

## SUA Meeting Minutes 1.23.18

**Assembly Members Present:** Katherine Le (VPDA), Tamra Owens (VPSL), Lauren (Cowell Alternate), Katie Keeshen (Stevenson), Zach Klieman (Stevenson), Sabina Wildman (Crown), Saalini Sastry (Crown), Rebekah Kenny (Crown), Emma Cunningham (Merrill), Kimberly Balmorez (Porter), Ted Jaich (Porter), Quinn Chalmers (Kresge), Jos Dubon (Kresge), Ayo Banjo (Oakes), Arvind Vallabha (Oakes), Thomas Ramirez (Rachel Carson), Matthew Forman (Rachel Carson), Angel Solorzano (Rachel Carson), Samantha Sanchez (College 9), Vignesh Iyer (College 9), Jonathan Kung (College 10), Liam Staninger (College 10), Claudia Flores (College 10), Max Lyon (Prism), Fatima Mohammad (MSA), Annabelle (Bayanihan Alternate), Noah Thoron (Treasurer)

**Assembly Members Absent:** Maxine Jimenez (President), Alice Maimberg (VPIA), Judith Gutierrez (VPEA), Jessica Xu (VPAA), Kashav Kumar (Cowell), Alex English (Cowell), Jeff Stoll (Stevenson), Samantha Stringer (Merrill), Miranda Huevo (Merrill), Ivan Reyes (Porter), Yonatan Melesse (Oakes), Kiryl Karpiuk (College 9), Nikolasi Niumeitolu Saafi (APISA), Raymond LeBeau (SANAI), Angad Singh Dhadda (SSA)

Meeting Called to Order: 8:08 PM

Roll Call: 8:09

### **Approval of the Agenda 8:12PM**

Ayo: Motion to add funding the Bike Co-Op for five minutes to new business

Arvind: Second

No Objections

Katie: Motion to remove fixing the budgetary error

Katherine: Second

No Objections

Lauren: Motion to approve the agenda

Sam: Second

No Objections

### **Approval of the Minutes 8:13PM**

Vignesh: Motion to approve the minutes

Emma: Second

No Objections

### **Announcements and Public Comments 8:09PM**

Katie: On Saturday Feb 3rd from 1-4PM they are doing a gender diversity panel and will be talking about gender and non binary identities at California

Church downtown. It is open to everyone. They appreciate people to come out and support this event.

Vignesh: Lobby Corp. The room for the meeting will be at Porter 241 from now on.

Katherine: My announcement is the MLK convocation. It will be Thursday Feb 8th at the civic center at 7PM. There will be a separate student event before at 4PM. There are 10 spots reserved for SUA affiliates. Kimberly Crenshaw will be the keynote speaker. It is first come first serve.

Sabina: AFSME 3299 is the union for many of the workers at UCSC and across UCs. Currently they are in contract negotiation with the UC and they are not giving them what they need. They are asking for wages and benefits and 85% are people of color majority women and immigrants. This is economic and racial justice issues. They want the support of students. Next week Feb 1st there will be a picket outside the dining hall from 12-1. If you are interested in helping a student and worker solidarity group talk to me afterwards. It is happening next Thursday. It is the anniversary of deaths of 3 sanitary workers in Memphis. The strike lasted 10 weeks and brought MLK to Memphis. This day is significant and it does mark the deaths. We will be focusing on that and it is a continued fight. Tell other folks and talk to me if you are interested.

Noah: SOFA is this Friday and I am still waiting on a few to get reps. I am looking for reps from OAKS, RCC, and C10. It will be on Friday and there will be dinner. Please get your chairs to get me a rep ASAP and if they have dietary needs. Also if you are looking for funding you have until Thursday at noon to get a form in.

Vignesh: Motion to extend time by 2 minutes

Zach: Second

No Objections

Ian: We will be doing an event to help Hungry Slugs. Come by the entry fee is 2 dollars and there are free food inside and includes your name into a raffle to include prizes. I have flyers. It will be Friday Feb 2nd.

