



AGENDA  
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL  
April 11, 2023  
7 PM PST  
Zoom:

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## **I. Call to Order**

King

- My-Lan calls the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

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

- Signed via google docs

## **II. Approval of Agenda\***

Le

- Strike ARC Allocations
- Strike Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations
- Add AAC Grad Prep Rental Program Bylaw Change
- Change CAC to written report
- Strike TGIF
  
- Juan moves to approve the agenda as amended, Divine seconds.
- By vote of 9-0-0, the motion passes and the agenda for 4/11/23 is approved as amended.

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

Le

- Daniela moves to approve the minutes from 4/4/23, Juan seconds.
- By vote of 10-0-0, the motion passes and the minutes from 4/4/23 are approved.

## **IV. Public Comment**

King

- Chloe Lin: "Hi, I am just here to ask about the ARC funding."
  - Alicia: "You should be able to hear back if not by next Monday then the following week but we will have allocations starting next week for spring events."
  - Chloe: "Is there a contact that I can follow up with?"
  - Alicia: "Did you email us the application?"
  - Chloe: "Yes."
  - Alicia: "Okay, yes that is the contact so maybe by next Monday."
  
- Public comment is closed at 7:13pm.

## **V. Funding**

### **A Capital Contingency\***

Prentice

- Requested: \$300
- Recommended: \$300 for 1 USAC entity
  
- Naomi moves to approve \$300 for 1 USAC entity, Juan seconds.
- By vote of 11-0-0, the motion passes and Capital Contingency is approved for this week.

### **A Contingency Programming\***

Prentice

- Requested: \$30,055.31
- Recommended: \$9,013.89 for 30 non USAC entities
  
- Juan moves to approve \$9,013.89 for 30 non USAC entities, Sara seconds.
- By vote of 11-0-0, the motion passes and Contingency Programming is approved for this week.

- B SFS Allocations# Flores
- Allocation: \$5,077.01 to 5 non CSC and 3 CSC orgs
  - No opposition, passes as a consent item.
- C SWC Programming Fund Allocations# Majer
- Allocation: \$3,263.00 to non SWC groups
  - No opposition, passes as a consent item.
- ~~D Bruin Advocacy Grant Allocations# Johnson~~
- E ASRF Allocations# Cortez
- Allocation: \$600 to 1 non USAC entity
  - No opposition, passes as a consent item.
- F AAC Travel Mini-Grant Allocations# Cortez
- Allocation : \$3,390.86 to 3 non USAC entities
  - No opposition, passes as a consent item.
- ~~G ARC Allocations# Verdugo~~
- ~~H TGH# Chiu~~

## **VI. Special Presentations**

### **VII. Appointments**

- A Undergraduate Student Initiated Education, Vice Chair\* Cortez
- a Hassan Tariq
- Juan moves to appoint Hassan Tariq to the Undergraduate Student Initiated Education as the Vice Chair, Thyra seconds.
  - By vote of 11-0-0, the motion passes and Hassan Tariq is appointed to Vice Chair of the Undergraduate Student Initiated Education.
- B The Green Initiative Fund\* Chiu
- a Evan Curran
- Juan moves to appoint Evan Curran to The Green Initiative Fund, seconds.
  - By vote of 12-0-0, the motion passes and Evan Curran is appointed to The Green Initiative Fund.
- C Community Service Mini Fund\* Flores
- a Milla Kohli
- Juan moves to appoint Milla Kohli to the Community Service Mini Fund, Divine seconds.
  - By vote of 12-0-0, the motion passes and Milla Kohli is appointed to the Community Service Mini Fund.

