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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

Kerckhoff Hall 417

December 8, 2015

7:00 PM

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

ABSENCE:

I. Call to Order

-Rosen calls the meeting to order at 7:07pm

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet is passed around

II. Approval of the Agenda

-Cocroft moves to make Hallman an action item.

-Chen moves to strike Student Wellness Programming Fund

-Kajikawa moves to strike ARC Fund

-Helder moves to approve the agenda. Cocroft seconds.

10-0-0 the agenda has been approved as amended.

B. Approval of the Minutes from December 1, 2015

-Helder moves to approve the minutes. Siegel seconds.

III. Public Comments

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IV. Special Presentations

V. Appointments

A. Ryan Hallman for Restructuring Steering Committee

-Hourdequin reads Oversees efforts across campus to make academic and administrative operations more efficient, less expensive, and less dependent on state support. This committee, which includes faculty, students, staff and administrators, relies on the creativity and knowledge of its members to generate new ideas and guide projects that reduce costs, increase non-state revenues, and improve efficiency as well as sustainability at UCLA. The RSC welcomes all recommendations on how to support UCLA's academic mission; thus, discussions include initiatives that serve widely diverse functions across campus. The USAC President will appoint one undergraduate student to serve a two-year term. Time commitment varies; however, meetings occur approximately once a month. She states this is a consent item but a request for an in person interview.

-Hallman is a freshman year in UCLA and wanted to get involved in something and I didn't want to just put it on my resume but actually make a difference. I found the restructuring steering committee and I'm a very financially minded person and enjoy what it's all about. I have found some ways around campus to give good opinions to the committee and will serve a good role.

-Kajikawa asks for recommendations

-Hallman states the menus are on TVs and we have these TV's runnings and that money can go somewhere better to like academic type stuff.

-Chen thanks him for going on finals. As a restructuring committee member how do you ensure you represent UCLA students

-Hallman states he's socially minded and make sure to go around and get the opinions of the community

-Hourdequin asks how he heard about this position

-Hallman states his roommate is in USAC and he knew I wanted to get involved and I went through these and really enjoyed this one. I'm a very environmentally minded person and I'm friend Lake Tahoe in the woods and see a lot of the affects of climate change and I thought I would have a good mindset.

-Chen asks how would you look to balance with academics and make it a priority.

-Hallman states I manage my time and well and I don't have other commitments and if I focus I will be able to do that.

-Amin asks any experience in regards to confidence to carry out your role

-Hallman states I've been part of the Lions club where I live. For example this last Easter I dressed up as Eater bunny for the few towns and danced around and hopped around and I'm comfortable with the environment.

-Helder asks what's his understanding to contribute to the restructuring via your past knowledge and experience

-Hallman states my past knowledge doesn't relate very directly but I know if I were given the resources the committee has I would be able to utilize those and make those have a positive outcome

-Hallman states I think I would be a very good attribute for the committee. One story my grandma tells and she took me to target and gave me \$15 and said I could buy and I wanted to save it and I want to make sure its efficient. We pay a lot to go here and its right that it goes to good causes.

-Rosen states this is normally a consent item but because he made his effort we made it into an action item so that's why the change was made.

-Helder appreciates his desire to be involved and enthusiasm and lack of experience and institutional knowledge and can work through other avenues to gain it if its his desire to be involved is that strong and might be an instance to wait out for stronger candidate

-Rosen states we are approaching winter quarter and had no other applicants and various social media platform and email sent out. That's for some context about the timing.

-Kajikawa states hes rough around the edges but he knows hes aware of that and wants to work with his committee. We're already 1/3 done with the school year, would we rather not have any representation for the foreseeable future and us hesitating and waiting for someone we might not get.

-Dameron states I agree with Kajikawa and because this is a 2 year and the pool we have to pull from is undergraduates. He's very aware he doesn't have much experience.

-Siegel states hes a first year and hes aware of lack of knowledge and tried the best to his ability and get involved from USAC out of his volition we should give new students the opportunity. The benefits having him engaged outweigh his lack of knowledge we might see.

-Amin asks is there a mentor to guide him with the initial steps.

-Rosen states I will be his contact person and check in to make sure they're going to committee meetings. Its oriented with administrators and my knowledge is pretty limited from the email regarding the information and associating to provide a student voice as someone who lives on the hill and wants to help out.

-Geller states this committee was created in 2010 and recharged in 2013 at which point students were added to it. It was a 2 year turn and the first student appointees just turned off. It really was a group that in the first few years was very engaged and meeting regularly with working groups and heavily staff and faculty and was focused on coming up with creative ideas to best utilize the university's financial resources. Its not meeting as frequently and most of the working groups work is done and doesn't continue. For the occasions where they do want to meet, having a student voice is useful. Everyone starts somewhere and a freshman coming in doesn't have to have answers. They aren't looking to the student to tell them what to do, they want to identify areas with a student perspective that something can be better. They have the talent to figure out what the alternatives, but from a student point of view there's concerns for something more efficient or more created. They will teach and mentor whatever student. Its not one of those committees breathing down my neck, but its because its not meeting weekly anymore. Anyone you have the opportunity to provide a student for a committee, I wouldn't let lack of experience hold you back if the alternative is no one because you still get a student voice and it's not always an expectation that the students speak for all student but moreso someone that can react to discussion from position of being a student and using the lens "as a student this is how I respond to suggesting." If there is an area where they want feedback he has the opportunity to come back and gather information and bring it back.

-Kajikawa moves to approve Ryan Hallman for Restructuring Steering Committee. Siegel seconds.

10-0-0 Ryan Hallman is approved for Restructuring Committee.

