

I. Call to Order Watson

Robert calls the meeting to order at 7:10 pm

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

- Sign in sheet is passed around

II. Approval of minutes*

- 12/3/19 minutes
- Lalo motions to approve minutes from 12/3/19, Kelechi seconds
- By motion of 11-0-0 the motion passes, minutes from 12/3/19 are approved

III. Approval of the Agenda*

- Add transportation surplus proposal, replace contingency with capital contingency, strike asrf and travel grant, strike transfer rep officer report, strike FSC officer report, strike FAC officer report, strike arcf allocation, strike TSR officer report, strike lgbtq center, add proposal for ISR office staff
- Lalo motions to approve the agenda as amended, Kelechi seconds
- By motion of 12-0-0 the motion passes, agenda is approved as amended

<u>UCPD</u> Bonifacio

Kevin: Good evening and welcome back from break. As we move toward the next rest of the school year, this coming week we're expecting the block party to be coming again so again we ask for your assistance in trying to discourage people from attending that. We've had several different property damage reports in the past, people injured, stuff like that. Some sad news but good news in many ways, we are rotating our lieutenants, so I will be moving out of my position. So February 4th will be my last USAC meeting with you and I will be introducing my new lieutenant who will be taking over the role for me. I've enjoyed working with all of you throughout the years. I'll always be available by cell phone so please don't be afraid to reach out.

LGBTQ Center Bonifacio

IV. Public Comment Watson

- No Audio no Video:
 - 0 comments
- Audio no video:
 - 0 comments
- Audio and Video:
 - Sithara: Hi guys, I'm Sithara, I'm the chapter chair for our CALPIRG chapter on campus. I have some pretty exciting updates for you guys. As you have probably heard, we are working to protect our oceans and ban single use plastics. We've been making a lot of progress on that campaign. We were able to work with the UC system wide [indiscernible] on bringing forward a really strong policy addressing single use plastics that is actually getting voted on later this month. So on January 31st the UC system wide sustainability committee is actually going to vote on this policy which we're actually pretty optimistic about. We also are gonna be working with the UCLA sustainability office to be announcing the new policy that will be in effect on our

campus, we will be announcing that during week 3. I wanted to thank all of you guys for all of your support in passing that. We are also working to try and get LA County to ban single use plastics across LA County. We are also going to be continuing our work to fight food insecurity and promoting zero hunger on our campus, as well as making textbooks more affordable. And of course this quarter we're going to be doing work to ensure that students get out and vote in the primaries.

- Public comment adjourned at 7:24 pm

Capital Contingency Programming*

Komzyuk

- Total Requested \$433.60
- Total Recommended: \$433.60
- Isabel motions to approve \$433.60, Kelechi seconds
- By motion of 11-0-0 the motion passes, capital contingency recommended allocation approved

SFS Allocations# Wisner

- Total Requested: \$8,692.03
- Total Recommended: \$6,571.77
- CSC and non-CSC groups
- No opposition, recommended allocation passes by consent

SWC Programming Fund Allocations#

Sridhar

- Total Requested: \$2,360.00
- Total Recommended: \$1,610.00
- 4 groups

ASRF Allocations#

ARCF Allocations#

- No opposition, recommended allocation passes by consent

Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations#

Guerra

- Total Requested: \$1,500
- Total Recommended: \$1,500
- No opposition, recommended allocation passes by consent

Kney

Riley

AAC Travel Mini-Grant Allocations#

-Iheanacho

V. Special Presentations

- None

VI. Appointments

- None

VII. Officer Reports

A. President Watson

- Pre meeting with Vice Chancellor Gordon on friday
- UCLA has finally reformed their housing portal to opt in for gender inclusive housing
- Interns and staff members hiring

B. Internal Vice President

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- Off campus living fair happening January 21st from 10:30-3:00pm in Ackerman grand ballroom, there will be about 20 apartment companies there
- True Bruin Scholar award nomination is out
- Meeting with Blandizzi about getting funding for True Bruin R.A.I.S.E
- Meeting with Vice Chancellor Beck next thursday

C. External Vice President

Guerra

- Office sending delegates to UCSA meeting, discussing cohort based tuition modeling, improving sexual assault prevention, and election of the next UC president
- Brought in new members to the office
- Starting winter fellowship in upcoming weeks