### **VIII. Officer Reports**

- A President King
- B Internal Vice President Le
- We had our first spring meeting this Monday. We were able to get more staff together and wrap up onboarding projects and also start wrapping up on the big-year-long projects. Another project that we are doing right now is working on the IVP partnership fund. The application is released with the guidelines and everything is up. I have reached out to all of the USAC offices and they are working to reach out to a bunch of student organizations just so we can get the word out because the deadline is this Friday.
  - We are trying to get a really quick turnaround so that we can fund events for events past week 4 so please let me know if you know of any events being hosted during the spring quarter that are looking for funding.
  - We are just working to get the IVP Housing Relief Fund set up. We are trying to figure out how to access the FAFSA's and all of the other financial aid information. We are working with the financial aid office as well as

the ECRT to set up the application site. I am pretty sure we are going to be using the vam network to do applications which will be exciting.

- Lastly, we just released our winter transparency reports which are on our Instagram right now so please feel free to check those out if you have been wondering what the IVP office has been up to.

C External Vice President

Johnson

- Yesterday, we had our all staff and executive meetings last night for our own stuff. We had a few internal presentations, one about our office and how it works and then the other one about some resources that we are providing right now.
- We are planning the DC Lottery trip which is our annual BC trip with UCSA and it is going to happen in May. So the attendee's list and finances and all of the stuff we are working on right now. We are also working on a UCSA and UC Diabetic Revolution that we are bringing up to the council next week.
- We are also prepping for reading communities tomorrow.
- I am prepping to go to Northern California in a couple of weeks on Tuesday.
- Yesterday we also reviewed our budget for the remaining amount. Finally, BAG applications are open so please apply to those and you will receive an email once you get that money. We are having issues with folks that are getting in and getting the money but they are not taking or accepting the money so if you are taking the time to interview and be interviewed and apply, please take the money that we are giving to you.

D General Representative 1 Written

Kohanteb

E General Representative 2

Hammonds

- We just set up our meeting times for Fridays to wrap up some of the remaining platforms from last quarter and then we are also working on some new events. We are going to plan another study abroad kind of last minutes question before people go to their summer programs. I have gotten a few emails about it so a lot of people want me to host one so I am going to be doing that in the BBRC.
- We are in the process of allocating the funds for the permits for Bruins and we are just trying to get them all situated. We had a lot of transfers apply so thank you to Thyra for doing your thing.

F General Representative 3

Sisman

- Read by Thyra Cobbs:
- This week I have been working to organize an event on how addictive features of the internet affect our mental health and what we can do about it. I have also been working on planning the disability peer mentoring program activities for this quarter including training, development meetings, and everything else we need to do to get the program running. I met with a bunch of awesome people including Thyra, Simone Anderson, Deborah Gallego, Toronto Thoas, Naomi Hammonds, Phoebe Mia Ford, and Sydney Shepherd to discuss how USAC can advocate for Bunchie and Carter so their memorials may be a blessing and a revolution and to be properly memorialized. Additionally, I would like to point out that last I heard, GSA had not even considered the applications of the two brilliant graduate students to be seated on the BOD. If anyone can bring this up with GSA leadership I would appreciate it since undergraduates who are suing or seeking space in USAC are affected by this delay. Thank you to everyone who has kindly worked or met with me all this week and much love to all that have been working with us to co-write this resolution on covid safety and disability rights.

G Academic Affairs Commissioner

Cortez

- I would just like to piggyback off Eliana's officer report in regard to GSA's appointments. Sujana and I have discussed the lack of GSA academic senate appointments and spaces and I know that Sujana has been working to try to meet with the executive since last quarter from the academics and also some from GSA and I guess I would just like to uplift communicating with GSA and seeing if there is any way that we can support them in filling these seats because I agree with what Eliana said about how these are very important for representation.
- I am sharing a lot of graphics with you all today just to visualize the things that AAC has going on. I have been working with the HSI as part of one of their committees and in retention. Last week they discussed a student town hall that is coming up on Thursday, April 27th and they are shooting for attendance of around 130 students or more so I just wanted to put that out there. If you would like to RSVP please feel free to do

so. There is also a remote option but for folks that attend in person there will be dinner served and some of the topics that I can preview that will be discussed will be the creation of the student center and other ways to engage more students across campus moving forward.

