# UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

# Tuesday July 14, 2009 417 Kerckhoff Hall 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Flores, Bawa, Li, Farmer, Mullins, Faelnar, Lin, Banani, Nguyen, Wu, Tep, Tuttle, Nelson, Casillas

ABSENT: Huddy, Tengco

GUESTS: Anh Nguyen (Proxy for Tengco)

I. A. Call to Order

- Flores called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

B. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

-The attendance sheet was passed around.

- II. Approval of the Agenda
  - -Bawa moved SGOF to be the first funding allocation.
  - -Tep took away her funding reports.
  - -Li strikes her funding reports.
  - -Faelnar strikes her funding reports.
  - -Bawa strikes the approval of the minutes for June 30, 2009
  - -Faelnar moved and Bawa seconded to approve.

- Flores called for Acclamation. Flores asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the agenda was approved, as amended.

III. Approval of the Minutes

There were no minutes to be approved at this meeting.

IV. Public Comments

There were no public comments at this meeting.

V. Special Presentations

There were no special presentations at this meeting.

VI. Appointments

-Flores said that the ARC will meet this week to begin round 3 interviews for Presidential appointments. Those appointments will be finalized at the upcoming meeting on July 28<sup>th</sup>. Flores said appointments should be finished by the beginning of summer Session C.

VII. Fund Allocations

## A. SOOF/SGOF Updates

-Chris Grays said the Student Government Operational funding applications are due Wednesday July 29<sup>th</sup> by 5 pm. Grays said that the SGOF application will be a paper application.

-Nguyen asked if there is anyway to email an electronic copy. -Grays said he can email the council when the electronic copy is available for use.

## **B.** Summer Contingency Allocations

-Tan said that a total of \$14544.09 was requested from Contingency; of that, a total of \$6995.00 is recommended for allocation for this week. He said that this is the last week for summer contingency. -Those groups requesting funding were Beta Alphi Psi, the Cultural Affairs Commission, the Community Service Commission, Afrikan Student Union, Nu Alpha Kappa Fraternity, National Pan-Hellenic Council, Latin American Student Association, USAC External Vice President Office, Alpha Phi Alpha, Lambda Theta Nu Sorority. There was also a coalition of the Panhellenic, IFC, Multi-Interest, Asian, Latino, & National Greek Councils. Tan said it is his recommendation to approve all of the allocations as provided.

-Tuttle asked Tan if each group has to have a CSP signature. Tan responded that the groups do. -Bawa moved and Farmer seconded to approve the summer contingency allocations. -The council unanimously voted to approve the summer contingency allocations.

#### C. Academic Success Referendum Fund

There was no business for the Academic Success Referendum Fund this week.

## **D.** Academic Affairs Mini-Grant

There was no business for the Academic Affairs Mini-Grant this week.

## **E. Travel Grants**

There were no Travel Grants this week.

## F. Cultural Affairs Mini-Grant

There was no business for the Cultural Affairs Mini-Grant this week.

## VIII. Officer and Member Reports

#### **President – Cinthia Flores**

-Flores said that she met with a majority of the council members. She did say that she needs to meet with every member to discuss initiatives and priorities for the upcoming year. She told the council that she would like to meet with every member before the retreat.

#### Internal Vice President – Shahida Bawa

-Bawa said that she attended the Healthy Lives after Cancer Seminar this past weekend. She said that there were many students who attended who would like to attend a four year university. The new event was hosted by the Live Strong Organization. She said that she is working with Dr. Casillas to coordinate advocacy groups for the undergraduate population who is affected by cancer. She is working to help navigate Health Insurance concerns. The ARC is meeting next week to convene interviews for the Presidential Appointments. She announced that the USAC retreat is being held on August 30 at Santa Monica. She said that USAC will be able to serve the Los Angeles area by staying in Santa Monica.

## External Vice President – Susan Li

-Li said that there are over ninety contacts that USAC gained at the past two Summer in the Union events. USSA Congress is next week in Denver, Colorado.

## Academic Affairs Commissioner – Layhannara Tep

-Tep said that she has spent the last week working on a joint faculty proposal for the IDS Campaign. She has also been planning a retention workshop for the USSA Congress.

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-Tuttle told Tep that it would be very valuable to begin developing an efficient and uniform process to evaluate the reasons why students choose to prematurely end their college careers. He said that he is glad Tep is looking into retention.

IX. Old Business

There was no old business at this meeting.

## X. New Business

## A. USAC Table Banner

-Nguyen said he would like to invest in a USAC Table Banner. He presented some quotes for the council. He said that a table runner would be the most efficient.

-Lin asked if this table banner would be for all of USAC to share, or if every member would have a banner. -Bawa said that although she registered a personal space for her office for the Enormous Activities Fair, she would like all of USAC to sit near each other so everyone could make use of the banner.

-Li said that this banner could be of great use for the council to use for events throughout the year.

-Lin said that CEC has a ten foot banner that is very useful because it can be posted, or laid out.

-Bawa suggested that Nguyen come back to the council with a plan of what type of sign to use, as well as an exact price quote so the council could decide where to get funding from for the sign. -Flores thanked Nguyen for his presentation.

XI. Announcements

-Bawa asked that every council member attend their summer in the union event. -Lin reminded the council members to register their offices for the Enormous Activities Fair. -Li reminded the council of the USSA Congress.

XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet was passed around.

## XIII. Adjournment

<u>-Flores moved and Nguyen seconded to adjourn the meeting.</u>
<u>- Flores called for Acclamation</u>. Flores asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43p.m. by Acclamation.

# XIV. Good and Welfare

Respectfully Submitted,

Joseph Casillas USAC Minutes Taker 2009-2010