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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

Kerckhoff Hall 417

February 23, 2016

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 7:01pm.

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet is passed around

II. Approval of the Agenda

-Hourdequin moves to have Caitlin Corker as a consent item instead of an action item

-Shao moves to strike ARC

-Kajikawa strikes Academic Affairs Commission and External Vice Presidents Reports

-Chen moves to strike Student Wellness Programming Fund

-Kajikawa moves to strike EVP Bruin Defenders

-Hourdequin moves to approve the agenda as amended. Kajikawa seconds

11-0-0 approved as amended

B. Approval of the Minutes from February 16, 2016

-Shao says its actually \$3,900 not \$30,900 for JRF. Hourdequin moves to approve as amended. Kajikawa seconds

11-0-0 approved as amended.

III. Public Comments

-Jacqueline form CalPirg states they collected 2000 promises for students to vote and our textbooks campaign will be talking to professors about open source textbooks. March 2-March 4 there will be a state wide conference at UCDavis. We will go to major beaches and having presses and media conferences. Right now I'm leading a team to identify leaders in campus and city hall to be potential speakers.

-Arnie states happy birthday to Aaliya who is at council on her birthday and drop knowledge on islamophobia and thanks for being the best friend ever.

IV. Special Presentations

A. Meeting with UCOP: Islamophobia

-Khan asks what religion I am

-Rafalian states Islam

-Khan states we are Muslin people and our religious is Islam. This is relevant because islamophobia still pervades every facet of our nation. The highest case of islamophobia is

actually post 9/11. There is increased hate speech, violence, and hate crimes. This is reflected on the UC System and its relevant today to the UCLA campus. Islamophobia defined as ideologies, beliefs, and actions that perpetuate inaccurate and xenophobic views toward the culture and practice of Islam and the personification of its followers such as being as monolithic, seen as separate and other culture that does not share common values, seen as inferior, violent, aggressive, and supportive of terrorism., seen as sexist and oppressive of women, seen as political ideology used for political ideology. There's instances in the media perpetuating islamophobia framing Muslim or POC committing violence as terrorists versus others as mentally ill. They blame ISIS and Hamas. Islamophobia in the UC/CSU System attack on womxn in hijab at SDSU in 2015. Invitation of Bill Maher to speak at UC Berkeley Commencement in 2014. There was non-Muslim professors conveying hate speech in middle eastern studies courses. David Horowitz posters found at UCLA, UCSD, UC Davis, and UC Berkeley.

-There was a resolution recognizing islamophobia at UCLA. Students tried to pull a headscarf off of Muslim womxn, David Horowitz posters denouncing Islam as a "sick, sick culture." A man threatened a group of muslim on bruin walk when he said "you will all end up like the Native Americans." There is hate speech perpetuated on campus especially following violent attacks like Paris and San Bernadino. There was a spike in islamophobic hate speech during spring elections cycle and personal experiences include, go back to Syria/Iraq, she's not Indian because she's Muslim, how could a Muslim ever represent me, you're a part of ISIS, because you're affiliated with SJP you're in Hamas." Why is hate speech happening? It happened 5 years ago and 10 years ago. She passes around a poster. The bruin republicans hosted Ben Shapiro with a hashtag #jihadoncampus. Jihad means personal struggle and not so much a religious war or trying to fight people because they aren't Muslim. That's not the case at all, there's no where that promotes that. There's examples of hate speech on social media. "Is it bad when I'm in a rush in the airport I pick the line with the lease number of ppl that look like theyd get "randomly" selected?" In our UCOP meeting with MSA West our asks for Janet Napolitano was: an institutional creation of non-denominational prayer and meditation space for all campuses, cultural sensitivity training for UCPD and Staff, mental health resources for Muslim students, efficient work and good relationships with administrators UC Merced vs UCLA, establishment of safe space in the form of the Multicultural centers. We have UCLA MSA Initiatives such as Islam Appreciation Week, Weekly Da'wah on Bruin Walk, Mental Health in the Muslim Community, #BlackinMSA, Ramadan Iftars, CPO Projects, IYTP, MAPS, UMMAH, working with administration and hxstory of activism and engagement.

