



AGENDA  
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL  
October 25, 2022  
7 PM PST  
Zoom: <https://ucla.zoom.us/j/94524850156>

## **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\***

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- Strike Capital Contingency Allocations
- Strike ARC Allocations
- Strike ASRF Allocations
- Strike AAC Travel Mini Grant Allocations
- Strike SFS Allocations
- Strike TGIF Allocations
- Strike SWC Programming Fund Allocations
- Add Resolution on Gun Violence under New Business
  
- Eliana motions to approve the agenda for 10/25, Kian seconds.
- By vote of 13-0-0, the motion passes and the agenda is approved as amended.

## **III. Approval of the minutes\***

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- Sara motions to approve the minutes from 10/18, Daniela seconds.
- By vote of 13-0-0, the motion passes and the minutes from 10/18 are approved.

## **IV. Public Comment**

King

- Clara: "Hi guys, it is me Clara here to give weekly CALPIRG updates. Last week we did our pledge fundraising drive and as a quick reminder we were running our fundraising drive on banning styrofoam citywide and the reason we are able to advocate successfully for these policy changes is because we are funded by 30,000 UC students across the state who opt into the \$10 CALPIRG Activity fee. This gives us the power to win all of our campaigns and we have a contract with the university that we have to sign up 10% of our undergraduate population to keep our chapter on campus so every year we run really big pledge drives and last week we were able to sign up our goal of 1100 new due paying members in just one week. We were going to run it for two weeks because that is how long it normally lasts but we finished in one week which just shows how passionate the student body is about this issue. This allowed us to do more work on our campaigns especially our New Voter Campaign because elections are right around the corner. We are doing a lot of preparation like making classroom announcements and phone banking and text banking to make plans with students on how they are going to vote. That is just a little bit of what we are doing now. Thank you !"
  
- Public comment is closed at 7:09pm.

## **V. Funding**

- A. ~~Capital Contingency\*~~ Prentice
- B. Contingency Programming\* Prentice
  - Requested: \$33,141.27
  - Recommended: \$21,007.35 for 35 non-USAC entities and 1 USAC entity
  
  - Eliana moves to allocate \$21,007.35 to 35 non-USAC entities and 1 USAC entity, Theodore seconds.
  - By vote of 14-0-0, the motion passes and Contingency Programming is approved for 10/25/22.

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| C. <del>SFS Allocations#</del>                   | <del>Flores</del>  |
| D. <del>SWC Programming Fund Allocations#</del>  | <del>Majer</del>   |
| E. <u>Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations#</u>      | Johnson            |
| - Allocation: \$5,826 to 7 non-USAC entities     |                    |
| - No opposition, the allocation is approved.     |                    |
| F. <del>ASRF Allocations#</del>                  | <del>Cortez</del>  |
| G. <del>AAC Travel Mini-Grant Allocations#</del> | <del>Cortez</del>  |
| H. <del>ARC Allocations#</del>                   | <del>Verdugo</del> |
| I. <del>TGIF#</del>                              | <del>Chiu</del>    |

