

SUA MEETING MINUTES

Cervantes and Velasquez Conference Room

Tuesday November, 13, 2018

Meeting Called to Order 8:03 pm

Roll Call 8:03 pm

Assembly Members Present: Ayo Banjo, Davon Thomas, Lauren Woo, Enrique Yarce, Bella Bullock, Natasha Bramer, Cameron Elliott, Ryan Sparno, Devyn Ellis, Leighton Mair, Yonatan Tekla, Saúl Soto, Soma Badri, Ce-Lai Fong, Katie Keeshen, Amy Calderwood, Venkatesh Nagubandi, Alexandrina Chavez, Anna Romstad, Owen Sweeney, Chase Hayes, Michelle Moreno, Aakriti Singh, Stephan Edgar, Andrew Romero, Sam Grewal, Sharu Suriya, Kayla Beaman

Assembly Members Absent: Alicia Freedman, Claudia Paz Flores, Sydney Eliot (alt-Julia), Joshua Anh Ta, Emma Cunningham, Jocelyn Fredell, Francisco Diaz (alt-Taryn Damore), Jessica Zubia Calsada (alt-Britney), Zaire Pickett Smith (alt-Shania Anderson), Robert Parke, Fatima Mohammadi, Sunpreet Mahil

Yet-to-be-Appointed: MEChA representative, Bayanihan representative, DSU (pending SOAR registration)

Vacancies: Internal Vice President

Approval of the Agenda 8:07 pm

Stephan: Motion to amend the agenda to approve a new agenda item; add the

Vision Committee 8:08 pm

Lauren: Second regarding Stephans motion 8:10 pm

No objections; motion passes 8:10 pm

Venkatesh: Motion to postpone approval of budget indefinitely 8:10 pm

Leighton: Second 8:10 pm

Davon: Objection 8:10 pm; 1. Ayo stepped outside and he is the one who added this on the agenda so before you decide to do that, I would suggest calling him in here. 2. We're also going to be doing a poll to see if ya'll want to have a

meeting next week because of Thanksgiving so then you the budget approval would get pushed back two weeks which is something else to be taken into consideration.

Lauren: My main problem with tabling the budget until next week is that we can't hold SOFA. And if we can't hold SOFA that keeps them from funding student organizations. Often times it's time sensitive and some clubs plan on having..in the coming weeks. The budget approval has already been pushed back so far.

Shania: I wanted to second what Lauren has brought up. SOFA is the organization were students go to so with the pushing of that that delays us from asking from funding as well, next is Thanksgiving break and folks plan on leaving Tuesday, Saturday whenever. That would push it back to November 27th and by then it's damn near the end of the quarter 201so folks can't receive their funds in time

Venkatesh: A lot of people, I think senates have not had time to discuss the updates they heard. So I think approving the budget right now would be kind of impromptu and not be really representative of every college. I know for a fact a lot of colleges have not discussed it. It think it would be smart to talk about it first before approving it

Anna: I can say for sure that we have not discussed it at Kresge, because I informed them that the budget was indefinitely tabled. We did not know it would be a part of this meeting until we got this agenda and we have our meetings on Thursdays. I would like more time to discuss and I don't think we should cancel our meeting right before Thanksgiving cause then that would be less of an issue. That's my personal take on that

Leighton: I want to focus on the fact that SOFA funding is definitely necessary. Have our spaces discuss this and move forth with that

Jamie: I'd like to echo that at least two if not three college did not meet yesterday and on top of that there is already confusing to a complex budget. I understand that we want to get SOFA funding geared up..

Cameron: Can we hold SOFA without approving the budget? Because SOFA just makes recommendations to SUA and then we have to approve them. And I don't think anyone is going to edit the SOFA money in the budget

Zach: The amount they have to work with is determined by the budget... so I guess yes we could

Ayo: So the budget does not have to be approved for SOFA to occur. The reason I withheld SOFA so it didn't have to go back and forth. If we held SOFA still on Thursday and came back and just discussed changes the 20,000 then we'll be fine. We don't have to approve the budget today, but I still want to talk about it because there's still a lot of confusion; So I would motion to change the line item to Budget Discussion.

