

**Assembly Members Present:** Ayo Banjo, Citlalli Aquino, Davon Thomas, Lauren Woo, Enrique Yarce, Bella Bullock, Natasha Bramer, Cameron Elliott, Ryan Sparno, Alexandrina Chavez, Leighton Mair, Claudia Paz Flores, Sydney Eliot, Soma Badri, Emma Cunningham, Joshua Anh Ta, Zolt Brown Dunn, Owen Sweeney, Anna Romstad, Chase Hayes, Stephan Edgar, Aakriti Singh, Sharu Suriya, David Miller Shevelev

**Assembly Members Absent:** Alicia Freedman, Yonatan Tekla, Tommy Ramirez, Saúl Soto, Ce-Lai Fong, Rojina Bozorgnia, Venkatesh Nagubandi, Amy Calderwood (alt. Eric), Moushmi Gazula, Francisco Diaz, Michelle Moreno, Jessica Zubia Calsada (alt- Conner Hale), Andrew Romero, Sam Grewal-alt. Nate Hornbuckle, Naliyah Martinez/Zaire Pickett, Robert Parke, Kayla Beaman, Fatima Mohammadi, Sunpreet Mahil

**Yet-to-be-Filled:** MEChA representative, Bayanihan representative

1. Check in/ Introductions 7:40 pm
  - a. Introductions: What are you passionate about?
2. David Shevelev: Motion to table approval of February 5th minutes to February 19th 7:50 pm.
  - a. Stephen Edgar: Second.
3. Point of Personal Privilege: Owen: Cannot hear Zach
4. Approval of the Agenda 7:52 pm.
  - a. Emma: Motion to approve 7:52 pm.
  - b. Claudia: Second 7:52 pm.
  - c. Objection-David Shevelev: Fully supports committees but wants to limit the committee sessions because they take a lot of time.
    - i. Vote to approve tonight's agenda 7:57 pm.
      1. Motion failed.
    - ii. David Shevelev: Motion to exclude committees session and move tabled agenda items in place of it.
      1. Alexandria Chavez: Second.
5. Announcements 7:59 pm
  - a. Enrique Yarce: Miguel has a proposal for an identity rep.
  - b. Enrique Yarce: Hosting a Self Defense workshop Rachel Carson Red Room.
  - c. Sharu Suriya: Event hosted by the Asian American and Pacific Islander community; sex talk tomorrow in the mural room 6-7:30 pm.
  - d. Citlalli Aquino: Going to keep SUA meetings at 8:00 pm.
  - e. Citlalli Aquino: Hiring interns for her office.
  - f. Citlalli Aquino: Title IX response on addressing sexual violence within the community. Feels that the statement are broad, thinking of reaching out, asking for specific changes that are going to be made.
  - g. Owen: Happy, 7PM Kresge Town Hall Gaming Charity Night.
  - h. Owen: We need to come out in solidarity with the students who are considered homeless, because they have been harassed by police and as student representatives we need to let

them know that we have their backs. Working on a resolution to be added onto the agenda for the next meeting.

