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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

Kerckhoff Hall 417

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7:00 PM

PRESENT: Arielle Mokhtarzadeh, Vivy Li, Chloe Pan, Nicole Diaz, Kayla He, Justin Jackson, Divya Sharma, Nedda Saidian, Christina Lee, Adriana Hardwicke, Malik Flournoy-Hooker, Zahra Hajee, Aaron Boudaie, Sayra Stokes, Roy Champawat, Jessica Alexander, Debra Geller, Rob Kadota,

ABSENT: None.

I. Call to Order

- Mokhtarzadeh 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

- Boudaie withdrew his appointment to Campus Retention Committee for later.
- Mokhtarzadeh entertains a motion to add the CALPIRG presentation that did not happen last week.
- Jackson moves to add CALPIRG presentation to the agenda.
- Hajee moves to approve the agenda. Boudaie seconds.
- 13-0-0 vote agenda is passed.

III. Approval of the Minutes from May 16th, 2017.

- Jackson moves to approve the minutes from council meeting on May 16th, 2017. Pan seconds.
- 12-0-1 votes minutes have been approved.

IV. Public Comments

- Inan, fourth year student, is here:
 - Bruin Games are tomorrow, May 24, 2017 from 4-7pm in Sunset Rec.
 - Winner of the tournament will receive fitbits and giftcards from Whole Foods. There will be smaller prizes too.
 - Please pass around the word.
 - Inan passes around flyers.
- Bridget from CALPRIG with their weekly update:
 - Yesterday we had press conferences with California senator Ben Allen and councilmen Paul Koretz for SP7 (ban Styrofoam cups statewide).
 - News stations were impressed with the student involvement.
 - For the rest of the quarter, we are focusing on leadership development, petitions for renewable energy campaign.
- Armenian Students Association: Upcoming Global Activism Chair is here and upcoming Aide and Social Chair are here:
 - Yesterday, there was a panel discussion at Carnesale Commons and one of the guest speakers was Ana Kasparian, a correspondent with Young Turks Media.
 - Although we don't disagree with her right to come and speak her mind, it is to

our dissatisfaction strong dislike that a member of a media organization named after a political group in the Ottoman Empire responsible for the killing of Armenians was able to come here and speak.

- A lot of the Ottoman students as well as the board members are outraged.
- We are trying to find a resolution so that this kind of thing doesn't happen in the future.

No audio and video public comments.

V. Special Presentations

A. Speaker: Aaron Boudaie

Presenting: Parking/Commuter Advocacy

Boudaie says:

- I will be speaking about the advocacy centered around the commuter student advocacy. This is a significant population of the student body but one that doesn't have much of a voice.
- Later tonight, I will be closing the bylaw amendment in order to create my Advocacy Task Force.
- Why am I speaking about this? Because according to the bylaws it is the FSC's role to address commuter issues including parking.
- How do commuters get to campus? How has the admin dealt with these?
 - Public transport, university rents bikes, car and carpools, orange and blue permits. Ridesharing platforms.
 - One of my concerns is that there is not enough data on these students.
 - According to the parking and transportation services website, permits are \$237 a quarter, \$750 a year and are "limited and not guaranteed".
 - Undergraduates are at the bottom of this pool in order of seniority.
 - So freshmen are considered last for a parking permit.
- Those who don't get a pass have to consider other options:
 - Pay day by day (\$12), vanpools are complicated and irregular, not everyone is in biking range, Ubers are not feasible due to affordability.
 - Boudaie acknowledges that other campus groups have done a lot, particularly the transfer students' rep's office.
- The FSC's role needs to be more than just sporadic efforts, things need to be institutionalized:
 - Heather Rosen's and Ruhi Patel's past efforts have not been continued due to lack of an institutionalized body to oversee the continuance.
- Solutions: An institutionalized body led by and for commuter students needs to do the following:
 - Compile data: regarding commuting to campus
 - Advocate for: more parking, other commuter options, affordability within parking and commuting.
 - Address diverse commuter concerns- available class times, event/meeting times.
 - Build connections directly with administrators: like transportation and parking services.
- Later tonight I will be proposing a parking advocacy task force

- 7 members total: 2 co-chairs, 5 members.
 - Goal: consistency, clarity, organization.

