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MINUTES
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
Kerckhoff 417
January 9th, 2018
7:00PM

Present: Arielle Yael Mokhtarzadeh, Vivy Li, Chloe Pan, Nicole Corona Diaz, Kayla He, Justin Jackson, Divya Sharma, Nedda Saidian, Adriana Hardwicke, Malik D. Flournoy-Hooker, Zahra Hajee, Aaron Boudaie, Christina Lee, Sayron Stokes, James Aboagye, Jessica Alexander, Roy Champawat, Debra Geller, Rob Kadota

Absent: None

I. Call to Order

- Mokhtarzadeh calls the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

- The attendance sheet is passed around.

II. Approval of the Agenda

- Amendments:
 - Stokes: Add TSR report.
 - Hardwicke: Add CSC report.
 - Saidian: Strike CEC report.
 - Strike funding allocations: Bruin Defenders, Travel Grant Mini Fund, ASRF, ARC.
- Boudaie moves to approve the agenda as amended, Stokes seconds.
- 13-0-0 vote, the agenda is approved as amended.

III. Approval of the Minutes from: December 5th, 2017*

- Tabled for next week.

IV. Public Comments

- Cailyn, CALPIRG

V. Special Presentations

I. Lt Kilgore

- Please refer to the USAC Live video recording of complete details of Lt. Kilgore's presentation.

VI. Appointments

I. Academic Success Referendum Committee Member-Tony Tran*

Sharma

- Sharma: The guidelines were not updated on the website.
- Mokhtarzadeh: Jessica, can we make sure to update guidelines on the website asap because we changed them.

Opening

- Tony: Hi everyone, I am a second year financial act more double majoring in urban studies and spanish.
- I am involved in treasure for historical society at ucla.
- Also student advocate for financial supports commissions.

- I like to be in this role because I currently work in finding.
- I like to extend my role to ASRF.

QnA

- Sharma: What experience do you have in finance?
- Tony: I am a financial actuarial major so that means I study risk in financial movements. I am also an undersecretary of funds. I have been reading apps from various student orgs who apply for funding.
- Hajee: What do you believe are the programs that support the academic success of ucla students?
- Tony: Holding conferences on campus, having informational speakers for particular majors or careers, career fairs, job interviews on campus.
- Sharma: What is fair and equal funding?
- Tony: it means accessibility, having equal rights as everyone else. It also means putting aside personal bias and personal conflict of interest.

Closing

- I am experienced and working in finance and I have a vision for this role such as increasing publicity which is currently a issue we have at travel geant mini find.

Discussion

- Boudaie moves to approve Tony Tran, Hajee seconds.
- ARC: No recommendation made.
- Boudaie: He is the person who comes early and stays late.
- Sharma: It's important to recognize that tony has already been with the travel grant.
- 12-0-1 vote, Tony is appointed.

2. Academic Success Referendum Committee Member- Dominic Chaloeisak*SharmaOpening

- I am a 3rd yr intl studies major.
- I've been involved with travel grant funds and have been under the secretary of funds.
- Through this role, I have made sure that students get funds for their events and travels.

QnA

- Sharma: How will you be unbiased when the cubs you're a part of apply for funding?
- Dominic: I pride myself in being unbiased when making such decisions. There's limited funding so I want every club to have the funding so that they can hold their events. I will put aside my personal opinions.
- Malshe: What is fair funding to you?
- Dominic: I think it's when students and orgs all have a fair chance to receive funding. I just have to put my opinion aside, and when we deliberate funding decision, we don't look at the name, which helps us be unbiased.
- Mokhtarzadeh: What's your definition of academic success?
- Dominic: Any event that promotes professional and academic development. Panels, speakers, documentary viewings. Also to be able to get more orgs be more aware about the funding, I can personally go out and talk to organizations.

Closing

- Thank you so much for your time. I hope to do a fair and reliable job if elected.

Discussion

- ARC: No recommendation.
- Sharma: Dominic has been a good team member, he understands the job. It's exciting to see him take a leadership role.
- Hajee: SO travel grant is under ASRF?
- Sharma: no.
- Mokhtarzadeh: I hate to sound like a broken record but both these appointments are from your office and we have had so much discussion about opening the opportunity to other students on campus.
- Sharma: So both of them applied through the application. m
- Mokhtarzadeh: I wish that this information was disclosed more clearly earlier.
- Saidian: This goes back to the conversation we had with Jack.
- Hajee: what was the kind of outreach that happened?