- i. Stephen Edgar: Motion to extend announcements by 5 minutes.
  - i. Ayo Banjo: Presidential Summit Volunteer program, going to be announced in the student wide email, anyone interested in getting involved will be welcomed tomorrow, from 5-6pm in the SUA office. Quick Straw poll held. Convening all the student body presidents of the UCs, CSUs, and CCCs.
    - i. Owen: inquiry of information: brought it up to Kresge, other members suggested it can be similar to UCSA.
    - ii. Alexandria Chavez: Cannot make the meeting times.
  - j. Ayo Banjo: Let me know if you are interested or love programming.
  - k. Ayo Banjo: Chancellor search, down to 12 candidates, brought it up to the search committee if candidates could answer questions that the students had asked and have the students vote on what answers they liked the best. Will be hearing back by march
  - l. Lauren: Paws for Pause, student academic senate working, Cervantes and Velasquez this Friday 2:30 to 3:30.
  - m. Devon: EVP Office takes students to the student lobby conference in Sacramento: Applications are opening for 48 hours.
  - n. Zach Kleiman: Thank you for being here 30 minutes early. Along with SUA Slack, the mass email has not been sent but will be sent tonight.
  - o. Zach Kleiman: We have a very heavy meeting so thank you for being mentally present. Please to make sure you do not repeat what others have already said to avoid circular debate. Write down what you want to say before hand, keep everything brief.
6. Reaffirming Safety: 8:12 pm
- a. Ayo Bajo: Wants to keep it informal, please be clear and not be shady, Some presenters came in and members found the interaction uncomfortable because they felt the perpetuation of oppression was being applied to their identities. Others felt like standing up and leaving. A lot of the conversation around Assembly members, we need to be aware that we may be missing some of the assembly members, be intentional about how you bring up your concern. We will talk about how to feel comfortable and empowered to voice our concerns and what steps we will take in the future to prevent certain conflicts from happening. Zach please pull up the Conflict Resolution Protocol
  - b. Zach Kleiman: Please remember our community agreements.
  - c. Aakriti Singh: The ISA representatives were feeling uncomfortable. Wants to look into how we can avoid this situation from happening again. I know that SUA has a very call in not call out policy, ,but wants to make sure that the people know how to not hurt others. ISA members do not want to make anyone in trouble, they just felt uncomfortable.
  - d. David Shevelev: Supports Aakriti Singh's Statement
  - e. Zach Kleiman: Zach felt he was not as present as he needed to be and could not recognize the situation as some assembly members did. If you feel personal safety is at risk, please raise your pink (subtle gesture) to let Zach know that there is something wrong in the space.

- f. Emma Cunningham: There are different levels of feeling for each person. Some people are not sure how to voice that or are not comfortable in voicing that. The Vision committee has created this gesture to allow Zach to make the space more comfortable for everyone.
  - g. Citlalli Aquino: Please reiterate what this agenda item is about because some people have come in mid way.
  - h. Zach Kleiman: Presenters shouldn't come in feeling vulnerable or attacked when they come to this space that represents them.
  - i. Ayo Banjo: I want to note that I like this (gesture) idea. If there is any kind of insensitive conversation happening, to your respect Zach, I'm just going to have to interrupt or make it a point of sensitivity to stop conversations from happening.
  - j. Stephan Edgar: I believe you can do that with a point of order, since respectful discourse is one of the value upheld by the order.
  - k. Ayo Banjo: It is your duty as representatives to familiarize yourself of all documents surrounding the SUA like the constitution and including the Conflict Resolution protocol. Please review this document. If you have a conflict please go to the Executives, Bao Nhia, or the Parliamentarian.
  - l. Natasha: If not everyone participated in hurting the organization, the whole assembly should not have to send an apology because it can make those who felt uncomfortable even more uncomfortable. If there is a certain individual who we can name for doing certain actions I do not see a why that is a problem.
  - m. Enrique Yarce: I wanted to know if it is okay, as an officer, to explain to a person who creates a conflict why it is not okay to continue doing what they are doing.
  - n. Zach Klieman: If you forget to do what to do bring something up. Otherwise go ahead and use the sign or use a point of order. For the record, I have apologized on my part to all the orgs.
  - o. Ayo Banjo: I understand that it is emotional moment, but as leaders we need to show how we can be better as a space together and really support compassion and a support system within us. I am hesitant to go up to the person in question because that can be intimidating. Last quarter The big 5 asked to create a conduct committee, I have not done so because I do not know the feel of the room. If you are interested in the conduct committee let's start it.
  - p. Zach Klieman: I want to offer my apology for those who have gone through emotional stress due to cultural sensitivity or insensitivity. We can talk about that in more detail. Thank you all.
7. Black Muslim Panel Funding Request;
- a. Ayodelly: Public relations chair for the Black Muslims here at UCSC, here to ask for an event we are hosting. It is about the Black Muslim Identity Event. A presentation about black muslims in america, 3 guest panelists from the bay area. Aliyah Rasheed, Tyson Amir, and Sundita Rasheed. 3 part event. Feb 19th at the ERC. Important because it is black history month, it is important to , this group is often marginalized and misrepresented in the media. This event is here to educate those on these topics as well as

a safe space to talk about these issues. We are asking for funding for this event, requesting money to bring the panelists to UCSC.

