Student Union Assembly Tuesday, 5/21/2013

Meeting called to order at 6:00PM by DT Amajoyi (Chair)

Assembly Members Present: DT Amajoyi (Chair), Kevin Huang (OD), Rocio Zamora (COD), Shaz Umer (IVC), Shiku Muhire (COAA), Victor Velasco (EVC), Brittany Smith (CoSoC), Kevin Flannery (Cowell), Linh Ngo (Cowell), Nicolette Johnson (Cowell), Brad Mleynek (Crown), Corbin Hall (Crown), Ian Bernstein (Eight), Louise Cabansay (Eight), Roshni Advani (Eight), Carl Eadler (Kresge), Kelsey Rousseve (Kresge), Lyle Green-Nickerson (Kresge), Maria Jennings (LL), Justin McClendon (Merrill), Michael Liber (Merrill), Vanessa Morales (Merrill), CJ Ocampo (Nine), Iden Yekan (Nine), Shanna Ballesteros (Nine), Alfonso Quintero (Oakes Alt.), Gabby Areas (Oakes), Kayla Oh (Oakes), Linda Moua (Oakes), Melody Aguilar (Oakes), Daniel Fernandez (QSU Alt.), Shadin Awad (ABSA), Marinel Yoro (APISA), Ivan Medina (MeCHA), Steven Hernandez (QSU), Daniel Lewis (Porter), Shingo Brann (Porter), Charlsie Chang (Stevenson), Guillermo "Ghandi" Rogel (Stevenson), Lila Blackney (Stevenon Alt.), Sammie Vega (Stevenson), Megana Kunda (Ten), Rebecca Brown (Ten), Tony Milgram (Ten), Eric Rubin (Treasurer), Adrianna Gonzales (Intern COD), Michael Amster

Assembly Members Absent: Giovanni Maldonado (Crown), Max Hufft (Crown Alt.), Nallely Ramirez (MeCHA), Varaun Bradley (ABSA Alt.), Michael Barney (Porter Alt.), Mick Del Rosario (Porter Alt.),

DT: Folks that are in the exit area, I need you to move here. If you don't have a seat, I need you to find a place to sit. We are going to get started. I will be the officer presiding over this meeting. One set per college and one per organization. Our agenda is displayed in front of us. So, I called the meeting to order at 6. Roll call sheet is going around. If you are a rep, please make sure you sign in. Let's move on to the approval of the agenda.

Justin: Can I **motion** to move the CJP Divestment resolution right after the community agreements?

Kelsey: **Second.**

DT: In SUA, everybody has speaking rights. You have to be recognized by me and I will put you on stack. SUA

JSU Rep: We would like to answer clarifying questions.

DT: The bill would be introduced today. The actual discussion will be next week. They get 10 minutes to be present. Would you still like that to the agenda?

Jocelyn: Can you add that to wherever the CJP bill is added?

Rocio: **Point of clarification**, would that be a motion?

Lila: I motion to put "Refutement of the CJP Bill" presentation after CJP Bill.

Tony: **Second**.

DT: Any objection?

Tony: Can we change a title to Response?

Lila: It's friendly.

DT: It is just a presentation.

Kelsey: Can you generally tell people to speak up?

DT: My understanding was that we needed a presentation needed to send you ahead of time. Maybe they can do that this week. Anyone can add agenda items to the meeting. Is there any objection?

Ivan: Objection, redundancy,

DT: There are a lot of you in this space. Folks need to be quiet. I am going through the roll call.

Corbin: Will there be discussion then?

DT: It will be next week.

Rebecca: Can we make a motion that this will be civil?

DT: The vote now is for the CJP Response to be added the agenda.

Vote for or against the CJP Response to be added to the agenda.

Yes: 15 No: 12 Abstention: 7

The CJP Response is now added.

Justin: **Motion** to approve the agenda.

Lila: Second.

DT: Any objections? So moved.

Reading of the Previous Weeks' Minutes

DT: If there are any changes, we can do those now.

Ghandi: **Motion** to approve.

Rebecca: Second.

DT: So moved.

Announcements

Justin: The Dean of Students office is having a Float for Feedback at the Quarry. You get a Root Beer Float.

Rebecca: I am assuming most of you have done this. This is the last day to vote. If you have opinions, and some of you do, make sure to vote. If you haven't voted, vote. Tell your friends.