## **VI. Special Presentations (moved to after Appointments for today)**

- A. How To Do State Government Advocacy Bocarsly
- David Bocarsly: "I am here to talk a little about how to get involved in State Government. I will start by sharing a little bit of my background. I was USAC President 2012/2013 and was gen Rep the year before that. I got my masters in Public Policy and a certificate in Social Justice. I worked for Congressman Jerry Nadler in New York but decided that Congress wasn't my speed so I came back to LA and I spent the last six years working in and around state government in California. I worked for state senator Ben Allen who represents UCLA and Scott Weiner who represents San Francisco and most recently ran the legislative Jewish caucus which was a group of 19 Jewish elected officials in the state legislature and now I run the Jewish public affairs committee or JPAC which is California's Jewish lobby in Sacramento. So after many years of working in government I am now on the advocacy side and lobby of the legislature to pass bills and budget requests that support my communities. I am not sure how engaged you all are in state level work but Eliana asked me to speak about state advocacy and I am glad to share some of the things that I know. I know at least I wasn't fully aware of these options when I was in your shoes and in fact the reason in particular that I am really excited to do this is because I look back on my days in USAC and realized how much more I could have done if I had only accessed some of this information. We did some great work around voter registration and I am particularly proud that we brought then Governor Jerry Brown to campus for a rally on Prop 30 which taxed the rich to fund education and reduce UC tuition for five years but while those things felt great at the time I realized now how much greater of an impact that could have had and how much greater of an impact you can have if you fully leverage your unique positions of influence in this short time that you have. So first, some overarching context about the state legislature and forgive me if you already know this but just to level things out for people. We have a bicameral legislature system just like Congress that we call our house, assembly, and the Senate. There are 80 assembly members, 40 senators that each represent districts with relatively even population sizes that are drawn by an independent redistricting commission. Since there are 80 assembly members and 40 million people in the state, they each present half of a million people. They have relatively more impact than a member of Congress and their vote is worth more and these elected officials have a lot of power and impact in our lives. They dole out 300 billion dollars a year. They oversee a GDP that is bigger than four countries in the world and in fact I just saw a report yesterday that projects that California will surpass Germany's GDP immensely which would put our state behind only the US, China, and Japan in GDP per year. These representatives pass laws on behalf of 40 million people that impact so many things that touch our lives every single day. Housing, environment, roads and infrastructure, environmentalism and justice, wildfire prevention and response, policing, criminal justices, wages, workers rights, homelessness, housing, health care, you name it. We all are impacted by the state governments and perhaps most poignant for this conversation is schools in higher education and yet despite all of this the media has such a focus on our gridlocked federal government that the state gets very little coverage so that means that very few people even know that the state legislature even exists let alone what it does and with less scrutiny from the general public special interests have greater influence. I know the term special interest is typically thought of as having a negative connotation and that is largely the case on a state level too but I am using this term broadly because I actually want to encourage all of you if you are not doing this already to become a special interest in the state government. You can influence elected officials with money which usually looks like campaign donations and that is how big corporate special interests typically build power but you can also influence them with people power and that can be done through community organizing. Some quick information about

the state. Each legislator introduces about 20 bills a year so legislators are voting on about 2,000 bills each year. Maybe a few of them make some big news or become priorities for advocacy groups but the vast majority make it through many communities, the senate, the assembly floor, and are signed by the governor with few public comments at all and when I worked in the legislature I can tell you when 20 or 30 people called into the office about a particular bill it was a rare occasion and we reported that straight up to the boss and the legislator. I know Eliana has been doing some really amazing and effective advocacy on disability issues. So how can you actually leverage your power? Well simply organizing groups of students to call the right legislators at the right time in the process can make a big difference. There is a consistent rigid legislative cycle. Every single year bills need to be introduced by one date and pass certain committees by this time and then the house of origin by this time etc etc and this process makes it so that legislators have particular power at certain times based on their committee chairmanships and positions and if you figure out the system it is easy to know who and when. You can always ask an organization that is leading an advocacy effort or just call a bill's author and ask how you can organize students to help and I am always happy to offer myself as a resource to all of you to strategize about this once you know the right targets at the right time you can write out a very simple script with a number to call and send it to a list or a group of friends and it really makes a huge difference. You also have a unique opportunity here because you have students who come from all over the state so you can coordinate efforts to have people call their childhood home representatives and voila you have influenced many legislators at once. Many times I am taking lobby visits with key legislators or staff makes a huge difference as well. It is more of a commitment than organizing phone banks and requires some more prep but it can also lead to much more fruitful results because of the relationships that you build and as leaders of a coveted public instruction. I really mean it when I say you have more access to influence elected officials than most people in the state do and I just want to urge you to use your title to set up meetings. You can even work with elected officials to write your own legislation to address the problem that you see in the state or on campus and I can tell you it is pretty empowering once you are brought into that process and become a trusted partner with an elected official. You may have the opportunity to advise on legislative strategy or even testify in a committee hearing and if you choose to plug in the distance from really where you are now to being very much in the room of power. The last thing I will mention is the budget process. I bet your EVP or UCSA reps know something about this and I know the administration both at UCLA and at UC do because that is how the university gets a major chunk of its funding needed to keep tuition down and I am sure the administration would love for you to partner with them on these efforts but I know every Council has a different relationship with the administration. There are also more specific issues that you may find that can be funded by the state. Say you want to pilot a universal basic income program on campus or fund a Food Kitchen or hire more mental health professionals, those were all within the realm of possibilities to ask for funding for and especially if you can find an elected official to champion a specific need there is a decent chance that it can be funded since they are all negotiating over billions and billions of dollars in requests. Hundred of thousands of dollars range is pennies for them and could be an easy win that you could theoretically take credit for. It is no guarantee that just because you asked for funds means you will get the money and you will have to do sustained advocacy work over several months to keep that possibility alive but the state budget is the biggest grant pool you will probably ever apply to so any idea is within reach. I am happy to leave my information for anyone who wants to follow up with questions or ideas that you want to run by me. Thank you!"