Questions

- Sharma:
- Talking about the data, it is there with the DRC so link with them. Also the transfer success committee and transfer advisor committee is already working on this. So I am wondering what this committee will do differently? Also space is the biggest issues on campus and so trying to change that wont be viable. Approaching the DRC with community specific changes will be more effective.
- 40% of campus is transfer students and 70% of those are commuters.
- Mokhtarzadeh:
- Can you go back to the slide about the goals of the task force. I am thinking about the bylaws mode so can you clarify who appoints this task force and are they all students? All appointed by FSC?
- Boudaie: Yes, it's going to be all students because this isn't a part of shared governance. This is a body for and by commuters and will be organized by commuter students. All appointed by FSC.
- Sharma:
- are you looking to create an advisory board for student voices on different panels to be heard?
- Boudaie: right now there's no real way for us to say where the task force will go. And that's our biggest problem since our commuter students are organized so it's hard to tell what those goals would be but I think that yeah, that would be a great thing to do.
- Zahra:
- With the task force structure itself, would this board be determining the path they will take? Who they would be advocating to, their agenda, etc.?
- Boudaie: Yes, absolutely. On these slides is what I think is needed, it's a general guideline but since there is no institutionalized voice, we wont know until after what the goals are. But I think some of the goals can be the ones I have listed.

B. CALPIRG: End of Year Report

Jaimie, incharge of CALPIRG at UCLA says:

- What CALPIRG is: student run, student funded, statewide work on public interest issues, started 40 years ago. Started 1972.
- This year's victories:
- California Bag Ban:
 - huge victory of banning plastic bags. Started with city wide and then got a statewide ban. Started this 8 years ago.
 - Alternative spring break tour, presscons on beaches statewide.
- New voters project: it's our voter registration drive.
 - Millennials are the largest voting population block. We help them register.
 - Worked with usac to register 10k students on campus
 - 6320 reminders to vote through email, phone, etc.
 - MOU signed between UC Office of The President and Secretary of State.
 - Worked with Lt. Governor Newson in order to get this MOU signed.

- 2017 campaign priorities:
- 100% renewable energy campaign:
 - We need to change the way we are consuming energy. We have collected 1k petitions in UCLA and 6700 statewide so far.
 - Passed 7 student govt resolutions in support of this campaign
 - We presented to the Regents in March and got support from several including Gavin Newsom
 - Also pushing state legislature: California to government to get 100% of its energy through renewable sources by 2045.
- Other campaigns:
- Antibiotics campaign: McDonalds, In n Out to get chicken raised without antibiotics. Working on Getting McDonalds to switch to beef.
- Textbooks campaign- more open-source textbooks for students.
- Statewide: democracy campaigns.
- Protect Pell Grants.
- Save the bees, promote bee friendly campuses.
- Ban toxic pesticide
- Leadership and internship programs:
- This year: reached 8k students through class announcements, 100 volunteers came in, 5k students joined mailer list, 53 interns.
- CALPIRG leadership board for next year list, responsibilities, email contacts are shared on the slide.
- CALPIRG voluntary pledge report:
- 10700 payments
- Spring 4400 students charged CALPIRG student fee. 15% of student population pledged so we can be campus now (as per our contract).
- Total \$102,000:
 - \$63,000: Hiring, training, salary of campus organizer. 63\$,
 - \$12,000: Operating expenses.
 - \$10,000: Advocacy- transporting and housing students in Sacramento and Washington DC.
 - \$10,000: National CALPIRG dues.
 - \$7,000: hired organizers for fundraising activities.

Questions

- Hajee:
- How do you plan to go about the open source books campaign?
- Jaimie: I did a trial run this quarter to see what the campus felt about it. Professors didn't feel that the open source material was up to par. This quarter I've been trying to see how possible it would be to change that. A lot of professors didn't know how to search for open source books. So I will be meeting with the library again to see what resources they can lend to this. Also, we could work with IT to consolidate a database of open source textbooks that will be easy for professors to use.
- Pan:
- One of the gen reps two years ago worked on that and we were told that when professors put together course readers and students have to pay for it, you could technically argue that students shouldn't have to pay for that since they already have access to that. So this could be one route to take where you persuade the professors

who do have course readers to just make that available for free.