Lila: This Friday at the College 8 Lawn, SCOC is having an outreach event. There will be watermelons.

Brad: Crown is having an event. There will be a dance super hero themed.

Victor: The office of external chairs is having a week of action. Make sure to come out from Tuesday to Thursday. We will be at Quarry from 11-3. That evening, we will show Caution Migrants on May 29 at the Redwood Lounge. Thursday, we will be hosting an event Student Struggles through Art Expression. The theme is student struggles that we are overcoming. There are prizes. We are accepting submission until Tuesday.

Rocio: My office is hosting the Color of Gendered Violence. CJ is hosting a workshop Men against Patriarchy. It's above the bookstore. That same night, we are having a keynote speaker and we will have a spoken artist perform that night. You should all come through. Everybody is welcome to attend.

Brittany: This Friday night is the SUA Appreciation Banquet at Terra Fresca. Free foods for all college reps, student leaders are invited. It's going to be semi-formal to formal event. There is also a Google doc for suggesting awards. Check out the Facebook page.

Steven: QSU is hosting queer prom this Friday from Amy 25th 8PM-12AM. We will be handing out prizes.

Addy and Emma: We are the cofounders for Call for Hunger, every Thursday night we bake, 7PM; we sell it at the Quarry from 11-1. We donate to charity. We raised \$1,200. It's for charity. We are donating to the Women's Center on Walnut Avenue and the AAWS Foundation.

Shiku: College 9 coco is hosting an event regarding freedom. Helen Shapiro could do a better job.

Helen: It is this Thursday 7PM at the multipurpose room at C9/10. There will be introductions with panelists and UCSC professors.

Shannon: This is Islam awareness week. We will have a couple events. Friday, we will have a prayer.

Emma: I am speaking behalf of the Women's Center on Walnut. You could be an advocate for domestic violence. It's one week training. bcasey@wawc.org E-mail if you are interested.

SUA 5/14/2013 Incident Update

DT: We will talk about the incident last week at the meeting. Last meeting, one of the students made a statement during the announcements portion and the manner in which he did it. I want to bring this to you all since there are students that do not feel comfortable. Addressing the body the way he did, he was clearly in violation of the community agreements and being respectful. He violated things like not addressing the chair and tone of voice. Every time a situation like this escalates, they are then brought to the attention of judicial affairs. Shaz took over as the presiding chair. I stepped outside and made a few calls to ensure everyone's safety. The situation is being handled. If there is anyone that feels unsafe or needs to take extra precautions. The Dean of Students have offered resources that they can have a no-contact policy. If you are in the same space, you have to reduce the contact. He can help you with the process. If that is something you feel necessary for yourself, other than that. It's not okay for people to feel unsafe because of that. Often times, politics is personal. The keyword is respectful. Those were the precautious I took as Chair. If there is any questions or follow up, I am here as a resource. We are going to move to the community agreements.

Community Agreements

DT: At the end of this conversation, we can talk about amending it. If you violate the agreements and it escalates, I may ask you to leave. If we are having a conversation and you recognize you are being vocal a lot, you should make space for other people. The next one we have is "one mic, one star." This means one person speaking at a time. This one is especially important. If there is a side-conversation, I will call you out. If we feel like a topic has been talking has been going on, you can say ELMO. I do not allow snaps but spirit fingers are okay. I am more so an advocate of a brave space but it should be a safe space. Use "I" statements. I cannot be an advocate for all black female students because I am just one. Don't be afraid to speak up but always address the chair. The entire time, you are talking to me. Look at me whenever you are speaking. Don't look at other people to the point where they feel subjugated. It's okay to disagree. Just acknowledge that people have different opinions. Criticize the idea and not the person.

We don't want to feel like anybody is getting attacked. It's a hard ask for me but I urge you to respect these agreements.

CJP: Divestment Resolution





Ivan: **Motion** to extend time 10 minutes.

John: Second.

Guest: Could there an amendment be proposed? Palestine wants to be its own country and it's justified, the wall there, there are conflicts. I was wondering if Radeon can be fixed?

DT: No amendments.

Divestment presenter: We outlined these companies and all these can be amendment.

Ivan: In addition, can we get a list of sources for the PowerPoint as well?

Tony: Do you know exactly how much stock the UC holds in the companies?

Divestment presenter: Due to time constraints, I cant.

Ghandi: Who are you speaking in behalf of?

