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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

Kerckhoff Hall 417

June 7, 2016

7:00 PM

PRESENT: Danny Siegel, Sabrina Zeigler, Rafael Sands, Ashly Mohankumar, Jordan Dang, Zoe Borden, Ruchit Majmudar, Inan Chowdhury, Zack Dameron, Amy Shao, Sandra Rhee, Ariel Rafalian, Christina Lee, Divya Sharma, Stephanie Wong.

ABSENT:

I. Call to Order

-Siegel calls the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

*The attendance sheet is passed around*

II. Approval of the Agenda for June 7, 2016

-Majmudar moves to approve the agenda. Chowdhury seconds.

13-0-0 the agenda has been approved.

III. Approval of the Minutes from May 31, 2016

-Zeigler moves to approve the minutes. Dameron seconds.

13-0-0 the minutes have been approved.

IV. Public Comments

V. Appointments

A. ASUCLA Board of Directors\*

To maintain and further the financial well-being of Associated Students UCLA, to secure the highest degree of cooperation between the Regents of the University, the President, and the Associated Students, and to promote the general welfare of the student body and the University. The Board has full control of all activities of the Associated Students directly or indirectly involving business management, or the receipt and expenditure of funds. The membership consists of four undergraduate student members appointed by the Undergraduate Students Association, four graduate student members appointed by the Graduate Students Association, two non-student members appointed by the UCLA alumni Association, two members appointed by the Chancellor from among the Administrative Staff, and one faculty member appointed by the Academic Senate. The ASUCLA Board of Directors oversees ASUCLA's mission to improve the quality of life on campus by providing needed services and products, places to study, gather and socialize, and a link for students between their academic pursuits and the world at large. This is accomplished by the Board of Directors which ensures that ASUCLA pursues policies that safeguard its financial viability, that secure the highest degree of cooperation between the Regents and

the President of the University on one hand and the Associated Students on the other, and that promote the general welfare of the student body and the University.

The four undergrad members, three Regular and one Alternate, are appointed by the USAC President for a two year staggered term. May not be a USAC officer or an ASUCLA employee. All appointees to the ASUCLA Board of Directors must be eligible to serve a two year term and **must** attend the three-day Orientation Retreat which will be held June 15-17. In addition, all appointees must attend a minimum of eight General Meetings of the Board during the year, plus monthly Standing Committee meetings. Meetings are held twice a month on Friday at 12pm.

Website for Further Information: <http://www.asucla.ucla.edu/bod.asp>

- i. Nathan Glovinsky
  - Zeigler says there was a 3-0-0 vote in ARC for Glovinsky and says he has extensive knowledge about ASUCLA.
  - Zeigler believes he will work well with students needs.
  - Glovinsky says he was born in a Bruin Alumni family and has experience regarding UCLA.
  - Glovinsky says that he has potential for this position and respectfully adjures to the council that they are investing in helping the school by appointing him.
  - Dameron asks what goals he has for an ASUCLA Board of Director member.
  - Glovinsky replies that he will be responsive to students and to ensure that employment and investment is given out for students to have that opportunity. Glovinsky wants to find better employment opportunities for students here on campus and he does not have the exact solution now but will work with the rest of the board to solve this.
  - Rhee asked what his experience is handling a budget.
  - Glovinsky was elected to represent student in San Diego and represented California to the national board.
  - Glovinsky understands the importance of reinvesting student funds and recognizes the parallel to financial management and effective work.
  - Borden asks what individual experience led you to apply for this position.
  - Glovinsky has helped the external vice president for years and gained experience through that.
  - Glovinsky says his experience with the Prayer and Meditation space helped him to address student needs on campus and helped him with his decision to apply.
  - Shao asks how you would be sure to represent students on this campus and what does diversity and consciousness mean to you.
  - Glovinsky says that he sees things differently from other students and acknowledges that we are all different and diverse. Glovinsky may not be

able to speak for people of color or diversity, but he will actively be able to hold discussions with campus leaders for students of color and he firmly believes that he will work well with students of color.

-Glovinsky closes by saying he is ready to respond to student's needs and hopes that he demonstrated his potential.

-Glovinsky thanks Siegel for appointing him and believes he will be a great asset.

-Chowdhury moves to approve Glovinsky as a member of the ASUCLA Board of Directors.

-Majmudar is a close friend to Glovinsky and says he is very reliable and has always been there for him in all of his needs.

-Majmudar says he is always involved on campus and is a great candidate.

-Mohankumar met Glovinsky and knows he has always wanted to be involved in UCLA.

-Borden says that she is blown away by Glovinsky's presentation here today and sees that he is very dedicated to learning.

-Geller clarified that it for a regular appointment.

-Zeigler calls to question. Majmudar seconds.

