Student Union Assembly

Tuesday, 10/22/2013

Meeting called to Order at 8:15PM by Shaz Umer (Chair)

Assembly Members Present: Shaz Umer, Max Hufft, Tony Milgram, Charlsie Chang, Vanessa Morales, Ivan Medina, Hana Zeit, Linh Ngo, Nicolette Johnson. Edmond Yaghouban, David Pickard IV, Samantha Sobol Corbin Hall, "D" Patel, Iris Mejia, Priscila Rodriguez, Alexandra Kasper, Iris Casanova, Aimee Wade, Gul Taneri, Arnulfo Vasquez, Sergio Alva, Max Winter, Art Motto, Victoria York, Alfonso Quintero, Chris Weast, Roshni Advani, Elaine Wong, Ivette Torres, Samuel Simpson, Tem Velasquez Ysmael, Louise Cabansay, Rachel Kirkwood, Gregory Baraghimian, Sam Shaw, Nabeil Lemar, Steven Hernandez, Leslie Paola Gonzalez,

Approval of the Agenda

Shaz: Please look at the agenda to make any changes or amendments.

Alfonso: I have a concern. I want to **motion** to remove sustainability from the agenda. In the last presentation, sustainability gave a very inconsiderate and disrespectful speech to the themes of Oakes College which are communicating diversity for a just society. I have three reasons why. Immediately after finishing the discussion about the ethnic orgs where they feel their voices are not represented in this space, they said they are glad that SUA has a great relationship with the ethnic orgs, which disregards and delegitimizes the concerns people have. Second, saying that people of color have a voice on campus while they don't is a very inconsiderate statement. The concerns of people of color on this campus are rarely ever addressed. For example, FSA, the Filipino Student Association, they have a yearly student initiative program where high school students are brought to this school. Just last winter when they stayed at Cowell/Stevenson, many of the students threw beer bottles at them, calling them racial slurs and demanding them that they leave. The points were never brought up to the college and this has happened before as well. Thirdly, comparing the struggle to remove cigarettes on campus while people are starving in Africa is very disrespectful. Women and children are starving; children are recruited for soldiers, and people are slaughtered for their religion. Comparing the struggle is very disrespectful. Oakes does believe in sustainability and their agenda, but now it's becoming a diversity issue. Oakes will continue to vote no until they come to Oakes and apologize.

Max: **Second.**

Shaz: Is there any discussion?

Ivan: Who will be presenting today?

Shaz: This presentation is from the staff. This is from the office to talk about the 2020 goals.

Max: is there anyone from sustainability from the room that is giving the presentation?

Shaz: They are not here.

Shaz: We are going to go to a vote. Any objections?

Shaz: **Motion passes**; the sustainability office presentation is removed from the agenda. Any more amendments?

Tony: **Motion** to add 5 minutes under new business for the Resolution in Support of Divestment from fossil fuel assets.

Max: Second.

Shaz: Any objections? **Motion passes**, 5 minutes are added.

Tony: **Motion** to add another 5 under new business a resolution in support of the IGNITE campaign.

Charlsie: Second.

Shaz: Any discussion under the motion? Any objections by consensus? **Motion** passes.

Ivan: I would like to **motion** to add to the agenda 10 minutes before reports so we could talk about community agreements so we could keep those in mind before every meeting.

Tony: **Second.**

Shaz: There is a motion to add 10 min before reports to add community agreements to agenda.

Max: Normally it's something that we have to early on.

Shaz: I'm only going to add stuff if officers or assembly members request it. Are they any discussions? **Motion passes** 10 minutes have been added.

Priscilla: **Motion** to add 5 min to agenda, after announcements to discuss the SUA website.

Sam: Second.

Tony: **Point of clarification**, anything specific?

Shaz: Any objections? **Motion** passes.

Roshni: **Motion** to approve agenda.

Rachel: Second.

Shaz: **Motion passes**.

Reading of the Previous Meetings' Minutes

Max: My comments were not in the minutes. I had asked how she should shift focus in education class sizes are increasing.

Max: **Motion** to amend page 1. 7063

Roshni: Second.

Shaz: Any objections to approving the motion by consensus.