- Sharma: There was outreach done. We went back to the bylaws and made these appointments that were not even there previously.
- 8-0-5 vote, the motion is passed and Dominic Chaloeisak is elected.

VII. Officer and Member Reports

A. President Mokhtarzadeh

- Released our Fall Quarterly Report, check it out on our Facebook page.
- Winter Quarter Staff Application closed January 3rd. We're excited to see so many transfer students applied and want to publicly thank the Transfer Student Leadership Coalition and Transfer Center for their help with outreach.
- Our Winternship application closes tomorrow night at 11:59PM, any support with outreach would be greatly appreciated.
- Reminder that the Election Board Application also closes tomorrow at 11:59PM. We all told Jack we would help with outreach, so let's be sure to support him in this final push.
- Asks for questions. Seeing none, I would like to share something personal.
- I returned to campus after Winter Break to see that the Mezuzah on my doorpost had been violently removed. The Mezuzah is a Jewish ornament with a special prayer in it. This is the second time in two years that a Mezuzah has been removed from the USAC Office of the President doorpost. It was especially painful since my parents and grandparents had to hide their mezuzahs growing up in Iran. To see this happen at UCLA is hurtful. I share this because we all know we live in a time at which the cost of championing our identities is too high. I hope we will all continue to stand with those who are being made to bear that burden. I will be dedicating a new mezuzah on my office with Rabbi Gurevich of Chabad at UCLA on Thursday, January 18th. I invite you all to attend.

B. Internal Vice President Li

- 1. Off-Campus Living Fair will be on 1/22/18 (Monday of Week 3) from 10 am to 3 pm in Ackerman Grand Ballroom.

C. External Vice President Pan

- Summer + Fall Updates Report: We published our second updates report along with a video recap of fall quarter.
- Immigration Advocacy: Over break, the EVP and EVP Campus Organizing Director traveled to Washington, D.C., to advocate on a clean DREAM Act alongside national immigration organizations including NAKASEC, United We Dream, and the Korean Resource Center. We engaged in civil disobedience in the office of Senator Dianne Feinstein, who had failed to say that she would push for the passage of a DREAM Act before the end of the calendar year. The negative press that she received along with the actions of thousands of activists and organizers in DC successfully pushed her to change her opinion and she voted against a CR that was absent of a clean DREAM Act.
- Students of Color Conference: Applications to be part of the UCLA delegation to the UC Students of Color Conference closed over break. Our nine-person executive evaluated all of the applications we received in what was a very competitive process. We are planning on bringing 94 students to attend the conference this year.
- Winternship Program: Over winter break, our office began accepting applications for our winter internship program. Applications will be due Monday, January 16, 2018.
- Women's March: Our office and AAC are partnering to provide free transportation to this year's Women's March in DTLA on January 20, 2018.
- UC News: Two UC students, Luis Mora from UC Berkeley and Orr Yakobi from UC San Diego, were separately detained by ICE over break. It's disappointing to see the slow response of campus administration, but the work of undocumented UC student activists has been particularly inspiring (shout-out to R.I.S.E for all that they did to bring visibility to Luis's case). It's imperative that we think about future responses to such situations because it's likely that they'll unfortunately become more common.

