



AGENDA  
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL  
January 16, 2024  
7 PM PST

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## **I. Call to Order**

Hammonds

- Naomi calls the meeting to order at 7:04pm.

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

- Attendance counted by FICOM chair

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

Law

- Strike TGIF
- Strike USAC Elections Board Chair Appointment
- Strike ARC Allocations
- Strike Capital Contingency Allocations
- Add Discussion item on CORO Leadership Training Dates
- Strike GROWS Allocation
- Strike BAG Allocations
- Strike BOD Allocations
- Strike ASRF Allocations
- Eva moves to approve the agenda as amended, Jonathan seconds.
- By vote of 10-0-0, the motion passes and the agenda is approved as amended.

## **III. Approval of the Minutes\***

Law

- Megan moves to approve the minutes from 1/9/24, Chia Ying seconds.
- By vote of 9-0-0, the motion passes and the minutes from 1/9/24 are approved.

## **IV. Public Comment**

Hammonds

- Clara Castronova: "Hello everyone. Last week we were doing our recruitment drive and it was super exciting to give announcements in classes and just get more people involved. It has been going super well and it is exciting to see all of the people who are interested in getting involved. Especially, because we have two legislative campaigns that are just starting off. Our Fast Fashion campaign and our Plastic Bag campaign. It offers the opportunity for students to make an impact on the laws of California. Next week we are having our big kickoff meeting and this is sort of like the culmination of our recruitment drive where we officially launch all of our campaigns for the quarter. That will be next week on Wednesday. I am going to have a lot of people there. Next week we are also having our regional conference and the southern one is going to happen here. That is the cool thing about being in LA because we are centrally located for everyone to come to us. We are going to be doing training. We have a bunch of statewide campaigns and we are going to have discussions about coordinating for those. The last update is that over the weekend, we went to the US Senator open house and we spoke about activism and it was a good opportunity to talk with other organizations."
- Branden Bohrsen: "Hello everyone, I hope everyone is doing well. There are not many updates but I would like to express that we still have two openings and one of them is for an undergraduate representative and it is a compensated position so please apply if you are interested. We oversee the distribution of nearly \$50 million annually and 90% of our recommendations get approved by the chancellor so it is definitely a very important position. This quarter we are going to be addressing the structural enhancement initiatives as well as reviewing funding requests from the things that we fund. Please give our new instagram account a follow. Thank you."
- Public Comment is closed at 7:11pm.

## **V. Funding**

- A. Capital Contingency\* \_\_\_\_\_ Yin
- B. Contingency Programming\* \_\_\_\_\_ Yin
- Requested: \$30,683.00
  - Recommended: \$7,297.00 for 40 non USAC entities
  - Megan moves to approve \$7,297.00 for 40 non USAC entities, Jonathan seconds.
  - By vote of 9-0-0, the motion passes and \$ is approved for Contingency Programming.
- C. SFS Allocations# \_\_\_\_\_ Wong
- Allocation: \$2,392.00 for 1 CSC orgs and 2 non CSC orgs
  - No opposition, passes as a consent item.
- D. SWC Programming Fund Allocations# \_\_\_\_\_ Kang
- Allocation: \$1,436.63 for 3 non USAC entities
  - No opposition, passes as a consent item.
- E. Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations# \_\_\_\_\_ Jussim
- F. Grassroots Organizers for Working Students Grant Allocations# \_\_\_\_\_ Jussim
- G. ASRF Allocations# \_\_\_\_\_ Sridhar
- H. AAC Travel Mini-Grant Allocations# \_\_\_\_\_ Sridhar
- Allocation: \$6,650.00 for 6 non USAC entities
  - No opposition, passes as a consent item.
- I. ARC Allocations# \_\_\_\_\_ Verdugo
- J. TGIF \_\_\_\_\_ Curran
- K. USA/BOD Allocations\* \_\_\_\_\_ Broukhim