- Tomorrow in collaboration with Naomi's office we are putting together a mental health geared event. We are bringing remotely on campus a mental health speaker as part of the continuation of the Decolzing the Mind speaker series that has been in AAC for a couple of years now. They will touch on mental health services and the importance of mental health, especially in the context of providing these services to students. There will also be a raffle with ASUCLA for swag so please attend.
- We just launched the first graduate prep materials rental program this week and if you are looking to get resources for grad school and to prepare for those exams please just fill out the application that is linked on this flyer and we will get back to you super quickly. We are hoping to fully allocate all of the materials by the end of the week.
- I would really appreciate you all sharing this widely through your social media and with your friends and folks in your network.
- Next week we have a week-long series of events for the post-grad visibility week which is also a new event to AAC and it is basically geared towards creating accessibility to post-grad resources for undergraduate students. We have an outline of the events that we have planned but I will update you on that.
- Finally, Books for Bruins released the spring quarter applications and they close next week so I just encourage you all to blast us on your social media. If you need textbook material reimbursement as well we have surplus funds granted to us that we can use for that.

H Campus Events Commission

Boffa

- We have one concert coming up next Thursday in the Kerckhoff Coffee House Patio from 12-1. We are announcing the artist by the end of the week so keep an eye out for that.
- We also have some screenings that we are posting about tomorrow so look on our Instagram for that as well.
- We just want to shout out that we have an event in collaboration with the Hammer Museum on Friday, April 28th so in just a little over two weeks and this event is open to all college students in LA. It is basically a free concert in the evening and there will be art workshops happening we will be posting the lineup for this next week.

I Community Service Commissioner

Flores

- To start off, we have some important updates about funding. So as mentioned previously SFS funding is reaching our max allocation for the entire year so we are trying to be a little bit more strict with the applications we are considering for funding. Please don't let that be a deterrent for you to apply but I just wanted to update everyone on that.
- The next funding body that I wanted to make a public notice about is the Community Service Transportation Fund. The deadline for this fund is Friday of Week 3 and it is specifically to fund any transportation needs that your community service organization has.
- CS Mini Fund is currently live and we are considering applications that need to be for specific cases where student groups might need funding by April 22nd. We are reviewing applications by the end of this week so if you submit before April 22nd, we will be reviewing your application.
- In week 4 we are going to have a community service Town hall happening on Wednesday. This town hall is going to focus on Youth empowerment and will be an opportunity for different community service organizations that work on mentorship education and anything related to youth to come and share resources, build solidarity, and build a coalition. I will be sending out a bunch of resources via email and Slack to all the other council offices to help push that out.

I Cultural Affairs Commissioner Written

Verdugo

K Facilities Commissioner

Chiu

- Our transportation, equity, and activity health focus groups that people participated in and our transit pilot program, we got a bunch of free transit classes and we invited those to give us feedback. I learned a lot from different commuter students that meet up one to two hours away to get to campus. They talked about how having a free transit pass opened up the number of groups that they could take to UCLA. Some of them even talked to me about how sometimes they will keep track of a robbery that happened in the area and how they

feel comfortable taking a new route and not having to calculate whether or not they can afford the transit fees to take a bus but that was really significant to hear those stories and learn from them. I hope that their testimonials can help with the transit pass referendum. They are also working on preparing a presentation for the transportation services advisory board.

- Our space committee is working on trying to figure out what the feedback from last quarter was and how we can improve in the future and better engage students in the future. We are also looking into seeing if there are outdoor spaces that we can create to be more long-term. They are also still outreaching with MSA to see about establishing a permanent prayer space.
- The environmental justice now committee is working on a campaign with Nike. They are working with trademarks and licensing with UCLA and having procurement. They have found out that the middle manufacturer has really poor labor regulations and that is not good because that is where the apparel in the UCLA store is coming from. If students were aware of this, I don't think they would be buying from the UCLA store. They have also worked with Peter, the new board director to figure out some of the vendors within the UCLA store and see if they could do some more transparent data reporting about sustainability and the labor competition of those companies.
- For TGIF we are tabling the E3 fair and then on Friday we are going to present some of the projects and their new content. We are also going to have signs where people can write and see possible projects.
- We are also going through the bylaws and we started the conversations at our all-staff meeting yesterday about how we could adjust the bylaws so that we are doing more outreach. We will be reviewing it again on Monday.

