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# UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

Kerckhoff Hall 417 April 5, 2016 7:00 PM

PRESENT: Heather Rosen, Heather Hourdequin, Anais Leontine, Danny Siegel, Aaliya Khan, Trent Kajikawa, Lexi Mossler, Zack Dameron, Amy Shao, Ian Cocroft, Ruhi Patil, Marvin Chen, Ariel Rafalian, Stephanie Wong, Patricia Zimmerman, Deborah Geller, Christina Mata

ABSENCE: Zach Helder

#### I. Call to Order

-Rosen calls the meeting to order at 7:08pm

# A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet *The attendance sheet is passed around*

## II. Approval of the Agenda

- -Rosen tables Justin Jackson judicial board appointment
- -Shao moves to strike ARC fund
- -Hourdequin moves special presentations right before new business because the person presenting has class at 7:30pm
- -Cocroft adds a special presentation for the Coro fellowship by Avinoam Baral
- -Cocroft moves to approve agenda as amended. Rafalian seconds.
- 10-0-0 the agenda has been approved as amended

#### B. Approval of the Minutes from March 29, 2016

-Dameron moves to approve the minutes. Rafalian seconds.

#### III. Public Comments

-Student Alumni Association we are all I heart UCLA directors the week leading up to spring sing at week 8 and we are trying to diversify an advertise the events that are already happening because that's more things for students to do. We are working with CEC and CSC and we want to basically say that if there's any events putting on week 8 we would love to advertise and put on agenda for us to come. We are going to print for our fliers end of week 3 but if you have any interest at all we would love to work with you to promote everything that's happening.

## **IV. Special Presentations**

#### V. Appointments

- -Rosen states the budget review director graduated early so we have to fill the position.
- -Hourdequin reads As Chair of the Budget Review Committee (BRC), the Budget Review Director verifies that USAC base budgets are in accordance with all ASUCLA and University regulations and that all budgets are sufficiently

documented. The BRC makes recommendations on USAC Officers' budgets, and forwards those recommendations to USAC for approval. The Budget Review Director serves as Chair of the Undergraduate Students Association Programming Committee, the Student Government Operational Fund Committee (SGOF), and the Student Organizations Operational Fund (SOOF) Committee. The USA Programming Committee holds three rounds of hearings per academic year. The Student Organizations Operational Fund Committee holds two hearings per academic year to allocate funds. The Student Government Operational Fund Committee will hold one round of hearings. The Budget Review Director is appointed by the USAC President for a thirteen month term, beginning in June and continuing through July of the following year.

--Hourdequin said he was approved 3-0-0 by ARC and thought he had extensive knowledge as the assistant budget review director and liked that he did want to integrate USAC offices into the process.

## A. Budget Review Director: Johnnie Yaj

- -Yaj states he has experienced with the finance director under Stephanie and Cindy and its amazing seeing how all the allocations work and its amazing opportunity to see where all this money is going
- -Kajikawa asks what fair funding means
- -Yaj says I think fair funding is equitable funding. In terms of SOOF its equal funding because everyone has same outcome and in terms of equity and equitable is to consider how many students are being served in the organization.
- -Yaj thanks everyone for considering him and its been amazing working with them and learned so much as a second year and being immersed in this system and thank you for considering me for this position.
- -Cocroft moves to approve Johnnie Yaj as Budget Review Director
- -Kajikawa states I had the opportunity to sit with Yaj at ASUCLA BOD Hearings and he was extremely knowledgeable and it was pleasure working with him and he has hard working possibility.
- -Siegel states serving on budget review and doing SOOF hearings and help me understand the process that I knew and incredibly knowledgeable and be our next budget review director
- -Amin says he's very critical and smart on how to allocate the money and values how passionate each group is to fulfill culture shows or anything. Although he's very critical he's good at how he spends the money
- -Patil says he is knowledgeable and passionate and committed to filling the duties but also goes above and beyond to improve the guidelines and score sheets or anything that needs fixing.
- 11-0-0 Johnnie Yaj has been approved

