

AGENDA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL January 29th, 2019 7:00PM

I. Call to Order Fieldman

- Fieldman calls the meeting to order at 7:12pm

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

- Attendance sheet is passed around

II. Approval of minutes*

- 01/15/19 Minutes
 - George motions to approve 01/15/19 minutes; Bethanie seconds the motion
 - 9-0-0 motions passes; 01/15/19 minutes approved
- 01/22/19 Minutes
 - Table for next week

III. Approval of the Agenda*

- Move SFS and contingency to beginning after SOOF allocations, add winter SOOF allocations before contingency and SFS, add discussion item official transition document, add discussion item election board appointment withdrawal, after surplus votes add discussion item surplus application timeline, strike CAC, add discussion item student media communication with USAC
 - Bethanie motions to approve the agenda as amended; Ayesha seconds the motion
 - 9-0-0 motion passes; agenda approved as amended

IV. Public Comments

- No audio, no video
 - None
- Audio, no video
 - None
- Audio & video
 - Hi y'all my name is Nico I'm the chapter chair for CALPIRG. Monday of last week was MLK day and we organized a day of service to our no hunger campaign. We collected 575 cans ... we are very excited about that. Last wednesday was our big winter kick off meeting. We had 154 students come which is record breaking. This week we're doing our pledge drive for 100% clean transportation. If you have already pledged calpirg I wanna say thank you so much. It's because of you that we're able to do that. If you haven't had the chance to pledge we're out there all week. Future update we're going to be taking all that support to lobby for this bill. Thank you all so much.
- Public comments adjourned at 7:17pm
- Reopen public comment at 7:23pm
 - Hi everyone, I'm here to share with you our intention to apply for surplus application. Our current board has inherited a debt between \$1800-\$1900 as a result of a past event 2 years ago. I wasn't on board at that time. We have reached out to explain our predicament and maintain programming at the same time. We can't book ASUCLA spaces because of this as well. We intend on applying for the remainder which is 400 to recover from that debt. We are planning on putting on an event from spring quarter but with the looks of it right now it doesn't seem like we'll be able to.
- Reclose public comment at 7:24pm

V. Special Presentations

- None

VI. Appointments

- None

Winter SOOF*

- Bethanie motions to make an action item; George seconds the motion
- 9-0-0 motion passes; winter SOOF allocations is now an action item

Total allocation: \$13,958.08
Average allocation: \$225.13
Standard deviation: \$17.09

- Bethanie motions to approve the SOOF allocation of \$13,958.08; George seconds the motion
- 9-0-0 motion passes; winter SOOF allocations approved

VII. Surplus Allocations

General Office Stipend Surplus Allocation*

Ender

- Fieldman: I only want to offer chief of staff a stipend. I think splitting \$10,000 evenly makes more sense. We'd have to split \$10,000 8 ways.
- Nidira: I talked to all the commissioners who pay their staff. The people who pay the most are like \$200 a quarter so that's just perspective.
- Bethanie: I pay chief of staff about 200 and 100 for director.
- Nidira: I'm just saying perspective.
- Fieldman: I think we're going to do it so it'd be on commissioner to do what they want with the money
- Bethanie: I would recommend being transparent about finances instead of paying everyone equally.
- Nidira: Don't feel dismayed if you can't give your staff 480 a month or quarter. That's the point I'm trying to make.
- Fieldman: It's about every council member would have about 1200 to do what they want.
- Manzao: Could we only pay chiefs of staff?
- I'm chief of staff for Bella and I want to give you perspective of what we do. I've conducted every single interview, I create presentations, I'm a liaison between staff and Bella, I organize them. This Thursday gen rep 2 had an action day on bruinwalk and I went to ralphs and organized the staff and shifts to be at bruinwalk. I'm president in almost every meeting Bella goes to. I manage the team and social media and deadlines. To me this is a job and if I were to get a part time job I wouldn't be able to do what I do
- Watson: I think I agree with you Claire, I prefer if we got a block amount of money to allocate to our
 office at our discretion and the main reason for that is because it should be the council members decision
 to look at our office. That would be how I determine which directors should be allocated funds. I feel
 like it should be up to the council member.
- Fieldman: We're going to have to hope that future councils feel the same way we do. I worry about disparity.
- Bethanie: Be careful with trying to evaluate who deserves to get paid. If you're going into this discuss it amongst your offices. Let them express themselves about the workload that they have.
- Fieldman: I'm going to recommend we take a vote to not fund the stipends out of surplus
 - Watson motions to not fund staff stipends through surplus; Ayesha seconds the motion
 - 9-0-0 motion passes; staff stipends will not be allocated from surplus