L Financial Supports Commissioner

Broukhim

- We have a meeting to finalize the New York Times subscription so that should be up and running soon.
- We had our all-staff meeting last week and then this week we finished renting out our lab coats and goggles. We are completely out of those.
- We are going to try to do more outreach in the community during the spring quarter. We are also still working on transparency and we will be posting another thing soon on Instagram.

M Student Wellness Commissioner Written

Majer

- Commissioner Updates
  - Bruin Health Week
    - BHF - Friday, April 21st 1:30-4:00pm! IM Fields!!
  - Meeting w/ VCSA Monroe
    - Basic needs grants promotion (connect BN)
    - STI testing - making it sustainable, plz keep track of how much it's used, etc. to create a report at the end of Sex Week!
  - WAZO Connect
    - Goat yoga is gonna happen
  - IDMT Meeting
    - Biden announcing removal of state of emergency (COVID-19)
    - Reducing surveillance COVID-19 testing
    - Scaling back on COVID-19 messaging
- SWC Updates
  - Chief of Logistics - Coordinating tabling at the SHACxSWC Health Fair on 5/10 from 10am-3pm
  - PSL Coordinator - Reopening this week!
  - SHN - Present at BHF
  - CPR/FA - Planning SuperCPR
  - PP - Met with ASHE to coordinate logistics for free STI testing event
- SWC Events
  - ASUCLA xSWC: Wag w/ Dogs Event
    - Thursday, April 27!
  - SWC Interns: Aromatherapy Event
    - Wednesday of Week 3
  - Active Minds: Mental Health Conference \*focus on basic needs X mental health\*

- CATERING provided! Short films, guest speakers!
- April 15th
- BR/W: 5k
  - April 23rd
- TW: Foodie Fair
  - Wilson Plaza 4/12 11-3pm
- SWC-wide: Bruin Health Week

N Transfer Student Representative

Cobbs

- On Thursday, I am sponsoring a Black Transfer Graduation party at the transfer student center. We are going to decorate it with a graduation theme. We are going to have cupcakes and apple cider with blue and yellow sparkly glitter. ASP is ASU's retention project and they are going to come and talk at the event. They are going to be telling students what they need to do before walking on the stage. All students are welcome but of course, it is hosted by black transfers but feel free to show up if you are graduating this spring quarter.
- I am working with the Armenian Student Association to host their first annual transfer weekend. I am also trying to work with them so they can have cultural weekends every year and that date will be May 14th. We are still in the works of finalizing the logistics. I will keep you updated.
- I am finally really close to finalizing my TSR staff. It has been such a struggle working by myself so I can't wait to have a staff and to have people help me with all of these things. Shout out to my chief of staff and executive assistant.
- I also send out a survey/flyer to help me write a USAC resolution. I think I sent it to you all through Instagram DM's but if you all can go to the TSR Instagram and post that it will be great for both transfer students and black students. I am already getting a lot of feedback on what students would like to see from the institution and from USAC so that is really great.
- I am also planning the Chance for Unity week. I am planning to have it Week 7 or 8 so if you know any student organizations that would like to collaborate with the TSR office let me know. It can be any event as long as it is transfer student-oriented and I am open to any ideas.
- I had a meeting with Jessica, Jonathan, and Fernando and we talked about the different organizations that I applied for funds and could access the funds.
- I am hosting ASU's first annual Pan African mental health awareness week. I did send a bunch of information to organizations to apply for funds so I just wanted to know when we would hear back from those funds.
- I am also starting a Black Bruin Book club where we are going to be talking about black mental health and why it is so important for students.
- I have settled on the PTSP and EMOJA anime party. Just as a reminder this is the first cultural collaboration for both groups. PTSP and EMOJA have never collaborated with another cultural organization. We are going to have an anime watch party during Week 5 at the transfer student center. We are going to be watching the Jujitsu Kaizen. We are also going to order a bunch of different global Asian snacks and then it will be like a giveaway. It is also going to be a cosplay event so you can show up in anime characters. The winners will get prizes.