VI. Appointments- none for today

VII. Officer and Member Reports

A. President Mokhtarzadeh

- Sends regards and wishes to the friends and family of 2nd Lt. Richard Wilbur Collins III who was killed in a hate crime at the University of Maryland this past weekend.
- Director position applications have closed: will be deciding in a day or two.
- Other applications close on Friday.
- Several of the appointments in the bylaws are either double listed or were accidentally appointed by the office of the President when they were supposed to be appointed by Facilities Commissioner. Thank you Hajee for your patience with that. All the applications will be going to Hajee ensure that she is appointing those positions and committees.
- Week 10 meeting will be relatively long. Will get resumes out to you beforehand. If we don't get all of them done, we will need to meet during finals week.
- Students who were appointed to the student health advisory committee last year were unfortunately only appointed for a year when it's a two year term so next week they will be coming back to council to be appointed for the second half of their term. This means that we will have to suspend the bylaws which will require 2/3 vote.
- Regarding bylaws: hoping we can revamp the constitutional review committee. There are 3-5 members of this council who can be on that committee. Please let me know if you want to be a part of this asap.
- New Student Orientation Office has reached out to us and has assigned us dates to be part of the orientation fair. I know that Li also spoke about creating a pamphlet by which we can share a little bit about our office, contact information, internship opportunities, etc.
- Update: A discussion about student speech. I met with Vice Chancellor Gordon. They liked our idea of compiling student requests and meeting them as a council and having an open forum in the fall.
 - Meeting with ucpd as part of their advisory board. I hope they will be on board as well.
- Office apps: due Friday. I have done a totally open recruitment process.
 - I will be very upfront with you all; Student tend to come from a restricted number of spaces and its very difficult to diversify people in an office when people aren't applying to the office. This is my personal plea to all of you to please pass along those applications so I can ensure that my office is as accessible and as reflective of the campus as possible.
- Saidian:
 - Do you know whom to reach out to so that the application can be circulated around to the counselors who can reach out to students.
 - Mokhtarzadeh: So I reached out to 83 different departments today to send it out to their list serves. Hopefully those department chairs will then send it out to their list serves. Very positive, prompt response.

B. Internal Vice President Li

- Reminder- if you want to make a member report, shoot me a text/email by Thursday

5pm.

- My office application is out too and deadline is Friday, May 26th.
- And we will talk about the summer schedules and quorum later.

C. External Vice President Pan

- Office apps are due this Thursday. We have very few transfer, commuter students, non-traditional students, etc., and specially in terms of advocacy, it's really important to have that diversity so if you know any students who would be interested, please ask them to apply.
- Last week I was at the Regents meeting at UCSF.
 - One of the most pressing things discussed was diversifying from fossil fuel.
 - In the past, Cal and UCLA have been the tipping points where our Chancellors signing on is usually what can get the committee that oversees commitments to actually follow through.
 - So I will be issuing a public statement next week and if other offices are interested in doing that too, then it'll be great.
- MOU that Jamie mentioned in the CALPRIG presentation:
 - Last year there was a student voter act that was passed so that when you enroll as a student you are automatically enrolled in voter registration. There have been legal and tech issues with that in the UC system.
 - But what I am working on right now is that when you login to myucla as a student, you could click a button that would fill the form and send it to the concerned authority.
 - I am working with a set of different government offices and will keep you updated on that.

D. Academic Affairs Commissioner Sharma

- This is one of my last transfer updates ever:
 - Our scholarships are finally going out. Students will get them by next week.
 - Our transfer advisory board that we pledged to do week 1 of fall just got approved so it's called the transfer success committee.
- Global leadership Conference: hosted by AAC. Allows high school students to understand resume building, interview prep, etc.
 - We are doing a quarterly commission for that: so community college, just juniors and seniors, then one quarter for freshmen high school.
 - So I will be reaching out to all your offices to see how we can all collectively do that in an effective way.
 - I have reached out to cultural organization and BRC communities to bring students in.
- Trying to create a UC academic bill: end goal will be to have a conference by spring quarter.
- We looked over the AAC demands and talked to the ASU leadership and are specifically focusing on how we can feasibly 1-2 of those demands.
 - One of them is the black students center.
 - I know that I ran on study space but we are prioritizing the black students center right now so if you see an indoor space that can we utilized, please let me know.
- We spoke to high school students with an organization called PACT about both ucla

freshman and transfer admission experience.

- Wednesday: appointments go out.
- Zahra:
- Regarding the Global Leadership Conference: AVID in UCLA work specifically on those initiatives. They recently had a program last week where they brought 9-10 high schools to teach them about the bruin experience, resume and interview skills, etc., So if you are planning on bringing in all of our offices into that effort, it would be good to reach out to AVID as well to see what resources they could provide.
 - Divya: we will be pivoting towards more UCLA admissions rather than resume building skills, etc. So it will be a shorter and more specific conference focused on the needs of getting into UCLA.

E. Student Wellness Commissioner Lee

- Zumba concert: very successful 300-400 people attended.
- Upcoming week: Panel on the sexuality and health with the LGBTQ center.
- June 6, 6:30-730pm: Love your body yoga with body image task force.
- Talking to caps about satellite workshops.
- Having ECC start their training for Title IX advocacy efforts later this quarter.

