

# FINALIZED: May 15, 2018



AGENDA  
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL  
Kerckhoff Hall 417  
May 08th, 2018  
7:00PM

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

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

- 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\***

- Flournoy-Hooker: Strikes ARC allocation.
- Li: strikes her presentation on USAC history.
- Li Strikes webmaster presentation.
- Li: Strikes the International Rep amendment under new business.
- Boudaie: Strikes officer member report.
- Pan: Strikes BAG Fund.
- Mokhtarzadeh: moves up the presentation by CPO to before public comment. One of the presenters is a mother of 2 and has kids waiting at home.
- Hajee: Adds a discussion about adding security cameras to the third and fourth floors of Kerckhoff Hall.
- Hajee: Adds a discussion about USAC Election Ethics.
- Mokhtarzadeh: I do not think we should do that while the J-Board investigation is going on.
- Hajee: A discussion is still valid so we can think about the measures we need to take for next year.
- Mokhtarzadeh: Dr. Geller, would you know if we can have such a conversation?
- Dr. Geller: You can have a conversation but if you do, then you open the possibility that anyone who engages in the conversation becomes a witness who would need to go to the hearing to testify because whatever is shared here is on the record and needs to be shared with the J-Board. You may be called in as a witness.
- Hardwicke: Adds the AAC bylaw amendment under action items.

- Boudaie moves to approve the agenda as amended, Stokes seconds.
- 11-0-1 vote, the agenda is approved as amended.

### **III. Approval of the Minutes from May 1st, 2018\***

- Hardwicke moves to approve the minutes from 5.1.18, Saidian seconds.
- 12-0-0 vote, the minutes are finalized.

### **IV. Public Comments**

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#### No Audio & No Video

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#### Audio, No Video

- Nico Gisp, newly elected Chapter Chair of CALPIRG
  - CALPIRG is a student run and student funded non-profit that's been on campus since 1982. We work on many issues. We have a student board of directors made of student elected from different chapters. We all came together and decided to work on saving the bees, increasing access to affordable textbooks, 100% renewable energy on campus, non partisan voter registration.

#### Audio and Video

- Maria, Co-Director of Queer Alliance
  - This is concerning something that happened on Sunday. Someone had written the F slur on the AAC's office door. My experience as a queer coming to UCLA was very empowering. I was probably one of the few queers in the area where I come from. UCLA is in the top 10 consistently among LGBTQ-friendly campuses. But this past Sunday just took me back to high school and to feeling unsafe. There has been no response from administration. Does anyone really care about queer people on campus? Some of my cohorts are here who also want to speak.
- Member of Queer Alliance:
  - Echoing off of what Maria said: If you all can help us get administrators' attention because this kind of stuff is not isolated, it happens all the time.
- Member of Queer Alliance:
  - As we know, this is not an isolated event. Queer-phobia and trans-phobia is alive on this campus. We care about this issue and that's why we are here. We are looking to our student government to take action so that these things don't happen to people in our community.
- Member of Queer Alliance:
  - It is our responsibility to educate our students and staff. Queer alliance does all that it can.
  - Mokhtarzadeh: Just want to let you know that the administration is working on it already; the Vice Chancellor and Vice Chancellor of student awareness is already on this, and so is UCPD.
- Jason, first year Global Studies student.

- I am here about the discussion on getting camera on 3rd and 4th floor of Kerckhoff. This isn't the first time such a thing has happened. There is no security so we cannot find evidence for it. I would like to add my own case of reasons why we need camera: 2 months ago, I was participating in a march and left my computer in a locker on the 3rd floor of Kerckhoff but when I came back at the end of the day, my computer was not there. I talked to UCPD if there was any camera or way to collect evidence but there was nothing we could do. I am not happy that so many things have happened and there has been no security measure whatsoever. I would request the authorities to add cameras.
- Jamie Kennerk:
  - As someone who has talked very openly about being queer in the last couple of weeks, I just want to emphasize that having a security camera would make me feel a lot more safe next year.
- Robert Blake Watson:
  - I wanted to thank Jamie for buying all the queer flags for us to hang on our offices.

Mokhtarzadeh ends public comment at 7:29 PM.

## **V. Special Presentations**

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### 1. USAC Webmaster Presentation

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### 2. Gen Rep 1 Office Presentation by Aaron Simental

- Shoutout to Nicole who is the GenRep 1
- Also shoutout to our staff.
- This is a recap of what we have done this year
- I am not undocumented but have many undocumented members in my family.
- There are a couple of pictures of our staff. had 20 last summer and now we have 30.
- Fall, we had 10 people for an internship who graduated into our staff.
- Support #UndocBruins educational funding. It wasn't a scholarship due to laws. Taylor Staten is the director if SPARKS and we worked with them to raise money for scholarships.
- Raised \$ 10,000 and by the end, we raised \$ 16,000.
- The money went directly to the center who gave it away to undocumented students and DACA renewal fees.
- I want to recognize this council for allocating \$ 100,000 to undocumented students. The town hall was a great step in ensuring that the funds get allocated in the best possible way.
- *Clothing drive with IVP*: we went to De Neve Plaza for a week and ended up donating it to Salvation Army in Westwood.
- *Migration is Beautiful Photo Campaign*: we had a lot of photo campaigns this year. The monarch butterfly community represents migration without borders. We had an app with different facts.

