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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

Kerckhoff Hall 417

November 15, 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, Kevin Yu, Debra Geller, Roy Champawat, Patricia Zimmerman, Rob Kadota

ABSENT: Sandra Rhee, Michael Starr, Ruchit Majmudar

I. Call to Order

-Siegel calls the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet is passed around

II. Approval of the Agenda

-Shao moves to strike ARC Fund.

-Lee moves to strike Student Wellness Programming Fund.

-Mohankumar moves to strike ASRF.

-Sands moves to strike Bruin Defenders.

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

10-0-0 vote the agenda has been approved as amended.

III. Approval of the Minutes from November 10, 2016.

-Chowdhury moves to approve the minutes. Dameron seconds.

9-0-1 vote the minutes have been approved.

IV. Public Comments

-Emma, the campus organizer for CalPerg, says that Prop 67 was passed so plastic bag banned will be appealed which is great.

-Emma says thank you for helping.

-Emma says our election campaigns are over and now we are moving forward on issues that are targeted by new administration like environmental protection, climate change, and financial aid.

-Emma says we are moving into more defensive campaigns to make sure we are strong in California on these issues.

-Emma says we are having a state wide student conference this weekend and we are running a survey also to see what students would like us to work on.

V. Special Presentations

VI. Appointments

VII. Officer and Member Reports

A. President – Siegel

-Siegel says earlier today he spoke with USC student body president in advance regarding our rivalry game this Saturday.

-Siegel says we spoke about differences on our campuses and the aftermath on our campuses for the election.

-Siegel says Friday he is meeting with Chancellor Block and Michael Skyles.

B. Internal Vice President -- Zeigler

-Zeigler says Cornhole with Cops has moved to beginning of next quarter.

-Zeigler says she will send out a concrete email regarding your logos for study hall and it will open from 7pm-12am.

-Zeigler says December 4th study hall will be held and doors open probably around 6pm.

-Zeigler says Raja from LGBT center reached out to her about Pride Week and will be start working with offices, if you want to help email Raja.

C. External Vice President – Sands

-Sands says the election is over and we are gearing up for a couple of other campaigns.

-Sands says this Thursday regents are meeting up to look and vote into increasing tuition by 2.5% for 10 years.

-Sands says we are planning a fund the UC campaign.

-Sands says Activate the Activism is another campaign to educate students to be involved.

-Sands says SOS is working on a housing report to measure the state of off campus housing and issues students face with their tenants.

-Sands says we are starting conversations about making the UC sanctuary campuses for undocumented students, LAPD says they will support helping undocumented students as much as possible, but UCLA is not a sanctuary campus.

D. Academic Affairs Commissioner – Mohankumar

-Mohankumar says Monday of this week we hosted a focus group regarding online education to improve atmosphere in our educational environment.

-Mohankumar says we discussed how we are looking forward to working closely with administration for education environment.

-Mohankumar says today we had Refine Your Resume event and it went great.

-Mohankumar says tomorrow we have our town hall meeting and anyone is welcome, appointment from academic senate will be there.

-Mohankumar says she is speaking with other academic affairs at other UC's this Friday to discuss other resources on our campuses.

-Mohankumar says the survey with the Graduate Student Association is still under work, such as TA's helping and answering correct questions, emails, or more office hours.

E. Student Wellness Commissioner – Lee

-Lee says SWC is kicking off your cold clinic for the year and will be handing out flu kits this week.

-Lee says body task force is offering free workouts to help.

- Lee says tomorrow is SWC's Oral Health Fair and we will provide free dental screenings in De Neve Plaza from 12:30-5pm.
- Lee says BCC has released their application for their summit and there is limited space so RSVP by January 23, the summit itself is January 28.
- Lee says we have our last CPR class this weekend, only \$10 a student and can sign up online.

F. Campus Events Commissioner – Dang

- Dang says Secret Life of Pets is being shown, Sausage Party will be shown Thursday.
- Dang says Jackie will be pre-screening too.

