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
- Shao moves to strike ARC.
- Chen strikes Student Wellness Programming Fund
- Kajikawa strikes Academic Affairs Commissioner Report
- Dameron moves to strike Community Service Commissioner
- Khan moves to have a movement of silence for
- Cocroft moves to table Lea Lutherstein for John Wooden Board of Governors (JWBOG)
B. Approval of the Minutes from January 19, 2015
- Helder moves to approve. Dameron seconds.
15-0-0 the agenda is approved

III. Public Comments
- Jackie is here with California Public Interest Resource Group as a student funded and student directed project. We want to ban the statewide plastic ban but it was delayed by plastic bag companies from out of state and its coming back from the November 2015 collection. We are collecting to vote for support and we collected 1,300 petitions for those promising to vote yes. We will be continuing to do so in the next 2 weeks. We will have our pledge drive. Students opt to give $10 on their tuition bill per quarter and across the state there’s 30,000 students that do so. We tell them about the campaign and asking them to support CalPirg.

IV. Special Presentations

V. Appointments
A. Divya Sharma for Transportation Services Advisory Board (TSAB)
- Cocroft states it’s a committee of administrators of transportation department and graduate student, faculty, and undergraduate students. It allows for input from
carpools and vanpools for student body as a whole. Divya is a transfer student and make sure that there needs are being served.

-Hourdequin states he received a 3-0-0 vote of recommendation from ARC.
-Rosen states it's a consent item. Seeing no objections Divya Sharma for Transportation Services Advisory Board (TSAB).

B. Keenan Fine for John Wooden Board of Governors (JWBOG)
-Cocroft states The John Wooden Center Board of Governors is a student majority committee which is involved in decisions regarding the design and use of as well as policy and operational issues regarding the John Wooden Center, UCLA’s recreation facility. He states its how it should be run. He attended the meeting already which is Wednesday at 7:30 AM.

-Hourdequin states he received a 3-0-0 vote of recommendation from ARC.
-Rosen states it’s a consent item. Seeing no objections Keenan Fine approved for John Wooden Board of Governors (JWBOG)

VI. Office and Member Reports

A. President – Rosen
-Rosen has a meeting with ASUCLA to look for a space to do bulk buying of fresh produce and perishable items to find a location for refrigeration and a space to include anything for food sustainability and security. The purpose is for an affordable option for nutritional spaces for those commuting students, dorm students, and apartment students. The prices are from a local producer and its cheaper and more sustainable. Its cheaper than the Green market and major food sources. I will either do a special presentation or a resolution. The Food Security allocated $2,500 and ill provide more information for you all next week. I spent a lot of time working on the appointment later at the meeting with Chris Hao from the career center. I met with the SFAC appointments to check in what they’re up to. Our graduate student president serves as vice chair on council of student fees. I want to talk about announcements during meeting and officer and member reports. Often times when we have announcements its great but it is limiting since a lot of people don't pay attention. When we have announcements we'll send out a Google doc you can enter it and we can copy and paste and put it on the USAC Facebook page and website. I think it’ll be beneficial and get the word out there to make sure all the students know what’s going on. We'll start that the upcoming Tuesday.
-Kajikawa asks if it would be included in the minutes since its not necessarily in the meetings
-Rosen states it would be in events and as well as the Facebook page

B. Internal Vice President – Hourdequin
-Hourdequin wants to address USAC retreat, everyone that attended had a fun time and went on a hike and had a really nice house and getting to know everyone. I want to address the lack of attendance of a lot of council members. It was really
disappointing to see that people show up and I see you going out with other people and studying with friends. Where is the commitment to building council unity. Its disappointing to see the lack of commitment to this council to building that. Moving forward we do need to evaluate how we are prioritizing working together. I hope there’s the commitment and working on things and are office and part of the things that make a great council is having that council unity and building friends and relationships. You’re going to look back on your memories as a council member and hope it’s a positive experience. That’s what I intended retreat to be and it was disappointing and disrespectful for me and I made it so accessible and transparent. It was right next to the dorms, I incorporated your different schedules and retreats and I tried really hard to accommodate your schedules and its disappointing to see that people couldn’t come for breakfast or the hike. I booked it behind Veteran to make sure you can come. I find it disheartening to see the lack of commitment. This past week I met with Nancy Greenstein about a variety of topics and I talked with her about the diversity sensitivity training that the police go through and the lighting issues that are here in Westwood, the crime rates they are having and working. We are meeting with Kevin is SSR that we are hoping to implement and its important to have a sensitivity training. This upcoming week I’m meeting with the director of student legal services at the off campus living fair and its important for students to know their rights as tenants and what their apartment standards should be up to. I know I’ll be holding that towards the end of this quarter or beginning of spring when more people are signing their leases.
-Rosen states that at the beginning of our terms I spoke about an event about LAUSD with Power of Education but I have bad news. Christina Harley stated that the superintendent she was working with has stepped down so she doesn’t think its feasible to do this year. I put her in contact and working with Yolanda Copen Morgan and I encourage them to contact her and work for next year. Due to the super intendent stepping down the event will be unable to happen in May.

