

FINALIZED

November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

Kerckhoff Hall 417

October 25, 2016

7:00 PM

PRESENT: Danny Siegel, Sabrina Zeigler, Rafael Sands, Ashly Mohankumar, Jordan Dang, Zoe Borden, Inan Chowdhury, Zack Dameron, Amy Shao, Ariel Rafalian, Christina Lee, Divya Sharma, Sandra Rhee, Kevin Yu, Debra Geller, Patricia Zimmerman, Michael Starr, Rob Kadota

ABSENT: Roy Champawat, Ruchit Majmudar

I. Call to Order

-Siegel 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

-Lee moves to strike Student Wellness Programming Fund.

-Sands moves to strike Bruin Defenders Grant Fund.

-Zeigler moves to approve the agenda as amended. Rafalian seconds.

12-0-0 vote the agenda has been approved.

III. Approval of the Minutes from October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

-Zeigler moves to approve the minutes. Mohankumar seconds.

12-0-0 vote the minutes have been approved.

IV. Public Comments

-Ariel wanted to acknowledge Sands and his team for getting so many students to register to vote, she also thanks everyone who helped.

-Shiki from CalPerg says yesterday we had an event for voter registration and got 188 voter registration cards and this week we are going to work for solid commitment from students to actually vote by pledging or sending them voter information.

V. Special Presentations

A. Special Presentation "Introduction to CSAC" – Devon Graves

-Graves says he is here to speak about the California Student Aid Commission.

-Graves was graduated from Cal Poly Pomona and has had many years of experience such as serving as the CHC student government chair.

-Graves says he was reappointed to UCSA and appointed to the USCA rep on CSAC.

-Graves says there are 2 students serving on the commission, one UC and one CSU and both switch.

-Graves says there are 15 members total.

-Graves says he oversees CalGrant funding, Dream Act, and other funds and how they function.

- Graves says he would love USAC's help and attention for other ideas for aids and grants.
- Graves says he is doing all he can to strengthen our aids and grants so students can have the best affordable schooling as possible.
- Borden asks if you can speak about certain projects you are working on this year?
- Graves was appointed on the 3-commissioner committee and the October 1 Fast to Start date for helping high school students fill out FAFSA.
- Sands thanks Graves and asks if you have any information on the state funding topic and also believes that the average award dollars given is very low compared to the costs here.
- Graves says he received the middle class scholarship and it is still in process for editing and covers 40% of tuition.
- Graves says there were issues with assets that students have and issues of how it will operate, so the legislature has played a lot with the money to make the files processed in time for eligibility for the students.

#### B. Presentation on IVP's "Keeping TABs" Committee – Jabril Muhammed

- Muhammed says he works in IVP and is representing IVP.
- Muhammed asks to raise your hands if you know how to navigate Robert's rules.
- Muhammed says he is responsible for making sure we know the rules.
- Muhammed says his staff came up with information to have a basic understanding of how the rules work.
- Muhammed would like council to put the rules into practice.
- Muhammed asks if any of you would be opposed to learning for about 1 hour to 40 minutes long of how to use Robert's rules?
- Sands says we can put this on the retreat.
- Zeigler says it is low in time to do that, but another time would work.
- Muhammed says he realizes you are busy and in terms of appointment accountability that is the bulk of this and wants to make sure everyone is completing the tasks assigned to him or her.
- Muhammed says isolated work is something where we can see if appointees are doing what they are supposed to.
- Muhammed says appointments are supposed to submit monthly reports, which is ideal.
- Muhammed says a report on a regular basis is also ideal for appointees to do.
- Muhammed says it would be similar to a "USAC Counseling" meaning that he will solve the issues within USAC.
- Siegel says he was really excited when you spoke about appointments and accountability.
- Siegel says he would love to connect with you about improving the process.
- Sands says this needed to be done for many years and you are very good at making personal connections, what happens when you are not here so it does not create more hurdles within, but all in all thank you.
- Mohankumar says thank you and Academic Affairs Commission has figured that appointment town hall meetings is necessary every quarter to make sure everyone is working on what they are supposed to work on.
- Rhee says she thinks this is great and would like clarification of if there are set quarterly reports?