B. Nicole Danesh for Student Conduct Committee

-Hourdequins reads that the Student Conduct Committee Provides hearings for all cases referred to it under the Student Conduct Code of Procedures. It will also hear appeals by students from adjudications involving student conduct arising from disciplinary bodies of a professional school. In such appeals, the Committee shall be limited to considering appeals of decisions adversely recommending Restitution, Loss of Privileges, and Exclusion from Activities, Suspension or Dismissal. Reports results of these hearings to the Chancellor. Must attend an Orientation in early October. Meets when there is a case to be heard, including Summer and breaks. Three undergraduate members, appointed by the USAC President. One, two, or three year terms.

-Hourdequin states she received a 3-0-0 vote from ARC.

-Danesh has been approved for Student Conduct Committee.

C. Stan Kuboi for Student Health Advisory Committee

SHAC exists to provide student participation in advising the administration of the UCLA Student Health Services (SHS) at the Ashe Center. Ensures that SHS promotes and provides high quality, economical health care for UCLA students. Advises regarding the development and evaluation of Ashe Center programs. Advises the Ashe Center leadership on student concerns and priority matters. Makes recommendations regarding the Ashe Center budget and campus insurance plan benefits. Holds at least 12 General Meetings during the academic year. The four undergraduate members are appointed by the USAC President. Two year staggered terms. (No student may serve on SHAC for more than two years).

-Rosen states the new change is that Student Wellness Commissioner appoints one person and Kuboi is my appointment.

-Kuboi is a second year molecular biology student. Its important to serve students first and foremost and important for administrators identity to build a strong relationship with student orgs. As a key leadership member I am an effective communicator and liaison to create mutually beneficial relationships between the health providers and those seeking the help. Im incredibly passionate about serving students in their UCLA experience and I'm empathetic.

-Chen thanks him for coming out during finals, he asks about the experience of student and wellness.

-Kuboi states to communicate directly to students. I've been involved in Active Minds and involves in person communication with student in sensitive topics. Im a member of Bruin Marketing and Advertising and marketing is for understanding the targeting needs and addressing it creatively. For electronic presence I'm the marketing director at Active Minds and I grew the facebook page with my co for 25% and I interact with a lot of student wellness and working with 12 committees and working together with them and different companies and to build relationships. I think my position has prepared me for that.

-Geller asks if he has any personal experience with either the Ashe Centre or SHIP on strengths and weaknesses.

-Kuboi states one weakness is mental health resources and communities like ActiveMinds and AllOfUs does a great job about raising awareness and encouraging people to seek help, but right now CAPS reduced the number of therapy sessions from 10 to 6 and if we're encouraging people to seek help they need the resources. I was abroad this summer and got a random allergic reaction and it was difficult to find my procedure and it would be helpful for some sort of transparency.

-Kuboi states as an experienced leadership member I know I can bring key insight on this campus from personal interactions with both and regular outspoken members of this diverse community. I see shortcomings in the bureaucratic system and when we're dealing with something like student health its important for someone to be in a committee than can speak up for them.

-Helder moves to approve Kuboi for Student Health Advisory Committee. Mossler seconds.

-Mossler states hes incredibly responsive and organized and has a set vision and incredibly easy and successful program and was a really crucial part that the program was as successful as it was. He would be amazing.

-Rosen states its a big appointment and they do amazing work and was very impressed by Kuboi when he applied.

10-0-0 Stan Kuboi is approved for Student Health Advisory Committee.

VI. Office and Member Reports

VII. Fund Allocations

A. Contingency Programming

-Wong states GenRep2 applied \$816 required, \$449 requested, \$250 was recommended. Helder moves to approve \$250. Cocroft seconds.

10-0-0 contingency programming is approved.

-Wong states there's 5 groups. \$6,828 required. 4,072.55 requested. 1,285 was recommended. If approved, \$40,901 left in budget for regular contingency.

Helder moves to approve \$1,285 programming allocation. Cocroft seconds.

-Kajikawa asks if we're on track.

-Wong states surplus is usually at the beginning of winter that's when council approves and we'll get the numbers next quarter and get a couple thousand. We are on track and just closed accounts and we'll probably get at least \$5,000 from allocations that weren't spent.

10-0-0 contingency programming has been approved.

B. EVP Travel and Advocacy Grant

-Helder stated Alpha Kappa Alpha is going to their regional conference and have been approved for \$500

C. ASRF

-Kajikawa requested Alpha Kappa Alpha for their Black Women and Faculty Night for a networking event

D. BOD Winter

-Pacheco states there was a total of 29 applications, which is just 1 more than we had. The 30% overall budget is for Fall. There would be a total of \$88, 480.20 given out for this quarter. There would be \$147,467 for spring quarter which is important for larger events for cultural shows. After we got the allocation I took some money from co programming together and large sums of money and gave it to some events not as much of our budget. When comparing an organization that applies for \$15,000 to \$300 its important to help out the small organization as well because regardless we can't fund \$15,000 event.

-Rosen asks is it based off and did you stay a consistent amount of percentages

-Pacheco states its based on their hearing and how many people it impacted.

-Rosen asks for total requested

- After it was adjusted how they did the hearings is \$263,440
- Cocroft states the biggest allocation is Hip Hop Appreciation Month.
- Pacheco states its not just one event, it's a multitude of events and a concert at the end.
- Hourdequin asks what documentation the give you
- Pacheco states the contract and exchange they had with the talent and they give us the screen shot whatever is they're going to buy and with what they need and if any discrepancy that's what we look at it.
- Helder moves to approve Board of Directors winter programming application.
Amin seconds.
- 10-0-0 the BOD Allocations have been approved.

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

X. Announcements

XI. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet has been passed around.

XII. Adjournment

- Helder moves to adjourn the meeting. Dameron seconds.
- 10-0-0 the meeting is adjourned at 7:42pm.

XII. Good and Welfare