-Rosen asks the history of MSA

-Khan states MSA has been involved in the history of activism and engagement in the third world coalition of a mix of student groups who wanted to establish activism and their presence and that turned into the mother organizations that helps maintain their presence with projects but also reaching out to greater LA community.

-Siegel was asking for an email of the list and proceed going forward.

-Khan states I'm usually the one about telling you all about the events, just come to the events its welcome to everyone.

-Geller states in the interest of the time you skimmed over the asks can you go back for what you're asking.

-Khan states other schools have multicultural centers and we do not, but other schools have these and that's usually where the space is. We also need good mental health resources for Muslim students because they are often stigmatized. We need efficient work and good relationships with administrators and at UC Merced the student was a shooter and identified that they were Muslim but the UC Merced held a vigil, offered MSA police protection so that they felt safe on this campus. When the David Horowitz posters came up it was hard because the chancellor didn't send out an email. The email was largely the Kanye Western party and he had a broad and general sentence at the end "hey don't hate Muslims." Posters of David Horowitz have been coming on campus for past 9 years. If admin have taken a more active step to get to the core it would've stopped a long time ago.

B. Online Education and Wireless Internet

-Kajikawa introduces himself and his staff Allie and Ahley. I've given a ton of officer reports but I wanted to make this special presentation because there are important things that AAC is doing. At the end of last year there's a lot of conversations between administrators and the academic senate about what is online education going to look like? Its growing and as a result they've created the online steering committee for online teaching and learning and I serve as the undergraduate representative. I will be serving from 1-3. The main point is that we received a significant decrease in the amount of funding we're getting so we have to look at other ways to maximize. This highlights some unique aspects as the enrollment has been growing every year and a significant spike of 2011-2012 but it was the least amount of funding. Next year we are going to have more than 30,000 undergraduates and a projected 950 of more ucla students. This is where this new innovative aspect comes in called UC Cross-Campus Enrollment where all UC's partner up and offer online education. The graph shows UC Cross Campus of those who applied, denied, dropped, and completed. Less than half of students who apply end up completing the class. If you are interested you can register online. In terms of what we are able to do ask your networks. Only 6 students from UCLA finished. Getting classes is going to be getting harder so we can mitigate that by having more students enrolled in online education. For UCLA Clicc Laptops and Services undergraduate and graduate students staff and faculty can check out laptops as long as they have a bruin card. No other form of ID will be accepted. The laptop is due in exactly four hours, or at the time of closing if there are less than 4 hours remaining in that day. Laptops can only be renewed once. There's also UCLA Virtual counseling which less people know about. Virtual counseling is an advising chartroom hosted by the College Academic Mentors [cams] of the UCLA College. You may access it on my.ucla.

-Ashley asks if anyone has been affected by lack of Wi-Fi. This is a problem that Kajikawa wanted to solve. There a resource called UCLA Bruin Online where it highlights where Wi-Fi access has a lot of access and campus wireless. I wanted to give a huge thank you to Andrew Wissmiller as the associate vice chancellor information of technology. "460 new access points, there are 14, 430 seats associated with these 192 general assignment] classrooms. I really do think its through the student voice and commission. Excited news we are going to send our a survey called "does your Wi-Fi suck?" Its an easy and manageable googledoc where you can specify and scroll down and specify where its not up to par.

- Amin asks week 2 to be released
- Ashley says yes
- Amin states she will definitely promote it to her office.
- Kajikawa states the classroom is becoming more connected and UCLA might move completely online.
- Amin asks what the next steps are
- Kajikawa states we have been working on bruinonline and it started with a conversation I had with Cocroft and are working to improve new access points and connect them. For example I mentioned Moore Hall.
- Wong asks how does one go about enrolling
- Kajikawa states crossneroll.universityofcalifornia.edu
- Amin asks if hes flyered, it might seem miniscule but its really effective.
- Kajikawa asks “who plans on enrolling in a UC cross enroll in the near future?”

V. Appointments

A. Faculty Welfare: Caitlin Corker

- Kajikawa states the appointment that we made had to step down and may not attend UCLA next spring and asked them to step up to the plate. The principal charge of the **Committee on Faculty Welfare** is to advise the Division and confer with administrative agencies on all matters involving the economic welfare of the faculty, including but not limited to the level of salaries, salary determination methodology, benefits, insurance, retirement, housing and conditions of employment. We need someone highly knowledgeable and active and Caitlin is all of that.
- Hourdequin state it’s a consent appointment and wanted to interview her. She passed with a 3-0-0 vote and I think it’s a great fit.
- Rosen states she’s been approved by consent.

