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FINALIZED MINUTES
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
Kerckhoff Hall 417
March 31, 2015

7:00 PM

PRESENT: Avinoam Baral, Heather Hourdequin, Conrad Contreras, Manjot Singh, Sofia Moreno Haq, Negeen Sadeghi-Movahed, Fabienne Roth, Allyson Bach, Greg Kalfayan, Cynthia Wong, Irmay Garcia, Heather Rosen, Savannah Badalich, Cindy Wang

ABSENT: Savannah Badalich

GUESTS: Marvin Chen

I. Call to Order

-Baral calls meeting to order at 7:04pm.

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet has been passed around.

II. Approval of the Agenda

-Contreras moves to add a resolution to recognize Filipino workers

-Bach moves to add a special presentation of the Diversity Requirement

-Hourdequin moves to add election board discretionary allocation under New Business and the election calendar under New Business.

-Garcia strikes Arts Restoring Community allocations

-Bach strikes ASRF

-Contreras moves to strike EVP Travel and advocacy grant

-Hourdequin moves to approve the agenda as amended. Sadeghi-Movahed seconds.

12-0-0 agenda is approved.

III. Approval of Minutes from March 10, 2015 and March 17, 2015

-Rosen moves to approve the minutes from March 10 and March 17. Hourdequin seconds.

12-0-0 the minutes are approved.

IV. Public Comments

-Jaclyn from CalPirg is a student led program and are running grass root organizations and also we are having our kickoff April 7 and Solar smoothies will be April 7 as well. On April 17 we will be meeting with Paul Kretz office and have a regreening of UCLA lawns so look up for all these events as well as a solar concert.

-Kiang is the current director so Asian pacific coalition and the appointment for the new vice chancellor of equity and inclusion was finally concluded and the person appointed is Jerry Khan from the law school. A lot more logistics worked out for the remainder of the school year in terms of hiring and want to make sure you all know who it is. Just like fall quarter there was a post card campaign and this time its all the faculty. I only have a few

and we have a box of 5000. There are some good numbers on the post card and are currently doing campaign stuff and if you have time to collaborate and if it fails it's a disappointing moment on our campus.

-Cassasola is here to represent SPACE, Samahang's access project. The resolution to recognize Filipino farmworkers in the Delano power movement and I hope you pass this and it's really important and to recognize the different histories and what we learned in high school was Eurocentric and whitecentric especially in regards to the labor movement in California and Filipinos history has been erased. We went to Seattle and went to Wayne Luis center and the history of the Filipinos and what they did and finished the book Americas in the Heart and makes a lot of the history should be acknowledged within ethnic studies courses. Samahang Pilipino is offering 3 student initiated classes and it goes to show that we have a strong interest in our history and if we can't find it in the university we will carve it and make it ourself.

-This resolution is important because I've never heard of manongs and even in my US history class and during the movement. It wasn't until I took an Asian American class until I learned about the history of the manongs and it is powerful and impactful when we know our rights.

-Marien part of Samahang and internship director for the EVP office. I usually go over the farm workers movement and unity clap and a really important part of our history and workers rights. One of the important things is Larry Itilong has a history in the farm workers movement just like Cesar Chavez. We have contributed to the growth of the country and we want to pass a resolution and the way it impacted our society.

-Francesca is here on behalf of Samahang culture night and one of the things we do is that we have a theme song. The first line is "remember all the manongs" and pay it forward to people who gave us so much and give recognition to manongs and the year where the manongs themselves were still alive and the theme song written for them. We didn't grow up learning this history and I grew up around a largely populated Filipino community and to really search it out on my own. Last year I had the opportunity to ring people to Stockton where a lot of the early Manongs came and it's a huge step for our community to people who have given us so much.

-Winnie is the EVP of Samahang Pilipino and wants to thank Contreras and Bach and Sadeghi-Movahed for helping me pass. I'm glad you guys are learning about Larry Itilong and I would like to encourage you to vote yes because it would mean a lot to pass this resolution.

-Napoleon is a community organizer within Anakbayan in the greater Los Angeles area and I'm here to support the resolution proposed by Conrad Contreras and the diversity requirement. Filipino communities are still part of the marginalized and most of us here works towards a more equitable society and these things are a step forward and whatever outlooks will affect how we treat each other and the workers and how we interact as educators and community leaders. After we leave the halls of this university we support the proposal to support the passage of the diversity requirement.