IVP GCGP Stipend Surplus Application*

Watson

- Manzano: Could GCGP wait? My concern is if it's attached to IVP then doesn't that mean more money is flowing into ivp than other offices? And if not wouldn't it qualify as a student project separate from USAC and therefore be applied through student fund?
- Watson: It wouldn't go to IVP's office it'd go to GCGP. I view more as a council project and not an IVP project. I think because gen rep 2 has been involved, fac has been involved, I think that's what would make it unique. I am willing to cut another 500 though if that helps.
- Bethanie: I don't know if we should stipend GCGP. Because last year this started and no one was paid
- Watson: Last year we didn't have the space now we do so the workers who'd get stipended would be the workers who opened the space.
- Bethanie: This is a gift essentially for time spent which is different from a stipend. Because now you're looking at who's done how much work.
- Watson: If your problem is the equity among pay, last year we were stipended for GCGP from IVP.
- Bethanie: This is the issue I had earlier because it's more like you're giving counseling to a service org that is to be removed from you. So you see a means to an end
- Watson: I'm very certain they would want them stipended too. Usac will always be a part of GCGP because swc has provided some of the resources and ivp. A lot of gcgp are run by council.
- Megan: I'm also pretty involved in gcgp and on the executive board. I'd just like to speak to the work people do in the center. People are constantly coming in to fill in shifts and make sure the center is running. I think some people are working up to 10 hours a week.
- Bethanie: I understand that, my thing is not to say these people aren't working or worthy of their work. Other organizations don't have the same access to a stipend. You can go onto campus and any kind of project working in a similar fashion
- Geller: It's not the kind of thing that any of your offices typically give to people who are members of RCOs. It's typical that they will if you have the money get stipended to some of the people who work in your offices. If GCGP were purely a program within ivp I would say it's appropriate to stipend those positions. This is a little different. It's not typical to take money from an office and say we're going to stipend people who don't work in our office. I suggest is take the \$4885 and add it to the student pool to present.
- Watson: I'm fine w that on the condition that Julia and I want to include it on the bylaws as something that our offices would help oversight in the future.
- Bethanie: I'm cool with that the only issue I'm having right now is that intention doing what you have done hasn't happened yet, if that already happened I'd feel more comfortable doing this, I don't feel comfortable approving it in this round
- Fieldman: Can we move \$4885 into the RCO pool
 - Aly motions to move \$4,885 into the RCO pool; Bethanie seconds the motion
 - 8-0-1 motion passes; move \$4,885 out of council surplus pool into RCO pool

IVP Commuter Lounge Surplus Application*

Watson/Kim

- Geller: I'm wondering if this isn't fully funded if there's somewhere else to get funding from
- Watson: Rudy and I met twice about the budget. We overestimated the cost [indiscernible] would likely lower the cost for \$15,000, if there were extra cost we could pay for it through my office. That's the reason why it was lowered. I met with rudy and jennifer flanders and I know this is a hot topic, I personally think that the money should be allocated. I think ultimately this initiative would happen. I don't think Heather would've asked for the money if it weren't ready. I understand why it should be held off until john wooden officially meets but the issue with that is the issue with quorum. I think that next Thursday it will get approved.
- Geller: Both sac and wooden governors would have to vote on it.