#### B. Community Activities Committee: Josh Sarna

-Hourdequin reads The Community Activities Committee (CAC) is a subcommittee of the Program Activities Board (PAB). Oversees funding regarding projects which were created as learning and service experiences for UCLA student volunteers to work with off-campus, non-UCLA student populations. Acts as a

forum for soliciting views on the nature and goals of community service and makes allocation decisions for community service projects. Must attend a four-hour Orientation in early August, and attend meetings which are held at least once per Quarter. Must take part in hearings that last from morning 'til night. Must make at least two site visits. The four undergraduate members, three Regular and one Alternate, are appointed by the USAC President for a one year term, July through June. It is encouraged that you have experience with being a part of an organization that has applied for CAC, have knowledge about the importance of the programs, and that it is mandatory to attending meetings and hearings.

-Josh Sarna introduces himself as a third year biochemistry student is also from Wisconsin. I got involved in service freshmen year and joined best buddies and applied to CSC for funding and gained a lot of exposure for other service cases. I am an idealist turned realist and I have a lot of great ideas and I only recently came into the importance of funding in terms of service that I can have a huge impact on.

- -Cocroft asks how do you apply to this funding body and are there any process
- -Sarna says he's part of the process change committee and we're looking at streamlining the application process and I think eliminating or restricting the hearings and the line items are too rigid and I think that should change.
- -Kajikawa says you are active in CSC how would you define conflict of interest when it comes to funding
- -Sarna says being in a position where I would prioritize CSC over others and I need to be extremely aware of. Its essential to go in with service knowledge so it's a double edge sword. The purpose of fair funding is to ensure that as many people are affected and no one is given advantage and that's something I will be aware of going in.
- -Sarna thanks everyone again for hearing and I'm excited to get involved and I've been wondering this entire time how this table fits into this room because its much bigger than the door.
- -Patil moves to approve Sarna.
- -Cocroft says he had great answers and I would like to approve
- -Dameron states having worked with him in CSC to all service groups across campus beyond the scope of UCLA and in the local community. A lot of the time service is considered a bandaid solution but we have had many conversations on how to go beyond that
- -Kajikawa has met him last year in Best Buddies and I'm more than confident he's going to be a great
- -Rafalian says the table is split into four because I've wondered it too 11-0-0 Josh Sarna is approved for Community Activities Committee

#### VI. Office and Member Reports

A. President – Rosen

-Rosen says I have a meeting once a quarter with Chancellor Block and we spent most of it talking about middle income affordability based off of Davis and Berkeley to see the possibility of implementing it at the chancellor's end. That agenda item has been added to the vice chancellor meeting. Based off the graphic evidence for financial aid for students we have a very robust financial aid for low income

students. Once you reach \$80,000 it jumps off and even with the middle class scholarship when you have two students and a family to help other students who have between \$80,000-\$100,000. We discussed a statement of principles of intolerance and one suggestion is to make it public on how administration chooses to respond to intolerance. One of my recommendations is to be transparent about the philosophy. We had our dean of students Maria Blandeezy present as well. We had a meeting with Gilma our new communications director forwarding me for providing contact information. Whenever we put information into googledoc she will be putting it on. I put her the administration and I definitely encourage you all to invite your friends. Our regent applications will be sent around May.

#### B. Internal Vice President – Hourdequin

-Hourdequin says she met with Nancy Greenstein of UCPD and we spoke about the different safety initiatives that are happening on our campus and an upcoming meeting with the assistant vice chancellor and started at the beginning of march. I had the opportunity to meet with the SOLE office to discuss the upcoming events that we will be putting on with SOLE that will include a student leader networking opportunity to allow the opportunity for different organizations to network and foster a sense of collaboration to the new year in ways to proceed in transitioning the new person and making that open to the thousands plus student organizations.