O International Student Representative

Nath

P Administrative Representatives

Luna, Alexander, Moran, Klimoski

- Jonathan: "Hi everyone, hope your week 2 is going well. I just have a couple of things here. So I see on your agenda a little bit later that you are going to start talking about transition and such and we have been doing the same in ASUCLA about transitions and the new council training. We wanted to get some direct student feedback on our historical trainees and what you think we should be implementing for the incoming Council and what you would have benefited from. If you have new ideas and stuff like that I have a little form that I will drop in the chat here. There are two different sections. One is the training that we do and then the other one is just on transition support. If you would like to talk about this in person instead to schedule a meeting with me, we will get that on the books. My Calendly is on the forum or just shoot me an email. Then one of our student staff, Jack wanted me to remind you all that he sent the transition form for your offices and just as a reminder to either attach your documents there so that we can make sure that that information is being passed over to the next council."

## **IX. Old Business**

## **X. New Business**

- A [A Resolution to Mandate Masking and The Bivalent Booster, Introduce Universal Hybrid Access, and Reinstate the COVID-19 Task Force\\*](#) Verdugo

### **A Resolution to Mandate Masking and The Bivalent Booster, Introduce Universal Hybrid Access, and Reinstate the COVID-19 Task Force**

Sponsors:

Alicia Verdugo, *Cultural Affairs Commissioner*  
Eliana Judith Sisman, *General Representative III*  
Naomi Hammonds, *General Representative 2*

**WHEREAS**, the Undergraduate Student Association Council’s highest priority is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the students, faculty, and staff, and

**WHEREAS**, the University’s COVID-19 denialist Task Force “Infectious Diseases Management Team,” has removed the need for a negative COVID test to end isolation, and the X.B.B.1.5 AKA “Kraken” variant of the COVID-19 virus has driven positive case and hospitalization rates in the city of Los Angeles up to levels not seen since vaccines were made widely available; and

**WHEREAS**, the discontinuation of vending machines for PCR test drop-offs are very dangerous to the UCLA community, especially because in this past week, LA County Reports 53 more COVID-Related Deaths, 2,731 new Cases, and the state, local, and federal levels of government are denying the existence of the pandemic, and<sup>1</sup>

**WHEREAS**, 19% of all American adults who have previously had COVID, and 7.5% of all American adults, have long-COVID<sup>2</sup>, according to the U.S Census Bureau’s Household Pulse Survey which has a sample size of hundreds of thousands of people,

**WHEREAS**, the University of California has followed suit by not promoted nor informed its constituents enough about the new Bivalent Booster, much less mandated its student body to get their COVID-19 booster, and

**WHEREAS**, the risks of reinfection is not widely known, and new data shows “ a consistent pattern of increased likelihood of hospitalization, cardiovascular effects, clotting and other blood disorders, diabetes, fatigue, gastrointestinal distress, kidney damage, mental health effects such as depression, musculoskeletal damage, neurological deficits, and pulmonary damage with each episode,” and<sup>3</sup>

**WHEREAS**, the Biden administration has amassed over one million deaths from COVID-19 in his time in office, which by their own and all reasonable standards is a horrific failure to fulfill the most basic responsibilities of government<sup>4</sup>. The federal government continues to pretend the pandemic is not a threat anymore, and UCLA should not follow suit, and<sup>5</sup>

**WHEREAS**, wealthy and powerful people are continuing to protect themselves from COVID, while many of them seek to strip away COVID protections from everyone else, especially poor and working class and disabled people and people of color<sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup> <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/coronavirus/data/#>