-Rick Matsumoto is the co-president of Transfer student alliance and the stressed with the unity of diversity requirement for students. We need to take it one step further and go for diversity requirement for faculty. Last quarter one of my professors in my seminars decided to take a tangent and somehow culminated "I cant understand these foreigners just can't speak English" especially if you're an international student how would that

make you feel? Its incidents like these that show how important it is for faculty to get educated on diversity and once they're fully committed that attitude can spread to students as well.

-Joan states the sincerest gratitude to the Filipino community for LA and the United States and contributed to development of Saudi Arabia and my communities wouldn't have been built but in the end your worldly contributions to the earth are beyond priceless. Let it be known that you're not only amazing in LA and amazing in the entire world and my experience with your community has been beyond amazing.

-Sean Murphy states she will be taking over Carlos absence and wanted to give notice from 6-7pm in Kerckhoff 135 and bringing a nonprofit based in Los Angeles called the Samburu project and want to bring clean water to northern part of Africa.

-Neille states as an immigrant himself its been a difficult experience and wants to bring it up that what the manongs did in the early 20th century and for our society to erase the experience says a lot about how we view such a selfless act out of the oppression and historical events such as the colonization.

-Priscilla from Samahang Pilipino states that she grew up in Delano and went to a Cesar Chavez high school and I didn't know anything about the Filipino contributions of Larry Itilong and ask you really support the diversity requirement.

V. Special Presentations

A. Syrian Resolution Week

-Jonah thanks everyone for his time and shows a PowerPoint slideshow of him in Montreal and his grandma and cousin. My grandparents come from a diaspora and in our indigenous language we call her Ninej and she was in Montreal and came from Damascus and decided that it was more beneficial to leave the country. There were bombs every night, the groceries price rose 300% and she's trying to live her life and says different things inside Syria and outside Syria. The Syria Revolution week is occurring this week because March 15 is when the revolution was capped at its genesis and its up to interpretation whether to call it a revolution or a conflict. Gen Rep 1 and Gen Rep 2 helped us with this. In 2010 I was walking through arguably the oldest Christian district and there was an immense amount of diversity and allowed free entry to a church. We're simply celebrating people's aspirations, no matter what sort of opinion they have on the revolution—a revolution is taking place. For the past few decades Syrian people have been making it known what kind of such as the humanitarian crisis, refugees, internal violence, ineffective national programs and there's no credit cards, no technology, and no jobs. We need knowledge to proceed and people are afraid to talk about the issue. Syria has Romans, Israelies, Crusaders, Arabs, Circasians, Beduins, Kurdz, Armenians, Turks, Persians, and Macedonians with diverse place and diverse history and diverse architecture. There is an identity crises from "Sham" to "Syria" and Syria is crafted by the French and has had so many flags since its birth. As time transcended you see opinions and if you go on Wikipedia you look at an ambiguous map and that's not what we want Syria to be. There is potential in people and culture and potential in history to sway Syria and the World for Diversity and Innovation for a home of civilization. We have an event Thursday for open house for Syrian Revolution Week and commemorating Syrian people.

-Sadeghi-Movahed congratulates the great job and how fast its being put out together and GenRep1 and GenRep2 and thanks.

-Jonah states it means the world.

-Baral states he was in Israel this year and you can hear boom boom boom and bombs and couldn't tell if it was rebel forces our government and you know there's a lot of government.

-Moreno Haq states he's working so hard and passionate individuals and for those of you who don't know its an amazing opportunity for the event tomorrow as well as Thursday.

B. Diversity Requirement Student Rally

-Cassasola is a campus organizer from EVP and Kajikawa from AAC and wants to talk about the lobby corp and have been working on emailing professors, diversity requirement student rally, and spring activities fair. We will be emailing professors from all over campus. The student rally will be in Meyerhoff Park. The students should support the diversity requirements because it improves campus climate, cross cultural learning/development, better understanding of campus community, and ability to think about issues of inequality and social justice.

-Cassasola states as a bioengineer in south campus they need to think about issues of micro aggressions and the history we have here and it really opened up to me being involved and given that aspect and passion for social justice. Even for people who can step out of bubble

-Kajikawa states it enables cross cultural exchange regardless of their background and a new perspective of learning. We shouldn't make "diversity" just a buzz word, lets demand that it be a priority. It hasn't passed because of misconceptions about its effect on different departments and low voter turnout from faculty in 2012. Now its up to students so we can keep the change.

-Cassasola said the goals are for students to understand the different backgrounds of students and be able to broaden their perspectives of others, different religions, socioeconomic class, age and religion. For the next steps is the UCLA Diversity Requirement Rally Thursday April 2 and the UCLA Teach-In with Bruin Democrats happening Tuesday April 7th

-Kajikawa states we are hoping to coprogram with Bruin Republicans as well to get a whole sense.

