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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL

Kerckhoff Hall 417

May 2, 2017

7:00 PM

PRESENT: Danny Siegel, Rafael Sands, Ashly Mohankumar, Jordan Dang, Zoe Borden, Ruchit Majmudar, Inan Chowdhury, Zack Dameron, Amy Shao, Divya Sharma, Sandra Rhee, Ariel Rafalian, Christina Lee, Kevin Yu, Debra Geller, Roy Champawat, Rob Kadota, Jessica Alexander

ABSENT: Michael Starr, Sabrina Zeigler

I. Call to Order

-Siegel calls the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

A. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet is passed around

II. Approval of the Agenda

-Sands moves to strike Bruin Defenders.

-Moahnkumar moves to strike ASRF and travel mini fund.

-Majmudar moves to approve the agenda as amended. Rafalian seconds.

11-0-0 vote the agenda has been approved as amended.

III. Approval of the Minutes from April 25, 2017

-Borden moves to approve the minutes. Majmudar seconds.

10-0-1 vote the minutes have been approved.

IV. Public Comments

-Riley is from Bruin Home Solutions and we want to become global in sustainability.

-Riley says we want to compete and UCLA dos not have a team.

-Riley says we are competing so we are designing the whole thing and an event is May 30th to showcase our design, please come.

-Riley says please publicize this event.

-Alicia says she is chair of Afrikan Student Union, a picture was released of Danny Siegel holding a gang sign.

-Alicia says this is a campus issue, not election issue.

-Alicia says we are seeing this now so it shows we are concealing him for a year.

-Alicia says USAC speaks for all of us so please be careful who you vote for.

-Caitlyn says she is a first year from ASU.

-Caitlyn says often times black culture is made fun of and invalidated.

-Caitlyn says people make it okay when white people do it, she was in a home that was gang related so it is not acceptable.

-Caitlyn says if issues come out like these please do not conceal them for a year.

-Chloe says she is a black bruin transfer and recognizes the apology, but needs action.

-Chloe says she does not understand why USAC has not taken action because this is from ignorance.

-Chloe says speak for us.

-Taylor says she is disrespected from the photo of the president leaked.

-Taylor says black people are more than commodities and does not have time to come and tell USAC that this is not acceptable.

-Taylor says to re-educate yourselves.

-Taylor says please realize what you do.

-Hannah says she is going off of what everyone says, this was disgraceful and despicable.

-Hannah says it does not matter that this was a year ago, you are running for president at UCLA so you should have known this beforehand.

-Nor says she is a student of Muslim decent and feels like this is the surface of what is being hidden, you do not know the implications of your actions.

-Nor says this is not limited to black lives, diversity is beautiful please open your mind.

-Nor says an apology means nothing if you're not doing anything for it.

-Henry says he is with social students and thinks its amazing that these students are standing together and he says another issue.

-Henry says this morning a delegation met with the Vice chancellor of student affairs and doing their best effort to help students.

-Henry says we need sanctuary campus policies.

-Robert says this is another day of fighting racism.

-Robert says you cannot get rid of us.

-Robert says the picture is funny that a white man can put up a gang sign, but if a black man does it they are in trouble.

-Robert says we do not find out the reasoning's behind our cultural differences.

-Robert says people gang bang for terrible reasons such as marginalization and colonization.

-Robert says please understand why we are mad, there are systemic reasons behind it.

-Robert says this shit is just going to keep going.

-Siegel moves for a recess. Majmudar seconds.

4-6-0 vote this motion for recess has failed.

-Malik says every person responsible holding onto that photo for a year is responsible.

-Dr. Sharay says she is here to be in solidarity for these young people and stands up as a staff member of this university.

-Dr. Sharay says she is sick and tired of being sick and tired.

-Dr. Sharay says her team goes and gets students everyday to attend college.

-Dr. Sharay says she has a PhD from Michigan state university.

-Dr. Sharay and Robert argue for more time.

-Siegel says please respect the time.

-Siegel motions for a 5-minute recess.