- *Horchata Talks and Tea Talks* was a way to get the community to come to us and see what's going on. We had these every 2 weeks. One was on immigration, sexual assault, complacency.
- We only had a few Tea Talks. A few were actually held in this room.
- Our most exciting and worrying was the *11 Minutes for 11 Million Action*. This is where we had a physical human barrier on Bruin Plaza to bring the light to the issues that trouble the undocumented students. There were 2 instances when our fellow Bruins forcibly went through us. One of them biked through us. Another one just ran through us.
- Raising awareness through visibility video: it was scary, vulnerable and beautiful. She blindfolded her eyes and had a banner asking for hugs "I am undocumented. I trust you, if you trust me hug me". One person actually cried because it was so touching for them.
- Advocacy for detained undocumented students. For Luis Mora and Orr Yakobi.
- More pictures.
- *Swipes on Campus*: we are still working on this cause. In December we started collecting surveys from students to see how we can best convert hill swipes to campus swipes. There was currently an op-ed out. We are working on a campaign video.
- Another thing is that there is a strike happening on campus today. Last summer at the Ronald Regan Medical Center they let go of a lot of valet members. We wrote a resolution that council adopted last fall. Our staff donated 60 bags to the protesters today.
- Other advocacy related events: Women's March, we screened "Sin Nombre" very interesting movie but trigger warning! We dropped banners from doors and offices "No Human is Illegal" but were asked to take it down by ASUCLA. We had "Fight Ignorance Not Immigrants" at the Bruin Bear.
- This year has been about showing that undocumented students are not forgotten. They have earned their place on campus.
- *Diversity UCLA Tours*: tour about the history and significance of UCLA.
- Other miscellaneous accomplishments:
  - Attended support the UC Regents meeting.
  - DACA phone band with EVP.
  - Valet worker support resolution.
  - Co-sponsored SAT resolution with AAC and other offices.
  - Works with USP and BRC to best allocate the \$ 100,000.
  - Today, distributed goodie bags to UC strike workers.

#### QnA

- Mokhtarzadeh: I also want to thank you because you are not a council member but have been at the meetings more consistent.

- Hardwicke: Thanks for your presentation, it was amazing. On the swipes campaign, have you worked or talked to the students who are on Swipe Out Hunger. They have 8 years of advocacy and have strong relationships with dining. They're nervous about your campaign.
  - Julia: I helped on the campaign. I reached out to them and to tell them that were there for them. They let us know what they needed from us.

### 3. CPO Referendum Fund

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- Our social justice referendum went to our Camp SICO, CRC, CPO Food.
  - \$ 35,000
  - \$ 284,000
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- We were able to increase hourly rates for student staff by \$ 1.25.
- For our campus retention committee projects allocated 30 weeks not 27.
- All SIOP allocations \$ 1,000 for community engagement programs.
- \$ 1,000 for food for workshops and meetings.
- Food closet- created food boxes for 7 family members of over 700 students in November and December of last year.
- CPO Food Closet Annex- got refrigeration units and more space, organic foods, ready to go meals.

### QnA

- Jackson: are there additional areas of financial support that would be necessary in the future
  - Minimum wage is going to continue to increase, and we need to expand the food closet. The annex has helped with that but we have noticed that that has increased the demand also.
- Mokhtarzadeh: thanks a lot!

### 4. USAC History Presentation

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## VI. Officer Reports

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### A. President

Mokhtarzadeh

- Mokhtarzadeh: I would like to cede my time to Lt. Kilgore.

### Lt. Kilgore:

- Part of the discussion tonight was related to AAC's hate crime. We have had 3 hate crimes in the last 3 months. Divya's office on 2 occasion it the last week. Right now we have no suspects or leads on all 3 crimes. It is important for everyone who is in office. We need your help. We don't have enough offices to be all our eyes and ears so we need your help. If you see something that's not right, we need to know about it. You see stuff that you think might be the person who is committing these crimes. Don't be afraid to call us so that we can address the matters. We are a public campus that is open to the outer area and people

come here sometimes to victimize our community. It is a tough position for a department to be in when we don't have leads. I support the idea of cameras.