## **VI. Special Presentation**

- A. Winter USAC Funding Allocation Process \_\_\_\_\_ Perez
- Step 1: USAC Funding Allocation Authorization Sheet (new winter one)
    - Submission Deadline: Funding allocation sheets must be filled out with recommendations by Mondays at 7pm to give council members ample time to review them. Failure to meet this deadline may result in delay of all allocations for student organizations.
    - Eligibility Check: Most funding bodies are only open to registered student groups with SOLE. Funding recommendations must meet your approved guideline criteria.
  - Step 2: USAC Vote of Approval
    - Funding recommendations are up for approval at the beginning of USAC general meetings. Action Vote.
  - Step 3: Budget Transfer Sheet Submission
    - Following the USAC meeting and approval, send the completed budget transfer sheet to Student Government Accounting for processing to [saccount@asucla.ucla.edu](mailto:saccount@asucla.ucla.edu) and [jshaw@asucla.ucla.edu](mailto:jshaw@asucla.ucla.edu).
    - SGA will then return the completed account numbers to be disbursed by funding bodies to awarded student groups. The account numbers will also be available to be viewed here: Funding Account Numbers.
  - USAC Funding Allocations Timeline:
    - Monday: Funding body chairs/directors must submit recommended funding allocations to the USAC Funding Allocation Sheet by 7pm.
    - Tuesday: USAC votes to approve recommended funding allocations
    - Wednesday: Funding body/chair directors send approved funding workbook to SGA.
    - Thursday: SGA will then return the completed funding workbook that will include the complete account numbers to funding body chairs/directors.
    - Friday: Funding bodies chairs/directors will need to disburse account number information to awarded student organizations.

## **VII. Appointments**

### **A. USAC Elections Board Chair\***

Hammonds

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## **VIII. Officer Reports**

### **A. President**

Hammonds

- Scheduled my meetings for the quarter with administration including Chancellor Gene Block, Vice Chancellor Monroe Gorden, and Senior Advisor to the Chancellor Yolanda Gorman
- SREC appointment finalized and has begun to attend meetings for Winter quarter
- Reserved rooms for Association of Big Ten Students (ABTS) Winter Conference for myself and EVP staff members
- Conducted interviews for the Dean of Students position with the search committee
- Talked briefly with General Representative 2 to discuss potential collaborations and answer questions
- Participated in the UCLA Chancellor Search Advisory Committee meeting
- Met with Pamela and Jonathan to discuss CORO leadership training

### **B. Internal Vice President**

Law

- The Appointments Review Committee conducted two (2) interviews and has one (1) in the process of scheduling. Councilmembers, please check the workflow incase you were assigned any applications for your appointments.
- We are now in the search for a USAC Elections Board Chair since we no longer have any candidates. Please let others know to apply!
- We are also looking into candidates for the Facilities Commissioner position since we have fourteen (14) days left to appoint a new commissioner.
- The True Bruin Raise Awards Nominations are out! Please nominate a Bruin who has exemplified the True Bruin Values to help another Bruin in crisis. Nominations are due January 25th at 11:59PM. You can find the link at [www.studentincrisis.ucla.edu/truebruinrecognition!](http://www.studentincrisis.ucla.edu/truebruinrecognition!)
  - The Award Ceremony will be taking place on February 22nd at 5PM in the Kerckhoff Grand Salon.
- The Off-Campus Housing Fair is next Wednesday in the Ackerman Grand Ballroom from 11am to 4pm. Please let your offices know as well as repost any social media graphics when we post them!
- Megan and Josh are meeting with the True Bruins Raise Award Ceremony Committee tomorrow, January 17th, to finalize plans for the ceremony.
- There is an ASUCLA Entities Meet n' Greet on February 2nd from 3-4pm in Art Gallery downstairs. Please send someone from your office to attend if you are not available to.
- The IVP Office's Administrative Relations Committee is hosting another Administrative Meet n' Greet event on Wednesday, February 21st at 11am to 1pm. Please send someone from your office to attend if you are not able to.
- The IVP Office did not host our weekly meeting this week due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day. If you would like to attend the next All-Staff Meeting, they are every Monday at 5PM in Ackerman Union 3517, please contact me or Josh to RSVP.
- Executive Updates:
  - We are almost done planning for the Off-Campus Housing Fair! Thank you to Student Media for helping out with the outreach and advertising!
  - We are still working with Sikh student organizations on campus to follow through with the items listed in our past resolution.
  - The Executive Team is also working with our committees to plan for the 2024 Surplus allocation in which we will be proposing for Executive and Director Stipends, the Housing Relief Fund, and the IVP Partnership Fund.

