

FINALIZED: 12/5/17



AGENDA
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
Kerckhoff 417
November 28th, 2017
7:00PM

- I. Call to Order Mokhtarzadeh
- A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet
- Mokhtarzadeh calls the meeting to order at 7PM.
- II. Approval of the Agenda
- Strike Comm Board appointment
 - - Strike Bruin Defenders Grant Fund
 - - Strike Travel Grant Mini Fund
 - - Strike ASRF
 - - Strike ARC Allocation
 - Boudaie moves to approve the agenda, Flournoy-Hooker seconds.
 - 10-0-0 vote the agenda is approved.
- III. Approval of the Minutes from
November 14th, 2017* and November 21th, 2017*
- Minutes were not sent in time so the minutes were not approved.
- IV. Public Comments
- NO AUDIO NO VIDEO
- Naomi
 - Recently there has been a controversy
 - If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to me.
 - Please know that the council is not just one idea, it's made up of a lot of different people from many walks of life.
- AUDIO, NO VIDEO
- Kaitlin from Calpirg
 - Today, we delivered 505 petitions, 100 photo petitions today
 - FSC delivered a very powerful video
 - We collected 5500 petitions for ucla to go 100% renewable energy
 - Next quarter- we will do a consumer action committee.
- AUDIO AND VIDEO
- None
- V. Special Presentations
- None

VI. Appointments

Mokhtarzadeh

1. Communications Director - Leslie Lopez#
 - Mokhtarzadeh reads the job description.
 - Approved due to no opposition.
2. UCLA Advisory Board on Data Protection - Sam Ryklansky#
 - Mokhtarzadeh reads the job description.
 - Approved due to no opposition.
3. Campus Programs Committee - Joshua Feldman*
 - Mokhtarzadeh reads the job description.

Opening

- Good evening everyone.
- My name is Joshua and I stand here hoping you will approve my appointment.
- I feel an urgency to play a part on campus and create a legacy for myself as a Bruin.
- With that goal, I joined the USAC office of the President this fall.
- I now have a desire to keep increasing my involvement on campus.

QnA

- Pan: Have you personally applied to any funding bodies?
 - Joshua: No I haven't done that because I just arrived on campus. But I have played a role in putting up programs, including my involvement in Global Siblings. I have been moving in the direction and I have a wealth of experience in other areas.
- Diaz: What are some experiences you had while interning in the office of the President?
 - Joshua: There are weekly meetings, getting to know people, and then branching out into different areas of USAC and Student Govt. So I have gotten knowledge of various components of the govt.
- Lee: I find it very useful to have done programming in the past for understanding programming applications. What is your view on that?
 - Joshua: In high school I gained a lot of experience organizing programs and allocations. I was Vice President of JSA, captain of the Mock Trial Team, I was on the board of Sunshine Circle that introduced students to holocaust survivors, and lastly in Youth Corp. where I volunteered as counsels for minors.
- Hajee: What prior knowledge or research have you gathered regarding the Campus Programs Committee?
 - Joshua: It's an allocations board that manages half a million dollars and also a mini fund.
- Diaz: Is there a specific reason why you chose this appointment?
 - Joshua: Yes, I do. I am a Business Economics major and finance has also been an interest of mine. But more than that, as someone who has benefited from cultural programming, I feel the responsibility to ensure that those programs continue to be available and keep growing in accessibility.

Mokhtarzadeh moves to add 3 minutes to the QnA, Lee seconds.

10-0-0, QnA is extended.

- Mokhtarzadeh: What made you apply for CPC in the first place and what is your vision?
 - Joshua: I have been thinking a lot about how to get more involved on campus, I was informed about the position through my internship and the more I read about it, the more I felt right for it.
- Pan: Can you tell me about what the cultural programming landscape on UCLA is like?
 - Joshua: I was fortunate to go to the Startup Fair and we have so many cultural organizations that it would be hard to name the important or unimportant groups.