F. Facilities Commissioner Hajee

- This week will meet with the Office of Instructional Development as well as Facilities Management to hash out our project regarding underutilized outdoor spaces on campus.
 - Vision: students have more direct stake in the sorts of spaces we have on campus and how they should be used and renovated.
- Spoke with Rob Kadota this week regarding implementing another serious of the Adventure Jamboree and Emergency Fair.
- Mokhtarzadeh: Just a recommendation: we are always thinking about to utilize outdoor spaces better so meet with our undergraduate student representatives on the ASUCLA Student Board of Services Board of Directors. Nate and Makaila are both on the Services Committee.

G. Financial Supports Commissioner Boudaie

- Sunday night: FSC apps will close.
- Appointed 2 Chief of Staff: one for programming, one for advocacy.
- Starting rest of the interviews tomorrow.
- Next week: appointments for campus retention committee will occur.

Mokhtarzadeh: Just to clarify for everyone, there are appointments that do need to be cleared by council and those that don't.

- Typically the stipend ones are to be cleared by council and they will have to go through ARC.
- When appointments come to council, there is a 1min opening, followed by question and answer by council and then a 1min closing.
- Boudaie: Last year this didn't happen, correct me if I'm wrong. Just a resume was sent out and they was an up/down vote.
- Geller: there are two types of appointments: requiring action type vote and consent type vote. The bylaws lay down which need to come in front of council and those are

your action items.

- Those need to go through ARC, then physically come (or via Skype) for interview by council and then be voted on.
- The consent items are encouraged to be sent through ARC (best practice) but they do not have to come to council in person. ARC could share their recommendations. And then it's a consent vote.
- So anytime anything is a consent item (vs action item), you are still voting. The difference is that for consent items, Mokhtarzadeh gets to say, "are there any objections?" and in the absence of objections, it passes by consent.
- Whereas in the action items, Mokhtarzadeh will call for a motion, you'll have a second, a vote of for, against and abstained.
- So probably the ones in Boudaie's commission will be consent items but do take a look at the bylaws for clarity.
- For anyone who is bringing appointments forward, please make sure that when you send Li your agenda items, you don't just say, "appointment to x committee" you provide the name of the person.
- And when you do your presentations, appointments are 1 or 2 years and few are longer than 2, you want to make sure you introduce the council to the term of that particular appointment.
- If you are appointing someone to a committee that has regular members and alternates, make sure you indicate who is who.

H. General Representative 2 He

- Office applications were closed last Sunday. We are reviewing the applications and will have interviews very soon.
- The international students association is having an event on May 31st and there are 3 more tables available for activities and they want everybody to participate so reach out to them and apply.
- Thursday, May 25, noon: Dashew is employing the new director. Interview will be on Thursday. Free lunch. Invite all students to come and ask questions and express their concerns. If you're interested please talk to me.

- Hooker: Please send us a list of what you just said.
- He: Okay
- Mokhtarzadeh: does the interview lunch require an RSVP?
- He: No RSVP required.

I. Administrative Representatives (Alexander, Champawat, Geller, Kadota)

Geller:

- Brought gifts for everyone: Mental health guidebook for faculty and administration. This will also be available online.

Kadota:

- Sorry I was missing the last two weeks. Once a month I am not able to be here.
- I work for the office of res life and center for successful education.
- I also do sexual assault and Title IX related responsibilities.
- In my spare time I am involved in LAPD's advisory board.
- I'm a beekeeper, and I didn't bring gifts but I am good for lunch.

Alexander:

- Full access to office space and emails: if you don't have it please let me know.
- As you are building your staff, they all need to fill the access form and bring it to info window on A level with their bruin card and your official signature.
- Photo-shoot is next week for the official USAC portrait: meet me by Kerckhoff patio at 5pm. If you can't make it at 5, just come when you can before the meeting.
- If any of you have items that need to be recycled or thrown away from you office, email me so that I can connect you to custodial and I can have them remove it. If you put it in the hallway, we generally assume that it's trash but we don't want to take that initiative without your confirmation.
- Jackson: regarding the access to gen rep offices, is there a way to see who all have access to the door?
- Alexander: we don't share names but the doors were wiped after the transition so nobody from the past should have access. But if you notice any issues or suspicious activity, you can let us know and we will verify.

