



AGENDA
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
May 5, 2020
7:00PM
Zoom

I. Call to Order

Watson

- Robert calls the meeting to order at 7:06pm

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

- None

II. Approval of minutes*

- 4/28/2020 minutes
- Lily motions to approve minutes from 4/28/2020, Millen seconds
- By motion of 9-0-0 the motion passes, 4/28/2020 minutes are approved

III. Approval of the Agenda*

Bonifacio

- Strike Capital Contingency
- Strike Contingency Programming
- Strike BAG
- Strike Travel Grant Mini Fund
- Strike ASRF
- Strike SWC Programming Fund
- Strike OCHC officer report
- Add discussion item for CARES Act
- Strike ISR officer report
- Strike SFS
- Strike CSC officer report
- Strike CAC officer report
- Strike FAC officer report
- Add discussion item for Academic Working Group
- Strike IVP officer report

- Lily motions to approve agenda as amended, Kelechi seconds
- By motion of 11-0-0 the motion passes, the agenda is approved as amended

IV. Public Comment

Watson

Audio and Video:

- Hi everyone, I'm Keya, I'm a first year fi-sci major and I'm the CALPIRG Campus Relations Coordinator on the Affordable Textbooks program. As you know we're a statewide student organization that works to protect the environment, support basic needs, and get out the youth vote. We're running a campaign to make textbooks more affordable and accessible by encouraging implementation of a UC wide open textbook grant program similar to the one that we have here on campus called Affordable Course Materials initiative and the Zero Textbooks Cost program at the California Community Colleges. We're working on getting the regents to champion open resources especially with their commitment last year to open journals and research, we want them to extend this commitment to students and introduce a grant program to help UC professors who want to make the switch to open resources. Covid-19 has greatly affected accessibility for students and we know that now it's even more important than ever for students to have affordable access to their education. So we actually have a really exciting update, the Cengage and McGraw merger has officially just been called off which is great news. The student 'pirgs as well as US 'pirgs have been advocating against the merging of these two publishing companies since the start so this is actually a huge win for our students because with

the merger being called off these companies can't further monopolize the market and jack up textbook prices even more. This is great at preventing price hikes for the time being, but there's still a lot more work to be done so we're gonna keep organizing and building up that student power to make affordable textbooks a reality. Other than that, just good luck with elections. Thank you

- I hope you are all doing well. So I'm here to let you guys know that I am no longer the chair of CALPIRG at UCLA. We just had our elections and elected our newest statewide board members, a couple of whom are on here as well to introduce themselves to you. I just wanted to say to all of you guys thank you so much for everything that you have done this year, it's really been a pleasure to work with all of you and see everything that you've accomplished. Those of you guys who are graduating and I won't get to see you graduate, I just want to say you're gonna do amazing. Robert you're gonna kill it in law school. But yeah, thanks for everything you've done this year and I really appreciate all that you've done to support CALPIRG in our advocacy and all that you're doing for students. Thank you.

- Hi everyone, I'm from CALPIRG as well. I was the chapter secretary last year, I am now the incoming chapter chair. So just wanted to say hi as the official chapter chair. I'm still pushing the Affordable Textbooks campaign, really excited and a little nervous to take this torch from Sithara and just see what next year has in store for me as well as really excited to work with anyone that's going to be coming in. Good luck with your midterms and with the elections for those of you who are running, I hope it's not too twisty out there. Y'all got this.

- I'm also here with CALPIRG. My name is Hailey Wise. I'm actually one of the new board members, specifically the Campus Relations Director. I'm currently running the Covid-19 campaign that were running as part of CALPIRG. Just to quickly highlight some of the work that we've done so far, we were previously working to build public pressure by collecting a number of petitions that we're essentially urging ventilator manufacturer companies to release their repair information so that hospitals can have on hand. We were actually successful so that was like a major win for us. That's just like one of the highlights I wanted to mention, but other than that I really look forward to working with USAC in the future and pushing both of our agendas and supporting one another in any which way that we can. Thank you.