<sup>2</sup> [https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/pressroom/nchs\\_press\\_releases/2022/20220622.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/pressroom/nchs_press_releases/2022/20220622.htm)

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.harvardmagazine.com/2022/12/covid-reinfection>

<sup>4</sup> <https://twitter.com/JoeBiden/status/1319446692236791814>

<sup>5</sup>

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/02/04/statement-by-president-joe-biden-on-900000-american-deaths-from-covid-19/>

<sup>6</sup> <https://slate.com/technology/2023/01/davos-covid-precaution-uv-lights-air-filters.html>

**WHEREAS**, the University of California Los Angeles has poor ventilation in many of the older buildings on our 103-year old campus, and<sup>7</sup>

**WHEREAS**, hybrid learning is essential for many students, especially those who are people of color, and/or disabled, parenting, international, and/or commuter students, and

**WHEREAS**, the Disabled Students Union, the Undergraduate Students Association Council (USAC), and Mother Organizations have been advocating for hybrid learning for more than a year, and have demonstrated that hybrid learning is popular with UCLA students by getting more than 30,000 signatures on petitions for hybrid learning<sup>8</sup> and building a coalition of organizations representing most UCLA students for the Strike For Our Safety which had hybrid learning as a central demand<sup>9</sup>.

**WHEREAS**, hybrid learning enables students, academic workers and faculty to protect themselves from COVID, and

**LET IT BE RESOLVED**, that the USAC asks the University of California Los Angeles will reintroduce a mask mandate, not discontinue vending machines for test drop-off, and will reinforce the isolation guidelines for those who test positive past the tenth day

**LET IT BE RESOLVED**, the USAC asks the University of California Los Angeles will bring back the COVID-19 Task Force Team, and

**LET IT BE RESOLVED**, the USAC asks the University of California Los Angeles to mandate its students, faculty and staff to acquire their bivalent boosters, and

**LET IT BE RESOLVED**, the USAC will urge the University of California Los Angeles to establish and maintain good ventilation in all buildings.

**LET IT BE RESOLVED**, the USAC will pressure the University of California Los Angeles to work with students, academic workers, lecturers and the Academic Senate to instate universal access for all students in their education and for all academic workers, lecturers and professors in their work, and that includes hybrid access to lectures, discussions, seminars, labs, and every other form of teaching, and

**LET IT BE RESOLVED**, the USAC asks the University of California Los Angeles to recognize that many members of the UCLA community are enduring long-COVID, will work with UCLA students, workers, and faculty to develop policies and programs upholding the rights and advancing the wellbeing of people at UCLA and beyond who are suffering from long-COVID, including but not limited to providing good-quality patient-centered care and all necessary accommodations and supports for all UCLA students, workers, and faculty with long-COVID, as well as engaging in community-based research on long-COVID, and

**LET IT BE RESOLVED**, the USAC urges that University of California Los Angeles should provide readily available info on COVID-19 case counts, resources, and vaccination to improve and continue to be centered around public health safety, and

**LET IT FINALLY BE RESOLVED**, the USAC, in collaboration with the Disabled Students Union, Disability Justice Committee and other advocacy groups, will advocate for COVID protections and accessible learning through measures including but not limited to policy and legal advocacy, campus organizing, and making all of our events COVID-safe and accessible.

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<sup>7</sup> <https://adminvc.ucla.edu/building-ventilation-assessment-status>

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.change.org/p/ucla-stop-endangering-us-let-disabled-bruins-learn-remotely> + <https://www.change.org/p/strike-for-our-safety-support-a-permanent-hybrid-learning-option-at-ucla>

<sup>9</sup> <https://femmagazine.com/strike-for-our-safety-protesting-the-push-for-in-person-classes/> (the Mother Orgs + the DSU represent UCLA's students of color and queer and disabled students, who comprise a majority of the student body, and the Strike For Our Safety received tremendous support from democratically elected USAC officers)

