

AGENDA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL April 30th, 2019 7:00PM

## I. Call to Order

Fieldman

- Fieldman calls the meeting to order at 7:19pm

#### A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

- Attendance sheet is passed around

## II. Approval of minutes\*

- 04/16/19 Minutes
  - Kim motions to approve the minutes; George seconds the motion
  - 9-0-0 motion passes; 04/16/19 minutes are approved
- 04/23/19 Minutes
  - Kim motions to approve the minutes; Bethanie seconds the motion
  - 9-0-0 motion passes; 04/23/19 minutes are approved

# III. Approval of the Agenda\*

- Move all new business before officer reports, strike gen rep 2, add discussion item on Fraternities, strike SFS for the rest of the quarter, strike AAC funding allocations, strike gen rep 3, strike TSR
  - Bethanie motions to approve the agenda; Kennerk seconds the motion
  - Bethanie withdraws her motion
  - Bethanie motions to approve the agenda; Jamie seconds the motion
  - 9-0-0 motion passes; agenda approved as amended

# **IV.** Special Presentations

#### CALPIRG Year in Review

Menon/Watson

- Organizational structure: statewide board of directors (36 student members, votes on budget + statewide lead campaigns + approve new campaigns), statewide executive committee (6 students elected from the board of directors, drives statewide priorities, at UCLA (200 volunteers, 50 interns, 15k educated through class presentations, 16k on the email list).
- 16.4% of UCLA undergraduate students are currently pledging the \$10 per quarter CALPIRG activities fee.
- 2 leading campaigns:
  - 100% clean transportation
    - Lead campaign in the winter
    - 1250 petitions,
    - > 100 photo petitions
    - Press Conference with Asm. Kamlager-Dove's field representative, Cesar Montoya
    - Future: Clean Car Show (May 31st)
  - No Bees No Food
    - Lead in fall: 1900 petitions for statewide ban on neonics
    - Working with Facilities Management to make UCLA bee-friendly certified
    - 700 petitions, 300 photo petitions, 50 student leader sign ons for UCLA going bee-friendly
    - No Bees No Thanksgiving and No Bees No Spring Events
    - Student gov resolution (THANK YOU!)
  - Zero Hunger

- Working with Swipe Out Hunger, CPO
- 50 student letters addressed to Chancellor Block, ~1000 petitions, 200 photo petitions, 100 student leader sign ons
- USAC resolution passed (thanks!)
- Art Gallery (opening May 14th!)
- New Voters Project
  - As a part of the BruinsVote! Coalition, we helped:
  - Register 2000 UCLA students to vote
  - Make 50,000 Get Out The Vote Contacts
  - We are working to institutionalize voting on campus:
  - Making UCLA the first UC to be certified voter-friendly
  - Getting a same-day voting site on campus for 2020
    - Collected 71 student leader sign-ons
- Organizational highlights: kickoff meetings, pledge drives, lobby day
- Board 2019-2020: Chapter Chair: Sithara Menon, Vice Chair: Kathryn Gonzalez-Valle, Secretary: Prabhdeep Rai, Member-at-Large: Nicolas Riani, Member-at-Large: Yael Mendoza

## V. Appointments

## Appointment for UCLA Committee on LGBTQ Affairs#

Kennerk/Faour

- Kennerk: Various committees within your bylaws get lost and this is one of those committees. People thought it wasn't doing much but through chance we found out it's still functioning. Undergraduate and graduate students have failed to be appointed to it. It gets folks from all around campus to connect LGBTQ folks holistically. We wanted to reopen this application. They're having elections in June we want to make sure LGBTQ leaders are represented. The appointments are for one year.
- Michael Quicho has been involved in academic affairs commission. Through his interview and his questions he represented a strong and diverse understanding of what it means to be a queer student on campus.
  - No oppositions; passes by consent