D. General Representative 1

Velazquez

• Internship apps are out

E. General Representative 2

Smedley

- Office has been working on budget transparency
- Bolter hall signs are incorrect, working on fixing though
- Talked with res life about shuttles running more frequently

F. General Representative 3

Broukhim

- Bruin policy center working on several election code changes, should be finalizing that by Sunday
- Winter intern application out right now, closes in a couple days

G. Academic Affairs Commissioner

Riley

- AAC internship application is live
- Books for Bruins is live

H. Campus Events Commission

Steinmetz

- Next Tuesday in Kerckhoff Grand Salon there's a concert
- On February 6th were having campus movie fest in Kerkhoff art gallery
- January 27th in the James Bridges Theatre showing Birds of Prey

I. Community Service Commissioner

Wisner

- Impact apps closed
- Alternative Breaks had their winter trips, went really well
- Next office hours will be Week 3, Wednesday from 8-9pm in the Kerkhoff stat rooms.

J. Cultural Affairs Commissioner

Iheanacho

• Event happening in Kerckhoff Art Gallery

K. Facilities Commissioner

- Shaw

L. Financial Supports Commissioner

- Srivastava

M. Student Wellness Commissioner

Sridhar

- Body Image Task Force: LLove My Body Week is next week, Week 2 (1/13-1/17). Consists of MON: KICKOFF (10:30AM-2:30PM), TUES: DEBUNKING DIET MYTHS (12:30-1:45PM) and CRAFTING CONFIDENCE IN THE BEDROOM WITH SWC SEXPERTS (6-8PM), WEDS: SCALE SMASHING with Southern Smash (11:30AM-2:30PM) and HEELS DANCE WORKSHOP (5-6PM), FRI: UNFOLLOWING BEAUTY STANDARDS (11:30AM-2:30PM)
- Bruin Consent Coalition: Consent Week is Week 3.
- Sexperts: Collaboration with BITF (see above).
- Student Health Advocates: Training for new members will be held Week 3.
- Total Wellness: New content: <u>Plant-based protein</u> foods

N. Transfer Representative

-Oraha

O. International Student Representative

Tariq

P. OCHC Representative

Gupta

• Working on the UC conference

O. Administrative Representatives

Alexander, Champawat, Geller,

O'Connor

VIII. Old Business

None

IX. New Business

Surplus Proposals

-\$129,00 of surplus available to be allocated

1. IVP Partnership Fund and True Bruin R.A.I.S.E.

Bonifacio

IVP Partnership Fund: \$15,000

The Office of the Internal Vice President has a designated committee that reaches out to different student organizations on campus. Student Advocacy Partnership (SAP) connects different student organizations to different resources on campus such as funding opportunities, USAC Offices, and reserving spaces. Often times, student organizations do not know that they are eligible for funding or how to book spaces for their meetings. Our job is to make these things accessible for students and student organizations.

Last year, Fernando and I were the directors of this committee in the IVP Office and we were able to **outreach to over 250 student groups and personally meet up with 50 of them.** This year, Arsh and Sam are the directors of this committee, and their team has **reached out to 77 student organizations and have met up with 10 of them, in addition to** co-programming and planning four events with organizations and other USAC entities this quarter. Our SOLE advisor, Mike Cohn, has also agreed to feature SAP in the SOLE newsletter that goes out three times a quarter to the signatories of all the on-campus student orgs, further expanding the scale of our outreach.

Last year, the committee launched the IVP Partnership Fund, allowing us to allocate funds up to \$600 to 10 student organizations on campus. We had over 24 applicants but we unfortunately could not allocate money to all of them because our budget was limited. All the money that goes into the IVP Partnership Fund comes from the money that we make from Off-Campus Living Fair, which typically amounts to a little under \$5,000.

What differentiates the IVP Partnership from other available funding opportunities is that it comes along with logistical support such as publicity, reserving spaces, and other opportunities to connect USAC with the student organization. In essence, it really is about bringing USAC to the students that we serve.