13-0-0 Nathan Glovinsky is approved as a member of the ASUCLA Board of Director.

ii. Michaela Boster

-Zeigler says that Boster was given a 1-2-0 vote from the ARC due to the fact that ARC felt that she cannot articulate to students needs that well and is not experienced in budgeting for extensive amounts of money.

-Zeigler knows Boster personally and recognizes that she has more to learn, but will be a great learner and cares for students deeply. Zeigler also points out that Boster is not experienced with budgeting.

-Boster says that she has proved that she has been a leader by her past experiences.

-Boster would like to focus on employment and minimum wage increase this year and her goal is to make long-term decisions that can benefit the students for years to come.

-Dameron says this position does not have visibility and asks how you can make a visible change on our campus.

-Boster says that most students do not know what is going in this council because they are busy with their own lives such as school, sleep, etc.

-Boster plans to approach students to have these conversations and in her past experience she was selected to engage with students in high schools throughout the country.

-Boster says she plans to do similar things during her time in this position.

-Majmudar asks what Boster plans to do regarding the financial situation.

-Boster brings up upgrading in Ackerman and ASUCLA and would like to provide for these wages for these students and students should not have to worry about their jobs due to wage increases.

-Wong asks if Boster is familiar with funding and what he can do to help.

- Boster says she is familiar and would be involved with the approval of this. Boster says she is 18 and has not had an opportunity to manage a multi-million dollar budget, but can definitely learn.
  - Champawat says there is a mandatory retreat and asks if Boster is available.
  - Boster says she is available and can be at every board meeting. Boster also would like to set aside time outside of meetings to talk.
  - Boster says that it is difficult to be prepared to budget a multi-million budget and has taken steps to educate herself by attending meetings.
  - Boster says she will address the needs to the best of her ability.
  - Zeigler moves to approve Boster as ASUCLA Board of Directors.
  - Majmudar says that Boster is smart, capable and driven and does not think this position should be based off of experience and Boster has passion.
  - Chowdhury says Boster is driven and passionate and has eagerness to learn, but is concerned about how she can take her previous experiences to help when she is barely adjusting to UCLA.
  - Chowdhury says he was looking for more “proof” that Boster’s experiences can help the school.
  - Zeigler says that ARC cannot disapprove Boster and says that Boster is very capable to learn and do as much as she can.
  - Sands says his experience as a leader at UCLA is finding people for these positions, especially finding students who are reliable and consistent and engaged.
  - Sands says Boster is hardworking and is continuously punctual and is consistent with plans.
  - Shao says she abstains from voting because she does not know Boster personally and is only working off of a resume.
  - Majmudar calls to question. Sands seconds.
- 11-0-2 Michaela Boster is approved as a member of the ASUCLA Board of Directors.

#### B. Community Activities Committee\*

The Community Activities Committee (CAC) is a subcommittee of the Program Activities Board (PAB). Oversees funding regarding projects which were created as learning and service experiences for UCLA student volunteers to work with off-campus, non-UCLA student populations. Acts as a forum for soliciting views on the nature and goals of community service and makes allocation decisions for community service projects. Must attend a four-hour Orientation in early August, and attend meetings which are held at least once per Quarter. Must take part in hearings that last from morning ‘til night. Must make at least two site visits. The four undergraduate members, three Regular and one Alternate, are appointed by the USAC President for a one year term, July through June. It is encouraged that you have experience with being a part of an organization that has applied for CAC, have knowledge about the importance of the programs, and that it is mandatory to attending meetings and hearings.

Website for Further Information: <http://tinyurl.com/7zwoz5e>

- i. Robert Jackson
  - Zeigler says the ARC was a 3-0-0 approval for Jackson and says Jackson is very approachable and is a great candidate.
  - Jackson says he applied for CAC funding over summer and imagines new projects that can be supported.
  - Jackson says he co-facilitated classes before and that helped him handle sensitive information.
  - Wong asks what concrete steps will you take to make students know about the fund.
  - Jackson would like to create a workshop to help students apply for funds and would like to give out pamphlets to apply for CAC funds.
  - Dameron asks if Jackson has any ideas for funding processes for CAC.
  - Jackson says that CAC fund should be optional and make the process shorter and informative.
  - Zeigler asks what the idea of equity versus equality in funding.
  - Jackson says you cannot be biased and look at ways to fund. Jackson says that equity should be in terms for their needs.
  - Jackson says thank you for the opportunity and hopes to provide resources and support.
  - Siegel explains what the alternate member is.
  - Dameron moves to approve Jackson as a Community Activities Committee member. Chowdhury seconds.
  - Dameron says that Jackson is experienced and great for the position.
  - Sharma agrees with the fact that Jackson can change the system to make it applicable for transfers and non-transfers.
  - Borden agrees with Sharma and having transfers provides a greater insight for this council.
  - Zeigler calls for discussion. Dang seconds.