Ayo: Motion for a primary amendment to postpone the budget approval to budget discussion 8:16 pm

Owen: Second 8:17 pm

No objections, motion passes 8:17 pm

Lauren: Motion to approve the agenda 8:17 pm

Davon: Second 8:17 pm

Approval of Last Week's Minutes 8:17 pm

Alexandrina: There were some things left out in what I had said...8:17 pm

Before I mentioned the sentence that's there I said that "I had been quiet because I am new and I'm not using that as an excuse" after the sentence after that I said "I do acknowledge the issues and I do want to be involved in solving them"

Motion by Alexandrina 8:18 pm

Devyn: Second 8:19 pm

No objections, Motion passes 8:19 pm

Lauren: Motion to approve the minutes 8:19 pm

Davon : Second 8:19 pm

Announcements and Public Comments 8:20 pm

Danielle: Hi, I was here the first meeting I just wanted to reintroduce myself. I'm Danielle Dirosario the Director of Digital Media Marketing of SUA and on behalf of me and Ben who couldn't be here tonight, he's Director of Photography & Video, we are trying to put an outreach committee towards improving public relations between SUA and student body. There's a meeting tomorrow, it's our first one and we're planning to have biweekly meetings. It's 2-4 pm in McHenry room 0332 which is the ground floor. Basically, we'll just be introducing ourselves, recognizing our goals and talking about what we want to do to improve public relations in SUA and being more transparent, getting students more engaged with our student government. If you have any questions or concerns or want to reach out to me, my email is ddelrosa@ucsc.edu So the meeting is tomorrow, it's on our Instagram page if you don't follow it @suaucsc. I hope to see you there, thank you.

Ayo: SOFA is going to be meeting this week Thursday at 4-8 pm, each college needs to appoint at least one representative. Sent out in campus wide email. If you can get me a name by tomorrow or Thursday that'd be great. Organizations can appoint one of their representatives as well. It's in the bylaws that (who needs to be there) the treasurer, the recording clerk, one officer, ten college reps, ... and again SOFA is a group of people in SUA that come together for recommendations for funding for orgs, stipulate how much funding each org gets, and then those recommendations are taken to spaces, and bring that to SUA and discuss that. I talked to the organizations applying for SOFA so far and if there's any funding for events after November 27-February 1st they should apply so that they can be transferred in time. If you have any question on SOFA please let me know. Chancellor search committee will be happening November

16th, this Friday -let me know if you have questions about that. My office is planning to host a town hall for students who want to come talk about what they want to see in the new chancellor...so If you're interested in planning this town hall please come see me after

Colby: BSU is here to support...represent community...(I couldn't really hear what Colby said, sorry :/)

Venkatesh: When and where is the SOFA meeting?

Ayo: November 15th in the Amuh Mutson Conference Room

Bella: A few things so far, the SUA pantry next Monday and Tuesday we'll be giving out chicken, mashed potatoes, corn, pretty much all the stuff made for thanksgiving dinner. If you are staying over the Thanksgiving break, we'll be giving out that food so you can have in store in your RA's kitchens. I'm also planning different events where you can come get food because dining halls will be closed. For international students or people who can't go home, just know you do have a place where you can go to for food. kitchen at Porter/Kresge will be open? There's going to be flyers and announcement going out so ya'll can bring that back to your spaces. If you also want to have a Thanksgiving meal on Thursday next week, I will send that out to you as well. This year is sad because we only had about 30 people sign up, usually we get about a hundred people sign up in the first week and it closes tomorrow. I'm going to see if the dining director will extend that time frame. Please make sure you sign up if you are staying. I don't know if you celebrate that, but it is something that you can get into the spirit with

Shania: Motion to extend time by 10 min 8:27 pm

Venkatesh: Second 8:27 pm

No objections, Motion Passes 8:27 pm

Katie: I think it's cool that we are live-streaming just where is that live stream being posted so I can point folks towards it

Xual: My name is Xual, I'm a first year. We couldn't figure out the camera to computer situation so right now we're on my computer and it's on my

personal account and I will create-if it's alright with you gurs- and SUA youtube channel and host those videos on that. Also just question, are all of you okay with being recorded, I know it's a public meeting but I have to ask anyway; It is being recorded additionally on another camera. My email is UCSC SUA livestream. Email is : xistarr@gmail.com The title of this is UCSC SUA Livestream

Ayo: I was gonna say for SOFA, if y'all wanna push that back I want to give you that option, if you feel the need. If there's anyone that knows anyone that's into technology and is familiar with winter lights, tree lights, that can withstand the rain and don't use a lot of energy. I want to decorate a little bit around campus a little bit to get into the holiday spirit. We could make like a competition Please let me know thank you

Alexandria: Porter senate is hosting an open mic night at Porter dining hall from 8:30 to 10:30 pm. Sign ups start at 8:15pm

NSJP Funding Follow-Up 8:30 pm

Last Spring SUA approved the funding for NSJP students for NSJP conference. In order to attend the NSJP, which is happening this weekend. Additionally we have been told that even though our funding request has been accepted April 17th that we won't be receiving the funds. We were told that we needed to be a UCSC org. Student groups that are not official have still got funding from SUA. We notified them this year that we are becoming an org. We got in touch with officers on October 15th and they didn't respond. We were told that SUA officers decided over the summer they will no longer be giving us this money heard that the SUA officers didn't approve the funding and we are depending on this money to go to the conference this weekend, we need this money as soon as possible. The excuses made to not issue the funding are unacceptable. We are demanding the money that we were promised.

