UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

October 3, 2006 417 Kerckhoff Hall 7:00 p.m.

- PRESENT: Araabi, Caba, Cendana, Dehar, Doria, Jang, Kaisey, Malik, McLaren, Miller, Nelson, Park, Price, Sargent, Saucedo, Schuster, Tuttle, Williams, Zai
- ABSENT: None
- GUESTS: Bel Bueno, Viet Bui, Anthony Pesce
- I. A. Call to Order
 - B. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet was passed around.

- II. Approval of the Agenda
- III. Approval of the Minutes

There were no Minutes this week.

IV. Special Presentations

There were no Special Presentations this week.

V. Appointments

Committee on Disabilities

- Kaisey said that Swathu had been the only one to apply for the Committee on Disabilities, and was actually very qualified.
- <u>Caba moved and Zai seconded to approve the Appointment of Swathu to the Committee on</u> <u>Disabilities.</u>
- <u>Council voted to approve the Appointment of Swathu to the Committee on Disabilities with a vote of 10 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.</u>
- VI. Fund Allocations

Approval of Contingency Fund Allocations

- <u>Cendana moved and Araabi seconded to approve the Contingency Funding Allocation</u> Recommendations.
- Doria said that he understood that some of the applications were late but were still funded. He pointed out that this was reason enough for not funding at all in past weeks, and asked Miller why that was. Miller answered that the only reason for not funding was if there was no accompanying documentation. He said that with late applications, they were deducted points, but were still funded.
- Price asked why the Queer Alliance was funded so much for Graphics, to which Miller said that it was a weeklong event that had graphics for each and every day.
- Sargent asked if Council had a desire for the Budget Review Committee (BRC) to present a quarterly balance on the funding allocation recommendations. He said that it was his recommendation that Council be given a running balance not just for the year, but also for the

quarter. Miller said that he would try to do that, though it was somewhat difficult to give a clear estimate.

- <u>Council voted to approve the Contingency Funding Allocation Recommendations with a vote of</u> 9 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention.

The Contingency Funding Allocation Recommendations are attached to the minutes.

Assistant Budget Review Director Appointment

- Kaisey explained to Council that if at any time the Budget Review Director (BRD) was not available, then the Assistant Budget Review Director (ABRD) would serve and vote in her place.
- Sargent said that he understood that Bui had applied for several programs through the BRC, and asked him to clarify. Bui said that he had a lot of experience through the Vietnamese Student Union (VSU), and said that he was in charge of budgeting during VSU Culture Night, and also the writing of the proposal to the BRC and searching for funding outside the university. He said that he also worked with the community outreach program HOPE, and said that he had similar and equal experience with funding through them.
- Kaisey asked what kind of proposals he had written. Bui said that he had worked with the Student Organization Operational Fund (SOOF), the ASUCLA Board of Directors (BOD), the Vice Chancellor's Fund, and also the Student Initiated Access Committee (SIAC) Mini Fund.
- Kaisey asked Bui if he would recuse himself if one of his associated organizations came to apply for funding. Bui said that he was not sure that was necessary, though he would certainly act impartially.
- Price said that to comment on what Kaisey had said, it was the tradition of the committee to recuse oneself from the discussion regarding the hearing, and asked if Bui was willing to do that. Bui said that he was. Price also asked Bui what his other time commitments were. Bui said that he was actually quite available, with his classes only running three days each week. Price asked what his other student organization commitments were, to which Bui said that he was the vice president of the VSU. Price asked how Bui had remained impartial in working with the SIAC Mini Fund. Bui said that the SIAC Mini Fund was centered on benefiting k-12 students, and said that the projects that he had worked on were very CPO.
- Sargent said that to be very clear, all that Council was asking was that Bui recuse himself from hearings on organizations to which he was a member. Sargent then asked Marianne how she had found this candidate, to which she said that she had asked around and then Cendana had ultimately found him.
- Schuster asked Bui what the role of the ABRD was for the rest of the year, to which Bui said that he would be assisting with BRD funding and the second round of SOOF Funding. He said that this would also include helping out with other organizations that came to the BRD. Bui also said that he would obviously be stepping in for her if she could not perform the duties of the BRD. Schuster asked what made the coming round of applications different than the last. Bui said that his understanding was that the second round was for groups whose application had been declined in the first application cycle. Schuster said that there was ultimately one point that he was trying to make, which was that Council was trying to reach out to more groups. He said that the second round of SOOF was geared toward reaching out to groups that had typically not applied for funding. Bui said that he agreed, and said that he would work hard to outreach to groups that had either not been allocated funding or even that had not applied for funding in the first place. He said that it was the role of SOOF to encourage new groups to apply as a form of outreach, and that would be a central goal of his position. Schuster said that the only source of concern he had was that he didn't really see much or any experience with reaching out to student groups that had not applied for funding in the past. Bui said that he would certainly do his best, and pointed out that there was really no way for him to prove this to Schuster except by his future action. He also countered that he had, in fact, helped outreach to new groups, including his roommate's new Christian student group.
- Price asked Bui what kind of concrete ideas he had for outreaching to student groups. He said that there had always been very little communication initiated by USAC in this regard, and said that it would be a good idea for USAC to do some outreach with things like orientation sessions.

