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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

Kerckhoff Hall 417

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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 7:03pm.

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

*The attendance sheet is passed around*

II. Approval of the Agenda

-Chen moves to strike Student Wellness Programming Fund

-Kajikawa moves to strike ASRF.

-Khan moves to add a special presentation for GenRep2 Year in Review

-Cocroft calls the question and remove the academic affairs

Helder move to approve that amendment to the agenda. Patil seconds.

13-0-0 the officer academic affairs have been reviewed.

-Helder moves to approve the striking of the student wellness fund of the agenda.

13-0-0 the student wellness programming fund

-Helder moves to approve the striking of the ASRF. Hourdequin seconds.

ARC removed form the agenda

Bruin Defenders Fund

-A Year in Review. Shao seconds.

6-6-0 we need a 2/3 to approve the agenda. The motion has been died. Rosen we did a motion for every agenda item.

B. Approval of the Minutes from May 3, 2016

-Helder moves to approve the minutes by May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Cocroft seconds.

13-0-0 the minutes have been approved

III. Public Comments

-Arnie is the chief of staff for the gen rep and this is my last council and its ending and by not allowing the gen rep 2 presentation to be presented. I just wanted to talk about a few things. Its about the kick ass while other officers were not as impressive and started off an event about mental health and communities of color with all of us. We had the student activist internship under our office. We've had gen rep 2 peertorship program. We've had the international students with Dashew center. Mental health with all of INDUS. Establishment of non-denominational prayer space in the third floor. The night market. The menstrual caps. 5 Years cap meeting and

meeting with the president. I'm so mad and I'm so mad this is fucked up y'all are awesome.

-Javier Rodriguez and my daughter is back and I'm here to witness the day care privileges we'll be able to take advantage of.

-First off there's a lot of naysayers and social justice referendum and it passed with the 64% of the vote. If you disqualify the referendum you can silence the votes of 5000 students. Second of all I know something about election code choices, and running a referendum in \$750 you know how much it costs and I also ran for USAC 1/4 and it's a lot of money and that's just not cool. The cap should be extended and a lot higher and it's not cool that people were denying presentations what is the point? Why wouldn't you all want to hear it? Don't you care about what your fellow council members are doing? In the presentation there were some valid things specifically about the black community. You are silencing students and silencing someone who put a lot of work into their office isn't cool.

-Kevin here and also agree with Janay to say it's not cool to silence presentation. As one of the only Muslim representation and silencing that voice and office is racist. Talking about the sjr if something happens to disqualify you will have the communities come for something. You're silencing communities of color and over 1000 showing between yeses and nos. These services that are going to these communities and ensure social justice efforts should be preserved and higher interest. Otherwise go Bruins.

-Ariel thanks everyone on RAS meeting and thanks for all who helped us out with sjr and allows us to understand how USAC aligns with students of color.

-My name is Jazz and I have full confidence in that council table to approve all voting results. These last weeks have been very disappointing for social justice referendum. We have been smeared all week. But for the folks who still believe that the social justice referendum should be disqualified. One, tell all the high school students that depend on the outreaching and all the student workers to do the retention work and tell all the community service orgs that depend their orgs to do that work and tell Javier's daughter that her father can't get child care services. Most of all I want you to step up and do this work if you aren't able to do this work. If you aren't able to do any of those things and that should be disqualified you need to stop talking.

-My race is the race of the week according to the presentation of Aaliya and I'm really disheartened that you silenced Aaliya and I don't know if you want to go back so that the presentation would be great and it would be great to address campus climate. As a voice of RAZA who helped the social justice referendum pass. We saw 54% of students saw the need to pass. Students are up there and there's no reason to disqualify and this idea of equitably and we did what we need to do to make sure it passes. As you saw we are continuously being silenced so we need to step up.

Supposedly you don't play slate politics but you just made it evidence that it occurs.

