

SUA Meeting Minutes 1.09.18

Assembly Members Present: Maxine Jimenez (President), Alice Maimberg (VPIA), Judith Gutierrez (VPEA), Katherine Le (VPDA), Jessica Xu (VPAA), Tamra Owens (VPSL), Keshav Kumar (Cowell), Alex English (Cowell), Natasha Bramer (Cowell), Katie Keeshen (Stevenson), Zach Klieman (Stevenson), Sabina Wildman (Crown), Rebekah Kenny (Crown), Emma Cunningham (Merrill), Kimberly Balmorez (Porter), Quinn Chalmers (Kresge), Jos Dubon (Kresge), Arvind Vallabha (Oakes), Ayo Banjo (Oakes), Matthew Forman (Rachel Carson), Kirkland Karpiuk (College 9), 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), Noah Thoron (Treasurer)

Assembly Members Absent: Jeff Stoll (Stevenson), Michiko Soto (Crown), Samantha Stringer (Merrill), Miranda Huezo (Merrill), Angelica D'Egidio (Porter), Mamie Yang (Porter), Brandon States (Kresge), Yonatan Melesse (Oakes), Thomas Ramirez (Rachel Carson), Angel Solorzano (Rachel Carson), Nikolai's Niumeitolu Saafi (APISA), Raymond LeBeau (SANAI), Alexcis Delos Santos (Bayanihan), Angad Singh Dhadda (SSA)

Meeting Called to Order: 8:03 PM

Roll Call: 8:03

Approval of the Agenda 8:06PM

Jessica: Motion to to add 10 minutes to old business for resolution update

Vignesh: Second

No Objections

Max: Motion to add 5 minutes Invite LRDP Co-Chairs to SUA under new business

Alice: Second

No Objections

Alice: Motion to approve the agenda

Katherine: Second

No Objections

Approval of the Minutes 8:08PM

Katie: motion to approve the minutes

Zach: second

No Objections

Announcements and Public Comments 8:09PM

Reed: I work with Katherine and our main project is diversity commission. It will be centered to address a broad range of diversity issues on campus. It will act as a central hub under SUA to gather resources, connect, and collaborate. We know that diversity is a huge word and encompass many groups. Commission members will be able to join smaller task forces to work with a particular demographic. You can share events and actions and volunteer within UCSC. It will be open for all students and we wanted to invite assembly members to play an active role in kicking off the commission. We want to meet biweekly and the times will be sent out after names and emails are collected. We want to find a potential meeting day through that.

Max: When can we expect if we are to give an email, when can we expect a response or update?

Katherine: After the emails are down I will send out when to meet. If you have any questions feel free to email me

Ayo: I just want to say welcome to Oakes. This is our place. Do you remember the Cruz Crown? It is happening. If you are interested in being in the committee please come to me after the meeting and figure things out. I have an itinerary that would be the best for the committee and event. I want to make sure we have all the things, it is not a lot of time. Thank You!

Jos: Slug to Slug will be having its first general body meeting. We will be talking about our networking dinner that will help meet alumni. We will also be giving out food!

Jane: i will be doing office hours friday morning from 9:15-10:15 AM. Please email me if that time doesn't work. We will be doing a bylaw revision committee. This is a good way to get an idea of how things work! Sign up! Thirdly Jonathan and I are going to be sending out a google form for everyone to reply to whether you are a rep or intern. It will ask for basic things about the information and where the org meets and when. If you would like your photo to be on social media as meet SUA! It will be for the website for transparency.

Tamra: Who's Jonathan?

Jonathan: Hi I am the communication director!

Max J: The LRDP is the guiding document of future development and academic. We developed a mapping video game and it shows where the barriers are on what land is buildable and where you can't

build. You can put where parking lots should be and where academic buildings and residential buildings should be. This method is going to be a way to get feedback. If you are interested in learning more it will be in Kresge Town Hall next thursday from 5:30-7PM

Katie: This is a note, if everyone can remember to speak up! Two there are a lot of language last quarter of using guys and lets use more inclusive language!

Presentations 8:18AM

SLUG to SLUG by Pram (8:18PM)

- First quarter we had I heart UCSC week and it pertains to school pride.
- Our upcoming event is giving day and we come together to make thank you videos to the donors of UCSC. For as little as an hour please volunteer to compose these videos. It will be from 7-8PM at night and one shift is the bare minimum.
- Flyers available
- Volunteer opportunity is February 28th, 2018. It's not super stressful and should be fun!

