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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

Kerckhoff Hall 417

October 4, 2016

7:00 PM

PRESENT: Daniel Siegel, Sabrina Zeigler, Rafael Sands, Ruchit Majmudar, Ashly Mohankumar, Jordan Dang, Zoe Borden, Zack Dameron, Amy Shao, Sandra Rhee, Ariel Rafalian, Christine Lee, Divya Sharma, Kevin Yu, Patricia Zimmerman, Debra Geller, Michael Star, Roy Champawat, Rob Kadota, Inan Chowdhury

ABSENT:

I. Call to Order

-Siegel 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

-Zeigler moves to strike the Pediatric AIDS Coalition Presentation and Approval of USAC Discretionary Funding Allocation.

-Shao moves to strike the ARC fund.

-Mohankumar moves to strike ASRF.

-Lee moves to strike the Student Wellness Fund.

-Majmudar moves to approve the agenda. Borden seconds.

11-0-0 vote the agenda has been approved as amended.

III. Approval of the Minutes from September 27, 2016.

-Sands moves to approve the minutes. Majmudar seconds.

11-0-0 vote the minutes have been approved.

IV. Public Comments

V. Special Presentations

A. External Vice President's Office Presentation on Updated Bruin Defender Fund

a. Rafi Sands

-Sands says Bruin Defenders goal of the grant is to provide funding for students who would like to do legislative visits and advocacy work at conferences.

-Sands says there is a change that conferences must be advocacy related.

-Sands says a lot of our grants overlap, which is something we do not want to happen.

-Sands says actionable advocacy is needed and there needs to be a specific cause.

-Sands says we have allocated a total of \$27,000 and \$10,000 of that will go towards conferences.

-Sands says you must apply a certain amount of weeks in advance, if you are doing it this quarter it is not helpful since the federal government is not running as smoothly as of now.

- Sands says our viewpoints will be neutral criteria, there is nothing subjective about this allocation.
- Majmudar asks for the EVP office, do you still apply to Bruin Defenders?
- Sands says it is separate and we often do our trips together, so we divide up the portion of the cost for an outside student group.
- Majmudar says the limit is \$500 and does there need to be someone from the office who goes on these trips?
- Sands says no, but it is highly encouraged.
- Yu says can we still apply to both for AAC and EVP?
- Sands says yes because the purpose of this is advocacy as opposed to personal development.
- Rhee asks if events hosted by UCSA are funded by this?
- Sands says no.
- Majmudar asks where this application is?
- Sands says it is on ucla.evp.com.

VI. Appointments

-Zeigler says all are non-stipend positions.

A. **Intercollegiate Athletics Committee #**

a. Allen Ye

-Allen Ye has been approved by consent.

B. Library and Scholarly Committee

Only one undergrad student, and to reflect the views of UCLA Faculty members for library resources and advise the chancellor with decisions regarding the library.

a. Clare Camilleri

-Clare Camilleri has been approved by consent.

C. Teaching Committee

Only one undergrad student rep for this. Selection of 6 members of senate and advising the decision and departments for the teaching and improving methods of evaluation for that teaching.

a. Deepak Ravikumar

-Deepak Ravikumar has been approved by consent.

D. General Education Governance Committee

Two undergrad student reps. Provides advice and a vote on what general education courses we should.

a. Jenny West

-Jenny West has been approved by consent.

b. Caitlin Corker

-Caitlin Corker has been approved by consent.

E. Committee on Instructional Technology

One undergrad student rep. Charged with representing all faculty and undergrads on technology and to ensure that if there needs to be any steps for online courses and technological enhances for teaching.

a. Glen Florendo

-Glen Florendo has been approved by consent.

F. CPO-Student Initiated Access Committee Liaison #

Liaison for the academic affairs committee and student initiated access and will work with outreach to higher education.

a. Kelly An

-Kelly An has been approved by consent.

G. CPO-Campus Retention Committee Liaison #

Liaison between student affairs and retention committee.

a. Jose Ocampo

-Jose Ocampo has been approved by consent.

H. ORL Appointment#

Striving to verge the gap between on-campus affairs and resources with the hill.

a. Rajman Randhawa

-Rajman Randhawa has been approved by consent.