C. External Vice President - Helder
-Helder stated he’s in the process of CARE training and its really enlightening and I really appreciate that work. I met with state relations and joint advocacy and we’re going to Washington DC to work on Tim Murphy’s bill. There’s scattered Bruin Defenders trips. AB1711 was just introduced today by assembly member Medina. Its another disaster bill and would cap nonresident enrollment at 15.5% for any given school. UCLA is 25%. What this would do it would not allow any additional non resident enrollment until that percentage has reached 15.5%. We are talking about a series of UCLA classes of entirely resident students. The biggest issue is it’s a financial disaster leveled on students. If you lose nearly half of your non resident population that for every non resident you pay for two residents because they pay triple the tuition. There is anywhere between a quarter and third of our entire tuition revenue would be lost. While the intention is fine where California categorically doesn’t have enough access to prestigious higher public education and there’s a lot of anger, the trouble is that there will be a ginormous budget cut or a ginormous tuition increase. History tells us its going to be a ginormous tuition increase. We aren’t talking about what we’ve been fighting the last few years, we are
talking about what we dealt with the last 10 years. We go from $10,000-$14,000. The other provision is that non resident tuition will be pooled together on a central fund and pooled across campuses. UCLA will be disproportionately hit because we have a lot of out of state and international students. This task of collecting the revenue is going to fall to us. A lot of resources in my offices are going to be spent on this bill.

D. Student Wellness Commissioner

-Chen states he has a meeting with several people on the hill and a student in creating a Hill government Health team. There was an idea brought up to have something like that brought up and I’m fortunate to see where the efforts could go. I wanted to clarify about the Resilience Peer Network and there was a Daily Bruin article out last Monday about the entire program. I want to acknowledge that and there has been a good amount of confusion amongst many different communities such as students and departments alike. I wanted to take the opportunity to explain that “peer counseling” is a very convenient and interesting term but its also a very limiting term. In that what is being done with resilience peers isn’t peer counseling. Peer counseling would have to be along the lines of a professional counselor. That is not what we’re trying to do. It’s a difficult proposition to take a peer and within a quarter transform them into a counselor. That isn’t what is trying to be accomplished. What’s trying to be accomplished is that I’m readily available, but what’s being undertaken we’re working with the depression grand challenge and the office of resilience of students to train a group of undergraduate and graduate students to have skills that are certainly required for counseling type support but the main skill that is being taught is to engage IBCT internet based cognitive therapy. This online module was been studied to show effectiveness in treating different cases of mental health and issues. The depression grand challenge will do a 100,000 screening and for students that are screened at an appropriate level will be referred to resilience peer network. Those students will be paired with IBCT and where the resilience peers come in they will be helping facilitate interaction with the online module. Its empirically reviewed and successful. It brings up engagement levels from 15%-18% successful rate. This is empirically based and validated study that the resilience network is looking to evaluate. WE are trying to let students have a skill to treat a certain level of depression. Even this first step of having the skill is going to take a quarter. We are looking to go around and make sure we aren’t over stepping any kinds of boundaries. There are opportunities in the future to see where resilient peers can look to expand for a timely manner. We will be going around for a daily bruin clarification submission and look to clarify. All of us campaign is going to be merging and be more connected with Active Minds committee of SWC by the end of this quarter. They both now have great momentum. AllofUs is going to host their town hall and brought together different aspects and different communities that deal with mental health. The depression grand challenge will be there to speak. The AllofUs coming will be in spring on April 9th. Hosting workshops could mean almost anything for the key to making this event a success.

-Khan asks if the online module is already existing or are they working on

-Chen states its already existing and the challenge is to find one that’s empirically based and the campus of resilience has paired down the correct module.
D. Community Service Commissioner – Zach Dameron

E. Academic Affairs Commissioner – Kajikawa

F. Administrative Representatives

VII. Fund Allocations
A. Contingency Programming
- 14 groups applied IVP for fellowship retreat and for SWC for Bruin/Run Walk retreat. $867.14 requested. $867.14 requested. 315 recommended.
- Helder moves to approve $315.
11-0-2 the contingency programming for USAC offices have been approved.
- 12 groups $51,481.51 required. $8,951.70 recommended. $2,377 recommended.
- Helder moves to approve $2,377. Rafalian seconds.
13-0-0 the contingency programming allocation has been approved.

B. EVP Travel and Advocacy Grant
- Helder stated Samahang Pilipino has requested $1,700 to lobby in Washington DC to survey for Filipino veterans and will be working with them on the trip in the coming month.

C. ASRF
- Kajikawa states Bruin Experiment is putting on the Bruin Science Fair and didn’t necessarily imply to ASRF but described how it would benefit students such as mentorship and communication skills and allocated $500.

