

SUA Meeting 2.2.2016

Assembly Members Present: Imari Reynolds (Cowell), **Alternate** Rick (Cowell), Tyler Papp (Cowell), Daniel Bernstein (Stevenson), Jeffrey Stoll (Stevenson), Gabriella Cory (Stevenson), August Valera (Crown), Tias Webster (Crown), Jane Loughboro (Crown), Lara Loesel (Merrill), Morgan Smith (Merrill), Bianca (B) Moncada-Martin (Merrill), Roxanna Gutierrez (Porter), Amanda Kazden (Porter), Eli Guzman- Martin (Porter), Jackie Roger (Kresge), Hana King (Kresge), Tamra Owens (Oakes), Suini Torres (Oakes), Kiana Coleman (Oakes), Simba Khadder (Eight), Rohit Dhar (Nine), Katherine Le (Nine), Dante Harootunian (Nine), Ramneet Bajwa (Ten), Danny Milla (Ten), Tama Semo (Ten), Basheera Ali-El (A/BSA), **Alternate** Clint (APISA), **Alternate** Michael (QSU), Gilbert Paredes (MEChA), Erica Green (SANAI), Art Motta (Organizing Director), Seamus Howard (Vice President of Academic Affairs), Sauli Colio (Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion), Guillermo Rogel (Vice President of External Affairs), Jabari Brown (Vice President of Internal Affairs), Julie Foster (President).

Assembly Members Absent: Bryna Haugen (Cowell), Liza Mednikov (Kresge), Vanessa Sadsad (QSU), Theresa Atanoa (APISA),

Approval of the Agenda:

Eli: **Motion to add 10 minutes for the presentation.**

Michael: **Second.**

Ray: Are there any objections? Seeing none, **motion passes.**

Daniel: **Motion to move CALPIRG resolution to after old business.**

Seamus: **Second.**

Ray: Are there any objections? Seeing none, **motion passes.**

Tamra: **Motion to switch the budget presentation with the officer budget presentation.**

Eli: **Second.**

Ray: Are there any objections? Seeing none, **motion passes.**

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

Katherine: **Second.**

Ray: Are there any objections? Seeing none, **motion passes.**

Approval of Minutes:

Tamra: **Motion to approve the minutes.**

Daniel: **Second.**

Ray: Are there any objections? Seeing none, **motion passes.**

Announcements and Public Comment:

Julie: SOFA is meeting tomorrow.

Shawn: I'm trying to get rid of online math courses on this university. I don't believe they help to educate and there are a lot of STEM majors like me who have to take the course online and it doesn't work. I tried going to discussion sections and I didn't really get what was going on. Math 19 is currently going to be taught online for the rest of the year. I am trying to start a petition and get as much people support as possible. It really isn't in the students' best interests.

Seamus: One, take the class survey, second there is an SUA intern mixer at 7 PM in the SUA office. If you're interested in what the different interns and officers are doing, come by for that! Also I've been talking with Allison Galloway to have office hours because there are a lot of things that are coming up for students and for this campus. She will hold office hours March 2nd 230-330 in McHenry library. If you're interested in talking about these issues, there will be time for that.

Imari: This Friday in the Cowell dining hall, Cowell senate will be having a shameless dance, which will promote more sex positivity and stop shaming of certain dancing or lifestyles. There's tons of stuff to do there.

Michael: A week from today in the Kresge Town Hall we are having a queer people of color mixer on Thursday night.

Elaine: Oakes and Eight and KZSC are having a music festival on Feb 26th on the College Eight Upper Field from 4-7 PM.

Jabari: So COLASC is looking for a rep for their organization please reach out. They meet every other Thursday from 12-2 PM.