Divestment presenter: We have endorsement for Jewish rights for peace.

Victor: When were these companies contracted and by who?

Divestment presenter: Some are contracted by people who are building.

Guest: For the college reps, what is the best way to get this info out for the constituents?

Tony: Once we get all the sources, we can summarize that to our governments.

Rebecca: If it's possible, maybe one can come for clarification.

CJ: I think it would be good to see the college reps and went outside our senates' opinion because ten people aren't enough for a colleges' opinion.

Guest: If we stop investing in them, how sure will the stop investing in other places in China instead?

Sammie: I would like to ask to why it seems like Israel targeted.

Divestment presenter: They are multinational companies. As a Jewish student, I've seen these companies by my own eyes. I am also advocate for the prison industrial complex and the issues.

Sammie: One of the other things that the goal is to make the UCSC neutral. But it seems like it's being breached.

Divestment Presenter: If you are Palestine student, you are supporting your own oppression.

Barry: My question is, it's very straightforward, what about President Barack Obama and leaders around, and sees their own in perspective. How do you call this apartheid when there are people are that have different views?

Divestment Presenter: What you experience is a harsh system. We have segregated roads and buses. I think that, to me at this point, it's cruel to be picky about word choice. There is an international law.

DT: This conversation has to be germane. Any other outburst and I will ask you to leave the room, I am not joking.

Ivan: **Point of privilege**, I urge the chair to look at the community agreements and follow up with them.

Shaz: I heard very little comments about the discussion. I understand this is a very contentious topic. Can we stick to the discussion?

Charlsie: **Motion** to extend time to end the speakers list.

Lyle: Second.

Guest: If there is concern about investment in Caterpillar, what is the response by the Palestinian Authority. We can get into a whole argument about the PA, but it doesn't negate the violation of human rights.

Michael: My question is: Are you guys targeting companies that are settling products to the Israel?

Divestment Presenter: There are different deals that are happening about.

Divestment Presenter: Caterpillar for instance, they sell it to the U.S. and the U.S. sends it to the Israel. The militarized caterpillars you just saw, they are passed through Zoko.

Guest: Something that I heard was that this was passed at UC's but I also heard that this is different. I have a strong opinion, but it's a different resolution. Is this presentation telling the same me the same thing?

Divestment Presenter: I haven't read all the bills but this is similar to UC Irvine.

Tony: We ask to divest but is there a plan to retain the money?

Divestment Presenter: There are a lot of plans. We aren't accountants. We can merge together what we know about the plans. I don't have the figures in front of me but there are financially responsible plans out there.

CJP Response

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Jocelyn: I work for the Jewish Resource center. I'm the Chair.

Danny: I am the former president of the Jewish Fraternity here at Santa Cruz.

Jocelyn: This issue is contentious and it is really hard to solve. Supporters have been silent. They target Israel and it is anti-Semitic. Boycotting and divesting is not the same as the African Apartheid. The official languages of Israel are Hebrew and Arabic. This is clearly not apartheid. UN Security Council resolution gives Israel the right to be at the West Bank. Clearly, peace hasn't happened. Israel redrew from Gaza in 2005. The ruling body of Gaza is Hamas. Since Israel withdraw from Gaza, over million Israelis are under rocket fire. By supporting the resolution, it is anti-Semitism. When Israel is singled out, that is anti-Semitism. This resolution is anti-Israel. Boycotting and sanctioning these companies, you are cutting Israel. First and foremost, Israel occupation is legal.

DT: Please address me only.

Jocelyn: Instead, the pro-divestment companies are trying to create a zero-fund gain. They do not encourage bridge-building. It's possible to be pro-Israel and pro-Palestine. The blue is what I added with our sources. The settlements are not illegal. The human rights groups are highly contested. This is the problem with double-standards and demonizing because you are not targeting any other country. These Imagine a place the size of New Jersey and you are looking at the ocean, and that ocean wants to kill you. You have an organization that uses human shields. People do die in the matter of war. To boycott the country, to boycott my homeland, this is when its really a matter of being anti-Israel and anti-Sematic.

Rebecca: **Point of clarification**, aren't we having a huge discussion next week?

DT: Please remember everyone, inclusive language.

Tony: While this conversation is going on, I want to remind everyone to follow the community agreements.

Alfonso: I just want to know about the independent experts.

Jocelyn: I can give you the documents.

Justin: Can this be sent out?