-Cassasola states the strategy chart drafted for the rally and different tactics for EVP and AAC. The targets are all of UCLA faculty and including a lot of faculty that don't see the undergraduate students and the way we are going to do it is through UCLA students to make a voice on this campus so professors can see it. Other tactics we have is having a banner drop for the diversity requirement

-Kajikawa states we are here to talk to student leaders and the diversity requirements because of everything that has happened since the time at UCLA is so pivotal.

-Cassasola says please invite your networks in Ackerman Union 2412

-Garcia asks the times

-Kajikawa states the Diversity Requirement Rally 12-1pm and the Teach In is tentative and planning on Tuesday April 7. There will be a work party tomorrow from 12-2pm

VI. Appointments

VII. Officer and Member Reports

A. President – Avinoam Baral

- Baral states he's going up with council of presidents to the governor's office round table. UCOP is also having a round table with students the following Tuesday. For all the meetings my main focus is that this university remains affordable and accessible and we'll work with anyone who lets us stop tuition increasing. For seniors the applications to be student commencement speaker is coming out. My computer was stolen and please let me know and I hope to recover. Keep your offices safe and secure all your belongings.

B. Internal President –Heather Hourdequin

-Hourdequin states tomorrow is the Spring Activities Fair 11-2 in Wilson Plaza and check-in happens at 10AM and if anyone is in organizations tabling check in is going to be at 10 am and after that we have a waitlist so if orgs don't show up they can come on first come first serve. Hourdequin thanks Contreras and staff for off campus advocacy organizations and offer interesting twist to what was just the student orgs last year. Week 3 is LGBTQ Awareness Week. I'm also on the student regent nominating committee and I'll be having a meeting April 11 in UC Irvine give them my email on April 11. The funding application is up on org sync and we're just finalizing our meetings with different funding directors.

-Bach asks if she's met with Rayhill fill for ASRF.

-Hourdequin states she'll get an email

C. External Vice President – Conrad Contreras

-Contreras states over spring break there were 15 delegates to DC in legislative conference for workshops and issue based caucuses and some just came back today. The highlight that happened for USSA protested the federal Pell grant that got cut and it was really powerful to show and want to protect the Pell grant. UCLA has the most Pell grant recipients in the nation. We are bringing 15 off campus student orgs to let students know the work they do and really want to reach out. I encourage everyone to please let staff know and share profile picture and attend the rally yourself. Lastly UC President Janet Napolitano is hosting a notional summit on undocumented students and wanted to ensure undocumented students to speak on behalf. We are sending nominations from each association for the spot and I reached out to IDEAS and undocumented students if they're interested in being nominated.

D. General Representative 1

-Singh states this week is Syrian Revolution Week. Monday, Mar. 30:

Daytime: Fundraising, Speeches, Spoken Word, and Poetry @ Bruin Walk (8am-4pm)

Evening: Little Syria @ Wilson Plaza (7pm-8pm)

Tuesday, Mar. 31:

Daytime: Fundraising, "Ask me about Syria" @ Bruin Walk (8am-4pm)

Evening: Documentary - Syria: The Reckoning (Episode 1) @ Bunche 3143 (6pm-7pm);

USAC Special Presentation on The Syrian Revolution @ Kerckhoff 417 (7pm-8pm)

Wednesday, Apr. 1:

Daytime: Fundraising, Get to know Syria by Map @ Bruin Walk (8am-4pm)

Evening: Documentary - Syria: The Reckoning (Episode 2) @ Bunche 3157 (6pm-7pm)

Thursday, Apr. 2:

Daytime: Fundraising and Solidarity Ribbons @ Bruin Walk (8am-4pm)

Evening: Through the Gates of Damascus: A Syrian Open House @ Royce 362 (6pm-8pm)

The United Arab Society, General Representative 1, and General Representative 2 invites you to Syrian Revolution Week.

Syrian Revolution Week aims to provide a platform for Syria's human stories, assist refugee populations in need surrounding Syria, and recognize universal themes present in the Syrian Revolution.

The Syrian Revolution entered its 5th year on March 15, 2015. What started as a set of human voices has now turned into a portrayal of numbers, factions, and regimented ideologies. Ultimately, a hope for many Syrians is to see themselves and their country transition into the 21st century; they wish for their own improvements and a say in their own standards of living.