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business
A. The Green Initiative Fund Referendum
- Cocroft states we currently pay $4.80 to the Green Initiative Fund. Some of the notable ones would be the solar project. We are looking to expand the solar initiative project and it will allow students to work with engineers and product managers and the amount of money it will generate will pay for itself for 7-8 years. It allows for students to make a big impact of sustainability and a lot of them are generating a return and self sustaining. Some other events are eco-chella and the hydration stations. The fund enables student groups to make their everyday events more sustainable to make sure they are using more sustainable items such as t-shirts and compostable items. We aren’t there to cover the entire costs of your events, just enough to make them more sustainable. The fund was passed in 2008 overwhelming in favor of this fee. The fee was set to expire in 2018 to place it on the ballot to remove the sunset date and extend the fund indefinitely. Especially with climate change and the drought impacting our state we need to continue to allow students to lead the charge of the sustainable. This is why I hope you approve this
The referendum of the student ballot. If this referendum were to fail next year the referendum would sunset in 2017. I'm bringing it early on in the election process just to make sure and make changes moving forward.

- Geller states that in fall of 2014 when we had the special election to select the first transfer rep it was on the ballot and it passed. Unfortunately the election didn’t get a 20% turnout and it was invalidated. The language you see was approved in that particular election. If you decide to make changes we’ll take them through the approval process. If there are any recommended changes it’ll come back. - Rosen asks would it have to go through the process again if it remains the same?
- Geller states yes but it would probably get approved if it's the same language and same chancellor.
- Helder moves to approve the language for the Green Initiative Fund
- Dameron asks what is the amount of student involvement with Ackerman student project and others
- Cocroft states for most of the projects they are pretty standard programs at a large scale. Ecochella is often seen as a way for students and the entire event is sustainable. It’s a large scale concert. The bigger capital projects like Ackerman Solar are very substantial and work with administrators to hire a suitable project manager. The students design it and I’m not sure about the involvement of students in the bidding process but there involved in every stage of the planning.
- Zimmerman states that every project is different. They all have undergraduate student involvement. The solar panel project they’re at every single meeting up to the bid and after that they work through the event to make sure its involved as possible. They’re unable to put them up and there’s the add actuals and these are the priorities. We are hoping to design a display for the students to be leading that way.
- Dameron asks if the student groups and students submitting it to TGIF and not non-students
- Zimmerman states some projects work with departments but most part its students coming to us. For this expansion idea the students came to us and asked if we can. So we work really closely with action resource team and it’s a 2 quarter class and find a problem, work on it and study it for a quarter and do research project and help them fund those projects and turn them into a reality to help facilitate and institute with the environment to research things and have the added benefit of actualizing the basis of research and carry it to some conclusion. Her favorite is the case competition for the last few years and the environmental case competition and have x amount and have a weekend to plan and see a problem and so they are always trying to solve sustainable problems. TGIF has an idea to add an additional component to get the funding to execute it. We encourage the other participants to come and apply for funding.
- Mossler asks if the fee will stay at $4.80 or will it adjust with inflation
- Cocroft states the adjustment with inflation was a set amount and it species the years it will increase. If we use the language there’s no set amount.
- Wong asks for more context for the $4.80 figure decided on
-Cocroft states I’m not sure how they reached that amount but that amount has been sufficient to support the level of projects and funding but I’m not sure how its calculated. I think its been matched with UCSB’s.
-Dameron states it’s a great idea, but my question is “what’s being done to make it more utilized?” We are seeing $150,000 in the fund carry over itself and that’s a restrictive fund.
-Zimmerman states we allocated every cent we had last year and some projects didn’t spend all their funds. As you can see in their restrictive surplus it was an $88,000 for the solar project they’re working on and large projects that are already allocated in the restrictive amount. That’s restrictive carryover because its set for projects. There will be some carryover. Last year we allocated every cent, we get pretty close to every cent. We allocated between 70-100 projects including the mini fund. When the fund originally started in 2009-2010 there was one funding cycles. Now we have it one per quarter, and the students wants to have a mini-fund for smaller projects to make it more accessible.
-Wong states since a lot of projects are long-term, is there a portion set aside for maintenance and upkeep
-Champawat states if it’s a physical modification essentially students finds a partner. If it’s a facilities thing we will fund this but take over ownership control responsibility moving forward. We think we should do this and we can pay this amount and will you partner with us? Its taken over by the facility and has certain stipulations and frames the understandings
-Zimmerman states students find the best solutions for facilities and it requires less maintenance.
-Champawat states if it’s a physical plan thing such as the solar panels on Ackerman we were approached by the Engineering School and wanted to collect real time data from the solar panels to inform their research as they do the research to lead the way. Its multi-faceted capabilities.
-Rafalian states the average voter will skim. Instead of saying “to raise funds” and change it “to fund” to clear up any confusion.
-Rosen states it’s a friendly amendment.

The Green Initiative Fund (TGIF) is a current mandatory student fee of $4.80 per quarter to fund for projects focused on environmental sustainability at UCLA. It is scheduled to expire after Spring 2018. Shall the Undergraduate Students Association ensure the continuity of student sustainability initiatives by removing the expiration date and continuing to collect this fee indefinitely?