-Siegel withdraws his motion.

-Majmudar says this is the end of public comment.

-Shao moves to suspend the bylaws on public comment to allow them to make public comment indefinitely. Sharma seconds.

3-5-0 vote this motion has failed.

-Siegel has extended time for 10 minutes.

-Siegel says we are waiting for the sheets to come back for those who would like to speak.

-Chowdhury moves to suspend the bylaws to extend the time for public comment so each person is not cut off from the time constraint. Shao seconds.
11-0-0 vote public comment has been extended for 5 mins maximum.

-Shao wants to revote for the motion she put up earlier, please acknowledge that this was last year with the presentation of shutting down a Muslim woman.

-Shao says respect that they are out here applying their student fees to you.

-Shao moves to extend public comment indefinitely. Sharma seconds.
11-1-0 vote public comment has been extended indefinitely.

-Siegel reminds council that undergraduates are the only people allowed to speak.

-Shao says it is inefficient to waste peoples time to sign in.

-Siegel says we are continuing to use the sheet.

-Borden reads the bylaws aloud.

-A commenter says to fix these bylaws.

-Borden is addressing that only students can speak.

-Students yell to suspend it.

-Joseph says black peoples and others voices do not have a timeline and people who are most affected by this are those in power.

-Joseph says if you are not on the table you are on the menu.

-Caitlyn tries to speak again.

-Siegel says this is against the bylaws.

-Caitlyn continues to yell and the bylaws and disrespecting culture.

-Caitlyn says hold a blood sign in my neighborhood and see what happens to you, do not ever do it again.

-Siegel says we are upholding the bylaws.

-Caitlyn says we still matter.

-Caitlyn says until you listen to us this is what you are going to get.

-Students start chanting Black Bruins Matter.

-Majmudar says emotions are high, can we please continue?

-Students yell.

-Isaac says he just noticed and this side of the table did not acknowledge it, what the fuck are you doing in those seats then?

-Isaac says you are privileged.

-Isaac says people of color on this side of the room stop being tokenized.

-Isaac says they are using your skin to make themselves better.

-Isaac says stand up for us we chose you for a reason.

-Isaac says to stop with your sorry ass apology, do something.

-Caitlyn says the more you silence us the more we will speak.

-Wahid says you were on council for a year, how can you do this after a year.

-Wahid says how can your apology come a year after?

-Natalia says she wants to honor the original people of this land, black lives matter.

-Natalia says they deserve to be here, their bodies cannot be bought and sold.

-Natalia says we see white supremacy posted on the walls everyday, get your shit together.

-Natalia says all of you telling us when we can talk or not is not okay.

-Joseph says black people are affected by this so they are the ones who should be filling up these seats right now.

- Caitlyn asks if there will be any repercussions for Danny?
- A student says our community around Pauley is all crips so throw at up outside and see what happens.
- The student says he does not want to be associated with Siegel.
- The student says we went to the same high school, but you are not representing us.
- Another student says that Rafi and her went to school together and says that he did not say anything in regards to this issue.
- Same student says this is fucked up and bullshit.
- Caitlyn calls council mother fuckers and says listen to us.
- Caitlyn says you still continue to marginalize us.
- Students applaud Shao.
- Student says the fact that people are making excuses for you is despicable.
- Student says some council members are on their phones so either listen or get out.
- Student says stop looking at your fucking computers.
- Student says everyday she is on campus and people stare at her because she is black, they do not see her intellect.
- Student says Amy and Div I love you.
- Student says Denaë should be in Siegel's seat.
- Wahid requests all of you to not look at us in anger, we are not attacking we are just tired of what you have put us through.
- Another student says this is his first year, it is sad to see that it has come down to this state and it takes anger to voice to our opinion.
- The student carries on saying that this is lack of awareness and it is sad to see.
- The student says less change will happen if this continues.
- The student asks what you will do for change?
- The student says this is a repeated cycle and nothing has happened.
- The student says you are causing a division.
- The student says you all have been distant for every issue and ignorant.
- The student says you are living in fantasyland.
- The student says stop being reactive, help us and embrace each other.
- Another student says I hope you all feel horrible about this.
- Another student says bruins united hurts us because you are meshing our troubles together, we are all oppressed in different ways.
- The student continues to say our culture and history needs to be respected.
- The student says why do I have to find words about how I feel like suppression and micro-aggression?
- Alicia speaks again and says that we are all aware.
- Alicia says this is your last quarter here and we still hold you all accountable.
- Alicia says we are coming for you, you do not respect us.
- Alicia says we are proactive.
- A student says we put so much work in this degree; beg for funding, we deserve funding right off the bat.
- The student says we demand that we all get standing budgets for the annual year for our organizations.
- The student says we should not have to fucking beg for that shit.

