AGENDA
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
October 15th, 2019
7:00PM

I. Call to Order
   - Robert calls the meeting to order at 7:08 pm

   A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet
      - Sign in sheet is passed around

II. Approval of minutes* (Outgoing/incoming)
   - 10/8/19 minutes
   - 8-0-0 motion passes, 10/8/19 minutes approved

III. Approval of the Agenda*
   - Remove Khrystiana Lynch appointment, strike Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations, strike ASRF Allocations, add appointment
   - 9-0-1 motion passes appointment added to agenda
   - Lalo motions to approve the agenda, Kelechi seconds
   - 9-0-0 motion passes; agenda approved as amended

Elections Board Updates
   - Online campaigning has started going smoothly
   - First office hours today and had two candidates come in and ask questions
   - Going to send a Remind about when office hours are

Contingency Programming*  
   - Total Requested: $10,314.54
   - Total Recommended: $6,777.95
   - Lalo motions to approve recommended amount, Kelechi seconds
   - 8-0-2 motion passes, recommended amount approved for USAC and non-USAC entities

SFS Allocations#
   - Total Requested: $5,329.49
   - Total Recommended: $3,945.85
   - USAC and non-USAC entities
   - No oppositions, SFS Allocations approved

Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations#  

SWC Programming Fund Allocations#  

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*Denotes a vote with Record

#Denotes a vote without Roll Call
- Total requested: $671
- Total allocated $127.92 to one non-USAC group for a breast cancer awareness rally
- No oppositions, SWC Programming Funds approved

### ASRF Allocations#

- Riley

### AAC Travel Mini-Grant Allocations#

- Travel grant allocated $246.60
- Requested $246.60
- No opposition, AAC Travel Mini-Grant Allocations approved

### ARCF Allocations#

- Iheanacho

### IV. Public Comment

- Watson

- No Audio No Video
  - 0 comments

- Audio No Video
  - My name is [indiscernible] and I’m the Vice Chair for the Student Services Committee. So basically, the committee that we are on, we have the student services fee [indiscernible]. We have a very small budget this year, only about $1 million and a half and last year they advised the chancellor to allocate around $6 million and years before that they advised the chancellor over $7 million. The fact that we have a small budget really worries me because lots of communities on campus, specifically marginalized communities such as the LGBTQ center right now depend on it. So if we cannot advise the chancellor to allocate more to them that means a lot of these communities on campus wouldn’t be able to function. I’m gonna talk a little bit more about the LGBTQ center specifically based off of facts I got from the director. So they have over 23,800 visitors to the center per year, over 100 one on one individual meetings [indiscernible]. Just wanted to have council be mindful that because we have such a small budget we can’t support [indiscernible].

- I’m here on behalf of [indiscernible] to promote some events our office has going on. So the first one I have is she is the Chair of Select Committee on incarcerated women, and the select committee is having their first hearing in Los Angeles. This is actually pretty cool because most of the time these hearings happen in Sacramento, so if anyone’s interested in this kind of policy it’s a great way to be involved, there will be public comment at the end. They’re going to have panels of women who were formerly incarcerated talk about their journey and their experiences and then we’re having another panel that is a discussion between lawyers, DA’s, prosecutors, that type of stuff. Our second event, and it’d be great if you could come to this because I’m personally hosting this myself, is the assembly members hosting lattes and legislation, at this coffee shop that’s probably a mile from campus, I wanted to make sure this was accessible. A lot of students don’t have access to elected officials a lot of the times and what’s cool about this is that she’s just going to be hanging out, getting coffee and you don’t have to talk to her about legislation. If there’s a student who just needs to have their voice heard and wants to get face to face time with an assembly member, now is the time to do it because she’s really just wants to hear community voices and what it’s like living in the district. So if someone is experiencing crazy high rent increases and just needs someone to hear them out or they’re struggling with financial aid or all those other types of things students face, this is a really great time to get facetime with an elected official. That’s going to be on Sunday, November 10th.
- Hi guys, I’m Sithara I’m the chapter chair of our CALPRIG chapter here on campus. I wanted to tell you guys that we had our big kickoff meeting of the year this past Wednesday. We had 103 students come out to learn how to get involved in student activism and work on all of our campaigns which was super exciting. And I also wanted to tell you guys about a pretty recent victory we had last Tuesday. So Governor Gavin Newsom signed into law a bill called SB 72 which means that every polling place during elections is going to have same day voter registration sites accessible to everyone who comes out there to vote. This is a huge deal because it means that a lot of people who were previously unable to vote because they weren’t registered on time or weren’t registered in the right location and face a lot of barriers in actually getting out to the polls will have the opportunity to register and cast their ballot the same day to make sure that their voices are heard. We were actually able to work on this bill over the past year, we got over 200 student leaders across the UC campuses to sign on in support and then testify in the hearing in Sacramento. We were able to see that it did pass. So we’re super excited and looking forward to seeing how these upcoming elections turn out so that these people can have their voices heard.

