UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
Kerckhoff Hall 417
October 13, 2015
7:00 PM

PRESENT: Heather Rosen, Heather Hourdequin, Zach Helder, Anais Amin, Danny Siegel, Aaliya Khan, Trent Kajikawa, Lexi Mossler, Zack Dameron, Amy Shao, Ian Cocroft, Ruhi Patil, Ariel Rafalian, Stephanie Wong, Patricia Zimmerman, Deborah Geller, Christina Mata

ABSENT: Marvin Chen

I. Call to Order
-Rosen calls the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet
The attendance sheet is passed around

II. Approval of the Agenda
-Kajikawa moves to strike Office and Member Report
-Shao moves to strike strikes ASRF
-Amy proxies for Chen
-Helder moves to strike Travel and Advocacy grant.
-Helder moves to approve the agenda as amended. Amin seconds
11-0-0 the agenda is approved as amended.

B. Approval of the Minutes from October 6, 2015
-Khan moves to approve the minutes. Helder seconds.
11-0-0 the minutes have been approved

III. Public Comments
-Ariel states last week was mental health awareness week. In the past week there has been a huge spike in terrorism in Israel and the countless acts that happened. I have 3 personal strategies. I have a friend who served as IDF and just came here and she was rammed into by a car and then proceeded to stab her 8 times. She's in critical condition and I hope you pray for health. My high school friend stated as she dropped off her younger sister at her elementary school another individual was stabbed. Another unnamed 12 year old was biking and a terrorist attacked them and pitted against each other and cant see eye to eye. There was yet another anti-Semitic incident at UCDavis. As a Jewish student I see Jewish students being attacked for being Jewish. Tomorrow the Jewish community will gather in bruin plaza in solidarity to those in bruin plaza an personally show their support for her community.
-Rosen closes public comment at 7:07 PM

IV. Special Presentations
A, Student Regent Introduction

- Oved thanks everyone for having him. The 2 years back I sat back as IVP. The purpose of this presentation is to introduce myself and the different agendas I have that I plan to carry out and get to know each of you and the individual initiatives as council members and offices. I really want this to be as interactive as possible so if you need clarification or have a question just raise your hand. So the board of regents is a 26 member with 12 year appointments by the governor and 7 are ex-officio including the UC president, governor, lieutenant governor, superintendent, president and vice president of UC alumni, and student regent of 246,000 students across the UC’s statewide. The student regent is representing the students interest within every tier. UC is a thick bureaucracy and a lot of admin to work with and its really a critical position for effective tangible change. Here is a timeline and Marcela Ramirez who is PhD student at Riverside. You are an official trustee of the UC and sit on the board for 2 years to sustain and develop key relationships to navigate the bureaucracy of the UC. I believe the student regent is there to serve as a moral compass to remind them why there here. I met a UC Davis student who said “students pay to be here, and as everyone else is paid to be here” which is an interesting dynamic. The three initiatives id middle income affordability. Last year with the debate for the UC and the state with robust financial policies for those families with $80,000 or less to have their tuition covered. So that tuition increased would’ve been protected by the financial aid. The middle income make too much to qualify for financial aid but also not enough for the increase. We’ve seen food pantries and middle income students are using the food pantries regularly. Middle income students are living in cars, showering in gyms, and we really need to ask the questions if we’re trying to survive. I’m compiling a framework what I plan to do in the incoming year. We only know that low income to UC is defined as $80,000 or less. We have to understand what resources we have at each and every UC. UC Berkeley and UC Davis has a middle class scholarship. We hope to charge the university by May to create middle income affordability initiative for a certain baseline of support. As a personal note I am here because of a middle income scholarship. Last year there was a lot of hostility and talks of anti Semitism and they were supposed to adopt a policy in July and I asked to delay that decision to make it an inclusive statement really condemning acts of bigotry and supporting our students. Our administration doesn’t have the credibility for moral consistency and need to get down and dirty. So one thing that’s important is that October 26 the working groups of regents are going to be here on campus but we’ll be here from 9AM-4PM to listen to everyone to consider the drafting of Statement of Principles Against Intolerance. This is huge for council and want to make sure you’re leading the way for the campaign. This is a big deal and we’ll be here for a long time. Lastly a lot of people talk about freedom of speech and protect academic integrity to make sure students don’t have to fear stepping on the campus. I’m passionate about this and I would love to talk to you about this on an individual basis. Thirdly, the student advisor is my personal baby. We are trying to establish an additional seat on the board of regents. We have two seats on the board knowing 1 vote. We are the largest stakeholders of the UC community yet we have the most limited access. 40 years since the inception of the regent its about time to add another position. The
student advisor is a complimentary educational perspective to the incoming student regent. We want to ensure a holistic set of representation on the board to have more informed discussions of affordability and housing security and different disciplines. It’s really hard for a single student to focus on the issues. I see this position as a platform for students so I want to open my office door to all of you the second floor in Kerckhoff. You can keep me updated on the student regent Facebook page and share. If you want to text or call me 818 870 0712 so feel free.
- Rosen asks when will the final language of the Statement of Principles be presented to Regents
- Oved said we had the first working group on Monday and decided to have a townhall. The working group is going to be meeting twice to work on the actual language that establishes protocol policy and response to issues of discrimination and bigotry. We are hoping to have the language finalized by the end of January and introduce it to the board of regents of March
- Khan asks looking into the future to say is there a chance for creating another a student regent position instead of student advisor for more voting power.
- Oved states we have a problem with council turnover where we build momentum and by the time we're almost there we're out. We have a shared governance initiative that informs students where we're out in the progress in increasing student representation to establish a student advisor position, look at current mechanisms we have in place and make them more effective, and thirdly to convene a committee on student life to demand attention to siphon issues on the ground to regent level to make it proactive and not reactive. Fourthly, laying out the framework for a constitutional amendment for another student regent to the board. It can be a multimillion dollar campaign and I can forward you the initiative, if you have any suggestions or thoughts forward them to me.