- Nino says she is the president of Samahang and out here for the fellow brother and sisters.
- Nino says y'all ain't shit to council.
- Nino says this school was not built for us.
- Nino says we are coming and we have been organizing on the low don't ever think we have stopped looking at this.
- Nino says do not ever put yourself away from the community.
- Student asks what Siegel's response is.
- Siegel says he cannot speak during public comment.
- Student says please be cautious for who you are voting for.
- Student reads past USAC candidates who have suppressed black lives.
- Student says do not vote for people on Bruins United.
- A student says she watched Dear White People on Netflix and it was all filmed on this campus, she has so much relation to this show because she has been through it.
- Student says she hates that and you cannot silence us.
- Tyler says this is not about you, take yourself out, emphasize with us.
- Student says again we are coming for you.
- Student says understand that what you do to appropriate us we will be coming harder and harder.
- Student says this is way beyond Danny's fuck up, there is anti-blackness on campus.
- Student says this is you being a part of what the fuck you're a part of.
- Student says understand that people you represent do not all look like you.
- Student says if not the anger, if not the disappointment, if not the sadness and tears, then the reality that people die everyday due to skin color.
- Student says how long will we chalk it up to white ignorance?
- Student says everyone here has done something and everyone deserves to be here, ignorance is not an excuse.
- Hannah says she has spoken a lot of people about Danny, they all say you're liberal. Liberal how?
- Hannah says this is disgraceful.
- A student says this is personal.
- Student says take jokes about our community are not the same as jokes about yours.
- Margaret says y'all aint shit and each person does not need you.
- Maragaret says each of you sitting at this table that allowed silence, that is not okay you are so privileged it is our job to educate you on this shit.
- Robert says they try to pretend about people's color, yet go behind our backs and divide it.
- Robert says I see that mother fucking shit.
- Robert says you are infiltrating our spaces to divide us, guess what bitch, that aint happening.
- A student asks what kind of crown are you trying to protect?

V. Special Presentations

VI. Appointments

A. USAC Judicial Board* -- Leann Pham

- Siegel moves to table this to next week.
- Shao says your decision should be considerate for the students so ask them first.
- Siegel asks members of ARC if there was a report.
- Borden says there was an ARC interview and we voted for approval.
- Majmudar moves for a 5-minute recess.
- Borden seconds.
- 11-0-0 vote we have a 5 minute recess.
- Leann says she is here because her appointment was not up to par and she has prepared.
- Borden says last week you spoke about J board rulings you noticed, can you speak about another one?
- Leann says 2013-2014 J board one is something I want to speak about where a non-media appearance was on the radio host and this was not campaigning.
- Leann says she would handle this differently because for a presidential candidate to speak on the radio it can be censored.
- Siegel asks from your last interview what have you taken from that and how would you like to share that will help with your views of judicial board member?
- Leann says she went through the same interview and application process and was chosen by the directors.
- Leann says there was a gap of knowledge between you guys and I have prepared myself.
- Dameron says prior to coming to last meeting, what were you told by the president's office to prepare for?
- Leann says she was told to be contacted by the ARC, it was rushed so she did not see ARC.
- Shao says were you told any format structure?
- Leann says no.
- Leann says she is qualified and not afraid to show that she has knowledge of the cases.
- Majmudar moves to approve Leann Pham to USAC Judicial board. Rafalian seconds.
- Shao says last week she wants to say sorry voting no given the impression that there was a format presented to you.
- Shao says the fact you were never put through an ARC interview, so she is sincerely sorry for the lack of information.
- Borden says ARC sat with Leann and found that she shows definite improvement and willingness to learn and an unbiased appointment.
- Chowdhury says he believes she will serve the student body in a well-informed matter.
- Chowdhury says she is certain that this is for her.
- Chowdhury says she has taken time to learn about J board.
- Lee says she can portray that knowledge was deeper than it was last week.
- Rafalian says last week he mentioned that she has a positive attitude and Leann has definitely shown that.
- Rafalian says he is confident in her.
- Siegel says he is sorry for his office dropping the ball about this without preparing her and says he is sorry to Leann for that.
- Siegel is excited to see council give such approving comments tonight.
- 12-0-0 vote Leann Pham has been approved.

