



AGENDA
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
May 24, 2022
7 PM PST
Zoom: <https://ucla.zoom.us/j/92657782154>

I. Call to Order

King

- Carl calls the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

- Signed via google docs

II. Approval of Agenda*

Le

- Strike ASRF Allocations
- Strike AAC Travel Mini Grant Allocations
- Strike SWC Programming
- Strike Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations
- Strike Capital Contingency
- Strike ARC Allocations
- Strike Dakota Edison,
- Strike Kyle Kalindijan
- Strike Bylaw Change Article II, Section B, 4
- Eliana moves to approve the agenda as amended, Sara seconds.
- By vote of 13-0-0, the motion passes and the 5/31/22 agenda is approved as amended.

III. Approval of the minutes*

Le

- Sara moves to approve the minutes from 5/24/22, Naomi seconds.
- By vote of 13-0-0, the motion passes and the minutes are approved as amended.

IV. Public Comment

King

- No public comment

V. Funding

- A. ~~Capital Contingency*~~ J. Wang
- B. Contingency Programming* J. Wang

- Allocations: \$10,022.40 to 10 non USAC entities
- Cut allocations by 10% to save for summer allocations
- Daniela moves to approve \$10,022.40 to 10 non USAC entities, seconds.
- By vote of , the motion passes and Contingency Programming is approved for this week.

- C. SFS Allocations# Flores

- Allocations: \$6248.41 to 6 non CSC orgs and 1 CSC org
- No opposition, passes as a consent item.

- D. SWC Programming Fund Allocations# Majer
- E. Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations# Johnson
- F. ASRF Allocations# Cortez
- G. AAC Travel Mini Grant Allocations# Cortez
- H. ARC Allocations# Verdugo

I. TGMF#

Chiu

- Allocations: \$1,107.28 to 3 non USAC entities
- No opposition, passes as a consent item.

VI. Special Presentations

A. OSAC Office Contracts Presentation

Regan

- Hannah Reagan: "Hello council, my name is Hannah Reagan. I am the current OSAC council chair. It is great to meet you. What we are here to do today is sign your office space contracts and really walk you through them. You don't have to sign them now but if you could sign them at your earliest convenience that would be very helpful. You can click this link and it has a pdf which I will be reading from. It is really important to OSAC that while the USAC office is guaranteed office space, that you all are taking care of it. I am going to try to make this very quick. At the end I will ask questions. But pretty much I will be reading everything out loud, general guidelines and such."

B. CALPIRG Single-Use Plastics Presentation (short)

Castranovo

- Will be presenting Resolution in New Business
- **A Resolution to Endorse Limiting Single Use Plastics in Los Angeles**
- CALPIRG Students' mission is to train student leaders to act on problems that affect the lives of all Californians and to promote solutions. We do this by combining the energy of students with the expertise of professional staff including advocates and organizers who work both on and off campus to advocate for the public.
- Every minute, one garbage truck of plastic is dumped into our oceans
- Solution: reduce the amount of plastic we produce
- Goal: pass a single use plastics ordinance through the LA County Board of Supervisors
- Lots of student support!
- The City Council is interested in implementing more plastics policy
- On Thursday we are meeting with an office interested in introducing a motion
- Passing this resolution will show the city council how much support there really is for phasing out single-use plastics in LA!

VII. Appointments

A. ASUCLA Board of Directors*

Hammonds, Nath, Kohanteb

a. Jeffrey Umaña Muñoz

- Eliana moves to appoint Jeffrey Umaña Muñoz as the voting member of ASUCLA Board of Directors, Sara seconds.
- By vote of 13-0-0, the motion passes and Jeffrey Umaña Muñoz is appointed as a voting member of the ASUCLA Board of Directors.

~~b. Dakota Edison~~

c. Julia Terrano

- Eliana moves to appoint Julia Terrano to ASUCLA Board of Directors as a nonvoting member, Divine seconds.
- By vote of 9-3-1, the motion passes and Julia Terrano is appointed to ASUCLA Board of Director as a nonvoting member.