13-0-0 Robert Jackson is approved as a Community Activities Committee member.
- ii. Angelica Molina (alternate member)
  - Zeigler says that ARC did a full 3-0-0 approval and says Molina is very knowledgeable and experience in various organizations.
  - Molina says she is a 3<sup>rd</sup> year Biology major and says that she was the Financial Director for the Latino group on campus and had no experience doing so, but made it possible.
  - Molina was part of the CAC committee this year, which helped her become inspired to apply for this position.
  - Dameron asks if she has gone through the process of applying for CAC and asks Molina's thoughts on it.
  - Molina says the process is long and tedious and would like to change that to make it more exciting.
  - Geller asks Molina to share her strategies for balancing her priorities.

-Molina says balancing is hard, but she learned to prioritize with academics being first. Molina uses a planner and a to-do list.  
-Zeigler asks what the importance of CAC fund to Molina.  
-Molina says there were 80 groups applying this year and got 50% of reviews, which was a huge cut. Molina saw how it affected groups and sees the importance in this application and wants to advocate for student groups.  
-Sands asks if the money should be more focused towards particular groups or small levels of money going to each group. Also, how do you balance what goes to each group.  
-Molina thinks that there should not be different amounts given to groups and says that each committee.  
-Molina is looking forward to the position and thanks the council.  
-Dameron moves to approve Molina as an alternate member for the Community Activities Committee. Zeigler seconds.  
-Stephanie says Molina is beneficial and will help move forward.  
-Zeigler says Molina is understanding and a great asset.  
-Zeigler calls to question.  
13-0-0 Angelica Molina is approved as an alternate member for the Community Activities Committee.

ii.

Elizabeth Lizardo  
-Zeigler says that ARC voted a 3-0-0 full approval. ARC felt that she is experienced in funding and educating student groups about funding.  
-Lizardo says she is qualified for this position because she realized that there is a huge miscommunication between CAC and student groups.  
-Dameron would like Lizardo to elaborate on the safety fee.  
-Lizardo says that many students did not know about the safety fee and it is very sad.  
-Zeigler asks what is the importance of the CAC fund to the underserved communities.  
-Lizardo says that through LSHP has helped students in the community by the funding and volunteers.  
-Lizardo thanks the council and says she is a great candidate by making herself open and holding workshops and has great communication and organizational skills.  
-Majmudar calls to question.  
-Dameron moves to approve Elizabeth Lizardo as a member of Community Activities Committee. Chowdhury seconds.  
-Zeigler has full faith in Lizardo to be a great member for this committee and to streamline this process for students.  
-Zeigler calls to previous question.  
13-0-0 Elizabeth Lizardo is approved as a member of the Community Activities Committee.

iii.

Joshua Sarna  
-Zeigler says that ARC had a 3-0-0 approval for Sarna and says Sarna can help make processes smooth.

- Sarna is a biochemistry student from Wisconsin and wants to be involved in UCLA by joining the CAC staff and Sarna did not like the funding and wanted to change it.
- Geller asks Sarna how he has made a difference in CAC before.
- Sarna says by making hearings optional and fair funding for new groups coming to the fund to receive equal opportunity to receive funds.
- Sarna wants to hold office hours and workshops over the summer.
- Shao asks if Sarna had thought of the idea to hold workshops outside of just summer workshops.
- Sarna says that idea has not been proposed and is interested in doing so.
- Sarna says in order to have summer workshops the applications would need to occur further in advance.
- Sarna has seen the application from both sides and that CAC is changing and experience is necessary, and looks forward to changes and smooth processing.
- Dameron moves to approve Sarna as a member of the Community Activities Committee. Chowdhury seconds.
- Shao appreciates that Sarna is open to improvement and will help work through the difficult issues that arise.
- Sands calls to previous question.
- 13-0-0 Joshua Sarna is approved as a member of the Community Activities Committee.

## VI. Officer and Member Reports

### A. Administrative Representatives -- Champawat, Geller, Starr, Mata, Zimmerman

- Geller wants to point out that as you move into your summer schedule, you need to get a full committee in place so a contingency can move forward. Geller says that should be of best interest.
- Zimmerman says that there are outstanding balances from previous council and would like to get this sorted out so it does not affect this year's council.
- Zimmerman wants everyone to make sure that your recs are processing.
- Zimmerman also asks for signatures on the controller book.
- Champawat wishes everyone really good outcomes on everyone's finals this year.

## VII. Fund Allocations

### A. Contingency Programming\* -- Wong

- With the student groups and USAC offices, the total amount provided was 12,392.41
- It was requested for \$5,350.31 and the amount recommended was \$1,155.
- Dameron moves to approve the contingency allocation for \$1,155.
- 13-0-0 the contingency allocation has been approved.

## VIII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

*The attendance sheet has been passed around.*

## IX. Adjournment

- Zeigler moves to adjourn the meeting. Chowdhury seconds.

13-0-0 the meeting is adjourned at 8:18pm.

X. Good and Welfare

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