- But I want to share some more information: many times you see this uniform and you label them. We all label people because we all have biases. When bias becomes an issue that translates into a crime, it's a problem! There are people in this dept. I have worked for 5 different police depts in 2 diff states and this is the most diverse police dept and community that I have ever been part of. I am a Bruin my marriage because my husband graduated from medical school here. And you are presented in the department and you are cared about. Just because I wear this uniform does not mean that where I come from. You don't know who this person is but understand that we all have some type of connection that represents you. I was born and raised in Ohio, my dad was my high school bio teacher, I was raised and told that gay people are going to hell, I admire the man of my life, he's a man, he's a doctor, his primary focus is family medicine, HIV medicine and transgender medicine. So when you think you know something about someone, talk to them so that you might be able to remove your bias or the labels. This department represents you. We take these things seriously and take them as important concerns but we need your help. If you have info then come forward and tell us. Don't be fearful of me because I wear this uniform.
- Some of you saw me in the room and thought about why is the police here. But I am here at least once a month. But if you need help, then just call me. does not matter what time in the night. You might have come from areas and had bad experiences with the police. You might have had bad experiences with our police department but even if we mess up sometimes, we are here for you. We are all human beings and we need to show each other respect.

#### QnA

- Stokes: thank you for sharing. Just you coming to these meetings and interacting has changed my perspective about UCPD. I hope you continue with the next council.
- Jackson: when incidents like these happen, such as hate crimes, if that person is found then what happens with them?
  - Dr. Geller: there are 2 separate process. There is the criminal process which UCPD will handle and then if we identify a student who is violating the student conduct code, such as hate crimes, then that office would handle that. The two investigation can run parallel. If someone is found guilty in court of a criminal proceeding, then the person might get sanction or jail time. For the violation of student conduct code, it can result in separation from campus or all 10 UC campuses or sanciton while they are still part of the university.
- Jackson: What if it wasn't a student? Would there be a restraining order?
  - Lt. Kilgore: court makes that decision. The judge weights in a lot of things and decides.
- Dr. Geller: when a student is found to have violated any code with the intent of hate crime, targeting any protected class, then sanctions will be in place. Sanctions would be more severe for vandalism related to targeting a protected class than it would be for random vandalism.

- Lt. Kilgore: the protesters who were struck by a vehicle. That is under investigation too and we have a lot of social media footage to look at. Sometimes you may feel that staff and faculty on campus are not dealing quickly with the matter. I can assure you that your staff and faculty have your best interests at heart and represent your diversity as well. Just because you don't see things immediately, don't assure that things aren't happening.

#### B. Internal Vice President

Li

1. lottery to book rooms in Ackerman and Kerckhoff is coming up (May 19th 9am) with ASUCLA Event Office.
2. Plan ahead because rooms fill up quickly. If you already have big events in mind for next school year, you can start to book the rooms!
3. 2018 New Student Orientation student groups:
4. A contact for your organization must complete the online application by Friday, May 25th at 11:59 pm. Application link: <https://goo.gl/forms/0fHG5BCPrIEJb5Qb>

#### QnA

- Malshe: Sorry could you clarify how the funding will work?
- Li: I think ASUCLA has a different one during orientation. You can contact SOL as well.

#### C. External Vice President

Pan

1. I want to take a moment to acknowledge the labor strikes that are happening. The workers have always stood in solidarity with students, whether that's fighting against tuition increases or holding the university accountable for SASV allegations. The least we can do is to support them now. If you can't make it to the 12pm or 4:30pm rallies, you can give a call to UCOP's Executive Director of Labor Relations Peter Chester at (510) 987-9919. UC administration often openly speaks on labor issues to put students against workers, but the reality is that supporting each shouldn't be mutually exclusive.
2. The deadline to register for the California June primary elections is May 21st. If you plan on voting by mail, your letter needs to be signed on the back and postmarked by June 5th.
3. Our last event of the year will be on May 17th. We're focusing the day on the politics of fresh food and food stamps. We'll be on Kerckhoff from 12-3pm with CalFresh Initiative to make calls in support of SB900. Later in the day from 5-6pm, we'll have a workshop with Jared Call, the Director Managing Nutrition Policy Advocate from California Food Policy Advocate, to learn about the state of food policy in 2018.
4. Our SPARK campaign to raise \$10,000 for public service scholarships will be ending soon. We've currently raised over \$3,000 in partnership with the UCLA Career Center to support low-income students

and students of color pursuing public service internships to increase diversity in public service. If you have the capacity to, please donate or support the campaign by sharing it on social media.

D. Academic Affairs Commissioner Sharma

- Nidirah: he is on his way. I appreciate your recognition of the hate crime that happened this weekend.

E. Facilities Commissioner Hajee

1. GOTV efforts for the Westwood Subdivision election on May 22nd.
2. Volunteer Meetings at 4:30pm and 7pm Bruin Viewpoint Room. If you want to get involved, check out the Westwood Forward page for details on how to get involved.
3. Special s/o to the Environmentalists of Color Collective on Campus for hosting their Climate Justice Forum today.
4. The TGIF Sustainability Challenge will be 7-9 pm on Thursday, May 17th. Dinner and a showcase of sustainability organizations will occur in Public Affairs 2343, followed by presentations and the announcement of the winner in 2214. We have between 5-7 groups presenting.