Ashley: I am in the office of the president. I sent out a doodle poll for the assembly members to fill out to choose a time to meet. If you have not voted please make sure you do so before the end of this week. For those who want to be part of the vision committee please let me know.

### **Presentations 8:21PM**

#### **CALPIRG Make Textbooks Affordable Campaign (15 minutes)**

- They passed the resolution for the campaign I talked about last week. CALPIRG wants to thank SUA
- Textbooks more affordable

- Access codes are about 100 dollars just to get to the hw and quizzes.
- We want to gain support from UC students, faculty, and professors
- We gathered photo petitions and scheduled many important people. We met with Mchenry Library and Academic Senate, they have insisted that we work with Committee on teaching and educational policy to see this through. We want to schedule a meeting with Marlene Trump.
- We want the support of SUA and to show students here are in support of making alternative low cost textbooks applicable.
- Proposed resolution will be in Agenda folder.

It's not necessarily that it will be replaced by ebooks but that there are other alternatives for students who can't afford textbooks.

Melanie: What about access codes?

We have been going around to professors if they are aware of access codes. We are asking professors to consider not using access codes. 8/10 aren't aware. We have 38 faculty sign on and our goal is 50. We are working with professors who don't use expensive books and are spreading the word.

Max: I can't work with digital text very well so if they have physical text that would be great.

Jane: I am worried about this resolution because there are no citations. We only pass resolutions with citations. Most of these numbers can be true but there are no footnotes so it lacks weight. I also tend to prefer resolutions that don't use this format and it just has let it be further resolved clauses. This isn't a standard formatting.

Vignesh: Just make sure that everything is addressed to its fullest extent. Make sure before you come to present make sure grammatical errors and run on are not there.

Ayo: You said there is a significant amount of students make sure you cite where you got it.

Sabina: For me readers are the most expensive for me but have you worked with professors to go around that so students can have access without copyrights.

We have been looking into it and we want to address all required course material.

Ayo: The University can say that they have considered and make sure your wording has no loopholes.

We do urge the change but with meetings with the chancellor they have stressed to not tell professors directly what to do. The wording with faculty has been sensitive. We are trying to urge but we are more thinking of alternatives.

Sabina: it sounds like you had a lot of meeting with admins. I was wondering if you are prioritizing students or their needs. Rather than thinking of what they are asking you for professors but prioritize student needs. You can tell people what to do it's cool.

We are working with 10 student orgs and others who are willing to support us.

**Representative Responsibilities (15 minutes) 8:36PM**

- This apply to all representatives
- Required for office hour, committee work, and monthly report backs
- Need at least one hour of office hour per week.
- You can be on any committee
- You need to send report backs to the president and you can also give feedback as well.
- These are all constitutional obligations. I will have one form that will be accessible from SUA website. Someone will be checking in to remind you to fill out the report.
- If you don't fulfill these responsibilities, the only way is to impeach it.
- There are discussions that SUA are not effective but a group is made of those people in it. I don't know if you guys care if SUA will get better.

Katie: I think in the future, it would be good to let chairs know so when they hold things to figure out the reps they know what the responsibilities are. And also to present in the beginning of SUA. I think it's important that we can promote this information more and follow the rules for ourselves. Hopefully this can be set up.

Sam: If we did by appointment do we email you?

Jane: Yes you can email and I'll put it on the website.

Sam: So for those cutting committees is there a way to restate meeting times.

Jane: I can come up with a document to know the different committees.

Liam: Are subcommittees apart of this?

Jane: No you have to be there as a rep and i think this is under administration.

Katie: this is kind of unrelated but minutes should be online.

Vignesh: I know you said that it's hard to put on consequences. But I think we should still enforce some kind of penalty as a start to the step for making

all of this possible. Can we also have penalty for not having consistent attendance.