- <u>Araabi moved and Caba seconded to Call the Question on the Motion to Approve the</u> Appointment of Viet Than Bui to the position of Assistant Budget Review Director.
- <u>Council voted to Call the Question on the Motion to Approve the Appointment of Viet Than Bui</u> to the position of Assistant Budget Review Director with a vote of 6 in favor, 4 opposed, and 0 <u>abstentions.</u>
- Schuster said that one of the things that USAC visited during the appointment process was the process itself, and said that he had not seen much outreach to the student body to elicit different individuals for appointments. He said that another thing that Council had been trying do was reach out to students who did not have experience with the budget review process.
- Sargent pointed out that he did not think there was any requirement of outreach by the ABRD.
- Kaisey said that in answer to Schuster's request to outreach for other applicants, the process of selecting the ABRD consisted of drawing from the pile that had already accumulated for the BRD position.
- Tuttle said that whether it was in the Bylaws or not, he applauded the general thrust of the comments and the sensitivity, as the idea of outreach was a great idea. He said that it was important to remind everyone that a broad base effort to reach out be made, as everyone needed to know about funding and deadlines and whatnot. He said that Council's successors may be called upon to conduct due-diligence, and what they did not want to do was backslide into not spreading the word and keeping positions or funding restricted.
- Zai said that she really wanted to emphasize the importance of opening the funding process to the over 800 student groups, and said that her only hesitation with Bui as a candidate was his overlap in experience with multiple committees that applied directly to the BRC for funding.
- Zai moved and Schuster seconded to Call the Question on the Motion to Approve the Appointment of Viet Than Bui to the position of Assistant Budget Review Director.
- <u>Council voted to Call the Question on the Motion to Approve the Appointment of Viet Than Bui</u> to the position of Assistant Budget Review Director with a vote of 10 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 <u>abstentions.</u>

External Vice President Tina Park arrived.

- <u>Council voted to approve the Appointment of Viet Than Bui to the position of Assistant Budget</u> <u>Review Director with a vote of 7 in favor, 4 opposed, and 0 abstentions.</u>
- Cendana reminded Council that the applications were attached to the Agenda packet so that Council could contact applicants before the appointment if they had questions.

Tamaron Jang arrived.

Student Organizations Operational Fund Allocations

- Cabrera said that she had corrected the allocations since printing the sheet. She said that she had emailed out the corrected version to the allusa email address for Council to see.
- Sargent asked why the incorrect information had been forwarded to Council in the first place. Cabrera said that these were the groups that Council had deliberated on, and they then decided to allocate based on those scores, but these were the scores that had changed after deliberation.
- Cabrera said that the total allocation added up to \$98,973.00.
- <u>Araabi moved and Caba seconded to Approve the Student Organization Operational Fund</u> <u>Allocations.</u>
- Kaisey said that as long as the scores were correct and the total was correct, then everything should fall into place.
- Zai asked why some groups were receiving 40 times more than other groups, to which Cabrera said that was what they applied for and appeared to qualify for. Park added that they had funded based on the need of the groups and what they deserved and what Council could pay for.
- <u>Council voted to approve the Student Organization Operational Fund Allocations with a vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention.</u>
- Kaisey thanked the BRC.
- VII. Officer and Member Reports

