

# FINALIZED: May 1, 2018



AGENDA  
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL  
Kerckhoff Hall 417  
April 24th, 2018  
7:00PM

## **I. Call to Order**

**Mokhtarzadeh**

- Li calls the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.
- Li: Since we do not have quorum, we will start with public comments.

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

- The attendance sheet is passed around

## **II. Public Comments**

- No Audio and No Video: None
- Audio, No Video: None
- Audio and Video: None

## **III. Special Presentations**

### **1. USAC Webmaster Presentation**

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- Li: He cannot be here today so we will move to the next presentation.

### **2. CAPS Referendum Spending**

Dr. Green

- Thank you all for having me. I am the Executive Director of CAPS.
- I am showing you how we are using the referendum funds.
- We have \$ 121,000 still left to spend.
- We've spent the money in 2 ways.
- My understand was that we wanted a lot of student participation in the way the money was spent.
- Largely, spending has been done for the creation of CAPS Student Advisory Board and International Student Support Program.
- Last academic year, there was a delay in the start. We got the Student Advisory Board off the ground.
- I got an intern (Ria Jain) in the fall and last January, we hired 9 committee members.
- We wanted to look at how CAPS could do better.
- So I spent 6 months with our board to go over our operations.
- We came up with 3 changes.

- First was on outreach programming and prevention. The board made recommendations about how to better use the resources of CAPS for the people who need it and how to provide treatments to people who needed it.
- Better advertising, better offerings.
- Make students aware of resources other than CAPS
- The other thing that we decided was what we should do with students who are in treatment.
- How to get treatment for students who do not have UCShip.
- Increasing staff clinical
- Increasing our referrals out to the Anthem network and how to use those resources
- The last set was about referral.
- What To do to lower the co-pay to better use Uber or Lyft to help students get to where they need to go.
- Professional schools who want to use more services should purchase or help to subsidize CAPS
- last year the money was spent on intern, staff time and resources, facilitating the board, clinical coordinators.
- We followed up on a lot of those recommendations.
- The other big way of spending- we were lacking language diversity- so we purchased the international student support program. They have licensed therapists all over the world for students to get tele-help or Skype help in their language.
- Since we had a lot of deaths that were international students, we wanted to get this program.
- I spent a year with them doing tele-health counselling for international students.
- We have a contract with them through the end of August.
- And we are looking at outcomes to decide if we want to re-up with them.
- Students can download the app, call, download articles from the app
- I have a new intern now. Couple of things that we have talked about was the Student Health Advisory Board which is bigger than help.
- One thing we have decided to do is to use some money to fund a full time position who can connect CAPS with resilience peer network, community providers all around LA and create formal relationships with them.
- We got the Anthem co-pay for counselling down to \$10 without any cost to the student.
- We want this position to focus on the referral process.
- We have been working with professional schools to help subsidize and pay for down-in counselling for them.
- The community liaison will be the last piece.
- The other thing we are doing as part of outreach and prevention is the Resilience Task Force. To look at how to build preventive resilience. We are still trying as a campus to manage this.
- We are doing a summit and a campaigning around Bruins Rising and how to be a healthy Bruin.

- In welcome week, we are thinking about resilience workshops.
- Toolkits and apps.
- Faculty support on how to create a resilient classroom and promote resilience in classroom.

#### QnA

- Jackson: thank you for your work. Was the funding appropriate and enough?
  - Dr. Green: I think that's yet to be seen since we just got it last year and we are taking the time. So far, it's been good and I will have more info for you in 6 months.

### **IV. Officer Member Reports**

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#### A. President

Mokhtarzadeh

1. Hi everyone! As you've probably noticed by now, I am not at the Council meeting tonight. You know I do not take missing council meetings lightly — and tonight is no exception. I missed the meeting tonight because for the first time in virtual history, I and two other students traveled to Sacramento today to do a joint lobby trip with Chancellor Block to advocate for the state to Fund the UC. As I am sure you all recall from different Council members reports throughout the year, the governor did not provide adequate funding to the UC this year and as such the university is considering raising tuition as a result. Perhaps the silver lining in all of this is a partnership between administrators and students who have united to fight for the things we care about most: the accessibility, affordability and quality of UC. Today we met with Assembly members Phil Ting, Al Muratsuchi, Reggie Jones-Sawyer, Richard Bloom, Miguel Santiago, and Tom Lackey. We also met with Senator Holly Mitchel and UC Regent Lark Park. I look forward to doing a thorough update next week on the progress of these meetings.