B. TheBruinExperiment
- Daniel Hyde and Michael Mitchell is the founder and executive founder. Our endeavor founded last year to inspire scientific curiosity in local youth through the orchestration of self initiated science fairs. We want to introduce young minds to inspire a future. We do something every quarter by recruiting college age volunteers to collaborate and range funding from UC and non-UC funds. We relied strictly on funds granted to us from UC's and scheduled over 40 interviews and plan to accept about 30 applicants making a total of 40 members. We have 85 students from 2 underserved schools. Winter is our busiest quarter and working hand in hand with students to foster positive relationships and teaching them the scientific method. That is about a 10-15 week period and the volunteers will visit the partner schools that is far removed from what students experience in textbook. On Spring we invite the students to go to UCLA and get a personalized tour and its followed by Bruin Science Fair held in Ackerman grand ballroom. This is an excellent idea for opportunities to share and discuss ideas. We start off with recruiting and dipped into UC's funds and with the help of Roy Feldman we are starting to appeal to private funders and start off with introduction and every week we work on the next step for the scientific step for students to culminate at Ackerman grand ballroom. Last year was our first year and we started with a school called LACES. There was
150 people turn up for our science fair on Easter and Passover. There is people from biochemistry department and I’ve been involved in sciences my entire life. These are middle school students one of them tested the effects of alpha, beta, and gamma radiation on e.coli growth. The first place tested for the presence of pesticides in organic versus non-organic food. Another student named William who tested Benford’s Law and no one knows it. This seventh grader told me he wanted to do his project and had to research it. It was so fun and I’m still in contact with some of them to use as examples. One of the students who worked with us is working with our website and a lot of parents approached us and said it was amazing. Lace’s is returning and want to teach 40 new students to participate in TheBruinExperiment. We also reached out to the intellectual rival of LACES with a school called Palms and they not only agreed to participate, but told us they would be hosting a selection process to pick 45 of their top student to participate to foster creative competition. Our upcoming plans is recruiting new members and we’re scheduled to make presentations and having our first annual retreat in an effort to foster a sense of community and team work. We’re also going to prepare for the upcoming winter quarter to work with these students week by week. Why are we here? 
-We want pretty much anything for help. We are a brand new organization and a great idea. If you could get your corresponding communities in spreading the word, this is a self selling idea. We participated in the summer for incoming students and everyone seemed excited for what we had planned. A media shout out to promoting our endeavor and there’s also an application link to see members who are devoted and trying to get excited science out to the kids. Anything that you can think of to help spread the word will be appreciated. Any student from English to art majors applied. This is really a self-selling endeavor when a bunch of college kids show up. We need your help in spreading the word. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at danielhaim93@gmail.com
-Helder stated other than recruitment, I worked in a similar thing but except instead of human rights we did science and did outreach and its very powerful. Do you foresee any obstacles to expansion other than recruitment and is there a way we can help.
-Hyde states there’s always been obstacles. When I first got here it was like going through a maze and applying and the process has become more streamlined. The only other bottle neck is funding. Funding just got established and there’s always ways to make it better
-Helder stated the Bruin Defenders is establishing a grant writing team not only for internal office stuff but bruin defenders type work and that’s something you should look into if you need help with grant proposals.
-Khan states I touched base with you at Enormous Activities Fair and working with other organizations at UCLA and a lot of programs for access and retention programs at CPO don’t have a science foundation and it would be really cool. For example, SP, ASU, and MEChA have projects to their communities and different sites going to years and years and it would be cool to pair up with them and outreach with them and revamp their curriculum. They want to find a fun activity and historically marginalized communities have the least funding and the lowest amount for STEM fields even in higher education so it would be amazing
- Hyde states with underserved schools we work with a lot of minorities and spoke about briefly making a selection process and have 2000 students in middle school and the point I’m driving and demand is trying to exceed supply.
- Khan states working with these programs and huge staff for outreach and ill write you an email
- Rafalian states its astonishing since its fruition, what do you see as your long term goals and aspirations for this program?
- Hyde stated once I leave we established the board and had everything handled and applying to UCLA Medical school and hope to stay involved. In terms of expanding we want to add one school every year and ideally we’ll have like 5 or 6 schools. We want to send the top 3 to like national science groups. My friend in UCSB just established the gaucho experiments and this is a self selling idea. There is no reason why every single college in the country. The mentors get to have fun and the students get inspired for science. We plan to expand in our own school and have other schools expand.