Cultural Affairs Commissioner – Marivell Caba

- Caba said that a lot was going on, particularly in her work with the EVP's Office on Get Out the Vote. She said that they had scheduled the first concert to be held on October 17th, and then the second on November 6th. Caba also said that she had just had her first staff meeting, which had been very productive, and said that they had scheduled their staff retreat.
- Sargent asked if there was any way for students to find out what was going on in her office at any given time. Caba said that there was a preliminary website that students could visit and get that information. She also said that there would be quarterly postcards.

General Representative 1 – Carlos Saucedo

- Saucedo said that he had been to the president's office, and said that there were now gender neutral restrooms on the floor. He also said that the USAC Open House had gone very well, and said that there would be a discussion later in the meeting regarding it. Saucedo said that national coming out week was coming up, and there would be events in Bruin Plaza in cooperation with the LBGT center. He also said that he had planned his first all-staff meeting.
- Kaisey asked if there were signs explaining the gender-neutral bathrooms, to which Saucedo said that he didn't think so. She also asked if he had found out whether or not they would bring Margaret Cho, to which he said that they were trying to raise the funds.

Campus Events Commissioner – Ravi Dehar

- Dehar said that this week they had kicked off the first new ticket policy for movies. He said that there was now exactly the same number of tickets as there were seats, and they were available exactly three days before the night of the movie. Dehar said that the way it worked was that tickets became worthless at 7:30, so there could still be walk-ins. He said that this was part of a new customer service movement, to which he said it was going very well.
- Sargent asked how the Brian Wilson music award was coming, to which Dehar said that he was still waiting to hear back, and if it was to be in October then it probably wouldn't come together in time.

Academic Affairs Commissioner – Nat Schuster

- Schuster said that there had been a lot of meeting with his staff lately, and said that Judy Smith and Julie Owen were receptive to the idea of starting a business major at UCLA. He said that they had then wanted Schuster to talk to the Chancellor, who had said that it would belong in social sciences, and said that he now had to talk to Letters and Science. Schuster said that it had essentially gone full-circle, and everyone liked the idea but nobody wanted to take it on without a lot of money. He also said that their first movie was coming up and also their first career fair. Schuster lastly said that the USIE application due date was fast approaching toward the end of the quarter if anyone was interested in teaching a class.
- Tuttle asked if he understood correctly that the Chancellor had instructed him to go to Social Sciences, and said that if this was the case then Schuster should hammer that point and he should be able to bring about this major. Tuttle said that this was an idea that had been an idea that was 40 years in the making and it would be a shame to let it fall, and encouraged Schuster to make this happen.
- Sargent said that just to add to Tuttle's remarks, he recommended bringing this as a resolution to Council and publishing it in the Daily Bruin.

General Representative 2 – Joline Price

- Price said that she wanted to invite Council to a Mental Health Resource fair to be held on October 18th, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. She said that there would be a lot of student and UCLA representatives there as well as activities like punching bags and piñatas. Price also said that she had a meeting coming up with the director of Student Psychological Services (SPS), and said that she would be bringing some student issues and concerns to her.
- Sargent asked if there was an advisory board to SPS, to which Price said that there was not, though Price and Kaisey were working on perhaps creating one.

- Kaisey asked if Price could make a presentation of the mental health information that had been sent to the UC Regents.

Community Service Commissioner – Farheen Malik

Community Service Commissioner Farheen Malik's Officer Report is attached to the Minutes. Ouestions and Comments followed Malik's Report.