Last week our office hosted a couple of incredible events:

2. - On Monday, our Interfaith Team — Maggie Pickford, Ayesha Haleem and Naomi Kisel — hosted Food for Thought alongside the University Religious Conference and Center for the Study of Religion.
3. - On Thursday, our Housing and Employment Director Naomi Kisel helped organize a Tenant's Rights workshop with Bruin Housing Advocates.
4. - Also on Thursday, our BruinsHireBruins team — Izzy Gardner, Jordan Nakdimon, Emmanuel Iheke, Eduardo Camou, Josh Feldman and Elana Weingord — co-hosted an Entrepreneurship Networking Night with Bruin Entrepreneurs and the UCLA Alumni Association.
5. - And on Friday, our Campus Safety Team — Hannah Feller, Gabrielle Gorman, Andrew Cabral, Dani Lowder and Bonnie Lee — hosted a memorial and action dedicated to the memory of the lives lost 19 years ago in the Columbine Shooting. Special thanks to Hannah for constructing all the materials for the memorial, to EVP for joining us with their phone banking and to Senator Ben Allen who joined us that day.

6. On campus our staff has been hard at work with DYF:
7. - Last Friday DYF Director Courtney Pratt organized a service trip to the Downtown Women's Center.
8. - Yesterday DYF Director Jocelyn Correa organized and moderated the F-Word: Feminism, on the importance of intersectionality in Feminism, which was co-hosted by IGNITE at UCLA.
9. - We co-hosted an event with The Dream Project where students had the opportunity to assemble care packages for women experiencing homelessness in LA. Special thanks to Sharon Ghalchi for organizing that.
10. - Earlier today we co-hosted the Women in Power Lunch with the UCLA Career Center, Alumni Association and UCLA Athletics.
11. - Tomorrow from 12-3 in Wilson Plaza, our DYF Director Stacey Manoharan organized a Femme Fair to highlight organizations committed to women's empowerment and leadership on campus. Please help us spread the word.
12. - Later that evening we will be co-hosting the Festival of Healing with AAUW organized by DYF Director Victoria Sheber.
13. - On Thursday at 12 we will be doing our Women's March and Demand. And later that evening we've teamed up with the Center for the Study of Religion to host WISE: Women's Interfaith Stories of Encounter and Empowerment.
14. - And on Friday we will close out the week with the first-ever Advocates for Women's Empowerment and Leadership Reception at the Chancellor's Residence co-hosted by Mrs. Block herself.
15. I want to also publicly express thanks to the other DYF directors without whom none of this would be possible: Isabel Bina, Kyoka Kagami, Brennie Dale and Krista Hightower.
16. As promised, we will be hosting our anti-Blackness training with the Black Grad Students Association and GSA EVP Office next Monday, April 30th from
17. 6:00-8:00 PM. I'll send out a reminder later this week. Please feel free to extend the invite to your staffs.
18. I am sure Chloe or Zahra will go into more detail about this but the vote to subdivide the existing jurisdiction of the Westwood Neighborhood Council is scheduled for May 22. The Westwood Forward Coalition is looking to get more students involved in our GOTV efforts so please help us circulate our sign up form which you can find on the OP, EVP, FAC or Westwood Forward Facebook pages.
19. Lastly I wanted to be sure to give a shoutout to Sayron and the TSR Office for hosting an incredible networking night last week. It was incredible to feel the sheer warmth in the room that night, even just for the few minutes I was able to be there.

1. My office met with UCLA OIT, CCLE, and Residential Life to suggest what students want for the New UCLA Mobile app. They are designing the new version of the app. Looking forward to the new mobile app.

C. External Vice President Pan

1. I wanted to share that the bill we went to give public comment on officially passed through the Higher Ed Committee! AB 3153 will allow students to access Cal Grant aid during the summer; we're expecting it to pass through the legislature without too much trouble.

D. Facilities Commissioner Hajee

1. We had a meeting with the Hill to discuss the implementation of the OZZI system for students to have reusable containers on the Hill. We sent in 200+ student testimonials as well as research on the implementation of the system on other campuses. We hope to have a pilot program set by Fall 2018
2. We have been working with Facilities Management and student org Bruin Home Solutions on a water audit. The water audit has begun and will continue through summer.

E. General Rep 2 He

1. nomination form of bruin raise is officially live now. We have worked a long time on this. We collaborate with UCLA dean of students office and we are able to institutionalize a 5000 dollars for bruins who have ever helped other bruins in crisis, whether it is financial crisis and mental crisis.

I. Transfer Rep Stokes

- No written report was submitted by this councilmember before, during or after the meeting. Please refer to the USAC Live recording for this member's complete report.