-Gabriel Gutierrez and saw me in the recent smearing article and trying to catch the bad side of my phase. Just because I was passionate about the social justice referendum and whose trying to record and smear us. Even though the referendums passed it's evident that ours barely got a majority. The campus climate isn't that great and we have a lot to do. To disqualify all the work especially of people of very

different backgrounds and that's 10 steps back and I need you do take 2 steps forward.

#### IV. Special Presentations

##### A. Office of the Internal President

-Hourdequin brought her 2 chiefs of staff. This Sabrina and Selena and Simrin and Mekaila who are both fellows. We just wanted to highlight the major successes of our office this past year. We did the administrative duties as internal vice president and we'll try to keep this under 15 minutes for you all. We had the campus safety alliance and congregate once a quarter. We had the leadership summit and multiple lobby visits listed there. This is the list of the administrative meetings we had and Hourdequin attended all of them and make sure everything is happening in the office.

IVProgramming and we have a lot of programs part of the IVP and one we adopted is the t-shirt design contest. This is really awesome and we have a special projects committee and Carey Nog was our guardian angel. We did it last year and the year before and we can get different ideas. We had #blueforhope to destigmatize mental health. It was cool because you saw different pockets get involved. We have the off campus living fair, and so you know exactly what you're getting and they all had safety measures in their building and if you want a table you have to get up to date. We had over 2,000 students attend and helpful o students. And someone won a floor lamp and they didn't pick it up. So finals study hall was really awesome and there really aren't that many places to study on campus and hung out. This is food trucks for finals and something we tried to pressure admin to approve the trucks.

Hopefully we can get sushiritto and we brought them to humanities side and apartments side. There was campus safety week and to bring together all different safety resources and make sure they're aware and push them to actually use them. We had the blood platelet and swc and ucpc and fire truck. We have a lot of different campus resources and for once reslife even came out.

-Sabrina said we had a know your rights workshop and we had Liz Kemper the director of student legal services and students were welcomed to ask questions. We had #Herstory to support womanhood and whatever students mean to you. We had lgbt pride week and Anderson wrapped their pillars. It was a week long programming and they focused on different method of allyship or engaging student population or what it is and what the communities are about and the issues they face on the day to day basis. My personal favorite is the hand wall and its cool to see random people. We coprogrammed with bruin transfer pride week. A little over 100 students came out and tabled with them. We had IVfellows and we went through application and interview process. Mainly our job was to learn about USAC. They include like how to apply for funding and learn about different offices. Basically it was a nice process . WE had IVPositivity. We had a body positive campaign and for that course we actually wrote the entire curriculum of body positive and a lot of input from SWC body image task force. Its going to be taught by a professor next year. The lets get lit lighting campaign and basically trying to get better lighting in north village. You know there's poor lighting and its unsafe and they are replacing all the bulbs with LED bulbs. Long term we want to change the electric circuits

underground. We at least got a little bit. SGLS is the student group liaisons and the representational student are the liaison for student groups. They work directly with them. We had 250 student groups and two they have accesses and resources. WE had table tops and workshops. Its an incredible year!