As a result of violence in Syria, many Syrians have become refugees. Life as a refugee can be dangerous. This year, as well as in recent years, winter weather in the Levant region has caused suffering to refugee populations due to lack of winter supplies and inadequate shelter. In light of this, Syrian Revolution Week will include a daily fundraiser, with its proceeds going towards the Syrian Sunrise Foundation, a charity organization that provides aid to any individual affected by the revolution, regardless of political, religious, or ethnic affiliations.

From Monday, March 30 to Thursday, April 2, programs regarding Syria will take place on Bruin Walk, Wilson Plaza, and classrooms. During the day (8am-4pm; times may vary slightly each day), fundraising for the Syrian Sunrise Foundation will take place on Bruin Walk. While fundraising, a photographer will be present by the fundraising table(s) to photograph portraits of anyone (really, anyone) who wishes to participate in the "Syrians of UCLA" (analogous to "Humans of New York", "People of UCLA", and "Humans of UCLA") photo campaign. During the evening (6pm-7pm or 6pm-8pm), educational and cultural programs will be hosted. All programs will regard Syria, related themes, and will include a documentary screening and a "Little Syria" social gathering.

They will be having Bruins Day Off in South Campus. The People of Color Tour was a platform and wants to institute some aspects of People of Color Tour with regular student tour and highlighting the most important aspects and shadowing different students from CPO to see what its like and incorporate elements and setting up a booth. I will be presenting a resolution next Tuesday for religious safe space.

D. Academic Affairs

-Bach states she'll be meeting with Frank Watta and really implement those for the upcoming school year. We have another event on Thursday for an online education forum as a last minute event and with language courses did hybrid courses where most homework are online but go into class twice a week and see a great increase in expanding the language or do a hybrid course to ensure that moving forward there's student concerns on how to amend education and lots of changes happening. In some practices. Tomorrow there is a workday Ackerman 2412. Please make it to the rally and come for at least 5 minutes. I just want to make sure you showed up because we passed a resolution and if we don't show a council unity is important. We have been working hard to put this on and bring us together and it would be really great to see this.

E. Student Wellness Commission

-Chen states he will be talking in Badalich's first person. Sorry, I'm gone everyone! I'm at the UC Presidential task Force on Preventing and Responding to Sexual Violence & Sexual Assault meetings talking about specifically adjudication. We're talking about different models for investigation, adjudication, and discipline, so I'll let you know what we decide on as soon as we can all agree. Also, I apologize in advance for all the updates!

-SAAM Calendar:

With April being the international Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM), an annual campaign to raise public awareness about sexual assault and educate communities and individuals on how to prevent sexual violence, 7000 in Solidarity and our campus and community partners are here to offer 28 events and over 50 hours worth of supportive, educational, and interactive programming. Marvin will distribute the calendar/flyer, and you can all learn about each and every event on our Facebook event page. Please, share the page, come to the events, we need you all to come. As student government leaders, you all know a survivor, I promise you do, please come to at least one event. If you have any questions, feel free to e-mail me.

-SB 668:

Next week, I will bring forward a resolution to oppose California Senate Bill 668, which I spoke about during Week 9's meeting. The senate bill would make it impossible for universities to employ Advocates who are "confidential and privileged," which would eliminate a position students have fought so hard to obtain. Thank you to Avinoam and Manjot who have agreed to co-sponsor. I will e-mail you all the language of the resolution, please feel free to provide feedback or ask questions prior to it coming forward to the meeting next week!

-Executive Director, Campus and Student Resilience

Amazing News! There is the creation of a new position - the Executive Director, Campus and Student Resilience. In a letter by Janina Montero, our Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, she wrote the follow (and I'm sorry this is so long):

For almost a decade, Dr. Elizabeth Gong-Guy has led UCLA's Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) to be a premiere counseling center that has increased the visibility and accessibility of these crucial services for our students. Not only has Liz led CAPS through a significant transformation to meet the unprecedented rise of demand for student mental health services, but she has also served as a national leader for counseling centers in institutions of higher education. Liz's extraordinary ability to think strategically and creatively about developing student resiliency and about increasing prevention and outreach efforts to strengthen campus mental health has led me to ask her to step into a new role within Student Affairs as the Executive Director - Campus and Student Resilience.

In this new role, Liz will help once again to bring about transformation. Through a thorough assessment of existing Student Affairs programs and exploration of new and innovative programs, Liz will lead us to foster a campus culture that addresses those pressures mounting from emerging and urgent issues such as student mental health and well-being, campus climate concerns, and education and prevention of sexual misconduct under Title IX legislation and policies.