This year, <u>I am asking council to allocate \$15,000 of surplus money to the IVP Partnership Fund</u>, so we are able to reach and help out more student organizations with the amazing initiatives and projects that they do on and off campus. **This amount will greatly increase the**

IVP Partnership Fund funding pool, which is currently \$4,500 - our current income from this year's Off-Campus Living Fair.

Last year's application: https://forms.gle/kFCZPj69rS4omRay8

Last year's responses and allocation breakdown:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ZBy7eFmo38pTpp1q6Ant9aDOAlLc0PbnKwT2nDNMtIM/edit?usp=sharing

Projected Timeline this year:

• Week 4 of Winter Quarter: Launch with a more developed application and rubric

• Week 6 of Winter Quarter: Deadline

• Week 8 of Winter Quarter: Allocation Decisions

2. True Bruin R.A.I.S.E (TBR) Scholarship: \$2,000

In 2017, TBR started in the General Representative 2 Office under Kayla He to award students who have taken initiative to help other students in crisis. Now, it is a project that is the result of a collaboration between the USAC Internal Vice President's Office and the UCLA Office of the Dean of Students in which we aim to acknowledge and celebrate Bruins who exemplify our True Bruin values of Respect, Accountability, Integrity, Service and Excellence.

Many have difficult experiences at some point in their life; in fact someone close to you might pop into your mind right now. Did they receive help from a UCLA student in some way during a crisis? This project was created to celebrate UCLA students who stepped up to help a student in crisis. We hope that their stories will inspire other students to take initiative as well.

TBR started with the kind donation of \$5,000 from the Office of Dean of Students, and this was meant to last for a few years. TBR awards 15 to 20 students with an honor that includes an award with a \$75-dollar value, and for the past 3 years, we have awarded over 45 students. Unfortunately, TBR's funding pool is almost exhausted, which means we have very limited money for the awards. This is why I am asking council to allocate \$2,000 of surplus money to TBR in order to award amazing students who have helped their peers in need. I understand that this is just a band-aid solution and this is not sustainable, but the IVP Office is exploring other possible partnerships with different campus entities to institutionalize the funding for TBR. However, this allocation would truly help extend TBR for another year.

Projected Timeline this year:

• Winter Break: Nomination form opens

• January 17: Nomination form deadline

2nd Week of Winter Quarter: Award decisions are sent

• February 19: Award Ceremony

3. Office of the President Office Pay

Watson

Request: \$4,000

Robert: I'm Asking for \$4,000 to pay my office staff this quarter. Proposals for pay will be based off the rest of the quarter and how work is accomplished. There's two possibilities on how this would be done. The first is either paying the entire active staff a small stipend that can be like on a gift card or a visa card, or paying the 10 directors around \$400 each. Some examples of work that I think should be compensated from the office was like, people like Katherine Shin that worked on slac which took months to plan and coordinate of reaching out to schools across California, scheduling transportation and meals and scheduling in itself. Also the entire committee that we had that essentially devoted themselves to running this past election for fall quarter without any compensation. I'll note that although my office is equivalent in size to other offices that have already received staff funding from surplus, I'm asking for significantly less than any other offices that have received surplus funding money. So I just wanted to make sure that I'm not being excessive about this and that I'm asking for a fair amount. Ultimately, I know that there are many organizations and individuals on campus that should be compensated and that this issue is not just a council issue, it's important to recognize that. That's something that has definitely been a priority for me especially addressing within administration about how to secure funding for other programs and projects that really do deserve compensation, USAC shouldn't really be the body that is held to that responsibility.

4. CommUnity Iheanacho

Request: \$45,000

ARC and the Obvious Need for More \$\$

- ARC has become a staple in cultural organizing but there is more we can do.
- We need to compensate student organizers for their tireless labor in providing cultural programming on this campus -- a campus that historically has made it difficult for culturally relevant programming to take place.
- We need a version of ARC fund that doesn't just throw out the money and run, but helps guide the organization through the project.
- Link to ARC Allocations:
 https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/11oAMbxoE0k3peBmZ3eeOC7uktFFnvZ C7mclvx062G4/edit?usp=sharing