#### B. SWC End of the Year

-Chen I'm your former student wellness commissioner and Raj is the public relations director. WE have 12 different committees and we can't put all the events we could do to one prezzi. We are just going to highlight things that really benefited. We had body image task force and we have the directors of Danielle and Tina and worked with the ivp office and we had a beauty in you photo series, body image, and mental health student panel. Here are the 2 lovely directors for HIV Awareness and they put on rollaids day and condom couture. If you need a break you can roller-skate to some 80s music. We have SWC EARTH and the director Cory Rosas and they had some awesome events. They had recycled t-shirt exchange and partner with earth week and launched e3. Some of these parts aren't from LA but there's a lot of views to explore. They strive to connect personal health with environmental health. The CPR and First AID solely teaching CPR. They do them every week and our directors or Chanelle and Gina. One of the biggest events is super cpr and they trade 100 residential students on the hill. They work on it really hard and all the money they raise is used to fund this event. So moving on we did health nutrition and fitness. Our directors are Ben and Steven and one of there events is Bruin in The Kitchen and we partnered with CAC. Its going to be week 9 and its thai themed for DIY Thai The next one is Bruin Run/Walk and our directors Emily and Ely. We had our 5k run walk that happens around April-May that benefits the Mattel children's hospital and do a lot of programs and these are some of the kids they are directly impacting. Student education and research for contemporary health from Arezou and Victoria. They hosted a pill drive and stress less stress free day, and partnered with SCA of silent disco and wireless headphones while you study. We have active minds and these our directors Brooke and Austin and one of the largest committees and they have so many. One specifically is eating disorder awareness week and in conjunction with other committees and had photo series along with it. We have All of Us for mental health campaign. We want to bring them and had some great events. We had the townhall that created the first coalition of mental health. We had Head talks healthy state of mind. We had mental health townhall and shout out to Ria. SHA stands for student health advocates. Our directors are Allyza and Silvia and they had an international no diet day. It was a huge vent in sunset village. The next committee is Sexperts formerly known as gender health. They hosted an intimate fireside chat with the Jockeys in Anderson school of business. They hosed the asex and aro. They talk about hookup hub and sex addiction. They helped with the menstrual drive. Our next one is total wellness which is a magazine based on health and wellness. They do a lot of programming throughout the year with other committees. They put out 4 issues and you can find them in Wooden and the office. They are literally a magazine. Its reviewed by professionals at UCLA and just went online as well. Next we have bruin consent coalition formerly known as 7000 in solidarity. They have a good amount of stuff. They have the campaign on social

media for consent hats, domestic violence awareness month, and they have the sexual assault awareness month—SAM. This is the biggest agenda and one month they have more than 30 events. You can really read it all there and I hope people participated. I wanted to highlight the executive board. These people are the people behind it. I want to highlight Yomara and chief of logistics, hira chief of staff, Lauren assistant commissioner, zinnia chief of staff, Christina director and last but not least as a whole does. SWC focuses on one large event this quarter. We had healthcoming in the fall, refresh in the winter, and bruin health week in the spring. We had a whole month on oral hygiene called refresh and had specific week. It was re-claim, re0cycle, re-charge, -refine and hygiene. We partnered with Ashe center and host the first ever oral health fair and we also had other things like environmental health sleep ,hygiene. There's a lot of things we do that's not on this table and we're really grateful to be here.

-Mossler says congratulations and CEC partnered with Active Minds and you commissioner did amazing work.

-Chen shouts out to all the leadership and staff that weren't in the presentation and all the student orgs we programmed with

-Khan says I love working with all of you if I had gotten to say my presentation and MSA was supposed to start the beautiful mind and it was inspired programmed. Its one of the few mental health that's specific in any UC and now schools like Cal are following.

## V. Appointments

## VI. Office and Member Reports

### A. President – Rosen

-Rosen says she had the opportunity to meet with my successor Danny Siegel and recommend all of you reach out to who will e taking over your office. Unless you're taking your own office and make sure you reach out. We can talk to more alumni to be more engaged through financial or time to show they have opportunities beyond graduation. It was a great opportunity. I connected with UCLA dining to talk about food sustainability and food co-op to ensure we are self sustaining. One thing I wanted to bring up the posters of trans individuals and I fully stand behind the comments. We recognize these are three individuals and do not represent any organization. They are very inappropriate and a disgrace and better support communities and to create a loving and inclusive community. We started inclusivity:101 don't be an asshole. We need to educate our self and be as cognizant and compassionate to other. Seeing this come out of UCLA saddens me and hurts my heart. I have the right to my opinion to say it publicly. I hope next years council has a sense of support and reaching out to members in community and reach out to administrators and that we're willing to step up and speak up for voices that have been silenced.