Liz will be instrumental with the transition of responsibilities that begins as we enter spring quarter and we will continue to count on her wealth of knowledge to ensure the continuity of the stellar service provided by CAPS. Moving forward, we have asked Dr. Nicole Green to serve as Interim Executive Director and she has generously accepted. Nicole, a UCLA alumna, is a well-respected Ph.D. psychologist, with significant experience representing CAPS and the campus among different constituencies.

Knowing both Dr. Gong-guy and Dr. Green, they are absolutely phenomenal, and I could not be more excited for this change and new position. Thank you, Janina, for this change and new position, our campus, considering recent issues related to campus climate, diversity, and sexual violence, we need this for the health of our community. I look forward to seeing who will be the interim CARE (Campus Assault Resources & Education) director, who deals with sexual violence.

-Bruin Health Week

Remember Bruin Health Week is Week 5! Please look forward to it, and if you want to work with us, let us know!

Student Wellness Programming Fund:

Name the organizations, events, and amounts allocated.

Announcements:

-Any events brought up during the SWC Leadership meeting (other than SAAM).

F. Transfer Student Representative

-Sadeghi-Movahed stated that they'll be making changes for transfer pride week and up until this past year there were no students who sat on this particular body so now transfer student representative will sit on that committee but there will be 2 additional students on that committee. I noticed there's not enough student involvement and its important to collaborate on certain efforts to make sure its effective

G. Administrative Representatives

-Geller states there'll be a series of focus groups to get student inputs related to sexual violence prevention and response. Invitations will be going out somewhat shortly and we will be looking for a variety of student populations to participate.

-Lazarovici states she's interested in the resolution about contribution of Filipino leaders and mentioned she's on the board of the Filipino workers center and got involved in that through some work around expanding rights for domestic workers and the Filipino workers center building near downtown LA is named after Larry Itilong. Anyone who is an old time activist have their teeth on the united farmworkers movement as the training ground of that generation of activists. There's a terrific book wrote about all the activists and went out to different movements and contributed to skills and strategies they learned. Our social justice movement to be aware of and accepting of people living imperfect lives. If you've had the opportunity to Cesar Chavez birthplace its wonderful and its not really on the way to anything but its a great place to go. Our culture tends to focus on individual heroes and not the social movement and that's deliberate to frame progress as something one great person does when its actually leadership and charisma and strategies built which is where the energy comes from and there's this tendency to focus on individual heroism rather than movement building.

VIII. Funding Allocations

A. Contingency Programming

-Wang states the total required 90,451.85. The total requested \$12,792.83 and total recommended is \$4,600.00 The balance after is \$53,926.32.

Wong moves to approve. Bach seconds.

12-0-0 the agenda is approved.

B. Student Wellness Programming Fund

-Chen states \$1000 for JRF for their EMS training.

C. USA BOD

- Pascual states with certain programs there was a cap and an even spread across allocations. The highest allocation was AISA with \$7,000.80.
 - Baral states this is the last BOD allocations and asks if there's a way to keep track
 - Pascual states on the excel spreadsheet you can see the different formulas.
 - Baral moves to approve the allocations for USA BOD Programming.
- 10-0-1 the USA BOD Programming allocations are approved.

IX. Old Business

X. New Business

-A. Facilities Commissioner Resignation

-Baral states he got the email the same time everyone did and sent out the guidelines for resignation and have people for us on Tuesday who can sign all requisitions and can be a transition position and this person we appoint who has administrative context so the new facilities commissioner can move forward quickly. I've been talking to Sean and she's not applying for the position and 100% to stay on board and she's been helping me to provide recommendations. There are open applications.

B. A Resolution To Recognize the Contribution of Pilipino Farm Workers in the Delano Labor Movement

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Sponsors:

Conrad Contreras - External Vice President
Allyson Bach - Academic Affairs Commissioner
Negeen Sadeghi-Movahed - Transfer Student Representative

WHEREAS, Cesar Chavez Day celebrates America's history and victory in the fight for farm workers' and laborers' rights to fair treatment and fair wages; and,

WHEREAS, Pilipino farm workers have contributed invaluable to the farm worker movement and to the creation and accomplishments of the United Farm Workers of America (UFW); and,

WHEREAS, During the first 30 years of the twentieth century, over 100,000 men left the Philippines for the U.S. By 1930, Pilipino farm workers made up approximately 15% of all California farm workers, nearly all asparagus farm workers in the Sacramento and San Joaquin Valleys, and approximately 80% of the Salinas Valley lettuce crop workers; and,

WHEREAS, In the 1930s and 1940s, Pilipino laborers in California began aggressively organizing various unions and associations, and engaged in successful strikes throughout the state; and,

WHEREAS, Under the leadership of the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee, Pilipino farm workers initiated a five-year strike in the Delano grape fields on September

