

AGENDA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL KH417 November 27th, 2018 7:00PM

I. Call to Order Fieldman

- Fieldman called the meeting to order at 7:01pm

## A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

- Attendance sheet is passed around

## II. Approval of minutes\*

- 10/09/18 Minutes
  - Table until next week
- 11/20/18 Minutes
  - Table until next week

## III. Approval of the Agenda\*

- Add discussion item: LGBTQ+allyship from administration
- Bella moves to approve the agenda; Ayesha seconds the motion
- 11-0-0 motion passes; Agenda approved as amended

### IV. Public Comments

- No audio, no video
  - None
- Audio, no video
  - None
- Audio & video
  - Hi everyone my name is Niko from Calpirg UCLA. Reminder of who we are, we are a student run non-profit chapter out of 8 of the UC campuses. We run grassroots campaigns to protect the environment, make college more affordable and promote civic engagement. I wanted to give you updates on our recent events. We held a press conference on campus called no bees no Thanksgiving conference. Bees pollinate a lot of the foods we eat including foods we eat for Thanksgiving. We had a table full of thanksgiving foods, a sign that said no bees no Thanksgiving, we have chief sustainability officer came to talk about the importance of bees. I spoke about banning bee killing pesticides from UCLA. It was incredibly successful. Some other recent events is our Textbooks campaign which is working to stop the use of access codes. Access codes are \$50-\$150 that we're forced to buy in order to access your homework. This causes a huge financial burden on students who normally rely on books that have already been used. We're trying to get professors to stop the use of access codes. We got student leaders to get signatures from people on bruinwalk and got signatures from faculty as well. I look forward to providing more updates, thank you.
- Public comments closed at 7:07pm

# V. Appointments

## Kevin Beedle for Student Conduct Committee

Fieldman

- Transfer student majoring in communications
- 3 positions open, non-stipended

- In the process of joining the Young Americans for Liberty student organization, he hopes to get more involved on campus now that midterms are over
- Responsibilities: Provides hearings for all cases referred to it under the Student Conduct Code. Must attend an Orientation in early October. Meets when there is a case to be heard, including summer and breaks.
- Bella: What does case mean?
- Geller: When a student is accused of a violation of student conduct code that is not related to title 9, and they respond they don't believe they violated the code but don't have enough evidence to prove that they didn't then they're entitled to a formal hearing in front of the student conduct committee where the university is the burden of proving that there was a violation the student has an opportunity to demonstrate why they believe there wasn't. The members of the committee from the large pool of members, 3 are selected. Ideally one of those is a student who will hear all of the information and reach the conclusion on whether they believe there was a violation or not. The committee hears primarily academic matters and includes behavioral things but not sexual issues.
- Watson: Jessica and I are both yes. Looking at his past experience at college and now is a transfer student, he did really well. He was involved in student government and had really well grades. It seems like a person who would be well fit to sit on this committee and seems like a good person who can review others.
- Jessica: His experience at community colleges will help him in this position. Him also him being a transfer and being involved.
- Ayesha: Similar to what Robert and Jessica have said, him having experience in serving student government before will help him in this position.
  - Appointment passes by consent

# VI. Officer Reports

A. President Fieldman

-We are hoping to fill our final appointment to the Student Conduct Committee next week, then all Presidential Appointments will have been filled by the end of fall quarter. I look forward to working with other Council members with appointments on cleaning up the bylaws and documents to facilitate smoother appointments processes in the future.

B. Internal Vice President Watson

- USAC meeting with Andy Cofio- Director of the LGBT CRC
- RAISE Applications are open! Due February 1st
  - Bruins who helped other bruins through a crisis
  - Bylaw Change
  - o NEED MONEY FROM SURPLUS
- Off Campus Living Fair- January 20th
  - o Housing Bill of Rights- Commitment to being fair and accessible to students
    - Bylaw change: Discount
- Special Project under IVP: Art Space on Campus: Saloni working with ResLife's maker space to provide some space for art supplies on a test-run basis Winter Quarter
- Special Project under IVP: Getting a full and comprehensive document of a variety of resources on campus to share
- Redistribution Center
  - Talking w SWC about potentially including wheelchairs and crutches in the redistribution center
  - Bylaw change to institutionalize responsibility to support student org between FAC and IVP
  - Over a dozen care packages sent up to the Emergency Response Team in NorCal Camp Fire
  - NEED MONEY FROM SURPLUS
- Pride Week- February 11th
  - o IVP involvement, supportive role working w GCGP at Queer Prom to give out suites, dresses, and professional attire
- Campus Safety Alliance Meeting- Thursday 6pm De Neve Magnolia
- T-Shirt Design Contest- Voting ends November 30th

C. External Vice President Kennerk

- UCPath: met with systemwide and UCLA reps and made progress. Pressure and immediacy needs to come from departments. CRU is main contact for help. Have pay cards and emergency loans.