## **VII. Appointments**

### **A. USAC Judicial Board Associate Justice\***

King

#### **a. Hanna Rose Skikne**

- Sara moves to appoint Hanna Rose Skikne to the USAC Judicial Board Associate Justice, Kian seconds.
- By vote of 13-0-1, the motion passes and Hanna Rose Skikne is appointed as the USAC Judicial Board Associate Justice.

## **VIII. Officer Reports**

### **A. President**

King

- This past week we had to do 91 interviews since last Tuesday so my staff was able to knock those all out. We did our final rounds of hiring for the people that we didn't accept. We let them know that there are other offices that are currently hiring and other individuals who need staffers.
- I worked on the Gun Violence Resolution with quite a lot of other people which we will be presenting later in the meeting.
- This weekend, I will be attending a UC Council president's retreat in San Francisco so we will be flying out there on Saturday and it is just for a day. It will be our first official meeting in person with other UC Council Presidents so if anyone has anything specifically that they would like me to bring up in regards to UC things please let me know.
- We put out some graphics marketing about the student conduct committee and other open USAC appointments that the president gets. If you know anyone that may be interested please let them know.
- This week we were able to finally get the fifth person for the judicial board which means that they now hit quorum but we still do have two positions that we need to fill. I met with one potential person and she should be coming before council next week after she goes through ARC. I also have one more meeting with a potential candidate this Friday.

B. Internal Vice President

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- We did not have too many interviews this week with ARC just because of capacity and there has been a lot of conflict with interviewees because it's midterm week so we didn't get a lot of interviews but we will pick it up next week when students are more available.
- For my office of student involvement, our community directors are working on the ATribune race scholarship and planning the banquet with GSA and crisis management services. We are also working on the ASUCLA t-shirt contest with Guy Adams.
- My education accessibility committee is working on our quarterly CSA meeting so hopefully you will hear all about that soon.
- They are also working on the off-campus housing fair for next quarter just because we used to work or reach out to landlords beforehand.
- My student groups and outreach committee are working on reopening the leadership lobby that was an initiative that started last year. They are also working on reaching out to clubs and researching what they need and how we can best support them.
- For the transparency and accessibility committee, one of my staff members is in the meeting right now and taking notes for transparency reports for the office and for USAC.
- My pre-professional committee is working on a professional headshot event for people's linkedins and then our internship classes just started.