VII. Officer and Member Reports

A. President – Siegel

-Siegel says he has no report.

B. Internal Vice President – Zeigler

-Spring Activities Fair is tomorrow from 11am-2pm.

-Alumni Gala is June 4th.

C. External Vice President – Sands

-Sands says we met with president Napolitano and pushing for a survey of cost of attendance to be done.

-Sands says Berkeley had a huge incident where their rents were being heightened.

-Sands says the congressional budget deal this week has finally included year round pelgrants and is proud that this is in a bipartisan deal and we have had 200 congressional meetings for this.

-Sands says the fact that this has gone through thanks to the students work is something is very happy with.

-Sands says he realizes everyone is tired of elections but the school board based went to a run off because no candidate received enough votes so the new election will be May 16th.

D. Academic Affairs Commissioner – Mohankumar

-Mohankumar says we finalized the date for town hall infoession, which serves many committees so it is a great opportunity.

-Mohankumar says come to our meeting.

E. Student Wellness Commissioner – Lee

-Lee says we finished bruin health week on Sunday and raised money for children's hospital.

-Lee says we are working with CEC next Monday.

-Lee says Active Minds is hosting events next week for mental health and self-expression piece of mind exhibition.

-Lee says we have an event to educate people on bipolar disorder.

-Lee says we are hosting world AIDS to raise money for AIDS awareness May 19th.

F. Facilities Commissioner – Rhee

-Rhee says or texting service is being revamping.

-Rhee says food recovery program is successful.

-Rhee says we have a transportation service advisory board to look into this during a meeting.

G. Financial Supports Commissioner – Rafalian

-Rafalian says the meeting is this Thursday to finalize charges for bruins libraries free of charge.

H. Campus Events Commissioner – Dang

-Dang says tomorrow is film festival screening.

-Dang says resistance and resilience is what it is called.

- Dang says speaking event is tomorrow for an the starter of NFL.
- Dang says we have drag queen contestant on May 10th, Katya.
- Dang says May 8th is a fitness festival.
- Dang says a concert is May 17th.
- Dang says King Arthur is May 9th.

I. General Representative 1 – Borden

- Borden says in a few weeks you will notice on you're my.ucla page you will see a scholarship portal to connect you with scholarships.
- Borden says this is in response to tuition hikes.
- Borden says the homepage will have graduate and post-doc funding sources also.

J. General Representative 2 – Majmudar

- Majmudar says no report.

K. General Representative 3 – Chowdhury

- Chowdhury says we have events these next 3 weeks.
- Chowdhury says we have Ayatola Kimazi to talk at Sigma CHAI.
- Chowdhury says he is giving a workshop on story telling.
- Chowdhury says it will be next Thursday at 7pm.
- Chowdhury says space jam is next week and it is improv event Wednesday 6-9pm.
- Chowdhury says this will be a charity event.
- Chowdhury says we are having Buzzfeed stars and professional comedians.
- Chowdhury says in sunset rec we are having a pre-event to our Olympic event.
- Chowdhury says it is Wednesday may 24th from 4-7:30pm.