- Tuttle asked if the service record was planned to be attached to the UCLA transcript, to which Malik said that it was actually going to be done through MyUCLA. Tuttle said that this was pretty important, to which Malik said that it was a done deal at this point. Tuttle asked if the protocol had been finalized as to what was included and what was not, to which Malik said that there was currently a Memorandum of Understanding, which explained all this, though there were currently seven core organizations that qualified for notation. Tuttle said that he had a point to make which affected the other 12 members of Council, and that was that this was a pilot program, grounded in the idea that people should be recognized for their service. Tuttle said that the thing he was consistently concerned about was that the established model could be extended to incorporate the projects that all of Council did. He said that he did not think that it should go forward at this time, but did think that this was a great idea and progress.
- Price said that she understood that not all communities on the Hill accepted the Community Service Representatives, and asked what Malik would be doing about this. Malik said that the Resident Directors would be willing to act in place of the Community Service Representatives, but also said that she had her own director who would oversee those obligations. Price said that there was one on her floor but there was not one for the whole building for her person to answer to.
- Kaisey asked what kind of response Malik had gotten from the fraternities, to which she said that the approached fraternities were all those with whom her commission had connections, and that this would be serving as a kind of pilot program.
- Saucedo asked about the recruitment fair, to which Malik said that it would be held over lunchtime on Wednesday.

Facilities Commissioner – P.C. Zai

- Zai said that she wanted to thank McLaren for letting everyone know that Sunset Blvd. was going to be closed. She also said that Westwood Blvd. might be closed on Wednesday for the Millennium Ball. Zai told Council that she had toured the on-campus power plant, and said that in an hour-and-a-half tour she had learned that UCLA generates three types of power and could support 85% of its own power needs. Zai also said that BruinWalkers had already registered 1,700 students, and 900 students had picked up their pedometers. She also congratulated Saucedo on the gender-neutral bathrooms, and added that Wooden Center would also be adding a gender-neutral locker room.
- Kaisey asked where the UCLA power plant was, to which Zai said that it was below parking structure 8.

Interval Vice President – Gregory Cendana

- Cendana said that he had met with the Darfur Action Committee, and said that they were making lots of progress with the divestment campaign. He also mentioned that there would also be a related free exhibit at the Hammer Museum coming up. Cendana told Council that after governance day, he would be meeting with the campus retention committee, and said that they would hopefully be building relationships on that front. He also said that he and Araabi were working on the student social justice network. Cendana said that applications were available on his and Saucedo's website. He also noted that he would be collecting dates from USAC about their events, and would then be forwarding that information to the student organizations. He also said that he had met with Connie last week, and she would have to have another surgery, but she would hopefully be better after that. Cendana also said that Parking Services might be giving a presentation to Council as he was still confused about all of it. He lastly said that he was very excited about "So You Think You Can Dance" which was going to be held on the 18th.

- Price asked Cendana if he would be sending the compiled USAC events to Council, to which he said that he would. Price also asked if he would be sending that information to the student groups. Cendana answered that he would as long as they had opted-in to receiving emails.

External Vice President – Tina Park

External Vice President Tina Park's Officer Report is attached to the Minutes. Questions and Comments followed Park's Report.

- Park told Council that they were really trying to outreach to the Bruin Republicans, but had met with no success whatsoever. She said that this was a really non-partisan effort to get people to vote.
- Nelson said that one thing that had not been discussed was the fact that this was one of the most important mid-term elections that this country has ever faced. He pointed out that if one could not impress upon college students the need to vote, then what hope was there for the rest of the country. Nelson said that Council really needed to sell what democracy was all about, and the point of which was voting.
- Dehar asked if one could register to vote online, to which Park said that one could but they did not recommend it. She said that by registering through her office they would double-check the application to make sure that the information was complete. Park also said that it was an easier way to count the numbers.
- Kaisey asked if Park knew anything about the Students of Color Conference, to which Park said that it would be held on the third weekend in November in Berkeley. She said that it would be much more expensive due to the location, so she would be counting the number of students who went.
- Schuster asked Park how she determined who went to UCSA and USSA meetings. She said that she outreached to students who would gain information at those conferences and then bring it back to the university. Sargent clarified that these were open meetings which anyone could attend. Park said that was true, it was just whether or not they went with her.
- Kaisey asked Park to email out the agendas and locations for future meetings.

President – Marwa Kaisey

President Marwa Kaisey's Officer Report is attached to the Minutes.

Questions and Comments followed Kaisey's Report.