V. Appointments
A. Judicial Board – Genevieve Javidzad
- Rosen states she received a 3-0-0 vote for approval. Some notes that she did her research on previous j board cases, well versed on judicial board processes, and we thought it was important to be critical of the judicial board.
- Javidzad a third year English major and global studies minor and is applying for judicial board justice. For 2 years I’ve been on the side following the cases and my interests have been to create a campus environment where students feel safe and bring it to the judicial board if an injustice has been served. Now I want to become part of that process and its one thing to be uninvolved and actively making a difference on this campus to make students feel safe and comfortable.
- Patil asks what changes would you make in terms via structure or what should be done
- Javidzad states the judicial board is very strong and graceful and unbiased presenting their opinions 2 weeks. The only reason I would change is clarifying reasons why there would be a closed session or private session
- Siegel asks how she would use her judicial board experience for UCLA
- Javidzad states she plans to apply to law school and experiences I gain will really help me in that environment. Not only do I have aspirations to practice law and become a judge in Los Angeles county and its invaluable experience I don’t think I can get anywhere else as an undergraduate
- Javidzad asks how she would balance her work and this position
- Javidzad stated she already balances her schedule well between school, working as a clerk, and executive board on pre-law.
- Cocroft asks as a justice what would you look for in accepting a case
- Javidzad stated if the case has merit we would look at those if its under jurisdiction.
- Javidzad thanks everyone for the opportunity and I hope I have your vote.
- Kajikawa states he likes that she is using her opportunities to leverage postgraduate success and is looking forward to her
-Helder states given the 3-0-0 vote and demonstrates a clear and strong demand of the UCLA present and has no lack of passion.
- Rafalnian stated I’ve known her since kindergarten and I find it amazing we’ve found each other at UCLA and saw her thrive in academics and she was part of cross country team and track and started a club there and receiving an outstanding calculus student and I feel very comfortable as a judicial board member.
- Helder calls to question to approve Javidzad. Hourdequin seconds.
11-0-0 call to question is approved.
- Helder moves to approve Javidzad for judicial board. Cocroft seconds.
11-0-0 Javidzad is approved for Judicial Board.

VI. Office and Member Reports

A. President – Rosen
-Rosen states this past week she and a meeting with Tony Sandoval of the CPO to touch base how USAC and CPO can work together. We have a lot of collaboration for food security with Chen and Dameron. Its great to hear about his experiences at UCLA and has been here as an undergraduate and talk about things such as special issues. I had a phone call with Bob Michaels, the president of 1965 and came to council and talked to us back then. He’s also the president of the alumni of USAC presidents. We want more alumni’s and internships and we found the internships network and one of the founders of the CAPS program for Washington DC. They are coming up on 50 years. I had a meeting on Friday with Community Service Commissioners chief and staff regarding food security and different ways to collaborate for the council wide initiative. In regards to the incidence of last week we’ll talk about it next week and we want to support the Afrikan Student Union’s initiatives instead of talk on behalf. I had the pleasure to talk about the Community Programs Office banquet and their theme is food security. Tomorrow I have a call with Christine Harley and reached a little bit of roadblock in contacting Michelle Obama and she’s still being in touch and slowed down in the process. Also today I had a meeting with the member of the graduate with a PhD in education with faculty and staff and graduate students to have a diversity townhall with Jerry Kohn and give 500 students from undergrad and graduate levels to have small roundtable discussions and have the keynote speaker serve topics. This is something she would love USAC to participate in and come out to make it really big. GSA is voting on how much funding to give and see if we have to apply for discretionary.

B. Internal Vice President – Hourdequin
-Hourdequin states in light all of the security issues on and off campus and the bruin alert system not providing information in a timely fashion, I did email Arthur Kirkland from office of emergency management and schedule a meeting within the upcoming week. He’s a member of the campus safety alliance and once of his offices initiatives was to improve the response time and its clearly still slow. I’m going to see if there’s a way for us to expedite this process of an alternative solution to getting information out that is timely and up to date and accurate information. Also, I will be meeting with Logan tomorrow to talk about the funding website. The SOOF
deadline passed October 2nd and want to meet with him and see the problems ran into and see how we can move forward on this project.