DT: Yes.

Blue shirt: How would divesting make you feel uncomfortable?

Jocelyn: It places an unfair biased against the country.

Divestment Presenter: I just want to know on what bases for you saying that we are anti-Jewish.

Jocelyn: First of all, I want to acknowledge that not every single Jew speaks for the entire community. We are saying the rhetoric in the resolution is putting a double standard in Israel rather than the global community.

Kayla: I was trying to do some research; it sounded like occupied Palestinian areas vs. rightfully Israeli. If you have a defensive war, any land you gain is yours. 1948 is the day independence for Israel.

DT: Can I ask a suggestion to **motion** for more time to we finish the stack?

Shaz: So moved.

Ian: Second.

Fortino: I was wondering what the Israeli government defines as civilians. I felt that you were generalizing the Palestinian people.

Jocelyn: Thank you for checking me. This is a lifestyle that is difficult to understand. I don't know the legal definition.

Danny: Anyone who isn't serving in the army.

Girl in pink: Are you asking us not the pass resolution? The resolution seems pro-Palestine and pro-Israel because it is advocating human rights.

Jocelyn: I am contesting the point in the resolution. There are plenty experts. I am saying Israel have the right to defend themselves. People do die during war and that is the sad fact. This is targeting areas full of rockets pointed at your country.

Danny: This is not a black or white issue. It's simply too complicated of an issue to boil it down to this very specific point.

Shaz: **Point of order**, address the chair.

Roshni: I feel personally unsafe in this space; I came into this space with not previous bias. I would appreciate if you call people on that. The spirit fingers are making me kind of shaky. I think we should save that for a different conversation.

Victor: I **yield** my time to Ivan.

Ivan: Do you believe the resolution is an attack on Israel or against the companies that are doing business.

Jocelyn: We believe that the divestment is a direct attack on Israel.

Shanna: Are you going to present this to the senate bodies?

Jocelyn: This will be sent out to everybody.

Chanel: Earlier, you said that the Israel hasn't violated any human rights.

Jocelyn: These are all very progressive. To say that human rights violations never happen, but when you only target a Jewish-only state, that's where it becomes contentious. Innocent people are killed in both sides.

Grey sweatshirt: Another of the central points is anti-Semitic. Can you say again how condemning the policies are anti-Semitic?

Danny: We never claimed that attacking or questioning any Israeli policy is anti-Semitic. That is a direct quote the state department.

Jocelyn: Any vote for this resolution, even amendment, is anti-Semitic.

Jocelyn: If it was about human rights violence, I literally went through this bill and contested every fact. What I have a problem with is that you are comparing it to an apartheid state.

Red-checkered shirt: if were to have a resolution that has a contentious issue. As a school, should we be investing in politically large companies?

Jocelyn: That isn't necessarily what this discussion is about. I don't know if that is really relevant to this discussion. Specifically picking corporations that have to do with Israel is a double standard.

Ryan: I would want to clarify the use of the state department.

Jocelyn: We used that and we used the EU. We would be happy to provide a link to that and the EU's. We used those statements because are U.S. citizens.

Ivan: **Point of clarification**, we are not all not U.S. citizens.

DT: Thank you for presenting.

STAND: Conflict Free Campus Initiative

DT: Suggestion to have STAND present first since they are our guests?

Justin: Moved.

Lyle: Second.

Zoe: Conflict Minerals 101 link: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aF-sJgcoY20

Zoe: UCB became the first. We decide to contest this by going to student unions.

Justin: My only point is to change the "president" to "chair".

Kayla: Is there a list to get non-conflict mineral products?

Zoe: This is very difficult. In order for these companies to make sure they don't get mineral products, they need to regulate the mines. Apple is trying to make a conflict-free iPad soon.

Michael: Is the Congo military getting weapons for a legitimate reason or to oppress?

Zoe: It is to oppress the people.

Victor: How much does the SUA have power over this?

DT: Any time we make decisions, we have lobbying power. I cannot force their hand but we can make our list of demands. Other than that, we can hold them accountable. That is our leverage power.

Tony: Was his only reasoning was that he didn't want to be the first UC?

Zoe: Yes. We now see this as an opportunity.

Black sweater: I believe that some of these groups are proxy groups for Rwandan government, how do you feel about the next step at condemning what is going on the Congo, in terms of their military.

Zoe: As far as my knowledge, I don't think the U.S. military is sending aid to these regions.