- Audio and Video
  - None

V. Special Presentations
  - none

VI. Appointments

Nick Thiel for Student Conduct Committee
  - Robert: Both my appointments were very aware of the student conduct code and definitely had a passion for holding themselves and others accountable. They are both transfer students with very different backgrounds so I’m excited to see them serve.
  - No oppositions, Nick Thiel appointed to Student Conduct Committee

Louis Susunaga for Student Conduct Committee
  - Robert: They’re also a transfer student, have read and are aware of the student conduct code, which is basically the guiding document that they follow. They are really passionate about serving on the committee.
  - No opposition, Louis Susunaga appointed to Student Conduct Committee

Rishika Vorugant for CS Minifund
  - Rishika: My name is Rishika Vorugant, I’m a freshman here at UCLA and I’m out of state student, I’m from New Jersey. I’m a Biology Major. The reason I applied to this committee is because I had a few positions in high school as a treasurer, and I thought this would be a great way to develop those skills and help learn how I can provide for other committees and learn how to properly allocate funds.
  - Jonathan: What does service mean to you?
  - Rishika: Service means doing something not for myself but for someone else. So helping someone else and making their day better.
  - Jonathan: What service involvements do you have?
  - Rishika: I’m currently involved in LEAP which is an organization that helps [indiscernible] educate children on [indiscernible]. That’s my only service involvement so far.
  - Jonathan: What role do you think equity plays in service funding?
  - Rishika: I think equity is one of the main concepts of funding because we are trying to allocate funds in the most respectful way so that clubs that need them are actually able to use them.
  - Riley: How will you ensure that groups that need these resources do obtain these resources?
  - Rishika: I would try to remain transparent. I would also make sure I’m not being negligent towards what they’re offering and what they need.
  - Jonathan: What do you think CS mini can do better?
- Rishika: I would bring up the point that a lot of students feel that it’s inaccessible. I would try to do my best to erase that message and broadcast what the mini fund does to more people.
- Rishika: Hopefully I was able to show how passionate I am about this position, and how I hope to inspire positive change.
- Shahamah: I felt like you were passionate about it and had no bias which I think is important for CS mini fund. I see you learning and achieving a lot in this position.
- Joanna: You showed you were very competent. I hope council approves your appointment for this committee
- Lalo: I felt like you were passionate and you knew why you wanted to be on the committee.

- Shahamah motions to appoint Rishika for CS Mini Fund, Mihika seconds
- 10-0-0 motion passes, Rishika Vorugant appointed to CS Mini Fund

Yatin Kumar for Committee on Academic Freedom# Riley
- Naomi: He is a first year transfer, we feel like he’ll have a lot to say and add to the Academic Freedom Committee.
- No opposition, Yatin Kumar appointed to the Committee on Academic Freedom

Judy Chon for Committee on Academic Freedom# Riley
- Naomi: She’s a 3rd year, she interviewed really well and is someone we really want to be active on that committee so we appointed her.
- No opposition, Judy Chon appointed to the Committee on Academic Freedom

Diana Vallejo Ramirez for Committee on Continuing and Community Education# Riley
- Naomi: She is a second year transfer. She has already done a lot of this work in her community. She also informed us that she’s undocumented and wants to fight for those communities in these committees as well.
- No opposition, Diana Vallejo Ramirez appointed to the Committee on Continuing and Community Education