## Appointment for UCLA Committee on LGBTQ Affairs#

Kennerk/Faour

- Kennerk: Ko (malek) Smaoui has been involved as a CARE peer educator. One of the reasons that we decided to appoint them had to do with we felt they've been involved in various different aspects on campus.
  - No oppositions; passes by consent

#### Appointment for UCLA Committee on LGBTQ Affairs#

Kennerk/Faour

- Kennerk: The final appointment is Gustavo De Santiago. This applicant had the most impressive application in regards to their knowledge of the committee.
  - No oppositions; passes by consent

## VII. Officer Reports

A. President Fieldman

- The #TimesUp committee has developed and will be distributing "Know Your Rights" resource cards to students.
- I have a number of major meetings coming up in my final weeks as President: Chancellor Block, AVC Beck, VCSA Gorden, and UCLA Alumni Association CEO. Please let me know if there's anything any Council members would like brought up in these meetings.
- As outgoing Chair of the UC Council of Student Body Presidents, I am beginning transition toward the next leadership
  within this coalition, including organizing retreat and UCOP meetings for the 2019-20 Presidents from across the UC
  system.
- I'm updating the OP Appointment bylaws to reflect realities of existing appointments as well as to provide further ease of transition to the next USAC President. Also, in consultation with other undergraduate and graduate student leaders,

OP has formally withdrawn the appointment to the Westwood Community Council due to its legacy of stifling student representation and student-friendly policies.

B. Internal Vice President Watson

C. External Vice President Kennerk

UC Davis regents meeting 4/21 focusing on basic need and housing programs, specifically rapid rehousing programs

LGBTQ training with various orgs and USAC offices

Creating "EVP- sharable trainings and docs"

Regents meeting in may: bringing ~10 people

Transfer lobby day thursday bringing 12

State funding: mental health and basic need. LAO (legislative analyst office)

Tabling tomorrow for summer cal-grant.

Regent passing: taucher

G. General Rep 1 Haleem

H. General Rep 2 — Martin

I. General Rep 3 — Solis

E. Facilities Commissioner Ho-Gonzalez

F. Financial Supports Commissioner Manzano

J. Campus Events Commission Madison

K. Transfer Rep

L. Student Wellness Commissioner

Faour

- We finally got the crutches and wheelchairs in the redistribution center!
  - o Thank you to Ashe for funding
  - Thank you to IVP and GCGP for housing these resources in the center
- SWC CPR is having an SWC Leadership specific CPR certification training, because not all of us are CPR certified!
- Bruin Health Week is this week!
- Saturday (4/27)
- -Bruin Run Walk: 6:30-11:30am | Bruin Plaza
  - o https://www.facebook.com/events/335675230367741/
  - o Raised over 35,000 dollars
- Monday (4/29)
- -Plants + People Launch: 10am-3pm | Bruin Walk, Veggie Grill
  - o https://www.facebook.com/events/662191320899289/
- -Black Students Take Back The Night: 7-9pm | CAPS Conference Room
- Tuesday (4/30)
- -Health Resource Fair: 10:30am-3pm | Bruin Plaza
  - o https://www.facebook.com/events/2340563409339488/
- Wednesday (5/1)
- -Bruins Heart at Work: 12-3pm | Bruin Plaza
  - o https://www.facebook.com/events/591589144656771/
- -Succulents! (Plants + People): 10am-3pm | Bruin Walk

- -Sexy Jeopardy: 6pm | MS
  - o https://www.facebook.com/events/2273733076216565/
- -Post Workout Snacks: 3-6:30pm | Wooden Patio
  - o https://www.facebook.com/events/389073041680043/
- Thursday (5/2)
- International No Diet Day + Be You Festival: 5-8pm | Sunset Village
  - o https://www.facebook.com/events/2238403676249368/
- -Semicolon Campaign Photoshoot: 4-6pm | Bruin Walk
  - o <a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/2829796787245769/">https://www.facebook.com/events/2829796787245769/</a>