F. Financial Supports Commissioner Boudaie

G. General Rep 2 He

H. Campus Events Commission Saidian

1. CEC Free Concert | Injury Reserve with Yeek 1 5/9 AGB @7PM reserve on Eventbrite
2. CEC Free Film: Black Panther 5/17 AGB @8pm No reservations required.
3. CEC 24th Annual Shorttakes Film Festival 5/25 James Bridges Theater @7:30pm
4. Bo Burnham Q&A + "Eighth Grade" UCLA Free Screening 5/29 James Bridges Theater @8PM

I. Transfer Rep Stokes

J. Student Wellness Commissioner Lee

1. Active Minds hosting Culture in Mind Conference with RPN and UCLA Depression Grand Challenge to address intersectionality between culture and mental health (May 19, 9-4pm at Dodd Hall). Free food for first 200 to RSVP: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/culture-in-mind-conference-tickets-45635715654>
2. Send Silence Packing display May 15, 10-4pm in Wilson Plaza, to raise awareness to suicide prevention on college campuses, through 1,100 backpacks standing for the 1,100 college students who take their own lives each year.
3. Bruin Consent Coalition wrapped up Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and held a Toxic APIDA Masculinity event 5/8/18 with Asian Pacific Coalition in Boelter 5419
4. Application for Waivers for BruinCare (\$60/quarter) available for spring quarter, due May 11 (<https://www.facebook.com/events/348054535598814/>)
5. Met with Dr. Kim of the LGBT Center last week and SWC will be contributing referenda fees to student leadership programs, wellness programs, allyship programs led by LGBT Center
6. 2 years ago, Student Wellness Programming Fund was \$5400, and today we have almost allocated \$15000 and are not yet at the end of the quarter and will continue receiving applications

K. Community Service Commissioner

Hardwicke

- Hosting Project Bruin- our annual event where we bring around 400-500 K-12 students that are service recipients from our projects from around Los Angeles to UCLA for a field trip. We provide breakfast, lunch, transportation, and educational workshops for all the kids.
- Working with SREC and CAPS to add a mental health training component to the Youth Safety Trainings that all UCLA students working with youth service recipients have to take
- Having a ceremony to celebrate the recipients of our Robert S. Michaels scholarship on March 23rd from 6-8pm.
- Have had a really successful launch of our new funding body and are excited to be filling a big need for student orgs doing service with this funding body.
- Bruin Dine- coming back this thursday. Bruin Reception Room 9:30pm- shoutout to the leaders from Hunger project, Swipe out hunger and bruin shelter for working through the incredible beauraucracy of UCLA to make this possible. I believe we should expect to see it institutionalized as a regular event next year!
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L. Administrative Representatives

Aboagye, Alexander, Champawat, Geller,

Kadota

Alexander:

1. I have your formal invitations for the new council installation
2. If you all have any needs as you're getting ready to transition, send us an email!

Dr. Geller:

1. I don't have any administrator updates!

**VII. Contingency Programming\***

**Malshe**

- We got 35 applications.
- Requested: \$ 27280.80
- Recommended: \$ 18205.92
- Dr. Geller: Can you briefly talk about the process for contingency through the end of the quarter
- Malshe: if they are still having events in week 10 and finals, we would still allow them to apply. We know that the requisition deadline has passed and given that all accounts close on the 20th of July but they have till then to access any allocation but I wouldn't recommend that. After finals week, we would have the summer contingency. We are left with \$ 160,000 within contingency.
- Stokes: some student organizations are saying that they don't see the money in their accounts.
- Malshe: I am working with Debbie on that. If it is about creating an account number, I would ask them to contact Debbie.
- Saidian moves to approve \$ 18205.92 to contingency, Boudaie seconds.
- 13-0-0 vote, the contingency funding allocation is approved.

**VIII. Student Wellness Programming Fund#**

**Lee**

- 3 applications
- Bruin Allies For Duchenne / Project Bruin:
  - Requested \$ 234.98
  - Suggested \$ 234.98
- Colleges Against Cancer (SHN\*) / Relay for Life:
  - Requested \$ 1000
  - Suggested \$ 1000
- Bruin Home Solutions / Annual Gala: to present what they've been working on the entire year and to educate other people. Open to public
  - Requested \$ 750
  - Suggested \$ 300 (with printing offered)
- Total: \$ 1534.98
- Mokhtarzadeh: Any questions? Any opposition?
- Mokhtarzadeh: Seeing none, the allocation is approved by consent.