VI. Office and Member Reports

A. President – Rosen

-Rosen states last Wednesday I met with Leo Estrada with chair of the Academic Senate and its our second follow up meeting and discussed a lot about enrollment plans and projected to get 1000-900 students about issues on class sizes and a lot of issues on students taking midterms on the floor and not having space to accommodate, especially GE classes. We are looking forward to doing more with that. Last Thursday we had a meeting with the student reagent and that’s a great opportunity to meet with our student reagent. It was a little disappointing not to see more council members present. I had a meeting with Ken Covax about government relations on the federal branch and some initiatives with pell grants and higher education. Helder will probably talk about it. It sounds like the Higher Education Act wont be discussed until next year. I met with Joseph Brown organizing for commencement and have 2 committees on singers and speakers. Please let me know and I’m looking for a total of 4 seniors. Tonight my office launched a don’t be an a**hole and I would appreciate if you want to share. If you have events to add please let me know. If any of you all have any events please let me know. Additionally we have a few appointments left, specifically an opening in the committee

on activities please feel free to forward on the application. We have one opening for student conduct, one for information technology planning board, committee on instructional improvement, privacy and data protection, and committee on disability. Please let me know and advise them to apply.

-Kajikawa asks how long each terms

-Rosen states its all online but for the most part they are mostly 1 year but one of them is a duration of your career. Its available on the website.

B. Internal Vice President – Hourdequin

-Hourdequin states she asked different departments to support the Lets Get Lit and we need to have all hands on deck and last week I went to talk to ResLife to revamp their programming so they are staying in touch with current trends. Last Week Dameron and I met with the funding steady group to see where they are all at in the guidelines as far as moving and to see if they were able to convert their applications to a format that would work for the website. The spring activities fair signs up close this Friday. We have 200 student orgs. We are going to be launching the link on social media starting tonight at 8pm. This coming Friday me and Chen will meet with Janina and Seppy and Pacheco and everyone who went to interfaith dialogue conference over summer. This will be a follow up to the interfaith in a possible institutionalized at UCLA. We will meet with senior class giving progress in order to see how USAC can be incorporated into the campaign.

C. Administrative Representatives

-Zimmerman sent out an email about the bruin day poster. I will need any edits to the language by tomorrow. We would love to have recent photos.

VII. Fund Allocations

A. Contingency Programming

-Wong states 18 groups applied and 2 USAC offices: CAC for Jazz Reggae Music Festival and GenRep2 for distress event. They required \$192,090.60, \$1,982.70 requested, \$460 recommended. Dameron moves to approve. Cocroft seconds. 10-0-1 contingency allocation is approved.

-Wong states 16 other groups applied 42,303.31 required. 13,401.79 requested. 3,503 recommended. The amounts required were a lot is because of the facilities for JRF but didn't request that much. The RAZA youth conferenced required about \$23,000 so that's why these are so high. Dameron moves to approve contingency allocation for \$3,503. Siegel seconds.

10-0-1 contingency allocation is approved.

-Mossler states Jazz Reggae required \$192,000?

-Shao states its not required but next week Jazz Reggae is coming next week and they can answer all your questions .

-Wong states a lot of time student groups may over or underestimate and they might not have estimates they are just estimates to be safe.

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B. ASRF

-Kajiwaka states Chicanos for Community Medicine allocates \$600. Bruin Consent Coalition is having their awareness and activism and \$750. USAC FSC for the calculator and lab coat loan library and allocate \$1,500 to them.

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

X. Announcements

-Siegel states if you are interested tomorrow in Kerkchoff Grand Salon form 11-2 we are hosting a political resource fair for bruins. We are bringing in political activist groups for students to network with and engage in internships or volunteer opportunities or if you want to get involved in a campaign this summer stop on by.

XI. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet has been passed around.

XII. Adjournment

-Amin moves to adjourn the meeting. Rafalian seconds.

11-0-0 the meeting was adjourned.

Rosen adjourns the meeting at 8:04pm

XII. Good and Welfare