D. Academic Affairs Commissioner

Sharma

- I want to say sorry about the attitude
- Academic Outreach, has secured two busses for the Women's March and will be taking students to and from UCLA.
- Academic Welfare has been working with Design for America to create a presentation that will be received by the Academic Senate, the Legislative Assembly, and the Academic Development Committee. They are also working on the creation of an ad-hoc committee on Accessibility within the Committee of Instructional Technology.
- Sanctuary Campus, is holding a UCPD/UCLA Town Hall Wednesday, January 17th in Kerckhoff Grand Salon. The panelists will be members of the African Student Union, UCPD, Underground Scholars Initiative, and a representative of UCLA Student Affairs.
- Academic Affairs Commissioner is working on the creation of an ad-hoc committee on the Campus Safety Task Force -- Emergency Preparedness, this committee will be charged with creating an Academic Contingency Plan and ensuring the faculty, staff, students, employees, and parents of students are all connected to direct information at the time of an emergency. The following are demands listed by the Academic Affairs Commission after the Skirball Fires:
 - Audio Alerts in Bruin Alerts:
 - For students differently abled and for parents that do not have texting plans. (out of state and international students/parents)
 - Quick links on the Bruin Alerts:
 - The link is just not enough for students, we must be intentional with the links that we include -- how to evacuate if you must, how to pack a bag what to take with you, specific to the emergency, rather than a long list of other resources it is important to be intentional with links.
 - Academic Contingency Plan for students in an emergency:
 - Attendance forgiveness whenever class is canceled for all students due to the high commuter population, when classes were canceled on Thursday many students still lost points even with the 405 closure.
 - Having professors upload tests on CCLE, in preparation of emergencies so testing can take place online.
 - Using CCLE Zoom when campus is closed so faculty do not need to attend campus and are accessible to students when class is closed, many faculty were told to come to be accessible to students but with a high commuter population when classes were closed, faculty were even more inaccessible and did not promote an accessible campus.
 - To continue these recommendations I hope:
 - The Campus Task Force creates an Ad-hoc Committee on Emergency Preparedness based on Natural Disasters instead of just violence on campus, create an Academic Contingency Plan to support students during disaster, and finally create a Social Media Emergency Oversight Committee to monitor social media during an emergency.

E. Facilities Commissioner

Hajee

- Fall Impact Report will be coming out Wednesday to a Facebook feed near you.
- Looking to hire a co-Finance Director, apps will be out tomorrow and due a little over a week from now, 1/17.
- TGIF Mini Grant Fund apps due this Friday, 1/12.
- Pauley Pavilion Study Nights had around 200+ students a night, plan to reimplement the program with Rec and set up meeting rooms in JWC as study spaces as well.

F. Financial Supports Commissioner

Boudaie

- At the end of last quarter, we were proud to have our quarterly report seen by thousands of students. If you haven't seen it yet, make sure to take a look.
- To start off this quarter: first, Pratik and I are working on getting the \$1,000 in parking scholarships out as soon as possible. Hopefully this week.

- Second, My office is hosting LAUSD School Board Member Nick Melvoin tomorrow from 5-7pm in the Bruin Reception Room. Make sure to come by for a discussion about accessibility to higher education, including a Q&A and a chance to meet a member of a board that serves over 700,000 students.
- Finally, my office staff retreat is going to be on Sunday night. Should be a fun time full of office bonding.

G. General Rep 2

He

- We are working on the international career fair. Right now we are making flyers to invite more companies to come. Basically the fliers will have information of why the companies should hire international students.
- During the finals week, we made the compliment paper for students to take. We spread them across the campus. The goal is to encourage students to remind them they should be very proud of themselves.
- I met with GSA IVP to discuss how to reduce the istart fee for international students. It is a mandatory fee that international students, both undergraduate and graduate have to pay. I will update you in the future meetings about how we decide to move forward.

H. Transfer Rep

Stokes

- No written report was received before or after the meeting. Please refer to USAC Live for the officer's report.

I. Community Service Commission

Hardwicke

- Alternative Breaks held two successful trips over winter break.
- Meeting in the Middle campaign is going on next week with a panel on Tuesday 1/16 from 6-8pm, Word on Wednesday themed with mental health and service 1/17 from 7-9pm, and a metal health service day on Saturday 1/2.
- Nonprofit Networking Night will be held on February 1st.
- Homelessness Awareness Week will be week 8 of this quarter, more details to come!

J. Student Wellness Commissioner

Lee

- Active Minds:
 - Working on week-long initiative for Week 5 titled Culture in Mind
 - Collaborating with CSC on Jan 20th where we'll be going over to different volunteer sites, working with children, debriefing and facilitating discussions on how service and mental health intersect.
- Body Image Task Force:
 - Can We Talk? Wed 1/17 6-8:30pm, Conference Room A/B 3rd Floor Bradley Hall
 - "Fat is Not a Feeling" photo shoot 1/19 12-3 pm at top of Janss Steps
<https://www.facebook.com/events/566473393744821/>
- BCC
 - Tabling at Global Health event on the hill today 1/9
 - Working with CARE on human trafficking awareness event
 - Next week is consent week!
 - Music as healing Tuesday
 - Men's event Wednesday
 - Thursday pan dulce platicas- film screening and discussion
 - Friday: steps towards healing: art at janss steps
- CPR/FA
 - Classes released! 3 BLS classes this quarter (18 classes this quarter)
<http://uclacpr.weebly.com/course-offerings.html>
- EARTH
 - Bruin Bazaar
 - EARTH is providing clothes for event which are stored with facilities
 - Next Friday - Bruin Plaza, 10am-4pm
 - Beach Clean-Up: Date: TBD; Location: Venice Beach