L. Reapproval of all Summer Appointments #

-Zeigler moves to approve them as article I.

-We have reapproved our summer appointments by consent.

a. Advisory Board on Privacy and Data Protection

i. Kelly O'Malley

b. ASUCLA Communications Board

i. Eliza Blackorby

ii. Madelyn Chen

iii. Mrinaalika Sivakumar

c. Campus Food Security Appointment

i. Gabrielle Sheerer

ii. Sai Sumana Kaluvai

d. Campus Programs Committee

i. Emiko Kranz

ii. Edmond Nemsingh

iii. Diana Cheung

e. Committee on Disability (1 year)

i. Mi So Kwak

- f. Committee on LGBTQ Affairs
 - i. Shamik Maganlal

- g. Information Technology Planning Board
 - i. Simon Zhou

- h. Internship Engagement Committee Chair
 - i. Jack Guo

- i. John Wooden Center Board of Governors
 - i. Jade Allison (1 year alt)
 - ii. Leopoldo Albea (1 year alt)
 - iii. Benjamin Slattery (1 year)
 - iv. Lila M. Vasquez (2 years)

- j. Student Conduct Committee
 - i. Jehan Kazi
 - ii. James Gardner
 - iii. Marbella Avalos

- k. Student Fee Advisory Committee
 - i. Katie Kim
 - ii. Richard White
 - iii. Karina Keus

- l. Student Initiated Outreach Committee
 - i. Susan Martinez

- m. Student Risk Education Committee
 - i. Sharon Ghalchi

- n. Sustainability Committee
 - i. Sophie Butler
 - ii. Eleanor Hunts

- o. The Green Initiative Fund
 - i. Alessandro Zulli

- p. Transportation Services Advisory Board
 - i. Zaira Casanova

- q. USAC Community Service Mini Fund Committee
 - i. Emily Kohlheim (Chairperson)
 - ii. Teresita Martinez (CPO Affiliated)
 - iii. Judy Ly (CSC Affiliated)

- r. USAC Community
 - i. Imesh Samarakoon

- s. USAC Election Board Chairperson
 - i. Danielle Fitzgerald

- t. USAC Judicial Board
 - i. Nicholas Yu
 - ii. Abigail Chapman

- u. USAC Media and Publicity
 - i. Sara Zaghi

- v. USAC Office Space Allocation Committee Chairperson
 - i. Jennifer Harbeck

- w. USAC Student Advocate
 - i. Nick Motamedi

- x. Student Risk and Education Committee
 - i. Celeste Ramano

- y. CRC
 - i. Karen Rocha

VII. Officer and Member Reports

A. President – Siegel

- Siegel sat with the leadership regarding election events happening later on.
- Siegel says we are excited to have our office meetings again.
- Siegel says he attended the ASUCLA Board of Directors public comment to show them that we can collaborate.
- Siegel says he hosted USAC first International Students event Friday and it was very successful, engaged 15-20 different international student groups.
- Siegel sat with Liz Lizardo this morning about SREC clarification with USAC.

B. Internal Vice President – Zeigler

- Zeigler says we are doing interviews this week for our interns.
- Zeigler says this week she will be sending info regarding internships on release dates.
- Zeigler says the USAC retreat is in progress because she is trying to find a weekend that fits for everyone.

-Zeigler asks what AllyShip training you can think of to have during the retreat, please email her your ideas.

-Borden asks will there be another AllyShip that our staff can go to?

-Sharma says the best thing is to check with Raja at the LGBT center regarding that.

-Zeigler says the retreat will be this quarter.

C. External Vice President – Sands

-Sands says today we announced that we registered over 6,500 students.

-Sands we will incorporate BruinsVote! at the football game this upcoming week.

D. Academic Affairs Commissioner – Mohankumar

-Mohankumar says she did not meet with Lindy Comstock because her cat ran away, they are meeting 1-2pm tomorrow.

-Mohankumar says she is coordinating a focus group for transfer students with their experiences here.

-Mohankumar says her first ARC meeting is tomorrow.

-Mohankumar says we have events coming up and needs a number of people interested to send out an email, Stress Free day on October 25th 11am-2pm.