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- So as you all are probably aware, it's voting week. The board asked me to come out and share a message, particularly around advertising voter turnout. They wanted me to say that we have all noticed that a lot of council members and offices haven't posted about anything about the elections, and that we all have a collective responsibility to increase turnout. It doesn't reflect well on the entire institution of USAC when our entire voter turnout is as low as 16%. A lot of you are publicly supporting campaigns and putting in a lot of energy in supporting candidates, and we hope that you can direct some of that energy and time to also supporting the election as a whole. It's incredibly important. When I was appointed, USAC spoke at length about how collaboration is necessary. So I'm reaching out to you so we can try to collaborate on this issue. I'll send a bunch of graphics to the council email, and if you'd like more I'd be happy to send some. We are in a difficult situation because of the Covid pandemic and we really need everybody, including the commissions to help support the elections.

- Public comment concluded at 7:18pm

Capital Contingency* _____ Minasyan

Contingency Programming* _____ Minasyan

SFS Allocations# _____ Wisner

SWC Programming Fund Allocations# _____ Sridhar

Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations# _____ Guerra

ASRF Allocations#

————— Riley

AAC Travel Mini-Grant Allocations#

Riley

ARCF Allocations#

————— Iheanacho

TGIF

Shaw

- No applications this week
- Requests to adjust budgets, adjusted three former allocations, upping the total allocations \$23,125 distributed to the 3 previous applications

V. Special Presentations

SIOC/CRC Budget Reports*

————— Velazquez

VI. Appointments

- None

VII. Officer Reports

A. President

Watson

- Encourage you all to publicize elections
- UC Office of the President lowered the voter threshold to 15% for referenda
- Class of 2020 Administrative Task Force meeting, figuring out how we're celebrating class of 2020
- Bylaw changes being presented next week
- MOU between USAC and ASUCLA for CUB is in final drafting stages
- CALPIRG has been working to lower the threshold for allowing people to opt in to supporting CALPIRG, trying to lower it to 10%
- Planning transition meeting with me and next USAC president
- Quarterly report graphic coming out soon

B. Internal Vice President

————— Bonifacio

C. External Vice President

Guerra

- End of the year report is out now

D. General Representative 1

Velazquez

E. General Representative 2

Smedley

- Three approaches we're taking to make the budget more clear for students

F. General Representative 3

Broukhim

- Releasing office end of year report by end of this week or beginning of next
- Last batch of Westwood businesses that have partnered with our offices to give students discounts

G. Academic Affairs Commissioner

Riley

- Sitting on the Future Planning Task Force
- Sitting on the subcommittees as well as the housing committee and what that might look like for next year
- End of the year report coming out
- Office is transitioning
- Having another priority enrollment meeting

H. Campus Events Commission

Steinmetz

- Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday we're doing concert live streams
- Wednesday and Sunday, ongoing yoga classes
- Saturday- Zoom cook along with Antoni from Queer Eye
- Probably will have two more speaker events in this quarter
- Closed submissions for short takes film festivals

I. Community Service Commissioner

~~Wisner~~

J. Cultural Affairs Commissioner

~~Heanacho~~

K. Facilities Commissioner

~~Shaw~~

L. Financial Supports Commissioner

Srivastava

- Closed apps for Covid-19 relief fund, total of 1,875 applications
- Meeting with Jeff Roth about tuition transparency for Spring quarter of this year

M. Student Wellness Commissioner

Sridhar

- Our application for Covid-19 relief closed yesterday, going through applications right now
- Basic needs subsidy opened for phase 2, open until next Friday

N. Transfer Representative

Oraha

- Office made a lot of USAC elections graphics
- Begun working on transitions

O. International Student Representative

~~Tariq~~

P. OCHC Representative

~~Gupta~~

Q. Administrative Representatives

Alexander, Champawat, Geller, O'Connor

- Jessica: Reminder to fill out the doodle poll I sent out earlier if you wanna schedule transition meetings.

VIII. Old Business

- none

IX. New Business

Bylaw Changes: Campus Safety Alliance*

Bonifacio

USAC Bylaw Change Submission Form

Was Bylaw Change forwarded from Constitutional Review Committee (CRC)?		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Record of CRC vote:	For: 3	Against: 0	Abstain: 0

Proposed Bylaw Change submitted to USAC by: (if applicable)	Name: <u>Kimberly Bonifacio</u> Position: <u>Internal Vice President</u>
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Proposed change(s) apply to the following Article(s) (including section(s)) of USAC Bylaws:
Article V. Section F.

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Summarize and Attach the Bylaw change(s) you are submitting:

(Additions should be in **bold** and removals should be noted with a ~~strikethrough~~)

Article V.

Section F.

