

AGENDA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL November 15, 2022 7 PM PST Zoom:

https://ucla.zoom.us/ii/98686577744?pwd=Zm5TeGNIVG5PcTMxO3MzckN1Z01XZz09

I. Call to Order
King

- Carl calls the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

- Signed via google docs

II. Approval of Agenda*

Le

- Strike ASRF Allocations
- Strike TGIF
- Strike AAC Travel Mini Grant Allocations
- Strike Capital Contingency Allocations
- Change SWC to Written Report
- Strike ARC Allocations
- Change Cultural Affairs to Verbal
- Strike Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations
- Table A Resolution In Support of the UC Academic Workers Participating in the United Auto Workers (UAW) Union Strike
- Add A Resolution Urging the UC and UC Leadership for the release of
- Theodore moves to approve the agenda as amended, Eliana seconds.
- By vote of 11-0-0, the motion passes and the agenda for 11/15/22 is approved as amended.

III. Approval of the minutes*

Le

- Divine moves to table the approval of the 11/8/22 minutes, Naomi seconds.
- By vote of 11-0-0, the approval of the 11/8/22 minutes are tabled until the next meeting.

IV. Public Comment
King

- Clara: "Hello everyone, I am here today to give the weekly CALPIRG update on what we have been up to. This past weekend we had our statewide Fall conference and it was actually hosted at UCLA so students from CALPIRG chapters across the state came to this campus to participate in trainings and discussions about our future campaigns and work on leadership development and it was really exciting to see all the students from other schools and it was just a cool opportunity for UCLA to be able to host this quarter. The other big thing is that this week is Hunger and Homelessness Awareness week which is a week-long annual event that is created by Student Perks but has now grown to something much larger. The campaign is putting on a lot of events this week to fundraise and raise awareness for hunger and homelessness on campus so we are doing bake sales and fundraising events for the LA Food Bank as well as food collection drives for the CPO food pantry."
- Public comment is closed at 7:17pm.

V. Funding

A. Capital Contingency*

Prentice

B. Contingency Programming*

Prentice

- Requested: \$14,865.01 to 24 non USAC entities
- Recommended: \$10,583.16 to 24 non USAC entities

- Eliana moves to approve \$10,583.16 to 24 non USAC groups, Kian seconds.
- By vote of 11-0-0, the motion passes and Contingency Programming is approved.

C. <u>SFS Allocations#</u> Flores

- Allocation: \$3,281.52 to 4 non CSC organizations.
- No opposition, passes as a consent item.

D. SWC Programming Fund Allocations#

Majer

- Allocation: \$500.00 to non SWC groups
- No opposition, passes as a consent item.

E.	Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations#	
F	ASRF Allocations#	Cortez
G	AAC Travel Mini-Grant Allocations#	Cortez
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Н.	ARC Allocations#	
<u>I.</u>	TGIF#	Chiu

VI. Special Presentations

VII. Appointments

A. ASUCLA Board of Directors

King

- a. Alejandra Angelica Castellanos
 - Alicia moves to appoint Alejandra Angelica Castellanos to the ASUCLA Board of Directors, Naomi seconds.
 - By vote of 11-0-0, the motion passes and Alejandra Angelica Castellanos is appointed to the ASUCLA Board of Directors.

VIII. Officer Reports

A. President King

- This week I had a lot of collaborations with the other UC's regarding the current undergraduate academic workers strikes that are going ong. I went with some people from my team yesterday to join in on the strike and we passed out water and stuff and tried to support the strike in as many ways as possible. I have seen a couple council members you know and I just want to encourage everyone to continue to strike and support those individuals because they deserve a livable wage. It is crazy that they have to fight for the bare minimum.
- I am working on the Aven Hernandez resolution which we will talk about later. I had a couple meetings with my team for our internship program which you know will be starting in the winter time and the other one was just a general body meeting regarding future operations within my office and on campus.
- I met with the chancellor for our first meeting of the year to talk about main issues that are bothering campus, especially like the wifi and other things that need follow ups that need to be done because I didn't get a lot of the answers that i was looking for.

B. <u>Internal Vice President</u>

- For ARC we interviewed the applicant for the board directors appointment for my office for the fall and then we are still trying to figure out the different things that my directors are working on. We are working on where we designed the pins in awards in the future.
- We decided on the layout and logistics for that event and nominations are still open and are going to close December 2nd at 11:59pm so if you want to nominate anyone please do it soon.
- We finished the sticker voting for this t-shirt contest and then picked the top 20 designs which will be released tomorrow so keep an eye out for that design.