Transition Time

DT: I do want to say something about the conversations we had today. I am so proud of this space. I commend all of you for willing this conversation. It's bit of hell for me, even administration. The fact that you all stayed in this conversation, that is huge. It's not anything you have to do. I am a huge advocate for a brave space. Thank you so much for being a part of this.

Justin: Since, this is a small space, is there any way we can get a bigger venue?

DT: We can try and see what we can do. I can't make any promises.

Helen Shapiro: The MPR might be free.

Lila: The Stevenson center could be free if we talked to them.

Gabby: Is there any way to get this information to senators so the conversation is complete and bold. I think that would be better.

DT: I don't have immediate access to that. If you are passing things around, pass the same document.

Louise: Could you just post whatever you get on the SUA website?

COAA: Funding Request

Shiku: This mural has been very contentious. We want to address the questions being asked. Do folks of color feel like they are being represented on this campus? Are they feeling retained? This is a huge conversation that needs to be had. My office is looking for this as a campaign. I wanted to talk to students' part of the EOP program and the SIO program. The money is essentially going to food. It's going to be \$150. My programming is zeroed out. It would be under the organizing director. I hope this campaign gets picked up and continued next year.

Justin: Is the event about people speaking? What is the layout?

Shiku: There is going to be a conversation about issues. Just like the SUA retreat, we can talk about solutions to step forward.

Corbin: Being a student that has a liberal mind, what exactly was the specific message of the mural?

Iden: I **motion** to fund this event.

Shaz: Second.

Vanessa: **Objection**, is the money there?

Justin: My **objection** is that can we take time to take this back to this our senates?

Rebecca: My question is, where is it going to be held and how it is going to be outreached to the entire campus since 9/10 is helping you out?

Shiku: We moving the meeting hopefully.

Iden: I don't see the problem in passing this. Both sides are going to be heard. I don't really think any senate would not want to have the discussion.

Vote to pass the event:

Yes: 27 No: 0

Abstention: 4 **Event passes.**

DT: Could I suggest tabling the general SUA materials funding request?

Rebecca: Motion to table general SUA materials funding request.

Roshni: Second.

DT: We talked about a compromised budget last Sunday. We already heard multiple sides and I want to move us to more tangible numbers. We heard opinions and we heard statements. We can spend some time on it till 9:30PM.

Justin: My only worry is that yes, we can stay till midnight next week but there is that topics we discussed this week.

DT: I am going to make a suggestion to move the meeting to 9:30PM.

Kelsey: **Motion** to extend time until 9:30PM.

Roshni: **Second.**

SUA Budget Discussion

DT: The first change we made was we dropped the amount for the Direct of Student Life from \$5,000 to \$2,700. There have been instances where interns work more in terms of hourly. The line item isn't just one person. This recommendation to reduce it would make it one intern. SUA pays $2/3^{rd}$ for the IVC since SCOC pays them the other $1/3^{rd}$.

Shaz: I am going to read SCOC's decision: "SCOC passed a motion at our Wednesday night meeting on the 15th to fund the Internal vice Chair position the same amount for

summer and academic year as we have previously. However we have a few stipulations we would like to present. This would only be a one year funding, and would be reevaluated by the appointed board at the end of the academic year. The amount of funds half to the amount we pay would be designated additionally to the IVCs programming budget, \$150 additional compared to last year's contribution, approximately \$1800out of SUAs funding. For past two years we contribute about 30% of the IVCs pay check which is about \$300, after discussion amongst the board we came to the decision that we want to support the SUA but are concerned about a trend we see in coming to the SCOC for money. While our carry forward is well known, we feel as if paying for board and officer positions is not the correct way to allocate that extra money, but rather hosting and promoting SCOC events that directly engage students in our org. We want to support our IVC and ensure that if our org is paying for a position, unlike most organizations on campus, it is not because the SUA is simply not allocating the proper budget to pay for the position. Essentially SCOC, will pay the amount is have been given if our stipulation has been met, and essentially ensure that the SUA does not continue to return to the SCOC to pay for a position that should be under the SUA budget. Any Questions, Comments or Concerns? "There are three stipulations. They would need to reevaluate next year. The SCOC does not want to see the IVC ask for funding frequently.

DT: For my understanding is that we should add another \$1,800.

Shaz: SCOC will contribute the one-third; if and only if, SUA funds the IVC programming add \$1,800.