- Altered Faucets
- Met with housing and moving forward to get more information from Altered Company
- HNF
 - Destress/Sleep Event- w/ Active minds (tentatively Week 6)
 - Planning co-program with ResLife: Post-workout snack event outside Wooden
- Run/Walk
 - Registration is open for 19th Annual Run Walk! Benefits Mattel Children's Hospital. APRIL 29 SUNDAY
 - Theme: Run with Purpose, Join the Run/Walk Circus
 - FREE REGISTRATION FOR STUDENTS WEEK 1 ONLY (jan 8-12)
 - Coupon code: uclastudent
- SEARCH
 - Healthy Choice Menu Project will kick off soon!
 - Meeting with nutritionist this week
 - Already making plans for Stress Less Fair Week 6
 - Recruiting again! swc.ucla.edu/apply
- Sexperts
 - Finishing up training with presentation & public speaking this quarter
 - If you know of any orgs (Greek Life, sports, etc) who want Sexual Health Education workshop have them contact us
 - working on Pride Week: Week 6 with AAC
- SHA
 - New member training starts this week!
 - Planning alcohol education/harm-reduction event on the hill week 5
- Total Wellness
 - 17.3 being worked on, 17.2 will be in print soon

K. Administrative Representatives Aboagye, Alexander, Champawat, Geller, Kadota
Alexander:

- We are officially on UCPath now and they will be our payroll provider from now.
- Make sure you login to see that your information looks good.
- I can forward you the email that we got internally about how to find all your information on UCPath.
- Mokhtarzadeh: Is our ASUCLA email connected to outlook?
- Alexander: Yes, its not connect to gmail. But if you're having specific issues, let me know and I'll send it to the help desk.

VIII. Contingency Fund Allocations* Malshe

- Total requested: \$11865.28.
- Total approved: \$5809.00.
- Boudaie moves to approve \$5809.00 to non-USAC organizations.
- 11-0-2 vote, the funding allocation is approved.

IX. Student Wellness Programming Fund# Lee

- E3 \$500: ecology, economy, and equity for \$500, fully funded.
- AWC \$330: we are suggesting \$300 because we can't fund food.
- Approved due to no opposition.

X. New Business

1. Westwood Forward Resolution*

Pan

- Essentially, it's a recap of the things we had mentioned earlier about Westwood Forward.
- This is done so that we have a formal written statement that we can submit.

- Mokhtarzadeh: so if anything catches your eye now, please point it out because this will eventually go into a formal resolution.
- Hajee reads through the resolution
- Pan moves to support the resolution, Hajee seconds.
- 13-0-0 this motion passes.
- Mokhtarzadeh: We ended up getting over 2,000 signature and the application was submitted on Dec 15, 2017. If anyone is interested in getting more involved, please get in touch with us.

XI. Announcements

- Lee: Annual 5K: they just opened registrations so I encourage all of you to apply.
- Stokes: This weekend, I am going to SFC for the All Black Coalition Conference.
- Boudaie: Just wanted to announce tomorrow's event again. The speaker sits on a board of only 5 members that govern 700,000 students. 7-8pm in Bruin Reception Room.
- Mokhtarzadeh: Both Chloe and I were on the selection committee for the Systemwide Title IX Student Advisory Board. Decisions will be finalized by January 11th. And that The Luskin Lecture on Thought Leadership this year will be delivered by Mayor Rahm Emanuel. Be sure to get tickets ASAP.

XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

- The attendance sheet is passed around.

XIII. Adjournment

- Jackson moves to adjourn at 8:21PM, Hajee seconds.
- 13-0-0 vote, the meeting is adjourned at 8:21PM.

XIV. Good and Welfare

* Indicates Action Item
Indicates Consent

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