Closing

- Thank you so much for this opportunity. I am aware that there may be reservations about my being a freshman but I assure you that I pride myself in being a quick learner and I will play this part as well as anyone else.

Discussion

- Boudaie moves to appoint Joshua, Hardwicke seconds.
- ARC: Yes recommendation
- Boudaie: He was really prepared in his ARC interview and he reached out to people on the current committee. He gave specific and nuanced answers.
- Hardwicke: I think he has proven to me that he will put in a lot of effort to learn what he doesn't already know.
- Mokhtarzadeh: I think that since we have had so much conversation about reaching out to all corners of the campus, Joshua's appointment will bring in a fresh perspective.
- 10-0-0 vote Joshua is appointed to CPC.

Hajee

5. OSAC Chair-Haidy Beshay*

- Hajee reads out the job description.
- Hajee: This was initially a 2 year appointment but now it's a two year term because even though office space is only being allocated every other year, there are still day to day operations.
- Geller: What decision was made about the stipend?
- Hajee: Divided over the two years.

Opening

- Hi guys, I am Haidy and I am an international transfer student.
- I think space is one of the most scarce resources on our campus.
- This committee needs someone who is highly organized and committed to this.

QnA

- Flounoy-Hooker: What are the clubs you've been involved in and what role did you play in them?
 - Haidy: I was ARC Head of MUN and that involved interviewing a lot of people. That role prepared me because it involves a lot of organizational skills and required me to have a lot of people with people and prepare them for conferences. I was the chair of the AMSA through which I created different events and I was secretary of SACS which was a chemistry club on my campus and I had to organize events again and have lots of discussions.
- Mokhtarzadeh: I find this to be one of the hardest roles on campus. How will you balance reaching out to all 1200 groups and then fairly allocating space?
 - Haidy: I would create my own committee and assign specific roles to these people.
- Pan: What would your priorities be?
 - Haidy: Creating my committee for next year and do an audit check.
- He: Can you illustrate how you are well organized?
 - Haidy: I had to organize complex conferences, set up agendas during lobbying and merging and make sure all the delegates were prepared. I also made sure that the debate was conducted in the most efficient way possible.

Diaz moves to add 5 minutes, Boudaie seconds.

11-0-0 vote the QnA is extended.

- Diaz: Have you attempted to reach out to past OSAC chairs? I don't know if you're nervous or not but it's hard for me to tell what your goals or commitments are?
 - Haidy: I have reached out to Jennifer and we are going to meet to discuss her experience. After creating the committee, I plan to meet with the student orgs on a regular basis to ensure their needs are being met.

- Saidian: I am wondering specifics? How will you do it? How will you meet student organizations?
 - Haidy: I have looked into past applications and I've seen the guidelines for space allocation.
- Mokhtarzadeh: There have been concerns about the audits that they weren't specific or qualitative? Do you have any idea on how to improve the audit process and how will you make this more transparent so the students know what is expected of them.
 - Haidy: I think I would create a guidelines so that there is standardization and no bias. We can post it online or we can send it out as a packet to those you apply.

Closing

- Thank you so much, I am sure you're all busy people.
- I am sorry I'm a little nervous but I think that I am fit for the position because I am a truly committed and dedicated person and I have a lot of experience with handling big responsibilities