Jane we don't have those mechanisms right now but if anyone has any ideas please let me know.

Zach: I want to suggest some sort of enforcement. What if there is like a public reputation that kept track of all of our responsibilities. Not that someone would be impeached but that it was public information for what duties each rep has fulfilled.

Sam: College 9 have a folder and we inform the alternates that they need to catch up before coming in.

Ian: Just as a somewhat example we got rid of a person -tears nametag- We do have the power to pick our reps.

Katie: I think we should give the spaces to make that call and if students want to impeach then they can make that call too. I think Officers should be held accountable as well.

Jane: We want to meet with everyone about what committee they are interested in participating. Keep an eye out for that. It will be a very brief meeting.

Sabina: Motion to call a 3 minute recess

Katie: Second

Ayo: Object, I have to leave can we switch I want to update about bike-op.

Move into vote: In Favor of recess (0) Opposed (17)

Ayo: Motion to amend agenda and switch the bike co-op before resource center.

Zach: Second

No Objections

### **New Business 8:52**

#### **Funding the Bike Co-Op (5 Minutes) 8:54PM**

- We are a fully functioning bike op on campus. We are trying to teach creative biking community
- We are nonprofit and we work based on donations. We are here to request funding. Soon you will get an itemized list. We are request 453.99 cents for various items that we can't cover donations.
- There are 3 items from a website. We can get things for small value. We can do a money order then we can get the items costing the amount that we mentioned rather than adding things from amazon that will be more expensive.

Jane: Since you have some kind of membership we usually fund and make the purchase directly. Can we use your membership to do that because we can't directly give you money.

I'm not sure we can give you the password. If you can't give a voucher. We can get it from Amazon and figure out the other options. Thank you for letting us know.

Zach: I was wondering is it possible to put SUA

Jane: We can't reimburse people

Tamra: We can reimburse and its more than just travel. But we do need to get it approved.

Ayo: Extend time by 4 Minutes

Vignesh: Second

No Objection

Kimberly: Can we do this all together?

Vignesh: I think the 204 form and its on the financial website

Sabina: There are not enough air pumps. And ours are broken because they are super easy to break.

It will be an ongoing maintenance thing.

### **Resource Centers' Stand-Up Comedy Show Funding Request (10 minutes) 9:05PM**

Kat: Motion for a 3 minute recess

Sabina: Second

No Objections

- Worked with Asian American resource Center and we want to bring back funding proposal. This year there is going to be a stand up comedy light and it is a free event. This is a huge event and as co sponsors SUA funded it.
- Joel Kim Booster is coming. He's been on Conan and he is a rising figure. There are a lot of under representation for Asian Americans
- The budget that they provided will be 10,150 total. It is not what we are requesting but it is just the breakdown.
- We are requesting \$4,500 dollars from SUA program. It was approved last year and it will make a big impact for 100 of students.

Sabina: I saw there were university catering is that free food?

I think it is for the reception for volunteers and people who planned and for Joel to meet folks.

Jonathan: Can you put this on the folder.

Lauren: Is there a way for us to get involved to help plan?

Katherine: Yes if you want to get in touch with [APERG@UCSC.edu](mailto:APERG@UCSC.edu) but I can also connect you if you let me know.

### **Old Business 9:17**

#### **ARUL Bylaw Amendment Deliberation (15 minutes)**

Bylaw Document is in the Agenda Folder.

Ted: Porter thought that option 1 seemed to be the best option to amend the bylaw. We weren't too certain about the second part of the option but making that clear.

Zach: I know that one of the big issues was the not including the advisor salary and I was hoping to ask if you all have recommendations on ways we can change this so maybe that's less of an issue if that is a possibility.

Jane: If you have further recommendations please let me know.

### **9:21PM: Closing Remarks and Adjournment**

Jane: Look out for the email for meeting with reps. If you have any questions I will be here for a while.

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:21PM**