C. External Vice President

Le

- I have been in continual contact but especially for this UAW strike the graduate EVp Ernesto because he is currently in UCSF for the Regents meeting which I will get into contact with and we are keeping each other updated on the regents meeting like I had mentioned was tomorrow and Thursday. If you are interested in giving a public comment on behalf of speaking out on the strike of the academic workers please let me know. The bruin advocacy grant applications are due this Friday. We have been reaching out to mother orgs for Lobby Corps and we will begin applications for Lobby Corps soon again. We are mobilizing folks within our office and we are in continuous conversation with the other UC's to see how things are gonna be there.
- We were the number one university in getting the ballot out so good job to my civic engagement team.

D. General Representative 1 Written

Kohanteb

- Met with chief of staff to discuss way to become more environmentally cautious
- Met with student that wanted to learn more about Gen Rep office and hired him for my staff
- Worked on presentation for the free lyft around campus

E. General Representative 2 Written

Hammonds

- Reviewing appointment applications
- Meeting with ARC for interviews
- Planning key points for meeting with Monroe Gorden discussing New Student Orientation as we now have a set day and time
 - Working with Take Space, Make Space directors regarding workshop ideas
- Supporting my fellow Teaching Assistants in the strike

General Representative 3

Sisman

G. Academic Affairs Commissioner Written		
Commissioner	 Working on TGMF and ASRF: catching up on correspondence and finalizing pending items from resigned directors Working on the development of Occuspace survey, tabling will begin tomorrow and carry forth through finals week Surveying students on library availability, utility and resources with incentives (3-4, \$20 gift cards raffle) Check in with CRC appointment Planning a potential collaboration with AAP, CRC projects for winter counseling quarterly about class enrollment Drafted the Inclusive Access resolution Awaiting responses to questions from Peter and Guy, in addition to discussion with council about how these responses can shape our collaboration with USAC Reached to VC Gorden, Dean Galvan, and UgC policy analyst to see if this is something they could potentially have an action on Connected HSI with the CRC/SIOC for a potential collaboration Supported Divine's resolution in solidarity with the UAW strike Met with general staff for quarterly check-ins individually Finalized presentation for proposal to UCLA Mobile in December about the integration of CLICC study spaces into the application Recruiting 2 USIE appointments and conducting outreach to fill the Chair and Vice Chair positions with students 1-1 	
Platforms + Committees	Access and Equity and I checked in on overall goals of the platform. The note scribe initiative will begin alongside the second pass of enrollment, and will seek to recruit volunteers via dept. Outreach. We will also be shifting towards building a survival guide for K-12 students all about supporting their pathways to higher ed, and we want to collaborate with leaders from the transfer, student wellness, student with disability communities, etc. StAR hosted a workshop on disability justice with Eliana during our weekly AAC meeting Internship developed a syllabus that we shared with a professor from the EST	

department in order to accredit the internship for students fulfilling course ED

	195 Finance hired a new director
Academic Senate	 Hybrid workshop for Academic Senate tomorrow in Kaplan A26 at 6 pm Co-authored a letter to UgC in solidarity with the UAW strike and ways to make it more accessible to students for mobilization Attended to Curriculum committee meeting Prepared for UgC meeting this Friday
External	Met with Corey Hollis to discuss advocacy avenues for Incomplete transcript notations Relayed information to UgC Senators and will present to council next week as a follow up to our Spring q resolution Will also be hosting a workshop with CAC in the Winter on support services + academic supports for students facing unprecedented events Scheduling a meeting with the EST student representatives to solidify advocacy efforts on making dept admissions more transfer inclusive, in addition to other supports Met with my SOLE advisor to discuss updates and role in the accreditation of Internship

H. Campus Events Commission Written

Boffa

I. Community Service Commissioner

Flores

- This week for CSC the outreach directors and our other CSC staff members showed up to support the UAW strike and we were able to distribute some snacks to the UAW members and we are currently drafting a letter of support from CSC. The commissioner also met with a graduate student researching from the Anderson School of Business who is working with the UCLA division of student affairs. We are working to collect feedback from student leaders.
- Some of our team are representing CSC at the SIOC deliberations tonight.

J. Cultural Affairs Commissioner Written

Verdugo

K. Facilities Commissioner

Chiu

- This week we had a meeting with Vice Chancellor Gordon and Assistant Vice Chancellor last Thursday about hybrid access and sustainability at UCLA. We didn't get to cover very much of the sustainability topics but we learned a lot about the accommodations process and what paperworks looks for housing and initiatives for making sure coursework is accessible for all students in the future.
- We are still collaborating with the Office of the President on sustainability awareness week. During week 7 we met with administration to invite them to our panels or networking events on Thursday of next week.
- Some of my officers are working with dining to introduce reusable dining ware as a pilot program at takeout locations on the hill such as Rende so then you swipe it and get your food and takeout container.