Zeyna Faucette for Committee on Diversity, Equity & Inclusion# Riley
- Naomi: Has been in the commission for 2 years. She’s the director for access department. I’m looking forward for her to grow on the committee.
- No opposition, Zeyna Faucette appointed for Committee on Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

Jonathon Tsou for Committee on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion# Riley
- No opposition, Jonathan Tsou appointed for Committee on Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

Janet Urias for Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics# Riley
- No opposition, Janet Urias appointed to Committee on Intercollegiate Athletics

Gabriella Hernandez for Committee on Legislative Assembly# Riley
- No opposition, Gabriella Hernandez appointed to Committee on Legislative Assembly

Maxine Dimantla for Committee on Legislative Assembly# Riley
- No opposition, Maxine Dimantla appointed to Committee on Legislative Assembly

Amanda Gracian for Planning and Budget# Riley
- No opposition, Amanda Gracian appointed for Planning and Budget

Kate McInerny for Undergraduate Council# Riley
- Naomi: For the next few people we chose them because they were the most committed and most impressive. Undergraduate Council meets every other Friday, and they are all very active in their communities and passionate about what they do.
- No opposition, Kate McInerny appointed for Undergraduate Council

Asha Alexander for Undergraduate Council# Riley
- No opposition, Asha Alexander appointed for Undergraduate Council

Brian Zamora for Undergraduate Council# Riley
- No opposition, Brian Zamora appointed for Undergraduate Council

Heidy Melchor for Committee on Faculty Welfare# Riley
- No opposition, Heidy Melchor appointed to Committee on Faculty Welfare

Saman Haddad for Committee on Research# Riley
Deena Lang for Committee on Instruction and Technology
Riley
- Naomi: She is passionate about ensuring technology and different resources are being made available to all communities.
- No oppositions, Deena Lang appointed to Committee on Instruction and Technology

Hailey Valles for College FEC
Riley
- Hailey Valles appointed to College FEC

Araceli Lozano for College FEC
Riley
- Araceli Lozano appointed for College FEC

Khrystiana Lynch for General Education Governance Committee
Riley

Julian Ceballos for Committee for Library and Scholarly Communications
Riley
- Julian Ceballos appointed to Committee for Library and Scholarly Communications

VII. Officer Reports
A. President
Watson
- Meeting with the Chancellor this Thursday at 10am
- Internship program going well

B. Internal Vice President
Bonifacio

C. External Vice President
Guerra
- Last night we had a meeting with all of our staff and it went really well
- I have an agenda item about Cohort Based Tuitions that UCSA will be voting on this upcoming weekend and I wanted to get council’s opinion on that policy
- I interviewed someone else for organizing director
- Meeting with someone from GSA

D. General Rep 1
Velazquez

E. Facilities Commissioner
Shaw
- Bruin Bazaar tomorrow all day in Bruin Plaza, bring donations to receive reusable utensils
- 5-11pm TGIF hearings tomorrow, 15 applications for main fund
- Implementing reusable plastic container system on the hill
- Kirchoff mugs initiative- waiting to hear back from cindy
- Disability Awareness Week went well, meeting with Vice Chancellor Gordon to discuss Disability awareness staff
- Working on resolution about safe parking

F. Campus Events Commission
Steinmetz
- Retreat this past weekend
- This Thursday-Becoming Clitorate Event
- Showing HBO’s Watchman next Monday
- Showing Midsummer on the 29th,
- Screening Doctor Sleep on Halloween Day
- Coffee cart during Midterms sponsored by warner brothers
- November 7th showing
- November 8th: middle ground media

G. Transfer Rep
Oraha
- The TSR office retreat is this weekend.
- We were at the transfer involvement fair today, and this is our first week with the fall interns.
- The Transfer Leadership Coalition had their first meeting last wednesday 5-6 in the transfer center, and their next meeting will be week 4 same time and place. All transfer groups and students are invited.
- Update on the transfer center: Paolo is doing great, and I really appreciate all of the effort and work he is putting into the center.