Roy:

- Things in the hallway are fire hazard so if it's your or you want it, you should take it soon.
- Mokhtarzadeh: what's the email address that we can used to email all council?
- Alexander: usacouncil@asucla.ucla.edu
- Mokhtarzadeh: Is there are way that we do electronic waste disposal? Can we donate them?
- Alexander: Yeah we can find out how to dispose electronic waste, if you want to check if the computers work, you can reach out to: susm.support@asucla.ucla.edu

VIII. Fund Allocations

A. Contingency Programming* Yu

Yu:

- Variance between recommended and requested amount may be upwards of 50% or more just given the nature of contingency programming.
- This week: 29 unique events that were non-usac
 - Requested: \$20819.98\$ recommended: \$12620\$
 - Boudaie moves to approve the \$12620, Sharma seconds.
 - Corona initiates discussion:
 - Does funding allocation work by approval but all the work that goes into it is a separate office.
 - Yu: The finance committee facilitates the processing of applications and the allocations and then it is processed by the student accounting office. So council just approves it so we can process it.
 - Saidian:
 - On what basis do we approve these?
 - Yu: To an extent, it is trusting my office. You can inquire from me personally during council.
 - Corona:
 - If we say no, what happens?

- Yu: it won't get processed.
- Geller:
 - You have committees that you appoint that make recommendations but ultimately, each of you has a vote and you can request to see details.
 - You can pass some and not pass others.
 - You have the power on funding decisions that require a full action vote.
 - Some years, council has looked at it in much more detail, other years, they have entirely powered the committees that they appoint.
 - You have the ability to decide how engaged you want to be. Your finance committee chair will give you a presentation on how the committee is going to make its decisions. And that will help you understand so that you may not need to dig deeper on a regular basis. This will happen towards the end of the summer.
 - The one threshold that no fund can change: all funding allocations should be made objective and they can't be viewpoint driven, they have to be viewpoint neutral.
 - Roy:
 - The most imp time for your input is during the guidelines and in appointment of the committees. But at the same time, you are the responsible body.
- Bourdaie moves to approve the \$12620, Sharma seconds.
- 13-0-0 vote the allocation has been approved.

B. Capital Allocation:

Yu:

- 4 organizations.
 - \$2700.11 requested and recommended for cultural affairs commission.
 - 1050\$ requested and recommended for budget review.
 - \$2543.83 requested and recommended for CEC.
 - \$1428.31 requested and recommended for Queer Alliance
 - Total: 7726.25
 - Jackson moves to approve the allocation of \$7726.25. Bourdaie seconds
 - 10-0-3 vote this allocation is has been approved.

- There is \$2300 left in capital that is utilized for furniture and electronics for your offices. So if you want to apply, its first come first served.

- Sharma motions to amend the agenda to programming fund under funding allocations. Jackson seconds
- 12-0-1 vote the agenda has been amended.

Lee:

- This is a consent item.
- 3 organizations applied:
 - 100\$ requested by black free health organization for their annual health fair. Fully funded.
 - Hooligan theatre: not funded.
 - \$236.06 requested by National Alliance on Mental Illness for health fair. Fully

- funded.
- Total \$336.06.
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - Seeing as this is a consent item, are there any voices opposed to the allocation of \$
 - 336.06?
 - Seeing none, this item is passed.

IX. Old Business

A. Discussion on Freedom of Speech on Campus:

- Hooker: Has anyone actually started on condensing a handout? I would like to help.
- Jackson: we will do a free speech vs hate speech in a digital format.
- Mokhtarzadeh: Maybe we can work with EDI on this as a collaboration.
- Hajee: Are the Vice Chancellors from the Office of EDI and UCPD still making themselves available for a larger discussion?
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - We discussed this in the Groupme. One idea that was proposed was creating a forum online for students to share their questions and concerns. And then the council could setup a meeting with UCPD and the admin to discuss those concerns.
- Hajee:
 - So the open forum would be during the fall but we would make something available for student this quarter or all during the fall?
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - Hajee did creating a “reporting document” which is official but if we make it explicitly clear that it’s not a reporting doc, we can send it out. We can then compile those reports and discuss them with admin.
 - Rumor has it that Vice Chancellor Kang may be looking to do his first cross check live over the year on freedom of speech so that may be another opportunity for us to collaborate with other entities on campus.
 - So do we want to create an online forum for this?
- Sharma: I am not opposed but I want to work with the IGR just to make sure that we aren’t the only knowledge source being unquestioned.
- Hajee:
 - I am trying to wrap my head around some things in the SOL doc:
 - Ensuring that students know what their reporting options are. For eg: outside some hours, amplified voices aren’t allowed. So students need to know that they can report that.
 - But there’s the other side of less back and white stuff: like what is a threat, etc.?
 - So we have to find the most effective way as a council that all of these different components are being met.
- Sharma:
 - Having a group of students who are on Groupme or something who can coordinate action and have markers and posters available on hand. I don’t know if we want to make it an institution type thing or keep it free. Because under the guidelines for time, place and manner, there are clear guidelines for protesting. So just putting that out there.
- Saidian:

- I side with Sharma's idea more than an online form/forum. Because it goes back to accessibility.
- Sharma:
 - We were looking at doing something but we won't know what it looks like. So that's still a very open-ended idea. Council won't have jurisdiction over it but we would be looking over the protesting guidelines.
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - So to recap, we are no longer interested in doing an online forum.
 - We do want to collaborate with other entities on campus like the BRC, IGR, EDI, Student Affairs and UCPD.
 - There is some commitment to creating an open space fall quarter where we could have experts on freedom of speech come in and educate and inform the students.
 - For the remainder of this quarter, we can setup a meeting with the other entities to check if we can plan over the summer and kick off in the fall.
 - Is there someone who wants to spearhead this effort?
- Hajee volunteers
 - Hajee and Mokhtarzadeh will work on it together. Let's send out an email to the other entities that we have mentioned to setup those meetings.
- Corona:
 - This is an aside: Personally, when I was added to the USAC Facebook page, I invited people to join the page from my friend list. Maybe all of us could pledge to invite our friend lists because we all have a variety of friends.
- Kumar:
 - Reaching out to department heads and have them update websites would also be a great way to spread information because a lot of students on campus don't have Facebook.
- Alexander:
 - There is an official webmaster position that is unfilled and in the interim my staff is updating.
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - There is an appointment to serve as the media chair for our council. Please ask people to apply.
 - My hesitation with creating a student action committee is that when you institutionalize something like that, there may be situations in which a community may not desire to bring attention to a specific speaker. So my fear is that we would become "trigger happy".
- He:
 - A lot of things we are talking about are preventive. But what happens when the situation actually happens. Because a lot of things people say are triggering.
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - Vice Chancellor Gordon and I talked about what could be a policy. Maybe we could ask the university to commit to a certain number of steps when something happens: get ucpd to come, alert caps, etc.
- Sharma:
 - Is there an advisor that works on campus policy that is oppressive towards students?
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - My office will work on this through "bruins fight back" and propose changes to

UC policy. I am very much happy to look into institutionalizing it.

- Sharma:
 - From what I heard, when we reach out to admin as a USAC council member they do specially make time to meet with us.
- Geller:
 - Administrators want to be here to support you. But when you want to meet with them, introduce yourself; let them know what your office is. And reach out yourself, don't ask your chiefs to do that. Do that initial introduction yourself. If you are not getting the timely response, reach out to Rob or I and we will do whatever we can to open those doors.
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - We can create a presentation about the different administrators with info and contact. We can have this as part of the retreat.

B. Pass the OSAC Allocations

Mokhtarzadeh opens the floor to discussion:

- Pan: is it best practice to abstain if you are affiliated?
- Boudaie: I think we are all affiliated so I am not sure.
- Champawat: If your office is not being affected, you don't need to abstain. So really you are evaluating an independent thing.
- Yu: can I request for an adjustment to room 300B to add CS Mini.

- Jackson moves to pass OSAC allocations. Corona seconds.
- 13-0-0 vote the allocations are approved.

X. New Business

A. Proposal to amend the USAC bylaws (Boudaie)

- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - There is a form that we would like to use to make bylaw changes moving forward. If we can remember to put all bylaw changed in that form, ASUCLA can do that in a more timely manner. You can have access to that form through Li or Alexander.
- Alexander:
 - This is the guideline change form that is different form the bylaw change form. But they look very similar and have similar process so it will be easy.
- Hardwicke:
 - What is the timeline like for appointments of CRC, ARC?
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - Yes, if anyone who want to be sitting on those committees, please let me know. Mokhtarzadeh will send out an email by Friday with details.
- Sharma:
 - ARC does a lot of stuff during summer. So know the commitment is a lot of summer work.
- Boudaie:
 - The two sections that I am proposing amending are article IV sec J, article II sec C.
 - The first one is pretty simple.
 - The next is about creating the parking advocacy task force.
- Saidain:

- Can we hold off on voting because we had Boudaie's presentation today?
- Hajee:
 - If it's in the bylaws, does it mean that the task force is institutionalized within the FSC office? So every year the FSC commissioner would appoint a set of students to this task force?
- Bourdaie:
 - Yes, that's correct.
- Geller:
 - So the way this is being proposed, this does not create a campus task force.
 - This creates a USAC task force as part of the FSC. It would be advisory to FSC not to USAC or the campus.
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - I know this all falls under the FSC's section of the bylaws but to clarify that this falls under the advocacy section of the office of the FS commissioner. A clarity of language would be great.
 - I also feel, Dr. Geller, that this would be a great collaboration opportunity for the FSC and FAC. So we could appoint a co-chair or allow the FAC to appoint 1 or 2 of the appointments that are non co-chairs for better inclusion.
 - And to allow the changes in the bylaws to be action-oriented, we should put in an expectation that this task force is reporting to USAC on a regular basis just so we are not creating committees without holding them accountable for anything.
- Sharma:
 - If we are voting on it next week, we should look over the transfer success committee bylaws because I don't want this to supersede someone else's past work.
- Hooker:
 - We can remove the last two and vote on the first one, i.e., Article IV section J.
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - Yes we can definitely do that.
 - It sounds like we need some more clarification about how this task force will interact with other committees on campus who are working on the same issues.
 - Just to respond to Sharma's comment, I think it's important not to step on someone else's toes but I also want us to recognize that there are students on campus who do commute and who aren't transfer students and so this new task force could provide a more comprehensive look.
- Sharma:
 - The transfer success committee doesn't look just at transfers and the commuter part of the responsibilities covers non-transfer students as well. But yes, 70% of transfer population is commuter.
- Hooker moves to vote on article 4, sec J. Stroke seconds.
- 13-0-0 vote this amendment is passed.

B. Discussion on ASU list of demands (Pan)

- Pan gives Stokes the opportunity to speak about this even though this was put on the agenda by Pan.
- Stroke:
 - If everyone has read the demands, then if you have any questions, etc., I can help.
 - I want to make sure we all understand why they were put out.

- Jackson
 - In the very first section if you jump down to the very first point, “we expect you to see...” why was the money not allocated in the first place?
- Stokes:
 - That goes with the CPO. I can’t fully answer this question. But yes, ASU did not get the money that they requested.
- Corona:
 - Item 7: for guaranteed housing for black students for 4 years, is that something that has been sent out to housing administration?
- Stoke:
 - In securing the housing, we wanted to seek safer spaces, see if we can get a whole hall because there have been issues about security and hate crimes. We are working with both UCLA Res Life and the administration.
- Pan:
 - UCLA is building 2 more dorms and 3 more apartment buildings by 2021. So when that is done, my understanding is that all 1st years will be guaranteed 4 years of housing and all transfers will be guaranteed 2-3 years. So is this platform demanding 4 years of housing before that or is it demanding a themed housing specifically for black students.
- Stoke:
 - its more geared towards themed housing.
- Jackson:
 - So since this is about themed housing, definitely reach out to campus housing council.
- Saidian:
 - A lot of these things in this document are outside USAC control because housing is a separate entity. So how does ASU want us to help implement this?
- Stoke:
 - USAC won’t have to play a role beyond just showing support for these demands. ASU is already meeting with directors and admin to implement these demands.
- Hooker:
 - Maybe all of us could meet to see what is feasible within our term and what needs to be passed to next council.
 - For e.g. #3, some points are feasible, some are not.
 - And #7, this might be something that may need to come in a few years down the line considering we will have new housing in a few years.
 - And #8, what exactly is it?
- Stokes:
 - Reply to #8, they are trying to bring SHAPE program back. So its similar to SHAPE but it has more.
- Hooker:
 - We should see the ones that are feasible and assign accordingly who will look into it. Like #3 is already happening.
 - #5 would go to administration.
 - Hooker wants to do #4.
- Yu:
 - Has there been a comparative analysis between university housing vs Westwood housing cost? Because my personal belief is that they are both comparable.

- Pan:
 - While it's true that costing is comparable, I think the issues is that students have hard time accessing apartments in Westwood because only about 4% are open for students at any time.
- Jackson:
 - The policy review board has done that analysis so me personally would strongly support res life because I have strong connections with res life.
- Saidian:
 - I think having representatives in the room would be great because we could directly ask them questions. We should set something up with them.
- Hooker:
 - Another beneficial thing to do would be pairing up with the board. It would be nice to have all the new elected chairs come in.
- Stokes:
 - Yeah, do you want to invite everyone to the next meeting or do you want to do that at a separate time?
- Hooker:
 - It would be nice to have all elected chairs come and decide with them.
- Sharma:
 - Does council feel comfortable making a statement of support for at least some of the demands that we could ourselves start facilitating?
- Hooker:
 - Honestly speaking, its for me about the action. So I think we need to be moving towards action instead of putting out words. We don't need to issue statements for every single thing that comes up instead we should just be working. I don't think a statement is necessary for everything.
 - I think we should just support them and not issue a statement saying that we support them.
- Mokhtarzadeh: question for admin reps:
 - If we were to propose a new discussion item with the incoming board of representatives. Is the discussion item a chance for them to be a part of the conversation even though they are not on the council table?
- Geller:
 - Yes you can ask them to engage in a convo with you.
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - Great. So Stokes and Hooker, would you like to send out that ask and if they are comfortable doing so, we can add that as an item for next week.
- Sharma:
 - I texted Alicia asking what could USAC do and she pretty much said that a statement will be very beneficial for these voices because she is meeting administration tomorrow.
 - So we can support her quickly by issuing a statement but action is also important.
- Jackson: I agree.
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - I would never want it to seem that a community needed USAC support to get administration to look at them. So I almost wonder that if we issues a statement supporting ASU's right to lead the way and that we look forward to following their lead in terms of what they believe is most appropriate for the community at