Yes

No

Supplemental Language:
The Green Initiative Fund (TGIF) was passed in 2008 when students felt that there should be a funding source solely focused on funding projects promoting environmental sustainability on campus. In the referendum language, it states that after 10 years the referendum would be removed and therefore the funding source would disappear. TGIF helps fund amazing events on campus like the Jazz Reggae Festival and the event formerly known as Eco-chella, along with amazing projects such as Zero Waste Pauley and the Ackerman Union Solar Panel Project. It’s important that Bruins be proactive in ensuring that TGIF remains in existence for years to come, to fund projects that make our campus more sustainable. In light of issues such as the drought in California, it is more important than ever that sustainability be promoted at UCLA. Voting yes on this referendum will create no new fee increases, but secure TGIF past the year 2018.

-Geller states if you want to talk about inflation talk about it now
-Cocroft states it would make sense financially but we would lose the argument of not raising fees. It might be politically difficult to have a separate initiative in raising fees in some matter. I hate to kick the can down the road but I would feel more comfortable in securing what we do have.
-Helder states as a counter argument inflation in itself is a future calculation and if they don’t feel like its increasing. By deferring the increase fees they are less incentivized. If the concern is that it wont pass because of a political climate, students view it as a reasonable.
-Dameron states coming up with the referendum for our student orgs, and its an entirely different thing and its going to be written as a fee increased and its going to be spun with a fee increase. With student group funding and moving it to possibly later. This itself passed and I think that should be the focus at the moment because we have an additional referendum and for transparency I wouldn’t vote yes if inflation was attached to it.
-Starr asked if there’s a way to change the bylaws to attach it to inflation.
-Geller states every fee increase must be voted on by referendum and get a 20% turn out and get approved.
-Starr clarifies that it has to be explicitly stated
-Geller says yes
-Rosen asks if there’s any more discussion about the overall recommendation.

13-0-0 The Green Initiative Fund Referendum Language will be submitted to chancellor’s office to be put on election board.