David: Rescind.

Max: My name is misspelled.

Art: Art Motta instead of Arturo.

Max: Second.

Shaz: Any discussion. Any objections?

Sergio: Kolor ee alva

Roshni: Second.

Shaz: Point of order, any discussion. Any objections.

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

Roshni: I **rescind**. I mean I **motion** to approve the minutes.

Victoria: Second.

Shaz: Motion passes. We will move onto community agreements.

Community Agreements

Ivan: It's beneficial to have community guidelines. Folks are aware of how the community and the space in SUA wish to create a safe space. Language use is one. When folks spoke, not everybody is a guy. We should make sure we are more inclusive. It's important for us to bring gender pronouns. I'm opening the space to other folks.

Rachel: Will that be during roll call?

Ivan: I just want folks to know.

Chris: Provocative language.

Steven: One mic and address the chair.

Michael: When someone is speaking far away from the chair, the chair should stand up so he can be addressed directly.

Shaz: It is RR's that people can address the chair.

Alfonso: Can that be upon request? I'm not saying about your athletic ability to stand.

Shaz: No worries.

Ghandi: We can add to the community agreements later right?

Shaz: They will be enforced.

Lila: Don't make false accusations, specifically about people or college.

Ivan: Use "I" statements, don't generalize.

Alfonso: Understand privilege.

Victoria: Yield.

Vanessa: Don't say things that have already been stated.

Tem: ELMO.

Ivan: The problem with that is sometimes people feel silenced if people say ELMO.

Ghandi: Are snaps allowed?

Shaz: It's up to the body.

Roshni: For right now, it gets a bit more controversial, some people use snaps as snap downs.

For now, snap ups should be okay for now.

Max: Clarify the difference?

Shaz: Point of order.

Ivan: These tables are really ugly, and then somebody snaps. There are spirit fingers so folks can

see for hearing-impaired.

Sam: Is all snapping negative snapping?

Nicolette: I would like to add to the agreements that we have no snapping and no spirit fingers.

Shaz: We will go to discussion for that.

Lila: It can be used in a harsh manner, a whole side of the room would snap and it would make the other side offended. If it something like, good job on the event, its okay.

Greg: While they can be beneficial, it would be more harmful.

Shaz: I will do a straw poll. Anyone can vote. If you are in favor with what Ivan said as an organizing director.

Victoria: Can we just shake our head? Like Max's nodding?

*Max nods vigorously

Nabeil: Is clapping allowed, is that bad?

Shaz: Those in favor of snapping, raise your hand. Those against it, raise your hand. There we go.

Roshni: **Motion** to approve the community agreements.

Nabeil: Second.

Shaz: **Motion passes**. The agreements are approved and now in our standing rules.

Reports

Ivan: For the report for my office: for learning support services, they are doing an amendment to measure 30; increase the amount to provide more student jobs for more MSI sections and tutoring. They asked me to come in and talk about the process of the referenda. Vanessa went for the presentation, she was amazing. For the student of color conference, we went to different organizations. We do have a charter bus to travel to SOCC. We are also planning to outreach to folks so we trying to create smaller family units.

For interns, it has been stressful for me this last week. My intern hires are hopefully done by this week. USSA has a new field director and has been told they are a candidate; not voted in yet. We are trying to streamline for that. As people of color cair, I'm still looking for First People's chair. That position is still open. I'm also talking about the student of color conferences in each state. For UCSA, the space has started to create materials for our campaign. We've also found data for online education.

I wanted to give a report of Napolitano. I walked out of the meeting because I didn't feel comfortable. I'm just giving an update on that and I'll give you it after the meeting if you want to talk about it. I did attend the meeting. I'm working for the cultural shows in the spring. There is a cost to those organizations and cultural shows. Their staff charges them a certain fee. I'm trying to figure out how to outreach to those folks. Also, I'm planning to bring to communications

director for UCSA; I want them to come to the external committee. We are training to improve our communications.

Justin: Are there any plans to hold the delegates holding them accountable with their return? There are only three weeks left.

Ivan: We are not telling them to do SUA work. From their applications, if they said they are going to bring this back, this is what expected of them. If people are interested in the activities, whatever you put in our application, it's why I selected you.