8, 1965, which would become the most important date in the history of the farm worker movement; and,

WHEREAS, In 1966, the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee, under the leadership of Larry Dulay Itliong, and the National Farm Workers Association, under the leadership of Cesar Chavez, merged and formed the UFW Organizing Committee, AFL-CIO; and,

WHEREAS, Pilipino labor leaders have greatly contributed to the historic formation of the UFW and the accomplishments of the union such as the passage in California of the Agricultural Labor Relations Act in 1975 which ensures peace in the agricultural fields by guaranteeing justice for all agricultural workers and stability in labor relations; and,

WHEREAS, the story of how the Pilipino American labor leaders and workers helped create the farmworker labor movement has been greatly ignored by national and international media including the Cesar Chavez movie; and,

WHEREAS, A new documentary titled, Delano Manongs, interrogates the erasure of Filipinos from the farmworkers movement and presents the story from the point of view of the leader of the movement himself, Larry Itliong; and,

WHEREAS, on October 2, 2013, California State Governor Jerry Brown signed Assembly Bill 123 into law requiring K-12 curriculum in the social sciences include instruction of the contribution of Pilipino Americans to the farm labor movement; and,

WHEREAS, on October 12th, 2013, a mural dedicated to the struggles of Pilipino farm workers and labor organizers who advocated for improved labor conditions in California was unveiled at the Milpitas Library Auditorium; and,

WHEREAS, on December 1st, 2014, Assembly member Rob Bonta (D-Oakland) announced a bill honoring Larry Itliong, AB 7, establishing Larry Itliong Day as a day of special significance in California to commemorate all Pilipino workers especially, Pilipino Farm Laborers; and,

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Students Association Council, recognize the contribution of Pilipino farm workers in the Delano Labor Movement; and,

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Students Association Council, recognize Larry Itliong as a leader in the Delano Labor Movement along with Cesar Chavez; and,

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that USAC Office of the President, Office of the External Vice President and the Academic Affairs Commission work in collaboration with Pilipin@ organizations on campus, community organizations off campus, and with Assembly member Rob Bonta on the passage of AB 7; and,

LET IT BE FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Students Association Council, work in collaboration with Pilipin@ organizations on campus and community organizations off campus to restore heritage and stories of Pilipin@s as a vibrant political force through the passage of the UCLA Diversity Requirement and the establishment of Pilipino Studies.

-Roth states it should be plural for Students.

-Baral states it should be capitalized for “a”

-Sadeghi-Movahed said it should be October 2nd

-Bach stats she wants to make it September 8th.

-Rosen states she’s in full support and it hasn’t been mentioned once and it’s a great step towards educating the UCLA community.

-Sadeghi-Movahed congratulates Samahang and Contreras and it’s a really well done resolution and hope more UC’s and AB7 will pass.

-Roth thanks them for adding action items because its not just a statement its some things proactive.

-Contreras states Cesar Chavez Day celebrates the labor movement in 1965 and while obviously Cesar Chavez is a prominent leader and Filipino farm workers haven’t been recognized where in fact it was a multiethnic alliance and solidarity among leaders and sometimes the face of the movement is shown and the people doing the actual movement get lost. We have to recognize grassroots organizers and the unity clap isang bagsak and that came from Delano California and its connected to the farmworker movement and that was a multiethnic alliance between Filipino and Chicano farmworkers and I want to give a spotlight to this bill. Even though it affects one community it affects other youth.

-Bach states retention has a lot to do about their identity and space for them to do well. This resolution is so much more and recognize what Contreras and Samahang Pilipino has done.

-Bach moves to pass A Resolution To Recognize the Contribution of Pilipino Farm Workers in the Delano Labor Movement. Sadeghi-Movahed seconds.

11-0-0 A Resolution To Recognize the Contribution of Pilipino Farm Workers in the Delano Labor Movement is passed.

-Contreras states to do a unity clap.

C. Election Board Calendar Revised

-Shagun apologizes for the late election board calendar because of room reservations and new education events. The Group Endorsement Orientation at April 8th at 6pm in De Neve Auditorium. The Candidate debates are going to be April 26th at 7pm in Carnesale Commons. The Endorsement slips are due April 22nd at 5pm.. The campus sign boards go up April 27th at 12am. We shifted the dates for endorsements and debates on Sunday and make sure its not interfering with JRF.

-Wong asks for clarification for signatories for referendum and asks if we need multiple cosponsors

-Shagun states we normally need just 1 representative.

-Moreno-Haq moves to pass the amended calendar. Sadeghi-Movahed seconds.

