are on of the biggest threats to Israeli. This statement has marginalized the black community as well.

Maryssa Hall

-Hall states that BFI requested last year's council to sign onto this statement and she's saying she's not going to sign on the statement because she disagrees with the greater majority. She wants to discuss a particular piece, point 4 underneath subsection that talks about debunking, one of the comments say "while there have been problems with Israel's policy regarding this issue, other liberal democracies have taken harsher measures of dealing with illegal immigration." First she states we cannot say the i-word, your name will be on there permanently. That being said, it really doesn't make sense and you must be critical. As a response the Afrikan Student Union will be proposing a statement and you had Napolitano and Block and persuade you to act a certain way, you have to act with the students in mind and not pressures from administrators and lobbyists. Be critical of policy structures.

Cynthia Jasso

-Jasso is here to talk about arts restoring community referendum and as council you are going to be creating a funding source that hasn't been done in a while. One the process, how is this money going to be applied to and allocated to, will student government generating account numbers? Will CAC be giving blanket account numbers? This is student fee money and it has to be transparent and as smooth as possible to transition this new funding source and hopes to take it seriously and student government is giving back what we're investing in. She hopes they act cautiously and unite on something that will be very powerful in the long term. She wishes everyone the best.

Kate, SJP

-Kate states it has to be evaluated as a personal choice and all groups on campus were trying to make them educated on this issue. This certain neutral position is insulting to the work students put in. It's not to step back while simply assuming and agreeing everything happening beforehand.

V. Special Presentations

A. Student Wellness Commission

-Badalich wanted to inform everyone about the structure of SWC. The Student Wellness Commission was created as a commission in part of 1964 to meet the needs of addressing student health and general well being. They currently have 450 members, 350 of which are active. They helped create some of the evening fun. Student health facilities, anti-smoking, health fairs, and the recycling campaign and put on more than 150 events this year.

-SWC has 12 committees, each are their own registered student organization under SOLE. Active Minds is the forefront of mental health, its part of Active Minds national and they are the best chapter in the nation at any other University for the pass 5 years. Pass programs include Peace of Mind Art Exhibition, Stress less fairs, stress less kits, workshops, panels, and speak outs.

- AIDS Awareness is our HIV/AIDS voice and recently created Facing AIDS with a photo campaign, World AIDS Day, RollAIDS, and through positive eyes photography exhibition.
- Body Image has I <3 my body week, dining in the dark, love yourself yoga, silent disco, and the true beauty by true bruins and a video come out. She's trying to improve body image and stop fat shaming and eating disorders.
- Bruin Consent Coalition will be the long term embodiment of 7000 in solidarity merged with Clothesline Display, Denim Day, and continue arts and activism and education for 7000 in Solidarity. After that 7000 will be taken up by Bruin Consent.
- The Bruin Run/Walk was a month ago and put on annual 5k where all the proceeds go to Mattel Children's Hospital at the Chase Child Life Program where kids can get any thing more normal as a child without an illness. They've raised \$65,000.
- CPR first air and is through the American Heart Association.
- EARTH is the environmental component and created the recycling program, sun safety day, and helped ORL.
- Health Nutrition and Fitness is what they're most known for, bruin in the kitchen with CAC, Bruin Health Week, Bruin Games, and fitness courses. They also had blogilates and changed it.
- SEARCH: Student Education and Research on Contemporary Health has stress less fairs, fix the fiction, search tips, and internal surveys for SWC. They are the ones that compile research and give it to other committees, if forever reason they want to know about health topic they are the ones.
- Sexperts is new that used to be Gender Health is aimed for sexual health. They are going to love lab from contraceptives, sex toys, lubrication, condoms and be able to rented by student groups, used by ORL, and be giving workshops on STIS, pleasure, communication, and contraception. They will be putting on lgbt related events and tasked with everything.
- Student Health Advocates work with ORL and Bruin Resource Center are trained and go through and work with bruin resource center to decimate information on the hill to have 3-4 quarterly workshops anything from body image to communication to everything you can think of. They used to live on each floor and were the health representative with the bruin resource center but they had to stop because they give out health advice.
- The Total Wellness Magazine is the bi quarterly magazine and all peer reviewed and health reviewed. All health information is backed up and professionally reviewed.
- Bach states that she used resources from Total Wellness and thanks for everyone to do presentations.
- Badalich states they are strict internally and make sure it's appropriate and give out 4,000 copies that are 60 pages long.
- PAC is affiliated with SWC.
- Badalich states the executive board is how SWC runs with assistant commissioner, chief of staff, chief of finance, chief of logistics, and corporate relations director had 10,000 donated pieces of organic food. They have this standard for nutrition to ask if they can donate. The public relations director is in charge of student Health Network
- The Student Health network groups all student health organizations and are a lot of repeat programming which allow programming and have a Student Wellness Programming Fund that is \$500 where as the Student Health Network is \$750.