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

Jussim

- Exec
  - Scheduling USAC recurring meeting with Admin VC Beck – STC and MESA/MSA
  - Reached out re: UCOP \$7mil for anti discrimination – awaiting response from EVCP
  - AVC Gorden is allocating UCLA's BN/MH funding this week. Sending to UCOP. Meeting to discuss CRP inclusion.
  - Meeting with AVC Deluca.
  - RJN teach-in logistics.
  - Sent outreach again to LAVC, Pierce College, SMC re: SP initiative.

- Revisiting research on BruinHub needs.
- Tracking edu legislation and federal appropriations deadlines.
- STC + SBWU meetings this week. Tracking FIOA requests to ASUCLA.
- Black Electeds Event outreach: asked Thyra for the final vision for the event and finalized outreach materials. Late Feb.
- Traveling to UCSF next week for Regents with 4 members of EVP. PC about RJN and ACQUIRE campaigns, supporting UC Relations team in PC drive.  
<https://regents.universityofcalifornia.edu/meetings/public-comment.html>
- Finalizing agenda for meeting with President Drake 2/6.
  - RJN
  - NAOP
  - 7 million in funding
- Reviewed Newsom's budget.
  - the budget includes \$291.5 billion in spending in all categories. The Governor's budget estimates a \$37.9 billion shortfall compared to the \$68 billion deficit that the Legislative Analyst's Office predicted in its December 2023 budget outlook report.
  - Deferring a 5% increase to UC budget and not fully funding Cal Grant despite promise
  - \$1b housing cuts
  - May Revise = more important than ever
  - → Lobby Corps signups: [bit.ly/SlcSignUp](http://bit.ly/SlcSignUp)
  - → Register before 1/20! Spots are first come first serve!  
<https://tinyurl.com/latinelobbyday>
- Drafted Black Elected Officials outreach template. Finalizing list:
  - LA Mayor Karen Bass, Rep Kamlager, Rep Maxine Waters, Los Angeles County Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell, LA City Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson (CD8), State Senator Steven Bradford (D-35), Asm Chris Holden, Asm Tina McKinnor (D-61), Asm Lola Smallwood-Cuevas, Asm Mike Gipson (D-65), Asm Reggie Byron Jones-Sawyer, Sr. (D-57)
- Local
  - Upcoming lobbying meeting with Patricia Macias, Field Deputy to Yaroslavsky's Office this Friday, January 12th, 3:00pm-3:45pm. Discussing STC, West LA Armory Shelter, zebra crossing, safe parking.
  - Mutual aid drive: February 2nd (Broxton Flat Lot), donating packs to Union Station Homeless Shelter.
  - Housing: Working on getting more survey responses from LATU flyer.
  - Transportation: Upcoming survey to gather student feedback about the STC alternatives
  - Safe Parking: Following up for updates
- State Relations:
  - Discussed governor budget proposal, released 1/10
  - Planning to present budget analysis next week at general meeting.
- Federal Relations:
  - Began discussions about UC Hill Day.
  - ABTS Winter Conference – attending with Naomi.
- Student Relations:
  - Potential IGNITE x UC Relations Public Comment training collaboration.
  - In the process of planning the Labor Organizing Conference for Spring quarter.
  - CalFresh will continue reaching out to EVP regarding tabling events.
- UC Relations:
  - EVP x RJN Updates (Winter 2024). Planning our tabling events for Week 2 for 3 different campaigns.
  - Pell Grant Testimonial Form
  - Black Student Success Survey – Javier & Johnny
  - Sharing at the RJN teach in – Javier
  - Follow up with the BBRC/Afrikan Diaspora LLC in Rieber – Both

- Confidential Resources Pamphlet (ACQUIRE)
- Chloe and Jenna to have their Organizing Director Meeting on Friday to learn more campaign aims for the Winter
- Civic Engagement:
  - We have a Democracy Workshop coming up on Jan 23rd
  - We have a training with the county on 1/17 to work march primaries polls.
  - BiG with Asm. Bryan is on the way
- We're attending Senator Butler's meeting on Saturday 1/13

