

# FINALIZED: MAY 8, 2018



AGENDA  
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL  
Kerckhoff Hall 417  
May 1st, 2018  
7:00PM

Absent: Li

## **I. Call to Order** **Mokhtarzadeh**

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- Mokhtarzadeh calls the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.
- I hope everyone is having a good week of taking care of themselves

## **A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet**

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- The attendance sheet is passed around.

## **II. Approval of the Agenda\***

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- Lee strikes SWPF.
- Diaz strikes genrep 1 special presentation.
- He strikes OMR (officer member report).
- Pan strikes BAG Fund.
- Hardwicke strikes OMR (officer member report).
- Lee strikes OMR (officer member report).
- Stokes add discussion with election board to be held before OMRs (officer member reports).
- Boudaie strikes OMR (officer member report).
  - Lee moves to approve the agenda as amended, Boudaie seconds.
  - 10-0-0 vote, the agenda is approved as amended.

## **III. Approval of the Minutes from April 24, 2018\***

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- Hajee moves to approve the minutes from April 24, 2018, Lee seconds.
- 10-0-1 vote, the minutes are approved.

## **IV. Public Comments**

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- Mo begins public comment at 7:06 PM

**No Audio, No Video**

- Hero, works with King Of New York Pizzeria
  - We just opened on 101 Gayley. I'm trying to get the word out. I went to UCSB and I was part of student govt. There. I wanted to ask you to tell clubs that we are willing to do fundraisers. We've got diet cheese! We are going to do salad pizza too! We are creating a vegan menus! If you bring your Burin Card or staff card, we will give 20% off! If you say you were at the meeting that Hero was at, we will give you goodies.
- William and Stephanie from Activists United
  - We are here to present the idea that we are working with UNICEF UCLA to book rooms to have town hall style events. High school and college students are welcome to these. Please send the word out so it's open to all UCLA students. The Facebook account was contacted by Jack Morningstar and that's how we got to know that were welcome into your meeting today.

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**Audio and Video**

- None
- Mo ends public comment at 7:12 PM.

**V. Special Presentations**

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**1. USAC Webmaster Presentation****Han**

- Benson Han is not present so this presentation is tabled.

**2. AVC Campus Life Referendum Spending**

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- Let me thank all of you and your staff for their great leadership.
- I am here to share information about a referendum that was passed a few years ago which gave us the fiduciary responsibility to manage funds.
- I will first overview the logistics and then speak on where the funds went.
- The referendum is "funded functions of the university."
- So the first step was to create an agreement with the students.
- university cuts a cheque to the AUCLA.
- You will see the 5 areas where the funds went.
- For the programming funds:
  - Created 3 new buckets of funds that students have access to

- LGBTQ
- Cultural and spiritual
- Student justice camps programming funds.
- You can see the description and criteria.
- There are all part of a process we have online.
- The SSP fund is a blanket fund that comes in after students have applied.
- Rolling application process.
- Fiscal summary:
  - These fees started being collected in fall 2016.
  - There's a 2 quarter lag due to university policies.
  - This year, we had a small carry forward and then we began collecting funds starting summer 2017.
  - You can see the number of events funded, number of organizations that made requests and then the aggregated dollar amounts that were allotted.
- This has become a critical new source of funds.
- Social justice referendum.
  - There were 3 phases of implementation
    - 1: winter 2017: working back from the referendum language to create the initial offering.
    - Child care for students with dependant children.
    - We were challenged to find a location.
    - We were open from 4-9 mon-thurs.
    - Phase 2: we had these up and running so we began engaging with stakeholders.
    - We changed some budget elements.
    - We moved locations and encountered a more welcoming childspace.
    - We called it LBC- in spring 2017
    - This fall, made further improvements based on student feedback and usage patterns.
    - We also open on sat from 1-5 based on student feedback.
    - Budget: 16-17 we had partial year budgeting so we had a carryover.
    - We will have to increase staff from 2 to 3.
    - Projections for this year:
      - The main expenses is full time student staff and the night manager.
      - We also have a full year of staff with full time benefits. Minimum wage is also changing so that will drive our wages up.
      - We expect increase in usage as awareness increases.