L. Financial Supports Commissioner

Broukhim

- We had our first workshop this past Thursday and it went really well. We partnered with Bruin Hedge Fund for a nice quarter. We are planning to do a speaker series hopefully with the Black Bruin Resource Center so we are excited about that.
- We are still trying to do the New York Times stuff so we are setting up meetings with student affairs. Things haven't gone as planned with the library but we are still trying.
- We are starting to get the iclickers and lab coats and goggles back for next quarter.

M. Student Wellness Commissioner Written

Majer

N. Transfer Student Representative

Moreno

O. International Student Representative

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P. Administrative Representatives

Luna, Alexander, Moran, Klimoski, Archie II

IX. Old Business

X. New Business

A. A Resolution in Support of the UC Academic Workers Participating in the United Auto Workers (UAW) Union Strike*

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A. A Resolution Urging UC and UCLA Leadership to Advocate for the Release of Eyvin Hernandez, A Double Bruin and LA Public Defender*

A Resolution Urging UC and UCLA Leadership to Advocate for the Release of Eyvin Hernandez, A Double Bruin and LA Public Defender

Main Sponsor:

Carl King, President

Co-Sponsors:

Eliana Sisman, General Representative #3
Phoebe Chiu, Facilities Commissioner
Sara Broukhim, Financial Supports Commissioner
Theodore Moreno, Transfer Student Representative

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2022, Eyvin Hernandez, a double graduate of UCLA and beloved LA County public defender ¹, was arrested at the Colombia-Venezuela border as he accompanied his friend to get her passport stamped. ²

WHEREAS, Eyvin was transferred to a maximum security prison and has been living in a room with no windows and heavily restricted communications.³

WHEREAS, despite being informed a conspiracy and criminal association investigation would last only 45 days, the false government claims have trapped Eyvin for over seven months. He now faces a possible 16-year prison sentence if convicted.⁴

WHEREAS, on October 2022, the State Department designated Eyvin as "wrongfully detained" and placed his case under the jurisdiction of the Special Envoy for Hostage Affairs (SPEHA).

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2022, the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a motion urging county congressional officials and the White House to secure Eyvin's release.⁶

https://abc7.com/eyvin-hernandez-case-los-angeles-attorney-public-defender-detained-in-venezuela-jail/1 2258051/

https://spectrumnews1.com/ca/la-west/politics/2022/10/05/la-county-board-presses-feds-to-secure-releas e-of-public-defender-from-venezuela

¹ https://law.ucla.edu/news/solitary-not-alone

² https://apnews.com/article/venezuela-los-angeles-51782d256f359539944f8419377e1ef2

⁴ Ibid.

⁵ https://www.miamiherald.com/news/nation-world/world/americas/venezuela/article267784362.html

WHEREAS, Eyvin graduated with Math and Physics degrees from UCLA in 2001, dedicating his life to public service after receiving his juris doctorate from UCLA School of Law in 2005,⁷ as a first-generation college and law student. For 15 years in the LA County Public Defender's office, he dutifully served those facing mental health challenges, the indigent, and the unhoused, tirelessly advocating for the Los Angeles community.⁸

WHEREAS, UCLA Law alumni passionately advocate for Eyvin's release, describing him as a beloved mentor, friend, loved one, who is one hundred percent committed to serve vulnerable and immigrant communities.⁹

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Student Association Council stands in solidarity with Eyvin Hernandez, his friends and family, and the Los Angeles community in advocating for his immediate release.

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Student Association Council calls on UC President Michael V. Drake, the UC Board of Regents, and UCLA Chancellor Gene Block to meet with the Bring Eyvin Home campaign and amplify their advocacy.

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Student Association Council urges UC President Michael V. Drake, the UC Board of Regents, and UCLA Chancellor Gene Block to issue a public statement demanding elected leaders bring Eyvin Hernandez home.

LET IT BE FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Undergraduate Student Association Council demands UC President Michael V. Drake, the UC Board of Regents, and UCLA Chancellor Gene Block write a letter directly to the White House urging President Biden to negotiate for Eyvin's immediate release, including the decision to use humanitarian hostage exchanges, if necessary.

- Theodore moves to approve A Resolution Urging UC and UCLA Leadership to Advocate for the Release of Eyvin Hernandez, A Double Bruin and LA Public Defender, Divine seconds.
- By vote of 10-0-0, the motion passes and A Resolution Urging UC and UCLA Leadership to Advocate for the Release of Eyvin Hernandez, A Double Bruin and LA Public Defender, is approved.

XI. Adjournment*

- Carl adjourns the meeting at 8:12pm.

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

⁷ https://law.ucla.edu/news/solitary-not-alone

⁸ https://bringeyvinhome.org/about-eyvin

⁹ https://law.ucla.edu/news/solitary-not-alone