D. [General Representative 1](#)

Pool

E. [General Representative 2](#)

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F. [General Representative 3](#)

Valenzuela Mejia

- Overall Office
  - Attending the Students of Color Conference meeting later this month! Thanks EVP! We are sending a delegation from my office to help connect USAC with other schools
  - Interviewed the Daily Bruin about the Latinx Success Center Resolution and its impact on the future of the center as well as the importance of it.
  - First staff meeting of the quarter! In person! Working on transitioning to the new quarter and gathering our staff for the work we have.
  - Unfortunately, we had a director step down due to personal issues but have hired on our new director and am looking forward to continuing the efforts of our office.
- Platforms:
  - Bruin Health
    - Mask and hand sanitizer distribution has launched officially. If you or anyone else needs a mask or a hand sanitizer, please feel free to grab some from the third floor cubby next to the elevator! It will be stocked up regularly and is funded via office funds. We will be promoting it through the rest of the quarter and hope to continue having it stocked especially as people are coming back sick from break.
  - Bruin Worldwide
    - Continuing to recruit more mentors! We need more UCLA based students so if you or someone in your office is interested in participating, please fill out the link in the GR3 bio,
    - Will be reopening the applications for the Winter quarter as we have more incoming exchange students
  - Bruin Resources
    - Hoping to collaborate with some offices in this quarter to expand the resources we provide together! In professional efforts and all other aspects of student life!
    - Continuing to try and start the one-time Latine Organization Resource Fund, meant to help subsidy programming to support cultural diffusion for organizations with office funding for the rest of the year,
  - Bruin Representation
    - Continuing to strategize the best way to move forward with the resolution we passed earlier this past quarter
    - Will be building a coalition of students who support the Latinx Success Center and ensuring that students of all groups who would like to remain informed about the work we are doing can stay informed
  - Bruin Convenience
    - My director will be presenting next week about our survey and findings that we observed and what students said about the potential Digital BruinCard
    - Hoping to meet with other admins on campus about this initiative and its relevance with making student life much more convenient.

G. [Academic Affairs Commissioner](#)

Srihar

Attended Racial Justice Now Teach-in on 1/16

### **Upward Movement**

- Finalized plan for We're Not Really Strangers project
- Planning for law school & Career Center partnership events

### **Retention First**

- Extended B4B application deadline, kept award total at \$3,500
- Contacted ASUCLA bookstore to determine rollover from unclaimed rewards last quarter
- Contacting Mother Organization Retention Coordinators to collaborate this quarter

### **Access & Equity**

- Collaborating with UC Berkeley to bring a Disability Training resolution to UCLA

### **Accountability & Transparency**

- Finalizing fall quarter transparency report
- Creating UCLA entity listserv to publicize USAC opportunities

### **Graphics**

- Finalizing merchandise and applying to contingency to fund t-shirts

### **Internship**

- Extended internship application, flyering to increase outreach
- Bringing fall interns to council next week and meeting with career center to execute fall quarter's plan

#### H. [Campus Events Commission](#)

Miller

#### I. [Community Service Commissioner](#)

Wong

- Reimagining Safety Documentary and Panel this Thursday at Fowler Museum 5pm - 7.30pm on policing, incarceration and criminal justice. PLEASE COMEEEEEE and send it out to your own offices, free subway and cookies from Dr. Shica Bakery, a Black-woman owned bakery.
- Programming teams working on:
  - Nonprofit networking night - Ackerman Grand Ballroom Feb 8, 5pm-8pm, in collaboration with Volunteer Center
  - Houselessness days of service happening in week 4, 1/31 - 2/02
- Finalized delegation for our IMPACT Conference in end February, send out acceptances and now planning details of trip.
- Meeting ASU/Thyra to support community service book drive in conjunction with BHM
- Meeting Center for Community Engagement for quarterly updates
- Working on transparency report