Presentations:

Office of the Registrar:

This is an update from the last time we were here. The current budget shows that things are going to get really bad really quick. We are projecting \$140,000 revenue. Over the years, the deficit will continue to decrease. We do have good news. This is the document management fee outlook. We are trying to operate from 10% overage from what our budget projects to have some buffer. We are doing a bit of guessing games so we just want to make sure that we have a 10% cushion. Next year we will have a more accurate projection we came up with more realistic numbers and you'll notice that the carryforward salaries are the same, we could only add salaries

that are affected by this fee. The bottom line is that next year we are looking for about \$600,000 for operating expenses, like production of transcripts. The good news is that the document management fee for \$140 for undergrads. This means that there will be no fees and there will be no fee for add by removal or petition fee. Students are still responsible for special processes like rush delivery, those charges would still apply and we are increasing third party ordering to have those people fund UCSC students. The next steps are SUA's input and if you're in support of a document management fee. And if you do, do you want us to still try to break that up in the first year into quarterly payments or keep it as a first quarter fee. We will be sending out a campus wide survey in the next couple weeks.

Point of clarification, no current or former UCSC students will have to pay the document fee. It would be just one quarter of enrollment. Also, there is no cap on how many transcripts a student can order. Other campuses do have that, and it is more of an annoyance tax for that.

Officer Updates:

Julie: I have been working on a number of things, I sit on SCOC, SUGB and SFAC and the global food initiative. During those conversations we have been talking about the increased student conversation. The latest number is 20% increase of freshmen class but we don't have an actual number. The other thing I am working on is a speaker series, which will be 6 different events with campus admin. I have academic life, student life, campus climate, housing and more. Finally, there will be a panel with the EVC and chancellor. Those are going to be on Monday nights. I'm also hiring interns right now.

Jabari: I have a few updates, one I am currently still working on Battle of the Balds and I am securing the venue for the event and we will be having that on the 23rd or 25th. I am also in the process of working on a 6 part series explaining antiblackness on campus and steps we can take to prevent things like that. Next, in SCOC, we have made several appointments, COLASC is looking for a student rep, so please outreach for that. Tamra had her sister college event and it was a great student turnout. We are also in the process of looking for a CVC. Toolkit is something we have been working on this since summer and it is a student agency model toolkit for students. It is where students have the power for how items and resources are delegated to students. We will be working in collaboration with admin. Recently we finished the toolkit and we sent it off to the commissioner in the white house. There is a website for this "student agency model toolkit". Lastly, the MLK convocation I posted up on the SUA calendar, so if you are interested, that is happening at the civic center, Alicia Garza will be the key speaker and there are a variety of performances.

Guillermo: Since December, the executive committee for UCSC was here just to see an outline and see the progress of our campaigns this year to see how we will be executing our campaign on campus. In January 2016 we talked about the budget enrollment plan which I'm sure that a lot of you have heard about. We are really sacrificing quality for money here on this campus. We

will also dive into the governor's budget proposal. I was with Art at the food security summit. I wanted to dive into UCOP meeting. The black student task force was started by UCOP. They claimed that if all the black students who accepted their admissions would double their enrollment. They are going to be researching why some black students declined their admission. With the ICE rates, we brought the issue up and acknowledged two different things, her role and the 3500 undocumented students across the UC and when we have patrol on campus, it sends mixed messages and it gives a "targeting" vibe to that. Gonna be in Santa Barbara at the UCSA board of directors, budget and plans for the year. UCSA applications open, I encourage you to apply. If you have any questions, please let me know and it was a really fun experience.

Seamus: First the CLASS survey was sent out last week at 9 AM last Tuesday. I have been to every senate and I am going to GSA, SFAC and hopefully other groups the advocate for that. I've attending the safety committee with Elaine, which is great. And with Imari we started the programs committee and we have been doing a little bit work for that that. I've also been in communication with the Academic Affairs officers. I've been sending out emails and asking them what their plans are and what was helpful for them. We want to know what steps we can take to fix those problems. We are hopefully having a meeting next week to talk about what's been happening.

Student Academic Senate had this week off but we will be talking more about what campaigns that we want to do and what we want to focus on this year. We will be periodically presenting our findings to the assembly. I've been helping my interns with their own programs; one is focusing on enrollment issues, those who were retracted admission.

