

SUA 4.25.17

Assembly Members Present: Tias Webster (President), Grace Shefcik (VP of Internal Affairs), Vicente Lovelace (Cowell), Bryna Haugen (Cowell), Kaia Partlow (Stevenson), Deidra (Alternate), Michiko Soto (Crown), Samantha Stringer (Crown), Lily Green (Merrill), Jacob Jones (Porter), Angelica D'egidio (Porter), Ted Jaich (Porter), Hana King (Kresge), Celinda Montoya (Kresge), Ian Gregorio (Kresge), Imelda Mercado (Oakes), Burcu Birol (Oakes), Brooke Dalton (Oakes), Thomas Ramirez (Rachel Carson), Matthew Forman (Rachel Carson), Kiryl Karpiuk (College 9), Katherine Le (College 9), Samantha Sanchez (College 9), Tama Semo (College 10), Libby Pearman (College 10), Monse Villarreal (College 10), Lolo Fuka (APISA), Socorro Ramirez-Gamino (MEchA), Anabell Gimena (FSA Alternate), Cibyl Engel (PRISM)

Assembly Members Absent: Judith Gutierrez (VP of External Affairs), Hector Navarro (VP of Diversity and Inclusion), Jessica Xu (VP of Academic Affairs), Tamra Owens (VP of Student Life), Rick Takeuchi (Cowell), Andrew Szkolnik (Stevenson), Katie Keeshen (Stevenson), Ire Gomez Chavez (Merrill), Lauryn Wilson (Rachel Carson), Erica Green (SANAI), Imari Reynolds (AB/SA), Alejandro Navarro (MESH), Eli Guzman-Martin (QTPOCC)

Meeting Called to Order at: **8:02PM**

Roll Call: Chloe at **8:03PM**

Approval of Agenda: 8:05PM

Tama: I motion to approve the agenda

Burcu: Second

Lily: Objection, after the discussion of last week I request five minutes be added for a discussion about the committee

Tias: I will address in Public Comments

Lily: Rescind

Ted: Do people know that they will have to present after closed session. That they don't have to come till later?

Jane: Their presentation will be around 10:10, the problem is that we scheduled the election commissioner interview before that. Any other objections?

Approval of Minutes: 8:07PM

Katherine: Motion to approve previous minutes

Ted: Second

No Objections

Announcements and Public Comment: 8:08PM

Michiko: This Monday May 1st is May Day. We are picketing down at the main entrance on campus. It will start at 5am. It is to gain visibility for workers. The workers in California don't get paid enough for sustainability. I am passing around flyers for those interested.

Tama: I want to acknowledge the absences for the officers. There has been repeated absences and I like to acknowledge in the space.

Tommy: On that same topic, Lauryn Wilson is no longer one of our reps.

Tias: Two brief things. May tabling in the quarry tomorrow will be canceled. There is some private meeting. Due to the subcommittee for the SUA the committee that will be tasked, first meeting will be tomorrow in the student union. I will chair the first meeting. It will help develop an agenda for future meetings. There will be a lot of meetings and the ones after the first will hopefully be reserved in a larger space to hold more of the public. I will send out all of this information to the body after the meeting.

Tama: Question addressed to Tias. If possible have you considered that this will lead to a constitutional convention to change the structures of the SUA

Tias: Because of the restraints to our constitutional system it limits the changes. We could put in temporary Bylaws until we can propose constitutional changes to the students next year. Short answer yes we will call for committees but we won't be able to change it till next year.

Lily: For the meeting tomorrow are you just attending it for this space or for public.

Tias: It will be open to the public it is just that I haven't been able to find a space yet. I will talk on scheduling and will be opening to the public. We are trying to involve as much as the public as possible.

Presentations:8:14PM

Resolution for Sustaining the Chancellor's Match (10 minutes) **8:15PM**

- Seeking endorsements from different organizations on campus
- You all represent the student body and it will be important for our student campaign.
- Acknowledge everyone who came to support thank you.
- Engaging education is student retention outreach that serves students of color in our different programs.
- 11 programs total 7 in outreach. It will cater to communities outside of Santa Cruz to build the bridges.
- For retention will cater to the needs of students from students
- Chancellor's match is 1.50 match for everyone 1 dollar that students pay. It will help fund the programs.
- E² funded through student fees. Chancellor match is the only funding that E² sees
- There is a need for these underrepresented communities.
- Agreement was made 5 years ago and it is coming to an end. We are trying to get the chancellor to keep on matching to continue to support our programs.
- We are still seeking endorsements. DHC gave opportunities.
- Created a resolution to ask chancellor to support equality and diversity to continue to match

Homayun: To provide some historical context. When the referendum was charged with oversight, Nancy Hector and I met last week and talk about it. I pushed for more student involvement. Hopefully Nancy will reach out to you soon to get some student voices. Because we are charged with some oversight we are already collaborating with some of the request.

Hana: How do students get involved with E²

You can be involved with retention programs and you just have to contact them. You can find it online with engagededucation.org. You can also find out about programs by being a volunteer.

Campus Sustainability Plan (10 minutes) **8:25PM**

- I am the sustainability director and we oversee two student fee measures on carbon funds and employee fees
- Help the university set targets for where we want to go for environmental improvements and how do we include students and staff into the ecological environment.
- Overview of new plan for the comment period since it is open. If you are interested in giving feedback for the next five years the comment period are open till April 30th.
- Topics were operational like zero waste, transportation, etc.
- We do have an annual report and we achieved 57 out of the 71 objectives. It isn't bad but we can do better
- We have four topics learning in culture (campus wants to acknowledge social justice with sustainability. If the professor is doing research we want them to do it here so we can do a student project opportunity), working with student of color at ERC, engaging with local community like affordable housing and accessible transportation. Natural environment and infrastructure and watershed and stormwater. We have several watersheds and regulating what goes into the ocean.
- Long range development plan will be coming next year to make everything more responsible.
- Retrofit energy fixtures putting in more efficient lamps. We have put in topic areas and achieve 0 waste by 2020. 95% is recycled than going to the landfill. We are the only UC campuses doing this.
- Reducing greenhouse gas levels and sustainable foods. By 2025 reducing water use by 36%
- Carbon Neutrality is the overarching goal. sustainability.ucsc.edu
- Please give us feedback during the comment period and to get the word out to other students. If you have interested student orgs please pass along the word to get as much feedback as possible.

Ted: Thank you for presenting. Recently over spring break some trees were cut down near Kerr Hall. It wasn't until the week after the fact did I find out. It had something to do with Waste Management.

We have not had a place to store hazardous waste facility. That facility is proposed 10 years ago and it is finally being done. The trees being cut down are third growth and I know it never feels good but now we will be more responsibly handling waste. It is always hard knowing what is the best way to get word out students.

Elections Commissioner Interviews: 8:39

Closed Session

Overview (5 minutes)

Elections Commissioner Interviews (30 minutes)

Associate Elections Commissioner Interviews (40 minutes)

Hiring Deliberation (20 minutes)

Funding Requests: 10:00

African Student Union Culture Show Funding Request

- Budget will be sent to the assembly by Jane
- Help show UCSC Diversity
- Requesting Funding for annual cultural show
- Show will include fashion show for different clothing and an experience with different African food variety
- Plan to be feeding about 200 people and will include both vegan and vegetarian options
- Show will be on May 11th

Closing Remarks and Adjournment: 10:21PM

Meeting Adjourned at 10:22PM