- b. Second Speaker, did not catch name.
  - c. Joshua Anh To: Where will this take place?
  - d. Ayodelly: By the career center
  - e. Emma Cunningham: I wanted to thank you for hosting this event
  - f. Ayodelly: I would need the funding by the february 28th
  - g. Zach Kleiman: We will be deliberating about this next week.
8. Student house West SUA Rep
- a. Zach Kleiman: Student housing west student representative. This housing is a public private partnership. This is a way for students to express issues with this project to UCSA as well as the private company, each College has the opportunity to send a representative to this committee.
  - b. David Shevelev: Please come help us because there is a lot of work and we really need people who are engaged.
  - c. Enrique Yarce: Is this still being built by Sunbt[?] Corp?
  - d. David Shevelev: It is being built by Cp
  - e. Enrique Yarce: Sundt was in charge of Japanese internment Camps and border fencing, they have also built bad dormitories, this is important for students to go to this event. This company is shady
  - f. Owen: Point of Information, this company is currently building the construction?
  - g. Alexandria Chavez: When does this committee meet?
  - h. David Shevelev: I am not 100 percent sure they are open to the public, occurs every other Monday 4-5:30pm above 9-10 dining hall
  - i. Zach Kleiman: We can motion to a closed session or motion for potential representatives
  - j. Citlalli Aquino: We already have student housing committee representatives that aren't full so before we get an SUA rep lets fill those roles
  - k. Amy Colderwood replacement: I find it weird to have a redundancy of representatives by having SUA Members
  - l. Zach Kleiman: Identity orgs do not have representation on this committee so this can be a way for them to get that opportunity
  - m. David Shevelev: I think we need to find the people who are right for this position. THIS needs to be a closed session because it involves hiring someone who is getting payed
  - n. David Shevelev: Motion to extend agenda item by 5 minutes.
    - i. Alexandria Chavez: Second.
  - o. Ayo Banjo: The SUA space is the entire campus, we do have a voice from each college but as a collective we are a separate space. This is added labour, there is not a specific process, Citlalli is that process. If we can make this a paid position by SCOC, we can incentivize this position.
  - p. David Shevelev: Motion to table this agenda for next week with the stipulation that the office of the president runs a search committee.
  - q. Ayo Banjo: Can we give it to the IVP

- r. Citlalli: I will look into it. If we appoint a member through SCOC. I don't think we have enough time to have people fill either the college or SUA rep positions. Merrill and C10 are the only ones who do not have reps
  - s. David Shevelev: Amend motion to drop stipulations (8:51)
    - i. Enrique Yarce: Second.
9. Tabled Agenda Items
- a. Bella: SUA Food Pantry and Lounge: It is a free service for students to get food no questions asked 12-6 pm every day.
    - i. Updates; I have a pantry manager, Frida Salgado, and 8 shift leads, paid 20 dollars per shift, Shifts are 3 hours long. This means that they are called in my the volunteers to sort the food and makes sure the pantry runs smoothly. Any hourly work is 15 dollars per hour.
    - ii. Issues; There has not been a whole lot of transparency on the budget recently. Statistically we serve 1718 in october, we average about a 1000 unique students. Total during the Fall quarter we got 3000+ students and 2000+ unique students. We usually use 9000 dollars to keep this pantry open, last quarter we spent 9500 dollars, and we spent majority of our money for food. The food pantry line item has 21000, but because SB 85 was cut this year, we did not have any money for the pantry. SB 85 was created by Janet Napolitano to fund organizations helping with food insecurity. The statistics for the Basic need pantry are varying from the statistics of the food pantry. If we were given the money the Basic Needs pantry got, we would be able to run for two years, but we have been more effective with less money. THE Basic Needs Pantry is asking for money. What I am trying to say is that there is no formal budget put up, I am hoping that we can urge admin to put up a formal budget for us. I do not want to compete to feed students and I want to be able to hold them accountable. I will be reaching out to Garrett to look deeper into the situation. It is important that we are careful with the things on campus that have a good cause if they have some repercussions.
    - iii. Zach Kleiman: SFAC is the student fees advisory committee.
    - iv. Bella Bullock: Keep in mind that we do have these resource but they may be set in place to be as accessible to us. Please bring this back to your spaces and let them know that we need to see what they are spending. What I am perceiving this as is a lot of money is going to salary and not towards food. I heard they want to start a food truck, it sounds great but hiring a private chef will cost a lot of money. Oakes pantry is no longer a thing, the kantu is currently not happening due to a rat infestation, the only two big pantries are hours and the cal coffee shop. The Vice president of student life from last year was able to get a lease from the cal coffee shop, but we did not get it because it was perceived to help slug support create their pantry. Our work did not pay off the way it was supposed to this year. There has been quite a bit of miscommunication since we are not receiving any communication. We are not receiving any food recoveries or farm food, our questions have been avoided by the cal coffee shop. They call their shop as student led but it is actually run by the admin. It is unfortunate