J. Student Wellness Commissioner Lee

1. Week 5 is Bruin Health Week, which is a week full of events to promote health and well-being! Biggest event of the year SWC.
2. Sunday is Bruin Run/Walk on Sunday to raise money for UCLA Mattel Children's Hospital, Saturday is SuperCPR to certify 100 hill residents in CPR for free
3. Oral health fair next Tuesday in Bruin Plaza!
4. Students can currently apply for BruinCare waivers, which waives the \$60-per-quarter fee to access basic health services on campus, applications due May 11th, found at <http://bit.ly/BruinCareWaivers>

K. Community Service Commission Hardwicke

1. Earth Month events have been taking place- very successful earth month fair with lots of giveaways and vegan food, as well as a free produce fair.
2. Working on piloting our new funding body (Supplemental Fund For Service) now open for applications!

L. Administrative Representatives Aboagye, Alexander, Champawat, Geller,

Kadota

1. Kadota: we will be representing UCLA at the 2020 event tomorrow. We have done well by having college students at the meeting and will continue to share info with you as it develops.

**V. Approval of the Agenda\***

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- Boudaie: strike AAC's referendum.
- Flournoy-Hooker: strike ARC and BAGF.
  - Anubha: Add approval of the minutes from April 10, 2018 to the agenda.
- Boudaie moves to approve the agenda as amended, Stokes seconds.
- 8-0-0 vote, the agenda is approved as amended.

**VI. Approval of The Minutes From:**

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April 10, 2018\*

- Flournoy-Hooker moves to approve the minutes for 4/10/18, Boudaie seconds.
- 7-0-1 vote, the minutes are approved.

April 17, 2018\*

- Flournoy-Hooker moves to approve the minutes from 4/17/18, Stokes seconds.
- 7-0-1 vote, the minutes are approved.

**VII. Contingency Programming\***

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**Malshe**

- 28 applications.
  - 27 non-USAC, 1 USAC office.
- Requested: \$ 25,748.02
- Recommended: \$ 15,987.00
- Boudaie moves to approve the allocation of \$ 15,987.00 , Stokes seconds.
- 8-0-0 vote, the motion passes.

**VIII. Student Wellness Programming Fund#**

Lee

- Dance marathon for Pediatric AIDS Coalition
  - Requested: \$ 1,000
  - Recommended: \$ 1,000
- Women's Wellness Forum
  - Requested: \$ 300
  - Recommended: \$ 300
- Haram B Council for Splash Flash
  - Requested: \$ 1,000 (more than the cap)
  - Recommended: \$ 310
- Latinas Guiding Latinas for Big Little Day

- Requested: \$ 595
- Recommended: \$ 595
- Total \$ 2,205
- Approved by consent due to no opposition.

## **IX. New Business**

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### 1. Oral Health Fair Bylaw Change\* Lee

- I am just asking for our Oral Health Fair to be added under the events that we spearhead for the Student Wellness Commission. It's something do with the School of Dentistry and Ashe. It goes in article 4 section K 9 H.
- CRC recommendation: YES
- Hardwicke moves to approve the Oral Health Fair Bylaw Change, Flournoy-Hooker seconds.
- 8-0-0 vote, this Bylaw change passes.

### 2. CAPS Student Advisory Board Bylaw Change\* Lee

- I am glad Dr. Green was able to present today.
- CAPS has implemented a Student Advisory Board that's in its 2nd year now.
- She brought this up a few weeks ago when we made.
- She wanted to have 2 students.
- We do have a mental health committee under the student health commission.
- These are both 1 year terms.
- CRC recommendation: YES
- Flournoy-Hooker moves to approve the CAPS Student Advisory Board Bylaw Change, Boudaie seconds.
- 8-0-0 vote, this motion passes.

### 3. Bruin Necessities Bylaw Change\* Lee

- This is the longest one.
- SWC has been working to get a new committee in place. This committee's purpose is to continue the work of us advocating for menstrual hygiene products for free, oral health fairs that we've also been doing for free
- You can see on the 2nd page a small proposal that we've written.
- We have used our survey results to help advocate for menstrual hygiene products on the hill.
- We have worked with CVP to help students have free Bruin Care.
- Bruin Necessities has a space in SWC to become its own committee.

- We are crossing off AIDS awareness. It's been a historical committee for SWC but we have taken its flagship programs and put them under sexperts
- We have been talking to Jessica and Roy about logistics and that's been all good.
- ARC recommendation: YES
- Flournoy-Hooker moves to approve the Bruin Necessities Bylaw Change, Stokes seconds.
- 8-0-0 vote, this motion passes.