- Zeigler says in the bylaws you are supposed to set quarterly reports by appointees through public comments or special presentation.
- Rhee asks is there anything we are supposed to provide?
- Zeigler says yes since we are council members.
- Chowdhury thanks Muhammed again and says this is a position you cannot learn about and having someone mediate things and hold people accountable for things is great.
- Chowdhury asks is there any way we can give out suggestions and tailor it to each specific office?
- Muhammed says of course, we can make that happen.

## VI. Appointments

### A. CPO Seat on the CS Mini Fund\*

The CPO Seat of the Community Service Mini Fund Committee makes sure they are a part of the decision making process for the fund itself. The committee is dedicated to providing funds for student community service programs, activities or services which contribute to the elimination of poverty and social problems, and/or provide services (such as health and education) to disadvantaged groups.

Website for Further Information:

[www.usac.ucla.edu/funding/docs/funding\\_guidelines\\_csmini.doc](http://www.usac.ucla.edu/funding/docs/funding_guidelines_csmini.doc)

#### a. Edwin Hernandez

- Hernandez says he has been involved in community service programs since his sophomore year, especially ones involving underprivileged families in LA.
- Hernandez says he has helped underprivileged students consider applying for college.
- Hernandez says we face issues regarding funding and feeding our members.
- Dameron asks what are some relevant experiences that could help the CS Mini Fund?
- Hernandez says he has helped with the application.
- Geller says in your intro you were going to tell us a challenging experience that was relevant to other students also, what was this challenge?
- Hernandez says transportation and healthy food for our members is a big issue.
- Hernandez says he feels the CS Mini Fund will help a lot.
- Siegel says how do you see this position balanced with your other extracurricular on campus?
- Hernandez says he is not too busy and can handle it.
- Hernandez says the CS Mini is a great fund for community service and wants to allocate for CPO organizations to alleviate the stress of the members involved and focus less on money and more on the community.
- Dameron moves to approve Edwin Hernandez on the CS Mini Fund.
- Mohankumar seconds.
- Dameron thinks he is very qualified for the committee and has a lot of experience.
- 12-0-0 vote Edwin Hernandez has been approved.

## VII. Officer and Member Reports

#### A. President – Siegel

- Siegel says last week he and Micheal Skyles met with the Staff Advisor to the Regent and spoke with the president of the staff committee here at UCLA and it was a great way to talk about how staff and students are major constituents for the UC.
- Siegel says parent weekend just passed and it was a great experience to be a part of.
- Siegel says students had a student leadership meeting regarding how the board works and if you have thoughts on that let me know.
- Siegel says tomorrow he is flying to Oakland and we have our first meeting with president Napolitano and it is great to engage with the president of the UC's.

#### B. Internal Vice President -- Zeigler

- Zeigler says she thanks Shao for bringing attention for a moment of silence.
- Zeigler says the family does not want the name released of the student who passed, but we would like to figure out how to make this better known in another way.
- Zeigler says Pong with Police is November 15 from 12-2pm in Bruin Plaza and if you would like to help or have a table please let her know.
- Zeigler says USAC Study Hall is open to jump on and it will be fun to have a united USAC front for that.
- Shao asks if you can explain more about Pong with Police.
- Zeigler says it is to have a silly eye catching event to increase the relationship between police officers and students on campus.
- Zeigler says it is a way to have a face-to-face interaction and provide safety information.
- Shao says she thinks it is not just a negative relationship, students are not allowed to have black Wednesday without cops standing by to observe them because they seem as though they will cause a ruckus.
- Shao also says water pong is fun, it might also bring up issues as to why specifically pong because certain communities of color are affected by police especially regarding alcoholism and police will arrest and pull aside students of color at parties more than those who are not.
- Shao says she feels it is necessary to bring this up as a critique because it might trigger some people.
- Zeigler says she agrees and did bring it up with the UCPD officers and hopes this does not deter people from coming.

#### C. External Vice President -- Sands

- Sands says finally the voter registration deadline has come and gone and is happy that it is over, registered over 10,000 students to vote and broke a UCLA record.
- Sands thanks the 7 different campus organizations and 6 school departments to make this so successful.
- Sands says make sure your colleagues are assigned to a polling place and will distribute information and post cards to help.
- Sands says he is also going to Oakland on Monday for the EVP meeting with Janet and Nelson Peacock to expand our federal relations lobbying program where it is not just UCLA.
- Borden asks if there are any specific issues you want to bring up with Janet and Nelson?