C. External Vice President

Johnson

- We have been working on the get the vote out initiative all week where we sat out there every single day for like hours asking people to get registered. We had a good amount of turnout and we will be continuing that.
- Our staff/leadership retreat this weekend was summer fun with a lot of bonding which was great.
- We have also met with a director of a MSNBC documentary which I will be reaching out to some of you guys. I already reached out to a few but a few more of you guys in regards to a potential screening/Q/A that might be taking place on campus.
- We met with Sarah from housing in regards to some issues that we heard some students are having in the new apartments in terms of some address change issues and not receiving their mail-in ballots. So we met with her in regards to that as well as seeing some new layouts where the new affordable housing units will be located. They are in the works of being built so that was super cool.
- We had another meeting with Ignite to continue to help them with their initiative to more accessible access to rape kits on campus and near campus.
- The Partnerships team finished their first round of Bruin Advocacy grant hearings and interviews which you guys heard earlier today with allocation.
- Our staff applications for fall closed last week and our directors were put in charge this time to do hiring for their own team which is exciting. We also had an All-staff meeting last night.

D. General Representative 1

Kohanteb

- This week I put out the applications for hiring staff. We are having a little trouble getting people to apply so I am going to share the post again. If you guys could help out again by reposting the edit that would be super helpful.
- I also interviewed a couple people that applied so I should be getting some of the right people into some spots.
- Today I met with Mike Cohn who is my administrative representative. We discussed different ways that the Gen Rep 1 office would help students in different ways and utilize the offices' budget.
- I met with Teddy to discuss different ways that we could partner in writing new resolutions and writing how I can help transfer students or he can help other students. I have also met with different clubs to discuss how we can help them and something that I want to start up on my instagram is having a club a week that has a highlight so students can see clubs from things they haven't seen before.

E. [General Representative 2 Written](#)

Hammonds

F. [General Representative 3](#)

Sisman

- My StopTech Addiction is going out on thursday. I have been talking with Chancellor Gordon and folks at the center in student affairs and they are being so supportive. We also have a cool event tomorrow afternoon with Denise Oliver Velez, a former Black Panther, Media anthropologist and overall a fascinating person so I am excited about that.
- I also organized a presentation today from David Bocarsly who is awesome so shout out to him.
- Phoebe and I are working on a resolution which should be coming through probably next week.
- I met with Sarah and Isaac Levy who are from Kian's office and had some good talks with some big plans coming in the future.
- I also had a great meeting with the UC Student Association. Thank you to Divine for helping to set that up and we are also working on some stuff in terms of disability rights and dealing with issues with things like the CPO at UCLA.

G. [Academic Affairs Commissioner Written](#)

Cortez

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| <b>Commissioner</b>           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Prepared a proposal for the UCLA Mobile Steering Committee to vote on the API integration of Occuspace into the application</li> <li>● Had more 1-1s with general staff members</li> <li>● Met with the executive team to discuss commission meetings, engagement, and social/professional development opportunities for staff throughout the quarter.</li> <li>● Making progress towards SGA hiring of directors</li> <li>● Supported an organization with ASRF allocation</li> <li>● Planning headshots for AAC</li> <li>● Met with executive team to discuss sga hiring, general staff hiring, occuspace marketing effort, and evaluating mid-quarter progress towards committee goals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ General staff hiring will resume in Winter</li> <li>○ Planning a social for directors in November</li> <li>○ Occuspace marketing will be planned by Friday</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |
| <b>Platforms + Committees</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Retention First: Conducted meetings with directors individually to discuss the future of the platform. Established a week 4 deadline for award acceptances of B4B to formally move along with the process for accepted applicants.</li> <li>● Web Design: Collecting information on the new staff to update that information on the website for this year and is executing headshots of AAC</li> <li>● Accountability/Transparency: Met with Sujana, Chief of Senate, to discuss Senator Q&amp;A on instagram and publicizing the student concerns survey on Instagram as well</li> <li>● Internship: will be hosting a second meeting this week and will be working towards a more robust internship curriculum next quarter, so that students can utilize it for capstones in the EST department and be accredited.</li> </ul>   |