#### 4. New General Representative Appointment\*

Li

- Last week, due to Justin's ineligibility he was removed from council but right now he has again become eligible.
- Arielle already interviewed and selected Justin Jackson again for this position.
- We are here to vote to reappoint Justin Jackson to this position.
- Hardwicke: was any of this info ever made public to the student body?
- Dr. Geller: there was an announcement made at last week's meeting
- Hajee: only in executive session.
- hardwicke: I am just curious.
- Jackson: it was very last minute whether my eligibility would or wouldn't be reinstated. I was working behind the scenes. At the end of last week, my eligibility was reinstated. Now things are up in order.
- Stokes moves to reappoint Justin Jackson as The USAC General Representative 3, Boudaie seconds.
- 8-0-0 vote, Justin Jackson is appointed.
- Li: Welcome back Justin.
- Jackson: I will add that I am very honored and thank you to those who stayed to vote. It's been a tough year and I have had a lot come into my life and taken away and I am glad this is one thing that got to stay.

#### X. Announcements

- Hajee: What happened with me was public so I think it is alright to talk about it here. On Saturday, at a party, Julia and I were publically cornered by supporters of our opponent's campaign. Some of them are in the room right now because I asked that if we were to meet, it would have to be in a public place. One of them came up to us and asked pointed questions about Julia's candidacy. We thought it was very aggressive. I sent Julia away because I did not want her to deal with such stuff. After that, there were 4-5 people in a circle around me. I expressed my discomfort but they maintained that position. I publicly posted it on facebook because I think I have every right to talk about it publically. I got commentary from supporters on her campaign falsifying my statements. They said I should have reached to them privately beforehand. All we were asking for was an apology and for you to take ownership of your action. Your intention to publicly intimate us was there and we want our feelings validated. The toxicity that occurs during election season; last year someone was assaulted. In this case, it has become a partisan issue. The



only people who did not stand up and speak out regarding this incident were people affiliated with Aneri's or BU's campaigns. I still have not received an apology and their actions during and after that night are unwarranted and disgusting.

- Li: Do you want to cede time to get them to speak?
- Jackson cedes time.
  - Kyle: I have done a lot of work with appointments this year. I am no stranger to anyone here. I want to say that throughout the past couple of days, and since Monday when the Facebook post was made, myself, and my friend who did attend that party, were very uncomfortable and frustrated with the way the situation was handled. A legal terms such as harassment to be thrown around. We expect it to be handled with more professionalism and having to reach out to us privately. We still maintain that the account was false. We were there and you can see on the post that we commented that nothing like this that happened. From our perspective, it was such that we were standing in a different area, we hand decided to move ourselves over to another area towards the area of the water cooler. It was decidedly less crowded there. We moved there, that's when we noticed, I noticed, Zahra. We have worked together before. It wasn't unusual for me to go over to her and talk to her. We made some general remarks. At no time during any of this, was this organized or coordinated to intimate people of your campaign team. That's a motion I reject. Julia is an opponent of Aneri. We had decided on our own to attend the party and were invited by our friend. The way that it was handled and the remarks made were unnerving to myself and members of my friend circle who had no involvement in USAC whatsoever. It was because of my involvement as Appointments Director that there was a reasonable association. With regard to a couple of comments made by Casey Denny- we had no communication with him. Take that issue up with him not with us. Our official statement is posted on that post. There was no coordinated effort, no malicious intent to harm emotionally or physically. Even I have been involved in student govt and witnessing the extreme toxicity of that environment. If you see on my Facebook post, I did not indulge in any of the drama that happened this year. I did not engage in that this year. Witnessing last year how I was treated during appointments, it was striking to see that that was the environment we lived in and that's why I wanted this handled privately. We did not want to make it a political thing. At no point was there any sense on any part that we were making you uncomfortable. We completely reject this notion it the first place.
  - Third man (brought them into the party)- I believe I have the responsibility on behalf of my guest. The association was sever and they weren't handled directly with us and that speaks volumes. We have a lot of reasons to think that this was a false account. The statement says that there was physical intimidation. I want some examples of that. This coordinated effort never happened. We were not intending on doing anything so why do we apologize for it?