Ayo: So basically, with NSJP getting funded, you were funded two budgets. One if it were out of state conference \$6,480 the funding would be... instate \$1,680. Over the summer there was miscommunication with the SUA Advisor then. If they're asking for funds for a specific time and not used in a certain time frame then those funds can't be used and they go back to SUA budget. Now I don't have record of exactly what the time cap was, so I'm not enforcing it. I have no idea what was going on.

NSJP rep: It says in the minutes we asked in spring for the funding in fall because they don't let us know the exact date, it does say late October/early November

Ayo: With that said, technically they would get the funding and don't need approval. The budget will be adjusted since SUA approved it last year. Technically if they were approved for fall they will get the funds and that won't be an issue. In terms of adjusting the funds. On our end we will make sure the budget is reflected accurately to ensure those funds are adjusted and the numbers we're seeing are accurate.

NSJP: So, Where would that money be taken from? Would that be affecting any other things. The decision would need to be made tonight so we could have the funds for this weekend.

Ayo: So technically I will be presenting the budget in the discussion cause in my revision there is actually about 24,000 available in programming budget...if it was adjusted beforehand that means the budget stays the same and we don't change anything. Either way there would still be more funds in my revision.

Davon: So you're sure that we don't have to approve anything tonight?

SUA Vision Committee 8:37 pm

Stephan: For anybody that does not know, my name is Stephan. I serve as an appointed representative for College Nine student senate. Pronouns:

He/him/his. I brought up this agenda item because we are approaching a pretty rapid deadline, and that is the deadline to submit new proposals to go on the

dean of students...initiatives, constitutional amendments for the Spring 2019 elections. I attended a workshop with one other student last Monday with the dean of students to basically go through the training to go through all the orgs they have to go through. The reason I bring up the Vision committee is because it focuses on how SUA develops. Specifically for what the vision of SUA is in the future and if ya'll are like me and annoyed with the hostility, toxicity, and chaos, and the social media rants and what not. And want a better system of accountability, making changes of how SUA works...I think it's really important that we start working together and start putting all the voices we need to move forward. Specifically the vision committee is under constitutional bylaws. Zach and Ayo correct me if I'm wrong. The reason I put this on the agenda today is because I've been in communication with advisor and she said it would be good to bring that up today. Getting the committee started now would mean that I could get something submitted by the deadline which is just over a month from now. I'm willing to take the lead or being a supporting person. I just want to see the committee get activated as an SUA component so that we can get things done and move forward on gov docs. I come from a background that deals with bylaws and reanalysis..judicial branches and other systems of accountability. I have some success doing that as a transfer student and want to bring that experience to the SUA and start working with a lot of people who said they are interested and want to see this move forward. So, please activate it.

Davon: Like Stephan was saying for you to amend the constitution for SUA you have to go through a valid procedure for spring elections. You have to go to meetings in fall, hosted in Dean of Students office. There are 3 in total, one that passed, two more this week. If you want to go to these meetings so you can put something on the ballot for SUA. Tomorrow November 14th 11am-1230 health center mural room. Thursday November 15th 930am-11am Hahn room 201 financial aid conference room. If you want to attend those meetings. If you

want to change the constitution and put something on the ballot you have to go to those meetings. Required if you want to put something on ballots. Also in campus wide email, just type in campus elections and it'll pop up there.

Ayo: Thank you Stephan for bringing that up. The reason why I have been waiting to speak with big five orgs to make sure we have as much transparency as possible. The vision committee I'm going to be restructuring that with officers and big five orgs and anyone else who wants a voice can have a voice. Changes need to be approved by SUA with 2:3 vote. I do see your urgency so I encourage communication between the big five orgs and SUA officers and reps. Hopefully as soon as we get these things done we can initiate that

Davon: Motion to extend time by 5 minutes 8:43 pm

Anna: Second 8:43 pm

No objections, motion passes 8:43 pm

Leighton: How would the vision committee work to improve the SUA accountability?

Stephan: I can probably address this, but I think Ayo is more qualified to. I know that the SUA vision committee is usually set up under the IVP I believe. Because it does have to do with constitutional bylaws and internal documentation. One of the big elements of how that committee would purposes on encourages student participation..I think that if this is going to be done well it needs input from the ethnic orgs and other student orgs that are not necessarily voting members, but should have an equal voice. I'm not sure if that's something currently set up, if not I would like to see that happen

Ayo: yes, yes.

Shania: Davon can you send all those dates and times, locations in email?

Venkatesh: Just to clarify, are those the only two days you can propose changes to the constitution?