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|                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Liaison: is working on a resource guide about B4B with application information, as well as TGMF and ASRF. Working with Access and Equity on BruinOpp, as well as trying to collaborate with other organizations external to AAC and committees within AAC.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Academic Senate</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preparing paperwork to launch honorariums to compensate Senators for their work on committees</li> <li>Discussing preparation of 'History of the Senate' workshop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussing logistics of a hybrid event that will be informational and engaging, with a mixer for students to interact with Senators</li> <li>Discussing bringing this to council for a special presentation</li> </ul> </li> <li>Brainstorming methods of outreach and harnessing social media to bring more visibility to Senate</li> <li>Established a meeting time with Senators of CODEI to discuss requests from the Bruin Parenting Scholars</li> <li>Established quarterly meeting time for UgC and had that meeting with the Chair, Policy Analyst and Vice Chair</li> <li>Attended UgC meeting</li> </ul>   |
| <b>External</b>        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Met with the Director of the Undocumented Support Program and a Director of the EVP to discuss the barriers of DSIG</li> <li>Met with Occuspace to discuss preparation for the meeting with UCLA Mobile to integrate the API into the application. We also discussed preparing for the January meeting with the UCLA Library stakeholders, such as drafting a proposal alongside our marketing efforts</li> <li>Met with AAP to finalize event details of our Winter Counseling quarterly. Date and venue TBD, but it will be in Week 5 of the quarter. Refreshments will be provided. RSVPS will be available via social media and on MyUCLA</li> <li>Met with UCLA Mobile to make proposition about the integration of occuspace API into the app to make occupancy information available about CLICC study spaces</li> <li>Established meeting time to develop proposal about occuspace expansion in the January meeting</li> <li>Established meeting time with Director of EVP, David, to discuss legislative advocacy across the UCs for undocumented students and connect USAC with SoCal CAN initiatives</li> <li>Met with Teddy, TSR, to evaluate senate appointment collaboration</li> <li>Check in meeting with SIOC appointment, Peter, to discuss ASRF/TGMF resources available to the CRC</li> <li>Communicated with Dean Galvan about EST admission requirements and where the department is at in terms of policy change</li> <li>Conducted outreach to the HSI leaders as a follow up to a Senate discussion</li> <li>Reached out to EST to connect with Undergrad Advisory Committee Representatives</li> <li>Connected Carl to UCLA Mobile for appointments to the steering committee</li> <li>Scheduled a meeting with Ana to discuss the IDMT</li> <li>Met with SOLE advisor to discuss PGV venue and other AAC progress, as well as goal setting to connect with stakeholders and organizations</li> </ul> |

H. [Campus Events Commission Written](#)

Boffa

- Bi-weekly directors meeting
- Alumni Work
- Undie Run initiative planning
- Scheduling mid quarter performance review meetings with directors

- I. Community Service Commissioner Flores
- We had an amazing social for staff on Friday and for staff and CSE projects on Sunday. Shout out to Anna for organizing that.
  - We also have been working on a project with CALPIRG so we had our first meeting last week to start getting the ball rolling on collaborating with CALPIRG on a fundraising event with the LA food bank.
  - We also had our first meeting with all of the project representatives last week and we had a great turnout which is awesome because we got to build community.
- J. Cultural Affairs Commissioner Verdugo
- K. Facilities Commissioner Chiu
- L. Financial Supports Commissioner Broukhim
- I met with the GSA president to talk about some New York Times stuff and just some other things.
  - I met with Naomi in front of Kerckoff.
  - We are also working on our financial workshops so we started to reach out to a bunch of clubs to see who wants to collaborate with us.
  - We are also reaching out to businesses in Westwood to try to get discounts for students. I think one of the things we want to do is bring back the five dollar haircuts once a week or once a month and we are trying to do something similar.
  - We also are coordinating with Gen Rep 1 and Issac and Eliana and we have another meeting soon to talk about how to give students more access to mental health resources.
  - I also met with Jeronimo who is the ASU president and we had such a nice meeting. But we talked about ways in which I could help him and how he could help out our office
- M. Student Wellness Commissioner Written Majer
- Commissioner Updates
    - Worked with Planned Parenthood, CADems, and EVP to plan the GOTV Rally
    - Coordinating with Alo Yoga to host a class on campus open to all UCLA students
    - IDMT Meeting Updates
      - UCOP - we'll be getting an announcement about booster compliance for UCs shortly
      - COVID-19 numbers lower, on the downward trend
    - Healthcoming was incredibly successful; we had over 400 attendees present. Thank you to everyone who came out!
    - Hosted internal SWC pumpkin painting social
  - SWC Updates
    - [Student Health Network applications](#) are open, rolling applications!
    - SWC Interns are being interviewed this week.
  - SWC Events
    - Get Out the Vote Rally: Prop 1
      - Monday, Nov. 7th from 12:00-1:30pm in Ackerman Grand Ballroom
        - Join elected officials and student activists at UCLA for a Get Out The Vote rally on CA Proposition 1: abortion rights!
        - [Attendee Sign-Up Link!](#)
    - Active Minds - Destressing event in collaboration with TUPS, Wednesday (10/26) 5-7PM on Janss!
      - Bracelet making, snacks!
    - BruinNecessities - Menstrual Health Fair Nov 7th on Bruin Plaza!
    - HNF - Volunteer with HNF Gleaning Project at the Westwood Farmers Market Thursday's 4:30-6pm.
- N. Transfer Student Representative Moreno
- I am going through the staff hiring process. I do have about 6 positions open still. The positions that I have filled are the Diversity and Inclusion, Advance Director, Marketing and Finance Director. I still need the Chief of Staff and someone did apply for it but the application is due Oct 29th. My office hours right now are from 2-6pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. It is meant for transfer students but also people from the general student body are welcome to come stop by.