- Little Bruins Clubhouse: usage has been on the smaller side but with the student feedback, we learnt that those who have used the facilities have been helped significantly. So that's motivated us to retain the program.

#### QnA

- Mokhtarzadeh: as a student who is not a parent, it still makes me really happy to watch this happen! Thank you so much for coming tonight.

### 3.Referendum Spending Presentation

Dr. Ifeoma Amah & Dr. Alexander

#### PLFs: Beza Mengistu & Yolanda Magafia

- Dr. Amah: We have brochure and information booklets on AAP.
- Dr. Alexander: thank you for having us here. Prior to student referendum funding, we were in a dire state. We suffered during the recession. When we got money through the referendum, we were able to grow our peer learning unit. So I want to thank you all for that. We are an academic unit so you can imagine how challenging is it to set up accounts on the academic side. Most of our funding is state or federal. So it took us 2 quarters to set up because we had no account to put the check that we had gotten. We got a bank account late last spring quarter. Our budget of peer learning has \$ 953,000. That is almost \$ 1 million. As of december 2017, we were halfway through that budget. We received \$ 140,000 from the referendum. We are on track to spend all of our budget. And I will explain why.
- Dr. Amah: I am the associate director, and I also coordinate the Humanities and Social Sciences Lab. I'm a bruin, class of 2002 and 2009 for Phd.
- Mengistu: I am a 4th year Psychobiology major and also a PLF and supervisor for English Composition.
- Magafia: I am a 4th year Statistics major with a minor in Classics. I am a PFL for philosophy and supervisor for Humanities.
- Mengistu: estb 27 yrs ago and is the largest student diversity program in USA. 3 fold mission:
  - social justice,
  - promote access,
  - academic success
  - and graduation for underrepresented students.
- Mengistu: We also want to promote leadership within our students. AAP has academic programs, counselling, scholarship programs, research programs, mentorships and a computer lounge. The PLF unit is for tutoring and is also used as a space to talk about course material.
- Mengistu: Structure of AAP: 4 full time prof staff, 2 labs: math sciences and hum. We have 10 disciples across those labs. 10 supervisors who oversee 122 undergrad PLFs. Most session sare in Campbell or on the hill and in life sciences court. We also have 5 undergrad office assistants.
- Mengistu: AAP students wishlist request. We are able to hire more plf and are able to add more sessions. So that is helping us make the wishlist program successful.

- Mengistu: We are better able to support our workers.
- Mengistu: Some numbers: when we had less facilitators, we had less students. There is demand and we are able to meet it by increase our resources. Now we are able to offer more trainings. Usually, we have 1 training at the beginning of the year. But we are hiring more throughout the year and are training them with compensation. As the lab grows, we need more administrative assistants who we are now able to hire. We have also worked on increasing sessions for upper divs specially by transfer students. We have student employee visibility during campus partner events: Bruin Day we hand AAP speak at an event. This has increased awareness and growth.
- Mengistu: Here are some of the upper div classes that we do offer.
- Mengistu: Future plans:
  - We have transfer students and we want to know more about their needs.
  - We hope to having focus groups.
  - We hope to have leadership and professional development training.
- Mengistu: If you guys are interested in applying to be a PLF, we are hiring now for next year as well as for summer and freshman summer program.
- Dr. Amah: Not all of our students come from AAP background. We get a lot of international and transfer students. A lot of Economics students and international students.

#### QnA

- Jackson: does AAP offer the same services to international students? Is there any future plan?
  - Dr. Alexander: we are exploring that issue. Part of that is funding and the state funding issues. We are talking to the Dashew Center.
- Stoke: as a product of AAP and transfer summer program, I have to say that AAP does amazing work on this campus. It is great to see that you are expanding. I will suggest everyone to apply to be a PLF.
- Diaz: I was a PFL over the summer and I loved it. It was my first job and best job. PLFs really really helped me also.
  - Dr. Amah: I was a product of AAP as well and I utilized PLF services a lot.
- Flournoy-Hooker: I also did FSP 2016. It helped prepare me for the regular college experience. I would encourage new bruins to look into this program.
- Jackson: AAP helped me decide the major I am doing right now so AAP is awesome.
  - Dr. Alexander: we loved the testimonies so thank you.
- Mokhtarzadeh: I wish we had done this presentation earlier in the year so that we could have been more supportive.
  - Dr. Amah: thank you and let us know if there's anything we can do on our end.