C. External Vice President - Helder
- Helder states tomorrow for lunch several members of my office who are integral to advocacy office and president and student regent will come together for a meeting with Lark Park the senior advisor of governor Jerry Brown. It’s really an important meeting to bridge the gap between student and the governor’s office. SB376 was vetoed on Friday. As you know I was advocating for a veto or a veto with amendments. I want to take sometime to recognize that a veto points to a fundamental issue that a legislature pitted students and workers against each other in a battle of funding and we resent that. We want to make sure workers are conscious to our commitment to them to create an internal office project for advocacy for workers rights particular in respect to student workers. Our suspicions that the higher education act was going to come in regards to the sunset of Perkins law was correct. We are working on drafting a new higher education app for reauthorization so my office will be sending representatives to effect those working groups. We followed up to establish contributions to pay. We are hoping to convene something to the effect of a bruin delegation that is bruin alumni stakeholders that directly represent us who are elected officials and bring them all together and have part of it be an open forum for transparency and also a closed door for collaboration. I reiterate it for bruin alert. Its been horrifying week for gun violence is an issue that affects students because someone is carrying a gun. Lets look that he was perfectly legal to carry a gun and scare all of us. My office wants to end the tide of gun violence to look at ways to take on that vote. Anything at this point feels too little too late to b done.

D. Community Service Commissioner – Dameron
- Dameron stated that November 7 is our day of service event which is like volunteer day part 2 and sign up for and pick the issue they are passionate about. We have sign ups online for that. As well as our alternative spring breaks application is out. We have a lot of service projects to get involved. We are having an internship process called a CSC fellowship for first years and add additional projects to CSC network and adding TheBruinExperiment to get him the resources. Our facing project initiative has been established. Last year it was facing access to higher education to talk about dealing with the issue and this year the topic is mental health to establish that atmosphere at UCLA and students can share their stories.

E. Administrative Representative
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VII. Fund Allocations
A. Contingency Programming Allocations
- Hourdequin stated 16 groups applied. Amount required 21,498.53. Amount requested was 11,002.26. Amount recommended $3,842. There will be $61,621.00 in contingency if approved.
- Helder moves to approve. Khan seconds.
11-0-0 contingency programming was been approved.

B. Academic Success Referendum Fund (ASRF)
- Kajikawa states Society Women of Engineers is going to put a PhD movie night and projecting a movie cost of $1,300 and we are allocating $250. In regards to Alpha Kappa Alpha is putting a student of color navigating STEM in college needs $100. We recommend $100.
- Rosen asks him to go over the qualifications to apply
- Kajikawa states essentially ASRF intention is to essentially to enable students to put on programming events to enable academic success. One of them is to screen a PhD student experience to further the education and achieve their PhD. Similarly, the event students of color navigating STEM is particularly addressing under represented and under privilege students who haven’t had the opportunity to learn about stem and show students there are a lot of opportunities in academia. I recommend all of you the purpose of ASRF and had applications this year. I would love to see a couple more. I’m in discussion with discussing and look at a more efficient way of doing allocations. I’m probably going to be bringing forth a CRC guideline change.

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business
A. Committee on Budget Transparency
- Kajikawa states in particular we had a quick discussion about budget transparency and taking all the information that everyone threw out and after talking with administrative representatives and what SGA does and I brought forth an action item to create an ad hoc community to analyze what we’re doing now for budget transparency and make a recommendation for the funding study group to streamline the process. Essentially to look at what we’ve done in the past is to come up with a quarterly report for USAC offices and potentially other initiatives on campus to see what student fees are going to quarter after quarter. Essentially, is that for example the academic affairs commission allocated x amount of dollars to x amount of student groups to x amount of events where x amount of students went. That way you can more efficiently allocated ASRF funds and see what they did differently including myself especially when there’s not continuity. Again this is the initial thought an di want to bring it forth on an ad hoc committee. I’ve had the pleasure of having Siegel and Cocroft come forward for transparency and look at the funding study group with Patil and Dameron who we have officially appointed for the ad hoc committee.
- Rosen states for whoever is interested it is now the time to nominate yourself.
- Rafalian states in light of his funding struggles it would be extremely beneficial
- Helder moves to create a committee on budget transparency. Siegel seconds.
11-0-0 the committee on Budget Transparency is created.
-Rosen states there’s been a recommendation for Siegel, Kajikawa, Patil, Dameron, Cocroft, and Rafalian to be on it.
-Hourdequin moves to approve. Siegel, Kajikawa, Patil, Dameron, Cocroft, and Rafalian to the ad hoc Budget Transparency committee. Helder seconds.
11-0-0 states Siegel, Kajikawa, Patil, Dameron, Cocroft, and Rafalian will be appointed on the ad hoc Budget Transparency committee.