Discussion

- Boudaie moves, Flournoy-Hooker seconds.
- ARC: Yes recommendation.
- Diaz to Hajee:
 - Hajee Haidy has worked with OSAC in CalState and when we started talking about day to day work, it was clear that she could figure out the processes, create new ones and manage things.
- Diaz: I don't know if she was nervous but I feel like something is missing. I would even suggest that she comes back after talking to the past OSAC chairs.
- Flournoy-Hooker: I agree.
- Saidian: I think the statements were broad and general and didn't have a working understanding of the goals. It wasn't clearly articulated.
- Hardwicke: I think in our ARC interview, she came off as much more articulate. I feel strongly that she knows what she was talking about.
- Mokhtarzadeh: I think we are not looking for the perfect candidate but for someone who is committed to finding solutions. This being the off year, I think Haidy will be good. Maybe she could present some concrete goals to us in the winter.
- Diaz: I understand what you are saying but I can't just take your word for it.
- Pan: I respect that opinion. I think the substance for tonight was lacking. I am biased that if presentation is not good, then I don't look at the candidate as competent.
- Flournoy-Hooker: Yes, I think today's interview was different from ARC and so there could've been changes in performance.
- He: I am personally in favor of this.
- Diaz: Could we then ask that if the appointment happens that she comes back with more concrete goals.
- Lee: I think that most of us didn't know what our role will be before we stepped into in and that's normal. We can give Haidy the same leg room.
- Flournoy-Hooker: So the appointment would be contingent upon her to give a presentation on the new audit process, her outreach goals, her understanding of the position, outreach strategy.
- Li: Can we do week 2 of winter?
- Boudaie moves to appoint Haidy, Flournoy-Hooker seconds.
- 11-0-0 vote Haidy is appointed.

VII. Officer and Member Reports

A. President

Mokhtarzadeh

- BruinsHireBruins: Interview Skills and Tricks event hosted with USAC Financial Supports Commissioner and UCLA Career Center on Thursday from 5:00-6:30 in the Bruin Viewpoint Room

- Council of Presidents Team is hosting town hall called, “What Happened to Student Government? A Town Hall” on Friday from 5:00-7:00PM to provide students with an additional opportunity to engage with each other and student leaders.
- USAC Presidents Reunion will be held this Saturday. Reunion occurs every 5 years. If you are interested in attending, please let me know.
- Westwood Forward Town Hall #2 at Skylight Garden was a great success. It was wonderful to see the Westwood Community come together in the name of creating a more inclusive, responsive, forward-thinking neighborhood council.
- Next Police Chief’s Advisory Council Meeting is next Wednesday. If you have any concerns or issues you’d like to share, please do.
- Next Wednesday there will also be a meeting on the proposed housing developments. If you have any ideas or issues you’d like shared, please let me know.

B. Internal Vice President

Li

- We change the account of USAC Live on youtube starting from today's meeting. The new account name is "DEPT usaclive" instead of usaclive! Under this account, only students and staffs with ucla.edu email can access.
- Finals Study Hall is on December 10th from 2pm to 10pm at Ackerman Grand Ballroom. Snacks and coffee are provided!
- Food trucks for finals are on December 10th AND December 11th from 9pm to Midnight at the flagpole in Dickson Court.

C. External Vice President

Pan

- We are continuing to advocate on the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (HR 1). The UC Advocacy Network (UCAN) launched a call to action today around the tax reform because of its detrimental impacts on higher education. Graduate students are organizing a walkout for Wednesday at 10pm at Bruin Bear. Our office is continuing to do phonebanking; you can access scripts and calling numbers on our website/Facebook event.
- For Westwood Forward, we had our second townhall with phenomenal turnout. Over seventy community members ranging from students, business owners, property owners, renters, and others came out. Special thank you to Malik and Adriana for coming to support.
 - Throughout this week and next week, we’ll have staffers on Kerckhoff Patio doing outreach to garner signatures for the Westwood Forward petition. You can stop by the Patio or BruinWalk any day between 12pm and 3pm, or sign online at westwoodforward.com.
- Tomorrow (Wednesday) is also our UC-Wide Title IX Advocacy Day. We’re specifically pushing for HR 4030, which would codify Obama-era Title IX protections in higher education adjudication processes. We’ll be on Kerckhoff Patio 12-3pm, as per our usual office hours.
 - On that note of sexual assault and sexual violence, applications to be the UCLA undergraduate representative to the UC system wide Title IX Advisory Board are open until November 30th.
- On Thursday, we’ll be signing postcards in support of a clean Dream Act. Our goal is to get 500 postcards signed.
- Applications to be part of the UCLA delegation to the UC Students of Color Conference (SOCC) are officially out. They’re due by 11:59pm PST on December 28th. We’re covering the cost of registration, hotel, and transportation for SOCC.
- Lastly, this weekend is the December UCSA Board Meeting. Most of our executive team will be in Berkeley for the meeting, where we’ll primarily be discussing our plans for January surrounding the state budget and impending tuition increase

D. Academic Affairs Commissioner

Sharma

- Report was not received before or after the meeting.