- Watson: If we decide john wooden, only john wooden would have to approve. It's important to get their good word but the only thing that would have to happen would be john wooden meeting with quorum and I'm confident it's going to happen.
- Manzano: I think we should reserve the money and not make any specific allocation at least until we get more input from the commuter committee.
- Watson: I just want to emphasize that yes there are details that need to be worked out just like there were for GCGP and other projects that I have done. But getting this money in my office quicker will be able to allow me to use it hopefully by next week once we actually get the approval from wooden board of governors. It's going to get approved by wooden.
- Jamie: If you are so set that this is going to happen, if it was to be hold for now and voted on next week you would essentially have the ability to use it right after, it doesn't have to be put off for forever. It's not that we don't trust you but we need to have this approval.
- Watson: My issue though is that after talking with Rudy is that the process it might take isn't necessarily a formal process.
- Jamie: So what would be the difference it being voted on this week versus next week?
- Watson: The money would take some time as Ryan knows.
- Fieldman: It actually only takes like a day. If it's not make or break Robert can we just vote to reserve
- Watson: So when would this be voted on? Are we voting to hold until it's approved by john wooden or are we just waiting to vote for this until wooden approves?
- Geller: You might want to consider voting tonight to make an allocation contingent on John Wooden
 approving that they way if they approve then it's approved and if not then the money [indiscernible]...
 take a vote to allocate it somewhere else
- Watson: That sounds completely fair.
 - Jamie motions for \$15,000 on the contingency that John Wooden approves; Ayesha seconds the motion
 - Jamie withdraws her motion
 - Jamie motions to allocate \$15,000 for the commuter lounge to council discretionary; Ayesha seconds the motion
 - 6-0-3 motion passes; \$15,000 distributed to council discretionary with the intention of being used for the commuter lounge

GR1 Award Surplus Application*

Haleem

- Aly motions to reserve \$50,000 of USAC surplus fund for a grant for which international students could be eligible; Nidira seconds the motion
- 8-0-1 motion passes; \$50,000 is approved

FSC Transportation Scholarship*

Manzano

- Ayesha motions to allocate \$4,000 to FSC financial wellness program grant; Robert seconds the motion
- 7-0-2 motion passes; \$4,000 allocated to FSC financial wellness program grant

CEC Surplus Application*

Madison

- Sarena motions to allocate \$15,000 to CEC surplus application; George seconds the motion
- 8-0-1 motion passes; \$15,000 allocated to CEC surplus application

CAC CommUnity Surplus Application*

Khasawneh

- Nidira motions to allocate \$29,000 to the CAC CommUnity surplus application; Jay seconds the motion
- 8-0-1 motion passes; \$29,000 allocated to CAC CommUnity surplus application

- Purpose:
 - To provide information about the JazzReggae Festival and its importance for UCLA and the broader Los Angeles community
 - Request allocation for \$10,000.00 to support the JazzReggae Festival
 - Present a budget breakdown and areas of concern
- For 33 years, UCLA students have worked for JRF to showcase culturally enriching art through an immersive festival experience.
- JazzReggae has become a staple of the UCLA and Los Angeles communities recognized by the City of Los Angeles for more than 25 years of community enrichment.
- For years, JRF forged a connection between UCLA and the broader Los Angeles communities.
- Not only does JRF create a platform for underrepresented music genres, it also forms a welcoming space for visual art, food, and other edutainment.
- Provides opportunities for student artists
- Budget for JazzReggae Festival

Facilities: \$80,000Honorarium: \$33,000Marketing: \$7,000Sustainability: \$2,000

Art: \$1,500Other: \$1,500Total: \$125,000

- Budgetary concerns: The cost of facilities increases each and every year. We pride ourselves in accessibility and do not
 intended on raising ticket prices. Last year's expenses dipped into our allotted reserves for 2019, so we are starting
 behind the ball.
- We would use surplus funding to offset our facilities bill. We are requesting \$10K so that our existing funding can go toward culturally enriching aspects of the festival.