CommUnity

- CommUnity will give \$2,000 to two organizations each quarter, as well as a \$200 stipend for project leaders.
- CommUnity reaches out to student orgs that put on culturally relevant programs and projects that promote cultural inclusion and diversity.
- CommUnity provides resources to student organizations like our marketing team, social media platforms, other series co-programs, and guidance through the bureaucracy of UCLA planning.
- So here I am, asking you to allocate \$45,000 of surplus to CommUnity so it can go back to student organizing.
- Link to application:
 https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RbzTP67YfEyMpqgpR0azwy5Wp7PmPhXVbyLvKGPp4kY/edit?usp=sharing

Let us not forget other very expensive programs on campus put on by cultural organizations

- Graduation ceremonies
- Culture Shows
- Conferences
- Honorariums
- Outreach and Retention projects
- Workshops

5. Transfer Center/Veteran Center Funding

Oraha

Request: \$15,000 Funding the Transfer Center

- I. Mission Statement: To provide **transfer** students resources and programming that connects them to the university and supports them so they can achieve their personal, academic, and professional **goals** as they progress through their educational journey
- II. Funding Allocations:
 - A. 2017-2018:

Transfer Transitions: \$3000Transfer Pride Week: \$0De-Stress Study Fest: N/A

TOTAL: \$3000

B. 2018-2019:

Transfer Transitions: \$8000
 Transfer Pride Week: \$6000
 De-Stress Study Fest: \$8000

■ TOTAL: \$22,000

C. 2019-2020:

■ Transfer Transitions: \$4500

Transfer Pride Week: \$3000De-Stress Study Fest: \$2000

■ TOTAL: \$9500

D. 2020-2021:

Transfer Transitions: \$0Transfer Pride Week: \$0De-Stress Study Fest: \$0

■ TOTAL: \$0

III. The Ask:

- \$15,000 of USAC Surplus Allocated to the Transfer Center

6. Books for Bruins and I-clickers.

Riley

Request: \$10,000

Books For Bruins is a textbook subsidy program that became popular under FSC and AAC last year. This year AAC has expanded the program while understanding that rising textbook and academic material cost continues to be a problem for students. As the scholarship responses and the lived realities of thousands of students reveal, these financial burdens disproportionately affect low income, non-traditional, and other historically underrepresented communities. Many of the students who have applied last year, fall quarter, and winter quarter, have cited their challenging financial situations. It is imperative to highlight that even within the discussion of rising costs of academic materials, this issue is divided along the lines of North and South Campus. STEM students are not only purchasing overpriced Chemistry textbooks, but also clickers, lab coats, goggles, and access codes and subscriptions in order to do their homework. Because of this, our commission expanded the scholarship to cover access codes, has divided our budget to increase our current iclicker reserve alongside the Financial Supports Commission, and is thus, here tonight, asking council members to support an increasingly pertinent initiative that will directly help alleviate *some* of the burden UCLA students face financially.

Fall Quarter:

- AAC released the application receiving 80 applicants within the first few days, until we reached our capacity. We only funded 70, as the other 10 applied after the deadline.
- The average amount asked for was \$108.00. The highest amount asked for was \$288.96, and the lowest was \$14.47.
- AAC originally allotted \$3,400, from our general programming fund, for 68 \$50 textbook gift cards, in addition to having approx. 7 gift cards remaining.
- AAC was granted \$10,000 from surplus for Books4Bruins, which will help this quarter's applicant pool.

Winter Quarter:

- AAC has received 150 applications, tripling the amount of students being serviced since last year.
- We divided up applicants in four tiers: \$25, \$50, \$75, and \$100. This is also designed to ensure we are not over-funding, and truly meeting needs.
- According to our last numbers, we are looking to fund 25 \$25, 35 \$50, 55 \$75, 55 \$100 gift cards, estimating \$12,175.00.

We expect in the spring that the fund will continue to service a large pool of students as such. With an expected 200 applicants, we are requesting for \$10,000 in order to help cover the expected cost of \$13,875.00.