Announcements and Public Comments

Max: Let's keep these reports quick. If anyone wants an awesome report, if anyone wants it, it would be posted on Thursday 5PM.

Nabeil: I'm the foodie for 9/10. We are having October 26, this Saturday, event for ENGAGE for the Beach Flats Community. Karaoke, Halloween treats, I hope you all come. Share your singing voice. Bring any change in your pockets. ENGAGE is a college 10 club, we try to do events for Santa Cruz and the community. Their last event is the thanksgiving dinner for Beach Flats Community. They work up to 48 hours each and we want to make sure they can feed their families. It would be really amazing. Bye.

Lila: We are trying to fill committee positions for SCOC, they are paid positions.

Louise: Up till when?

Lila: We fill them as we go.

Vanessa: I have a class about sustainable seafood and I have survey. Please fill them out and I'll pass them around.

Tony: Sunday, 27^{th} , for those folks who went to UCSA, there is a meeting talking about our campaigns and in terms of action, all of those people who attended, they have attend an email of Louise, what time works best of you. Only 12 people responded. The best time is Sunday at noon. Please respond soon. Also please tell them. Read that email, there is a lot of important information.

Max: We are appointing committees. Please apply soon. There are appointed on a need basis. If we have applicants but filled committees, we won't appoint them. If you are looking to apply, it's under the committees tab.

Charlsie: I have a super ambitious goal. I want to bring a guest lecturer on campus. It will be Khaled Hosseini, the author Kite Runner and Thousand Splendid Suns. It's doable. If you want to help me plan that, find me later.

Lila: Local nonprofit fundraiser. Monday October 28th. I'm passing a flyer around. Just want to let you know.

Hana: Theta Pi Sigma, 10% of purchase goes to gender neutral bathroom campaign and the Cantu center. It's at Saturn, 11 to midnight.

Art: Oct 24, Dia de los Muertos, porter, spread the word, come on out to porter. Art gallery.

Shaz: We will move on to our next item.

SUA Website Discussion

Priscilla: Just looked at the website today. The time and location is not posted on there and I thought it is important since our meeting is open to all students. We just had different reps appointed, when will that be updated on the website? Ethnic org reps and other college reps should be added to that. Who could I contact in terms of incorrect info?

Shaz: All three good questions. We will publicize our meeting times. Reps will be added to the website. Send an email to me. We will follow through on it.

Louise: It was really hard to find the governing documents. Like the minutes, budget, constitution. It would be helpful specifically for governing documents.

Shaz: if you go to the assembly tab, you can see the agendas and the minutes. We will get on it. The budget is posted on the governing documents. I will make sure to make it more transparent.

Funding Request: Disc Golf Team

John: I represent Disc gold team. We've been around for 30-40 years. We are recently expanding our appearance on campus. We are trying to make us more accessible. It's a combination of gold and Frisbee. We use a Frisbee instead of a ball and a club. You are trying to get in a basket with chains. We have purchased the baskets w/ chains thanks to SUA and other funding. We are still looking to deal with bureaucracy and get them permanently. That's not why I am here. I am here however because we are looking to host a tournament once this is done. We want to give people to experience it in a safe environment. We are looking for ways to incentivize having students to come out and plan this game. We are looking to purchase t-shirts. We made it to nationals 2 years ago in Georgia. Our club has increased in size. We have 30 people throw discs. We are looking to get people into this sport. We are looking for discs. We have purchased them previously. We have gone through and sold these and got funding for it. We are looking to purchase them for the people in the tournament. We have purchased discs previously. Once the course is installed, they could actually rent them as they do right now for basketballs. I have a disc from CSUMB; they have given them out at tournaments. The other funding request is one more for the team's requests.

John: Our first request for these shirts and disks is about \$1800. We are looking to find more official looking shirts. We are looking to purchase a limited number of shirts and more regular t-shirts. That's our first request. Our second request is for the tournament in CSUMB. They use to be fairly expensive. It's been more and more regulated and a governing body. It's up to \$50/person, we do not have those funds. We are looking to bring 8 men with us, and a full set of four women, who would plan against other teams. We have been trying to bring in more women. We started to see the benefits of these kinds of things. We really don't want to pay out of pocket.