Davon: It's not to propose changes to the constitution exactly. That has to go through SUA, but you can't even get to the SUA portion if you don't attend

those meetings. So essentially you can all not do that, and just rely on Stephen who I think is the only one in this room that went to that meeting. My recommendation is for you to go to one of those meetings. Those are your only two times to go.

Katie: I think it's really important to get the SUA vision committee started again. It started two school years ago. Things lapsed over the summer, it started again last fall, try to address issues in best way. It has potential to change things for people to come and talk to SUA representatives about what needs to happen in SUA. It really needs structural support for that. So getting the ball rolling, make an amendment which is the goal of this committee, it's essential. The only way we change things is if we change the constitution and institute concrete change, so I'm going to go to one of those trainings..

Jamie: Given that inconsistency is a problem, is there a way to make it a standing committee?

Zach: I believe that can be changed in the bylaws.

Katie: Motion to extend time by 3 min 8:48 pm

Stephan: second 8:48 pm

No objections, motion passes 8:48 pm

Katie: Motion to reinstate vision committee as a standing (?) committee 8:49 pm

Stephan: second 8:49 pm

Ayo: objection 8:40 pm

Ayo: We don't need to approve it we can just extend it. I'm hesitant to reinstate right now because I want to make sure we get these conversations with these orgs first before making decisions. So I'd like to wait. This committee will be under IVP office. With the time frame right now this week it's going to be really hard to do something like that

Katie: that's totally fine. I just don't wanna wait so long that we don't miss opportunity to put something on ballot. Wanna get the ball rolling. Those conversations need to start happening

Anna: I want to know what the big five thinks about reinstating it?

Colby: I personally would like to follow Ayo's suggestion because I don't know much about the vision committee because this hasn't been talked about in the Big Five or BSU space. I would like our demands to be solidified

Anna: do you think it would be counterproductive to go forward with demands before getting this committee started?

Colby: I think it's important for us to know what direction we want to go in. We are trying to move as fast as we can with these demands.

12 votes for the motion

15 objections

Motion fails 8:52 pm

Readdressing Community Agreements and Robert's Rules 8:52 pm

Zach: I know last meeting I failed to prevent toxicity. Moving forward, per Roberts rules and if somebody cares to respond directly to a previous speaker, I can recognize them to do so. Just to address that I have a copy of the community agreements here . Mostly the big points are I'm going to be enforcing the community agreements more heavily like I should have been.

Shaneka: Who is allowed to speak so I know where to direct my question to get those answered ?

Zach: Everyone can speak, voting is restricted to the members

Davon: From my understanding the parliamentarian is to enforce the community rules. He is doing his job, it's his role to enforce these rules in this space. He's not some enemy trying to silence or attack you. It's his job to lead these meetings. I don't want Zach to be attacked for doing his job.

Shania: Can you please resend out the community agreements

Budget Discussion 8:57 pm

Ayo: I'm going to say this first because this is on my heart right now. Now I understand that there are articles written, people are talking, comments said on Facebook. But if you don't understand what's going on in SUA, and you don't come talk to me and ask me, then please don't make any plans to do things behind my back because that's increasing toxicity. Please if you have info about the budget and you don't know what's' going on please come talk to

me . There is a rumor going on that I am give secret funding to ethnic organizations under the table and take from other people. That makes me really pissed off because I have told y'all to come and talk to me about anything. The fact that your getting misinformation is just adding to the toxicity. We have seen what's happened these past few weeks. Going behind the leaders back is adding to the toxicity. I am not accusing anyone of saying or doing anything. I need y'all to give me a chance to explain before you start creating stuff. I'm just putting it out there it is ridiculous for me to have to deal with a new thing every day and there is continuous things being done behind peoples back. It gets me irritated that we talk about transparency and there's people doing things done behind peoples' back. So I'm going to explain the budget. If you think that I'm doing anything the wrong tell me in this space right now, tell me if you think rumors are true, because I'm over the bs. We talked about the budget two/three weeks ago. We talked about the 30k being spent on the concert. I want to go through my revisions because I have been working on them the past two/three weeks. This is not a dead document, it's a living document we can revisit it. So we can approve it today and we can still hear the demands and still re-approve other things. The reason why I want to approve the budget today is we need to get the organizations funded. Orgs that have applied to SOFA need to get funded, they're expecting to hear from us and get their funding. This budget has been available since I think about three/four weeks ago, it was kept up, and we said we weren't going to decide on it because the Big Five orgs wanted to come to us with their demands. This would have been the time for us to bring back conversation from our senate spaces and talk about how they want to allocate things.

Katie: Did we continue to get updates. I know there's new changes that were made since the last time we talked about the budget. Were there updates sent about further revisions since the last time we discussed the budget?

Ayo: There were no updates to the updated '19 budget, which was the budget you were supposed to take back to your spaces. No revisions whatsoever. The only revision is on my president's revision in which programming has gone up to 24,000 because I've allocated something to that which I'm going to talk to y'all about now. Other than that there has been no update. Nothing has changed.