Number 5 \ Campus Safety Alliance Representative to the Public Safety Advisory Council

a. The Campus Safety Alliance shall elect a representative to the Public Safety Advisory Council (PSAC) at their last meeting of the academic year.

i. The representative shall serve for the following summer and next academic year.

b. For the election to take place, at least six (6) active voting members of the Campus Safety Alliance must be present.

c. The election shall be approved with a simple majority (50% +1) vote of the Campus Safety Alliance active voting members present at the meeting.

d. In order to run for PSAC Representative, one must be an active member of the Campus Safety Alliance, having gone to three meetings for the Academic year.

For USAC Internal Vice President Use Only (Required):

Date Approved by Council: _____			
Record of Council vote:	For: _____	Against: _____	Abstain: _____
Internal Vice President Signature: _____ Date: _____			
Turn in completed Submission Form to Jessica Alexander's Office (Ackerman A262G).			

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Proposed Bylaw Change submitted to USAC by:	Name: <u>Kimberly Bonifacio</u> Position: <u>Internal Vice President</u>
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Article V. Section F. Number 2.A.

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Article V.

Section F.

Number 2. B.

2. Composition of the Alliance

a. Voting Members

i. Internal Vice President

ii. Campus Safety Alliance Vice Chairperson

iii. Student Wellness Commissioner, or their designate to be approved by the Council.

iv. Facilities Commissioner, or their designate to be approved by the Council.

v. The President, or the designate to be approved by the Council.

vi. The Academic Affairs Commissioner, or their designate to be approved by the Council.

vii. One representative from the Graduate Student Association (GSA)

viii. One (1) representative from the On Campus Housing Council (OCHC)

ix. One (1) representative from the Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT)

x. One (1) representative from the Community Service Officers Program (CSO)

xi. One (1) representative from the LGBT Resource Center Advisory Board (Student Representative)

xii. Representatives from any campus-affiliated cultural, community, or safety based organizations that have a vested interest in campus safety. There shall be one (1) representative per organization.

b. To maintain an active voting member of the Campus Safety Alliance, one shall attend at least three (3) CSA meetings throughout the academic year.

- By motion of 12-0-0 the motion passes, bylaw changes with amendments approved

Bylaw Changes: FAC*

Shaw

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Record of CRC vote:	For: 3	Against: 0	Abstain: 0

Proposed Bylaw Change submitted to USAC by: (if applicable)	Name: <u>Lily Shaw</u> Position: <u>Facilities Commissioner</u>
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Proposed change(s) apply to the following Article(s) (including section(s)) of USAC Bylaws:

Article II, Section 4, item i
Article II, Section 5, item h, ii, iv
Article IV, Section 9, item c, ix, xiii, xv, xvi, xvii
Article IV, Section 9, item d, i, ii, iii (1,2,3)
Article IV, Section 9 items e, i, ii, iii, iv

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Article II, Section 4

h. The following one (1) year positions receiving a stipend, to be appointed by the Facilities Commissioner i. Office Space Allocation Committee Chairperson: one (1) appointment
i. **The following one (1) year positions receiving an honorarium payment, to be appointed by the Facilities Commissioner i. The Green Initiative Fund (TGIF) Undergraduate Student Representatives: four (4) appointments**

CRC Recommended Change:

Article II, Section C, 4

h. The following **appointments** ~~one (1) year positions receiving a stipend~~, to be appointed by the Facilities Commissioner

- i. Office Space Allocation Committee Chairperson: one (1) ~~stipended~~ appointment for two (2) years
- ii. The Green Initiative Fund (TGIF) Undergraduate Student Representatives: two (2) at-large appointments for a one (1) year term receiving honorarium payment and two (2) appointments from the Student Sustainability Leadership Council (SSLC) for a one (1) year term receiving honorarium payment.