Michael: I'm just curious, your goal is to send 12 total players? 50 t-shirts? 30 discs?

John: There is a tournament on campus in February that I would like to host for the whole student body. There is also a official tournament in a month, that's where we are looking for the \$600 dollars. It is funding our way down there.

Victoria: Are you asking funding from any other places.

John: They have a golf course, we have done funding through them before, we don't get much of a student turnout. We are also going to colleges.

Sam: Is it a club, or is a sports team?

John: It's a club, but it's hard to identify us. We are just looking to increase the knowledge of disc golf. There are many people playing.

Sam: Do they have player dues.

John: There is tier 1a, 1b, tier 2a, and 2b. We get \$500 dollars a year that we can spend on our club. We usually spend of travel. We are looking to increase that for more funding. All the students are charged a \$5 fees.

Justin: Per quarter or year?

John: Year.

Louise: Wondering, is there a reason why they are specifically ordered from Oregon?

John: We like to support people who are supporting disc golf. We like to show our gratitude. People who support disc golf, we like to support them.

Alfonso: If SUA did fund, would you advertise for SUA on your shirts?

John: It's up to you, we can do that.

Shaz: Point of order, please use gender inclusive languages. Any questions? Thank you so much. I'll send out the funding proposal.

UC President Update

Tony: Going into the meeting, I had a few questions I wanted to ask; I couldn't ask all of them time constraint. The two questions I asked was, regarding the 10 mil dollars that the regents asked for the diversity pipeline, where are you on that and how has that progressed? Basically, she is still looking into it. How she can get that money into the diversity pipeline? The second I asked was, based on her knowledge of personal relationships, how possible it is to divest from fossil fuels. They did not talk about this topic. It was unfortunate.

Max: I asked her regarding the upcoming smoking ban on UC campuses. It was a president policy made two years ago. Her response, after hearing a lot of concern and staff advisory board, creating three different smoking areas designated. She was receptive of the idea. We can rally behind it. It's very doable.

Ivan: Introduce the other questions; UAW is in collective bargaining sessions. Gender neutral bathrooms, responded, this is why I am here to be educated. Students informed that it wasn't just the collective bargaining. She was asked about the ASFCME. From what she says, she has met with ASFCME; we are open to reopening collective bargaining. There was a rally outside the meeting space. What is the thought of students asking her to resign? There was a portion of a meeting that I asked regarding undocumented students. There was a point during the AB540 meeting where students were requesting funding. She responded: I don't have my checkbook with me. That was disrespectful to me.

Vanessa: Max and I asked about the future of online education. It's going to happen eventually, it should be at the forefront, it should not have any impact on classroom, integrity at the UC. That was something that was asked.

Max: All online education would go to a central hub, allocate 5 mil dollars to it. Academic senate, they are very against. It's a magic pipe dream that isn't going anywhere. She didn't have an opinion. She very much dodged the issue.

Tony: I encourage all of you, come up to us after the meeting, and ask us more questions beyond what we stated.

Charlsie: I asked her about student services fees; it's unfair to tax ourselves when it should be provided by the university. How it would go up in the next years? She said her staff is crunching numbers.

Shaz: Council of Presidents, we met with her yesterday morning. We pressed her certain questions. I posted those minutes on the website. We will meet her in a month. I'm not going go in detail. It is posted online.

Max: Apparently we have been pronouncing her name wrong.

Shaz: Any questions? If you do have questions, ask us after as well.

Sam: Are the minutes available?

Shaz: There was not going to be a recording a meeting. We don't have any minutes. The staff took minutes, I'll contact her chief of staff.

Charlotte: Any minutes from the AB540 students?

Shaz: I have no idea, I'm not sure what even happened in the meetings.

Ivan: The Dean of Students was at the meeting, they might have minutes.

Alfonso: Was the resolution of UCSA, was that ever brought to her?

Ivan: I was going to bring it up.

Tony: It was my first question, her response is okay.

Max: Can you clarify the resolution?