Stephan: When we are we going to be approving the updated '19 budget or the president's revision?

Ayo: president revision is my own revision in what needs to be slashed and added. So you can vote if you want to vote on either or. What I have changed...I have the budget breakdown for everything on a separate sheet. It has the 24,000 added to programming.

Anna: Is this something other than the budget that is in this weeks folder?

Ayo: The budget that is in this folder doesn't have the breakdown. The one in the folder doesn't have the notes I added.

Shania: Motion for 5 min recess 9:05 om

Lauren: Second 9:05 pm

No objections 9:05 pm

Meeting resumed 9:10 pm

Zach: Unfortunately, there was some confusion, the spreadsheet that you have on the drive originally is the spreadsheet that we'll be looking at.

Ayo: Very simply, very brief, what I've done in this budget is basically move the IVP programming ... Student Staff benefits were moved into programming that way we have more funds. Students of Color Conference was initially \$8000, my revision says \$4000 and the reason we decreased that was because this year it was anti-Black. Everything I did is just increasing programming. Also, everything is the same from the revisions that were made in the spring time of 2018. What I've done is reallocate funds to increase programming funds. I just took the pay periods that the IVP would be missing (~\$1350), and the two

interns (~\$1600) and added that up and allocated that towards the programming budget. Y'all know that I'm the current internal vice president, I am not saying anything, if there is any kind of kindness in the room if anyone wants to say 'hey you're kind of doing three jobs as president, ivp, treasurer, and although there's a lot of drama you're still doing the work! Maybe get \$200 from ivp pay, y'all can do that if you want, I'm just going to throw that out there. If you don't think that I deserve that just throwing that out there. Does anyone have any question about...In total right now we have about 24,000 in programming. We still have 61,000 in SOFA, 8000 student org travel, blackout conference, other conferences. Right now we are completely fine. I talked with a few chairs yesterday about the budget and SOFA. I want to be transparent about what was talked about. What I've done is hired a separate financial analyst, someone that is a pro in this. To walk me through everything and make sure that everything that I created was accurate and correct. I'm trying to look at SUA behavior of funding on how they funded the organizations. I wanted to address how SUA usually funds, all the ethnic and identity organizations. I want to be clear, this does not mean that this is the only amount for funding this year. Make sure money was allocated to the orgs. The reason why I did this is because I wanted to make sure there would be enough funds this year for all the orgs so they can do what they need to do. So we are looking at hypothetical behavior of SUA funding, nothing is actually happening. So what I've done is from the year 2015-2016, 2016-2-17, 2017-2018, I took all the ethnic and identity orgs and basically totaled the amount of funding they received from SUA that year and saw how much the budget was. You're able to get the percentage of how much was given to them through SOFA that year. I need some nods from y'all cause this is a lot of information. At the end of this meeting I'm going to be here for 30 min and sit down with anyone who wants to see the breakdown of the math. I will go through that with you. So, I've taken the percentages of how much SOFA

usually funds ethnic and identity organizations (45.86%). Last year SUA, SOFA gave them 40.9% of budget. Does anyone want to see the entire break down?

Ayo: Motion to extend time by 15 min 9:20 pm

Alexandrina: Second 9:21 pm

No objections, Motion Passes 9:21 pm

Jamie: Does everyone have access to this presentation?

Ayo: It's on the drive

Zach: We are fixing that right now so ya'll have access to everything

Ayo: If y'all have questions I'm goin to ask y'all through this. I'm going to explain why I did it and what that means. I swear on everything this is exactly what I'm doing and this is all I'm doing. So the best way to figure out if there is enough funding for orgs is to see SUA's behavior last year and see how we funded them. The best way to move forward is to get data from the past and use that information for this years funding.. This is last year (referring to spreadsheet) So these are the ethnic and identity orgs that applied last year to SOFA...these are the funds that SUA gave them. We're looking at behavior because there was an action to give them these funds

Natan: Does this spreadsheet include funds requested directly from the assembly over the 40,000 dollar limit for SOFA?

Ayo: It does not include those funds. Although I can give presentation on that as well.

Natan: Are those numbers included in the 40%?