Article II, Section C.5

h. Facilities Commissioner Appointments

- i. Campus Sustainability Committee: two (2) appointments for one (1) year terms
- ii. John R. Wooden Center Board of Governors: five (5) undergraduate appointments with two (2) members serving two (2) year staggered terms, one (1) member serving a one (1) year term, and two (2) alternates serving a one (1) year term. The Facilities Commissioner serves as the fourth voting member.
- iii. Student Activities Center Board of Governors: one (1) at-large appointment for a one (1) year term, ~~one (1) appointment from the Campus Retention Committee (CRC) for a one year term, one (1) appointment from the Student Initiated Outreach Committee (SOIC) for a one year term, and one (1) appointment from Community Programs Office Student Association (CPOSA) for a one year term.~~
- iv. The Green Initiative Fund Student Body Representative: ~~one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term~~ two (2) at-large appointments for a one year term and two (2) appointments from the Student Sustainability Leadership Council (SSLC). The Facilities Commissioner serves as Chair.
- v. Transportation Services Advisory Board: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term who is also serving on the Parking Advocacy Task Force
- vi. UCLA Committee on Disability: five (5) undergraduate appointments with three (3) members serving a one (1) year term, and two (2) members serving a two (2) year term.
- vii. ~~Parking Advocacy Task Force: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term as liaison to the Transportation Services Advisory Board (TSAB)~~

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Article II, Section C.5

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Article IV, Section 9

c. The Facilities Commissioner shall be the Council representative, on issues pertaining to campus environmental sustainability, and student facilities and their use, to the following departments, committees and organizations, in accordance with their bylaws

- i. Campus Safety Alliance
- ii. Facilities Management
- iii. Housing Administration
- iv. Team Green
- v. The Campus Facilities Coordinating Committee
- vi. The John Wooden Center Board of Governors
- vii. The Green Initiative Fund
- viii. The On Campus Housing Council
- ix. ~~The Project Impact Mitigations Committee~~
- ix. The Center for Accessible Education**
- x. The Transportation Services Advisory Board
- xi. Transportation Services
- xii. UCLA Sustainability
- xiii. The ADA/504 Compliance Officer**
- ~~xiii. United States Green Building Council Students at UCLA~~
- xiv. The Good Clothes Good People Redistribution Center
- xv. Sustainability Student Leadership Council**
- xvi. Transfer Leadership Coalition**
- xvii. The Commuter Committee**

CRC Recommended Change:

Article IV, Section I, 9

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- vii. The Green Initiative Fund
 - a. **The Facilities Commissioner shall serve as chair**
- viii. The On Campus Housing Council
- ix. ~~The Project Impact Mitigations Committee~~
- ix. The Center for Accessible Education**
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- xii. UCLA Sustainability
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- xv. Sustainability Student Leadership Council**
- xvi. Transfer Leadership Coalition**
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CRC Recommended Change:

Article IV, Section I, 9

~~d. The Facilities Commissioner shall oversee operations of communal office space and the Student Government Computer Center on behalf of the Council. Duties to include:~~

- ~~i. Review existing services, propose new services as needed~~
- ~~ii. Initiate and implement capital expenditures.~~
- ~~iii. Monitor budget and operating expenses for both entities.~~
- ~~iv. Work with the Office Space Allocation Committee on any other items as requested by the Council.~~

d. The Facilities Commission shall be headed by the Facilities Commissioner and will include the following:

- i. Access on Board**
- ii. Blank Space**
- iii. Project LIT (Lighting, Infrastructure, Transportation)**
- iv. Sustainagoals**
 - 1) Bruin Bazaar**
 - 2) Water Works**
 - 3) Reusable Dining Materials on Campus**

~~e. The Facilities Commissioner shall appoint, subject to the council's approval, one undergraduate student to the Parking Advocacy Task Force as a liaison to the Transportation~~

~~Services Advisory Board (TSAB). This appointment must additionally be one of the student representatives on the TSAB.~~

e. The Facilities Commission shall spearhead and/or participate in the following:

- i. Bruin Bazaar**
- ii. Disability Awareness Week**
- iii. Safety Awareness Week**
- iv. Waste Awareness Week**

-Johana motions to approve FAC bylaws with amendments, Millen seconds

- By motion of 13-0-0 the motion passes, FAC bylaws changes with amendments approved

RESOLUTION:

Oraha

REGARDING THE DAILY BRUIN'S DISRESPECTFUL RHETORIC REGARDING TRANSFER STUDENTS

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE DAILY BRUIN EDITORIAL BOARD'S DISRESPECTFUL RHETORIC REGARDING TRANSFER STUDENTS

Primary Sponsors:

USAC Transfer Student Representative

USAC Cultural Affairs Commissioner

USAC Office of the Internal Vice President

Honorary Sponsors:

Transfer Leadership Coalition

WHEREAS, the leaders of the Transfer Leadership Coalition (TLC) and the Undergraduate Students Association Council (USAC) write to express our condemnation of the 2019-2020 Daily Bruin Editorial Board for its disrespectful comments against transfer students seeking to run for student government positions and lack of consideration for students from “non-traditional” backgrounds. The USAC and TLC fully acknowledge the problematic nature of defining the 4-year college route as “traditional,” implying it to be more acceptable than the transfer pathway and therefore it has been placed in quotes.