7-0-3 its approved.

B. Election Discretionary Request

-Shagun states in the past we have had a problem with low voter turnout. Voter turnout has decreased from 36% to 30% of the undergraduate population. Our goal is to encourage students to get involved in voting and motivate them to actively participate in the selection of their future representatives. Modeling other universities, we want to increase voter turnout. The proposition is to get incentives for voters in the form of gift cards. We are requesting \$2000. ASUCLA has made a deal of providing free soda drinks in order to get students an incentive to vote. They will be pulling out the names of the voters, 1 in every 25 students, and give these names to the election board staff after the elections. The election board will host additional office hours post elections to give out the incentives to the students who were randomly chosen.

-Wang states other than contingency what other funds have you received?

-Shagun states they applied to ASUCLA but that depends on how many funds we get. I applied to contingency and received \$600. I am trying to keep it as transparent as possible. We tried pushing our budget but we don't have a line item that says we can use it for incentives. We can only use discretionary and ASUCLA funds.

-Garcia states would you be willing to do \$1500

-Shagun he states he'll take whatever he's just doing his best

-Roth asks how much they'll need

-Roth asks how much CAC and CEC will need

-Kalfayan states he's going to ask for discretionary to restore some old tapes for around \$400.

-Garcia states anything we get even if we get \$500 they'll be happy

-Shagun states if we even get \$1400 it'll be fine.

-Lazarovici I really urge you not to pass this because people should want to vote. Don't be too hard on yourself because 30-34% is high. Its extremely easy to vote in USAC elections with 3 full days online. I do know the incentives work but we create a culture because people do things only if they do a treat and treats people like children. If you want to increase voter turnout you can either make USAC more relevant or making voting mandatory and the notion of giving away a soda gives the healthcare in my want to cry.

-Lazarovici asks if the value of the gift card is a free soda gift card? So it's going to be \$2?

-Shagun states yeah.

-Lazarovici states that having a random amount getting \$2 gift card but if you want to put \$1400 go towards marketing it should be instead of random gift cards

-Shagun states there thought process behind it was that if they got soda they'll buy something else.

-Baral states there's three issues. The first issue is incentives at all. The second issue asks if yes, what amount of money if we're comfortable giving.

-Baral states first, do we feel comfortable giving incentives? My personal vote is yes

-Contreras states yes I would be comfortable and in terms of voting it works

-Roth states yes for incentives but if its not effective \$2000 is a lot.

-Garcia states if everyone is down for incentives such as healthy options for instance pens and get exact costs so we know how much money is being put in and rather than just giving lump some and have exact numbers. Most people aren't happy with soda idea maybe table.

-Baral states to restate you don't feel comfortable with using soda and because you want to have the incentive and figure out before we allocate the money, you would like to table.

-Sadeghi-Movahed said if we had an incentive what we're putting forward must be beneficial to own body and I am hesitant about incentives in general because I think that for civic engagement is voting mutually exclusive from incentivizing?

-Wong states Geller made a great point and utilizing discretionary in a different point and whether or not it would be more publicity instead of monetary incentives.

-Shagun states they have funds for publicity and where the argument is going we are not cancelling events for educating voters and adding stuff in works so well at UCLA. For a matter of fact it will work its just that we haven't seen it. Last time Badalich stated that they contacted Utah and this is the same way they told me to. We are using our publicity and our programming funds. I'm only here for programming and incentives and I don't think I need any more direction from council on how to educate voters. I'm not trying to remove the entire aspect because we already have \$6000 for publicity and marketing and educating voters.

-Singh stats the reality of the situation that voter turnout is so low and you can educate and provide incentive but the incentive can be something more. It should be what is usac flier so till take both home and enjoy the drink. One option he was thinking of was a blow up beach ball and give kind of like a little package and play with it along with a leaflet describing what USAC is.

-Sadeghi-Movahed asks if you happen to know when there were incentives at UCLA what was the turnout was like.

-Kalfayan asks if anyone read The View from Kerckhoff Life and offer incentives ice cream and baskin robins and it was the highest turnout they had at all. The historical precedent if you want to look for it. I've been thinking though about what Geller and Lazarovici said and I agree with them because its bribing people to vote. We have this money and we're leaving in a month and I'm okay with giving it to you because no one else has plans for it. I don't agree with the principle of incentives.

-Garcia asks about her suggestion whether or not we're down for incentives and let it develop more or completely being like no

-Shagun stated the fact of having incentives or not incentives. Every candidate does give out bagels or something as incentives. Just because election board is doing it the incentive system is there. Its happening in every front but even the people who end up voting and want them to get educated and get them to know.