Komzyuk

Request: \$56, 726.87

Our Goal:

Give back directly to funding all student groups

Amount Requested Through Winter Quarter Week 1

Last Year:\$176,333.85This Year: \$280,989.9259% increase

Contingency Programming Fund Budget History

Last Year: \$379,521This Year: \$382,588Less than 1% increase

 Assuming a 50% increase continues..With our current budget we would only be able to fund 35% of the total funding requested

Amount Requested: \$56,726.87

=\$732,191.46 requested last year + [\$732,191.46 * 0.5] assuming 50% increase = \$1,098,287.19 projected total requested for this year

\$1,098,287.19 * 0.4 = \$439,314.88 forty percent of projected total requested \$439,314.88 - \$382,588 budget for this year = \$56,726.87 needed

8. BOD Fund Vang

Request: \$30,000

Christy: So basically the BOD fund provides assistance for campus organization programs on a larger scale. So most of these events are cultural and educational and as you all know UCLA facilities are very expensive. Our next hearing is on Week 7 so that will be our last round of funding. For the past 3-4 years, the allocation for 2016-2017 was \$257,000, 2017-2018 was \$310,000, 2018-2019 was \$310,000 and this year is \$360,000. That number may seem really big but if you think about it, there's like 60-100 organizations that apply, but the total that students request is over \$900,000 and we have to distribute that every quarter so we end up having to allocate about \$150,000 for spring quarter and that's barely enough because once we allocate the number it will get 20% of the fund. So for example if a student group asks for \$40,000 they only get about \$5,000 which is barely enough to cover the expenses. I'm here requesting at least \$25,000-\$30,000 for student organizations for spring quarter.

9. General Representative 2 Office Staff Pay

Smedley

Request: \$4,000

Orion: I am requesting \$4,000. I have a good amount of staff that's working on reaching out to various entities, getting quotes for various things such as bus transportation, and various other stuff like creating surveys for students about how students interact with transportation and for outreach posters that kind of thing. I'm looking at this chart that was found on the USAC website for officer stipends. So if you look at assistant directors it's \$60/week stipend. I'm going to ask for the same amount that Robert asked for.

- tabled

10. CAE Disability Student Union Redesign

Request: \$30,000

Lily: I'm requesting \$30,000 to completely renovate and redesign the Center for Accessible Education, only the front room. This will not cover the entire renovation at all. I'm also working with the healthy campus initiative that is related to disability access and I'm going to be working with Facilities Management. We've gotten this proposal approved by Dean Blandizzi, by Vice Chancellor Gordon, by the CAE center themselves. We're ready to start renovating as soon as this money is approved. What it would go toward is providing a community space which currently is only administrative space. Right now it's such an uninviting unwelcoming space and currently there are no spaces on campus for students with disabilities can meet. Dean Blandizzi shared something with us that said that the thing that students with disabilities yearn for the most is connections with other students with disabilities. It's really important to me to have space on campus where issues among students with disabilities can be discussed. CAE has agreed to pay for all the programming, we plan on having weekly events in the space.

11. CS Mini Fund Wisner

Angela: Requesting \$74.000.

- Projects funded my CS Mini funds: IN Fall 2019 CS mini funded 33 community service projects
- Surplus funds will help supplement our remaining budget of 55,500 of Winter and Spring 2020.
- We expect a total of \$162,000 to be requested in Winter and Spring 2020 and will need \$74,000 of additional funding

12. FSC Office Pay, Reproductive Justice Health Center Funding, Bruincard Fee Waivers Funding, I-clickers Srivastava

FSC Office Pay + Retreat

3 Chiefs of Staff: \$250 each = \$750
10 Directors: \$100 each = \$1000

Retreat: \$250

• Help cover a portion of: AirBnB, food, & drinks

Surplus proposal: \$2000

Reproductive Health Justice Center:

Request: \$4,800

The Goal of the Reproductive Health Tent:

- Make necessary products more affordable & accessible to students
 - Menstrual products
 - Pregnancy tests
 - Plan B
 - Condoms
- Have information on other resources such as Planned Parenthood and the abortion pill
- Make it a fun and welcoming environment for students to seek any information or things they might need

What we are seeking funding for:

- Tent
- \$500
- Materials: banner, decorations, desks, utensils, photo booth, posters, goodie bags
 - \$500
- Emergency contraception: Plan B