Sauli: I am currently the chair of the resource center advisory board, which is comprised of reps from the resource centers. It also is comprised of a couple folks whose positions are vacant. I want to revamp the board and see where the board has failed and how to get folks to that space to be represented. I'm also sitting on the chancellor's diversity council which will be coming up in a few weeks. I'll send out a copy of my report and if any of you all would like to come meet with me and see if you have an issue that you'd like to present, please email me and I'll have some more information for you as well. I also sit on the board of engagement and education, outreach and retention center. It is an important space for us to be in. I'll be attending their board meeting this upcoming weekend. I also sit on CARE council which is funded by Measure 10. I highly recommend you all to look through that as well. Also I've been working on a diversity commission and we are working on (with my interns) hosting an event by the end of February and we are looking for new ways of outreach. I'm also working on making and having a survey that encompasses the experiences of underrepresented students at UCSC and it is a holistic survey and it shows what it is like to be a student. I've had some ideas about asking questions on housing, food, campus climate. If you're interested please let me know. I'm also looking to collaborate with students orgs on events and hosting workshops and I've reached out to student orgs who would like to host an event like this and we are working on the women of color conference. We have picked a theme, which is around sustainability and how it affects women of

color. If you're interested in planning for that, we meet on Wednesdays' at 12 at the Esselen nation conference room. I'm also working with Art to have a forum on HSI and have an event to teach about that soon. I'm also working on formulating a caucus and I'm still trying to find a space for underrepresented students in this space. If you have any other ideas or questions, you can email me.

Art: I presented a couple weeks ago for how we can teach students about the HSI and what the university is doing for students. We are inviting students to come talk about this. We have to make sure that if we are going to provide students and we are looking at better ways to address that. This Thursday there will be a discussion of queer students of color on this campus at Kresge town hall to see how they are doing on this campus. With regards to campaigns, I've been part of conversations with the UCSA and the USSA on collaborative efforts on lack of funding, resources and for security on campus and for students being safe on this campus. One of the campaigns that we have is UConsent which is to end sexual assault on campus. What was previously SAFE is now part of CARE. They have a wonderful peer education training to train students on what they can do to help prevent these activities. At UCSA we have been working on a peer symposium that we want to have through the UCOP where student leaders who are working on this type of work can share what kind of events they are creating or hosting to educate their students. One of the other campaigns is #howareyou which is to better our mental health services on campus. it is a prominent issue that many of us do not talk about. We have been working with CAPS to be able to measure what kinds of services and what capacity they are working under. We have been able to find some statistics that are alarming, such as the wait time to see a counselor. Many times, students who are in crises situations are not given that opportunity. The results of how CAPS is working will be released soon. This past week, 30+ students went to the CHEFS conference and there will be a presentation about that in a bit but we are looking at the next steps we can take to prevent students from becoming hungry. I sent an email a couple weeks ago for people to share a brief bio and we had a minimal response to that, so please I encourage you to respond to that email and tell us why you are involved in the SUA.

Tamra: **Motion to extend time by 5 minutes.**

B: Second.

Ray: Are there any objections? Seeing none, **motion passes.**

Tamra: Some of the reports are inaccessible or not even there. Maybe instead of an email, please post them online.

Simba: Could we distinguish what has been done and what is currently being working on in the officer reports?

Vanessa: The bylaws state that the SUA interns have to do report backs as well.

UCSC Food Security Presentation

The global food initiative was started by Janet Napolitano and you may think, there was a lot of pushback but there are many students who are going hungry on our campus. We have a food access and security committee and we meet monthly via conference call and two in person meetings a year. We have been talking about food pantries that are nestled in campus. To give pretext for the food summit, we had our first real in person meeting last year at Santa Barbara and we came up with a one year plan for implementation. We have many appointments for these committees. We had a summer meeting and they came up with a model for all the UCs.

What we have seen in summer 2015, we use these metrics right before CHEFS to help inform our 4 year UC model. Some of the key takeaways is the subcommittees, the UC undergrad experience survey is that 1/5 students re going through food insecurity. There is comprehensive data that is coming from the got food survey. We can make an impact together. We have launched the largest food security survey in the nation. Phase two is happening now because we are drafting the four year model for each UC.