-Geller states that I have heard from no one that the concerns about money going to election board or voter turnout. The only question is whether incentives tied to actually voting. Its very different than the incentives candidates use. There is no connection to someone taking a t-shirt, bagel and saying you'll vote. Things distributed as parts of campaigning is not comparable. Perhaps its something you're distributing as a random raffle or an item for everyone who comes that get people educated are the likely voters. Here's the thing there's a piece of me when doing something one year that isn't set as precedent. It shouldn't come from discretionary. It should be built into USAC budget and happen every year. What makes this more important? Why should Spring 2015 have voter incentives? I want you to look at sustainability not that we happen to have some funds available.

-Shagun states we are pointing arrows. First the problem is if they're effective, now its holding it during events and how do we know if its going to be effective? It was effective. The other question the entire aspect does voter turnout improve and what makes this election special? If we don't do it once, then we will never set the percent ever again. There is no line item or provision for this. I want to find out if its effective. Other schools tell me its effective. If we don't try we wont find out. There will be nothing different. What I'm trying to do is change elections for the better. I want to put a system in place and bloc voting and do everything in my capacity and a lot more recommendations.

-Baral states there seems to be approximately \$1000 left and \$1500 left in discretionary. He would only want to give \$1000. I'm not on board with soda incentive but I realize that its not a positive message of soda use. Lastly, I recognize that Shagun is working really hard and its difficult to move forward. I want to give \$1000 on the condition that its used better for incentives

-Contreras states he incentivized people going to voter education such as incentivizing people to go to an event. I am down to allocate \$1000.

-Roth states lets say if we give \$1000 and there isn't an alternative plan. Do we retract it or put for something else?

-Baral states we are reserving that money for the election board and the formal allocation would come upon the plan.

-Moreno-Haq states he would like it if he showed the numbers.

-Shagun states that for other schools that everyone who votes gets an incentive but we cant afford that for every single voter for that kind of money. We have to do lottery.

-Moreno-Haq states going up and stuff

-Shagun states alright. For the deal I know for a matter of fact they didn't come up with the deal. I don't think any other options are going to come up because the ballot gets finalized April 9 and I need ASUCLA support.

-Garcia asks if Shagun is willing to take Baral's suggestion

-Shagun states he's going to do everything he can do but has to work with ASUCLA. In the amount of time and why isn't successful

-Rosen states instead of frequent \$2 they would want a larger amount with less people.

-Shagun states that it would have to incentive ASUCLA also.

-Geller states there's bruin card swipers and you can coordinate or perhaps have raffle tickets at the door. There are plenty of workarounds to facilitate

-Roth states people that go to events are already invested in these slates and we're incentivizing the people that are already voting and don't know how it would bring in a wide range.

-Baral states he's ready to make a motion for \$1000 and I do want to give autonomy to election board. Baral moves to reserve \$1000 for the USAC discretionary fund for the purposes of maximizing turnout in the USAC election pending vote on April 7th for more specific proposal. Moreno Haq seconds.

7-0-3 vote there has been \$1000 reserved.

XI. Announcements

-Kalfayan states Moore 100 tomorrow Josh Murray form Bachelorette will talk tomorrow. April 7 CEC has been partnered with GR1 at Bruin theatre for advanced screening of Games of Thrones and there will be discounts and free food in Westwood. In

week 3 there will be a horror film Unfriended and a movie called Train Wreck sneak. Finally on Wednesday April 15 we have John Favor, Obama's speech writer and is the head speech writer and is coming to talk.

-Wong states the CSC Volunteer Center Fellow Applications are out. Wong states Education 185 for Community Service Learning for Academic Achievement and tries to tie in the experiences of going into the community.

-Baral asks if Volunteer center fellows is permanent thing

-Wong states its institutionalized programs and resources for you to develop own initiatives.

-Rosen states she sent out a bylaw change form. We want to revamp the benefits use system and additionally we have been asking to doing more publicity about textbook price match and they'll give you a refund of difference for new textbooks. We are also working towards a new IT repair to get benefits points on that as well. The textbook match problem.

-Chen states Super QPR hosted by active minds. QPR stands for question, persuade, and reform and helps prevent suicide in DeNeve Plaza from 5:30-7:30pm.

XII. Signing of the attendance sheet

The attendance sheet is passed around

XIII. Adjournment

-Sadeghi-Movahed moves to adjourn the meeting. Moreno-Haq seconds.

-Baral adjourns the meeting at 9:59pm.

XIV. Good and Welfare