~~d. Kyle Kalindjian~~

VIII. Officer Reports

A. President

King

- This past week I helped with the UCLA Demand Gun Reform Event that happened. Two individuals had reached out to me and wanted to know how to get the permits and wanted the exposure for their event so I helped out with that.

- I finally got access to my office and I am excited to clean up and make it mine.
- This week will be the last week before summer. I worked on getting my applications out and I am posting about them later tonight just so I can get started hiring the rest of my staff and I think that is pretty much it.
- I have a lot of meetings to catch up on and a lot of individuals that I am meeting for the first time. I am still getting back to everyone about getting coffee and meeting up.

B. Internal Vice President

Le

- I also attended the gun reform protests and helped facilitate that on our instagram to raise student awareness for the event.
- We are also working on staff hiring which is going really well. We are starting interviews and applications are still live and they are rolling so students still have a chance to apply if they want to. There will be interviews scheduled depending on when applications come in.
- Lastly, we worked on the ARC interviews for the ASUCLA Board of Directors. We interviewed five applicants and then chose two applicants and then voted on them. They were here today to speak on council which was good

C. External Vice President

Johnson

- This week I opened applications for my office. Thank you to the people who reposted it. I am excited to begin the hiring process.
- I met with a UCSA member and future member just to discuss on campus initiatives that my office will be focusing on as well as how we can apply it to the UCSA system as a whole.
- I also helped out with the anti-gun violence event that happened today. One of my Chief of Staff was able to attend and speak which was great. Thank you to everyone that supported.
- I was unable to attend but it looked like a great turnout and hopefully it got the message across.

D. General Representative 1 Written

Kohanteb

- Hired first staff member
- Finished executive staff application
- Met with different offices to see where we could collaborate
- Met with Vice Chancellor Gordon to see how USAC and Admin can work together

E. General Representative 2 Written

Hammonds

- Posted executive staff/directors application. Due on June 13th and conducting interviews on a rolling basis
 - Created the graphic and working on additional graphics to get the word out
- Informal meetings with other USAC officers
- Met with CALPIRG to discuss banning single-use plastics

F. General Representative 3

Sisman

- Together with Carl and My-Lan, I was at the Gun Reform Rally. I spoke at the event and shared it on my instagram. Shout out to Emma, Anna, Michelle, Janae, the speakers from the EVP office and the democrats.
- Juan, Alicia, and I were also working on the Appointment Review Committee to help get our applicants for the ASUCLA Board of Directors.
- I am also doing some initial planning and outreach to hopefully get some activities going on this summer for our amazing summer students and faculty and workers because they deserved social and recreational activities too.

G. Academic Affairs Commissioner Written

Cortez

- Hosted office hours on Wednesday
- Wrote a letter addressed to the Academic Senate in regards to academic leniency + testing accommodations amidst COVID-19 surge and recent traumatic events
- Still hiring! Apps close on Wednesday – interviews scheduled for week 10 & post finals
- Continuing to streamline quarterly goals for the commission's platforms + committees for onboarding
- Will be discussing academic senate onboarding with Julia Nelson & April De Stefano soon
- Met with CALPIRG, co-sponsored a resolution