B. A Resolution in Support of the UC Board of Regent’s Student Advisor Proposal

Draft Resolution in Support of the UC Board of Regents’ Student Advisor Proposal

Sponsors: Heather Rosen, President Zach Helder, External Vice President Trent Kajikawa, Academic Affairs Commissioner

WHEREAS, the UC Board of Regents is the governing body of the University of California;

WHEREAS, the UC Board of Regents is comprised of 26 voting members, 18 members appointed by the Governor of California serving 12-year terms, 7 ex-officio members representing the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the State Assembly, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, President and Vice President of the Alumni Association of UC, and President of UC, and 1 Student Regent;

WHEREAS, aside from the Student Regent position, students may actively engage with the Board of Regents through the positions of Student Observer, Student Advocate to the Regents (Stars), and Systemwide Committee Representative;

WHEREAS, not one of these additional opportunities for student representation is afforded voting power, the right to introduce policy or advocate policy at Board meetings, or the ability to develop long-term relationships with the Regents;

WHEREAS, the Student Regent is therefore the only student with the ability to contextualize conversations that ultimately shape the trajectory of decision-making by the UC Board of Regents;

WHEREAS, the Student Regent is currently tasked with representing the interests of all 246,000 undergraduate, graduate, and professional students of UC;

WHEREAS, students were instrumental of the establishment of the Student Regent position in 1975;
WHEREAS, the students of University of California, Los Angeles feel it is within their right to be afforded due representation in the governance model of the university system of which they are the greatest stakeholders;

WHEREAS, the Student Regent derives its power from the California State Constitution, and in recognition of the fact that the establishment an additional Student Regent to the Board of Regents with full voting rights would require a substantial amount of time and funds dedicated to a campaign to amend the California State Constitution;

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the students of University of California, Los Angeles endorse the establishment of the Student Advisor to the UC Board of Regents;

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Student Advisor shall be afforded rights and privileges similar to that of the Student Regent, with the exception of voting power and the one-year term;

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the non-voting Student Advisor position shall offer students an additional means of representation on the Board which includes the power to speak at Board meetings and develop long-term relationships with the Regents;

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Student Advisor shall provide an educational perspective complementary to that of the Student Regent so as to provide more holistic representation of the student experience to the Board of Regents;

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Student Advisor selection process shall be led entirely by the students of the University, operating through the University of California Student Association (UCSA) and Council of Presidents, as well as the acting Student Regent;

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Student Advisor position shall serve to further the establishment of an additional Student Regent on the Board of Regents by means of a constitutional amendment;

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Student Advisor position be formally established upon the vote of approval of a majority of the Board of Regents;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the students of University of California, Los Angeles instructs the Regents to approve the Student Advisor measure without delay and advises all students to voice their support in favor of said resolution.

-Geller suggests that when a resolution has statistics or other references it's important to have foot notes and citations came from. It should be clear that the authors are of USAC and not all of UCLA students.
- Rosen has a friendly amendment to delete Draft in the title. Rosen states instead of council of presidents its called the Council of Student Body Presidents
- Helder wants to amend the language to be more clear that the student advisor position is a jumping off point and amend for student regent. If it pleases the council to say Let it be resolved that the student advisor position shall initiate an effort to establish an additional student regent on the board of regents.
- Cocroft proposes the final Therefore let it be resolves that the Undergraduate Students Association Council (USAC).
- Zimmerman stated we did that for the first let it be resolved and the whereas
- Cocroft stated the fifth “Whereas” from the top where it states the student regent is therefore the only student with the ability to contextualize conversations is something I don’t agree with. Any person that gives public comment may not have that much power but also contextualizes it.
- Rosen states what if we stated institutionalized the ability to contextualize
- Helder states there’s a better way of saying that
- Amin liked Cocroft’s suggestion to cater to the student population to see these decisions are rooted in students issues.
- Cocroft stated it excludes student I prefer to either strike it or rephrase it
- Kajikawa makes a friendly amendment “Whereas, the student regent is therefore the only student representative on the UC board of Regents with the ability to contextualize conversations at the table that ultimately shape the trajectory of decision making by the UC Board of Regents”
- Helder states is a little messy and unclear. It should be amended but the ultimate idea is that behind the student advisor in the first place is that the student advisor has full on access to the regents. Maybe its best to say the student regent and the student regent designate had full access to the board of regents in the same manner and no other students possess that power.
- Helder proposes “Whereas, there are only two students, the student regent and student regent designate, with full access to the UC Regents, with respect both to the formal and informal decision-making process, in the manner that voting and non-voting members of the board typically possess;”
- Geller states you forgot about the designate so its important not to stick on the focus on one but there’s two with the same access
- Khan states we’re voting for the support but not exactly how we are going to do that, right?
- Rosen states a lot of other UC campuses have supported this and graduate and undergraduate to support this step with more representation there and the long term girl.
- Rosen states yielding time is against Robert’s Rules
- Cocroft states in terms of adding footnotes, should we approve with citations
- Oved stated most of the information is on UC board of regents website and on UCSA website.
- Rosen states if you all want to break precedent and not have them. If you feel more comfortable with the citations we can always table it.
- Helder states I like cited information and this is fairly submersed information
Amin stated its much easier to get approval with citations and I feel more comfortable so I would like to see citations in the resolution

Rosen states I know its time sensitive

Dameron states if we are going to set a precedent and I would like to maintain consistency as something as minor as that as an official representation as a body and brings us down as a body.