IX. Bruin Advocacy Grant Fund#

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#### **X. Travel Grant Mini Fund#**

##### **Sharma**

- With emergency preparedness, UGC will be looking through our memo under the campus safety task force.
- Ad-hoc committee has been voted as a permanent part of college now.
- The academic equity fund prints solidified its demands.
- UCPD is now going to be talk about an addition to their committee.
- We had a discussion and we will have a quarterly forum with UCPD to talk about TSP and FSP.
- Sunday, April 29, the pride flag was was taken from the office.
- This past Sunday I walked by the office and saw the word “fag” etched into the office door. I'm going to use this space to talk about it. ~~In elementary school, I know a lot of queer people were called fag a bunch of times. I didn't know what it means. I remember my mom going to school when someone called me that the first time. She goes in and forces the kid to apologize for me. This was the~~
- When I was in elementary school it was the first time I heard this word. Someone walked up to me and asked if I was a fag. I responded in confusion and later asked my mom what it meant. I remember my mom busting down the school and forcing the child to apologize then ensuring the teacher addressed the name calling. All the while, all I could think was, being embarrassed to have my mom in class. Little did I know that was my first glimpse of my mom in battle. Still not knowing what the word truly meant until 8th grade when I was called it repeatedly, instead of destruction I focused on my school work and consistently achieved. In high school, people were far more covert with their homophobia. I remember most people whispered and asked if I was gay to my close friends, but never to my face.

- When I finally came out in my Aunt Julie's kitchen, I cried while my family laughed and smiled saying "FINALLY DIV". It was finally the beginning of my acceptance. Unfortunately, with new found acceptance comes new dangers as well.
- My freshmen year of college was the first time in a long time that I had to be confronted with this word again. The man that raped me that year repeatedly called me it as I lost my virginity. And his fraternity brothers only heard me screaming. When I walked out, all they saw was a guy. Therefore, they did not look to addressing me or my rapist as I ran out.
- Since then, I transferred to UCLA, was elected twice within our student government, and graduating with honors.
- And even with all that, I still have to face a word that has haunted my my whole life.
- Nicole, Aaron, Arielle thank you for texting me and letting me know. For the rest of you, I have been sitting next to you all year.
- I am going to go into how I supported myself through this: this university and this position was not made for someone like me.
- The administration did not address it. I wrote an email with Arielle to write this to the campus administration. I had to take to my professors that I cannot take a midterm because I need to sleep. I am scared that they might vandalized my car or my house. I am lucky to have UCPD come forward both time.
- I can't believe a police officer is actually doing this.
- Something that I learnt from our incoming AAC is the reason why we are leaders on this campus so that student leaders can stand taller on this campus.
- To address this, we are creating a new organization under AAC that is called SAJE, Students for Allyship and Justice Through Education.
- History: The AAC was created by the freedom fighter after Martin Luther King spoke on campus in 1965.
- On Sunday May 6th, the Academic Affairs Commission's door was vandalized with the word "FAG" written in permanent marker. In response we will be adding an initiate to the office within our bylaws.
- I understand that this will be needed to be added as an action item on May 8th, and the CRC will have to look at it, but it is a small change, and I hope the circumstance will allow you all to see past the bureaucracy.
- The Academic Affairs Commission is looking to add an initiative at this time within our by laws. This initiative will be called Students for Allyship and Justice through Education (SAJE). This initiative, will be focusing on education student organizations as well as the Academic Senate on what allyship looks like as well as covering topics like homophobia (i.e., -isms and -phobias). A goal of this initiative is to hold UCLA accountable and create a course through Orientation that is similar to the SA/SV and alcohol abuse course, but based in allyship, something we have already been working on.

- The point is to solidify work and hold this office accountable to allyship through education. I hope you can all support this, currently, I have struggled greatly with the recent events and am really looking to pass something that will enact an amount of change that goes past my term.
- An initiative is defined to be a duty of the officer to carry out year to year. Due to the time crunch I am unable to make it a registered student organization that is sponsored under the office, but Nidirah will be completing that within the coming weeks, as well as additional organizations under the office. This initiative will be the groundwork that we need in the immediate to solidify some amount of change within USAC to hold ourselves accountable to educating the campus population
- Mokhtarzadeh: thank you Divya for being here and sharing so openly.

~~XI. Academic Success Referendum#~~

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~~XII. ARC Allocations#~~

Flournoy-Hooker

**XIII. Supplemental Fund for Service#**

**Hardwicke**

- 4 groups applied this week.
- Recommended: \$ 4446.00
- Mokhtarzadeh: Any questions? Any opposition?
- Mokhtarzadeh: Seeing none, the allocation is approved by consent.

**XIV. Old Business**

**XV. New Business**

**I. Election Code Bylaw Amendment\***

**Li**

- Li: for this years council, we didn't appoint a review committee going through all the election board members and chair. All of us vote yes on consent items. We interviewed all appointments in the council meeting. What I propose is that all of them be converted to action items.
- Li: this can be an action item for future council's.
- Mokhtarzadeh: we had voiced opposition with regard to the vice chair and the external relations chair. Maybe we can specific that they are not consent items and therefore they need to come present to council. Are subcommittee members also interviewed?
- Li: No.
- Dr. Geller: you want to be clear to either have consent items that come to council for a consent vote but don't have to be present or action items that go to ARC. typically, stipend positions are action items and go to ARC and even for consent items, ARC is supposed to be given a list of who they are with their resumes and asking for an interview or asking that they come to council. Either way, it is ARC that's driving that action. So you don't have the option of sticking the arc process.
- Li: I can add that all e-board appointments should be action items.
- Mokhtarzadeh: I personally think it is a little excessive.
- Boudaie: the executive committee is what came before us and the subcommittees were just appointed by them.