- I am getting in contact with the assistant director of athletics to talk about how our offices could partner in regards to providing promotions or potentially even free tickets to the transfer students to upcoming athletic events, specifically football and basketball. I know UCLA struggles to fill up the rose bowl so it doesn't hurt to get more students out there.
  - I was able to meet with Jessica twice this past week and she just provided a lot of clarity and assistance to all of my questions that I had about my role.
  - I met with Karina Salazar from the TSC and we also talked about my role and how we could partner up. She said that she wants me in contact with the TLC which struggled last year and she wants me to prompt transfer life and transfer initiatives.
- I co-sponsored the president king's gun violence resolution. I don't know if you saw the news but there was another gun violence occurrence this past week. It feels like week after week things like this happen and nothing gets addressed.

O. International Student Representative

Nath

- Working with the office staff to organize the retreat
- Continued Efforts on the website
- Meeting with students via zoom to collaborate on various things in the benefit of International Students
- Attended the Bruin Hindus and ISU events on recent festivals being celebrated on campus
- Working with the CIE

P. Administrative Representatives

Luna, Alexander, Moran, Klimoski, Archie II

- Orlando: "Just a couple of updates. Another friendly reminder that we are currently hosting workshops through November. SOLE is currently hosting workshops to November 17th for all returning organizations for the re-registration. Next week either Thursday or Friday the UC student regents will be on campus and I will be assisting them organize their meetings. I will be reaching out to Divine as well for this. They want to meet with administrations, student organizations, student government, and also host a town hall to talk about the student regent application process and then tips and strategies on strong proposals for the next round of applications."
- Jessica: "Hi everyone, just a couple things. My SGS students reached out in slack to get your contact information for your funding directors so if you could please spell that out if you haven't done so already. We are trying to get them in contact with Linda who is the new student government accounting manager to make sure that they can use her as support for their funds and then also if SGA has any questions about requisitions for particular funding sources. ASUCLA is going to be hosting Senator Allen soon so I will get you that information. We are also doing a screening of the Story of Plastic in the Bruin Viewpoint room and that is on November 2nd. There is also going to be a presentation Senator Allen is going to talk about the contribution and support of ASUCLA on the Wescom student terrace at 4pm."

## **IX. Old Business**

## **X. New Business**

A. A Resolution on Gun Violence\*

King

- Theodore motions to make the Resolution an action item, Eliana seconds.
- By vote of 14-0-0, the motion passes and the Resolution on Gun Violence is made into an action item.

