UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION COUNCIL
Kerckhoff Hall 417
June 29th, 2017
7:00 PM

PRESENT: Chloe Pan, Nicole Diaz, Kayla He, Justin Jackson, Divya Sharma, Nedda Saidian, Zahra Hajee, Christina Lee, Sayron Stokes, Roy Champawat, Rob Kadota, Jessica Alexander, Pratik Malshe

ABSENT: Arielle Mokhtarzadeh, Vivy Li, Adriana Hardwicke, Malik Flournoy-Hooker Aaron Boudaie, Debra Geller

I. Call to Order
-Diaz calls this meeting to order at 7:01pm.
  A. Vocal Roll Call of Attendance

II. Approval of the Agenda
-He moves to add officer report to the agenda.
-Lee moves to remove her office report.
-Hajee moves to approve the agenda as amended.
-Saidian seconds.
8-0-0 vote the agenda has been approved as amended.

III. Approval of the Minutes from June 13th, 2017
-Jackson moves to approve the minutes.
-Saidian seconds.
8-0-0 vote the minutes have been approved.

IV. Public Comments

V. Special Presentations

VI. Appointments

VII. Officer and Member Reports
A. External Vice President – Pan
-Pan says she had a meeting after last meeting and are working on creating student engagement committee.
-Pan says it would be student representatives having quarterly meetings.
-Pan says their applications have been released and will be closed July 8th.
-Pan says yes anyone can apply including USAC members, but we are going to look into those who do not have opportunities like this.
-Pan says we are looking for students who are not able to go on conferences often.

B. Academic Affairs Commissioner -- Sharma
-Sharma says we met with Powell library yesterday and are looking into more spaces.
-Sharma says they have numbers of how many people are at the library per hour so it can help
students see how busy it is inside.
-Sharma says we met with Jasmine who is the dean of student conduct to make sure the students
know the do’s and don’ts of citing so they do not plagiarize.
-Sharma says we are giving out 200 notebooks on the first 2 days of school!
-Sharma says he spoke with Christina and she might give stuff out as well.

C. General Representative 2 – He
-He says she met about student orientation and spoke about having our own workshops to learn
about cultural differences, get involved on campus, etc.

D. Financial Supports Commissioner -- Boudaie’s proxy
-Proxy says we met with the parking director and parking services and discussed our
relationship.
-Proxy says we will meet once a month.
-Proxy says we are figuring out ways to promote better ways of commute for students such as
renting bikes.

E. Facilities Commissioner – Hajee
-Hajee says appointments are officially open so apply.
-Hajee says appointments app will be released on social media so check that out.
-Hajee says applications are due September 6th.
-Hajee says we are meeting with BCC tonight to speak about bystander intervention and consent.
-Hajee says there are labels on kerkhoff patio about how to recycle.
-Hajee says we had our meeting called Escape the Quake, Bruins Safe to help students prepare
for earthquakes.
-Hajee says we are in the process of having SWC have demonstrations also.

F. Administrative Representatives -- Alexander, Champawat, Geller, Kadota
-No report.

VIII. Fund Allocations

IX. Old Business

X. New Business
A. Preliminary USAC Budget* -- Champawat
-Champawat says this budget is going to put the big pieces of money into funding bodies.
-Champawat says you cannot really change the budget since it comes from the referenda.
-Champawat says we cannot take money from one account and move it over.
-Champawat says your membership fee is your oldest fee and has most flexibility; it is also the fee that does most of the lifting on your expenses.
-Champawat says your stipends are in the overhead budget.
-Champawat says you do not pay any rent charges and that is covered by membership fee.
-Champawat says we have increased enrollment, which takes pressure off some of the lines.
-Champawat says there are 2 lines at bottom of budget that operate as a remainder.
-Champawat says after everything is paid, there is an amount remaining.
-Champawat says you cannot directly change it; you can increase the numbers by decreasing other numbers.
-Champawat says SOOF and SGOF are the remainder accounts.
-Champawat says we have driven down the utility bills.
-Champawat says we SOOF pay your offices for supplies and other office operations.
-Champawat says sometimes commission might have more than 1 source of income and that will be reflected in the expense budget rather than the income budget.
-Champawat says it can have distinctions derived from the referenda.
-Champawat says this is just to enforce your own rules and referenda language.
-Champawat says those of you focusing on expendable money that shows in the expense area.
-Champawat says your overhead details out the officer stipends, administrative, etc.
-Champawat says those expenses are shared with GSA.
-Champawat says your maintenance and utilities are allocated and shared to communities.
-Champawat says you are paying for important budgets like election, retreat, council discretionary, etc.
-Champawat says you pay someone for the computer center.
-Champawat says you have a USA secretary, which is $10,000 for whatever you feel as though you need to use it on like paying chiefs of staff and such.
-Champawat says although you only allocate every 2 years we try to lead the judgments of space to you.
-Champawat says there is some stipend level to be your agent to oversee the spaces being allocated and currently is about $56,000.

-Champawat says the UCLA wellness initiative have a characteristic where it steps up every year.

-Champawat says then it adjusts for inflation and adjusts to consumer price.

-Champawat says the other differences are that the fees are collected in summer and that is reflected in budget and estimated enrollment.

-Champawat says we budgeted it at an actual number from last year.