#### C. External Vice President - Helder

#### D. Academic Affairs Commissioner – Kajikawa

-Kajikawa states this week is fight for education and Bobby Verduro one of the leaders of the UCLA walk outs. Thank you to those who ended up coming, hopefully you learned about the process for education and access. In terms of meeting with administrators I had the opportunity to schedule a meeting with Frank Watta about the last online steering committee towards the end of this quarter and continue this meeting with the academic senate. Another component is that tomorrow I will be going up to Sacramento with Helder to talk about financial budget for this upcoming school year. We want to ensure the UC does not take a hit

### F. Administrative Representatives

- -Champaway the helicopter dropped the table and then they finished the roof. Of course, just kidding I made that up.
- -Starr says something about the table

#### VII. Fund Allocations

A. Contingency Programming

-Wong says AAC applied for diversity requirement event and SWC for spring retreat. Required \$1,284, requested \$700 and recommended \$420.

Patil moves to approve. Rafalian seconds.

- 9-0-2 the contingency allocation has been approved for USAC
- -7 groups applied and required \$21,255.59, requested \$6,519.16, and \$1750 was recommended.

-Chen moves to approve. Kajikawa seconds.

11-0-0 the contingency allocation has been approved.

#### B. BruinDefenders

- -FemNews Magazine applied for \$500 for conference that allowed them to unpack everyday experience of women of color last April. The second one is for active minds for leadership conference in April to equip them to change the conversation. The third one is \$500 for Shakespeare for Oregon Shakespeare retreat to see how they can improve their own company artistically and managerially.
- -Geller asks if you can have retroactive funding after the fact
- -Rosen states the program can apply retroactively or approve it retroactively.
- -Kajikawa states tabling the first one for next week.
- -Rosen agrees but for the other two allocations are there any objections. The other two allocations have been approved by consensus.

#### C. ASRF

-Kajikawa says the Thai culture group for Thai Culture night and recommended \$400. The Hawaiian Club for the 31st annual lu'au and recommended \$500.

### D. Student Wellness Programming Fund

- -Chen states Colleges against Cancer for Relay for Life and approved \$500 for silent rave headphones.
- -Rosen asks if the money has been transferred yet
- -Chen states we just voted on it 5-6 and hasn't been transferred it vet

#### E. ASUCLA BOD

- -Yaj states we were able to allocate \$161,669.80 and had 80 programs apply. The average allocation was \$2,020.87 with a standard deviation of \$2,008.15. Last quarter we only had 29 programs and the average for that \$3054. So in short, the funds that we had were only about 32% of what was requested by student groups and with 29 programs and average allocation of \$3,000 and last quarter of \$2,000. With the stats that we got from this quarter and last year, hopefully we can divide the allocation to make it look more consistent.
- -Rosen says 100% allocation given this quarter
- -Yaj says yes and I added the surplus of \$14,000 and what we had originally was \$147,000. The total allocation for last quarter was about \$58,000 and wasn't as much.
- -Wong states just to clarify It was \$88,000 and the standard deviation of last quarter was \$5,000.
- -Yaj says some orgs request \$100 or less and more than double applied for this quarter.
- -Amin moves to approve the BOD allocations of \$161,669.80. Dameron seconds.
- -Rosen states as per Wong and Ricardo's discussion was it \$14,000 to allocate
- -Wong states that's carry over not allocation
- -Rosen says as per the suggestion for the appointed we chose to give it to contingency for more utilized and Ricardo projected it wouldn't be use for the term

- -Dameron asks if the amount of surplus is that from past allocations of previous year does it come back from BOD from surplus
- -Champawat states it comes from earnings from ASUCLA and comes from unrestricted surplus and stays in channel
- -Dameron asks if its groups that didn't use allocations
- -Rosen states yes
- -Geller appreciates the attentiveness and observations about imbalance and interests in doing that to level it in the future.
- 10-0-1 the allocation for BOD has been approved.

# G. Discretionary Fund Request

-The fund request was for extra storage for the USAC website and highlighted is the extra charge. Attached are the previous bills for our server space. The attachments reflect the increased costs when we had to accommodate more space to add Contingency and Capital Contingency. We have had to increase the space again so the bills have increased to \$211.08. The request for Discretionary Funding for \$300 will cover the additional costs that were not included in our original PO and budget.