M. Community Service Commissioner

Sonola

N. Academic Affairs Commissioner

Stephens

O. Cultural Affairs Commissioner

Khasawneh

P. Administrative Representatives

Aboagye, Alexander, Champawat, Geller, Kadota

#### VIII. Public Comment

Fieldman

- No audio, no video
  - None
- Audio, no video
  - None
- Audio & video
  - None
- Public comments adjourned at 7:20pm

## IX. Old business

ISR Bylaw Change\*

- CRC review: voted 4-0-0 to unanimously approve the international student bylaws and had no suggestions.
  - Watson motions to approve the ISR bylaw change; Kim seconds the motion
  - 9-0-0 motion passes; the bylaws are approved

### X. New Business

### Contingency Programming\*

Ender

- 25 applications; both USAC and non-USAC entities
- Total required: \$268,254.93Total requested: \$34,729.28
- Total recommended: \$19,000.00
  - Bethanie motions to approve \$19,000.00 for contingency programming; Kennerk seconds the motion
  - 8-0-1 motion passes; contingency programming is approved

SFS Allocations#

### Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations#

Kennerk

Sonola

- 1 group
- Total allocated: \$1,300
  - No oppositions; passes by consent

#### SWC Programming Fund Allocations#

- 3 non-USAC groups; total of 4 applications

Total requested: \$3,403.18Total allocated: \$1,915.59

No oppositions; passes by consent

ASRF Allocations#  AAC Travel Mini-Grant Allocations#	Stephen
	Stephen
ARCF Allocations#	Khasawnel

## Resolution in Favor of Changing UC Policy Regarding Student Fees\*

Fieldman/Watson/Stephens

- Whereas, before the 1990's, student groups at the University of California could be funded through waivable fees, and if the student body wanted to support a student group, they would vote in a referenda during student government yearly elections; if the students vote in favor, everyone would be assessed a waivable student activities fee to support that group, and whereas in 1990, the UC Regents voted to change the system for funding student groups at the UCs to remove the waivable fee because some of the Regents were worried it would be inappropriate for the UCs to be collecting fees in the waivable method for groups that did advocacy and lobbying, and whereas since this decision, the Supreme Court upheld in the Southworth case that the use of student fees for political work, arguing Universities should be a marketplace of ideas, and whereas the UCs have updated their policies to allow for mandatory or waivable student fees to be used for political work so long as the fees further the educational mission of the University, but the current policies say that only the student government, and not student organizations, has access to establish mandatory or waivable fees, and student organizations can only be funded through small allocations of the student government or through the opt in pledge system, and whereas several public university systems in Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and Maryland allow student organizations to run fee referenda,
- Let it be resolved that 2018-2019 Undergraduate Student Associated Council (USAC) affirms its support for the rights of student groups to be able to use the waivable fee system and put their funding up to votes of the student body. We think it is important and valuable to encourage more participation in civic engagement and advocacy among UC students, and to allow students to be able to vote and have a say in creating their campus life and campus community. We also want to allow student groups to be able to focus on winning support from the student body once every few years, and be able to spend the rest of their time focused on their core missions and engaging volunteers and the campus body. Let it further be resolved that 2018-2019 USAC supports striking the line in UC Policy PACAOS-80 that says that "the referendum process set forth in Section 82.00 of these Policies shall not be accessible to a Registered Campus Organization or any student group other than a student government."
- Since UC policies already allow for waivable fees, to make this happen, the UC policies would need to be changed to allow student organizations, not just the student government, access to the waivable fee system and the ability to run a student body vote to establish the fee.
  - Kennerk motions to approve the resolution in favor of changing the UC policy regarding student fees; Bella seconds the motion
  - 9-0-0 motion passes; the resolution is adopted