- Mokhtarzadeh: for item #4, does the language say that subcommittee members must be approved by council?
- Mokhtarzadeh: the executive committee i.e., the chair, external vice chair, etc.
- Jackson: Before the vote, was it a  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority?
- Mokhtarzadeh: the chair has always been  $\frac{2}{3}$ , the Vice Chair is consent.
- Dr. Geller: how about all these positions requiring  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote.
- Mokhtarzadeh: I would say that with regard to the Vice Chair and External Relations Chair. This year we didn't feel comfortable approving those candidates by consent. But I also hear Dr. Geller with regard to subcommittee is a bit excessive. I understand why we want to approve the Vice Chair and External Relations but I do feel that the subcommittee is excessive.
- Flournoy-Hooker: I think it is unrealistic and might be too much. It can also change depending on who are going to be on ARC committee next year.
- Mokhtarzadeh: Article 5 section A subsection 2 says that, "....." so council approval is currently required for executive committee. I believe it is the Chairperson, Vice Chair and External Relationships.
- Li: the subcommittee Directed are the Investigations Director, Appointments Director.
- Flournoy-Hooker: These are not the additional 50 people.
- Flournoy-Hooker: Okay then I support it.
- Hajee: If there are issues then is there the option of each chair going through an ARC interview.
- Dr. Geller: Action items don't require a  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority. Those are simple majority. Asking for a super majority is going one step beyond. Content item still has a role. Making it an action item means that the people have to come and vote and then have a simple majority.
- Flournoy-Hooker: The  $\frac{2}{3}$  is the typical voting mechanism. We do that with pretty much everything and then there is an issue people have the option to bring that up. I wouldn't see a difference in the power we've had
- Mokhtarzadeh: Vivy did you run this by the e-board by any chance?
- Mokhtarzadeh: would everyone feel comfortable giving election board the oopeitntiy and for us to table this to next week.

**~~2. USAC International Representative Bylaw Amendment\*~~**

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**3. Discussion on Needing Security Camera on 3rd and 4th Floor**

Hajee

- Hajee: Offices have been targeted with slurs against Muslims, undocumented students. even though UCPD is willing to investigate, there is no documentation of these crimes in a way that we can have suspects. More of the discussion is proposed to administration to see what the next steps would be.
- Sharma: I am never for security cameras. I wish people would stop being homophobic on campus. But I think it is good to have accountability. And I would even be down to put a secret camera.
- Alexander: It will be up to all the councilmembers to decide that that what they want. ASUCLA would use the same company that installed security cams in the study lounges and ASUCLA would pay for that. It is your decision and we will support and have that for you.

- Hajee: would the council support having an action item for next week.
- Jackson: why aren't there security cameras in Kerckhoff to begin with?
- Alexander: just the study lounges had security cameras nothing else in Kerckhoff Hall.
  - Member of the Public: I am just concerned for SWC because you have the condoms and the tampons and that's needed to be discrete. So maybe there could be a more private location for that
- Dr. Geller: you may have noticed that on the 4th floor there are some signs that say that this area is restricted to UCLA students after 9 PM. There was a discussion that ASUCLA brought to council at that time. And council voted not to have cameras and instead asked for that signage.
- Hardwicke: so the security cameras that exist in the study lounges, who moderates them?
- Alexander: It's monitored by our security officers and if there's ever an incident.
  - Nidirah: if it is an issue for policy, there would be a policy such that unless an incident happens, nobody is allowed to access the video.
- Mokhtarzadeh: Arielle, did you have any comments on this?
- Mokhtarzadeh: I definitely understand the concerns with regard to student privacy. But there should be some accountability. It is very clear that he was targeted. If we aren't doing our part to ensure that students feel safe, I do not think we can call this a true student space.
- Li: I know past student council members have lost valuables so we need cameras for that too.
- Hajee: another question is the offices for student organizations. How would this extend beyond USAC and ensure students within those orgs as well.
  - Nidirah: there are security cameras in other facilities where there are multiple. In order to deface someone door, you need to stand for a certain amount of time. And if someone is in the office, it would be detectable.
- Hardwicke: I know there are a lot of student organizations on the 4th floor. It is worth asking for their opinion if they are going to be on camera.
- Mokhtarzadeh: Zahraa if you could ask the OSAC Chair?
- Hajee: We could have the USAC Chair send a feedback form and next week when we are voting on it it will make sure to send their feedback with the agenda.
- Mokhtarzadeh: It might be helpful to have Heidi come and of a presentation.
- Lee: would we consider this for the first floor too?
- Hajee: if it is a student organization office space, it is still under OSAC.
- Mokhtarzadeh: we can invite students on ASUCLA board to come and invite the conversation. So Zahraa is going to reach out to Heidi and ask her to get feedback. I will reach out to the current ASUCLA director and we can all regroup next week to further the discussion.