- Will be touching base about textbook affordability & open-access resource advocacy
 - Met with LMS advisory committee
 - Discussing public syllabi initiatives and software trials to roll this out
 - Working with MSA to publish a survey to inquire student input and support for prayer spaces on the hill
 - Thank you, Josh, for all of your help answering our questions!
 - Appointments: offered questions regarding ARC & reached out to WSP + ORL to ask about AAC appts in the past
 - Scheduled a summer meeting with ORL
 - Scheduling a meeting with SOLE advisor
- H. [Campus Events Commission Written](#) Boffa
- Transitioning directors to their new rules
 - Initial planning on Bruin Bash
- I. [Community Service Commissioner](#) Flores
- For my office, we have worked on interviews. We have interviewed a lot of new people for next year.
 - Also, like Eliana mentioned, helped work on coordinating the search committee to help transition the candidates that were interested for the ASUCLA Board of Directors positions.
 - Our commission is also preparing a banquet which is exciting as we are getting ready to transition to celebrate our current members and those that are graduating.
- J. [Cultural Affairs Commissioner](#) Verdugo
- We are finalizing our end of the year event. We had the Jazz Reggae Festival yesterday.
 - I am beginning my director's interviews tomorrow all the way until Friday.
- K. [Facilities Commissioner](#) Chiu
- In the past week, I shadowed The Green Initiative Fund meeting where I oversaw them doing allocations and everything else.
 - I am still transitioning and learning a lot from them. I had a development meeting with Quinn from DSU. We talked a lot about the Meta Map Project, which has been a project within FAC for a while.
 - I am still doing interviews for the Directors and the executives but meeting with a couple of the executives that I have already onboarded to discuss decisions about where people are going to be placed for directors, but there will be more applications over the summer to reopen because I am not fully hired yet.
 - On Friday, is the transportation services advisory board meeting and the remote access task force meetings which I will be attending with some potential representatives from FAC.
- L. [Financial Supports Commissioner](#) Broukhim
- This week we have been organizing the return of lab coats, clickers, and goggles.
 - We have also been interviewing for specific positions and we are working to get staffers for the office.
 - I am also planning to meet with different organizations on campus to work with the CRC appointment.
- M. [Student Wellness Commissioner Written](#) Majer
- Commissioner Updates
 - Recommended UCLA re-implement the indoor mask mandate with the COVID-19 Case Management Team
 - Communicating with SWC Assistant Commissioner and Chief of Staff about summer SWC Executive Board assignments
 - Met with students about upcoming DEI initiatives within SWC and the expansion of DiverSWC
 - SWC Updates
 - BruinNecessities Basic Needs packages are ready to be picked-up!
 - SEARCH continued distribution of Sexual and Reproductive Health Literacy survey among undergraduate students to finish off data collection for the 2021-2022 academic year
 - SWC Committees are recruiting for board members!
 - SWC Events

- Active Minds hosted a Stress Management Workshop on 5/26 with activities to aid in destressing prior to Finals Week
- Harm Reduction Fair was hosted by SWC in partnership with OpiVOID on 5/27 to provide students with free narcan and fentanyl strips

N. Transfer Student Representative

Moreno

- This past week I was finally able to meet one-on-one with Josh and clear some things in the air regarding my questions I had for my position. So thank you Josh.
- I have also been able to reply to a lot of emails about different organizations around campus asking to meet with me whether on zoom or in person so that I could better represent them on council. I look forward to meeting more students to get to know what the collective student body would like me to push for them on this board.

O. International Student Representative

Nath

- This week was very productive. I got to meet with CALPIRG and discuss how we can partner with them in the future. Last time I had mentioned we were working on a list of organizations that were relevant to this office and we are working through that list sending out emails to secure a meeting.
- I also managed to secure a meeting with the Director of the Dashu center later in June so that is going to be really great to see where we can partner with them.
- I have been meeting with a lot of different people who are willing to volunteer with the office and that has been great.

P. Administrative Representatives

O'Connor, Luna, Alexander, Solomon, Chacon

- Josh: "I have a few things. If you don't have access to your office, please please please go to ASUCLA this week. We want to make sure that everyone has office access and email access. At this moment in time, you should all have access to your council emails and your council google docs. That is the only way that we are sending information to you so we do not send information to your private emails or your UCLA emails. If you have not read your bylaws and you do not know who you need to appoint, that is your number one task to do right after this meeting. Go to usac.ucla.edu and you can click on the bylaw link and then you can control find and type in your council title as well as appointments and that will come firstly up of who you are supposed to appoint. Also as a reminder, masks are now back on campus for indoor masking. If any of you need access to masks please don't hesitate to reach out to me. You can also get masks throughout campus. I know that any of the student affairs offices, the front desks on the hill, we have masks available. Lastly, the volunteer center day of service with CSC, we are seeking a volunteer project so if you have any organization that you work with or that may want to participate in this coming year's volunteer day please let me know and shoot me an email.
- Orlando: "Hello everyone, I have a few updates myself. This is a friendly reminder that right now is the time to be switching out your signatories so update everyone that is graduating. Information does go out to all the signatories so it is great to get the most up to date. I know that this is way in advance but we have already set out the date of the re-registration for the 22-23 academic year. The registration will open the date after Labor day and close at 5pm on Friday of the second week of fall quarter. Don't worry this information will be posted again and I will repeat it again over the summer but I thought I would just put it on your radar. Campus activities Summer Fund is now open. This is the Community Service Fund for groups that are still doing community service over the summer. The deadline to apply for this is June 15th at 4pm. Finally, I am sure you have already gotten this information but for those of you that belong to other organizations the new student session activities fair is back. It is co-sponsored with ASUCLA and allows organizations to get exposure and new students get a small sampling of what UCLA has to offer. That deadline is this Friday, June 3rd. I will post a newsletter in the chat with all the information that I just went over."
- Jessica: "Hi yall, just a couple things. So like Hannah mentioned earlier as you are getting access to your offices, if you notice that there is a lot of stuff that needs to be cleared out from the prior term please make sure to label whatever you need recycled or disposed of and take photos of it. That is very helpful for me and then you can just email me directly or my students directly. I will drop their emails in the chat for you but it