B. Surplus
-Rosen states for the total remaining surplus is that 45% for USA programming and 12% to capital contingency and those numbers can be changed by 2/3 vote. The finance committee and BOD suggested 88% to contingency at $31,816.62 and then 12% to capital contingency $4,338.63. That number is consistent to capital contingency but basically all the money we left over went to contingency rather than BOD. That’s the recommendation from the finance committee chair. The recommendation from Champawat and Wong suggests is to withdraw 3,856.43 and
the recommendation would be to withdraw from the endowment. The purpose of
endowment is to ensure the sustainability and protect us in times of financial crisis
and as you can see the 36,155.25 is a financial crisis. As we go into the surplus can I
get a motion to approve 88% to contingency and 12% to capital contingency and to
withdraw earnings from USAC endowment.
-Helder moves to approve 88% to contingency and 12% to capital contingency and
to withdraw earnings from USAC endowment. Khan seconds.
-Geller suggests to separate it into 2 separate motions and the other one dealing
with surplus. The endowment wont come part of surplus.
-Helder rescinds both his motions.
-Helder moves to withdraw earnings from USAC endowment and place them into
contingency. Dameron seconds.
-Siegel states looking over the endowment and get this set amount of interest and
allocate back into contingency, how is the endowment invested to get this interest?
-Champawat states this funds is billions of dollars and a modest piece of something.
We certainly could ask for a general report and understanding we are to fine tune
and get that information.
-Siegel asks if the USAC endowment is part of the UCLA endowment?
-Geller states the USAC endowment is part of the funds managed by the UCLA
foundation. You can certainly invite a UCLA representative from the foundation
about how they invest their funds. They manage all the foundation funds which is
where all the endowments and all the gifts are housed. Each year based on how the
investments are doing and the return has been, they determined what is the
percentage of the year that can be paid out and there are options to either withdraw
the funds, reinvest them into the endowment base, or to leave them with the
foundation but leave them accessible so they can be withdrawn on a moments
notice. So those are the options at any time and if you take the $3,865.43 out now
next year they will designate.
-Champawat sates as a first step they have a general financial report that'll answer a
lot of your questions and we can follow that with a presentation f that seems of
interest.
-Wong states that if there is consensus to withdraw and it wont set a precedent for
constant withdrawal and meaning that it invests when it has the means and utilized
to benefit student groups evenly year to year and don’t allow programs form most
surplus years to suffer.
-Kajikawa asks if there's any way for $3,865.43 to essentially put it back in the
endowment. I agree we need to withdraw to put it into contingency but in looking
how this budget structures, this nonrecurring income of loss is penalized on future
bruins and by taking it out of the endowment that's the direct result of that. I would
love to open up that discussion.
-Rosen states it will be up to next years council after going into the overall surplus
and they will choose how to invest.
-Geller states something that you might be able to do is if you're so inclined, if you
reach the end of your terms and there is still funding in the USAC discretionary you
may decide that what you want to do with this years discretionary and invest that
into USAC endowment. Rather than coming from the surplus in specific offices it can
be a council wide decision before you pass the seats to next quarter.
-Champawat agrees that’s the most actionable away and in terms of individuals
account and there’s so much activity out there that has to come in but you wont
know until that level and what you have done.
-Kajikawa asks how much do we have in discretionary
-Wong states its $15,550 and that doesn’t include the $200 from the plaque.
-Cocroft states the idea of the endowment to support programming when we have
below surplus but the endowment has a long termed vision to a meaningful amount
and contribute significantly to student group. The endowment is so view and if we
are setting a precedent now when we do have a rocky situation and withdrawing
earnings from the endowment we will run to that for the endowment and the
council as easy money. I want the endowment to grow through thick and thin and
have a larger impact. He states on the surface it looks like 10% but the lack of
sustainability of student funding overall could be solved by other means. Some of
these tools we have to fight this trend need to be supported rather than curtailed.
-Dameron stated given the situation this year we have to look at last years balance
of $51,000 for surplus and right now we’re looking at adding $3,000. I think that
currently if we as a council can look at this we aren’t following precedent, and we
are relatively smart people and future councils will be able to look at it just as we’re
looking at it. I expect them as elected officials to look at it just like we’re doing right
now. There’s 51,000 allocated and with this 3,000 there’s only 35,000. We have long
terms plans and that hasn’t been passed and we have to deal with the present.
-Starr states I was there when they made it and I voted on it. We had a surplus of
$300,000 and rather than invest all $300,000 we invest some. There’s a large gift
that would be made whereas a $3,000 I’m getting excited at the idea for it being
used and that’s exactly the reason its created. At $112,000 we’ll take it and it’s a
large amount of money and over time accrue value.
-Cocroft states council wont blindly rely on it and I think making withdrawals just
stunts its growth and keeps it at the same level and if surplus declines over years
there will be more opportunities to take out these small events and if we continue to
chip away at it wont be able to grow or compound as fast as it could.
-Helder states part of what Starr is getting at, endowments aren’t created by letting
$3,000 amounts accrue they are created and sustained by large gifts. For 20 or even
30 years council would just leave $3,000 that wouldn’t create a significant amount
of endowment to fulfill the vision. A $3,000 withdrawal doesn’t violate the spirit of
the endowment but rather keeps us a float for future council present the
endowment with a larger sum out of surplus.
-Hourdequin states there’s an opportunity to donate to the endowment. If we
wanted to do we could fundraise $3,500 to get alumni and graduating seniors to
donate that money.
-Rosen states its at the bottom of her email.
-Siegel states I feel like we are talking about a short run and long run of endowment.
We have a huge drop off and we see a pressing need for adding an additional $3,800
to student funds and how in the long run councils are going to feel we are going to
pull here and here, but when we’re mediating we have to recognize that the most
pressing thing is to serve the students on the campus because that’s who we’re elected by. By next year students we need to look at how we can make the most benefit and what future councils down the road to assess the situation. I think its important to take out $3,800.

-Wong agrees with everyone and I’m a big proponent of investment and have money work for you in a sustainable fashion assuming there’s enough funds. Current years council’s role is to ensure that the students this years are getting the most benefit from their student fees and their UCLA experience. We shouldn’t discount we want to be sustainable but the role today this year and students now are paying their fees and getting the benefit from that. I think that withdrawing form the endowment will really benefit and based on the transparent report and it will benefit approximately 20 student programs and that’s huge because most programs have between 80-200 students and it ill have a positive impact. Additionally the endowment has two main purposes, the first is to be sustainable funding source but also to mitigate the volatility for high and low surplus years. Its definitely a tricky thing but the main purpose is the latter and that’s my take on it.

-Rafalian agrees that we should pull from the endowment and asks when is the interest accrued from the endowment? Is it the end of the school year or end of the fiscal year as if we never took anything away with it?

-Champawat states at the point of withdrawal the balance becomes the balance. The interest is identified quarterly and the vote is to reinvest whatever it has earned.

-Rosen calls a vote to withdraw $3,865.43 from the USAC endowment and to move to contingency.

12-1-0 approved to withdraw $3,865.43 from the USAC endowment and to move to contingency.

-Rosen states with the endowment this puts our overall surplus at 40,020.68 and directly placed to contingency and that’ll put contingency 35,682.05 and 89%.

-Champawat states it doesn’t make sense and you already voted on that and you’re just dealing it with $236,155.25.

Rosen entertains a motion of 88% to contingency $31,816.62 and 12% into capital contingency of $4,338.63.

-Helder moves to approve 88% to contingency $31,816.62 and 12% into capital contingency of $4,338.63.

-Rosen states that the majority of $152,000 came from the Jazz Reggae Festival from 2015 and the Jazz Reggae from 2014 has went $113,000. That is where a majority of surplus is going and that’s what leaves a lot of it as $36,155.25. I want to relay to Cultural Affairs to explain and prevent it.