G. General Representative 1 – Borden

- Borden says her office is working with the scholarship resource center and working to offer more scholarships for students.
- Borden says we are working with CAPS to get more counselors on the Hill.
- Borden says we are working on a comprehensive funding guideline for students to access funding bodies on campus.

H. General Representative 2 – Nico (Majmudar's proxy)

- Nico says our speaker series; we are in contact with people in the LA area and hopefully will have booked 2 speakers by the end of the week for Winter quarter.
- Nico says election-viewing party was a huge success.
- Nico says we started a free food facebook group and it is a page where different orgs and clubs can advertise their events if providing free or low cost food.

I. Administrative Representatives

- Geller says many of you know the Chancellor has called for applications to be completed to go with him to Washington during Winter break.
- Geller says you will be notified on this decision within this week.
- Kadota says tomorrow there is a planned work stoppage, a skills trade bargaining unit expected to strike and there are some backup plans around that.
- Kadota says elections are March 7 and general municipal is May 16 and it is a good year to register to vote.
- Kadota says thank you for celebrating no shave November.
- Zimmerman says she sent out an email for our final safety walkthrough occurring Thursday afternoon.
- Zimmerman says this information will be sent to OSAC.
- Rafalian says if we label things and put them by the door is that okay?
- Zimmerman says to please email her to let her know.
- Champawat says employee appreciation sale is coming up, 33% off on the 18-23 of this month.
- Dameron asks for those in our offices, if they have volunteer discount does that count too?
- Zimmerman says yes.

VIII. Fund Allocations

A. Contingency Programming * -- Yu

-3 student organizations applied.

-Total required is \$2,088.95.

-Total requested is \$1,838.95.

-Total recommended is \$380.

-Dameron moves to approve the contingency allocation for \$380. Zeigler seconds.

11-0-0 vote the contingency allocation has been approved.

B. AAC Travel Mini Fund # – Mohankumar

-Mohankumar says the recipient received a scholarship for this so we will not need to do this allocation.

IX. Old Business

A. Ad-Hoc Committee Regarding USAC Reform*

-Sharma says we cannot have all of us just make an Ad-Hoc committee, having so many people on it can cause issues.

-Sharma says 4-5 people on committees work best and we need to vote on how many people we want that are outside the USAC space to have a position.

-Siegel says this is for USAC members to form a committee within USAC and Sharma will be the convener for this committee.

-Siegel says then council can vote on it and reach out to you, after Sharma feels you have collected solid ideas and information then do a special presentation.

-Chowdhury moves to approve an Ad-Hoc Committee for USAC reform. Mohankumar seconds.

-Chowdhury says would we do an application process?

-Sharma says that will be decided within the committee.

-Sharma says it will probably be an hour and half meeting per week so devote that amount of time to change this institution.

-Siegel says we have had Ad-Hoc committees in the past and we need to be clear about it, but not as formal of a process as it is here at the table.

-Sands says this is created to accomplish a task and not just talk about anything.

-Sharma says you need to discuss the ideas too and it could be up to 3 hours because this needs to change.

-Sands says I agree but we don't need to vote on having a discussion.

-Sharma says I want people to know how much I am working on this and how hard we are collaborating on this.

-Zeigler says I think there is usually a reason to have an Ad-Hoc Committee, but the end goal is going to have multiple proposals for council as a whole.

-Zeigler says this to speak about what are the best ways to go about this.

-Borden says I really appreciate that Sharma wants to put so much time and effort into this, but there needs to be some final goal like Sands says.

-Borden says there needs to be structure and community input rather than us meeting for 3 hours to talk.

-Sharma says this committee is based on 5-6 council members, so our first meeting will be about what we want to do and what is our proposal.

-Sharma says we need to have a plan of action to make our proposal go through.