- Doria asked how strict the advisors were about the application deadlines for the SOOF applications, to which Nelson said that this was a good question, and though his personal opinion was that they should be turned in five days in advance, he did not want to see this policy enforced to the detriment of any students. Nelson explained that the problem was that if the students did not get the applications to the advisors in time, then it became unfair to the rest of the student groups whose applications went under full review. Nelson said that he didn't have a mandate, though he did recommend it. He said that he personally managed to read all of the applications that he received, but he didn't receive as many applications as many of the other advisors.
- Kaisey said that she thought there might not be an understanding that there was a request of five days.
- Sargent asked why the BOD applications needed to have the signature of the CSP advisor, to which Tuttle said that these were mandatory collected student fees being given out, and in the end everyone was better for it. Nelson said that it was not designed to add a bureaucratic step, but was rather mandated by the funding boards, as it meant that they got better and more complete proposals. Nelson added that it might eliminate some short cuts that some groups may wish to take, including slate-related politicking.
- Doria said that he wanted to add this as a discussion item on the Agenda for the following meeting as it was an issue that had concerned him for some time.
- Tuttle said that he was not on the CSP staff, though he had seen the growth of the workload over the years. He said that this workload was extraordinary, and one of the things that they might need to look at was alleviating that workload. Nelson added that he had previously been instructed not to advise any groups, but was now being instructed otherwise as there were just too many groups for him not to be an advisor for any of them.

- Kaisey asked who would be coming to the Bienvenidos event, to which the various Council members indicated their availability which she recorded.

VIII. Old Business

USAC Action Agenda Items

- Kaisey said that everyone had gotten their time to talk to their staffs, and said that it was time to decide which Action Agenda Items to keep and which ones to lose.
- Schuster moved and Price seconded to make Student Voice a USAC Action Agenda Item.
- Sargent said that his only concern about this one was that it was so internally focused that it would not appear that USAC was doing anything incredible, and encouraged them to do more items. Schuster disagreed, saying that this was what the student body demanded.
- Araabi said that he liked the idea behind this one, but said that there didn't seem to be any one unifying theme behind it that would bring all the students together. Price said that she disagreed, elaborating that this was perhaps the only one that was a unified goal for all of Council, the leaders of the student body. She said that there were things that all of the offices could contribute, and it was something that all of the offices held as a goal.
- Cendana asked if this would require a majority vote to become an Action Agenda Item, to which Kaisey said that she wanted consensus. Cendana said that he didn't think that was going to happen.
- Sargent said that if there were any on the list that anyone couldn't do or wouldn't do, then they should be whittled off the list. Kaisey conversely suggested voting various ones into place with a majority vote, and then allowing people to remove themselves from their own commitments on the given issue.
- Schuster said that council was approving things based on the assumption that everyone would go along and work on the items even if they voted against them. Kaisey asked if Schuster had a concrete suggestion, to which he said that he didn't feel these were as powerful as they implied or deserved as much time as Council had spent on them.
- Price said that she did not like the idea of individuals being able to pull themselves from items, saying that she felt it important that regardless of how many members of Council worked on an item, it was important that all of Council support the items. Park said that she did not think that was an issue, as nobody was going to actively work against the other members' items. She said that she certainly wouldn't be working against any of the items, though she would want to remove herself from obligation to various items.
- Sargent said that piggybacking on Park and going along with the spirit that Kaisey had implied, then perhaps Council should strive for a 2/3 vote. Sargent also told Council that if they came out with no Action Agenda Items or Foci, then it would give the impression that USAC couldn't agree on anything, despite the fact that they would all be working on these issues together.
- Nelson said that at the last meeting, it had been agreed that Council would consult with one another and with their staffs to see what each office could handle, and asked what had come of that.
- Dehar said that with regard to Affordability and Social Justice, his office would not be willing or able to plan those events, though they would offer their assistance to someone else who wanted to plan them.
- Saucedo said that he had spoken with his staff, and he was not sure exactly what was expected of his office specifically and what was expected of the general representatives office in general. Kaisey said that she thought Price would love any help that his office could handle.
- Park said that she had conversed with her staff, and they had discussed which items were actually feasible and could meet with success. She said that they were all good ideas, but didn't all have the potential to really accomplish anything by the end of the year.
- Schuster said that he wasn't a huge fan of Student Voice, but there were plenty of things that they could do, and he didn't want this to become a question of how many programs council could put on to apply to a point.
- Price asked Park if she didn't want to do Get Out the Vote or a Systemwide Vote, to which Park again said that her office did that anyway and was doing it currently. Park said that her point was just that she thought several of these were good ideas but had intangible goals.