because we are trying to converse to have a good pantry relationship, but it is not working out. SUA food pantry is trying to work with the Rachel Carson and Oakes senates.

- v. Ayo Banjo: Motion to extend time by 4 minutes.
  - 1. Adriana: Second.
- vi. Isabella Bullock: We are the only UC with multiple pantries, but the numbers have been combined with the global food initiative who are getting the pay off from our work.
- vii. Davon Thomas: Do you have a document that says that the numbers are combined inflating the Cal statistics?
- viii. Isabella Bullock: Cal Coffee shop does not show any statistics.
- ix. Ayo Banjo: To ensure we are igniting agency from all members of the campus, I think it was weird for us to lose the Oakes food pantry without any consultation. Can y'all talk with Bella or take this back to your spaces to issue a resolution so the campus can find a way to take in our voice.
- x. Natasha: As a cowell rep it is concerning, because we worked hard to have them there. And if they aren't doing the work that we asked them to it is concerning.
- xi. Isabella Bullock: Do they do any check ins with the Cowell Senate?
- xii. Natasha: No, the last thing I heard was that they get grants from the government. But that might have been a lie.
- xiii. Isabella Bullock: This is their pilot. It is the first time they are trying this out. They took a lot of thing the SUA has done in their pantry. They are misleading us by saying the students are in charge of the Cal Coffee Shop.

#### 10. Ratification of CORE Council: 9:14 pm

- a. Zach Kleiman: We are just approving or ratifying the Core council doc.
- b. Cameron: Hasn't Core Council been meeting anyways?
- c. Zach Kleiman: This is not the funding body but an SUA council.
- d. Emma Cunningham: Is there something about an elected rep or an alternate,
- e. Ayo Banjo: I tried to make it as focused on the elected reps as possible. In the event an elected rep cannot make the meeting, they can ask any of the two SUA reps to sit on that, if they cannot make it, they can pick an alternative. Vote by proxy is also allowed.
- f. Stephen Edgar: I submitted some comments on the council. I do not see any edits, I would like to bring them up to the assembly. The constitution conflicts with the SUA Constitution: These sections Unless delegated otherwise is very broad. It conflicts with the SUA constitution on filling vacancies.
- g. Ayo Banjo: I wanted there to be a body that can choose students to be representatives as temporary appointments without voting. This would be to fill vacancies.
- h. Emma Cunningham: I sat on a committee that did a hearing for the additional 4 or 5 spots that are not filled by the big 5 orgs. There are 4 or 5 spots that are not filled by a college representative or big 5 orgs. We can have this space have students apply to get the spot as a representative.