E. Facilities Commissioner

Hajee

- Report was not received before or after the meeting.

F. Financial Supports Commissioner

Boudaie

- This past week, the Affordability Committee in my office worked with CalPirg and collected signatures from Pell Grant recipients for Raise Hell for Pell day.
 - Today, 2 reps from my office, Aneri and Millen, met with Senator Feinstein's office to talk about protecting federal-funded financial aid. During the meeting, they shared a video petition we filmed earlier this month with personal testimony from students about how financial aid helps them get through college.
- Next, I just want to remind you all about our 2 FSC events this week. First, I hope to see you all at our interview prep workshop on Thursday from 5-6:30pm at the Bruin Viewpoint Room in conjunction with the Career Center and the Prez office.
- Lastly, I hope you will all stop by to make a couple calls Friday at our phone bank for financial aid and grants with the EVP office from 12-1pm on Kerck patio.

G. General Rep 2

He

- Report was not received before or after the meeting.

H. Campus Events Commissioner

Saidian

- CEC Speakers present Chris Harrison, host of the Bachelor in Moore 100, tonight with free Chik-Fil-A
- We will be doing a showing of ELF in AGB on 11/30
- Campus Moviefest last week was very successful, of which the winners will continue on to compete on the national level
- CEC Free Sneak of Justice League sold out and took place on 11/15 - Two \$50 Abercrombie Gift Cards were given out.
- Melnitz Movies + CEC Free Sneak: The Shape of Water.

I Student Wellness Commissioner

Lee

- Sexperts: World AIDS Day Friday Dec 1: Make Art/Stop AIDS (10-12am Kaufman Hall Rm 208) and Information & Activities Fair (10am-3pm Bruin Plaza)
- BITE: Love Your Body Meditation (Wed Dec 6, 7-8pm in Hedrick Movement Studio)
- SEARCH and CPR/FA: No Pain, More Gain → Thursday (11/30) 7:30 -9:30PM, Sproul Multipurpose Room
- CAC x HNF: Global Comfort Foods and Mental Health around the World. Nov 29th, 5-7pm in Geology Lounge 3680
- Active Minds Resnick Neuropsychiatric Hospital Donation Drive, drop off items until end of Week 10 in K308! Collecting socks, toiletries, hair ties/brushes, coloring books, puzzles, games, books, sugar-free gum, sensory items (stress balls, fidget spinners, etc)

J. Administrative Representatives

Aboagye, Alexander, Champawat, Geller, Kadota

Kadota:

- LA Homeless Count happens Jan 23-25, they get volunteers to block every single block, counting the number of homeless people. Its critical for funding.

Alexander:

- We have our last TGIF funding deadline for this quarter this Friday. tgif.asucla@ucla.edu

VIII. Contingency Fund Allocations(11/21/17)*

Malshe

- 15 applications
- 1 was from the office
- \$ 3048 recommended
- Flournoy-Hooker moves to approve the allocation of \$3048, Saidian seconds.
- 10-0-1 vote the funds are allocated.
 - GenRep 2 abstains.

Contingency Fund Allocations(11/28/17)*

- 15 applications, 14 orgs and 1 org (Malshe Funding Workshop)
- \$ 9994.51 can someone confirm this number please. :)
- \$5,465 recommended.
- Flournoy-Hooker moves to approved \$ 5465, Boudaie seconds.
- 9-0-2 this motion is passed.