E. Administrative Representatives

-Geller says as some of you probably know, each Fall we have a student leadership event and we are finalizing the invitation list and agenda for that event. Those of you who are elected to your position will be invited, it is next Tuesday morning at 8:30am-10am.

-Geller says this is an invite only event.

-Geller says she is unsure if they are using your official UCLA email or student email, so keep a mind.

-Kadota, Star, Zimmerman, and Champawat have no reports.

F. Student Wellness Commissioner – Lee

-Lee sat with Healthy Campus initiative today and gave a brief overview of what we do and mentioned how DeNeve has a new flux bar which is a protein flip addition and they are creating a life-skills class and working on this HPV project to get more students to the catch up vaccine.

-Lee says yesterday SWC had welfare event to introduce ourselves and offer resources and how to get involved, it was very successful.

G. Facilities Commissioner -- Rhee

-Rhee says our office featured on Facebook with their work on solar umbrellas and are applying for more to put on Kerkhoff patio.

-Rhee says she is applying for TGIF before the deadline.

-Rhee says she is meeting with UCPD to make the night vans better.

-Rhee says 2 sorority girls were mugged waiting at night for these vans, so we need change.

-Rhee says the opinion article in the DailyBruin today was perfect to be brought up and is excited to hear how it will progress.

VIII. Fund Allocations

A. Contingency Programming * -- Yu

- 11 organizations applied.
- Total required \$12,492.69
- Total requested \$7,324.06.
- Total recommended \$915.
- Dameron moves to approve \$915 for non-USAC organizations. Zeigler seconds.
13-0-0 vote this allocation has been approved.
- Total requested \$192.
- Total required \$442.
- Total recommended \$110
- Zeigler moves to approve \$110 for facilities commission. Mohankumar approves.
12-0-1 vote this allocation has been approved.
- Total requested \$287.
- Total required \$402.85
- Total recommended \$150.
- Zeigler moves to approve \$150 for transfer representative office. Mohankumar seconds.
12-0-1 vote this allocation has been approved.

B. EVP Bruin Defenders # -- Sands

- Sands says Chicano movement allocated for \$500.
- The allocation has been approved by consent.

IX. Old Business

X. New Business

A. Approval of ASRF Guidelines 2016-2017*

a. Ashly Mohankumar

- Mohankumar says we changed section 6D.
- Mohankumar says we changed how to funding board with make decisions to allocate, in section 0.7 and 8.
- Zimmerman asks if we can change it to “sole” in section 4.
- Mohankumar says yes.
- Rafalian moves to approve the 2016-2017 ASRF Guidelines. Majmudar seconds.
- Sands says by saying by writing “academic success” it is vague; we need to be more clear for the specific goals of our guidelines.
- Geller says you can come up with what ever criteria you want, as long as it is clear.
- Zeigler says being viewpoint neutral is tricky because academic success can be valid, and thinks the language is perfect.
13-0-0 vote we have approved the changes to ASRF.

B. Approval of ARC Guidelines*

a. Amy Shao

- Shao says her finance director Melanie Chen is here to present the guidelines.