L. Transfer Student Representative – Sharma

- Sharma says we are working to create an undocumented student alumni list.
- Sharma says our scholarships go out week 6.
- Sharma says week 10 is de-stress week in SAC.
- Sharma says we are getting 10 more parking permits to help transfers.
- Sharma says the transfer veteran center opens week 7 and transfer bruin center opens next week.
- Sharma says we are creating free printing and wifi in the space.

M. Community Service Commissioner – Dameron

- Dameron says CSC has been doing a lot.
- Dameron says he is amazed we went through 12 officer reports without talking about what just happened.
- Siegel says he was going to speak.
- Dameron says when it is not recorded?
- Dameron says it is not a section for announcements.
- Dameron says we ended the same way we ended during his first year and it is continuing.
- Dameron says never has he ever spoken about the projects, but we are appalled about what happened and we stand with our black bruins and black community of LA.

-Dameron says CSC does not stand or support you Danny.

N. Administrative Representatives

-Geller says no report.

-Kadota says thank you for supporting the aventura jamboree and safety fair, it was very successful.

-Kadota says we are hoping to work in community service.

-Alexander says no report.

-Champawat says we sent an email about the locks being updated, sorry for getting it bogged down it was reprioritized.

VIII. Fund Allocations

A. Contingency Programming * -- Yu

-29 student organizations applied, 2 USAC organizations applied.

-USAC gen rep 1 requested \$500.

-Total recommended was \$300.

-SWC requested \$150 and recommended \$100.

-Total recommended was \$400.

-Chowdhury moves to approve this allocation for \$400. Rafalian seconds.

10-0-2 vote this allocation has been approved.

-For the student organizations, total requested was \$32,806.91.

-Total recommended was \$14,880.

-Chowdhury moves to approve this allocation for \$14,880. Rafalian seconds.

12-0-0 vote this allocation has been approved.

B. Arts Restoring Community # -- Shao

-Shao says she will use announcements to say what she needs to say.

-Shao says honestly many people are not listening.

-Shao says she will use announcements to express the actions.

-Total request of \$73,434.71

-A total of \$33,669.85 allocated.

-The total amount of funding of \$105,137 was used for the organizations.

-This allocation has been approved by consent.

C. Student Wellness Programming Fund # -- Lee

-CALPIRG requested \$150 and allocated in full.

-This allocation has been approved by consent.

-Geller says the offices that have funds, can you make a brief statement about what is remaining.

-Geller says it is clear that ARC is fully done, but we would like to hear others.

-Mohankumar says AAC mini travel fund, funds have been exhausted.

-Mohankumar says AAC fund we have about \$2,000 left and that can be applied to your event after May 12th.

-Sands says Bruin Defenders has all been allocated.

-Lee says SWC fund does have funding and the cap is \$500 per event.

- Yu says for contingency has about \$80,000 left and we fund until June 19th.
- Yu says whatever is leftover is going to endowment.

IX. Old Business

A. USAC Reform Ad Hoc Committee Update – Ad Hoc Committee Members

- No update.

X. New Business

A. Added Discussion About The Issue

- Siegel suggests a recess to collect our thoughts.
- Shao says no because council members can leave and not come back once a recess happens.
- Siegel says what he did was racist.
- Siegel says the last 2 years getting to serve on council has been something that is meant a lot to him and is thankful for this opportunity and has made many mistakes.
- Siegel says he knows what he believes and the values he has.
- Siegel says he is not expecting you to buy what he is saying.
- Siegel says he is ready to work to see what he can do in this last week.
- Siegel says he is open to council to speak.
- Borden says she has been silenced on this table, she knows Danny.
- Borden has met Danny's parents and has known Danny for the 2 years and knows she is not a racist.
- Borden says he is a loving, kind, and accepting human being.
- Borden says we are Bruins and also humans and we all have faults.
- Borden says she is not expecting Danny to resign because she stands with the fact that Danny is not a racist.
- Shao says she finds it very inappropriate that all of us are in midterm season and she is sitting here that all they want Danny to say is "my action is racist".
- Shao says you are not racist; we want you to say your action is racist.
- Siegel says I do not think Amy knows what I am thinking so out of respect to you, you do not know.
- Siegel says his intent was to uphold the bylaws.
- Siegel says he does not want to silence anyone in this room.
- Siegel says he was trying to respect the legacy of this position.
- Siegel says if you thought the rules were bad then let's change them for the future.
- Student says admit that your actions were racist and that is it.
- Student says your silence speaks volumes.
- Siegel says he was wrong.
- Siegel says he understands, what he said was racist, but the way the conduct and bullying going on to force someone to say something is not from your heart.
- Siegel says to obstruct someone from leaving a room is not okay.
- Dang says this is a crazy experience you are holding the bylaws like it is holy.
- Dang says you are refusing to say something that you already said, we are just asking.
- Dang says we can sit here all night.
- Chowdhury says there is a difference between intent and impact.