Gabby: Why do we ask SCOC?

DT: The IVC serves 2/3rd of his time with SUA and 1/3 with SCOC. They are not just operating in the SUA space. The body last year saw it that since the IVC works both spaces, both should pay.

Gabby: Why do they have a say where we put our money if the IVC works for SUA.

Tony: SCOC is often looked as a funding body. This stipulation is to stop the SUA from asking us for money.

Lila: I wanted to make the same point.

Kevin: My concern is what does jurisdiction does the SCOC have over our budget? If there will be stipulations, we should just fund them?

Shiku: What offices have continuously asked SCOC historically?

Tony: The IVC office.

Shiku: Is it possible for SCOC for them to not take a project?

Lila: It is possible for us to deny it, the IVC asked us for funding. We have been advised by admin to use our carry-forward. SCOC is not supposed to be a funding body. Other officers sit on the board and they don't contribute to their budget. We think it's unfair and this is a way that we have control over our money.

Rebecca: Yield.

Louise: We all pay to the fiscal manager because the fiscal manager works equally between the three organizations. I would rather pay more for the officer pay rather than accept the stipulation.

Tony: I just wanted to respond what to Kevin said, SCOC is not telling what to spend, they are recommending. I just wanted to clarify that, the money was given to SCOC and they have their own discretion.

DT: This transition usually isn't fully utilized. We did recommend decreasing that to \$1,500. It's on a paid rate of \$15.

Kelsey: Is that for every officer?

Tony: What is the transition period?

Justin: It's the transition period before they leave. DT would help transition the new chair. We do not pay the old officers for their dismissal. This would give the mentors \$15 per hour to help out the mentee.

Ivan: We were talking about the comparison about the officers have only \$200 for an entire year vs. \$800 for the elections commissioner which is a few weeks.

DT: This SUA Campaigns item hasn't been used for a while so we zeroed it out.

Ivan: Zeroing it out but keeping the line item there.

Tony: If the next OD chooses to have a campaign, you can put money in it.

Ghandi: **Motion** to extend time to 10:00PM.

Lyle: **Second.**

Kevin: The SUA body is supposed to come up with the campaign. The problem is that past years didn't have it. The OD can't just use this line item either so it has to come from the body. In the future, the SUA can put back money if needed.

DT: \$8,000 is the mandatory amount for the membership. This takes into the account the amount of people we can take.

Lyle: The concern we had is now we have the change the bylaws.

Alfonso: I thought those bylaws were just for discussion and loosely fitting.

Kelsey: Can we just go in and change that?

DT: The body has to talk about it and it's a 2/3 majority to change it.

Tony: Mistake me if I am wrong, if I don't bump it to \$8,000. If we put anything less, we aren't getting any benefits right?

DT: We would have indirect membership just gets a UC person at the table.

Tony: It won't change direct membership from \$0-7999 then?

DT: Yes.

Rebecca: **Point of clarification**, is this only questions?

Kevin: Isnt it true that last year, the USSA dues was \$12,000. During that time, the bylaws still said \$.25. To my understanding, the bylaws sound like a minimum.

DT: It doesn't say you can't pay more.

Eric: My question was the same as Tony's.

Victor: We will take a lot less people. Folks cannot be direct board members. The reasons why we don't have applications are because so many people served interest as board members. We only can fund two. I really want to stress the importance of being direct members. Even we give \$8,000; the other universities fund them a lot more.

DT: To provide historical background, there are two members. It will cost us a lot more. Secondly, it was a political matter. We've done two members for a while now, the last time we had three was two years. California tends to dominate the USSA conferences.

Kelsey: When do we have to pay for the dues?

DT: We don't get that check sometime during fall quarter towards the middle. They will give you a bill.

Louise: Just to be clear, we aren't losing just one member. We won't have any board members.

Shaz: Yield.

Justin: I think the bylaws conversation is that, yeah we can pay them more money, but the minimum is \$.25 until the bylaws are changed to \$.50.

DT: Whatever we do with this, we can change our bylaws to according to this.

Charlsie: If the bylaws say we have to fund \$.25, can we also change the bylaws to \$0? Stevenson council unanimously chose not to fund.

Corbin: 2/3rd of Crown's senate chose not to fund USSA.

Rebecca: College 10 Senate as well.