- Chen says under number 1 it has to do with a need for openness for all student groups and clarifies where you can access the application.
- Chen says funding guidelines by the cap of \$5,000 for the entire quarter to allocate more money to student groups, and we struck “anything that is necessary to make your program happen” and added youth programs.
- Chen says they changed the application due date to Saturday of week 0.
- Chen says they struck the discretionary powers of the ARC Board, and added no retroactive funding is permitted.
- Chen says they struck that applications are on a rolling basis.
- Chen says they added hearings last year and now must schedule hearings 48 hrs in advance and must let us know if you are using the funding in advance.
- Chen says number 3 in the funding walk-through was to give us more lee-way.
- Shao moves to approve the ARC guidelines. Sharma seconds.
- Chowdhury asks to elaborate on retroactive funding?
- Chen says some groups had allocated funds and said they wanted to be allocated money to be refunded, so this prevents that.
- Sands says there are a few parts that says it will be handled on a case-by-case basis, what does that mean?
- Shao says if it is necessary to have then it is different, if someone buys a shirt for a necessary reason then it varies from someone buying a shirt for a “swag” reason.
- Sands says we should add that in the guidelines.
- Shao says it will confuse students and we will identify what is necessary for their events rather than putting in extra information that confuses people.
- Shao says we grade solely on the idea of what your event is, not biases.
- Shao says there is a hearing period, not just an application period.
- Sands says that it says political events, it worries him.
- Sands asks what does that mean, if he wants to put on a Donald Trump rally will that be approved?
- Shao says culture meaning no history and no self, and political is added because culture connects to your identity, which connects to politics.
- Sands says if the guidelines are not specifically clear for what they will be used for it will cause many issues. To him it is confusing to says case-by-case.
- Shao says this is why Melody is the only person from this committee because there are different members of CAC.
- Sands says all he hears is that you are paying for food and other stuff and that is it.
- Champawat asks if this has the viewpoint of language that we are seeking to include in our guidelines.
- Geller says certain things need to be added and in practice you have defensible objective criteria, this does not do a good job of the current practices you have in place.
- Champawat says it seems as though the public would be comforted if they could see those criteria.
- Zeigler says the political part is very valid, she thinks the language used just needs to be added to the guidelines.
- Chen asks if you were to re-word case-by-case how would you do so?
- Sands says he would move to next week to clarify what you look at each subject.
- Sands says these amendments require more work so we should move this to next week.

- Sharma asks if there is a way to do this with the resolution where we approved it and then edited it, if we do not approve it then people will not apply.
- Shao says she would like the language to be amended now.
- Siegel says we will table this until later in the meeting.
- Zeigler moves to approve the approval of ARC guidelines to be tabled. Rafalian seconds.
- 13-0-0 vote the ARC guidelines approval has been tabled.
- Chen says under insured responsibility and transparency, we added clarification of what the hearings are for.
- Chen says under funding walk-through they took out case-by-case basis and added that it will be based solely on a viewpoint neutral criterion.
- Zeigler moves to approve the ARC amended guidelines. Rafalian seconds.
- 13-0-0 vote the ARC guidelines have been approved as amended.

C. Approval of Bruin Defender Guidelines*

a. Rafael Sands

- Zeigler moves to approve the Bruin Defender Guidelines. Majmudar seconds.
- Mohankumar says can you go over the difference between travel grant funding and when applying for this grant, so everyone is on the same page?
- Sands says this is for actionable advocacy work, you are going to a conference for policy change such as research, professional programs, anything in terms of academic development.
- Mohankumar says she wants to stay true to SGA's view on this where we will support UCLA Students by funding for conference travel.
- Sands says he strongly believes that this is advocacy.
- Mohankumar says this should be said in our guidelines, not here.
- Champawat says that with many funds you have to apply to multiple funds to get your funding.
- Mohankumar says one of the same organizations applied for 2 funds and we do not want that to happen again.
- Zimmerman says access to allocation is important too, not just receiving the allocation.
- Geller says there are some funding bodies on campus that say if you get money from us you cannot apply for funding from any other organizations, you can add that in here too.
- Geller says this is why it is important to add language about travel expenses.
- Rajmudar asks there is no reason for it to be wrong to apply to other funds?
- Sands says there is a \$500 max, but if they both bring these funds to council at the same time how would we solve this approval?
- Lee says when you are programming for a large event you have to apply for several resources, you will not get funded by them all and you use the money as it comes in.
- Lee says this does not mean you will use all of the money you received, only the amount needed.
- Chowdhury asks if these guidelines say are you applying for other funds?
- Council says yes.
- Sharma says he sees 4 accounts of the language that is not clarified.
- Mohankumar says one group can apply for 2 funds and if they have leftover funds it gives them opportunity to use that money for other important resources.