Tony: Six demands of her as a UC president, in order to have a working relationship with us. I can pull it up in the meeting.

Shaz: Can you send me that resolution. I'll send it to the minutes.

Tony: I'll give a little bit of background. This is a resolution. UCSA campaign in august. We did pass a similar resolution last year. Different be it resolved clauses. This is now a UCSA campaign.

Shaz: How is it different?

Tony: This resolution contains different "whereas" clauses. It was not present during that resolution. It has be it resolved action clauses. Actions that in my opinion.

Shaz: Clarifications only, more in-depth discussion.

Max: Should it be that UCSC included in that list?

Sam: Does that measure the human impact on health

Tony: That is the amount that is being tackled, be it human health.

Sam: What's the source on that?

Tony: Its number 12 in the sources.

Priscilla: Can it be resolution be sent out?

Shaz: Next we week.

Ivan: Have we explained the process of resolutions?

Shaz: Anyone can bring a resolution on the assembly. The party will go into detail; they will go through the language. There is limited discussion.

Tony: IGNITE Campaign and UC Diversity Pipeline resolution. The one thing I wanted to add, the second clause. The IGNITE campaign; there is more than one piece of legislation. I have not included those in the resolution but it can be amended.

Corbin: Was it in Prop 209?

Tony: Passed in 1996, it makes affirmative action legal in the state of California.

Victor: What is affirmative action?

Tony: It is the allowing universities to look at the ethnicity of the applicant.

IVC Intern Request

Max: Thank you so much for taking this back to your colleges. This was for the removal of the communications director. I want to create new three outreach coordinators. I would like a monthly pay cut of my salary. It's only for this year only, and it's only my pay during my term. It'll be a total of 6 outreach coordinators. With that, I would really like a couple motions made. Can someone motion to suspend a section of the bylaws? It shows that my pay is \$1,000/month and it is section 2a3.

Rachel: **Motion** to suspend bylaws, section 2a3.

Roshni: Second.

Nabeil: Yield.

Shaz: **Motion passes**; it has been suspended for the remainder of the meeting.

Max: Thank you for that motion, now that it has been suspended. I ask the assembly to dissolve one intern position, the communications director.

Steven: So moved.

Shaz: **Point of information**, you have to suspend 2a5 as well.

Steven: I **amend my motion** to suspend the bylaws 2a5 of intern pay section "a" and to pas a motion to reduce the IVC's pay and to have those interns be paid at \$100/month.

Vanessa: And that is for the remainder of the term.

Roshni: Second.

Priscilla: **Point of clarification**, you are reducing your pay but what is the other part?

Max: I'm dissolving one of those interns and creating three new ones.

Shaz: There was a motion to second. Any objections? **Motion passes**.

SUA Committee Breakout

Shaz: Each officer has their own committee. They are not restricted to voting members.

Max: Outreach and student life, in front of the sentinel room. We are going to discuss different ideas for how to outreach. It's a fun committee. A I hope to see you all there.

Tony: Lobby Corp, next to those couches next to the windows. Discussing how we are progressing for UCSA and USSA campaigns and local affairs.

Ivan: Student Power, introductions today, and what people want to see in the committee. We will be in the middle of the room.

Vanessa: Student Academic senate in that corner. We will talk about campaigns for my office and the class survey.

Charlsie: Diversity committee, we will talk about the recent hate bias.

Shaz: Before we go into breakouts, any questions?

Priscilla: What does Student Power do?

Ivan: We will be doing intros and how can we collect data and ways to strategize for rallies.

Closed Session

Shaz: Thank you for coming to this meeting. I need the official SOFA reps next week. All colleges and orgs need to give me information as to who is representing them on that committee. Any organization can ask for funding from SUA.

Rachel: Do you need it in writing?

Lila: Does it have to be one of the official three representatives for SUA?

Shaz: I'll send my answer out on the minutes.

Shaz: If they need a funding request immediately, they can come to assembly. They do have time. In those cases where they need funding from us, they can come directly.

Rachel: When will these meetings be held?

Shaz: It's up to the committee, I have to check schedules.

Roshni: Motion to adjourn.

Max: **Second.**

Adjournment at 11:15PM