H. Student Wellness Commissioner
- We had Leadership Retreat last weekend! It was SO successful, feeling very bonded and ready to efficiently work together this year!
- EARTH: Sustainival: Weds, 10/16, 5-8pm, Covel Plaza: All sustainability organizations on campus table and provide games and activities, including a clothing drive/swap
- Bruin Consent Coalition: Purple Thursday: wear purple this Thursday for Interpersonal Violence Awareness Month; event in Dickson Court from 11am-1pm on Thursday, 10/17
- Body Image Task Force and Active Minds have a “Mindful Eating” Co-Program this Weds, 10/16
- Total Wellness: Zine featuring stories about UCLA Students and mental health/self-care. Due date is by the end of Week 5 for submissions.
- Body Image Task Force and Health, Nutrition & Fitness will be helping out with Special Olympics’ Inclusive Dodgeball Tournament on 10/20, 10am-12pm in SAC
- Student Health Network has their first meeting this week with various health programming-related campus organizations

I. Community Service Commissioner
- Extended fellowship app, due tomorrow night at 11:59 pm

J. Academic Affairs Commissioner
- Riley

K. Cultural Affairs Commissioner
- Iheanacho

L. International Student Representative
- Staff apps are out currently
- Trying to encourage a lot of international students to apply
- Hoping to have a town hall in week 7 or 8
- Having an exhibit on nov 19th on Bruinwalk about the lost in translation event about Americanized names, looking for more stories

M. Administrative Representatives
- Aboagye, Alexander, Champawat, Geller, Kadota

VIII. Old Business
- none

IX. New Business

SFAC Letter*
- Isabel: Basically, there are two reasons why my office wrote this letter. The first is that I’m still very annoyed about the situation with KP. There’s no one more qualified than her to sit on SFAC and it’s honestly a joke that she cannot be appointed because she isn’t guaranteed to stay a third year even though she has every intention of staying a third year. Also just the fact that they voted down a bylaw change that would add a transfer representative to SFAC because transfers don’t have enough experience to decide where their student fees are going. No one has officially signed on to this letter yet so we’re free to change it.
- Johanna: Could you list the specific grievances you have? Just so people have context of what exactly happened and what you feel specifically.
- Robert: From my understanding the bylaw change passed tonight. Some people voted no but it did pass. So Karen Patron can be appointed next week.
- Isabel: Okay. Then we can just not do this because this was in direct response to them not passing the bylaw change.
- Johanna: This may be useful for continued discussions about how much funding SFAC has in general.

Discussion Item: Cohort Based Tuition Model
- Johanna: I’m going to read to you all a current description I have of what a cohort based tuition model is.
The cohort tuition model is intended to maximize the predictability of tuition costs for UC students. It sets the tuition level of an incoming class at a certain level and guarantees that it won't change for 6 years of attendance. This means that families will know what the price tag of a UC education is (mostly) until graduation, barring stay beyond 6 years or other extreme situations. However, UCOP is also recognizing that they cannot sustain their operations without more increases on tuition. This is why they are leaning towards an increase at inflation rate annually (2.8%/year). However, the cohort model, if approved, would only allow one-fourth (the incoming) of the student population to provide the greater amount of revenue the UC needs. Thus, to make up for the shortfall with that smaller population, the UC would need to increase tuition by around 4.8% (2.8% + 2%) for several years before bringing the tuition increases down to inflation rate (2.8%/year). The term "constant dollars" is used by UCOP to refer to tuition PLUS inflation rate. Thus, they will say "we are keeping tuition flat at constant dollars".

Johanna: I wanna give y'all the background. This cohort tuition model was proposed based off of student concerns for tuition increases. Also what comes with tuition increases is students not knowing what they’re going to have to pay for the following years and also regarding marginalized students and how they can predict their success here at a UC based off of what other students have gone through.

- Lily: This would set a fixed level of tuition? Think it would be good if you collected data from other schools.
- Johanna: If this change is not approved, they will continue to increase tuition as they normally have. It would be 2.8% a year based on the inflation rate, the incoming class would be taxed an additional 2%.
- Johanna: I’m wondering if there’s any new concerns besides the ones I’ve already heard
- Johanna: No matter what, they are planning to increase tuition either way
- Johanna: I wasn’t sure if council wanted to vote on it in support or if I should just voice my concerns, or if we want to work on a resolution later.
- Lily: Do we know when this would go into effect?
- Johanna: They would be voting on this in january.
- Robert: We can do a follow up about this next week since it is a big deal.

X. Adjournment*

- Robert adjourns the meeting at 8:55 pm