**4. Discussion Regarding J-Board Case and Candidates Violating Students' Privacy** **Hajee**

- I wanted to start this regarding the recent J-Board case and candidates violating students privacy with regard to voting rights. I wanted to propose this to get thoughts about the situation. There are a lot of future council members in the room to ensure preventative measures.
  - Christina: A couple of people have reached out to me because they didn't feel comfortable being here themselves. People felt really uncomfortable being targeted by certain candidates and they didn't get a chance to make their own decision because they were intoxicated. One of the candidates who's names was repeatedly brought up. What messages was sent to these students who felt coerced and pressured. This isn't okay. The people are too scared to come here because they are scared those candidates and their networks.
  - Member of The Public: specially intoxicated individuals cannot consent and we need to consent to vote. E-board can make amendments to the e-code and to make elections safe, there need to be amendments about flyering limits around apartments and fraternities.
  - Su Han, Member of The Public: my name is Su Han. I went out to the SAE frat house and that's when I saw a couple of candidates running under BU talking to girls and looking at their phones and telling them to vote for specify people. Later that night I saw an ever larger group of BU candidates, Claire, Victoria, etc. I saw them stopping intoxicated girls along Gayley and asking if they had voted yet and then asking them to vote for me me me and telling them their name. These students were very vulnerable because they were very vulnerable and they pressured girls to vote. My only hopes are that in the future, e-board and j-board and USAC can actually create sanction and ensure that this does not happen again.
  - Robert: It was no big secret that I was involved with BU last year and was independent this year. I feel like the way we are talking about this is an isolated case. We talk about how voter turnouts look. I do think it happens disproportionality on one side rather than the other. I made sure that my position in power was not abused. I didn't go door knocking on the hill and people shouldnt be allowed to do that in the apartments. Moreover, these same people are the ones who are running on platforms of transparency and not have our turnout be 25% each year. I tired to be as complaint as possible.
- Mokhtarzadeh: Just because there were reports of campaign meetings that were held on the hill. I will ask that OCHC do so as well because there was substantiated evidence that campaign meetings were on the hill and that is against our constitution.
- Jackson: As someone who ran a campaign in the past. There's a way to run campaign and I understand the need for wanting votes. I ran with BU and I was not out there twerking for votes. Ashraf and I decided to walk people back home after that. And we got 1 vote out of that. It depends on the individual how they choose to run their campaign.

- Serena: The hill thing is terrible but that's a separate conversation. We are talking about frat houses. There was a lack of consent. How elitist and exclusive these frat houses are in the first place.
- Pan: I want to respond to your point Justin. We can talk about individual without talking about the systems that let that continue every. I have seen campaigns and freedoms where they have gotten violation citation and sanction but have blatantly violates them because there is no follow up sanction or consequences.  
Jackson: have we seen anyone be disqualified in these 4 years?
- Hajee: No.
- He: Ashraf responded to your earlier comment saying that the person you walked home that night didn't vote when he was drunk.
- Stokes: Are there any ideas about how to prevent this in the future.
- Sharma: I think that solution oriented discussion is great but I want to bring it back to the idea of coercion. It is problematic that both USAC presidents are having platforms on sexual assault and they are perpetuating rape culture. As a person on this campus, I don't feel safe with multiple allegations coming out of that having happened to them. You do need to take a critical lens to all of these things. We need to think about the people who are running and their platforms. Because I do not see a connect really. I do not know if Claire and Arielle can elaborate on that. There is no point having a platform called *Times Up*. When we see someone is being sanctioned for voter coercion while on the other hand Kosi puts up a social media post and gets severe sanctions. It is unusual for a student of color slate versus a very greek, white slate.
- Flournoy-Hooker: I am confused that you said that those two were perpetuating raper culture. That's a gross comparison. I don't get that. It is a very strong claim.
- Sharma: Someone coerces someone to do something. If you think it is not that that's fine, that's just my opinion. I don't have to answer your question.
- Hardwicke: turning over the conclusions. We don't have the ability to take action tonight. The next r-board and council have the ability to change the e-code. I do not think campaign should be allowed in frats. But thursday night everyone throws caution out the window because there cannot be any consequences tomorrow.
- Jackson: I think we need to have qualifications.
- Stokes: we can come up with a document of suggestion for the next council and e-board.
  - Christina: I appreciate you guys talking about proactive response for next year's candidates. But for the case going on right now, there are no witnesses who want to come forward because they are scared and it is vindictive.
- Saidian: The situation is that students can't publicly come forward and make comment. Maybe we can have anonymous testimonies. We need to talk about how we can allow the witness to have a channel to testify.