- Caba said that she had spoken with her directors, and they had been interested in doing the art gallery for Student Voice.
- Kaisey took Council to a vote on the motion.
- Caba asked if by voting for an issue then were they also pledging their office's support, to which Kaisey said that one could vote in favor of an Action Agenda Item but still remove themselves from working on it.
- <u>Council voted to make Student Voice a USAC Action Agenda Item with a vote of 9 in favor, 0</u> <u>opposed, and 3 abstentions.</u>
- Price asked if this needed to be a majority vote or only two-thirds, to which Kaisey said that it was simple majority. Cendana agreed that two-thirds was good, otherwise they were all going to pass. Kaisey agreed that a two-thirds vote should be required.

- Saucedo moved and Malik seconded to make Campus Safety an Action Agenda Item.

- Price said that she had concerns about Campus Safety, which were that it was really more of an item about emotional safety or mental health. She said that she also thought there was too much emphasis on hate crimes, and said that if there was to be a campus safety push, then it should be emphasized on more common crimes like theft.
- Schuster said that he thought Student Voice was a good item, and said that if Council was to approve another, then Council should package-deal Campus Safety and the other one just like it.
- Doria agreed that Campus Safety was a stretch as an Action Agenda Item, as it sensationalized problems on campus and didn't really accomplish much. He said that he thought appointing a single liaison to the UCPD could accomplish the same thing.
- Saucedo said that the item was really more about emotional well-being, and said that there were pointed goals in the item like information about hate crimes.
- Sargent said that in order to streamline this discussion, he recommended making specific recommendations to alter the goals, or otherwise just vote one's mind.
- Caba said that, in response to Price, she really liked Campus Safety, and said that she didn't think hate crime awareness was a stretch, and said that it was an aspect of student life that needed to be addressed. She said that she knew people personally who had been victims of hate crimes on campus.
- Jang moved and Dehar seconded to Call the Question on the Motion to make Campus Safety a USAC Action Agenda Item.
- <u>Council voted to Call the Question on the Motion to make Campus Safety a USAC Action</u> <u>Agenda Item with a vote of 7 in favor, 4 opposed, and 1 abstention.</u>
- Zai said that in her three meetings with Nancy Greenstein, she had learned that there were very few hate crimes on campus, and added that she had been told that it created fear and general panic about hate crimes to over-publicize the issue. She added that she thought this was a real facilities issue, and said that she thought she should have been included in this item.
- Nelson said that it was important not to cause panic, but there were a lot of crimes that went unreported, and said that it was equally important to increase awareness.
- Schuster said that there was a lot of discussion about this item, and he said that his focus was on freshmen and transfers, so he would like those issues to be discussed together.
- Price asked if one could move while there was a motion on the table, to which Sargent said that one could.
- Schuster moved and Zai seconded to couple Campus Safety and Freshmen Transfers into a single motion to make against coupling Campus Safety and Freshmen Transfers into a single motion regarding USAC Action Agenda Items with a vote of 4 in favor, 6 opposed, and 1 abstention.
- <u>Schuster moved and Dehar seconded to Call the Question on the Motion to make Campus Safety</u> <u>a USAC Action Agenda Item.</u>
- <u>Council voted to Call the Question on the Motion to make Campus Safety a USAC Action</u> <u>Agenda Item with a vote of 10 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention.</u>
- <u>Council voted to make Campus Safety a USAC Action Agenda Item with a vote of 7 in favor, 4</u> <u>opposed, and 0 abstentions.</u>