Below is a chart that reflects the initial charges of \$172.57 (reference December 2015 invoice 007N6N); an increase of \$30.01/month for the January 2016 month due to increase of storage. The total for January 2016 was \$202.58 (refer to invoice attached 008ATI).

We currently expect an \$8.50/month increase for the storage increase requested. So our charges now will be \$211.08 per month. If USAC decides to increase storage, the monthly charges will increase too.

The current PO in place does not cover the \$30.01 and \$8.50 monthly increases or any additional increases; so USAC will have to cover all the addendums.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

- -Hourdequin asks for \$300 and all money that is not spent will go back to discretionary.
- -Cocroft says if the storage increases would that be administrative over head next vear
- -Hourdequin says yes its just a temporary fix, next year it will be included.
- -Dameron moves to approve the discretionary fund request for \$300. Patil seconds.
- -Hourdequin asks if she can bring up the amount if the \$300 were approved.
- -Wong stages if approved its \$14,750.47
- -Rosen says there's two pending requests for the diversity townhall and the plaque
- -Wong says the diversity townhall was but I didn't receive estimates for the plaque.
- -Rosen says all amounts of discretionary is due April 29th.
- -Wong encourages council to utilize discretionary because its money that is meant to be used by this years council and if you have any programs that you would like funded I would really encourage for you to apply.

- -Kajikawa states building up an endowment should be at the forefront. I would be definitely interested in anytime of leftover money and putting it in endowment. I would love to see us as a body look into that.
- 11-0-0 discretionary fund request has been approved.

# H. Capital Contingency

- -Wong says Academic affairs commission required \$1,147.41, requested \$1,147.41 and recommended 1,000.
- -Cocroft asks how much is left
- -Wong says \$3,338.63 left if approved.
- -Dameron moves to approve. Rafalian seconds.
- 10-0-1 the allocation is approved.
- -Dameron moves to move the special presentations until after announcements. Rafalian seconds.
- 11-0-0 the special presentations have been moved.

#### VIII. Old Business

#### **IX. New Business**

A. Election Calendar Change

- -Danielle states previously putting up the signboards at May 1 for 12:01am and change to 12:01am April 30.
- -The debate right now is Friday, April 29.
- -Geller asks why
- -Rosen states it was requested by council.
- -Kajikawa moves to approve the proposed election calendar change. Cocroft seconds.
- -Hourdequin asks if you were able to secure security for that evening
- -Danielle says she's not completely sure and I assume they did if they moved it to the calendar and I can definitely let you know.
- -Hourdequin says all candidates who are running need to abstain.
- -Rosen says no.
- -Cocroft says I think it should be up to each candidate and suffer consequences either way if problematic.
- -Cocroft says its up to each individuals.
- -Rosen says conflict of interests is defined as financial
- -Geller says conflict is benefit from a benefit of outcome of a vote they might choose to abstain. There might not be a financial impact there is a perceived benefit
- -Champawat states I would agree its an individual decision.
- 7-0-4 the election calendar change has been approved.
- -The ballot order was randomized
- -Geller says as you know you voted to put four referendum on the ballot and you voted on the language that you wanted to go through approval process and all went through the office of the president for review. There were minor changes made to all three of the referendum that will result in fee increases, not including the TGIF. The

student leaders who were on point reviewed the required changes and gave their support for the changes that have been requested. The language that has been approved for preparation has been approved by office of the president and the liaison. The referendum is now in process of getting approval by chancellor. There is no time to make changes and no reason to suspect he wants changes. If there were to be significant changes we would bring back to council and determine the next steps. Any changes he would incur would require review of the office of president again. There is a time to make changes and if not approved could result in removal from the ballot.

- -Rosen says the ballot order was randomized and drawn out of a hat.
- -Hourdequin moves to approve the election order as selected. Rafalian seconds. 8-0-3 the election ballot has been approved.
- -Rosen tables the special presentations.

#### X. Announcements

XI. Signing of the Attendance Sheet *The attendance sheet has been passed around.* 

### XII. Adjournment

- -Kajikawa moves to table the meeting at 8:08pm. Dameron seconds.
- 11-0-0 the meeting is adjourned at 8:08pm.

XII. Good and Welfare