-Shao thanks everyone for her report. The only thing I have a problem with to ensure that silenced voices are being heard and we're reaching out. There's this issue where we started off this meeting with silencing the communities we silenced

the one we started off for. Shao says at the end of the day its going to be seen and allowing the presentation to go up for us to open the doors and say this is problematic and acknowledge that this is happening and to essentially as people you can talk to. The voting in general and when it starts off specifically cutting off a presentation that is bringing to light and there's a mental disconnect to the ending of the report

-Rosen says to all of council member as with our bylaws and the rules and any special presentation must be submitted on 5pm Thursday. If we are setting a precedent for next years council is an important bylaw that is specifically put into bylaw that makes it transparent. We do have specific bylaws and supported by our student population and that's where that precedence comes to place. I think its precedent for next years and we have rules that we must follow.

-Amin says I agree and however that significant amount of times we've added a lot of special items and lets just stick to it and now lets not pick and choose when we want to add. When we want to abide. I want to be morally consistent.

-Rosen states in recent memory the most is gen rep 2 and we ha individuals that came to meeting and by the point we had to go through. No one knows a year in review and any member or outside organization to put a special presentation. We have been really pissing this year and not adding things to the day of. I can speak before and we definitely added and changed things but I can go through and look and it was very few times unless its extreme circumstances and only maybe three times to make sure we are following the bylaws.

-Khan says as the person that was silenced when we are talking about communities I can attest to this and said so many times that the Muslim community hasn't been organized. I have as here crying and told you to go events and none of you did everything about it. To say that you reached out to communities is wrong because a lot of you hasn't.

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#### B. Internal Vice President – Hourdequin

-Hourdequin says a quick update #letsgetlit and secured a meeting with Cocroft and meeting with Paul Kretz on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and presenting him the resolution we passed and letters of support and the change.org. I urge you all to share it. Everyone in the room please sign the lets get lit lighting campaign on change.org.

#### C. External Vice President - Helder

-Helder says per my email I have to leave right after the officer report and this is the last thing I do as external vice president. I want to take the time to address Raffi Sans and to start with Raffi there's some important words which is principally a remarkably difficult and taxing job with great rewards and great costs. If I heard these thing last year it would be helpful. Principally to not undervalue faith and not in terms in religion, but in the people around you even those that dislike you or profess to hate you. Faith when accompanied by action is the agent of choice. There's actually a scripture that sticks out to me and "its truly I tell you as if you have faith as small as a see of mustard and you say to a mountain move and they know that." We have to confront great challenges and social justice referendum

knows that and we would be remised to Robert F Kennedy whose family inspired the Bruin Defenders program that some people see things as they are and say why and we must dream things that never were and say why not? I think those are the impost important words before coming vice president. With the social justice to validate the election results but I don't think you have anything to worry about with respect to disqualification and I'm excited to see our campus come together year by year and move mountains inch by inch and thank you all so much for letting me be your external vice president.

-Dameron says no one thought you were going to do anything with the office and you did. You did a lot and the bruin defenders program and is something I really admire and I integrated a similar thing and you have got it coming since the day you got in and I really admire that,

D. Community Service Commissioner – Zach Dameron

E. Academic Affairs Commissioner – Kajikawa

F. Administrative Representatives

-Geller says its transfer welcome day and Ariel will be speaking with incoming students. Its an important event for very one.

-Zimmerman has exist packets for council members and give us a little bit of feedback regarding upcoming dates and installation. You need to sign up for all your requisitions an make sure to get everything in and just review these packets. Feel free to reach out to me.

VII. Fund Allocations

A. Contingency Programming

45 contingency applications. 3 USAC offices IVP for Spring banquet and CSC for Project Bruin and GenRep3 Beauty of Color events, and recommended \$9,447.20, requested \$4,095.93 and \$735 recommended.

-Cocroft moves to approve \$735. Amin seconds.

7-3-0 the contingency has been approved

41 student orgs required \$105,213.03 requested \$29,836.77 and recommended \$5,930.

-Dameron moves to approve the allocation for \$5,930.

Discretionary

-Kajikawa says that we did have to pull from the interest hearings due to money taken out of surplus. I wanted to open this as an action item on whatever we had leftover from USAC discretionary to USAC endowment.

-Kajikawa moves to add discretionary to endowment.