- i. Stephen Edgar: To address some of your points, although it makes sense, it does not address the constitution of the SUA that is being conflicted with. The language for the CORE constitution is far too broad.
  - j. David Shevelev: I'd like to encourage the president to write a justification document to allow any discussion in the future on a miscommunication as to the purpose of the document.
  - k. Ayo Banjo: I tried to put that in as the Section 1, which contains the purpose. As well as other sections that give more purpose to this council through the constitution. I don't mind writing additional justifications but I have them included here in this document. We can say that the CORE can make nominations for the Assembly to confirm. That way they can take care of the search as a whole.
  - l. Emma Cunningham: Motion to extend time by 5 minutes.
    - i. Alexandrina: Second.
  - m. Cameron: Section A, is there a line item for the events described.
  - n. Ayo Banjo: Starting Budget committee in spring quarter, I want to talk to the council about ideas that they would want funded. We cannot know for sure what this body will need until they meet.
  - o. Stephen Edgar: I do not want to come off as attacking. My concern is that the argument is akin to using the constitution to violate other parts of the constitution which is a point of concern. My concern is that when it comes to appointing vacant SUA roles, there is a balance between the SUA and those colleges. This authority is then giving it to the CORE council which is taking it away from the College governments. I think this is a bit problematic unless the constitution of the CORE council is amended
  - p. Davon Thomas: we are going in circles, I think that we have other things to do on the agenda. I want to put the Treasurer confirmation next (motion).
    - i. Owen: Second.
  - q. Stephan Edgar: objection to allow a previous speaker to respond to my comments
  - r. Vote: Motion to end this discussion and go to the treasurer confirmation.
11. Treasurer Confirmation:
- a. Raphael: introduction.
  - b. Zach: Raphael is a strong candidate because he
  - c. Raphael: I am comfortable with spreadsheets. I was in charge of the international students travel budget.
  - d. Ayo Banjo: I will say that this nomination because this is our best bet to stretch out some of the financials of the SUA. It is crucial to SOFA recommendations.
  - e. Cameron: Have you been involved in student government?
  - f. Raphael: In highschool.
  - g. Joshua Anh To: Would you be able to fair under a lot of pressure?
  - h. Raphael: I can, I have a lot of time due to my project based majors.
  - i. Isabella Bullock: When it comes to finding anything in the budget that is scrupulous or something that seems off in the budget, would you bring this to the attention of the assembly?
  - j. Raphael: For sure.

- k. Motion to go into closed discussion. Stephen Edgar.
  - l. Treasurer Confirmed
12. Old Business Resumed: 9:41 pm
- a. Leighton Mair: Motion to strike group breakouts.
    - i. Regina Bozorgnia: Second.
  - b. Moving directly to SOFA recommendations
    - i. Zack Klieman: [?].
    - ii. Yonotan Tekia: I don't think we can approve something that SOFA did not recommend.
    - iii. Zach Kleiman: If we approve as is, we would not approve Platypus, ISA's extra funds, and [?].
    - iv. Cameron: Motion to fund \$300 to Platypus from leftover SOFA money.
      - 1. Ended by Emma Cunningham.
      - 2. Objection: Leighton Mair: I think we need to discuss this further for SUA to go down this path.
      - 3. Connor: None of the money goes to the events like Earth week.
      - 4. Ayo Banjo: One of the main factors we consider is who access to what. We are less likely to fund organizations who have access to more funds. This organization has direct access to the Chancellor's office.
      - 5. Alexandrina Chavez: ISA is asking for \$8,000, I think we should use as much money as we can from the excess of SOFA to minimize our spending on it.
      - 6. Zoel: In regards to accessibility of funding. I think it is interesting that we funded slugbotics for 4000 dollars. I know it is an org out of the school of engineering which has a lot of accessibility to funding. And in a larger scale, the student publications are not requesting a lot of money and they are not being prioritized over the engineering orgs or other larger orgs.
      - 7. Saul Soto: A lot of the engineering orgs are not being funded. I wanted to know what is the access to funding that is being referred to. They have never heard back from the advisors that they have reached out to for funding. What are the other resources?
      - 8. Ayo Banjo: We look at access. A lot of the organizations in engineering can get grants from the student success or the Dean's office as well as externally from companies like Google. We also have a pipeline to the Silicon Valley with some kind of relationship that this campus has. It really has to do with access. Ethnic and Identity orgs do not tend to have the access that the Engineering orgs do. And the campus had a 5 year fundraiser going specifically to the Engineering department. I think we should set a meeting with those who are not responding.
      - 9. Cameron: Motion to extend time by 5 minutes.
      - 10. Regina: Second.