O&A/Comments

- Bethanie: How much are student tickets?
- A: 10\$
- Bethanie: Do you look for external sponsorships? Does this include that?
- A: Yes
- Fieldman: Is \$10,000 going to be dispersed?
- A· Yes
- Aly: What was the overspending last year?
- A: Mostly with advertising. We got scammed and hoped ticket sales would increase but they didn't. And also honorarium because we had a huge afrobeat artist.
- Fieldman: What's the typical attending space?
- A: I wanna last year was probably 3,400
- Fieldman: Thank you so much for coming.
- Jay motions to make the JRF surplus proposal from a discussion item to an action item; Bethanie seconds the motion
- 9-0-0 motion passes; JRF surplus proposal of \$10,000 is now an action item
- Jay motions to approve \$10,000 to JRF under CAC; Bethanie seconds the motion
- 8-0-1 motion passes; \$10,000 reserved for JRF

<u>Discussion item: Surplus Application Timeline</u>

- Fieldman: Are we open to doing a town hall directly before this meeting next week?
- Nidira: So me and Ryan connected on this in terms of the application and we thought about following the same precedent for hearings and the town hall is important to let students know about the application. We decided to allow the surplus to be as open as possible with encouragement that students apply to other funding. So it'd be week 5, town hall. Applications collected and interviewed week 6 and hearings week 7. We'd read and review the applications and then a scoring shoot would take place at the hearings where everyone would get points for their application and how well they presented and that would basically determine the allocation that student groups receive. Specifically like the higher the points they do then they higher they're allocated. Then the allocations would go out as soon as possible
- Fieldman: Another thing is if folks don't want to do a town hall separate from USAC meeting we can reserve the first 45 minutes to an hour of next week's meeting for extended public comment.
- Fieldman: first hour of next Council will be reserved for extended public comment/town hall regarding USAC surplus and let's aim to get the application out this weekend so that they can have enough time to apply.
- Nidira: What we did last year was there were hearings every day but separate hours of the day. The best part is to be consistent.
- Fieldman: every council member to set aside themselves or proxy that understands the surplus process. Maybe we can send out a sheet or two
- Ayesha: is it possible to create some sort of guideline since not everyone has experience?
- Bethanie: Is surplus something you think we should have every year?
- Nidira: I think we should entertain the thought every year but I think it's based on the reality of the situation on whether we're going to have a surplus or not.
- Bethanie: What I'm saying is should there be something written in the bylaws if surplus exceeds a certain amount a year there will be an application sent out. How do people feel about that? This is the second year this happens and there seems to be a trend of us wanting to give more money to student orgs in an efficient formalized manner
- Fieldman: I think we can say surplus funding shall be partially reserved for student groups but I don't know if we should for future council
- Bethanie: We can change the bylaw
- Jessica: It's unfortunate that Roy's not here because he's much more conversant on USAC budget. I know he would definitely have some thoughts on this. I think it just sets a dangerous precedent if you try to institutionalize it in bylaws because surplus is volatile you don't know how much there will be year to year. There's a lot of things that are going to come up in next year's budget that we're going to have to grapple with. If you put it in the bylaws you're kind of sending this message that you'll always have this exorbitant amount of surplus which won't always be the case.
- Ryan: I think it's also important not to constrain future councils.

VIII. Officer Reports

A. President Fieldman

B. Internal Vice President Watson

- Institutionalized Events
 - o Off Campus Living Fair last Tuesday
 - Spring Enormous Activities Fair
- GCGP
 - We had our 500th student this week
 - o offering new products like lip balm, and toothbrushes
 - BruinCorp workers partnership
 - Pride Week Prom giveaways
- Campus Safety Alliance Week 1 & 3
 - mental health and acacia counseling and wazo connect and the consensus was that we want to create a survey to weigh student opinions about campus resource

- emergency safety protocol discussion
- 15 Interns
- Platform working with Student orgs
 - Kim & Fer have been in communication with over 120 student orgs
 - Piano Project happening this week
- Platfrom 3
 - RAISE Scholarship

-Commuter Lounge

C. External Vice President Kennerk

G. General Rep 1 Haleem

Student Identity Panel with the Mixed Student Union being held at the Bruin Reception Room, talking about being a
person of mixed heritage at UCLA. Panel includes UCLA alumni who started the Mixed Student Union at UCLA some
of who are a part of Mixed Student Alumni Association.