Ayo: So what this is is the funds that SOFA gave the 20 ethnic and identity orgs last year . Of those twenty, on a 48,000 dollar budget, SUA gave them \$19,608.92 which is about 40.9% of the budget...If that's wrong let me know right now cause that would be really embarrassing.This is not be saying that this is what we are going to give them \$24,909. What I'm saying is if you take that same percentage of what SUA gave last year to this year. Based off of

behavior organizations would be getting an increase of 27% because if you take 40.9% of \$60,000 you get about 5,340.08 difference which is an increase from last year. I took that \$5,340.08 and took that over the amount from last year . I got .276 which I just rounded to .27. I'm just saying based of the data if we were to act the same way last year this year they would have an increase. Making SUA this year at the highest capacity to fund orgs this year. We are going to build a new atmosphere. Now that y'all know that technically if we took the data behavior wise. I took the mean of all three years that I looked at not including.. fall of 2016. If I took the percentage how much SOFA gave those three time. I averaged them out to see how much SUA SOFA has given the orgs over the past three years. The average percentage is 45.86% or 46% remember when we looked at that this year that meant they should be getting an increase. If we took 46% of the \$61,000 budget they would be getting \$28,000 which would be a 43% increase. This data is just saying how SOFA usually gives. So when they come for demands/requests, we can actually talk about actual amounts to give to them to give to SUA and approve..and not by me.. so y'all can see how much we have given them in the past. I'm trying to get SUA to see it's past so we can build on institutional memory. We don't know how much SOFA is going to give ethnic and identity orgs this year. On average we usually give them 46%. It would make sense to understand what they ask for looking at past behaviors. Okay? Cause ya'll make me go crazy! Is there any questions? Give me everything you have cause I can take it.

Natan: I have some questions about historical SOFA funding...does SOFA quarter by quarter use all the money that is allocated to the student organizations?

Ayo: Yes!

Owen: So the 42% is of the total SUA budget not 46% of SOFA budget?

Ayo: the 46% is of SOFA. 49% is how much we gave them out of the SOFA budget

Owen: So say we had a \$100 in SOFA we only gave them \$49 out of the whole year?

Ayo: yes

Owen: Does that contradict the last question, can you explain that?

Ayo: No. SOFA itself allocates the money and gives to student orgs. If we were to go back, I don't want to do this, but I'm going to be as honest and transparent as possible. I'm going to give you everything that I have so if y'all wanna come at me you can at least come at me accurately. SOFA uses all of its funding to give to student organizations.

Owen: so by the end of the year all of that money is gone?

Ayo: All that money is going to be allocated to the organizations. Whether they use it or not is not reflected in the actual budget. For example: last year we allocated by nehan? 1,100 dollars what we turned was 802 dollars, meaning they only used about \$300. Even though we allocated the money to the orgs it doesn't mean that they use it all. It just means that we allocated them. That \$10,000 not used last year went into programming funds for this year.

Katie: So question is 40% versus we give out all the SOFA money. So we get requests from all sorts of groups. The 40% is going to ethnic and identity orgs and the rest can go to other student orgs. The variety orgs is really wide.

Owen: So when we're saying that our history is that we allocated 46% to ethnic orgs so we're good if we...

Ayo: the reason why I didn't want to bring this data up is because of...every year if an org usually asks for these funds and if we can give them more we should. The reason why I bring that up is because I wanna let y'all know that we have more funds this year if you were to take the behavior of how much sofa usually funds ethnic and identity orgs.

Katie: We have more money and every one can get more money because we have more money to give out.

Davon: I just want to remind the assembly we have 20 min left don't want to make this a habit going to SUA office.

Xual: Can you clarify..

Ayo: We have more capacity this year to fund them if they ask for more. In terms of the budget, that 17,000 dollars is not the funds that SUA only has. That is what is left after SUA spends everything. We have allocated everything that SUA knows they're going to spend...we theres 17,000 left so that means there is no reason to touch the programming budget that is leftover right now because we have already allocated everything so we are good for this year. If the orgs want to be reflected in the budget Ideally they are good to go. SUA in terms of funds we are alllll good to go. The budget is low because we have already allocated everything. I'm not saying that we are justified to spend 30,000 on a conference. The president has the power to interpret laws as well as create them. If we find that to be a problem, we should create something in the vision committee that addresses that problem head on.

Davon: I understand the frustration, take a deep breath. The budgets been a lot.

Motion to extend time by 2 minutes 9:40pm

Lauren : second 9:40 pm

Ayo: I'm tired of rumors and inboxes of people threatening me, There is enough money for the orgs. If you're mad about the 30k dollar decision, we as officers will be sitting down figure out what went wrong and help create the solution to the problem. I'm hoping officers can then meet with the Big Five orgs, hear their demands, and start creating language, then activate and institute the vision committee, have vision committee institute the Big Five demands, whatever else SUA feels needed to reflect in those bylaw changes. Present to SUA, get on ballot, approve or not. We are going to go back on track cause there is a lot to do.

Natan: Is this a current agenda item to discuss SOFA funding? How many people have applied to current SOFA call?

Ayo: Right now we have confirmed 7...

Natan: I want to bring this to this space because I have multiple inquiries out to the officers. None have been answered for a couple weeks. The application requires a focal, but most focal(?) are not released so A lot of people have not been able to submit applications.