-Kevin states discretionary is \$6250.47

-Zimmerman asks if it includes it for the plaque

-Kevin says \$500 for diversity caucus, \$500 for plaque, \$300 for UCLA storage for website, and \$200 contingency

- Rosen states one recommendation for the first 3 weeks they would still be using the previous
  - Zimmerman says they won't have any access to your funds
  - Rosen states August 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Geller says your recollection that last week there was a proposal that some of these funds go into contingency for the remainder of the year. Is that coming back to be considered?
  - Hourdequin says there was no date for it to be tabled indefinitely.
  - Kajikawa says its capital contingency. We allocated money to contingency.
  - Kajikawa states it was to move from capital contingency to contingency but after that a couple offices were going to apply.
- 12-0-0 request to put discretionary of \$6,250.47 to USAC endowment has been approved.

## VIII. Old Business

### IX. New Business

#### A. Election Results Verification

-Lindsey states let's talk about the elections. I received a lot of anonymous emails and I don't feel really safe or comfortable in USAC space and I'm just going to talk and then go. So in terms of the election I would say that election board in all capacity and everything we did to ensure its fair. I don't think everything that happened was fair. I think that the incoming officers need to have integrity and I'm not sure if they should feel integral in the way they campaign campaigns. The election code does what it does and everything is case by case basis. To be fair, I don't think waves of change ran a least fair campaign but they got an enormous amount of sanctions. We respond to every complaint. With that you can see the totals. Yes we are very excited about the 40% turnout. I want to give a lot of credit to Owen Weissel. One thing to be cognizant of when you do have high turn out but perhaps its due to social distress. Whether it means that at parties people are inebriated and made to vote or felt uncomfortable and coerced to vote. I am in sorority and I think it might be possible. Those things without proof the election board can do nothing. I know they happen and I hear that happen. Its really unfortunate we can't act on that. Those are my thoughts on the election and what council chooses to do with that then council could do with that. Ultimately these are the totals and as for qualms of SJR and I think it would be hard to say that again you have to bear in mind and council puts a referendum and its not like a candidate that opts to in. You all voted that on the ballot and you are all responsible and yes there's an appointee but that's just for administrative things.

It did win by a 10 point margin and it would be hard to argue that something went wrong and influenced the will of the students for a significant margin. In terms of election voter reforms I want to talk about randomized voting. I understand that they want to ad randomize voting to leverage my.ucla but it doesn't really work like that. We pay myucla and we're lucky to get it. They are our partner. You didn't use



them to do your goal. If you demand something and say no and find a third party vendor and that can definitely reduce voter turn out. I've gotten estimates and its going to be \$18,000-\$20,000 and a server with randomized is expensive. Its way out of elections board budget and if they want to invest in that that's a long term project and ultimately its not in elections board capabilities financially and feasibly. The 24 hour I'm good with. Election board will not do paper ballots and there's too many issues with verification. Those are all my thoughts.

-Rosen said according to numbers Roo is 3 and Inan is 2. Other than that it's the same authority and funding sources. The number really doesn't matter except for constitutional order and make sure everyone understood that.

-Cocroft moves to certify the election results. Rosen seconds.

-Dameron says I'm coming back and I will be abstaining for the vote.

-Khan says election board tried with what they were given but it was disappointed to see the dirtiness and the coercive nature and the lack of anything be upheld. That's a bigger school wide issue and there's no specific thing that says anything and its left up to them and that's leaving election board to be bullied or coerced. I never want anyone to bring that up.

-Rosen says no one should be threatened or receive those messages and I know I've only been spoken that and no student should ever feel unsafe or uncomfortable especially physically so.

-Chen says due to one of these that SWC benefiting financially but I personally certify in terms of numbers strictly and viewing things with open and fair perspective.

-Shao given that it's the re-election of my position I'm going to abstain

-Kajikawa says I'm also on this if I were to abstain would that effect majority vote

-Geller says if everyone abstains and 3 people vote and 2-1 then its approved.

5-0-7 the election results have been verified.