IX. Student Wellness Programming Fund#

Lee

- Diabetes education workshop \$750, fully funded.
- Approved by no opposition.

XII. Old Business

Mokhtarzadeh

A. Title IX Bylaw Change*

- Aboagye reads the bylaws.
- Pan moves to approve the Title IX bylaw change, Boudaie seconds.
- 10-0-1 vote the bylaw change is approved.

XIII. New Business

A. Resolution to Support Parking Valet Workers*

Corona Diaz

- Can I cede my time over to the public representative
- Chelsea
 - I am from a student labor advocacy program and ia ma lsos a student valet worker
 - All UCs have problems with contracted workers where the university cannot pay people under a certain amount, but my hiring a contractor, they university can get around that.
 - I think that's completely unfair.
 - People with no pension, who have worked for 10 years have been fired
 - Immigrant workers have been fired and mistreated
 - When the valet workers fought back, they were replaced with students.
 - I also realized that for a lot of students this job pays for college. But ucla tried to position itself as giving students opportunity but a study by UC Berkeley said that students who work 10 hours are less graduate late.
 - I feel like a lot of administrators are business people who are taking advantage of students.
 - So why don't we focus on treating workers and students right and not look at our public university as a money making scheme.

- Diaz: I hope you all read the resolution. The first half lists issues that have taken place with the valet workers and the UC audit. Aaron, Arielle and I met before this meeting to have possible amendments which we have typed out in red. How would you all like to talk about this?
- Diaz: Valets are not allowed to accept tips but UCOP allows individual UCs to determine their policy regarding tips. But we couldn't find that policy so I would call upon someone else to find it.
- Flournoy-Hooker: Last we decided that we will review the doc and come prepared with edits.
- Pan: This summer we sat on the collective bargaining sessions. It got to a point where administrators said that they could either support the workers or students. And this is something that I've seen used in many such session where they use students as scapegoats and say that supporting workers and students are somehow mutually exclusive. So we could add a amendment for a support for a \$15 minimum wage.
- Mokhtarzadeh: I appreciate Chloe's point and I commend Diaz on integrating this point.
- Diaz: Cedes her time to Aron
- Student Representative, Aron:
 - You would want to call UC to stop any policies that exploit employees.
- Lee moves to approve this resolution, Flournoy Hooker seconds.
- 11-0-0 this resolution is adopted.
- Diaz: thank you to everyone for helping with the amendments because discussion is always important. I will keep you updated about the letter that we send out.

XIV. Announcements

Stokes:

- We had our Thanksgiving on the hill event and we had a great response with 190 sign ups.
- We are working on creating a more receptive community for transfer. If you are part of any discussion, let me know.

Flournoy

- Tomorrow we have "Word on Wednesday"
- Geology lounge room 3680.
- Mental Health Week all week.
- Tomorrow launch party, 7:30-10:30PM
- Queer History event
- Friday- masculinity

Hardwicke:

- CPO Food Closet have raised a lot of money and could use more support.

Malshe:

- Funding workshop tomorrow from 2:30-3:30
- We will be going over major funding sources, issues and the application itself.

Diaz:

- Awesome on the CPO Spark Campaign.
- We reached our \$10K goal and we have expanded it to \$15,000.

Lee:

- There seems to have been confusion on what copgraggiming means.
- It is not asking last minute for materials and its not creating a program and asking us to join last minute.
- Although we want to assist you in making the most well informed events for the student body. It is hard for is to join in last minute.
- So I would ask you all to do your research before talking to someone who is involved in this and asking us in a timely manner, perhaps 2 weeks in advance.

He:

- We just released a survey about international job search.

- If you can share it on facebook, we would be thankful.

XV. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

XVI. Adjournment

Flournoy Hooker moves to adjourn the meeting at 9:32PM, Hajee seconds.

11-0-0 vote the meeting is adjourned.

XVII. Good and Welfare

* Indicates Action Item

Indicates Consent

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