- Sands says yes, student labor issues like raising student worker pays to 15 dollars an hour and removing the cap of 20 hours per week.
- Sands says with Nelson it is more about how to make an impact at the state level since next year we are talking about a new budget deal.

#### D. Academic Affairs Commissioner – Mohankumar

- Mohankumar says Lindy Comstock has been speaking to her to work on creating a survey with teaching issues and concerns and Pat Turner has agreed to meet with us also.
- Mohankumar says Networking at Noon is November 19 from 12-2pm.
- Mohankumar says today was Stress Free Day and it was so great and goodluck with midterms.

#### E. Student Wellness Commissioner – Lee

- Lee says she reminds that ASHE is available for walk-ins everyday.
- Lee says she attended the drug free schools committee last week and discussed resources for students who are recovering and set up a meeting with Dana to discuss ways to reduce harm of alcohol use.
- Lee says she was appointed to the CCRT for sexual and gender misconduct to speak about prevention on sexual misconduct.

#### F. Facilities Commissioner – Rhee

- Rhee says the Daily Bruin shared their opinions regarding the CSO Van Service and is happy they addressed our concerns.
- Rhee says our food recovery program is in the works to collect the wasted food in ASUCLA busiest cafes.
- Rhee says she has bought containers and making labels and we are going everyday to these cafes to donate the leftover food to the food closet and hope it is running by end of this quarter.
- Rhee says Franklin Pandoy is helping collaborate to go over housing and food security and will have a meeting this week or next week.
- Dameron says for the leftover food, is it through a specific committee?
- Rhee says yes, but we are pitching this idea to the food security task force and hopefully we can get their financial support.
- Chowdhury says UCSA usually takes over, what do you expect out of UC students themselves?
- Rhee says from her understanding UCSA does not work with this, UCLA does itself.
- Sands says yes we have to take it up and use it ourselves and there are no problems with that.
- Chowdhury asks if UCSA has offered resources?
- Sands says yes they have provided networks, but student leadership is the best approach.

#### G. Administrative Representatives

- Kadota says UCPD is selling breast cancer awareness patches.
- Kadota says we are launching a university search program to help students with safety and protocol and traning.

- Kadota says there is a new staff member named Laurie Schneider and there needs to be escape rooms for earthquakes.
- Kadota says the campus safety task force has released their report so please read that.
- Geller says she has been training in sexual violence prevention and response and she is not sure that it is well known for incoming graduate students to get this training.
- Geller says she has been going around and doing training with employees and how to have a conversation with a student who has experienced sexual violence.
- Geller says there will be training at the retreat on Friday.
- Geller says if you are unable to make the retreat, please let her know to make sure you have information you need so you know how to handle issues such as sexual assault.
- Starr says he left Fat Sal's and is pursuing other things now and would like to spend more time on what this role can benefit USAC and UCLA and will send an email out about what you would like to hear from the alumni association.
- Zimmerman says she will be out next week so contact her before Friday.
- Zimmerman says we have many interests in our pumpkin contest due on Halloween and bring it to A-level Ackerman.
- Zimmerman says we will put labels for each department to make it more fun and grab a pumpkin if you would like to right now!
- Zimmerman says staff usually dresses up on Halloween so you can too.
- Zimmerman says there are 2 prizes, a pizza party and something else.

#### VIII. Fund Allocations

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

- 21 student organizations applied, 2 are from offices. Without the offices:
- Total required \$23,978.38.
- Total requested \$14,150.12.
- Total recommended was \$4,530.
- Zeigler moves to approve contingency programming from non-USAC offices for \$4,530.
- Rafalian seconds.
- 12-0-0 vote the contingency allocation for non-USAC allocations has been approved.

- Financial support commission required \$287.81.
- Total requested \$250.
- Total recommended \$160.
- Mohankumar moves to approve the financial support commission allocation for \$160 from contingency. Sands seconds.
- 11-0-1 vote the financial support allocation to contingency has been approved.

- Community service commission required \$10,925.71.
- Total requested \$7,401.76.
- Total recommended is \$870.
- Mohankumar moves to approve the community service commission allocation for \$870 from contingency. Sharma seconds.
- 11-0-1 vote the community service commission allocation to contingency has been approved.