really helps to have the photos and everything clearly labeled. This way we don't mistakenly take something out that you didn't want removed. Please do not put anything into the hallways because that creates an accessibility issue for folks trying to get to their office space and a lot of the offices are very close together so there is not a lot of hallway space. If you were not able to attend our last training session that we had on Friday, May 20th, we circulated a signature page so if you missed that training you need to go to SGA which is Kerkcoff 332 to sign off on that signature page. That is what we use to verify your signature for your office access forms as you give access to your staff. We also use it for verifying your signature on requisition forms so once you are on your terms, all of the budget stuff and funding that you will be signing off on. If you have any questions or concerns about accessing your office or getting the access on your Bruin card just let me know and we can help you out. The students at the A-level window can also help you if you have any questions. We want to help you through everything so that you can start your terms off right and we know you have a lot of work to get done so we will try to get in there as quickly as possible and get it resolved for you."

- Patricia: "Hi everyone, I just want to say I wish you all the luck going into your next busy weeks coming up and then also as you are planning into summer, I just wanted to remind everyone that as your advisors, we are happy to meet with you all about any of your initiatives or platforms that you are interested in putting forth this coming school year. It is always great to hit the ground running in the summertime and prepare for projects in the fall so please feel free to reach out to all of us, we are happy to set up those meetings."
- George: "Good evening, I hope you all had a great and restful long weekend. No big updates this time around but we do have our Alumni Association Board meeting this coming Saturday and I think I misspoke last week when I said there was a new alumni association alumni rep for you all. It was the way things were communicated to me but I think they are going to vote for this person this coming Saturday but I will keep you all posted about an incoming alumni rep so I apologize if I jumped the gun on this. Thank you."

IX. Old Business

- A. [By Law Change: Article II, Section B, 4*](#) Le
- B. Discussion on Summer Meetings* King
 - Carl: "I was able to plan it out and we already passed that quorum would be eight for the summer right and we are not meeting next week because of finals and I was thinking that we do a three-week break and have our first meeting on June 28th. That would mean that we would have a total of six meetings over the summer until September 19th which is when the quarter starts and our first official meeting for that fall would be September 20th. We would have a meeting every two weeks starting on June 28th and the last summer meeting would be September 6. These would continue to be at 7pm just in case students wanted to come."

X. New Business

- B. [Resolution: Limiting the Use of Single-Use Plastics](#) Le, Castronovo

A Resolution to Endorse Limiting Single Use Plastics in Los Angeles

- *Sponsored by:*
 - Eliana Judith Sisman, *General Representative 3*
- *Co-Sponsored by:*
 - Alicia Verdugo, *Cultural Affairs Commissioner*
 - Ana Majer, *Student Wellness Commissioner*
 - Daniela Anais Cortez Bravo, *Academic Affairs Commissioner*
 - Divine-Faith Johnson, *External Vice President*