- Sharma says it is difficult to organize us all on the same mindset so our first meeting will be longer, then we will have outreach to other groups.
 - Sharma says we need people on the outside who can help also and people who are involved.
 - Sharma says this is the best way to make it effective, when I say the meeting will be long just understand the commitment for joining a committee.
 - Sharma says our end goal is to have a constitution change.
 - Sharma says this reform is all based off of what we discuss at this meeting.
 - Geller says it seems to me as though it is early; you all need to sooner than later set your election calendar.
 - Geller says you need to have timeline by when this committee will have its work done.
 - Geller says in the last go round council voted to switch the ballot to a randomized ballot and we do not know how long it'll take the college IT unit to create a ballot.
 - Geller says you need to have this all prepared so it can be reviewed, what your schedule is for candidates and being approved.
 - Geller says you are closer to Fall and Winter will fly by and this will all need to be resolved before the end of Winter quarter.
 - Siegel says I sat with our new election board chair and she wanted to sit with the Constitutional Review Committee and go from there to bring their first draft of a calendar before Winter quarter.
 - Chowdhury says even if this passes and we have a proposal by late Winter quarter will it even go into effect?
 - Geller says this Spring's ballot, if it passes it will take effect next Spring.
 - Siegel says this is very doable and very difficult so think about revisiting how appointments are done and creating new appointments to fill these gaps on our campus.
- 11-0-0 vote the Ad-Hoc committee has been created.

X. New Business

A. Approval of OSAC Committee Applications, Contacts and Guidelines *

a. Jennifer Harbeck (OSAC Chair 16-17)

- Siegel says Harbeck is not here.
 - Zeigler says we can vote right now and amend it later.
 - Siegel asks should we vote or table this?
 - Zeigler asks if everyone looked it over?
 - Siegel suggests to table this to next week.
 - Borden says this is a subject she is not knowledgeable on so it would be best if OSAC were here.
 - Zimmerman says she is not sure if this is a simple just "date" update, so tabling would be better and ask Harbeck to highlight her changes.
 - Siegel says this is more of a reason to table it.
 - Mohankumar moves to table the approval of the OSAC committee applications, contracts and guidelines to next week. Borden seconds.
- 11-0-0 vote this item will be tabled to next weeks meeting.

XI. Announcements

- Zeigler says Cone booked a Ackerman room for the advisor lunch Friday (November 18th) at 12pm.
- Zeigler says if you cannot come please let her know immediately.
- Zeigler says to sign up for the snacks worksheet would be great.
- Sharma says can we stop printing agendas; it is on email so print them yourself.
- Zeigler says this is the last day agendas will be printed.
- Sharma says for the study hall we are teaming up with Zeigler and the transfer interns are planning a finger painting night and this Friday is silence for LGBT.
- Sharma says we are answering questions about how to work around here at UCLA at the transfer town hall and will give a full list of self-care tips on November 30 from 6-8pm.
- Sharma says we have started conversations about creating a sanctuary space here and many other colleges are talking about having transfer student reps.
- Sharma says sunset rec is holding a BBQ and you are all invited to speak about what you do from 6-8pm this Sunday.
- Sharma says de-stress week is week 10 and TSR is holding a wellness workshop.
- Sharma says Maria Blandesee came through today with allowing us to have tea, water, and juice for students, which was great.
- Lee says there is a no shame November to show students who struggle with personal issues.
- Siegel says if you are a senior tonight there is an event in Westwood village at Barney's.
- Siegel says he is excited for our meetings next week because all of the other college presidents will each give a word during public comment.
- Mohankumar says this Thursday from 7-9pm in Bunche will be another sanctuary event.
- Zeigler says Harbeck will be coming in next week to go over the changes and please read the links I sent.

XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet has been passed around.

XIII. Adjournment

- Mohankumar moves to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm.
- Dang seconds.
- 11-0-0 vote the meeting has been adjourned.

XIV. Good and Welfare

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