Rosen states there’s power for unanimous vote so if someone would prefer to table it.

Dameron moves for a 10 minute recess. Kajikawa seconds.

11-0-0 there is a 10 minute recess.

Dameron states there should be an action and general sense. Let it be resolved that It's going to be a cornerstone of student governments and if it proceeds it will be a huge step. If it gets to the step where it's a state constitutional amendment it will require a full scale effort. That makes us as leaders bound and obligated to rally students across the state to put the effort in a place where it is serious. It is important to add something to clarify and take action.

Khan states as USAC undergraduate body that we expect the student to be held accountable to all students on campus and present a sense of transparency throughout their term.

Helder states the sentiment is important but its in the title

Rosen states the virtue of transparency is inherent. There is 216,000 students and 1 student for representations. Its outrageous that in 40 years we've only had 1 voice. At the steps we should continuously pressure the regents for more student voice. We as UCLA should fully get behind this and if it's a constitutional amendment we should all be there to vote. I don't trust all the people on board or just 1 regent. We should continuously push for student voice and representation.

Siegel since its supposed to be the student regent but doesn't have a vote, how is it going to be like financially have resources to effectively represent students and act on behalf of the students. I know the student regent has their own budget that is allotted by and wanted to know how its going to be to make sure they can do their job effectively

Rosen states Oved has met with most of the regents and he's talked to President Napolitano and they were in support and proves there is the possibility. If there is some sort of backlash we need to be at the front of it as funding like this should be a priority.

Siegel says he's 100% in support and it's a great step to make sure that held the regents accountable and make it able to operate.

Helder proposes “Let it be resolved, that the undergraduate students association council of the University of California, los Angeles take action to realize this effort – to lead and participate in media campaigns to advocate the creation of the student advisor position to the regents directly, and that USAC diligently and meticulously campaigns to pass a State Constitutional Amendment affording students another voting Student Regent.

Amin moves to approve A Resolution in Support of the UC Board of Regents Student Advisor Proposal. Khan seconds.
11-0-0 A Resolution in Support of the UC Board of Regents Student Advisor Proposal has been passed.

C. Cultural Appropriation and Perpetuation of Racism at UCLA

- Shao states to preface the discussion and given the events that happened last Tuesday at Sigma Pi Epsilon with Alpha Phi it was disheartening to see it happening on campus and it’s a continual issue that continuously occurs. The fact that people don’t recognize that every day people are triggered by cultural appropriation and ignorance. When ASU went through with the action there was a lot of commentary on what the Cultural Affairs Commission wants to do. The Cultural Affairs Commission has taken a backseat and essentially wait for the Afrikan Student Union cue us and see what they want us to do. Last Wednesday on the word of Wednesday where my board of directors was appropriate to open up the space where students can discuss and express openly what happened on the Tuesday evening. The Cultural Affairs Committee is working on cultural talks. In winter quarter we are focusing on cultural appropriation and cultural ignorance and hoping to accumulate it to a TEDx. Personally speaking I’ve been able to speak out on it and it has come out as a position as someone who witnesses appropriation no the campus. It’s the idea that people think we’re attacking PanHellenic and Greek life. Its not about what organization you associate yourself with but I do care about what actions you do commit with the association. If someone from my commission partook in the actions we would have that conversation. Its important to address Kanye Western who wears nice kicks and expensive white t-shirts, they didn't target him as a celebrity they targeted his race. You can by all means talk about kanye west as a celebrity but at the end of the day if you want to capitalize on his race that’s where cultural appropriation comes in and the line becomes blurry.

- Kajikawa states its powerful and valuable. When I took a step back and I was in the education studies class and something like this again. This is something I really want to emphasize tonight and something as a council we can jointly work on. This year is something that council can focus on for upholding the true bruin values and make sure we’re honest and respectful with one another. Stemming back from 2011 there have been incidence on campus from different rates, from Alexander Wallaces, Asian American Studios, the ASU incident. This is a recurring theme on this campus and its extremely unfortunate that our atmosphere and environment with one of the most liberal colleges speaks something deeper for society. Lets figure a way to come together and address head on. Its completely unfortunate for what ended up happening and make sure it never happens again. To me I don’t understand how this gets brought up every year, how this type of issue or event concerning race that happens. A lot of times when I was advocating for the diversity requirement as a council we could hold the student body accountable and learn from this and make sure everyone is culturally competent and cognizant of the different privileges.