Ivan: USSA kept the interest rate to 3.4, it was going to go up to 6.8. Another issue is to that they support the California Dream Act. It is affecting a fourth of our population.

Rebecca: Just recognizing the issue, we are sitting here as representatives. The reps from Stevenson and from Crown, we are here representing the senates and the constituents. They don't feel like their money is being spent for them. We do some great things here but the student's necessarily don't see them or feel them.

Louise: Just to bring this to perspective, the \$.50 they put into USSA, the average student takes \$25,000 in loans, and at 1,700 a year in interest. Your .50 would eventually save you thousands of dollars.

Tony: Everything Ivan said is important. Basically what College 10 is wondering is, how much would USSA affect them?

DT: There are a lot of factors coming into play right now. People recognize the importance. Do you want to be the student who talks about the great work being down or be a part of it? If you are constituents ask you about the space, the representatives come into the play.

Ivan: We lost a field associate for the east coast. Losing the \$8,000 would impact more for USSA; we lost an associate that represented three states. It would hinder if we do drop out.

Justin: Can you clarify who "we" are. I don't know who "we" are.

Ivan: I am speaking as Ivan but I am talking about USSA.

Kevin: On the discussion of USSA dues being completely defunded, the dues are what measure 8 lists that we should fund. It is supposed to help students and their lives. Since 2008, USSA has successfully increased the Bell Grant award. Since 2007, because of those increases, there are over 7 million dollars brought back to the students. When we talk about what we don't see the changes.

Vanessa: Measure 8 directly UCSA \$.68.

Shiku: I wanted to say trips like Congress or LegCon, we just don't drop our identity of our colleges. There should be more attention to bridging the gap. I don't feel like that is represented that has the fortune to go to the conference or coming in contact with a person who talked to someone who went. They probably don't know that USSA is being attacked and I'm sure they would come in and testify.

Justin: **Motion** to extend it to the 10:30.

Brad: Second.

CJ: Think as a college rep and taking accountability for myself. I haven't done enough to telling C9 about USSA. I would like to push a train of thought; the senates are not representing their colleges as well as they think they are. We are not representing our whole constituency.

David: Yield.

Charlsie: I've been rejected to four conferences. Our colleges' priority is for on-campus events.

Nadia: I really agree with CJ is that I'm concerned that folks are bringing back on an opinion based on a small group of people which will affect the campus. I think its irresponsible letting someone fight your battles for you. We also should be in solidarity with other schools.

Green shirt: As a resident, I don't feel like representatives of their college have really outreached from the body. To be honest, I wouldn't have learned about SUA if without UCSA or USSA. Folks are still getting information about conferences. As college reps, it's important to keep yourself accountable.

Melody: I've spoken about USSA multiple times. I want us to think critically and yes it's our representative duty, but those students don't come to this meeting. But by you being in this room, you know what is going on this affects us as unison. As a rep, you have this privilege of knowing the facts. You need to know what's best for the students. You are not allowing all of the students to be part of the overall movement. If are not in this movement, then what are we doing. We are here as students. What our priorities are is academics. It's vital because that's priority.

Angeline: I'm not in a student space. As a student, you are supposed to fight for things that'll help you as a student. I feel about passionate what I learned about USSA and I am part of SLAP. I got to inform people about student debt.

Justin: Since elections haven't concluded yet. By bylaws, we should be passed. We discussed the fact that since we can't bring the bylaw amendment, we should leave it off and it should be the first issues address by next year's space.

DT: We upped the IVC line item \$200. Upping this item by a lot would be mismanaged because we don't know how the officer will operate. There are issues being done for all offices. It gets at issue that hierarchy is an issue but campus life important. There is still around \$21 that we need to allocate.

Justin: In terms of parking permits, there were compromised. There are scratch permits and they could pay half.

Brad: What is the financial difference with that option?

Louise: There are two sets: 25 are around 100. You will be paying about \$1,200 total for all officers.

Justin: The scratchers are for the entire year.

DT: One quick thing so people recognize this space, I understand people stand firmly where they are at. Reiterating the community agreements, it is the case we are financial difficulty. Take note that I am still a person. I am trying to move us forward. As representatives, make sure you are talking to your body. Senate bodies go out the general population and take note of your privilege.

Justin: Yield.

Gabby: I encourage people to join senate. Students sometimes don't care. It's our job to get them to care.

Shaz: So moved.

Roshni: Second.

Adjournment at 10:18PM