H. General Rep 2 Martin

I. General Rep 3 Solis

E. Facilities Commissioner Ho-Gonzalez

F. Financial Supports Commissioner

Manzano

- Attire for Hire has solidified our partnership with JCPenney for our April Attire for Hire event. We are considering one of three dates for the event: either April 19, 20, or 21st. The event itself will consist of us busing our scholarship recipients to the JC Penney in Culver city so that they can use their scholarship money there. Additionally, we will provide bus transportation for the general UCLA Student body who JCPenney has agreed to give a 40% discount for professional attire.
- Our Professional Services Team is planning to co-host a funding workshop with the USAC Finance Committee so that we can help
 connect students to funding resources as well as share the different services that FSC provides. We are aiming for Wednesday
 February 13th to be the date for the workshop.
- Our Daily Affordability team is solidifying their application to the Green Initiative Fund. We are looking for a grant to help us expand our lab coat loaner library. Historically, in contrast to our iClicker library, the lab coat loaner library has not kept up with the rising demand for lab coats. As we know, lab coats are a large expense and many students are in need. Because of that, our goal is to expand our lab coat library to around 200 lab coats by the end of this year.
- Preparation for April's Financial Wellness Month have begun. For some context, Financial Wellness Month is a series of month long programming events that are organized by the FSC and Financial Wellness Program and other campus partners. We had our first meeting last Thursday, and will meet on a bi-weekly basis for this quarter. As it looks like right now, one of the goals of the planning committee this year is to tie-in the conversation surrounding financial wellbeing, financial wellness, financial literacy, etc, within a social justice framework. This is to delve deeper into the conversation that while everyone experiences financial wellness, not everyone experiences financial insecurity.

J. Campus Events Commission

Madison

K. Transfer Rep

L. Student Wellness Commissioner

Faour

- Last week concluded the National Drug and Alcohol Facts week programming
- SWC BITF I love my body week is THIS WEEK.
- SWC BCC Consent Week is THIS WEEK.

- SWC BruiNecessities had Menstrual hygiene stations added to Reiber and Sunset Village Reslife offices week 2.
- Greek life event went well, but attendance was pretty poor on their part:/ Want to make this an annual event though, but maybe on a smaller scale.
- SWC CPR/FA will be May 4th
 - This is the beginning and end of Bruin Health Week
- SWC Bruin Run/Walk's event FREE REGISTRATION NEXT WEEK (2/4 2/8) FOR ALL UCLA STUDENTS or it's \$25 if you don't use it but that's okay too:)
 - Use the discount code: (DM us on our facebook/social media for code)

M. Community Service Commissioner

Sonola

Wednesdays of Odd Weeks (WOW)

- Low physical turnout but high email interest
- Going to have another one later in the quarter: tentatively Week 7

Nonprofit Networking Night (NNN)

- It is tomorrow; there will be 39 nonprofits present
- Have about 320 registered as of yesterday; you can register on site
- In Carnesale Commons event starts at 7:00 PM ends at 9:00 PM

Robert S. Michaels + John H. Sarvey Award

- Applications are open. \$1000 scholarship for the individual and \$250 for their service org of choice
- Due Sunday, Feb 24th [Big social media push coming soon]

Advocacy Wednesdays of Odd Weeks (WOW)

- Sienna and Monil [Co-Advocacy Directors] and the whole committee working with CSC projects
- Plan to collect voluntary video testimonials from service recipients; will plan advocacy trips in the future to deliver these testimonials to legislators
- This is to amplify the efforts service organizations and their community partners/service recipients in their respective lobbying efforts