- Doria moved and Schuster seconded to close the discussion on USAC Action Agenda Items.
- <u>Council voted not to close the discussion on USAC Action Agenda Items with a vote of 5 in</u> <u>favor, 6 opposed, and 0 abstentions.</u>
- Park moved and Caba seconded to make Diversity a USAC Action Agenda Item.
- Zai asked Tuttle, Sargent, and Nelson if USAC could sponsor such a goal which was potentially in conflict with Proposition 209. Nelson said that it seemed to him that people could say what they wanted to, but when it came to admissions, that was something that was mandated by the state. He said that Council could essentially take whatever stance they wanted, though.
- Park said that the UC Regents had also taken a stance on this issue, so Council would be acting under the framework that they too were working under.
- Price said that Council had to represent the goals of the students at UCLA, and said that they had to think about whether or not they were representing the students at UCLA and whether or not this was what they wanted.
- Doria said that he thought Council could make a statement without violating proposition 209, but not take any action. Nelson said that this was not the case.
- Nelson argued with the Republicans. Doria said that Council couldn't work on changing the admissions process to be more diversity based without violating proposition 209, aside from the fact that the student body did not support increasing diversity.
- Park said that nobody wanted to make a blind law that simply allowed admission to minorities, but said that the goal was to reexamine the processes by which admissions are done in order to allow for the underprivileged and students who are not able to gain access to the university.
- Schuster said that people who had been at a CUARS meeting knew that nobody can say "increasing racial diversity through admissions..." He said that this was something that USAC could not endorse.
- Caba said that this was an issue that existed at UCLA that needed addressing, whether or not one agreed with the importance and value of diversity on campus.
- Araabi said that the diversity crisis facing UCLA was the issue of this time, and Council had to do something rather than sitting on their hands which UCLA received national attention and criticism.
- Schuster said that USAC was going to do what USAC was going to do, and said that they should work on this but not as an Action Agenda Item.
- <u>Cendana moved and Araabi seconded to Call the Question on the Motion to make Diversity a</u> <u>USAC Action Agenda Item.</u>
- <u>Council voted to Call the Question on the Motion to make Diversity a USAC Action Agenda</u> <u>Item with a vote of 8 in favor, 3 opposed, and 1 abstention.</u>
- Kaisey reminded Council that an abstention was an abstention, and the two-thirds vote would only be counted out of the voting members,
- <u>Council voted to make Diversity a USAC Action Agenda Item with a vote of 7 in favor, 2</u> <u>opposed, and 3 abstentions.</u>
- <u>Price moved and Schuster seconded, as members of the prevailing side, to reconsider the Motion</u> to make Diversity a USAC Action Agenda Item.
- <u>Council voted not to reconsider the Motion to make Diversity a USAC Action Agenda Item with a vote of 4 in favor, 8 opposed, and 0 abstention.</u>
- <u>Schuster moved and Cendana seconded to make Campus Safety and Transfer Students USAC</u> Action Agenda Items, and then close the discussion on USAC Action Agenda Items.
- Tuttle said that there was a multiple motion on the floor, and recommended that Council consider this carefully. He said that if someone did not want to vote the package, then one could make a motion to amend the motion to separate the votes.
- Cendana said that this was a split Council, and in the best interest of all the students, if they could cooperate on these four issues, then this was a pretty good load and would allow them to reach the most students possible. He said that a lot of this talking was pointless, and they should move on with the Agenda.

- <u>Council voted to make Campus Safety and Transfer Students USAC Action Agenda Items, and</u> <u>then close the discussion on USAC Action Agenda Items with a vote of 12 in favor, 0 opposed,</u> <u>and 0 abstentions.</u>

IX. New Business

USAC Open House

- Saucedo said that he wanted to open up a discussion for any comments on the USAC Open House.
- Park said that she got 15 people signed up as interested in working with her office, so she was very happy. She said that she had gotten a lot of requests for having the option of a guided tour. Saucedo said that had been the intent, but there had not been enough volunteers.
- Kaisey asked what people thought about combining the USAC and SAC open houses, to which Cendana said that he had heard that people liked it.
- Dehar suggested printing a map for next year's open house.
- Cendana said that he liked that there was food.
- Kaisey said that she thought it had been cool but would like for there to be even more people next year.
- Cendana suggested maybe having all of the Kerckhoff organizations have open houses at the same time.