Met with UCOP voter registration. Getting set up with secretary of state to talk conditional voter reg on campus. Scheduling meeting with berkeley students to talk about prepopulated voter registration. UCOP has committed to having this at every campus before 2020. Ours was approved like 3 days before the deadline and it takes two weeks to test which is why there was no rollout. Sat in secretary of states office for a while.

Continuing in district lobby meetings

Had a Fundraiser on bruinwalk to help a ucla family trying to prevent the deportation of one of their family members. Today we raised \$300

Had a preacher on campus today and put up our display. Working on Pride Week EVP involvement is working on a banner drop of pride flags, photo and video campaign.

G. General Rep 1 Haleem

H. General Rep 2 Martin

I. General Rep 3 Solis

- The office is still petitioning to add the national suicide hotline number on Bruincards. We have about 220 signatures already and we are trying to push for 400 by the end of this week.
- Tomorrow we have the "Get Educated on Basic Needs" at Bruin Walk to spread awareness about issues Bruins are facing in meeting their basic needs.
- We are also holding the migrant caravan drive. We are working closely with the nonprofit organization Cosecha to deliver the funds and donations. We're also taking venmo donations and so far in less than 24 hours we have raised \$539
- Lastly, today I attended the first meeting for UCLA's immigration policy team with Abel Valenzuela, the Bruin Center director, Undocumented Student Program Director, and other administrators to discuss how we can support undocumented students considering the fact that DACA might end next year.

E. Facilities Commissioner Ho-Gonzalez

• Update on the the multipurpose room conversion at the JWC. They are scheduled to shut down for construction on December third and they are hoping to have it completed sometime in spring quarter.

## F. Financial Supports Commissioner

Manzano

J. Campus Events Commission

Madison

Report given by SWC

K. Transfer Rep

#### L. Student Wellness Commissioner

Faour

- 1. SWC Active Minds, BCC, and ResLife is having a Self Care workshop of the Body and the Mind right now until 9PM at covel west coast room.
- 2. SWC BruiNecessities is having their quarterly Oral Health Fair tomorrow in De Neve Plaza room.
  - a. Free toothpaste, and toothbrushes.
  - b. Free dental screenings, fluoride varnishes, and oral hygiene information.
    - i. Provided by ucla school of dentistry.
  - c. Also a ton of free dental health information.
- 3. Sexperts is having World AIDs Day with PAC at Bruin Plaza Friday 11/30 10:30-1:30pm.
  - a. Bruin love station will be there

- 4. Spoke with CAE and Ashe Center and there is no completely free way of renting out crutches or wheelchairs, especially for students without UCSHIP.
  - a. CAE told me that they are geared more towards access to the classroom and not mobility access.
  - b. Ashe loves the idea, doesn't really have the space.
    - i. There has been a relatively frequent request for crutches, but not so much
  - c. Ashe might be willing to fund 4 crutches (2 adult, 2 small), one foldable wheelchair
- Partnering with FAC for a physical accessibility survey that we might publish, and send over to ADA & 504 compliance office, more details to come.
- 6. CEC's update
  - a. Anna and the apocalypse on thursday in james bridges theater
  - b. Spiderman on sunday in james bridges theater as well
- M. Community Service Commissioner

Sonola

N. Academic Affairs Commissioner

Stephens

O. Cultural Affairs Commissioner

Khasawneh

P. Administrative Representatives

Aboagye, Alexander, Champawat, Geller, Kadota

#### X. New Business

#### Contingency Programming\*

- 9 applications; USAC and non-USAC entities

Total required: \$16,922.64Total requested: \$7,508.40Total recommended: \$5,219

- Bethanie moves to approve the contingency programming; Jay seconds the motion
- 11-0-0; motion passes, contingency programming is approved