- Student says look at the values you were raised with and reflect on that.
- Shao asks would you like us to end the meeting or keep going?
- Students say that certain council members are being quiet.
- Chowdhury says how can you as members of Bruins united dismantle this?
- Mohankumar says she does not believe that Bruins United has tokenized her and this party has welcomed her.
- Mohankumar says sorry for not speaking out, but those of you that know her do not speak out about issues that go on during meeting,
- Mohankumar says there are many things she could have done better.
- Mohankumar says she has learned so much in this short amount of time and she is sorry that it took her till the end of her term to learn this.
- Mohankumar hopes that those who aren't graduating mobilize and change campus.
- Mohankumar says she stands in solidarity and is speaking now.
- Mohankumar says thank you for coming to educate us.
- Sands says he was a reporter for daily bruin freshmen year and became close to a man named Conrad and during elections we could choose who we cover.
- Sands picked Jenae Joseph and to answer your question, he did not have a choice and there is only one place he could go to be EVP.
- Sands says he is proud of what he has done this year and working 40 hours a week sleeping in his office to make this better.
- Sands says he can do this work without being in politics.
- Sands says he acknowledges those who are here, the first time he spoke at a public comment he was cut off too.
- Sands says he is sorry that this happened and that this is about something that happens everyday.
- Sands says he was watching Dear White People and filmed in these hallways and it is a continuous process.
- Sands says he does not have the answers, he wants to try something out and get there.
- Sands says he hopes that he can do better.
- Borden says she feels as if asking someone to answer exactly how you like feels manipulative.
- Borden says this is not a fair position to put someone in.
- Student says the impression is that you want to say you believe it, but your silence shows you do not believe it.
- Student says he was not trying to bully you.
- Siegel says sorry that was not his intent.
- Chowdhury says Sands did reach out to him to work with the office and Sands wanted to activate the platform, but you did have a choice.
- Chowdhury says he felt like he did not have a choice either.
- Chowdhury says bruins united have the power to get people elected.
- Chowdhury says thank you Rafi but it is important to voice that we are as individuals.
- Chowdhury says we represent ourselves on this table and students.
- Chowdhury says he has concentrated a lot on his own communities but we need that representation.
- Chowdhury says at a point students wanted him to run for CAC to bring cultural awareness, but after he researched Shao he realized that was the only person for the job.