- Ana: “Hi, so just regarding this resolution in general, the infectious diseases team is not a team at UCLA. It is actually called the Infectious Disease Management Team and that is something that I as the Student Wellness Commissioner sits on which was kind of surprising that no one brought this resolution up to me especially because I am a member of this representing the undergraduate students and that the information that is on here, it may have been presented differently or other aspects could have been thought of if you all had decided to consult me which is something I would like to bring up. As a member of this, I do have insight into why these decisions were made regarding Covid-19 on campus and I think a lot of the decisions that are made on campus are due to the ability of UCLA facilities, staff, and faculty to enforce a lot of the measures that are made. For example, specifically masking and reinstating it. There was a reason why it was removed and why we have also reinstated it and then also removed it again including additional factors to consider where the vending machines are and they are being removed. Some of the reasons are purely logistical because they are not being used and those are just some of the examples that I would like to give but at the end of the day I just want to emphasize the fact that I was not consulted about a task force that I sit on and because of that I do not support this resolution as the Student Wellness Commissioner that was elected by the undergraduate students to represent student health and wellness.”
  
- Alicia: “I would like to respond. Ana, we would have wanted to consult you but we did this resolution last minute and the new guidelines have been posted so we didn’t really have time to reach out I apologize about that. I will say I am strongly against the Infectious Disease Management Team. I am sorry for making that mistake but I don’t think it has provided the student body with enough information on Covid and much less research on how to navigate it, especially with all of these ever-changing guidelines on Covid and being ableist and removing the mask mandate. I feel like many of the new covid guidelines have been pushing towards bringing UCLA the most economical gain and pushing employees to come back to campus regardless of their sickness. I would like to add that I do know you do not mask Ana. I don’t mean this to be a personal attack but I do want to say that that threw me off guard because you are the student wellness commissioner. I have been seeing you without your mask on and that puts me unease in terms of how much I see you practice health precautions or lack thereof. I just wanted to add that and I am sorry. I know a lot of other people don’t mask on here but I do know that accessibility has been at the forefront of a lot of issues on council as well as a lot of the platforms that council members ran on last year. I wanted to instate this resolution alongside Eliana primarily because a lot of these demands have not been met and a lot of these demands have been stressed since last year and with rising covid cases and the reason that the vending machines haven’t been used is that there is no policy for testing. I know people who are coughing and having “colds” but they probably might be infected with Covid but don’t test and they wouldn’t want to because a lot of people don’t care or aren’t encouraged to care about their health because of their different priorities.”
  
- Ana: “As a molecular cell and developmental biology major who actually takes classes on virology and immunology and learns about these things and our body daily as well as being somebody on this task force who was in the room as decisions were made vocalizing student opinions holistically and my own personal decisions are backed by science and by research and by what the NIH has conducted which the CDC then makes recommendations for different policies which California then takes into account which the County of Los Angeles then takes into account. As a very influential institution, UCLA considers all of these aspects when making decisions for our campus and if you had spoken to me earlier I would have been able to bring these to light. These decisions are not taken lightly because yes there are people’s lives at stake and at the end of the day that is what we are here for is individual health and wellness there are more aspects than what you have put into this resolution that goes into play when we make decisions about as the IDMT. The covid-19 task force was renamed to become the IDMT because we focused on monkeypox, RSV, and the Flu, not just covid. We don’t live in a bubble.”
  
- Naomi: “Hi folks, just to be on the record, I did not write anything in the resolution but I do support most of the statements made in the resolution. As a TA, I am definitely seeing an increase in covid-cases because students are having to miss discussion sections already and we are only in week 2. I would love to talk with you Ana about the IDMT and how we can make sure students continue to get boosted because I know that is a big issue. People are like I

have already had my three boosters so I am done but no you have to continue to get boosted every certain period of months so I would love to talk about that with you and then how that could be broadcasted to students.”