- Shao states this is just stemming from my conversation from ASU. Although we are USAC we need to take a backseat and not overstep our boundaries and grab their narratives and run. Right now ASU is trying to figure out their plan of action and address. As much as CAC as seen as the cultural organization or the first responder, we don’t want to step on anyone’s toes or steal someone’s narratives. Even if our
intentions are well we have to recognize that it might seem overpowering as opposed to helpful.
-Amin states there’s a huge lack of cultural sensitivity and a sense of ignorance for the perpetuation of racism and misogyny because people aren’t culturally aware of how well it is. I will never understand what it means to be black or black at UCLA. The best I can do is strive to be a strong ally and try to educate myself on it. However, that is dependent on everyone at UCLA and accept their own ignorance. Accepting that you don’t know something is just showing you don’t want to learn. I don’t see that if its going to be completely alleviated if people don’t put in time for struggle.
-Mata stated we need to remember our students come here with baggage and they are going to make mistakes. Its not to excuse what happened, but to have the standards that it should never happen again is unrealistic. We need to implement mechanisms to educate the moment to step on campus and when they leave. We should understand that these things are not right and that these actions harm our community. While we are here and we should learn it while we’re here. Besides reacting we need to start preventing. Instead of waiting until something occurs, we need to think about what’s going to happen—especially if Halloween is coming. Write an op-ed have a campaign, do something.
-Khan thanks them for bringing up the incidence, what we’ve seen since Tuesday we have to properly educate this campus to account for the wellbeing of others and isn’t a double standard to make sure that administration is treating everyone fairly. Its important to remember that organizations and communities put their heart in educating others. As a bruin we are at a higher learning institute and if these resources are available you should be able to reach out. Its not the community’s job to educate you, its your job to try to learn. Its our job as council to have the coalition building experience. I want to point out the horrible and for a lot of students it’s a reality everyday. We have to learn about these and it’s a cycle and its constantly perpetuated.
-Rosen states one great way for us to talk about what we want to see form the UC regent level in the townhall. We see that administrators don’t have moral consistency. It’s a way to make smart, responsible, and respectful decisions to encourage student leaders on campus to make sure the bruin experience is heart while UC regents are drafting this.
-Cocroft states I’ve been struggling to see how we can not only come together but make a change. Its been the exact same rhetoric and reaction that never seems to make an impact. How do we actually a meaningful impact on our campus in this regard. I don’t have an answer.
-Shao states as council members we come here every Tuesday and in our offices, and our identities are inherently political and also students and go to class and go to events. You’re going to see things that are problematic and not being reactionary will be proactive. We all have a duty in our self to call out problematic behavior. Its going to start from someone close to you and you say “hey that’s not cool!” Its not going to click if it’s a couple of events, it has to be someone close by to check themselves. You should start checking your friends and call people out.
- Siegel states not following up would be a disgrace. We should help out our friends to see the consequences of their action and we are all students here. We make these mistakes and given that reality we can help them and educate them. I’m really looking forward to see students effected by this situation and how they want to proceed to act as their ally to come a better campus for all students.
- Rosen states my recommendation for all of us to see what Afrikan Student Union would to do as their action and best support of their initiative. Just brainstorm some ways to engage students. These resources are available and sometimes students don’t make the effort. As council we have our own friends and different groups we’re affiliated with.
- Mata really appreciates the comment of bystander intervention. Its not easy to always check your friends and that’s a skill. You all represent many communities and if you can make this work all together to support each other to check your colleagues and friends. If you don’t know what to do I hope you can create a community.
- Kajikawa states at the rally that ASU will release demands on Monday I've been trying to look for it.
- Shao states I ran into Janay Williams and things are shifting. They don’t have a secure date but it should be the next week or so.