- Chowdhury says his experience with bruins united made him feel excluded.
- Chowdhury says Danny cared about his vision even when he went independent, but we need to look into these.
- Shao asks students again do you want to keep going?
- Student says he would like an MOU drafted for the students.
- Siegel says he would love to sit down and discuss that.
- Chowdhury says could we create something now?
- Tyler says he will share his contact information.
- Rafalian says he sorry for his actions because it seemed as though he was silencing others voices.
- Rafalian says he came to UCLA and joined student government by joining IVP office.
- Rafalian says bruins united took him in and sometimes his identity gets muddled as a Persian-Israeli Jewish man.
- Rafalian says he made awesome friendships through bruins united.
- Rafalian says thank you all for coming and he has heard you.
- Rafalian says this was definitely a big impact left on all of council and with the remainder of our time here we can figure out solutions.
- Sands says he has been trying to figure out as a white person how to be an ally, but he does want to learn and if people are willing to talk that would be great.
- Tylar says we are very welcoming in the black community and would love to talk.
- Majmudar says he has a lot to process and does not think he will say it right if he speaks from his hip right now.
- Majmudar says either as a statement or something, he needs to sleep over it and needs time to think about things.
- Siegel says this will be included to next weeks agenda item.
- Student says if there could be some way to have more support financially since you have surplus.
- Student says how can we apply for that funding since there is excess?
- Student says our work is helping this institution, we need to dismantle the way we access these funds.
- Student says we should have our autonomy to budget our money, we do not need USAC.
- Wahid says show up to our events at least.
- Chowdhury asks what does endowment do?
- Geller says the endowment is a fund set up for the purpose of generating revenue to go from USAC to student organizations but surplus is unpredictable.
- Geller says the following year has little money for contingency and BOD, this endowment was to create a tapping into this money to protect and generate interests.
- Geller says the endowment is not large enough to be impactful each year.
- Geller says this money would be designated for future student organization funding, it is not something you do not need to spend, but it increases the amount future council will have to give.
- Geller says you do fundraising to support the awards, fundraising to build endowment to increase amount each year.
- Chowdhury says we allocated a portion of discretionary for chief of staff so there is still money in there.
- Yu says we will be leftover with \$12,000 and we are doing well this year.

- Yu says none of you noticed or utilized the money into those accounts.
- Yu says he is amazed that y'all fight for money but do not use it.
- Borden says student government accounting was used but not necessarily for chief of staff .
- Yu says it does not need to be chief of staff.
- Shao says what CAC does is when we are given our budget we allocate to our chief of staff and directors and we take the money and use it for institutional needs.
- Sands says if we do not do this we will be taken over by the university and can shut it down so we need to find a medium between an easy accessible funding and rules.

XI. Announcements

- Dang says the officer member report is where you speak about your office.
- Dang says he is appalled that Siegel kept calling for recess while people were speaking.
- Dang says by you constantly limiting public comment you wanted this to end as fast as possible.
- Dang says people are speaking from a place of hurt.
- Shao says she has been using her voice and it has been silenced a lot of time.
- Shao says my dad was involved with gang life when he was in New York.
- Shao says he had no money, undocumented, and living in subway stations.
- Shao says ganglife was easy money.
- Shao says her dad went off the grid to make sure his 2 daughters could be fed.
- Shao says her sister was sent back to china because she could not be sent.
- Shao says gang signs should not be appropriated ever.
- Shao says last election season she was not supposed to win, she finds it interesting that an article last year about what motivated you to run was that President Obama won as president.
- Shao says how is you throwing up the blood sign a part of that.
- Shao says the fact that there was silencing of women of color in this room is not surprising.
- Shao says Siegel has texted her to keep quiet throughout council.
- Shao says we need to use public spaces to call people out.
- Shao says the fact that you all have your spaces, but you go for spaces that kept building.
- Shao says if you come for that office again I will be back on this campus.
- Shao says this is 51 years of history.
- Shao says she sat 2 years on council and it is not an excuse.
- Shao says she comes from a town of 99% white and had severe racism.
- Shao says she has fought so much and is graduating in 5-6 weeks and now she thinks about her post-grad plans because she did not get to during her fight here at UCLA.
- Shao says it is not about you; she has a little brother 12 years old and is facing racism.
- Shao says she is fighting for the younger generation.
- Shao says if her brother comes here he better feel safe.
- Shao says we are tired and I am not sure how many times it will take to end this.
- Shao says it is not our place to make you comfortable.
- Shao says why don't you do the reaching out?
- Shao says if y'all don't take the time to take action then it will be bad.
- Shao says she is scared for this campus.