N. Academic Affairs Commissioner

Stephens

O. Cultural Affairs Commissioner

Khasawneh

P. Administrative Representatives

Aboagye, Alexander, Champawat, Geller, Kadota

- Recess at 10:00pm
- Resume at 10:10pm

IX. Old business

Discussion: Slate Existence

Manzano

Manzano: Basically one of the things that eboard reserves right to present eboard change, council then makes the determination whether or not they want to approve the recommendations eboard brings. So basically by the end of it council could approve an ecode that's exactly as eboard brought it or different. The reason why we wanted to bring it forward to the council before crc we wanted to gauge y'all's perception about this. One of the things that we were floating was that we wanted to strike an enumerated difference between a slate and a political party. Right now the

ecode treats both of those words as interchangeable. We wanted to draw that there is a difference. A party is an existing right organization that can choose to run people where a slate is a group of people that decide to run together. That's the change that we want. A party can decide to run a slate of candidates that all come from the same party. The slate could be composed of lots of different parties. The reason why we want to emphasize is because ecode currently says is there are certain tangible benefits. For example a slate can have communal flyers, they can also use a certain part of their funds to go towards the slate. What we wanted to float was what if slates weren't a thing? That doesn't mean political parties would go away but getting rid of running together and people sharing flyers/resources and strategy

- Kennerk: I definitely understand the sentiment but I don't think that argument holds up when you look at how politics in itself happens. The way the voting works out is essentially you have to run democrat or republican to have a chance at winning the presidency. That doesn't mean you can't run with the other parties [indiscernible]. That's how politic kind of works you find people that choose to associate
- Manzano: Right but this doesn't at all address freedom of association. Does government have the right to regulate freedom of association. By developing this new definition, the only thing that ecode would be regulating is the act of sharing of resources because that would be to even out the plane field
- Kennerk: My point is that I disagree with you that there's a difference between slates and political parties because in political parties people choose to negotiate.... Everyone has a different definition of what defines progressive versus democrat. I don't think we're the people to say to define that line
- Watson: Jay and I we generally agree on the slate part. There shouldn't be slate but that's a deeper conversation. What Jay was trying to address was there's differences in slates and parties. I'm of the same opinion of Jamie, is there really a way to separate slates and parties that really make it equitable for everybody to run? I don't think there is. I think that's a conversation we're trying foster as well.
- Nidira: One you can't manipulate the democratic process by removing slates because you feel as if the electorate will be inclined towards one party. 2 I've also explained this to Jay, the initiative that was brought forward doesn't benefit independents in the way that we think it does. Independent candidates aren't being held from democrat process... but if someone was on a slate it was more resources and the reality is if Jay decided to have a slate full of RA's they all wouldn't have access to the hill. If we're being honest, when we fixate ourselves on a certain group you also have accounted for impacts on other communities. The instance of having a slate it creates opportunities for students of color. Even ecode only lets a small portion to be chaired amongst candidates. You have to empower and bolden the electoral process [indiscernible] quite frankly it's out of our jurisdiction.
- Watson: I really don't think that's the case, I think we had a specific conversation on crc about that. I think Bella being there, Julia being there, we don't think that they are.
- Nidira: what's the impact that we're measuring? Like whats the motive here?
- Fieldman: Can we pinpoint specific pieces that we want to explore?
- Geller: Some of what I'm hearing is that it's okay for there to be political parties which I think would mean [indiscernible] I'm hearing but no slate but whether the party ran the slate or the individuals put that party name with theirs the appearance to the voters would be the same. I'm also hearing it's the pooling of resources so that the dollars can buy more than the dollars of independents. If that's what you're saying then the discussion may not need to be about abolishing slates [indiscernible]. That there's no pooling of resources every candidate funds independently their campaign it sounds like there's some cloudiness. There's one aspect of the political party slate involvement in elections that in past years has been very problematic and that is the way eboard has sanctioned all members of slate by misconduct. That is where you get intot the range of discriminating against someone based on who they're associated with. So there needs to be spelled out a list of all prohibited behaviors. There's different ways for you to look at where you want to go. I just urge that the code you ultimately approve is one that spells out what are all the prohibited behaviors and what is the process by which a candidate accused of misconduct will be given notice and opportunity to defend themselves.
- Watson: The issue is that one person on a slate is doing something in violation it's also unfair to independent campaigns to just sanction that one person when with a slate there's no distinction between candidates that person for example could be violating code while flyering the whole slate but then that whole slate isn't punished it's just that person.