### Supplemental Funds for Service (SFS) Allocations#

Sonola

- None

#### Discussion Item: LGBTQ + Allyship from Administration

Kennerk

- Jamie: Today, we had made this display on some wood boards and you can tie it to something to make it stand up and it has pictures of LGBT reps just to show that there's a lot of queer people out there representing you. The first time we put it out the preacher was there and decided to put it in front of the guy. I found out that he had come back and spent about 15 minutes trying to get it to stand and how I was getting yelled at about how I was a sodomite whore who is too ugly to make any money as a prostitute. It sucked to put it up and then I found out that someone from sole had come up and said that we had to take it down and I thought why is this an issue? Basically we were told, fire marshall said so and our environmentalist friends don't like it because it was on a tree. I don't know if that was a pun. I don't know the rules about signage, I don't see it as very different than a lot of those lil fold things on bruinwalk so I didn't really know what to do about that. I was gonna leave it until I saw some car designated towards banner control and I didn't want it get compensated because we put in a lot of work into it. I don't know if I broke a rule, if I did I feel it's a rule that should be revisited. I probably won't take it down the next time and will just spend my money remaking it every time it gets taken down.
- Bethanie: Was it put on a tree going this way
- Jamie: If you were walking to class you would see it

- Bethanie: There's a lot of dumb regulations about where they can be put, it has to be requested 3 months in advance, it has to be approved by somebody, there is a lot of regulations. I think the issue that I see is communication with sole, sole needs to make these things more evident. The same thing with food, sole needs to open up communication channels.
- Watson: I know that with the slope and bruin plaza is under sole's jurisdiction so you do have to submit a formal event request. How are we going to submit a requests weeks in advance if we don't know when something's going to happen until it happens. I think the equity of enforcing it in the sense that the bins we painted we painted on bruinwalk with no approval and I saw sole advisors walk by. The fact that this happened is really upsetting because it seems like what you're saying is that it has to be reported. If it does it means someone reported you and not us. I'm wondering it seems like there should be a way to do these in a way that doesn't take a week long process for something so urgent and necessary.
- Geller: The policy that governs this is on the sole website on their policies page, is the ucla regulations on activities, registered campus organizations and use of properties. And that has the details of the size of signs, materials, where they can be placed, differences between it being held or set up as a sign board. Good place to start and make recommendations. Recommendations best be given to director of sole, assistant vice chancellor, and vice chancellor.
- Bethanie: Again in general we just need to talk to sole, we have a lot of issues with sole. So the week long process thing is a roadblock. It's definitely something you would want to express to your sole advisor if you haven't.
- Kennerk: I was going to but I was like todays not the day.
- Serena: I just feel at this point ucla has so much bureaucratic bullshit that they don't even know the rules. No one knows why this exists
- Watson: Do you know how these things are enforced?
- Geller: Sole is responsible for enforcement
- WAtson: But like reporting
- Geller: Anyone on campus who takes an issue might choose to report it, when they become aware of violations they're supposed to go check it out and if it does violate, explain what the policy is and changes that need to be made to comply.
- Watson: So the process of being reported is dependent on students or whoever reporting it?
- Geller: Anyone on campus might make the report. It could be anyone, if sole receives a report they'll send a staff member to check out for themselves and explain if there is one what the policies are and how to comply.
- Manzano: In my experience one day I was buying samosas from a group, a sole rep was walking form bruin plaza and asked them to a permit and they were moved. Just to echo some of the sentiments, I understand the policy but how do you look at a student and say you're violating for selling samosas?
- Geller: I understand what you're saying, the challenge there is it's a safety issue. It is unfortunately, and yes food sales are an effective way to raise funds but if someone were to get sick, that would be a far more negative impact than being ask to comply w the regulations. I think food regulations and speech related issues differ.
- Geller: The issue isn't the speech as much of the signage, as much as one might want to say we absolutely support, they have to be viewpoint neutral in enforcing the signage otherwise they're going to face lawsuits.
- Ayesha: I think one of the reasons why it's so hard is because it's not that organizations don't want to comply there's just so much bureaucratic shit to go through. At this point people just sell them and hope no one shows up at this point. I just think the ways things are handled are very inappropriate. If your actions don't show solidarity then how does it even matter.
- Kennerk: It was just them asking everyone around it saying whos is this take it down. I'm glad to know that there's some shared frustrations in that. I think I've gotten everything I needed on this conversation.
- Fieldman: I'll just say on closing let's support and do a review on those policies and put on a list of recommendations.
- Bethanie: You should just ask sole about red tape. Sole is struggling not because they want to I just want to put that out there. [indiscernible]. Ask your sole advisor first, try to meet with them first.
- Watson: I understand the need to be applied equally, I guess my curiosity is the consequences of refusing to take it down, are they going to suspend us?
- Bethanie: They're probably just going to stop you from putting things on bruinwalk. When you start to let sole go to shit, what's the point of sole?

- Watson: That's what I'm saying the uniqueness of this is very important.

# XI. Old business

- None

# XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

- Attendance sheet is passed around

# XIII. Adjournment\*

Fieldman

- Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm Good and Welfare

\* Indicates Action Item
# Indicates Consent Item□
@Indicates Executive Session Item