-Shao states in regards to past two figures and the precedent was set by my predecessors and I essentially learned about it from Champawat when planning bruin bash. In finding out about them I took matters into my own hands and how I would establish the CAC budget and essentially breakdown and rebuild the structure of Jazz Reggae. My predecessor allocated $80,000 to Jazz Reggae. This year I added on 5,000 so that’s $85,000 to the Jazz Reggae. I decided to cut funds from all series in CAC to create a CAC reserve. If any series went over and the reserve in itself is $9,500. Its on page 28 of the USAC website. This is our 20\textsuperscript{th} year and the venue has
changed and the venue is north athletic view which is half the size of the iM and is significantly smaller venue. The capacity will only hold 2,000 which would factor into art and food vendors. There will only be 5 art vendors and 8 food vendors and will be paying a higher amount. When you guarantee funds that are cutting down the number of vendors they have to compete with and there's a capacity of 2,000. They are promised money from 2,000 people and lesser competition. The vendors in terms of security and in the 25th anniversary there's this Jazz Reggae member named Jesse Sacks was in control of finance. That year Jazz Reggae had a profit. I asked my executive producer to go back to Jesse Sacks. He essentially explored outside vendors and start to find prices and ask current vendors that ucla approves to match that. We are exploring outside vendors at lower costs and they'll have to match it and take it upon approval. One of the biggest costs was honorarium. Historically it was student performers. This year we are going to have a lot more student performers as opposed to large honorariums and it aligns with the historical precedent. The alumni network we have been contacting was the founder Ron Richards to figure out how to appeal to the audience we lost in the past 5 years and bring it back to the roots. The problem last year was that it was too experimental with trying to move out from moving to IM field to LATC. The cons is the money and you’re trying to be experimental so this year we aren’t being experimental. Another big thing that in the past Jazz Reggae has been treated differently amongst the CAC series and have always been given the privilege that relies on their profits. It’s the only event that brings in profit. This year I told my executive producer you cannot rely on profits. The $85,000 and the 9,000 reserve and any sponsorship you have to rely solely on that money and cannot rely on anything to foot. I’m not allowing it to go over budget. At the current moment, venue estimates will be achieved mid 5th week of this quarter and a complete budget outline by week 6 and sponsorship decks are being formed and I essentially found out about deficit over summer and appointed people for the sponsorship director and talent buyer to essentially use bruin bash as learning curve of what is properly done. I learned through Bruin Bash. Another thing is that Jazz Reggae will be one day on memorial day weekend and it will be a smaller time frame, so its going to be later in the day and earlier in the night so it’s a shorter amount of time and cuts facilities, security, and all that cost.

-Kajikawa thanks Shao. In terms of the deficit we are working in, the first year seems like an anomaly but the second year from $113,000 to $152,000 how was that accepted by ASUCLA and USAC?

-Champawat states there’s a seemingly long history and some of the profits earned were very large profits. A number of years we had profits and other years we had relatively sympathetic off setting deficits. Sacks engineered some really large profits. The circumstances started changing and the market changed. The next year I certainly made council aware and try to keep it aware. Before on the IM field it has 12,000 people. I was concerned we were getting into risk and last years situation and we brought it to council. I did a series of projections because I was concerned it would go to a loss and give the council an opportunity. One of the objects was that you’re estimating attendance, but its paying people. It was discussed at the table and
opportunity that the council had to prevent the loss and take a low saying that we don’t want this exposure and we want to council.
-Geller states to add to that there were significant sub costs that if the event had been cancelled that would still have to be paid. That was a big factor in last councils decisions to pay people not to perform or not to provide services but still to have return the ticket revenue that was accumulated and hope for the best in making last minute changes in an attempt to minimize the loss.
-Rosen states it was sent 2-3 weeks and the cancellation fees were projected around $40,000 but not the same as $152,000. One of the worst case was $180,000 and the best was $30,000. That was definitely one of the biggest topics if we had to cancel it just weeks before the event would happen.
-Rafalian thanks Shao for wanting to compensate. One, do you think that $9,000 in reserve for all of CAC and is that money supposed to go for other CAC events and you mentioned student performers do you think that the general public will pay student performers when people go for big artists
-Shao states to answer your question about reserve and for vernacular you cant say its for only one series, and I have the intention that if jazz reggae goes over this reserve is for them. That is why fall, winter, and spring quarter had to submit 15 page proposals to events that they wanted to host. In regards to artists, we will still have headliners, we wont have as many. It was significantly large and no student performers. The majority performers are student performers are like $1,000 or lower but if you do honorarium there significantly higher so it’s the idea that there wont be lineup of2 different artists but maybe 1-2 large performers. Students like to support students such as dance performers or coffee houses
-Cocroft asks about the venue and the cost for venue would be week 5, are you going to be having official reservation by that time and if so are there costs with cancelling
-Shao states its been reserved since fall quarter
-Mossler states I know its hard to throw an event on a grand school. Partially the venue and NAF holds about 2000 students, AGB holds about 1000-1200 and our concerts never cost anywhere near $85,000 which is equivalent for Bruin Bash for $12,000. In your perspective is it worth $85,000 going towards other CAC programs whereas this concert at itself can service at max 2,000 people when in perspective that money can go towards them. We just talked about how fair $3,000 can go do you think that $85,000 is worth it?
-Shao states the reason it costs more is because bringing outside people and since we’re bringing people from Los Angeles and inviting them to UCLA which is the beauty of Jazz Reggae for connecting UCLA to Los Angeles so that the security price rams up. There’s a lot of communities of color who would never get this exposure. That explains why there is a higher cost because security rams up. The honorarium is always high. In terms of vendors, sponsor and going towards north athletic field. We are trying to cut all corners to not go to deficit. We are not relying on ticket sales this year. In the past we relied on ticket sales to foot that big gap, but at the end we aren’t doing that. The money that jazz reggae gets is the money they are supposed to do. I’ve pounded into them on the summertime and give be monthly updates almost weekly. I know I’m making a lot of verbal promises but I’ve been working on this
since summer in combination with bruin bash to troubleshoot and I met with Champawat multiple times to understand the numbers.