- Tabled until next week

B [Work to Improve USAC Transition Process](#)

Sisman, Cobbs, Cortez

**Main Updates As of Week 2, Spring quarter**

**a. Issues with Transition Process and Loss of Gen. Experiential Knowledge**

- i. Transitions do not happen as seamless in a standardized fashion across all council members → disproportionate level of USAC familiarity on council
- ii. Few metrics of accountability to ensure that all outgoing council members submit transition documents & that incoming council members can get information
- iii. There are also no policies in our current bylaws to support transition processes for council members joining as a result of a special election or appointment mid-term
- iv. These current transition processes are also not responsive to the needs and capacity of an outgoing council member that may be in crisis/facing other pressures

**b. Transition Packets (Eliana, Thyra, & Daniela)**

- i. Met with SGS during week 10 of Winter quarter. We brought up these concerns & tried to brainstorm solutions together
- ii. Solutions proposed:
  1. CRC creates these policies for transition processes of special elections
  2. SGS and outgoing council members can do progressive transition document updates (ex: Daniela has been working on transition packet incrementally at the stop of each quarter)
    - a. This format can look differently:
      - i. Continue with the huge document**
      - ii. Google form**
      - iii. Meeting intake with SGS**
  3. Having some overlap with outgoing and incoming council members and their terms, so that the incoming council member can get some knowledge while both are compensated for their time
  4. Having SGS facilitate some of those transitional meetings
- iii. Pending
  1. We also need to clarify how incoming council members get access to these transition documents
    - a. Is it SGS's responsibility to hand them to the incoming council member, or will the outgoing council member do this?

**c. USAC Archives (Eliana, Thyra & Daniela but this is really being spearheaded by Eliana!)**

- i. Goals: Provide information on
  1. How and why USAC was created
  2. How USAC has changed over the years (creation of new commissions and offices, changes to the mission of existing commissions and offices, changes in representation of marginalized students) and how Councilmembers, student organizations and activists, UCLA faculty, workers, staff and administrators, and social changes and movements beyond the campus have produced these changes in USAC
  3. What USAC has done in the past—programs, campaigns and events managed, funded, protested or lobbied for or against, or otherwise created or supported by USAC
  4. What USAC is doing now
  5. How referendums have been initiated and campaigned for throughout UCLA history and how they impact UCLA and the broader community
  6. Ways to initiate or intensify one's involvement with USAC—how or why to give public comment at USAC meetings, work with a USAC commission or office to organize an event or get surplus or other funding for a program or organize for policy change through lobbying, rallies, sit-ins etc, work for a USAC commission or office, run to be a USAC councilmember, propose a referendum or create a slate
  7. The upsides and downsides of slate politics

8. USAC's relationship with the general student body, student orgs, grad students, UCLA faculty, workers, staff, and administration, local, state and federal government, community organizations in LA and beyond, and other student governments
- ii. Possible sources of information:
  1. Comb through recordings and minutes of past USAC meetings, Daily Bruin archives etc and select key pieces of information
    - a. Maybe a more organized usac website where certain council meetings and agendas can be highlighted with regards to large topics (ex: CPO, surplus, CAE, etc)
  2. Ask current and past USAC councilmembers and others involved in campus politics to be interviewed by us-put the interviews transcripts or videos or audio recordings in the archive
  3. Ask other student organizations like Afrikan Students Union or Hillel to let us access and use their archives which contain information on USAC history
- d. **Alumni Network (Eliana & Thyra)**
  - i. Meeting with Steven is pending
  - ii. Information thus far:
    1. Alumni Association will likely discourage the immediate creation of an alumni network until there is a committed team / founding board to help start & run the network.
    2. recommend to first look for a group of interested alumni that would be willing to help start the network.
      - a. Direct student involvement would be great
      - b. initial board should be mostly recent alumni
      - c. initial board should plan on sticking around for at least 2-3 years
    3. Likely, the AA will recommend first forming a group on UCLA One (<https://uclaone.com/>)
    4. network would fall more under the Affinity alumni networks category.
    5. There is a meeting next week with Steven to discuss more thoroughly

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- Tabled until next week

**XI. Adjournment\***

- My-Lan adjourns the meeting at 9:24pm.

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\* Indicates Action Item  
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