B. Arts Restoring Community # -- Shao

- Art Theatre Ensemble applied for \$4,406.
- They were allocated \$2,240.
- Chinese Student Scholars Association applied for \$2,534.
- They were allocated 605.16.
- Yoga for Flexible Features applied for \$496.50.
- They were allocated \$346.50.
- Community Cultural Awareness Group applied for \$1,735.
- They were allocated \$1,150.
- The Collective (a form of CAP) applied for \$600, but received no funds.
- Kiwi Magazine applied for \$143.04 and received the full amount.
- Paper mix-tape applied for \$3,160.79.
- They were allocated \$804.86
- Word on Wednesday applied for \$1,000.
- They were allocated \$600.
- Indian Student Union applied for \$900.
- They were allocated \$300.
- Geller asks why the collective wasn't accepted?
- Shao says they figured out how to fund the event and felt they were self-sufficient enough to fund for themselves.
- The allocation for ARC has been approved by consent.

D. Academic Success Referendum Fund (ASRF) # -- Mohankumar

- Indus applied for \$4,393. They were allocated \$3,000 for Dilwale.
- The allocation for ASRF has been approved by consent.

E. Student Organization Operational Fund \* -- Rodriguez

- Rodriguez says this is the lowest our budget has been.
- Rodriguez took the amount requested and combined the past allocations used before.
- Rodriguez says it led to over inflation and some disregarded the student organizations entirely.
- 107 student organizations applied.
- Total amount is \$13,104.
- Zeigler moves to approve the Student Organization Operational Fund allocation for Fall 2016. Rafalian seconds.
- Sands asks is there a specific formula you use to make this model and it would be helpful to write the formula there so we can all see clearly how you got to this number.
- Rodriguez agrees!
- Rodriguez says the quarterly distribution percent is 70%.
- Mohankumar says you spoke about a base assumption of \$3,000 is that correct?
- Rodriguez says yes.
- Yu asks on average how much did student orgs apply for?
- Rodriguez says it was very low.
- Dameron asks what are the most common things groups are asking for?
- Rodriguez says it was for supplies and retreats.

12-0-0 vote the Student Organization Operational Fund has been approved for Fall 2016 of \$13,104.

G. ASUCLA Board of Directors Programming Fund \* -- Rodriguez

-22 student organizations applied.

-Total amount is \$45,005.05.

-Rodriguez says BOD is more straightforward than SOOF.

-Rodriguez says she multiplied it by the score.

- Zeigler moves to approve the ASUCLA Board of Directors Programming fund for \$45,005.05. Mohankumar seconds.

-Dameron says he will be abstaining from voting.

-Lee says she will be abstaining also.

10-0-2 vote the ASUCLA Board of Directors Programming fund has been approved.

IX. Old Business

X. New Business

XI. Announcements

-Siegel says the campus safety task force convened released a report that was created over the summer and if you want to check it out it is on the administrators website.

-Siegel says we have great recommendations for that for the future.

-Zeigler says the USAC training retreat this Friday is fully functioned and thanks council for emailing her back promptly.

-Zeigler says there will be an agenda of what will be going on and she is excited, 3-6pm this Friday!

-Sharma says De-Stress week is week 10.

-Sharma says Gordon Monroe spoke to him about non-traditional students to have child-care and they are working on it.

-Sharma says the first workshop in graduating in 2 years is tomorrow for 90 minutes!

-Dameron says CSC is having its annual day of service fall quarter, 500 students go each year and it is next Saturday so if you are interested please come.

-Dang says tomorrow we have Leonardo DiCaprio's documentary playing and it is sold out.

-Dang says in Kerkhoff grand salon on Friday there will be an event with Jared Bush so please RSVP if you would like.

-Dang says November 1<sup>st</sup> we will be playing a space love story movie.

-Dang says there is a concert November 8 that was going to be election theme, but it is actually after the elections.

-Dang says comedians will be coming to ABG also.

-Lee says next Tuesday November 1<sup>st</sup> at 6pm there will be free how to eat healthy while in college workshops.

XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

*The attendance sheet has been passed around.*



XIII. Adjournment

-Mohankumar moves to adjourn the meeting at 8:23pm.

-Sharma seconds.

12-0-0 vote the meeting has been adjourned.

XIV. Good and Welfare

\* Indicates Action Item

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