11. Lauren: There is merit to judging funding decision based on accessibility. This shouldn't be a huge weight though because students who are trying to put on a nice event for the rest of the students have probably gone to their other sources for funding, have not received sufficient funds.
12. Cameron: We have 1800 in SOFA, motion to call to question the motion of 300 dollars to Platypus.
  - a. Zolt: Second.
  - b. Leighton Mair: same objection: we need more discussion, and have platypus come in to discuss this matter further.
  - c. Zach Kleiman: Going to vote
  - d. Motion passes.
  - e. Funded Platypus 300 dollars.
  - f. Yonatan: Wasn't that motion objected and then we moved on?
  - g. Zach Kleiman: The motion was on the table so we could call it to question even after going through the stack.
  - h. Yonatan Tekia: I feel that we did not discuss it. It was unclear as to what we were doing and it seemed like we were but not discussing the situation.
13. Saul Soto: There is a lot of people coming in, however a lot of these clubs do not hold big events that will attract funding. The reality is that you don't learn the skills these clubs teach you, but these events are too small to get funding externally. I think money for smaller events that are helpful should be allocated.
14. Natasha Bramer: Motion to extend time by 1 minute.
  - a. Leighton Mair: Second.
15. Leighton Mair: Motion, this is the best allocation for limited funds. We strictly fund based on what the events were pitched to us. I motion to approve SOFA's funding and move the remaining money to our planning budget.
  - a. Natasha: Second 10:15 pm.
  - b. Motion passed 10:15 pm.
16. Zach Kleiman: 2 part motion, the funds that are approved cannot be discussed.
17. Ayo Bajo: Point of information: The numbers do not look correct, but I am changing the final number from 1498 to subtract 500 dollars to be more accurate.

**c. Basic Life Support/Bleeding Control for UCSC students**

- i. Cameron: We should try our best to fund them. They have shown great commitment. They have gotten better and better every time.
- ii. Regina B: The fact that they are offering this for free is awesome and I think it is important to fund.
- iii. Stephan Edgar: I really believe in the mission of this student org. I know there is some concerns like access to funds. I wanted to let everyone know that they have

- reached out to admin like office of emergency services, but 0 dollars have been allocated. The SUA is probably one of their best bets, please keep that in mind.
- iv. Bella: Speaking as a pre-med STEM major, these are really important. My certification was 2,500 dollars through a class. This helps students get jobs.
  - v. Emma Cunningham: I support everything that people have said. But this is almost 7000 dollars, and we have another 8000 dollars for ISA on the docket and I am looking at this budget and cringing. The amount of money that we have, we cannot fund everything with the merit and value that we give them. We cannot give everyone the money they deserve. I think that comes from a give and take. I know we are not supposed to consider other requests. This is something I am willing to give a higher ratio of value to over a recreation activity, although that is also important.
  - vi. Joshua Anh Ta: Motion to recess 3 minutes.
- d. Zach Kleiman: We have options, y'all can go home; we can talk about this stuff to expedite it next week.
  - e. Cameron: CRES really needed funding this week we should talk about that.
  - f. Alexandrina Chavez: We should have estimates as to what we can give each organization.
  - g. David Shevelev: I think we should take non-binding votes to get things going.
  - h. Zach Kleiman: There is a third option of calling an additional emergency meeting in between this and next week. We no longer have quorum. We are out of time on BLS, or we can keep going on, all of this is on next week's agenda.
  - i. David Shevelev: I want to suggest to SUA to fund BLS.
  - j. Joshua Anh Ta: I know we do not have the budget to do everything. I think we can fund some amount to BLS. We can issue a statement saying that we fully support this program.
  - k. Lauren: Motion [to fund BLS?].
  - l. Ayo Banjo: Non-binding object to that motion. We have only used \$10,000 from Fall quarter and this is the half way through this quarter. I would say that we have at least \$8,000 or \$9,000 going into Spring quarter. We will be deliberating organizations funds from this week and onwards. I do not think BLS is that important. SUA has not funded them in history because we do not have to funds to do so. I do support TWL and West Fest.
  - m. Zach Kleiman: We did fund EMS for a different thing of CPR for about 6000 dollars in Fall.
  - n. Alexandrina: I think that we should only think about allocating half of what we have left to be fair to other organizations. I think the amount suggested is a little too much, maybe between \$1,000 or \$2,000.
  - o. Regina B: If any of the requests need the most funds would be BLS. I think this is more important that putting on recreational events. If we are funding the most it should be for BLS than for fun events as much as I love fun events.
  - p. Lauren: We did not fund them because they were asking for 4,000[?] at one point. I support funding them but not fully because we do not have the capacity to. I like David's

motion of funding them for half of this because there are events that could hit a wider base.

- q. Emma Cunningham: I just wanted to say that because there is the TWL and other events coming up, we should propose that this body suggests to stop the bylaws instead of waving.
- r. Zach Kleiman: We do not need to.
- s. Meeting adjourned at :???