- Nidira: That's false, someone on someone's campaign posted something two minutes before the sanction and we all got sanctioned
- Watson: I'm saying that's what would happen I'm saying the solution though would be switching it where that
 wouldn't happen it would be unfair to independent candidates is when an independent campaign flyers or violates code
 the whole campaign is sanctioned. That's the problem with slates.
- Nidira: But if that's your concern then that's already been accounted for. Half of our election season we were literally twiddling our thumbs. Because that preexists it almost makes it comparable or equal to an independent candidate. The whole slate is sanctioned which is more of a loss for them but that doesn't have any bearing, if it was an independent candidate who did something wrong it's their whole campaign.
- Ayesha: I think it's because of a lot of discretion power is given to ecode elections committee. The reason that the eboard chair did that three years ago he said was to make sure they make decisions like these with their clear conscious. I think it's a trade off of what Dr. Geller suggested of needing to solidify the code but then eventually make decisions about where we want to sanction the entire slate or do we want to show it's equally accessible [indiscernible] but that depends on how eboard is really feeling that day [indiscernible].
- Nidira: But do you see how more fulfilling that conversation is than the abolishment of slates?
- Watson: I don't necessarily think you're saying slates should exist I think you're saying that constitutionally this is a problem as this stands.
- Geller: I'm simply saying constitutionally sanctioning a full slate for the behavior as one is an issue. There is a difference with saying no materials than saying those who are on the slate can campaign in others ways that only promote themselves.
- Fieldman: I do want to move this conversation towards close. There is something incredibly precarious about a sitting government with its own experience going through election season with its own affiliation with slates at the time [indiscernible] legislating how future candidates and future student governments choose to run. I think it's important we acknowledge our own biases. If we do choose to take any steps that they're truly in the service of students. I do believe it's important that we have a semi independent autonomous election board be the ones. Our role is advisory and recommendation.
- Nidira: I really think we should take the feedback and stray away from the conversation.

Contingency Programming*

Ender

25 applications; USAC and non-USAC entities

Total required: \$91,852.59
 Total requested: \$15,132.29
 Total recommended: \$11,790.00

- George motions to approve contingency programming of \$11,790.00; Jamie seconds the motion
- 8-0-1 motion passes; contingency programming is approved

SFS Allocations# Sonola

- 3 applications

Total requested: \$1,600.62Total allocated: \$1,600.62

• No oppositions; passes by consent

X. New Business

Discussion Item:Transition Documents

Sonola

- Sonola: I've been contemplating the fact that people have had issues with transition about simple things like social media, or simple things that they are meant to know about that their office is currently doing. I feel it'd be useful for an official transition document to be sent. I feel like some people have issues of not knowing what they're supposed to do early on. So I want it to be in bylaws that two weeks before council instills you have to submit a transition document to ASUCLA and saying stipends would be affected to make sure they submit the document

- Manzano: I agree, I think mandating these transition documents would help, receiving nothing doesn't feel good and then when you have to ask for access to the account. I know other people struggle.
- Fieldman: Do folks want to take charge in writing up some bylaw language?
- Bethanie: I can do it and bring it next week.
- George: We also threaten stipends in SWC so we do a strike system and if they have 3 strikes they get no stipend
- Nidira: If we're doing transition documents, technically if we do this council members after us would have to do amendments
- Bethanie: It has to be amended every year.