-Hourdequin recognizes and understands the significance of Jazz Reggae to the commission and UCLA and talked a lot about it to Garcia. She came to council with her directors and gave a presentation and they were scaling back where in Trumble’s year there was this $118,000 that came out of surplus and looking at how to scale back so that this doesn’t happen again. We were told that its going to be a smaller venue and rebranded and different marketing methods to ensure they are accounting for all of this and we had faith in those plans but we didn’t have exact numbers and so I’m wondering if we could potentially see numbers once you have all of it squared away. I know it takes a lot to get sponsorships together but I think it would be great for all of us to see the exact numbers and we trust you but I think that moving forward we need to see it not impact student fees the way it is.

-Rosen states it’s a surplus conversation and address the issues last years but in the interest of time if we added a discussion item on next weeks agenda and talking about Jazz Reggae in reference to last year so perhaps ill give Shao the opportunity and we can table the discussion and add it to next week.

-Shao states in response yes, I fully intend to have you all look at the numbers so that’s how I learned. Without looking at the numbers all I knew that things weren’t going the way they should be doing. Once I get venue estimate and I intend to share it with you all and as an investor you don’t want your money to go to loss. The only difference between Garcia and me and are years, they were being experimental and were relying on profits but we are not experimental and we are not relying on profits because we are working with this budget. Last year they relied on surplus and we aren’t doing that this year. I pounded that with my executive and if you don’t work with your budget I don’t want USAC to cut your event, I will cut your event. I want to make sure I’m up to speed and I go to every finance meeting. One criticism is that she never went to finance meetings but I go to all of them.

-Rosen states $152,000 for Jazz Reggae and a 5% reserve and its an incase of emergency before that fee is incurred on ASUCLA so that money that was put forward to Jazz Reggae was taken out around June and part of that it was the anticipation of ticket sales. Normally other student orgs don’t account ticket sales for budgeting their income level and that’s where the huge deficit came in opposed to any other contingency.

-Rosen redirects the conversation of surplus allocations currently on the table.

-Wong states the USA programming fee would have so much to go to contingency. First BOD that the left over money from last year went back to Board of Directors and BOD is in pretty healthy place to allocate for spring even without surplus. Contingency is relying all on surplus for spring and there’s still $160,000 to be allocated for spring events so its in a really healthy place as of now. Contingency has $32,900 and around last year it had $30,000. Last year we also got $15,000 from surplus.

-Rosen asks if there’s any discussion regarding 88% to contingency and 12 % to capital contingency. $35,682.05 placed into contingency. $4,338.63 placed into capital.
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C. Bylaw Amendment
- Cocroft states the constitutional bylaw amendment voted 3-0-0 and changes Article 2 part d for Alumni Internship Network Student Committee Chair: one appointment for a one (1) year term.
- Rosen states the purpose of this group of individuals is to bring internship opportunities to undergraduates. We typically see a lot of engagement from business and non-profit but less of south campus and expanding opportunities as much as possible. The purpose of this is to expose undergraduates to various feels and to support from the administrator end and to partnership UCLA and center for community learning and the Dashew center and the Center for American Politics an public Policy to make sure they work in accordance with one another. To highlight the resources available and to show that the USAC prioritizing career oriented services and talk a lot about resources but don’t talk about career oriented for post graduate success. We are showing there is a career and there will be one appointment by Office of President. They wouldn’t receive a stipend but will have their own committee of 3-5 people. I met with Chris Howl from the career center which is a group of people hired by the career center and envision the chair. I would like to propose the Alumni Internship Network Student Committee Chair and the name of the network could change so I would like to propose the change for Internship Engagement Committee Chair and because it’s under alphabetical order it will be under vi.