Zach: You mentioned 7-8PM what is that?

That would be our general body meeting and we will be talking about other events held by Slug to Slug and it will be this thursday on the 11th.

Resolution from CALPIRG by Noah & Patrick (8:22PM)

- We are a student run statewide non profit with branches at all other UC's. We have over 30k members who are paying. We are founded 40 years ago to protect student and fight for public interested.
- Every year we run a few campaigns to advocate for environmental justice and social justice.
- Our 100% campaign across all 8 UC's we got 22K petitions with important decision makers like the chancellor. We passed resolutions and we want to thank you guys for the support.
- We are in the final phases to commit UCSC to go 100% energy renewable. We will get a MOU in the upcoming weeks.
- Our new focus for winter quarter will be the State Bill of SB100. This bill will commit the state to go 100% renewable energy by 2025. Special interest have been lobbying very hard to kill this bill despite public support. We are excited to work to get this passed. We are ramping up our efforts and a lot of call ins. We are focusing on assembly member and working on 100 businesses across the state to sign on.

New Business 8:28PM

Registrar Update 15 Minutes

- Talk about the waitlist fee charge and to open up on the discussion.
- We have taken steps to inform students about the challenge through orientations and college advising. We have sent out quarterly reminders and to swap instead of enroll especially with waitlist but it has had very little affect. It causes a lot of workload and we are at a breaking point. We need them to take care of schedule planning. We did a 10 dollar waitlist correction fee so we can encourage that behavioral change.
- Implemented my scheduler which is a time scheduling and on every enrollment page there is an ability for which class you want to drop. We are taking steps to help solve these problems but we are at the breaking point with the manual enrollments.
- We will show that the first fee is waived but the following errors will cause the fee to be given. We can share the revenue to create a scholarship and to give it to student support for financial need. We want the negative reinforcement for consequence of students.

Emma: I am unclear. So the fee is only implemented if you call a second time. It won't happen if you fix it yourself as if you drop yourself and re enroll without the time conflict or using swap function. Anyone can correct their errors on their own. It is when you want the registrar to manually do it and preserve the waitlist position.

Sabina: I guess this is another student fee that has been added and that is always difficult to hear. I am curious to see if there are other plans if students won't be able to pay that fee. And also the revenue is going to be used for a good cause and I was wondering what the plans are for that. Is there something similar that is student based that can help people enroll.

We worked with summer orientation to swap and not enroll and we have done 8 years of enrollment and we are at the edge of the information sharing that has had its effect. We do message but no one listens. We send out messages about waitlist errors and in answering those questions I have asked did you get the email that I sent on Friday and the response was I didn't pay attention to it. It is one of the means to influence people. We are hoping that having on all enrollment pages the indication will make it more intuitive for students to go through the process. We want to make the system better and we will change messaging to see how students can fix their schedule. Students have always been able to fix it on their own but there are always these consequences. I am an open book as to see where these fees will go. I have thoughts of scholarship and financial aid but my office is involved with slug support.

Sabina: I can speak to you more privately but I have a few ideas on ways to help students.

Ayo: I was wondering if this fee will apply to first year students fall because as a first year I didn't know what I was doing at all. Even though there were orientation leaders I was still confused. I don't

want to have a first year having a 100 dollar fee because they didn't know what they are doing. Is there a way for the fee to not apply to them at least for Fall Quarter.

We can look into various different option. The easiest solution is doing a count and you get a get out of jail card and we can increase it to 2 or 3 but with the workload we are not allowed to do other business needs because of the urgent need. We can't graduate students or produce transcript. 11,000 manual enrollments is a lot. I need students to change their behavior and support that but I am happy to explore other solutions. I agree it's not fair for first year students in Fall. But Fall is actually way less errors than winter and spring.

Ayo: First year Fall Quarter and Transfer students coming in. Thank You.

Katie: I was wondering what the best way to contact you is.

Email is: cpsanger@ucsc.edu or go to the website: www.registrar.ucsc.edu

Jonathan: I think making changes on the website can really help students.

I think if we can have swap on enrollment page then they can indicate the course they want to drop. If there is no change in behavior do we still process these waitlist corrections without charge or punity. I seriously hope that it will bring the number down to a manageable number. It has been a creep in numbers of support we had to do. There has always been an expansion of classes using waitlist. We are barely managing so we need a solution.

Jessica: Motion to add 3 minutes

Alex: Second

No Objections

Vignesh: Is there an effort to research a technical overhaul. How did your office get the number of Fee.