## B. Election Code Changes

-Cocroft says the average difference between first and second its 9% and for genreps the average is 4.8% and not controlling for some variables. It is a big difference and low information and low turn up. Ballot order rotates by district and having a random ballot is important. If we don't act to pass something it may never be able to be passed. The constitutional review committee approved this 3-0-0. The following shall serve as electronic back up of the text to be added to the Code:

"Election Board shall respond to complaints submitted during campus leafleting days within 24 hours"

"Voting shall take place by randomized ballot, or if paper ballots are used, equal ballots shall be distributed with ballot orders in each possible combination of candidates and referenda"

-Hourdequin moves to approve the additions to 6.1.5 to election code. Rafalian seconds.

-Hourdequin says some discussion is that ccle is a generator similar on how you take a quiz and the order of the answers are randomized. That could possibly be one solution and that code is already made and if we make an election portal and link that to myucla so students can access that course called "election" and have a

randomly generated could maybe be a solution. I haven't spoke to officials of myucla or the registrar office debut it sounds like it could happen.

-Khan asks if she has spoken about and the costs.

-Hourdequin says she was referring to having myucla and if you have it redirected like you would take an online quiz. The code exists I don't know if having that would incur any costs. Its not financially and talking about this is making a part of the conversation and the costs are flushed out.

-Dameron says instead of referendum as I learned in the jboard case it goes to ballot proposition so that can encompass referendum initiatives and USA bylaw changes and petitions so change the referendum to ballot propositions.

-Dameron moves to change the 2 listings of referendum to ballot proposition.

-Geller asks I'm confused to randomize the candidates but for the ballot propositions. Is the option going to be switching yes or no?

-Cocroft agrees with Dr. Geller and I have evidence that ballot order for candidates but not really for prepositions.

-Khan asks if there will be no more pick out of a hat.

-Rosen says yes.

12-0-0 the amendment to change referendums to ballot propositions.

-Kajikawa moves to have it say ballot order for candidates. -Cocroft seconds.

-Rosen says we'll just say candidates for each position rather than propositions.

12-0-0 the language regarding or ballot propositions have been removed in both sentences.

11-0-1 the election code change to 6.1.5 has been approved.

We have 11.3.6 to be approved. lection Board shall respond to complaints submitted during campus leafleting days within 24 hours.

-Cocroft moves to approve the election code change. Rosen seconds

12-0-0 the word "the" has been added.

12-0-0 11.3.6 has been approved.

## X. Announcements

-Chen says we should all celebrate and skate around with roll-aids

-Hourdequin says USAC banquet please sign up and please invite your entire staffs. Please invite all of the hard working people. We would also be having a student group vendor fair. Please check out the link at the IVP Facebook page.

-Siegel says we partnered with EVP and Vote for Future and start registering students to vote and the deadline for California primary closing soon and help us volunteer. We will register possibly 7000 students and really encourage you to join. We have our last one from 6-7 in Rieber Fireside.

-Amin says we have our beauty of color and the beauty of being a student of color. We had this dope photographer come and you'll see it. Friday we're going to have food opening gallery stay. We have a let it go event on may 24<sup>th</sup> and come and paint.

-Rosen says we released the applications to UCWomen Leadership Caucus. From there we hope there that anything can happen.

-Dameron says CSC has been working with vote for our future and have BruinsVote! Just to get ORL to get people to register to vote. Thursday there's electoral party.

And in Friday a vote about discussion and different communities and caucus to put it into context.

-Rafalian says its transfer bruin day and doors open at Pauley at 8AM. Come through.

-Mossler says CEC is showing zootopia.

-Khan has print outs of her presentation so if you all want to take one.

-Cocroft moves to approve

-The antiblackness "how long You shame This is a shame and this needs to be addressed. In these fraternities and sororities. Shame how do you feel as a black bruin if they be staying this shit to them and that's not right and you need to get it together. Just for any commenters you are available to do and we are accessible via email. Feel free to contact us.

XI. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

*The attendance sheet has been passed around.*

XII. Adjournment

The meeting is adjourned at 8:52pm.

XII. Good and Welfare