- Hansika Nath, *International Student Representative*
 - My-Lan Le, *Internal Vice President*
- Naomi Hammonds, *General Representative 2*
 - Phoebe Chiu, *Facilities Commissioner*
 - *Supporting Organizations:*
- California Public Interest Research Group (CALPIRG) at UCLA
- **WHEREAS**, the enactment Limiting Single Use Plastics in Los Angeles County requires the elimination of the use of single-use plastic food service ware and ensure that materials used for disposable products are recyclable or compostable; and
- **WHEREAS**, the enactment Limiting Single Use Plastics in Los Angeles County was passed by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on April 5, 2022; and
- **WHEREAS**, the enactment Limiting Single Use Plastics in Los Angeles County may subsequently be considered by the Los Angeles City Council and if passed, would expand the phasing out of single-use plastics in all of Los Angeles County, including incorporated and unincorporated areas; and
- **WHEREAS**, there is growing alarm about the prevalence of plastic pollution in our environment, and its lasting negative impacts for our ecosystems and public health; and
- **WHEREAS**, plastic does not biodegrade, which means that virtually every piece of plastic that has ever escaped into the environment will still be out there for hundreds of years, collecting in our rivers and oceans at a rate of 14 million tons a year; and
- **WHEREAS**, plastic items can break into smaller pieces called microplastics and as a result, scientists have discovered plastic pollution in every corner of the globe, from Lake Tahoe¹ to the marine sanctuary of Monterey Bay², and even our food, our beverages, and inside our bodies³, potentially exposing us to hazardous compounds and additives; and
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- **WHEREAS**, single-use, disposable plastic items make up nearly half of plastic use, items like plastic foam cups and containers, plastic grocery bags, plastic straws and utensils, plastic bottles, and plastic packaging; and
- **WHEREAS**, producing so much single-use plastic is wasteful and resource intensive, as the continued extraction and refinement of fossil fuels to make plastics releases harmful emissions and⁴ toxic substances into our air and water; and
- **WHEREAS**, over 95 percent of plastic *isn't* recycled, and unrecyclable plastic items can clog recycling equipment and contaminate recyclable materials; and
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¹ *Los Angeles Times* “Microplastics are found in Lake Tahoe’s waters for first time ever”:

<https://www.latimes.com/environment/story/2019-08-26/lake-tahoe-microplastic-pollution-detected>

² *Mercury News* “Levels of plastic pollution in Monterey Bay rival those in Great Pacific Garbage Patch”:

<https://www.mercurynews.com/2019/06/06/monterey-bay-is-littered-with-tiny-pieces-of-plastic-groundbreaking-new-study-finds/>

³ *National Geographic* “In a first, microplastics found in human poop”:

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/environment/article/news-plastics-microplastics-human-feces>

⁴ UCLA Policy 809 : Single-Use Plastics: <http://www.adminpolicies.ucla.edu/APP/Number/809.0>

- **WHEREAS**, the financial impacts caused by plastic pollution have resulted in local taxpayers in California spending more than \$420 Million annually in ongoing efforts to clean up and prevent plastic and other litter from entering and polluting our waterways; and
 - **WHEREAS**, UCLA is leading⁴ on plastics policy to protect the environment and our community, and can set the standard for the rest of Los Angeles County to follow; and
 - **WHEREAS**, UCLA Undergraduate Students Association Council (USAC) passed a Resolution to Endorse Limiting Single Use Plastics in Los Angeles County on March 29, 2022, before said ordinance was passed by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors the following week; and
 - **WHEREAS**, the adoption of the Ordinance Limiting Single Use Plastics in Los Angeles County Unincorporated Areas by the Los Angeles City Council would phase out single-use plastics in Los Angeles City to expand this policy to all areas of Los Angeles County; and
 - **THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED**, that we the UCLA Undergraduate Students Association Council (USAC) stand in strong support of the adoption of the Ordinance Limiting Single Use Plastics in Los Angeles County Unincorporated Areas by the Los Angeles City Council to include Los Angeles City, and further reduce plastic pollution and its impacts on the ocean, coastal and freshwater environments, and further protect the communities of Los Angeles.
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- Sara moves to approve A Resolution to Endorse Limiting Single Use Plastics in Los Angeles, Alicia seconds.
 - By vote of 13-0-0, the motion passes and A Resolution to Endorse Limiting Single Use Plastics in Los Angeles is approved.

XI. Adjournment*

- Carl adjourns the meeting at 8:52pm.

Good and Welfare;

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