X. Announcements
- Siegel states my office is going to work on the first presidential debate came on and I’m looking forward to work with Bruin Dems and BruinReps for the next debates on October 28 and early November as more students get involved. Secondly I’m the on campus tailgate I’ve been planning out over summer since the last month has been moved to November 21st for the Utah game. Its going to be a lot of fun and have a lot of sponsors like UCLA Athletics and UCLA Recreations. We are getting a lot of administrative support.
- Rafalian states last week he had a meeting with Bob Williams about the transfer resource center, with Champawat, BRC, veteran community to implement the transfer resource center. Last Thursday we had our mentor training for “show me the ropes’ and paint and had the reveals and mentees went and find them. This week is transfer pride week and we coprogrammed with IVP for a photo campaign, the carnival kickoff before this, a commuter breakfast at BRC tomorrow, and a true bruin traditions challenge.
- Chen’s proxy states that this month is Domestic Violence Awareness month. There is an exhibit that states “kids should be kids” and there is a trigger warning. Also this week they are also collaborating with CARE at CAPS from 5-9pm. There is an abridged version for student leaders if you want to be involved. There’s going to be QPR training on the 21st of October and there’s going to be a mental health first aid by CAPS from the 26th-28th. We recommend all directors and all of you as students representatives for some capacity to be trained for mental health. We are also doing a self empowerment workshop and our total wellness has just published volume 18 issue 3. We really want to thank all of you for AllofUs and coprogrammed with 4 offices Gen Rep 1, 3, and CAC. We are looking forward to meeting with 3 additional offices and would love to coprogram with. We want to encourage conversation and
coprogramming and working together. Finally this Thursday we have a mental health matters townhall in Hermosa room from 6-8pm where mental health organizations and administrators can discuss it. There’s no cohesion among mental health. We all have the same questions and concerns and Khan is bringing her entire office and encourage you all to come as well and a place to talk about what you’re doing in your office too.

- Shao states the Arts Restoring Community Fund is being revamped and will be opening up winter quarter. We’re taking applications for appointments for the board and it will close Friday at midnight.

- Rosen asks if its by quarter or year

- Shao states quarterly and trying to structure it like CS Mini Fund since last year was our first year and trying to make it more efficient. All the funds will be allocated for Winter and Spring quarter.

- Patil states FSC is going to be hosting the Jobs Fair for week 5 and let me know contact for the major employers

- Amin states my dismay for the assistant vice chancellor for fraternity and sorority relations and our conversation is that we are going to have a workshop about sexual violence on day of sole for the entire community. It will be at 10AM and it will be “How will you live after you survive” to report how they can and will provide personal experience. I teamed up with bruin consent coalition to provide resources and be more aware

- Hourdequin recommends having a counselor there

- Khan states we had out event last week with AllofUs as council meeting and it went really well. We had about a 50-60 person turn out and a lot of people shared in this space and have a really organic space and because of this positive feedback we want to make this a regular thing that some of the ideas to have a space that serves people based on topics and caters towards communities of color. A lot of individual students who come from refugee or international who don’t have the same access. I’m really excited. We had our retreat and it was great. Otherwise I got in touch with bruin consent coalition and work forward to make my hungry for change nightmare themed around domestic violence and communities of color. I started talking to an organization of a window between worlds for a safe space for immigrant woman to use art as a healing resource and provide them resources to become financially independent.

- Helder states the students of color conference application has closed and had over 350 applicants. We have enough money to take 90. It’ll be incredibly difficult to narrow it down and trying to secure additional funding. We will have a strong presence and I cannot properly express my excitement on how many different communities have come for this.

- Hourdequin states Day of SOUL will be this Friday will be hosting Table talks at 1PM in Ackerman grand ballroom where student orgs can get resources and talk about the process of being an organization and what works and what doesn’t and have the best practices for the student organizations to implement this year.

Campus safety week is also next week and I want to give you a rundown for what we have. Monday will be a resource fair from 11am-2pm and will have resources from all pockets of campus and I’m looking forward to it. This is a coprogram between
SWC and facilities. Tuesday they're going to have pizza with police as an open forum with students to talk about issues of safety and security on campus. I wanted to change the format and last year we had 2 open forums and the discussion was good but I want to have breakout sessions within the forum so I think what we’re going to do is have one discussion on crime prevention on campus safety issues and off campus safety with different break out and reconvene what was discussed in each of the sections. I encourage you all to go and the chief of police, Nancy Greenstein, and Eric Grakowsky. Please share that information and I'll send you the graphics so you don’t measure logistics. On Wednesday we will be having a “Know your Rights” forum where ACLU is hooking it up. I will send you details regarding that. We will also have a blood drive on the hill that day and I’ll send out the location later.

Thursday will be the Hunting Grounds screening and entrance will start at 5:30PM and there will be a panel afterwards. There will be a title ix officer, someone from dean of students, and someone from bruin consent coalition. There’s going to be a UCPD tour from 10:30-12:30. We’re going opt have a blood drive throughout the entire week. The blood bank is depleted by blood. There’s organ transplants that happen every single day and having to find other resources so we are helping out with that. If you are able to donate, donate.

-Amin states attending the open forum last year there was a big discussion about racial profiling and lack of screening process I don’t know if you have updates on that or if I should contact them

-Hourdequin states they are updating their diversity sentiment training and see what is being implemented and what changes have been made

XI. Signing of the Attendance Sheet
*The attendance sheet has been passed around.*

XII. Adjournment
-Helder moves to adjourn the meeting. Kajikawa seconds.
11-0-0 the meeting is adjourned at 9:37pm.

XII. Good and Welfare