-Champawat says the finance committee 5 positions are stipend.

-Saidian asks is there going to be a key so she knows what funds she has?

-Champawat says you might have money on 2 lines.

-Champawat says you have it for Bruin Bash, entertainment fees, etc.

-Champawat says you have half entertainment and CAC has half.

-Champawat says only 2 purposes, which are for enormous activities fair, and bruin bash.

-Champawat says the best thing to do is sit with Debbie and look at past history.

-Champawat says council will approve the budget to put the money in your account and make sub-decisions.

-Boudaie proxy asks if we really need telephones in the offices?

-Saidian says she uses her phone.

-Champawat says the phone is reduced a lot compared to past years and some of these are historical lines.

-Boudaie proxy says in 2015-2016 we gave at least $1,000 to offices that do not get money.

-Champawat says those offices get money from other funding bodies, university funding bodies, offices, or fundraisers.

-Champawat says it is not a budget from your mandatory fees.

-Champawat says it includes surplus money, but not the same as your budget.

-Champawat says they do not have dedicated referendum.

-Champawat says you could take money from council discretionary and add it to SGOF to use for additional resources.

-Jackson asks who proposes membership fee changes?

-Champawat says its all things the council made in the past.

-Champawat says recently the numbers are not so static and is a very old membership fee.

-Jackson says he saw judicial board is always $100?

-Debbie says yes.

-Jackson asks so next council do we relocate?

-Champawat says yes.

-Sharma asks do you start with the same 542?

-Champawat says it came from SGOF remainder divided by the reps (7) with dedicated money.

-Champawat says we can change the remainder.
Champawat says there is increasing amount available to contingency.
Champawat says there are 2 places where it is represented.
Champawat says there is a $90,000 and lower you see one $209,000.
Champawat says as it gets additional resources you have an opportunity to cover your overhead and you can change your bylaw.

Hajee asks what exactly determines how each office starts with their original budget?
Hajee asks is there specific sustained programming for those offices?
Champawat says there is referenda that says X amount will be for X purposes.
Champawat says it all depends on the referenda.
Champawat says for example, EVP would decide that this funding can be used for this program.
Champawat says this is an enabling budget.
Hajee says with TGIF the budgeting is separate so what is the relationship?
Champawat says the TGIF specifies representation on that committee and it defines that the initial chair subject to the committees.
Champawat says CAC is a funding body.
Champawat says it is not their funds, but they administer it.
Champawat says you are required to fund other groups without regard for the other group.
Jackson says if we have all that money, why have students pay for bruin bash?
Champawat says surplus was large enough every year with a modest percentage directed to that purpose, we also do have popular artists that require more.
Hajee says there are several support fees, so what determines these committees to get funding and what if other committees want to apply?
Champawat says those funds are directed for certain purposes and originally the referenda defines the purpose and core of the committee.
Champawat says that committee was formed long ago and approved as a designee for the allocation of those funds; it is a relationship for council and COC.
Sharma says those specific committees are funding bodies who also have ability to use that money for ucla students on campus and events.
Champawat says the appointees will have points of input to the programs and they will give reports on their activities at council meetings.
Jackson asks is this all ASUCLA budget?
Champawat says no, once you approve your budget it will be forwarded to ASUCLA and they will make sure you will not spend more money than you have.
Saidian says regarding bruin bash, if we are planning soon how sound are these numbers?
Champawat says they are very sound.
Boudaie proxy asks if they have money left for bruin bash, what happens?
Champawat says you are trying to spend the money for the right amount and any money not spent goes into surplus and we will bring this to you around November.
Jackson asks if last year’s surplus is on here?
-Champawat says no.
-Saidian asks between now and 16-17 are we allowed to use that money?
-Champawat says no.
-Saidian says if she had someone from last year that submits a rec, could we submit recs after if something comes up?
-Champawat says no because we need to close the year out to set you all up to spend your money.

XI. Announcements
-Diaz says Li wants everyone to send a summary of what each office does.
-Sharma says the sanctuary campus initiative is creating a reading list for student progressivism and other resources the university has.
-Jackson asks are other UC’s pushing for a sanctuary campus?
-Sharma says many other universities are and we are working on a resolution.
-Boudaie’s proxy says maybe it can be a campaign for UCSOS.
-Sharma says it cannot be a campaign for UCSOS.
-Sharma says each university defines sanctuary differently.
-Boudaie’s proxy says it might be easier for all of California to do so.
-Sharma says it can cause issues to join it.
-Pan says she is in D.C. right now and working on immigration legislation and 2 bills are about this.
-Pan says the house will build a sanctuary tomorrow if it claims to be a sanctuary city.
-Pan says this will have a negative impact on prior education.
-Pan says we are still expecting it to pass tomorrow.
-Sharma asks what can we do specifically to help?
-Pan says there’s not much we can do.
-Pan says 3 bills came up this week, which is unusual, so at this point calling will not help.

XII. Vocal Roll Call of Attendance

XIII. Adjournment
-Hajee moves to adjourn the meeting at 8:32pm.
-Saidian seconds.
8-0-0 vote the meeting is adjourned.

IX. Good and Welfare
* Indicates Action Item
☐# Indicates Consent Item☐
@ Indicates Executive Session