Slug support is housed in the DOS office, it was known from CARE and students initially started with one student coming in and being food insecure. Dean Sifuentes found a way to start bringing in more money into the office to bring in more money or students who were going through things that were inhibiting students from being academically successful. As care moved over to being the advocate for any sexual assault, we had to change our name to slug support. We assist students with anything from mental health crisis to financial, emotional and academic problems. We are there to support student all across the campus. You can come into the DOS, and you can fill out a slug support intake form. The process is fairly easy, we try to make our office as safe as possible. More recently, we have seen larger increase in our case load. We are looking at 811 cases for fall 2015 alone. The year before was lower. 1/8 students are applying for Cal fresh this year. We are removing the stigma from food stamps and we are encouraging students to apply and it doesn't link to your taxes or your parents and it is a service that you apply for. As of Feb 2nd, we have issues 640 dining hall passes in fall and we have introduced pantry bags until you all can purchase groceries if you are food insecure. We have a large system of support and through that we are also trying to build our pantry through the GFI. Through this, Dean Sifuentes matches Measure 43. We restock our pantry with that amount every quarter. We have a Cal fresh workshop on Feb 11th the event is called eat fresh Cal fresh. One of the ways that GFI supported slug support was that every campus received \$75000. The facility mapping project is one of our implementation plans to find a different food distribution site. Some of the objectives were to map other food resources and document accessibility. We want to check for the logistics as well and make money and time for workshops that help students make effective decisions with food.

Some findings we had are that there is limited space and many orgs tend to use the spaces. Cold and dry storage is also very scarce as well as accessibility. The ARC kitchen is a book lending

library and that kitchen is going to be retrofitted for offices. Also since the bike coop is being retrofitted right now we aren't sure of how available that is right now but it would be great to have a space there since it's kind of the in the middle of campus. Finally the CASFS has refrigeration so that is a viable space.

To get involved, please go to monthly food security and access working group meetings which are really staff heavy. One of the things that Art and I were thinking of creating a student committee food security group. UC Irvine has a really nice kitchen and we are going to need to have a cooking space for students to use regularly. One thing that is time sensitive, is the 2016-2020 model, and we would like some feedback on that by mid-February.

B: Motion to extend by 3 minutes.

Wayne: **Second.**

Ray: Are there any objections? Seeing none, **motion passes.**

B: The ARC center has a kitchen that is available now?

They are going to retrofitted.

Guillermo: There was a space talking about student government role in this food insecurity. However there is no role right now. The challenge of solving food insecurity is scary for some and knowing the different levels of food insecurity is frightening. I think we should really try to take this campaign by the reins and let's see what we can do as an assembly.

Officer Budget Presentation

Office of the president spent \$557.51 for snacks for SOFA meeting, kresge town hall fee and survey monkey account.

Office of IVP didn't have any transactions.

Office of EVP had a PO expesen for regristration

Office of AAVP had expenses for testing supplies and donuts at the end of the last quarter.

There were no transactions for VP of diversity and inclusion.

For Organizing director, there were expenses for the GROW event, the Million Student March. There are other pending charges that will be towards Winter Quarter.

Budget Presentation:

Tamra: Our budget is actually quite large and I only put the main things that you need to know. I'll be updating this throughout the meeting and if you have a question about where money is, it will be on the doc. I also put a summary of what the officers have in their line item. You can see

what's being spent and where its coming from. If you want to know what exactly the officers are spending money on, you can ask them.

Old Business:

Deliberation of the CAC Funding Request:

Requested Amount: \$3000

Simba: We talked a lot about this at college eight and we really wanted to fund it but we were thinking about eh other pots of money that we still had. **Motion to fund \$2000 from general fund.**

Daniel: **Second.**

Seamus: **Objection.** I agree with the pots of money idea, but we should really consider a funding proposal on its own merits. I've been to a few of these, people rally together and as the presentation said, there are people researching in California and on this campus as well.

Tamra: For Oakes we discussed this and our whole idea was to fully fund it and since we have the money, we should fund our students with what the students want now.

Imari: **Motion to amend \$2000 to 3000.**

Daniel: **Second.**

Ray: Are there any objections? Seeing none, **motion passes.**

Simba: If we continue to fund groups at this rate, we will only be able to fund two more groups and then we will be dipping into the programming line item. If we don't have enough money we may not be able to fund future groups in this year. So I don't know what you all think about that but it is something to think about.

B: Merrill was fully down for this.