### **A Resolution Urging UCLA to Address the Impact of Gun Violence on Students**

#### **Main Sponsor:**

Carl King Jr., President

#### **Co-Sponsors:**

My-Lan Le, Internal Vice President

Kian Kohanteb, General Representative 1

Theodore Moreno, Transfer Student Representative



**WHEREAS**, on May 31, 2022, dozens of UCLA students engaged in protest against the onslaught of mass shootings, lying down at the base of Tongva Steps for five minutes and 37 seconds; each second representing a student killed by campus gun violence since the 1999 Columbine High School Massacre.<sup>1</sup>

**WHEREAS**, on February 1, 2022, UCLA canceled in-person instruction due to a shooting threat from a former lecturer and postdoctoral fellow, which included sending a personal video titled “UCLA Philosophy (Mass Shooting)” to members of the Philosophy Department. Students first learned of the threat from this video and the former lecturer’s manifesto amid delayed outreach from the UCLA Administration,<sup>2</sup> creating a stressful and terrifying environment for students.

**WHEREAS**, on June 14, 2022, the UCLA Threat Response Task Force, chaired by Emeritus Professor Steve Yeazell of UCLA Law, submitted a report in response to the campus shooting threat in early 2022. The report specifically recommends the creation of emergency communications protocols that consider the “mental health impacts” connected with physical threats, including those that “may not be considered credible or actionable.” In addition, the report recommends the creation of protocols for non-physical threats that allow the affected to “process and cope with the mental health consequences, such as healing gatherings.”<sup>3</sup>

**WHEREAS**, students must confront the fear and anxiety imposed by gun violence while facing the immense stress of academics and college life.

**WHEREAS**, on the eve of presenting this resolution, October 24, 2022, a gunman killed a 16-year-old girl and a 61-year-old woman at Central Visual and Performing Arts High School in St. Louis, Missouri, wounding several others. The 19-year-old gunman possessed a long gun and a dozen 30-round magazines,<sup>4</sup> exemplifying how the political status quo is untenable.

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED**, that the Undergraduate Student Association Council remembers the victims, family members, and community members impacted by the Robb Elementary School shooting in Uvalde, Texas, and the abhorrently high number of communities suffering from gun violence.

**LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Undergraduate Student Association Council stands in solidarity with the UCLA community and activists nationwide who protest against political inaction on gun violence.

**LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Undergraduate Student Association Council recognizes American mass shootings and threats are not geographically isolated in their impact, but tragedies that degrade the mental health and academic focus of students.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://abc7.com/ucla-protest-students-call-for-gun-reform-mass-shootings/11914125/>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.newsweek.com/matthew-harris-former-ucla-lecturer-shooting-threat-investigated-1674835>

<sup>3</sup> <https://trtf.ucla.edu/>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2022/10/24/us/st-louis-school-shooting/index.html>

**LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Undergraduate Student Association Council urges the UCLA Administration to expedite the development of protocols to address the mental health impact of violent threats, and to solicit student perspectives throughout the process.

**LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Undergraduate Student Association Council calls on the UCLA Police Department to update active shooter trainings so that they are: (1) sensitive to student concerns, and (2) are relevant to the UCLA campus environment; as well as promulgating these materials in engaging formats to students.

**LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Undergraduate Student Association Council urges the UCLA Administration to ensure every instructional space can be locked swiftly in the event of a violent threat, which may include the installation of Lock Bloks<sup>5</sup> in rooms without such functionality.

**LET IT BE FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Undergraduate Student Association Council calls on the UCLA Administration to prioritize student safety and well-being with the option of remote instruction, as well as no-cost, ongoing access to therapy and self-guided mental health supports that specifically address mass violence.

- Sara motions to approve A Resolution on Gun Violence, Divine seconds.
- By vote of 14-0-0, the motion passes an A Resolution on Gun Violence is approved.

## **XI. Adjournment\***

- Carl adjourns the meeting at 8:13pm

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

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<sup>5</sup> <https://doorblok.com/>