- She invites everyone to look at their website swc.ucla.edu.
- Baral asks the best way to reach out.
- Badalich states if it's someone who wants to do a nutrition thing, talk to Health Nutrition fitness, reach out to the directors and all that information is under contact directors.

B. Finance Committee

Finance Committee Spring Officer Report by Cynthia Jasso and Cindy Wang

- Jasso states every week they approve contingency but they have no idea what their scores are or how the evaluation works. One of the things that have driven is that the finance committee must be viewed as a resource not only as a funding source.
- Wang states that they evaluate two programming funds. Contingency programming is 10% membership fees and capital items contingency is 12% remaining surplus. They analyze efficacy of Association's financial processes. They are voting members of the Budget Review Committee and Funding Study Group. They are the ex-officio to USAC Council and Appointment Review Committee.
- The structure of the committee is very horizontal, it's not a hierarchy. There is the Chair, Vice Chair, Funding Advocate Coordinator, Audit Coordinators, and Community Members. She shows pictures.
- The evaluating process will randomly assign numbers to each application and each application will be read and evaluated by three committee members and is randomized by the vice chair. The only time when the process is not random is when we know that one of their committee members is associated to a student group. Unless there's a huge discrepancy, they want to average it out.
- The grading rubric is based on description of program, goals and objectives, statement of need, and documentation. The grading rubric is a scale from 0-5. They need detailed and not vague explanations with work put in. As you can see they are very detailed oriented and people write and go all crazy on applications to make sure they do the best. They have model applications and contextualize their need. Before they go through financial reviewing they go through 5-6 weeks of intense training. First they shadow and see if they have any discrepancy between the new and old members and try to make it a standard each of them follow so its actually part of the committee themselves.
- One of the biggest problems is being viewed as an office not as a committee. We really expanded our role and responded to Internal Vice Presidents who don't have focus on funding and what about the funding aspect? Some of the accomplishments they have are the online application and really want to transition to be sustainable as possible. They have the funding advocates that are trained to answer questions whose sole mission is to make sure people know how to fill out requisitions. You get money but what's hard is how to access the money after it has been allocated. She used to be a control freak and delegation of responsibilities makes your office more efficient and with people from all over campus.
- Jasso states that this is the first year they have funding advocates and really focus on them being trained and doing workshops and student group outreach and work with IVP student group liaisons this is how the requisition process works because they have the people power and transition the education part to a practical outreach network and really connecting the finance committee with the IVP to bring more structure.

- Wang states they sent an email to anyone filling out reds or contingency that they can always come in and be there to help them. They do physical/online audits and did it because of amazing committee members that were unwavering in contacting student groups because they want to improve.
- They have the All USAC Funding workshop.
- Roth asks if student groups have to go through certain workshops before funding
- Jasso states no but the only time they are asked to go to a workshop is after they are allocated for USA/ASUCLA BOD programming or CS Mini Fund or SOOF. They have a funding panel that is an informal question and answer to ask specific question and tried to expand the finance committee. One of the things is asking funding sources not only as an evaluating body but also following up because so many SOOF accounts going unspent.
- They need council members to help and her whole committee was exhausted. They only get paid \$90 a month and out of respect they need to help funding sources be more out there because so much money goes unspent and email blasts only go so far.
- Baral asks when Jasso turns out and Wang turns in.
- Jasso states her term ends June 30 and Wang can sign requisitions and will be taking over and she has been transitioning her.
- Quintanilla asks if they are public meetings for allocation.
- Jasso states they are and they are there to work with them.
- Jasso states that people must have their requisitions by May 31.

VI. Officer and Member Reports

A. President – Devin Murphy

-Murphy states that they went to Sacramento and spoke to Senator Holly Mitchell and spoke about the IGNITE campaign. Baral and him worked and had a meeting with the representative from the transfer representative referendum. He spoke with Zimmerman about committee and sit on the constitutionally bound committee and will be recommended to such committees. Robert's rules is what we need to abide by and had a lot of experience in Robert's rules and by no means is he perfect but its here as a council and public to participate in democracy to make sure every voice is heard and students feel comfortable coming to council and he will be very strict about Roberts rules and to find that point of privilege.