Shaw

- \$3,000
- Pregnancy tests
 - \$800

Reproductive Health Tent!	
TENT	\$500
Outdoor tent	
MATERIALS	\$500
Banner/Decorations/desks/utensils/photo booth/posters/goodie bags	
EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION	\$3,000
Plan B-> reduced price to \$15 from SHAC's \$20, 60 per week for 10 weeks	
PREGNANCY TESTS	\$800
909 tests for \$800	
PAMPHLETS	
STI Testing/Treatment, Birth Control Options, Abortion FAQs, Trans Health Initiative FAQs	
WOMXN'S HYGIENE - SWC	SWC Funded
Pads, Tampons	
SEXUAL HEALTH - SWC	SWC Funded
Condoms	
TOTAL	\$4,800

Partnership with SWC:

- SWC has graciously offered to provide funding for menstrual products and condoms
- We are so excited that this initiative with bring together multiple offices!
- If any of your office's staff members would like to be involved, we are more than welcome to reach out to them with sign ups and more information!
- Proposing reproductive health tent... providing menstrual products, pregnancy tests, condoms, emergency contraceptives

Isabel: did you apply to any funding bodies for the promotional ...

Tata: how frequent would it be?

M: 2x a week, when it's not up we are partnering with...

\$10,550

BruinCard Fee Waivers

Request: \$3,750

BruinCard Replacement Fee: currently \$25

FSC's fee waiver: \$15 off fee → reduced to \$10 per replacement card

Surplus Proposal: \$3,750

• Will grant 250 waiver fees to students

Survey:

- Over 550 responses
- 98.2% said they would be willing to pay \$10 or less for a replacement Bruin Card

Logistics:

- Approved by the BruinCard center
- Fee waivers will be available for students to apply to through the week via google form
- FSC's waivers will be distributed by the BruinCard center throughout the week
- Students will have one week to retrieve their waiver and get a new card once they've been granted a waiver
- Waivers will be granted on a first come first serve basis because of the necessity and urgency of receiving a replacement affordable bruincard if lost

15. Transportation Representation

Smedley

Request: \$8,000

Orion: Res life sponsors the transportation only for thanksgiving bc during finals and a long break there's more time that the students are leaving so they're not sure if the demand will be high enough. If you look at UCI, they offer a free shuttle to the airport. Also the flyaway was cancelled, and that shuttle used to be \$10 and it would get people to the airport except it was cancelled because it was running every hour every day. When we talked to res life it was the issue of financial risk. There's also the logistics of getting it through. We got quotes from various different entities about the costs to get students to LAX. Based on how many people were riding the flyaway bus, that would be around 600 students per day. Per student, the costs are relatively low. The idea is that if we have funding, we would be able to fund this regardless of which organization does this. Right now students are paying about \$25 to get a Lyft or an Uber to the airport. With this, students altogether would save about \$26,000 as well as reduce carbon dioxide emissions. Requesting \$8,000 to provide funding for one of these bodies.

16. ISR Office Pay

- Request: \$3,950

Shahamah: I have 3 Chief of Staff. I am asking for \$900 for my Chief of Staff so that would be \$2,700 and then I have 25 other staff members and I would like to give them a \$50 gift card and that would be \$1,250 so the total would be \$3,950. I wanted to emphasize some work they have done. My Chief of Staff started working last year during my campaign and a lot of advocacy projects are in process but a big achievement that we had was waiving the overnight stay fee for international flights when they're not available on Friday. Last quarter my staff worked on a series of events during International Education Week. We've also been reaching out to clubs and organizations. We have two co programs with clubs and orgs so far. In terms of advocacy we're also following up with ECRT and working on a few other advocacy initiatives just to make it financially easier on international students. My directors are also talking to the Academic departments at UCLA about credit transfer which would potentially be a very useful thing for international students. Out of my 28 directors and Chief of Staff that I'm asking for, 25 of them are international students so prospects of getting money is already very limited for them because they can only get on campus jobs which are a majority work study. They do put in a lot of hours of work. They've also been working on a mentorship program. We've been reaching out to alumni and are planning to work on alumni panels. The reason I chose \$900 for my Chief of Staff was because last year I was an OCHC rep for De Neve towers and I was given a stipend of \$300 per quarter and I didn't even do 2% of the work that my Chief of Staff are doing now. So I think it's only fair since they've been working all summer and even before that.

X. Adjournment*

Robert adjourns meeting at 10:12 pm

Good and Welfare

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

Watson