- Good evening!
- Word is getting out on the safety regarding the scooters.
- We had Charlie Kirk and Candace come in to speak. I know that there's always this high anxiety when a controversial speaker comes to campus. We have moved towards getting into physical altercation into things. And though there is passion brought from both sides, what I see is that with your help, I can get the word out.
- Every time that SOL has stepped in and asked for compliance, they have gotten compliance. Hope that that continues.
- Gigs coming up: MRX protest happened at the end of the month. Next week we will see some union demonstrations.
- I know that I may not see some faces here when I come to the next meeting in June. I can't believe the year has gone by so quickly. July will be my 1 yr anniversary in this position. What I have to say to you is THANK YOU. you had a little bit of concern and questioning when I came into this position but I feel that you all have finally welcomed me in and I get to see you on campus now. Thank you for bringing me into your family and I hope I have brought you into my family here as well. I hope that you will continue to say hello on campus as well. Congratulations to those who are graduating.
- One last thing, over the last few months, we have had some crimes in this building. Theft of the mezuzah and theft of the pride flag. These crimes are particularly concerning because they are associated with particular groups. We look at it as a sensitive matter. Keep your ear to the ground and call us if you see something out of the ordinary.
- Even if it ends up being nothing, we are happy that it is nothing.
- We are investigating both these crimes as hate crimes.

#### QnA

- Stokes: I was at the Charlie Kirk event and I have to say it went really well. Vice Chancellor Monroe was there. It got heated on both sides. I felt supported and so did the rest of the students there. So I wanted to say thank you to you and your patience. It changed my perspective on law enforcement on campus.
- Mokhtarzadeh: I want to say thank you. There's no other representative from UCPD who comes to USAC with this consistency. I appreciate all your effort.
  
- Mokhtarzadeh: this is a chance to ask questions of the e-board. This is not a conversation to make any charges. I want to thank both Jack and Matt for taking out the time.
- Stokes: couple of questions. I was looking through all the sanctions and some of the punishments seemed excessive. So I wanted to ask what the assessment of punishment was.
  - Matt: It is our job to investigate and announce sanctions. The process for levying penalty is such that I have a staff of 3 and the Executive Committee. The rubric we decided on was that last year I

noticed that some were not as serious and some were more. My mindset was that lets try and get a scale going on a level of severity. I discussed it with my staff and decide where it stands on our scale. I can't speak for individual cases.

- Stokes: thanks!
  - Price: in terms of maintaining impartiality, I prefer not to name any specific situation. As a general rule, I try to give Matt and the investigations committee enough time so that we can maintain impartiality. There are instances that become more frequent this week specially. When those come up, Matt will bring them to me. Finance related issues are brought to the attention of the Executive Committee. This week I have been checking in with Kris Kaupalolo as much as possible.
- Mokhtarzadeh: I wanted to ask that we maintain as much impartiality as possible so that we don't influence any election outcomes.
- Jackson: Matt, when you are giving out sanction, are you look for more of a punishment or to create equity in the election process.
  - Matt: I do not feel it is either one or the other.
- Mokhtarzadeh: the role of the election board is not to ...equity is something we all aspire to but it is not the role of the election board.
  - Price: but giving out sanction is a way to recalibrate the playing field we do not go our of our way to tag and hurt people. We are ensure that nobody secures an unfair advantage.
  - Matt: just the nature of the duties.
- Jackson: are you going off your judgement in the moment or based on last year's sanctions.
  - Matt: I read up on all the 75 section giving out last year. Those learnings have been built into the process that I have created this year.
- Mokhtarzadeh: thank you for coming in. I appreciate it.

## **VI. Officer Member Reports**

### **A. President** **Mokhtarzadeh**

- No written report was share before, during or after the meeting. Please refer to USAC Live for this officer's complete report for the evening.

### **C. External Vice President** **Pan**

- No written report was share before, during or after the meeting. Please refer to USAC Live for this officer's complete report for the evening.