Danny: I understand that some people would like to reserve some money but these events are things that are going to actually help people and I believe that when it comes to these events we should fully fund.

Simba: **Call to question.**

Tamra: **Second.**

Vote to fully fund \$3000 from General Fund:

In favor: **28** | Opposed: **1** | Abstentions: **2**, fully funded.

Resolutions

CALPIRG Resolution

We are here today to pass a resolution to update our contract with the university. CALPIRG is a student run student funded org on campus and we work on issues that work to defend the public interest. We are only able to do this work based on a pledge system and we have students pledge \$5 on their tuition so that we can hire more people and make more of an impact. Last year we were working on a solar energy campaign. This allows people to sell their energy. The problem with this is that it was being attacked by energy corporations that saw this as a threat. We convinced California's public utilities corporation to stand with us. This quarter we have campaigns to defend the plastic bag ban which was established in 2014, and plastic bag companies are opposed to this ban. We are also working with slug support to build a new food pantry and to alleviate food insecurity on campus. This is all dependent on the pledge system. We are here because the contract hasn't been updated in 2008.

[Read resolution]

The resolution is pretty straightforward but we are trying to lower our campaign threshold. It is an update to meet today's enrollment standards. UCSC is the only chapter that hasn't updated their contract. We are sure that lowering the threshold to 15% will be sufficient for us to continue doing our work.

Jackie: What happens to the \$5 if this doesn't pass?

If this doesn't pass, then our chapter would have to be cut.

Simba: have you made 20% in the past couple years?

We have been able to hit 20% in 2012 or 2013 but recently we have been barely hitting the threshold.

Daniel: **Motion to suspend bylaw that would require us to bring back to senate.**

Guillermo: **Second.**

Imari: Cowell hasn't made a decision yet.

Daniel: **Motion to suspend bylaw section C.10.F.4.c.3.**

Rohit: **Second.**

Imari: **Objection.**

Seamus: There's another bylaw that we may need to suspend.

Simba: **Motion to limit stack.**

Daniel: **Second.**

Wayne: Reserve my right to make a motion, since Cowell hasn't had the time to discuss this, I think that we should just wait until next week. **Call to question.**

Seamus: **Second.**

Vanessa: **Objection.** At the very least I would like to make sure that everyone has a chance to talk.

Vote to vote:

In favor: **19** | Opposed: **5** | Abstentions: **6** **call to question passes.**

Daniel: Rescind my motion.

Guillermo: What kind of pushback have you gotten so far?

CALPIRG: we have been doing presentations in the college senates. We haven't gotten pushback; we are just letting people know what we're doing.

Art: **Motion to amend SUA Chair to SUA President.**

Jeff: **Second.**

Ray: Are there any objections? Seeing none, **motion passes.**

Safety committee:

Elaine: Right now we have finished the resolution as a draft and we are looking towards a more advisory committee for safety in the school. We will be meeting with Nader soon, so we'd like to generate some questions for that.

Seamus: A question to ask Nader would be like what educational steps is he taking to try to prevent crime on campus. What other methods interacting with students is he taking to prevent crime?

Michael: I know that in spring of 2013, the west side of campus gate was shut down to increase officers on campus. Would it be possible to ask Nader to add weekend security at that gate because that is when most incidents happen.

Vanessa: Something about the draft, I would recommend to be clear and specific about who ought to be on the committee and the specific rules for the committee.

Julie: The resolution itself is a bit contradictory to the draft charge but it will probably be vice chancellor of BAS, the assistant vice chancellor of housing, Sarah Langtham, Chief of Police, one rep from staff advisory board 2 grad and 10 undergrad, which will be appointed by GSA and SUA, respectively.

Eli: I find it a bit ironic that for things about campus safety, we are working with police where marginalized communities on campus feel threatened by police. I would feel better about this if we worked less with police and if we took them off campus.

Julie: We are asking for an oversight committee for students to have a say over police and CSOs and it's to focus not on policing and more on safety of the students and for students to have more say on policy for CSOs. We are using the chief of police to talk about statistics.

Michael: Along the same line, I was wondering since there are 10 undergrad students to amend that to 12, since there are 10 colleges but I think that we need to include more identity organizations instead.