We didn't build a fee based on office of need but we did other processing fees and we have a history of administrative processing fees of 10 dollars. That is what those fees came out with. With technical solution we have done research for a number of years. It took someone working in the office moving to colorado state to discover the modification to the system that did what we were looking for. It is simple and we are hoping it would be more intuitive. We understand the challenge in enrollment system but we are constrained as well within the system.

Vignesh: its because the career center also came in and told us about the overhaul.

Yes the people platform go through four upgrades a year and part of the challenge is to keep up with the updates but there will be a large overhaul.

Zach: Motion to extend time by 2 minutes

Jessica: Second

No Objections

Sabina: I was looking up other UC's but I am thinking that the 10 dollar fee seems to be high. Other universities have lower fees and I was wondering if you have thought of a lower fee.

We would have to propose but we haven't charged it yet so we can continue in a realm of not charging and wait another quarter and see if the patterns of behavior has changed. We would need a fee to reflect the work which is much higher than 10 dollars. We thought informing them that that would be an incentive but there are students who do this every single quarter. We are trying to limit that behavior.

Max: I was wondering for making the system more accessible what is making it difficult to change it. Have you done student feedback from people?

The time conflict there is nothing we can do about it. If they are not paying attention to section and classes. Hoping that will help. With enrollment process, you click on enroll. If you are in backup class you have to click on swap and not enroll. It will ask what classes you want to drop and we understand it is a language problem but everyone else they don't see that they are separate it. We want to relate them. There has been nothing official but more anecdotal communication with students.

SUA Visioning Committee (15 Minutes) 8:58PM

- Presentation Slide Available in Agenda Folder
- Group dedicated to bridging the gap that exist between student body and SUA
- We want to go over with things of public awareness in 2017 and what are the best strategies to go about it.
- We look at each issue to figure out strategies but we create sub groups within the committee and split the work the best we can to increase awareness. Anyone is welcome to work on what they are passionate about. Groups will be responsible for facilitating change.
- This will be a long process and it is something we have to constantly work on. We want engagement.
- Sign up sheets are available.

Quinn: i want to know what time you want to meet?

We will send out a doodle poll when we get the emails back to see what time works out for everyone!

Fall 2017 Budget Report (20 Minutes) 9:04PM

- Presentation Slide Available -> for details
- We have two revenue so we have 7 dollars per student per quarter in student fees. Everything else is money we have last year.
- 6 main categories of expense. Majority goes to stipends and staff.
- Bylaws must be amended to fix parts talking about the budget. We have to get 10k more over the next two years. We only need 5% as carryforward.
- Options: three solutions. Changing the budget is the first option to free up 6K

Jessica: Why don't we take the entirety of the money from general fund?

Noah: It is just that general fund is when students come in with orgs needing funding.

Jane: I would say please come to amend bylaws because there are a lot of things wrong.

Ayo: So we have to add money in 2 years.

Noah: It's more that we have something to do.

Ayo: So we can do it overtime?

Noah: We don't have a specific deadline so I guess the last meeting but by the last meeting we could have run out of money.

Jane: To change the bylaws we only need 2/3 of the assembly. It doesn't have to be hard if someone can write a nice language so we can change it.

Zach: If we were to change the bylaw would it be changing the amount needed to instead of money we don't have to money we do have like the 40k.

Noah: We can change the percentage of what we put in or we can change the amount of money or we can change it to not being a fixed number. There are a multiple way to change it.

Ayo: Last year SUA went broke right? If this fund was used after we went broke.

Jane: I pretty sure the fund exist is being SUA went broke a few years ago.

Judith: Some of the expenses have been immediate expenses from UCSC and related to presidential stuff which are reimbursed by UCSA. My questions is what is the process of returning that money to SUA?

Noah: Can I get back to you on this?

Bike Co-op (5 minutes) by Ayo 9:23AM

- Everyone there are volunteers and they use different parts to help students with their bike. They don't make money.
- They don't have funds to get things done except for donations and they wanted 250 for rent and other for supplies without having to charge to students.
- However we can't do it because they aren't a registered student organization. They are giving back to our students and they are for our students. Is there a way to move their status or so we can fund them money.

Tamra: The way we do this is they give us a list of things they need and we will go buy them.

Max: Even if they say they are register then they still have to come here with an itemized budget so it's pretty much the same thing.

Vignesh: Did they have problems with the fact that they are unrepresented?

Ayo: They didn't have a problem.

Max: Co-Ops want to be autonomous that way because they don't want to be limited.