B. Internal President – Avinoam Baral

-Baral says he will be working with the chief of staffs to organize an orientation to make sure their chief of staffs know key administrators. It will be week 9 and he asks for information about the chief of staffs to work on list serve.

C. External Vice President – Conrad Contreras

-Contreras states they went to Sacramento and thanked him for championing prop 13 reform and the IGNITE campaign and since SCA5 was pulled out legislator and talked about working with him to include students the discussion for access for higher for education. They are going to be seeing voter registration forms in new students packets and being able to pick that up after every session. He is looking for directors because they need to start planning for statewide and national, UCSA congress is going to be in

Oakland and USSA is going to be at UCI back to back where they decide on issues they will be working on.

D. Academic Affairs Commissioner – Allyson Bach

-Bach states that appointments part of the staff application and invites everyone to be an academic appointment. Anyone interested on the diversity requirement so if there are any students they would recommend have them fill out an application.

E. Student Wellness Commissioner

-Badalich states that she accepted the award for best programming and a survivor from Berkeley are not working together to help with Chancellor Dirk and President Napolitano offered it after talking to it so that's really cool. They're going to have pledge cards in all of the packets and students will sign the pledge card and to be an effective bystander and have counselors be at every orientation. There are no blurred lines will be shown during orientation and to navigate that space. SWC may have a surplus and she thinks they should go towards gender inclusive bathrooms. Sexperts is looking for applications. In Daily Bruin today Zoe Friedman talked about condom machines like vending machines and sent an email to healthy campus initiatives and on the condoms it'll have stickers that say "ask first." She thanks daily bruin for coming up with that cool idea.

-Murphy states SFSU uses that

-Baral states if anyone wants to do an officer report just email him

F. Facilities Commissioner

-Quintanilla states last week was the first John Wooden Board of Governor's meeting and right now what they're doing is they're passing a couple of resolutions to build more inclusive and safe spaces such as more gender inclusive spaces and diversity trainings. The second resolution is sustainability and is concerned with water conservation and energy such as the IM field changing to turf.

-Rosen asks when will the IM fields be closed.

-Quintanilla states he will email the deadline

F. Administrative Representative

-Kaupalolo is here in place of Deb Geller thanks everyone for their time.

-Badalich asks when she'll be back.

-Kaupalolo states next week

Laureen Lazarovici

-Lazarovici states Robert's Rules are a tool that can be used for a variety of purposes. If you invite me to your retreat or dinner there will be times when people try to use Robert's Rules against her. There are resources to learn more about Robert's rules and parliamentary procedures. One of your fellow friends FICOM chair is now a member of the national parliamentary association. You can even be a professional parliamentarian and there a lot of resources to learn about that. She's been really conflicting of outgoing council and what they're going to and feeling. She stated one thing she'll be thinking about is what legacy they have left. You can point to each person and state that's the president that did this or oversaw that. When somebody points at your picture or mentally

in their mind, what are the one or two sentences they are going to summarize in their time in office in terms of a year from now? This is an opportunity for a fresh start and a time to clarify what goals and not campaign promises. She's upset the fellow to cure traffic on the 405 to win. What are some of the things you want to accomplish in terms of how you want the campus to be after you've left? So hopefully this upcoming summer there's a chance to know each other better and have a cup of coffee or chai. She loves what Cynthia had to say about arts funding and is something to unite around because there will be contentious issues. There are issues you can unite around and this is one of them. Lazarovici inadvertently brought up a few leadership lessons such as being a control freak and then delegating. That is a very important leadership lesson and a very difficult one. At a certain point you cannot do everything on your plate and if you choose them wisely and give them feedback they will do the things that need to be done. It might not be the way you would have done it but that's the moment you have to catch yourself and say that's okay and let it go. She also talked about the commission based on feedback from her clients and she thinks that's fabulous. It's really important to commit on improvement based on feedback.

-Lazarovici stated she has had a lot of admiration and a little bit of discomfort about many things that SWC does. There are many students who come from backgrounds that she would describe as lifestyle conservative or upbringings where there are certain things okay to be part of such as having sex. Not every college student is sexually active and not every college student would think that to be appropriate. She stated she realized that's part of the diversity of the campus and something that needs to be build on just as we see race, gender idea, and ethnic identity. She stated she put two on two things and there are people with Muslim headdress and that's a conservative lifestyle and when she was in college she was a lifestyle conservative because of her upbringing and ethnic heritages and lived at home with her mom and dad. She states in a lot of cultures a condom machine wont be in the dorm. People who are asexual and people who think that the appropriate time and place is not in college and who think its perfectly appropriate and fine and should want the information and protecting range. She's happy about this one more thing that's beautifully diverse about UCLA with people from all points of every spectrum. She's really grateful the confluence of events was her talking about her events and the visual cues to see how these things fit together.