Guidelines for the Administrator Recognition Award

- <u>Schuster moved and Jang seconded to approve the Guidelines for the Administrator Recognition</u> <u>Award.</u>
- Sargent said that technically speaking, the word administrator was a little loaded. He said that there were really staff and faculty. Sargent suggested making this a staff award because administrator might be a little too pointed. Schuster directed Sargent to 2.e. which outlined who was qualified. Sargent countered that he didn't think faculty would want to be referred to as administrators.
- Kaisey suggested making it "faculty / administrator", which Sargent thought might be a good idea.
- Zai suggested using the words "administrators and student support..." or something. Sargent said that he just wanted to point out that faculty might not want to be called administrators.
- Kaisey suggested cutting out "undergraduate" in 2.e.
- Nelson said that Schuster could say "faculty/staff/administrator". He said that Sargent was correct, that many individuals wouldn't like to be called administrators, and said that a junior faculty member might have such an administrator award even count against them by senior faculty.
- Schuster said that perhaps they could call it "professional leadership".
- Sargent suggested making several separate awards. He said that might be even more valuable.
- Tuttle said that by making the recipient of this award more open-ended gave more flexibility to future councils. He said that it was good because it created a very nice thing that they could give to administrators. Tuttle also said that he would recommend "faculty/staff/administration" award.
- Schuster accepted the amendment.
- Kaisey said that she wanted soon see a score-sheet of sorts that would be use to determine who got this award. Schuster said that was exactly what he wanted to avoid. Kaisey said that she just wanted him to outline what his vision was for the future.
- Sargent said that he thought it would be good to have a very general framework.
- Zai said that one question Council should ask itself is if award winners could apply and win more than once. Kaisey asked Schuster if there were any such stipulations, to which Schuster said that there were not. Kaisey asked him if there should be, to which he said that he didn't think so.
- Doria said that Schuster should have given this out a long time ago, as such amendments should be done before the meeting, whereas they should just be voting for or against the guidelines at this point.

- McLaren said that there were a few semantics that needed correcting. She said that in 2.c.i. instead of "Officially Recognized Student Organizations" it should be "Campus Registered Student Organizations." She also said that in 3.a. she understood what he meant, but it was unclear, and suggested that he clarify. Schuster said what he had meant was that hopefully the award would be on display in Murphy Hall.
- <u>Council voted to approve the Guidelines for the Administrator Recognition Award with a vote of 12 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.</u>

Building Relationships

- Schuster asked Tuttle if Council had ever had representatives to the Academic Administration. Tuttle explained that they once did but had not for some years.
- Sargent said that when he was on USAC, from 1992 to 1995, the Vice Chair of the Academic Senate came to the USAC meetings once a quarter.
- Kaisey said that she had spoken to Judy Smith after governance day, and she had expressed interest in coming back to the meetings again.
- Tuttle said that he thought it had been a little strange back in the day when the faculty actually had a vote on USAC, but said that it would be great to get some of their influence back here and it could even go hand-in-hand with the recognition award.
- McLaren said that in more recent years there were people that had been appointed to the position, but they were not the higher-ups, and they often didn't show up to the meetings as it was not considered a very illustrious appointment.
- Tuttle said that back in the '60s, when the black students were having sit-ins, the Vietnam war was almost over, and the civil rights movement was being done by students the age of the present council, it was the administration that had taken an interest in all of this. Tuttle said that in this day if someone could relate to students like Charles E. Young, because he was tough, then he or she could relate to students. Tuttle said that Young had not been picked for his fundraising ability, but rather because he could relate to students, and it was always great to have robust discussions with the faculty.
- McLaren said that the Academic Senate Representatives that had sat on Council really didn't understand why they were at the USAC meeting.
- Schuster said that he loved the subject but it had been a long night and said that he would continue the discussion later with the interested parties.

X. Announcements

- Dehar told Council that there would be a concert coming up.
- Caba said that the jazz series was starting up again and would be held on Mondays from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the coffee house.
- Malik said that the CSC fair would be on Wednesday, and said that there would be food and activities.
- Zai said that the transportation fair would be on Thursday.
- Jang said that there was a blood drive on Wednesday and Thursday.
- Cendana moved and Park seconded to adjourn

XI. Signing of the Attendance Sheet The attendance sheet was passed around.

XII. Adjournment

- Cendana moved and Park seconded to adjourn.
- Council voted to adjourn at 11:20 pm with a vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

XIII. Good and Welfare Respectfully Submitted, Michael Keesler, USAC Minutes Taker