Invite LRDP Co-Chairs to SUA (5 minutes) by Max 9:27PM

- The campus planner lead an exercise where we got huge maps that were color coded with reasons why that land was unbuildable.
- We had groups that came up with what they thought what development should go on what piece of land. We came up with a video game idea.
- They want to come here in person and to get feedback and answer questions about anything regarding development. Housing and academic spaces are a huge issue for students on campus.

Straw Poll: In Favor (26) Opposed (0)

Old Business 9:31PM

Active Minds Funding Deliberation (10 Minutes) 9:32PM

Max: I mentioned concerns about people who have triggers so I want to make sure there are signs.

Tamra: i say lets not fund until they can give us a more clear plan.

Sabina: They came to cowell student senate and there were more discussion on the way they planned it. They have on site professional staff who can support students. I heard they changed their location to the amphitheatre instead of MPR so they were taking account to what SUA said.

Katie: I personally would love to get those updates. I think it is a good and important cause and I am frustrated with the way it was discussed by them.

Tamra: Do they have the date for the event?

Jane: It is late April to early May.

Tamra: I don't think its a bad idea to hold this.

Keshav: I motion to postpone until clearer plans are shown.

Jessica: Second

No Objections.

Resolution Update (10 Minutes) by Jessica 9:36PM

Jessica: I wanted to show the response we got back from our resolution. It was a letter of thanks to the support from students. They want to come to SUA to meet, we don't know if it will happen but we should come up with a way to respond and see how we want to approach this.

Max: Can I forward the email to the assembly. The title of the subject is not in caps.

Judith: I was going to say in terms of responding we hold them accountable to meeting and put them on an agenda.

Sabina: I think that it is important if the SUA responded with more pressure so we can be the bridge between admin and students. This is my personal opinion.

Zach: Point of Information: What does the previous speaker have in mind of going beyond just planning a date.

Sabina: What I was thinking we have to give them a response that the student have a right to know the reasons behind someone being fired. It is not the person's private security and students should know. Specifically to ask for more transparency.

Natasha: I think it would be more satisfying to ask in person so I would hold off the question in email just so this meeting will happen.

Ayo: Do you think we can get this answer out of them. They are saying that they can't release personal information. Can we go around that?

Judith: Responding to that personal information is confidential. Even when i do personal work no one is allowed to know. Our way of approaching and finding out answers are the rumors true are the claims true. That is the narrative and there are requirements from the state of information we should know.

Max: As far as a response it sounds like it don't know how you want to approach this because the email is sent to me.

Katie: My thought on it is to simply respond with a date and time to come to our meeting and ask these questions in person. I am worried that they will decline to meet if we ask questions in email. I think it is important to have this in person.

Jessica: That is what I was going to say. When my office drafted this we knew personal protocol so like I was anticipating a bureaucratic response.

Tamra: How are we deciding on the response. Is there a motion or straw poll?

Straw Poll: (Focused on organizing a time for chancellor and EVC to come) In favor (29) Opposed (1)

Judith: The simpler the response the better we can get them to come in.

Jane: At least one meeting prior we can have half an hour to talk about what we are going to ask.

Judith: I suggest them to not come on the 23rd and I want to present for that.

Sabina: We know that admin will talk around things I want to limit their responses to how long they can talk. I want to set up a way so we can ask questions to get a response for them.

Max: Once you guys figure out a date I can send out an email. I don't want to be a person but we need a plan B if they decline that request and does not show up. There is a high chance that they can't show up. How do we hold them accountable. What is our other option.

Emma: Point of Information, I was wondering what you meant by why we need a plan B right now? Can we create a plan B when that time comes.

Judith: I think having a plan B is helpful just so we can have it.

Max: It's also late so I don't expect anyone to come up with anything. But I would suggest once we figure out a date I would say give a deadline for ourselves because if we wait for a response it can take forever.

Jane: I can put this on the agenda for next week.

Vignesh: What if we had a forum regarding the over enrollment issue in general and have a moderator?

Tamra: Would everyone be comfortable with the officer coming up with something at the officer meeting this friday and present it next tuesday.

Sabina: I think that is fine but I have a lot of ideas but I think it helpful to have everyone add in but I think the Officers should come up with a date if we can engage with plan B and make a committee.

9:56PM: Closing Remarks and Adjournment

Jane: Who has committee sign ups? Diversity committee and Bylaw committee. We need to get the room back. If you are not here for roll call please talk to Chloe.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:58PM