5. Council Consent Approval

a. The respective elected council officer shall sit on the following committees, or shall designate an appointee to that committee

b. All appointments should come to the Appointments Review Committee for approval by application, unless the elected council officer chooses to sit on the committee

c. If the Appointments Review Committee would like more information before approving the appointee, they can request an in-person interview. Once approved, the appointment will be presented to the Council as a consent item

d. Any applicant not receiving a majority of affirmative votes from the members on the Appointments Review
Committee must either appear before the Council for further review or must be withdrawn from consideration.

Presidential Appointments

i. Chancellor's Enrollment Advisory Committee: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term

ii. Committee on Instructional Improvement Programs: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term

iii. iv. Communications Director: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term.

iv. Financial Aid Policy Committee: two (2) appointments for one (1) year terms

v. Information Technology Planning Board: one (1) appointment for a two (2) year term

vi. Internship Engagement Committee Chair: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term

vii. structuring Steering Committee: one (1) appointment for a two (2) year term

viii. Student Advocate: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term

ix. Student Conduct Committee: three (3) appointments for one (1) to three (3) year terms

x. Student Risk Education Committee: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term

xi. UCLA Advisory Board on Privacy and Data Protection: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term

xii Westwood Community Council: one (1) appointment for a two (2) year term

-Dameron states Chris Howl is so excited about the bylaw change and puts USAC at a position to help students directly and he was looking for a position such as this one.
-Rosen states in bylaws that the Financial Support Commissioner is supposed to work with the career center but I want to clarify that its for the internships.
-Helder moves to approve the bylaw of the addition of the Internship Engagement Chair. Siegel seconds.
-Helder states it sounds great and I really like the idea.

X. Announcements
-Siegel states various parts of the Jewish community is one wish for peace and empowerment and students in the Jewish community to talk about the Zionists on
the campus and engaging with campus community in different ways to educate what it means to be Jewish bruins. Yesterday they wore their favorite Israel related. Today they had one wish campaign with Israel pride. Tomorrow we have a pizza party and ice cream social and on Thursday we are having a balloon release for peace and Diddy Riese next to Kerckhoff. All throughout the week we are having a photo campaign #thisiswhataZionistlookslike.

-Chen states Bruin/Run Walk will have a Barbacoa fundraiser from 10am-10pm and 20% go to Bruin/Run Walk and one of the largest 5k at UCLA and donated over $5,000 at the Chase Child Life at 8:30 AM. Search is partnering with Academic Affairs Committee to let the community at UCLA learn how to manage their stress.

-Mossler states CEC is hiring winterns for films, festivals, and print marketing staff. There’s a Facebook page. We’re sneaking Kung Fu Panda tonight.

-Cocroft states there hosting a $1,000 video contest to highlight composting so that we can have more than composting at Luvalle. We have to go to ASUCLA and the facilities commission does not support the release of balloons.

-Kajikawa stated he participated in his first SOOF hearings so if anyone wants to bring dinner text me. I was exposed to a lot of different student groups who really need funding and are revitalizing about nontraditional students like Parents at UCLA and highly recommend it.

-Rafalian states it was the 1919 conference this Saturday and the whole message was to promote leadership and I was the MC and they asked me what a leader looks like. I had an image of a silhouette superman but leaders can come and the transfer rep interns are planning some events for sixth week. They are along the lines of “all you need is transfer love.” Rafalian states you mentioned the bracelets it’s a blue bracelet and parallels a Jewish tradition where you tie a red wristband that the wish will come true so BFI and SSI are inviting everyone to tie this wristband and make a wish #onewishforpeace to promote peace and unity.

-Khans states next week is south Asian heritage week. On Monday my office and with Indus and the South Asian Committee is struggling a lot with accepting mental health issues and show resources such as justices who have counselors available. Also we’re going forth with anti-islamaphobia and presenting it at the USSA with people from Cal, UCSC, and UCSB. Every Sunday we are going to have conference calls and along with all the other events its Palestine Awareness Week. I really encourage all you to come for looking and I’ve been called a Hamas terrorist and if you cant tell a difference between whose Palestinian or Muslim or Terrorist you should come out.

-Shao states tomorrow its Word on Wednesday in the Grand Salon. On Monday its obviously February 1st and its Hip Hop Appreciation Month. There’s 2 parts from 12-1 in Bruin Plaza and at night there’s going to be a night continuation of the kickoff in north west common. Hip hop is one of the dopest events that got me into CAC.

-Amin states ASA is a producer on Conan and is going to be here tomorrow at 7pm for Conan at Bunche 346A.

-Hourdequin states tomorrow the IVP office will coprogram with the SOLE office. Every quarter we meet and make a series of leadership workshops. Tomorrow our table talks and SOLE advisors will be there in regards to funding and planning
events. We will have members of CSC and IVP student group liaisons and organizations engagement and how to promote events to explain the whole connectivity process in Ackerman 2408.

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

XII. Adjournment
-Helder moves to adjourn the meeting. Dameron seconds.
13-0-0 the meeting is adjourned at 9:18pm.

XII. Good and Welfare