Ayo: we will fix that

Owen: motion to extend time 2 min 9:43 pm

Soma : second 9:43 pm

No objections, motion passes 9:43 pm

Shania: As the previous speaker mentioned, that most organizations are funded or registered through SOAR. For the focal, ask SOAR and once the application goes through they will send the focal over to you. Just to answer the question.

Discussion of IVP Hiring Process 9:44 pm (closed session)

If you're not a voting member we kindly ask you to leave for this agenda item...we do need a motion to go into closed session

Shania: are y'all going to tell the people that go outside that they can come back in

Natasha: motion to do the thing about the thing (close session) 9:45 pm

Stephan: second 9:45 pm

closed session until 10 pm

Meeting moved to SUA building

Zach: please raise hand if you're an elected rep or officer (23 hands raised = Quorum met); We have one more item on the agenda

Meeting officially resumed/recalled to order at 10:14 pm in SUA Building

Representatives Responsibilities 10: 15 pm

Zach: On the folder should be a document about the representatives responsibilities.

The constitution is the interpretation, in my point of view, that we would like to appoint as many voices and representation as possible. Following are quotes

from the constitution. "Represent and express the student voice and concerns of students in their respective college or organization"

1. "Required to hold at least one hour of weekly office hours"
2. Attending weekly assembly meetings at 8 pm on Tuesday night (usually about 2-3 hours long)
3. Reporting back to your respective spaces about what was discussed at the last meeting and getting input on any decisions that need to be made
4. "Sit on and participate in at least one SUA committee"
5. "Prepare a monthly report to the SUA President that gives an update on the happenings of the college or organization, which they represent"
6. "Prepares a monthly report evaluating the SUA, which provides constructive criticism, for the purposes of improvement"
7. One of the three representatives from your colleges or the representative from your student organization sits on the SOFA -a funding advisory committee that meets once a quarter for 4 hours
8. Carryout any other duties as set forth in this constitution, the bylaws, and/or assigned by the voting membership of the SUA

Y'all can start committee a budget committee, an option in spring quarter

Update on college to which the represent docs that go on SUA website I can retrieve old docs and send that out tonight so you know how they look like.

There are no consequences besides recall which is impeachment in the constitutional bylaws for failure to not do job. We can institute some other type of form of consequences if y'all deem that necessary. Really in SUA the only consequence is recall

Katie: I know last year there was a Google form survey put out monthly to collect reports on representatives. Are you planning to implement that again? Or how are you planning to collect those reports? Because it's already been a month of being a rep...

Zach: I will work on a google form hopefully have that hopefully have that ready in next few days. One of the bylaws one of the three reps from college or ident org will choose to sen to sofa or however our or wants to decide that. I believe that applies to identity orgs as well. Looking through bylaw and

constitution. That's kind of where that falls SUA committee for the finance board promotes fiscal responsibility for SUA. Finance Board will maintain accurate fiscal budget for other years. Finance board meets every other Friday. SOFA meets once a quarter to get recommendations presented to assembly, meeting this Thursday for this quarter. Gets requests from various organizations, then make recommendations of how to allocate the funds. To approve... this is not a direct quote. We'll also be working to launch a vision committee to amend constitutional bylaws as soon as we can. Another committee that would be available to join. Question we have got in the past the; Whether or not that committee is lead by a voted member of SUA is to the best of my knowledge

Colby: Hi everyone. My name is Colby, Vice President of BSU. I think there should be a number on conduct. Given what I've experienced just so people know in the future how to behave. Last week after the meeting I was approached by a rep. I won't name them. I thought we were going to have a civilized disuse on about things that were brought up in the meeting. Instead I was confronted and told I said things that I didn't say. I wanna talk to this rep about how they can alter their language endnote be micro-aggressive. They interrupted, I was cut off, I didn't appreciate how I was approached and was literally pressed up against the wall. Only after two BSU members came over, the situation had shifted. This person tried to back pedal and say 'oh I'm not racist'. It's really disappointing because the reps are supposed to represent the people, not harass them. I think some action needs to be made. The toxicity needs to be managed because its really bad.

Ayo: SUA, Max the last SUA president didn't enforce a lot of things and was really chill. Like how y'all are supposed to give a report back -I didn't enforce that a at least not this past month and I'm not going to unless you still want to. I think that we might just have to start really enforcing everything. I think a conduct committee is important. I was going to create a Judicial committee

based off the line that says that SUA presidents main jobs is to make sure that there is cohesive affective communication among assembly. The second committee I want to put out there is a search committee for IVP. If you want to be a part of committees, this quarter they are optional to be a part of. I'm not going to enforce this quarter. If we don't get enough people then then that will be re-enforced. We just go through all the expenses of SUA, so that's optional . On the IVP search committee. If you're interested. We finalize process for IVP. In terms of actually getting things done, I would like to have a search committee. Come talk to me if you're interested.