- this time.
- Rather than referencing the demands specifically; just to show again that we are following their lead and not superseding anyone in any way.
- Also regarding the 3rd demand, the EDI office in conjunct with the student advisory board is working on training for this. They hope to implement it for orientation after this year.
- We can reach out to them to make sure that that training does include the things that we need for it to include.
- So if multiple entities on this campus are creating diversity trainings, the reality is that policies, if they are so many, the likelihood of every student receiving consistent training is far less and maybe we can help facilitate that conversation in terms of tangible actions we can take.
- Hajee:
 - It's also whom the training is direction towards right because if we look within the demands it says that, "training should be mandatory for all incoming students, returning students, ucpd officers...." So it also depends on the types of trainings that are being implemented.
 - So there are multiple routes that we could go to work with different entities on campus on the different types of trainings that could be implemented for both faculty and students.
- Stoke:
 - So do we still want to put out a statement of support?
- Sharma: Pan, Jackson, Divay talked to Alicia and she is interested in havig us put it out and sendig her a draft.
- Hooker: words are words and actions are actions.
- Jackson:
 - Maybe we can issue a statement of support for specific items like #7.
- Saidiam:
 - I think a lot of talk happens on this table and at the end of the day, talk is cheap. Another statement is just that. I feel like we could release the statement but all of us need to be cognizant that we actually have to be involved otherwise it will show poorly on us. A statement is just another reason why we aren't doing our jobs.
- Hooker agrees.
- Lee:
 - Last year we passed resolutions before and no one did anything. So words are just words even in paper.
- Stokes:
 - I agree with Hooker. But showing support for these and issuing statement puts more pressure on admininstration who they are meeting with tomorrow. So this would help them.
- Hooker:
 - I think it will be more powerful to show up together.
- Mokhtarzadeh:
 - Maybe the appropriate words can be sent through an email to administration.
- Sharma:
 - I just texted Alicia again and she thinks that a statement would be more powerful than an email to admin.

- Mokhtarzadeh
 - So to summarize and conclude, Jackson will write an email to admin that would have ASU leadership cc'd.
 - This email will express USAC's support for ASU's right to make those demands in question and USAC's commitment to working as a partner to help ASU take the action that they see fit.

C. Discussion on Summer Meetings and Summer Quorum (Li)

- Li:
 - Quorum: has to be 8 people, that is, how many elected officers have to be present in order to take any action.
 - The first summer meeting will be on July 18th.
 - The second summer meeting will be two weeks later.
 - And then meetings will happen every week.
 - The details of this, if needed, are available with Li.
- Sharma moves to having July 18th as first meeting. We will have doodle poll for after the July 18th meeting to see what dates work for us. We will work on that next week. The doodle poll goes out tonight, which will have every day and every time of the week and you can fill up your availability.
- Saidian seconds the above motion.
- 13-0-0 vote this motion is passed.
- Li moves to set the quorum to 8. Seconded by Jackson
- 13-0-0 votes the motion is passed.

D. Discussion regarding Ana Caspan

- Saidian moves to move this discussion on Ana Kasparian to next week. Sharma seconds.
- 13-0-0 vote this motion is passed.

XI. Announcements

Lee:

- May 25th: SHAK committee is holding a meeting in Kerckhoff art gallery from 5-7pm. shak.ashe@ucla.edu

Pan:

- Event on training faculty on how to write support letters and how to advocate for more funding for higher education will happen soon.

Corona:

- May 27th: SPCN cultural night 6pm Saturday Royce Hall.

Stokes:

- This Friday night: Nigerian Students Association show. Free food.

Hooker:

- Looking for designers, photographers, so please let your friends know.
- Also looking for someone for the financial coordinator position.

Saidian:

- Tomorrow: CEC is having an event with Marion's Monday (a band). Bringing in upcoming EDM artists. Reservations are closed but there's a standby line. This event is run by CEC alumni.

XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet
The attendance sheet is passed around.

XIII. Adjournment
Bourdaie moves to adjourn the meeting. Stokes seconds.
13-0-0 vote the meeting is adjourned.

E. Good and Welfare

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