OP Bylaw Change\*

- Proposed changes to Article II Section 4 and 5. Additions in **bold** and removals strike through
  - 4. c. The following one (1) year positions receiving a stipend, to be appointed by the President

i. Budget Review Director: one (1) appointment

ii. Campus Food Security Directors: two (2) appointments

iii. Campus Programs Committee: four (4) appointments

Faour

#### iv. Campus Retention Committee: one (1) appointment

- v. Community Service Mini Fund Committee Chairperson: one (1) appointment
- vi. Community Service Mini Fund Committee Members: four (4) appointments, with two (2) affiliated with the Community Service Commission and two (2) affiliated with the Community Programs Office
- vii. Election Board Chairperson: one (1) appointment
- viii. Finance Committee Chairperson: one (1) appointment
- ix. Student Initiated Access Outreach Committee: one (1) appointment
- 4. d. The following one (1) year positions receiving a stipend, to be appointed by the Community Service Commissioner
- x. Community Activities Committee: four (4) appointments
- 5. e. Presidential Appointments
- i. Chancellor's Enrollment Advisory Committee: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term
- ii. Committee on Instructional Improvement Programs: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term
- iii. Communications Director: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term.
- iv. Financial Aid Policy Committee: two (2) appointments for one (1) year terms
- v. Information Technology Planning Board: one (1) appointment for a two (2) year term
- vi. Internship Engagement Committee Chair: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term
- vii. Restructuring Steering Committee: one (1) appointment for a two (2) year term
- viii. Student Advocate: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term
- i. Student Conduct Committee: three (3) appointments for one (1) to three (3) year terms
- x. Presidential appointment to the Student Risk Education Committee shall be the Internal Vice President
- ii. UCLA Advisory Board on Privacy and Data Protection: one (1) appointment for a one (1) year term
- xii. Westwood Community Council: one (1) appointment for a two (2) year term
- CRC review: no review
  - Kim motions to approve the bylaw change; Kennerk seconds the motion
  - 9-0-0 motion passes; the bylaw change is adopted

#### Discussion item: Fraternities

Bella

Bella: I wanted to talk a little bit about what's going on at Swarthmore college. I want to caution against the first link that I sent, lots of explicit trigger warnings about sexual violence. The first link that I sent, Swarthmore's equivalent of the daily bruin or FEM called Voices got sent a large file from someone in this fraternity Phi Si with lots of internal classified documents of minutes, videos, pictures dating back to 2012. The contents are pretty repugnant. Currently they're staging a sit-in and are occupying the Phi Si fraternity house. I believe it's an off-campus frat. It means it isn't run by its nationals and doesn't have advisors and isn't recognized by the school. That means it's running by its own accord. The people are asking the university to take back the lease as that is something that they are capable of and reallocate it to something that is not as damaging to student livelihood. A couple of girls from my high school and I have been closely collaborating with them because they go there. If you look to the second link that is the articles by nbc Philadelphia that talks the most directly about how the way that their demands are going to be achieved is through outside support and collaboration. I ask council to either tonight or next week I would like us to release a statement in solidarity. There's already a template circulating. I will read what the statement says and I would like everyone to do more research on this topic and we can readdress it next week. The statement reads: we the undergraduate student associated council stand with students of Swarthmore College as they occupy the fraternity house and demand the reallocation of that space policing campus safety or monitoring them Swarthmore college you should protect your students. Kind of just connecting this back to UCLA, as a panhellenic president and working closely to reform IFC I think there's a lot of work to be done. I think it's difficult to apply that pressure in greek life. We're in a position where we know the internal dealings going on in greek life but without the amplification it's a bit difficult to achieve what our goals are. We're asking for increased trainings, collaborations. It's really incredible what the students have done. We would be the first student government to show our solidarity with them. If y'all have any questions for me, please message me offline. I would like to put this on the agenda as a solidarity resolution.

- Fieldman: I was thinking if you're comfortable i would like to work with you tonight and send it out to councilmembers and we'll aim to release on Thursday. If that's okay with you all since it is a time sensitive manner.

# **XI.** Signing of the Attendance Sheet

- Attendance sheet is passed around

# XII. Adjournment\*

Fieldman

- Meeting adjourned at 8:43pm

**Good and Welfare** 

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