#### J. [Cultural Affairs Commissioner](#)

Verdugo

- Week 4 Art Gallery with SJP
- Art series contributing with creating linocuts, making stickers, prints and art to sell
- HHAM
- Working on meeting with ASUCLA about Fashion Show and Explosion on our preliminary invoice and our issues with the reservation in years past so we can avoid
- Fashion show model applications
- Fashion show finalizing brands and looking for Palestinian designers for the show
- Sending offer letters by end of month
- Finalizing funding apps
- Meeting w GSA & BOD on resolution/letters on BDS movement and Palestinian student support
- Native expressions event is 2/23/24 this upcoming month
  - Land back will be performing and we will book KGS and KAG
- Collaboration with ASU on a BHM art gallery
- JRF
  - In-person meeting
  - Staff photoshoot

- Replanning retreat
- Artists
- Logos getting finalized
- Vendors and art apps
- Student performer auditions soon
- Teeny desk w jay satten this week

K. [Facilities Commissioner](#)

Curran

L. [Financial Supports Commissioner](#)

Broukhim

M. [Student Wellness Commissioner](#)

Kang

- Commissioner Updates
  - Working on ASU/HC x USAC x UCSA Pan-Afrikan Mental Health Awareness Week
  - Working on food insecurity relief project with BruinShelter
  - Meeting with SGS about SWC Therapy Grant project
- SWC Updates
  - [Weekly SWC E-Board & Committees' Updates Sheet](#)
  - Peer Support Lounge Re-Opening pushed to week 4
  - Week 3 Thursday 1/25 [Heart to Heart: A Conversation about Reproductive Health](#)
    - Kerckhoff Grand Salon and Patio 4-7pm
    - [Register here](#)
    - Panel of doctors, student activists, advocates
    - 10 organizations and entities tabling
    - GIVEAWAY: apple watch, airpods, polaroid camera, owala water bottle, SWC merch

N. [Transfer Student Representative](#)

Cobbs

O. [International Student Representative](#)

Tfayli

P. [Administrative Representatives](#)

Luna, Alexander, Moran, Klimoski, Wisner

- Jessica: "Just wanted to thank Fernando for the great presentation on funding allocations. It is really critical that you review the allocations before you are voting on them and make sure that if you are needing to abstain, you are. As we find various issues, as the paperwork comes to SGA, we want to try to find mistakes in the paperwork before it comes to be approved. If anybody needs additional support, please let us know and we will help you with whatever you need. Come to the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony outside on the Ackerman patio on the first floor. Hope to see you all."
- Orlando: "Reminder from last week. Current re-registration and new registration is currently happening and will end this Friday. Next week will be our one stop event where we will have in person and virtual workshops for signatories."
- Jonathan: "If you or an organization you know had three huge boxes of hay delivered to Ackerman, please let us know because we don't know what to do with it. The ASUCLA Talent Show is coming up on March 13th and as student staff you are all welcome to showcase your wonderful abilities. Registering to perform is super simple and you should have got an announcement with it. Would love to see your talents. Five dollar Fridays are back, can't beat that in this day and age. Next week the folks from the bookstore are going to come and give a presentation on Bruin One Access which is the updated version of Inclusive Access and this will start in the Fall. I will reiterate what Megan and Naomi said, please please help with appointments because you have a lot of deadlines coming up for that. Please fill out the survey from Jack, our student support services staff. Don't forget all requisitions from fall are due Week 5. Feel free to hit me up on my work phone as well and I am here if you need me."

## **IX. Old Business**

## **X. New Business**

A. [Discussion on CORO Leadership Training](#)

Hammonds

- Part of my platform was improving leadership. Pulled together a lot of funds to put together this CORO Leadership training. They did a training in 2020 for USAC and they have also done it for Link and they basically do the training for other age groups as well. I gave them a couple topics and things that have been happening in the past quarter with USAC. These two workshops will be about communication and giving and receiving feedback. February 24th and March 16th. These would start on Saturday and they start at 10am. I will be sending out a RSVP. If you RSVP, I will expect you to be there because I don't want you taking up spots when I know other student leaders would love to be there. I will be sending out more information soon."

## **XI. Adjournment**

- Naomi adjourns the meeting at 7:54pm.  
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\* Indicates Action Item  
# Indicates Consent Item  
@Indicates Executive Session Item