### **E. Facilities Commissioner** **Hajee**

1. TGIF Sustainability Innovation Challenge Demo in BVR, on 05.18.2018. (Bruin Viewpoint Room)  
Come on out to hear students pitch their ideas in regards to different sustainability topics, where one team will be winning a cash prize to implement their project with campus partners
2. Bruin Bazaar is tomorrow in conjunction with the UCLA Farmers Market, E3, SWC Earth. The drill is the same, bring something, take something. We'll have clothing, homewear, and other items that are useful for students. Come through to Bruin Plaza tomorrow from 12pm-5pm

H. Campus Events Commission Saidian

- No written report was share before, during or after the meeting. Please refer to USAC Live for this officer's complete report for the evening.

I. Transfer Rep Stokes

- No written report was share before, during or after the meeting. Please refer to USAC Live for this officer's complete report for the evening.

K. Community Service Commissioner Hardwicke

- No written report was share before, during or after the meeting. Please refer to USAC Live for this officer's complete report for the evening.

L. Administrative Representatives Aboagye, Alexander, Champawat, Geller,

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1. UCLA has been participating in the Census 2020. Thank you for sending reps there. The other colleges and universities are slowly sending students but we have been there from the beginning and it has created a nice sense of engagement.

Alexander:

1. Do you have any questions about the exit packets that were sent out?
2. I brought some cool bags from Bruin Custom Print. Kelly Goodman who is our Campus Outreach Incharge is trying to get the word out. Inside the bag there is a business card and pricing brochure. They are approved so you can use your funds.
3. TGIF is coming up and our last funding deadline is this Friday. We are doing this cool new sustainability innovation challenge so if you all want to come out.

Champawat:

1. When we use approved vendors. They are approved that they are producing things according to the values that we all endorse. Like no sweatshops. It about using ethical bruin wear.

VII. Contingency Programming\* Malshe

- Last week we had 28 applications



- Requested: \$ 27259.90
- Recommended: \$ 16,701.00
- Boudaie moves to approve \$ 16,701.00 to Contingency, Flournoy-Hooker seconds.

**XII. ARC Allocations#****Flournoy-Hooker**

- Requested: \$ 59,479.89
- Recommended: \$ 38,882.91
- Mokhtarzadeh: are there any questions? Is there any opposition?
- Mokhtarzadeh: Seeing none, this item is approved.

**XIII. Supplemental Fund for Service#****Hardwicke**

- We hand 3 groups apply
- Total allocation: \$ 3576.00
- Mokhtarzadeh: any question?
- Mokhtarzadeh: seeing none, any opposition?
- Mokhtarzadeh: seeing none, this application is approved.

**XV. New Business****1. Transferring The Remaining Surplus to Endowment\*****Malshe**

- there hasn't been a motion so far to decide how much should be sent.
- Balance is \$ 369,872.00 that needs to be transferred.
  - \$ 311,891.00 was from the prior years' amount that should have been transferred.
  - This year, it should have been \$ 57,981.00
- Saidian moves to transfer \$ 369,872.00 to the endowment, Stokes seconds.
- 11-0-0 vote, this motion passes.

**XVI. Announcements**

- We are moving to Mental Health Week with Active Minds. Next week, we have **xxx** on May 4th.
- Stokes: May 12th we are welcoming all the new transfer students on campus. It would be a great opportunity to expand your offices to transfer students if you put tables at the event. Please sign up!
- Mokhtarzadeh: Spring Sing is on May 18th. Ticket prices at at 5\$ and they are selling ticket online! If they don't get close to selling out Pauley, Spring Sing won't happen again. It is really important that we support and show up! This is beautiful UCLA tradition so please encourage your friends and family to attend.
- Saidian: my old roommate is the director of Spring Sing right now and I cannot sit down to have lunch with her because she's always planning for this. It is all student run. I have been every single year ans it is really cool. Shoutout to her!

XVII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

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- The attendance sheet is passed around.

XVIII. Adjournment\*

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- Stokes moves to adjourn at 8:31 PM, Flournoy-Hooker seconds.
- 11-0-0 vote, this meeting is adjourned.

XIX. Good and Welfare

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\* Indicates Action Item

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