- Shao says this campus has drained her.
- Chowdhury says he expresses the same emotion Shao has.
- Chowdhury says he is disappointed with the whole the situation was handled.
- Chowdhury says public comment is for students to come and speak.
- Chowdhury says every action you do matters.
- Chowdhury says we need to acknowledge the visibility we have here and we should not be appropriating anything.
- Chowdhury says people are hurt and scared to come to this school.
- Chowdhury says provide equity on this campus.
- Chowdhury says everyone who saw that picture last year did not say anything and that is disappointing.
- Chowdhury says this is why he left Bruins United.
- Chowdhury says you do not bang a gavel while people are speaking.
- Chowdhury says we have one week left, how can we take rapid steps to fix this?
- Chowdhury says figure out what resources are there to help students.
- Chowdhury says this has been happening since last year and how have we not adapted to that as USAC.
- Chowdhury says why have we not been able to give that back.
- Chowdhury says why not give this allocation to scholarships?
- Chowdhury says thank you for coming and educating everyone here.
- Lee says she is aware she is quiet, she grew up very quiet.
- Lee says it is difficult to speak up and is working on it.
- Lee says you all spoke volumes today without saying a single word.
- Lee says she believes that Bruins United believes to be welcoming to students, but this is about how other students perceive.
- Lee says on behalf of SWC we are waiting for you to act.
- Borden says she is sad about the photo that came out and accepts the responsibility of not saying something when it was sent out.
- Borden says she learned a lot here tonight and she abstained from the vote because she was not sure about the bylaws.
- Borden says she researched the bylaws and it was not listed and she tried to explain that during meeting.
- Borden says she is sorry for those affected by this image and will strive to hear your narratives.
- Chowdhury says the bylaws are just rules and not made for us so if we speak out and see morality that is because it is not built for us and we should not be strict following those rules.
- Shao says bylaws are forms of oppression to communities of color and last year we ended the last meeting when a Muslim woman had spoken about frat notes who were explicitly being racist and we ended that discussion due to bylaws.
- Shao says she respects what Borden said, but she did not stand in solidarity.
- Rhee says her office is in charge of safety, social justice, sustainability, etc. and throughout the whole year her team and herself really put their heart and soul into many projects.
- Rhee says we tried to implement safety through vans and other things.
- Rhee says it is obvious that she had a lot of short-comings as a council woman.

- Rhee says she comes from a low-income household and has dealt with domestic violence and has not done enough for her Korean American community.
- Rhee says she should have done more and Black Bruins do matter and she did not do enough for them.
- Rhee says what can I do for the next 5 weeks?
- Rhee says she is very sorry and will try to be better for the rest of my life.
- Sharma says it is interesting because his office was created because the BRC needed space for transfer students in it.
- Sharma says he was approached to make this work and ran for student government, but did not know what he was getting into.
- Sharma says the party he was in never supported TSR because they thought it was too community eccentric.
- Sharma says coming out of that party and asked to put Siegel's name on a resolution for transgender communities because he was the only queer person on the slate and the only person who helped me was Shao.
- Sharma says the only person who has been there for me was Shao because she actually cared.
- Sharma says people lashed on him for speaking to her.
- Sharma says thank you Amy for showing him to speak to whomever he wants and he is an independent now.
- Siegel says he knows that a number of people are here in regards to the picture circulating of him.
- Siegel says it does not matter to make this immature and disrespectful pose, it matters that he hurt and targeted people on this campus.
- Siegel says he sees that he has hurt people and has affected him.
- Siegel says who the hell am I? I get that and this is what I believe to own up to this.
- Siegel says he will not stop apologizing.
- Siegel says thank you and is truly sorry for the pain.
- Siegel is not resigning.
- Siegel says if there are other actions you would like then let him know.
- Dameron moves to add a discussion item under new business to the agenda to discuss this. Sharma seconds.
- 12-0-0 vote this motion has been passed.

XII. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet has been passed around.

XIII. Adjournment

-Majmudar moves to adjourn the meeting at 10:44pm.

-Rafalian seconds.

12-0-0 vote the meeting has been adjourned.

XIV. Good and Welfare

* Indicates Action Item

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