-Champawat says most programming funds ask if you have applied for other funds which is a great to have.
-Sands says it does not say that in his guidelines before it goes live.
-Sands says he will add that in right now.
-Shao says if you take it out you should explain what you are going to do exactly?
-Shao says for lodging, if someone books a 5-star hotel will that be a problem? You need to define what you are graded by?
-Sands says all the requirements are here and does not want this to be an issue as to who's guidelines are better.
-Sands says he feels like he is looking for problems here.
-Sharma says we were all elected for a reason, and if you have the same thing on your document that Shao had then you need to back that up.
-Shao says can you direct me to where your cap is?
-Sands recites where his cap is located in the guidelines.
-Zeigler says she has 2 things in section D number 3 is there any way we can decide on a time for that?
-Sands says that refers to the application itself not the guidelines.
-Zeigler says the board is made up of all EVP members correct?
-Sands says no, they are elected.
-Sharma asks is there a criterion for how you elect?
-Sands says how I choose my government members are all approved here in council.
-Borden says do we have to approve all boards?
-Siegel says it all depends on what they want to do.
-Sharma says no one is trying to attack on anyone on this council, he just wants clarification and we need to all treat each other with respect.
-Siegel says we can continue these conversations off the council table.
13-0-0 vote the Bruin Defenders guidelines have been approved as amended.

D. Discussion on USAC Discretionary Fund Guidelines

a. Sabrina Zeigler

-Zeigler says we have \$26,000 for discretionary funding and we can vote on this any way we want.
-Champawat says this started because the council would find them in an issue that would come up and all of your money is locked up.
-Champawat says the intention was to allow some resource to go to for some unexpected issue that arises sometimes.
-Champawat says this was meant to put into place some money.
-Zeigler says she agrees and for the guidelines she does not want to be funding body, but maybe talk or define how a USAC council member can bring something forward, whatever can get certain funds approved.
-Siegel says we did this discretionary as a plaque before and we should set a restriction because we never know what we will face a council.
-Zeigler says it is more about the situations that come forth that we can vote on.
-Geller says this would be a small amount of money used for things USAC wide, but not things that are separate and limited to USAC controlled events/groups.
-Geller says this is used for what comes under USAC as a whole.

-Geller says this is meant of be used for expenses of USAC, you do need some sort of guidelines and something that is viewpoint neutral. You do need something that tells us how you go about accessing these allocations.

-Geller says if you will keep this restricted to USAC expenses then you do want to develop some sort of guidelines and will you stick to limiting it to USAC only or that USAC members can give this money externally to other organizations.

-Dameron says he is interested in drafting these guidelines, Majmudar is interested also.

XI. Announcements

-Siegel says that we will be having meeting November 8 which is election night, would you be interested in changing this meeting? We can bring this up as an action item next meeting.

-Siegel says tomorrow is the Higher UCLA Fair and USAC will be tabling there.

-Siegel is very excited and encourages you all to be there because there will be over 1,000 attendees and over 100-200 employers.

-Sharma says regarding AllyShip training, Raja did not meet today so we have been emailing, we can do training during the retreats that is ok?

-Zeigler says yes.

-Sharma says he was going to take a quick headcount for when everyone would prefer to do this, so he will send out a doodle-poll.

-Zeigler says lets talk together.

-Sharma says we have our Show Me The Ropes reveal 10th week and and Transfer Pride week is next week, Monday there is an art wall with CAC, Tuesday is the EVP office, Wednesday is the SWC co-programming with Ashe in Humanities I think?

-Sharma says we have meditation; aroma therapy making oil, and active minds is coming to de-stress.

-Borden says her whole staff wants to go to the AllyShip training.

-Sharma says this is only for USAC, but email Raja for the rest of her council.

-Lee says LGBTQ AllyShip training is available to everyone.

-Zeigler says it would be better if your office could go to those specific set times.

-Geller says to please check your ucla account to make sure your address and phone number is current and updated.

-Sharma says we need an advocate for our resolution and it will be the week after next week with Student Services.

-Lee says it is domestic violence awareness month and we are hosting events throughout the month, there is the CARE certificate training of 3 separate sessions starting Thursday of next week.

-Lee says week 3 there is a sexual assault info session and we are also donating items to women who have suffered from domestic violence.

-Dang says October 28th we will have the screenwriter from Zootopia come to draw and speak.

XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet has been passed around.

XIII. Adjournment

-Majmudar moves to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm.
-Zeigler seconds.
13-0-0 vote the meeting has been adjourned.

XIV. Good and Welfare

* Indicates Action Item
Indicates Consent Item
@ Indicates Executive Session Item