WHEREAS, the USAC and TLC believe that this type of rhetoric reinforces exclusionary practices that prevent transfer students from accessing spaces of leadership on campus. By determining what types of experience are relevant in evaluations, the Daily Bruin erases the valuable experiences, knowledge, and connections that transfer students gain prior to their arrival at UCLA. The fourth element of creating a transfer-receptive culture is to “acknowledge the lived experiences that students bring and the intersectionality between community and family.”¹ By characterizing the non-UCLA experiences of transfer students as less than, the Daily Bruin violates the necessary elements for creating a transfer-receptive culture at UCLA.

WHEREAS, this is not the first instance of rhetoric that minimizes the experiences and qualifications of transfer students and students who partake in activism outside the institution of student government. This language included describing the labor of a candidate for the External Vice President’s position as being “more fit for the picket lines than for a USAC meeting².” While the

¹https://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Portals/0/CandIGDivision/documents/Transfer%20Receptive%20Culture_.pdf (Page 53)

² <https://imgur.com/a/MPUgyhC>

Daily Bruin has the right to issue endorsements, such problematic rhetoric has been used in previous non-endorsements of candidates who have done work in community-based activism.³ Work outside the institution is often the sole avenue for transfer students to engage. As a community without secure access to higher education or bureaucratic institutions, transfers must advocate for their communities through coalition-building in the spaces transfers are welcomed in.

WHEREAS, this is not the first instance of rhetoric by the Daily Bruin that invalidates the diverse experiences of transfer students who choose the “non-traditional” college route by perpetuating the “easy-route” narrative. This language included minimizing the reasons for attending a community college to merely a matter of ease and financial burden.⁴ In reality, the decision to follow a “non-traditional” college route is a matter of varying degrees of circumstances including, but not limited to: remaining at home to care for friends or family members, returning to school after a career change or service in the armed forces, being a justice-impacted student, lacking support during the college admission process in highschool, and having familial obligations.

WHEREAS, the Daily Bruin Editorial Board has a history of double-standards by correcting their own opinions upon public backlash, but applies a strict “no changes” policy to requests for changes from non-affiliated individuals unless such language is “factually inaccurate.” The Daily Bruin’s non-adherence to their own standards of journalism and pick-and-choose policy of changes both harms the newspaper’s credibility and lacks consideration for concerns outside of the Editorial Board’s own public-approval. This non-adherence to standards fosters an environment where the Daily Bruin Editorial Board is able to initiate changes to the record simply with enough public outcry and condemnation, and allows for opinion pieces to remain unchanged so long as the public agrees with the Editorial Board.

LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the TLC and USAC call on Daily Bruin Editorial Board to issue a public apology for their continued usage of anti-Transfer rhetoric. Such an apology should not simply be made at the bottom of the updated non-endorsement evaluation itself, but a platform equal to which the original non-endorsement was used.

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the TLC and USAC call on the Daily Bruin Editorial Board to be more considerate of the impact of their words on students before making incendiary and non-fact-based evaluations. Such practices should be reflected in all future Daily Bruin articles and not just those regarding student government endorsements and evaluations.

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, the TLC and USAC call on the Daily Bruin Editorial Board to institute reforms within the organization to welcome and encourage students to apply. The Daily Bruin, as the leading university publication, should have a representative portion of transfer students.

- Johana motions to endorse the Resolution Regarding the Daily Bruin’s Disrespectful Rhetoric Regarding Transfer Students, Millen seconds
- By motion of 12-0-0 the motion passes, resolution is endorsed by USAC

Discussion Item: Academic Working Group

Naomi: There was a concern I got earlier today from a PLS and they were telling me about two courses under two professors that they are currently who have had ridiculously hard midterms and that are going to be an hour long and are just very “asshole-y” for lack of better words right now. I’ve been seeing that this is coming up a lot, I brought it up that it might be best to move forward as council, I’m not sure if outgoing council or incoming council, whoever it be. I do think that right now, professors do have their academic freedom, professors can conduct their class however they want, but what was concerning to me was that there were other professors, there was another physics professor who was allowing a 24 hour midterm to be taken. Then you have