Shania: motion to extend time by 10 min 10:27 pm

Katie: second 10:27 pm

No objections, motion passes 10:27 pm

Davon: I just wasn't sure if you said SCOC committees can't count? Is there a way to get around that this year? They're actually paid so that's motivation to apply to these committees. Rarely is every committee actually filled. All the 30 committees that are there are filled with a quarter of students. Is there a way to work around that if SCOC..to issue getting folks in the space to get into committees. Is there a way to go around that? I'm not sure about the bylaws and constitution. I think SCOC doesn't have a lot to do and deserve students on the committees already. Maybe these committees will work with that ask well, cause people are taking a lot of units. Realistically, academic wise, folks can always sit on committees that we as officers provide.

Katie: I think conduct stuff is really important. It is a little tricky and that is something that can be talked about in vision committee in regards to consequences and respond to conduct complaints because currently there's no way to do that. In general we have community agreements and rules about how people are in this space. I get the sofa thing of having SUA reps if that can be waved for this quarter that would be best considering the meeting is in a few days. As long as we have quorum for SOFA for this quarter, it would be better to

worry about that just from a timescale frame. I think the report is really important. Something I messed up on the past. There hasn't been a lot of support of like an institutional structure of SUA. I think that is apparent if you look at officer reports cause there aren't any on the website. I think everyone should be doing reports cause that's important for transparency.

Representatives and officers should make that their duty cause currently, most folks are messing up on that

Shania: I am all for a conduct committee cause as the previous speaker mentioned, the actions of a representative from SUA were a bit overbearing and problematic and highlighted the toxicity and overall bad vibes the come with being in the SUA space. Speaking on behalf of the Big Five, being in this space is very toxic. It seems that a lot of y'all agree to reform SUA to make it a non toxic space. The need for conduct space is definitely apparent. If y'all feel like you don't know where to start, all the Big Five offices are literally right here. Y'all have all of our emails, if you don't you can go to the soar.ucsc.edu & Semeca website. We'll also be here every Tuesday. If you genuinely and wholeheartedly want to make a difference in this space... Like I said earlier it is still a toxic space. We see from the officers that they want to make a change to make it non toxic and more accessible to folks. That same drive with passion and energy we don't see that with the voting members so that assembly and folks coming into this space. There is drawbacks it seems with funding the ethnic org if you have a problem with funding ethnic organization you shouldn't be sitting in your seat. Just on me as a person and black person, as a Black Woman in this space. Because this institution is no longer a predominantly white institution, and is *attempting* to accommodate for all of its historic battles with people of color. If you feel so strongly about that, we can talk after meeting. I'll give you my phone number you can call me any time. But that's my personal piece on that.

Shaneka: I just wanna say that on behalf of BSU as well that previous speaker that Colby was referring to, this is for everyone. If you have anything to say to BSU you say it to us as a whole. Do not attack an individual if you have anything to say to them. We are a family and represent each other. We have office hours, emails, you can get into contact with us as a whole. Two, if you do not know the community as a whole, do not speak on the actions that we do as a community. There is some type of rumor going on that 'so and so BSU has forgiven Ayo for his mistake and everyone should follow too. There is a thing called family and there is a thing called forgiveness. If we choose to forgive and understand. As for the three black people in a group of 46 of you. If we choose to forgive and understand and talk to Ayo, Davon, Isabella, then that's our prerogative. We are a family. I will defend decisions they make representing us as a whole. If you have anything to say, address us a whole and do not single out an individual- that is very anti-Black.

Closing Remarks and Adjournment 10:36 pm

Katie: So a lot of SUA reps had left room when we got this update. We've had an issue in the past of resetting the room we meet at. We need to make sure we put the chairs and tables in the right spot. SUA will get a fine if we don't do that. The career center employee has had to stay late and clean up after us- which doesn't sit well with me. Please please stick around and help put the room back, put that back so it doesn't impact SUA and career center employees that have to clean up after .thank you so much

Davon: I'm curious, Ayo, if you were going to ask folks about next week. By a show of hands, who is going to be here next Tuesday. Reminder: we are hiring and executive rep next Tuesday

Ayo: We're not hiring an officer next Tuesday. It's the week of Thanksgiving. I know a lot of folks are going to be gone. We are going to continue my timeline. That's going to be the week after. At this point in time its not an issue anymore we will do that week after. That's it I just want to apologize for y'all today. It's

hard and I'm trying to figure out the best way to lead and empower everyone around. I need support and for everyone to hold each other accountable. I think it has been a long time since SUA has seen itself as a team. If we have conflicts internally then we go to each other. I don't care what happened these past few weeks I care about now and want to be a team. Raise hands if you're willing .

Meeting adjourned 10:40 pm