- Hajee: I do not know if this is productive to this conversation. Responding to Malik, when it comes to someone taking away someone's agency to vote, it is important for you to hold your friends and other members of your team accountable.
- Stokes: does j-board do anonymous testimonials?
  - Su, Member of The Public: the current board has been communicating with us that they will need witness to be public. I know 3 witnesses who would speak up if they were allowed to be anonymous.
- Boudaie: the hearing has to be public but there still a preliminary hearing before that and that's not public.
- He: If there is a precedent about how the witness was threatened because they felt unsafe, would j-board consider that? A candidate's relative actually posted on Facebook calling out students who have vulnerable legal status.
- Pan: students of color being targeted by parents of white students who have privileges. This is something that needs to be said explicitly.
  - Member of The Public: I talked to J-board and under article 2.1E that private meetings would be possible. The page where e-board had been accepting section was not open.
- Stokes: So the preliminary hearing is tomorrow?
- Hajee: So e-board would investigate and witnesses could come privately and provide testimonies to e-board. So it is about students feeling unsafe tomorrow to testify at the private preliminary hearing.
- Saidian: If j-board determines that e-board can open the investigation and e-board determines based on anonymous evidence, can they disqualify the candidate? Yes.
- Jackson: So what's the sanction?
- Hajee: Candates violated students right to privacy because they campaigned at parties. And e-boards sanction was 2 hour ban on campaigning. So j-board is checking that.
  - Nidirah: the solution would be establishing checks and balances in terms of who is on e-board and how they navigate their discretion.
- Hardwicke: isn't the check that we appoint them?
- Saidian: that's a check on Arielle no?
- Hardwicke: all of us.
- Hajee: there's not really clarity in the e-code about specific section and what those punishments would be.
- Sharma: is a rep from e-board coming tonight?
- Hajee: they are not allowed to.
- Saidain: how can we potentially come up with all the hypothetical violations and decide penalties.
- Stokes: but for big allegation, we can have something going to a separate entity.
- Lee: whe we invited e-board in the last meeting, Matt said he had a system fo 4 scales of violations. But is there a way that we can have a guideline?
- Hajee: We get the calendar approved, we can approve the sanction rubric too at that time.

- Serena, Member of the Public: let us say that they do disqualify the person, then what?
- Sharma: No votes would be redistributed, a special election would happen in fall and genrep 2 seat would be open for anyone.
- Dr. Geller: We would need to check in with the e-board and their advisor. The votes would be recalculated based on the votes that were cast. The real expect is Kris Kaupalolo.
- Stokes: I like the idea of looking at a rubric that Matt made and adding to that.
- Jackson: having a rubric was great.
  - Claire, USAC President 2018-19: I look forward to working with the next e-board chair to implement the next e-code.
- Mokhtarzadeh: moving on to our next item.

#### **5. AAC bylaw Amendment**

**Sharma**

- Sharma reads the bylaw amendment
- Sharma: Jessica told me that since it is not an appointment and it's not a student organization, there will not be any problem. And Nidirah is going to add to it next year.
- Hardwicke: Is it not a separate organization?
- Sharma: we will populate the organization and then put it under SOL to add a student organization.
- Stokes: Will it open resources to other organizations?
- Sharma: I talked to IGR and BRC and we are going to be pamphleting a lot. This organization is more for allyship.
- Jackson: Is this a about setting precedent into our bylaws for things that aren't in our bylaws yet?
- Sharma: I talked to Jessica and it is almost as if we are putting it into the bylaws. A committee is one thing but an initiative is long lasting under any commissioner who comes in.
- Boudaie moves to approve the AAC bylaw amendment, Jackson seconds.
- 11-0-2 vote, this motion passes.

#### **XVI. Announcements**

- Robert Blake, USAC IVP 2018-19: We are doing a co-program showcasing a film with BFC. We are going to unstitulalize project race hopefully somehow through the bylaws. The last thing is honing in on hygiene and working with the hunger project to establish bins for hygiene donations. We will eventually be in partnership with other spaces dealing with hygiene products.
- Malshe: capital contingency is still open and we haven't used much of it. Incoming officers and other in Kerckhoff are welcome to apply for it. It can be used to buy a lot of items for your office.
- Hardwicke: Bruin Dine will be in thee Bruin Reception Room.
- Stokes: We are all here doing work that's valued so I do not think it is fair when statements are made that we are not supportive. We have come very far as a council and it is not right to say such things.
- Flournoy-Hooker: Stay critical of people who are going to beside you and behind you and people who are taking photos of you, as well as the administrators. These people will lie to your face and will make it

sound so good and you'll believe it. So be critical, pay attention, take everything with a grain of salt. Be vary of manipulation that will go on in this room and building and school in general. Be critical and observant and pay attention. Good luck to everyone who has won and run fairly. Love independent candidates.

- *Word on Wednesday* tomorrow 7-9 PM in Kerckhoff Art Gallery.
- Follow the CAC page.

**XVII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet**

**XVIII. Adjournment\***

- Stokes moves to adjourn at 10:04 PM, Hardwicke seconds.
- 13-0-0 vote, this 2nd to last meeting of the 2017-18 USAC Council is adjourned.

**XIX. Good and Welfare**

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