-Badalich states they do education and very vocally talk about that it's a choice and do abstinence education. For her its all about choice and as long as it's an option, and they added a whole section on asexuality. She likes to talk about sexuality because it's not strange.

Dr. Berky Nelson

-Nelson stated that over the weekend a parent called and asked what they recommend their child do. He should that the son should come to UCLA based on what they just heard, with presentations and the breadth of discussions because those are the things that don't happen elsewhere. There are certain life skills that people pick up here they don't get from other institutions. He says that with a heartfelt sincerity.

-He was on KCRW and LA Times regarding the pledge, and whatever you do you must think about the long range implications of what the decision must be. There is a magnifying class on UCLA and anything that goes here can spread elsewhere. Think

about every aspect before you make a decision. It's not received not only on campus but it's a fishbowl. If you fall things through thoroughly and try to get as much information as you can.

Patty Zimmerman

-Zimmerman will be passed off stipend packages due May 30 to SGA Student Government Accounting Kerckhoff Hall 332. You must bring in two forms of ID or a passport. She states please do not create a new Gmail.

-Baral asks how to sign it

-Zimmerman outlines how to sign it

VIII. Funding Allocations

A. Contingency Programming

-Wang says \$6,127 recommended and after this allocation there is \$4,400 left in contingency. The fiscal year for contingency has ended and if any office has unspent money turn it in before May 31st and if your account was closed you can talk to her so you can get the money back.

-Baral moves to approve contingency allocations. Bach seconds.

13-0-0 contingency is approved.

B. EVP Travel and Advocacy Grant

-Project 1 with \$167.04

Approved by consent

IX. Old Business

X. New Business

A. Transfer Representative Referendum

-Baral stated that him, Murphy, Bach, and a transfer initiative referendum started talking about an ad hoc committee talking about a specific bylaws with the first meeting at 7:30pm this Thursday in either Office of President or this room. There will be 12 representatives from different transfer representatives each appointed by academic affairs with ex-official members and administrators.

-Zimmerman asks if there will be more meetings

-Baral states yes

-Murphy states it will be presented to council and constitutional review meeting and wants the new transfer representative to be acclimated in fall. They have to choose a new election board chair and why they're outreaching to transfer.

-Rosen asks if they are allowed to voice concerns or listen in

-Murphy states that's up to you, if you want to voice concerns come with solutions

-Baral states if you cant make a meeting send an email and they'll channel the thoughts

-Lazarovici asks what are the big buckets of issues they have to tackle

-Murphy states that 2-3 days after election and laid out that they have to do e-board chair with an election fall quarter for this position and as a council they have to see how most cost efficient it is with an election board chair. They have to create a bylaw language to make it broad enough specific so it's effective and the transfer representative has an

SGOF.

- Badalich asks where funding for special election will come from
- Murphy states that there's something we need to
- Lazarovici asks when the last time a seat got added
- Badalich states 1964, it will be 50 years.
- Lazarovici is just asking to show how it'll change chemistry as a legislative body.

XI. Announcements

- Kaupalolo states that all the advisors have been long and as advisors they want to be useful and resourceful and fresh perspective to navigate things around campus.
- Roth states World Insight tomorrow from 11-4 in Wilson Plaza with over different 30 student groups.
- Contreras stated Samahang Pilipino Culture Night will be this Saturday
- Badalich states next Thursday is sidewalk CPR and you can get free tickets to get certification. Sexperts committee is due this Sunday and certified by Ashe center and ORL.
- Garcia encourages everyone to go to Jazz Reggae and tell people to apply to CAC.
- Singh states that Bruin Angara is this Saturday a giant event and encourages everyone to go.
- Bach states Indian Student Union is May 31st and if you want to be on the VIP list message her.
- Murphy states his presidential and application staff applications are out and see all 9 presidential appointments. He will send out a cheat sheet for Robert's rules.

XIII. Signing of the attendance sheet

The attendance sheet is passed around.

IX. Adjournment

- Rosen moves to adjourn. Badalich seconds.
- Meeting adjourned is 9:09 pm.

XIV. Good and Welfare