Elaine: The reps would apply via applications, independent of College or Org affiliation.

Sauli: Have you contacted other organizations like MEChA and A/BSA? It is a triggering conversations for many of these students and I think that reaching out to those student organizations would be really crucial for this.

Vanessa: I want to remind the space to be really cognizant of what is going on our campus UC side and across the nation. We have to be mindful of what we are representing here on this campus.

Funding Requests:

SUA Technology Upgrades:

With regards to technology upgrades, we have been looking into technology that is accessible to us. We have a projector that is still very sturdy and has been used a lot this quarter. We have allocated money for a new projector. We want a new digital camera. We are looking for a camera that is durable enough to last 3-5 years to record and keep track of event that we sponsor and keep a record of pictures and videos and how we can share that with other students. It is something that has a basic lens and 50-300 mm shots. We have been looking at different digital cameras, which some are cheaper but jeopardize the quality of the moments captured. The first camera is a Canon EOS Rebel T5i, which is about 2 years old. The camera itself is about \$650 and there is a bundle here that is \$850 which includes an SD card, a tripod and two lenses. The next slide is a bundle that we found on amazon, which allows for a Wifi SD card and a. this next one is about 900 dollars, has two lenses, a camera bag and a 32 GB SD card. This is a 24.2 megapixel camera so it can take very good pictures and videos.

The Nikon D5300 is a 3 year old camera and is great at taking pictures. We found another bundle that has two lens for \$950. We also found another bundle that has lenses and a starting kit that include charges and stronger flash.

We found the Nikon D5500 and while this was a bit more pricey it is newer and these are from amazon and they are refurbished cameras. We found the Nikon D5500 bundle which was 818\$.

So these are the four options, we would like an allocation of \$1000. Having a camera for interns allows more students to apply for the job because they won't be required to have a camera.

Simba: I think that a camera is a good idea, but I feel that they are all very expensive. If any of your interns are experienced enough to have these kinds of cameras, they probably already have one of their own. However, I think that we could manage an older model.

Art: Those are the four options that my interns were able to pick, and if you think about the money distribution, it is about \$200 per year for the camera. However, to ask of students to bring their own technology for the job would be unequitable. We have also considered quality while working into this investment.

August: I think working with a different camera, like the DSLR and I think that if someone knew how to use these cameras they already have the camera or have already had the experience with it. If they have to use these cameras, they would need to learn how to use the cameras, since they are quite complicated. Is there a specific reason that you need the high quality resolution?

Art: Yes it would provide high quality photos and videos. To address your point about people accessing these cameras, we do have a resource center for that, and there is a library of technology that the department has. I'm just saying that this is something that my interns looked into and that they believed would be helpful.

Vanessa: **Motion to extend time by 5 minutes.**

Tamra: **Second.**

B: Objection.

Rick: I think that we are taking too much time on the camera, I think that most of the cameras are already \$900 range.

Vote to extend time:

In favor: **14** | Opposed: **11** | Abstentions: **4**, **motion passes.**

Simba: Have you asked a photographer about this or did you just ask your interns to do this?

Art: We actually met with the major advisor for the film and digital media advisor. These are the ones that are really good and quality.

Seamus: How often do your interns use the cameras?

Art: On a weekly basis, whether or not we are taking pictures of our meetings or events.

Vanessa: I ask them when and how did you start that, they simply reply with “just because” the narrative now is “what are you doing now, or what did the historians do last year” it should be “what do you want SUA to look like and what those things do is for our won relevancy and for the future of SUA.

Eli: I think that it would be a good idea to invest in a camera for various reasons for when our website is updated. Also the idea that a camera of higher quality may not be better in the end may not be the best since it is sensitive equipment and expensive. It doesn't take that long to learn about the DSLR, it has an automatic mode and I think that it would be a good idea that has a camera that has video shooting options because a lot of our meetings should be shown to the public for transparency.

Tamra: **Motion to add three minutes.**

Rick: **Second.**

Imari: **Objection.**

Vote to extend time:

In favor: **9** | Opposed: **11** | Abstentions: **8, no extension of time.**

Meeting adjourned