³<https://dailybruin.com/2019/10/27/usac-fall-2019-special-election-no-endorsement-for-justin-suarez-for-general-representative/>

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<https://dailybruin.com/2020/02/18/increase-in-transfer-applicants-indicative-of-larger-uc-affordability-issues/>

another PLS professor noting that this class has been a lot harder than it's ever been for students. I really wanted to have an open dialogue about that and even bringing up the possibility of maybe have another letter written. Whether it be a general letter that students can use in specific instances or whether it be specific letters that we write in these instances. I think it's necessary to bring attention to some of the things that are happening. We should really encourage professors to act with compassion during this time.

Isabel: I think that would be a good idea. Do you think that the department would do anything?

Naomi: I don't think there's any certainty, but I do think that if you were being addressed, I would hope you would listen a little bit more. I don't want to tell students that there's nothing that we can do. We can support students' efforts in advocating for themselves.

Kelechi: I think we should because even if the professor doesn't listen at least we tried to help.

Robert: Is it possible to create an outline that can be sent to other professors too? Is it possible to create something like that to send when these things happen?

Naomi: That was kind of my question as to whether it should be a standard letter or a rough skeleton of something we can send and we just specify whatever has happened and personalize it to the situation but having a general skeleton of the letter.

Robert: I like the idea of a skeleton.

Naomi: I would want something written before the next council meeting so that they're able to use it.

Brandon: Naomi, if you want, maybe we can write up a draft of something that can be used across departments.

Naomi: Yeah, basically the skeleton then. I think we can go ahead and do that.

Discussion Item: CARES Act

Millen: The university was given 36 million dollars in federal funding from the national government to help with financial insecurity of both the university and students themselves. The government gave regulations that at a minimum at 17.9 million dollars of this fund has to go back to student aid, so 50%. So we've just been discussing in all of our meetings the correct way to distribute it, the correct way to make it accessible to make sure the students know about it. What we've decided is that students will receive a \$200 universal payment. It will be for all students. It goes for grad students as well. Only for students enrolled in spring quarter 2020. After that there's around 10 million dollars for need based funding. If students are FAFSA eligible it will automatically go back to their financial aid packages. If there's students that aren't FAFSA eligible or they don't have those numbers on record then there is a separate form for them that will be on my UCLA where they will have to enter in a sort of logistical numbers. So the need based funding is also open to all students. The university is gonna send out a Bruin post explaining everything. Every student has to click this link and they have to confirm the universal payment.

Jonathan: You said for students not enrolled in spring, I know multiple students that declared non-attendance, would that disqualify them?

Millen: I think so.

Naomi: So you said there's a need base option, does that mean any student that has financial aid and for example receives a Pell Grant would be receiving additional funding as well?

Millen: There's a whole process that the financial aid office has. But basically .if you're FAFSA eligible they will determine a way to distribute that money to financial aid packages meaning that anyone that already received financial aid already from the university most likely will have an increase to it.

Naomi: How did the university calculate the \$200?

Millen: \$200 would be the amount that could be given while also leaving money to be allocated for need based payment. \$200 is the universal amount but many more students will get much more than that.

Naomi: Where are the other millions going?

Millen: Places like the Ashe center, medical centers, and the fact that the UCs agreed to not lay off any of their employees. So all of their employees receive full salaries still. And that's given the fact that for example the hill, a majority of students have left the hill, so it's gone from making thousands of meals to making hundreds or less than a hundred meals a day but they still have to pay full salary to all of their staff that is part of those facilities. That was one example he gave of how they're using the university funding.

Johana: What does the university mean when you get funding regardless of immigration status?

Millen: They said they were going to open some sort of university funding but I want to make sure that that university funding isn't limited either.

Robert: Could you look into, if it's possible for people to donate their allotment back into the fund.

Millen: One option that Letty and I actually created was an opt-out system. So there will be an option asking if you would like to donate your allotment back into the pool, then it would go back into the need based funding.

@Personnel Matter

Watson

- Johana motions to enter executive session for personnel matter, Isabel seconds
- By motion of 13-0-0 the motion passes, council enters executive session at 9:01pm

- Council exits executive session at 9:46 pm

- Voted to compensate someone for their labor

X. Adjournment*

Watson

- Robert adjourns meeting at 9:47pm

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