- Jackson: This is why situations like this need to be public.
- Flournoy-Hooker: if you made a person feel a certain way then you need to fucking acknowledge that and take responsibility for that regardless of what you intended. It sounds weird to me that you moved next to a water cooler that Zahra and Julia were standing next to. She is very emotionally affected by this and you all need to acknowledge that. You're not the one sitting here emotional brothered. You are more affected that your name was slandered.
  - Don't you think it makes us feel uncomfy that this is out there.
- Flournoy-Hooker: did they ask you to come up to them and talk to them?
- Hajee: when luis over there came up to us and said, "I live on her [Aneri's] floor; why are your platforms better than hers? I expressed that I was physically uncomfortable. I asked, "What is going on here." and one of you said "nothing" and maintained that formation around me. The fact that I hand to go through that and I had to ask for accountability for that kind of a thing. You think I want to meet you in a private space after you publically cornered me.
- Li: Zahra, what do you want from them?
- Hajee: A public apology and take ownership of your actions. For how you've made me and Julia feel.
- Strokes: Zahra, I'm sorry that happened to you and you're not alone.
- He: even the way you are walking and the way you talk to her, I feel like she has every right to address this publicly. Yes she's a council member but she's only responsible when you have issue with FAC but she's also a person and a student so she can post what she likes. I cannot tell what your intention is but a person's experience is always valid, you can't say you shouldn't feel this way. You really should make an apology
- Jackson: knowing you Kyle, my perspective of you is not this. I wish your demeanor coming in was not that I'm going to win this side. Everyone's feelings and emotions are valid to them.
  - Kyle: thank you, Justin. The reason that we came here and were pushed back was on the premise of this. We do not feel it was appropriate to have our names put out like that. To have friends and family members start texting you that this is not the type of person they thought you were. It was absolutely not our intent. We were there to enjoy ourselves.
- Stokes: it;s not the intent, it's the impact.
  - So youre saying its the impact you're concerned about? Obviously not the intent, it wasn't coordinated. We cannot control what your perceive our intent to be.
- Flournoy-Hooker: it seemed to me like that's not the case.
  - What you're trying to get at is that we purposely did it and that's what you want an apology for.
- Hajee: we want an apology for how you made us feel specially for me to have 4-5 men and 1 white woman circle me at a party. I expressed that I was a uncomfortable when I said, "What do you all think is happening here?"

- Lee: we udnersrtdn your point of view. That wasn't the point of this conversation. Zahra asked you to apologize for how you made her feel. You can choose to apologize or not.
  - Kyle: from your perspective, could it have been handled differently on Zahra's part?
- Diaz: the choice is up to you. It's your decision. People have all there different perceptions. I do not think we should get into what should have happened. Really you need to decide if you want to apologize for how you made her feel
  - Luis: I'm not a conformational person. When I was the one who approached you and we've met each other briefly in the past. On behalf of myself, I will say that you know it wasn't my intent and I want to apologize. I was making small talk and that's all I was going for. I do not want to cause any more of an issue than it already has.
- Li: are any of you willing to apologize or we will end this conversation.
  - Kyle: I am sorry I made you feel that way. It was absolutely not the intent. The way that it was dealt with was that it was malicious intent on our part. It could have been a different issue altogether. I felt this did not truly represent the truth. I want that to be recognized that the post itself argues that it was intentional on our part. Enough on our part has been said and enough about the situation has been said that it can be plausible that it wasn't our intent. I'm a person and a student too and specially what I've been through...I am sorry that you felt that way and that I was in that situation but does that make sense to you? We are students too, we are not robots. We have been trying to organize meetings with you for the past 2 days. We did not have intention of walking in here and winning the fight and not apologizing. Luke was not part of that circle.
- Hajee: I wasn't here to invalidate your past experiences but I was here to validate mine. Well, thank you, you can head out now.

#### Other Announcement

- Flournoy-Hooker: Word on Wednesday every Wednesday in the Kerckhoff art gallery.
- Jackson: we will be releasing a video on UCLA's history in week 6, 7 and 9. Also, our UC Diversity event is happening in week 6.
- Stokes: Sign up to volunteer for SCOF this Friday, April 27th. As an incentive, you get a free t-shirt
  - Diaz: I signed up but I do not know if they got back to me.
  - Stokes: the are still collecting volunteers so they will get back to you later this week.
- Lee: I am still angry at what just happened. USAC election season has always been an extremely toxic and terrible time for a lot of people. Every year, SWC has been working to defend and validate it's work for the past 50 yrs. People put up platforms that are duplicates of our work. I have seen several different examples. It's frustrating to see things like menstrual hygiene come up when we've been at the forefront for 3 yrs. People are invalidating our work saying that we have not been doing the work, its been done by someone else. This Isn't the first time or the last time but I hope that everyone does their research and takes up

everything at face value. People put up things on their platforms that were not fully researched. You could be approaching other gaps on this campus , all you have to do is think about it.

**XI. Signing of the Attendance Sheet**

- The attendance sheet is passed around.

**XII. Adjournment\***

- Flournoy-Hooker moves to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM, Jackson seconds.
- 9-0-0 vote, the meeting is adjourned.

**XIII. Good and Welfare**

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