Discussion Item: Election board appointment Withdrawal

Sonola

- Bethanie: Last meeting we had a withdrawal. Why at the last minute was it withdrawn?
- Fieldman: I can't talk about that in open session, it's a personnel. If folks would like to go into a closed session and I can vaguely give an answer. It's a personal matter
- Bethanie: Okay it wasn't clear last week so I was just making sure

Discussion Item: Judicial Board Budget

Fieldman

- We are revisiting this in light of the eboard chair recently being confirmed and working on his eboard. Over the summer the jboard chief justice came with us with a budget proposal for the judicial board. As you all probably are aware the jboard has no budget whatsoever, they are the epitome of unpaid student labor. They don't even have a budget for room reservations, printing for really basic things. Chief justice Abigail chapman came to us asking for a budget of roughly \$11,000. Today in a meeting between Abigail, myself, Roy, and Jessica we discussed a little more in detail how we see the stipends manifesting and supplies budget managing. ASUCLA is willing to help with room reservations, with printing, with gavel and things like that. There are still some supply costs that I think we accounted \$800 for. In terms of stipends is similar to USAC's stipends. It enables a wider diversity of folks to apply to serve in these capacities. Especially folks that need to pursue in other employment. It has been a concern for some time now that jboard be able to compensate [indiscernible] it really is an equity piece. Basically the funding model that we're using is that all judicial processes would be paid the same way eboard directors are paid, each directors are paid 74\$ a week. The chief justice and associate chief justice would be higher. Those estimates were done with Abigail's involvement. Basically the number we're looking at roughly \$13,000. As we had expressed the eboard budget is quite sizeable, what I'm proposing is that we divert the \$16,000 daily bruin budget to help pay for jboard. \$7,000 coming out of council discretionary
- Ender: We're going to take \$7,000 from council discretionary and \$6,000 from eboard budget.
- Ender: So if we don't want to take from election board we also have funds that can be pulled from. That money does go to surplus because it doesn't get used.
- Fieldman: If there's other budget items I would love to give eboard their full amount. But do we feel comfortable moving forward with this \$13,000 figure? And does it make sense to everyone? I'll talk to Abigail and get more info and then we'll work from there.

<u>Discussion Item: Student Media Communication</u>

Manzano

- Fieldman: I did reach out to communications board chair, they elected to meet with me in a more informal session. Basically the intention of the letter was talking about the meeting in support of the NSJP conference resolution and a reporter was asked to turn his camera off which in his view interfered with freedom of the press. There was a pushback on their part really I think we need to update the referendum about how USAC live is used and about why we choose to record the way we do and how we can convey those guidelines to the press. What we can do is work with members of the public to try to provide other channels. Ultimately we don't have the ability to tell people to shut their cameras off moving forward.
- Jamie: Something that I will say is I do think that freedom of the press [indiscernible]. The space is already not the most accessible and I don't that should apply a private individual that wants to come speak to the representatives. So I think it's fair that we draw the line if we have a standard of you should be able to come talk to us in the sense that you won't be recorded and it won't be posted publicly and I think that's fair.

- Fieldman: And I convey that but to be honest we're not going to get that through to them. I think we need to think of ways that if in the future a member is livestreaming and refusing to turn off their camera we provide an additional form for a member of the public come and speak to us. I think we need to explore other methods of engagement between public members and USAC. I think this is a productive conversation regardless of what went down.
- Sarena: The problem is that we asked them not to record?
- Fieldman: Yes, the concern is we made a reporter turn off their camera.
- Nidira: My question is some student media are blogs, some don't carry the weight of let's just report this, and everyone has their agenda so it's not necessarily specific to this group. The reality is some folks lead to specific outlets in order to target students and I understand that but can we advocate that if you're going to record this and your purpose is for accuracy then you audio record but to put someone's likeness on the web just so you can target them isn't necessarily beneficial because that's exactly what happened for this specific meeting.
- Fieldman: I brought up audio recording I just don't know how much we'll be able to interfere. The issue is I can't get it through to them
- Bethanie: I'm in agreement that they can record us and I want to know if we can also speak to them and have a conversation offline. Maybe coming up with a strike system if we can't control that. It also gives people a chance to defend themselves online.

XI. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

Attendance sheet is passed around

XII. Adjournment*

Fieldman

Meeting is adjourned at 11:20pm

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