

## SUA 5.16.17

**Assembly Members Present:** Tias Webster (President), 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), Vicente Lovelace (Cowell), Bryna Haugen (Cowell), Kasev (Cowell Alternate), Andrew Szkolnik (Stevenson), Katie Keeshen (Stevenson), Kaia Partlow (Stevenson), Nicki Thompson (Crown), Samantha Stringer (Crown), Hannah Brown (Merrill), Lily Green (Merrill), Jacob Jones (Porter), Angelica D'eqidio (Porter), Joanna (Porter Alt), Quinn (Kresge Alternate), Juan Caldaza (Kresge Alternate), Ian Gregorio (Kresge), Imelda Mercado (Oakes), Brooke Dalton (Oakes), Thomas Ramirez (Rachel Carson), Matthew Forman (Rachel Carson), Kiryl Karpiuk (College 9), Katherine Le (College 9), Samantha Sanchez (College 9), Noah (College 10 Alternate), Monse Villarreal (College 10), Joselyne (MEchA Alternate), Cibyl Engel (PRISM)

**Assembly Members Absent:** Grace Shefcik (VP of Internal Affairs), Michiko Soto (Crown), Ire Gomez Chavez (Merrill), Burcu Birol (Oakes), Libby Pearman (College 10), Lolo Fuka (APISA), Erica Green (SANAI), Imari Reynolds (AB/SA), Alejandro Navarro (MESH), Arleah Aguilar (FSA), Eli Guzman-Martin (QTPOCC)

Meeting Called to Order at: **8:04PM**

Roll Call: Chloe at **8:05PM**

### **Approval of Agenda: 8:07PM**

Katie: Motion to approve the agenda

Katherine: Second

No Objections

### **Approval of Minutes: 8:0PM**

Nicki: Motion to approve the minutes

Cibyl: Second

No Objections

### **Announcements and Public Comment: 8:0PM**

Judith: I got an email about a UC Newspaper to submit articles that you are working on. That is how the website looks like. The purpose of the newspaper

was to ask for a space of consolidated stories across campuses. There are not a lot of Santa Cruz so let's get our voices heard. If you have more questions please ask me but I will be leaving early today.

Tias: The administration is looking for someone to serve on a search committee. They want someone by May 26th they may or may not pay you. If you get paid it would be a fun surprise. If you are looking to search for an important member please look at me. Second Hodayun hasn't been here recently but the SUA Overhaul committee or Vision committee is going to rewrite the SUA mission statement to help with making decisions in the future. It will be at Kresge each wednesday. It is open to the public and advertisements are coming out. If you would like to help organize it there are snacks. Strong opinions are welcome.

Nicki: this thursday evening at 7:30 there is a mixer with cantou and cove. The cove is one of the portables by the cowell provost house.

Jacob: There are a few upcoming events. This Saturday a local tribal band will be at the Kresge Town Hall. The Theatre arts department is having their opening night next week. Porter senate film festival also coming up and submission deadline for films is this Friday.

Tamra: Food Pantry is opening tomorrow. It will start at 12PM to 4PM after it would be open starting at 10PM. If you still want to volunteer you still can. The shifts are filled from now to next week. It is vicente's birthday but he's not here right now.

### **Presentation 8:13PM**

ALI Program–Disability Awareness Week (20 minutes)

- Head intern for the accessibility internship leadership program
- Creating a better environment for students on UCSC campus
- Students with disabilities were one of three groups who didn't feel welcomed here at the university or felt included at the activities going on here.
- Serving among DRC students where people collaborate and do programming
- Clubs and organizations are not super accommodating
- Universal design creating a space to accommodate most people accommodating someone who learns visually and auditorily

- There are more than 1700 students registered with the DRC and it doesn't include students who haven't registered with our office. That is 10% of the student population
- They can have mental and physical disability. PTSD or side effects or side effects that comes with chronic illness meditation all those falls under the category of disability.
- It can be visible ie person in wheelchair but other pictures also have disabilities. Both have learning disabilities. Sometimes looking and talking to a person might not clue you in.
- Disability is personal so don't ask someone why they have a service animal. Try to put yourself in their shoes.
- Physical disabilities, visual impairment, deafness, is this event accessible. This meeting room is a good place because it is wheelchair accessible and there are handicap parking and bathroom that are easily accessible. Someone should arrive early to make sure elevator is working and automatic openers are working and 36 inches of a row. Make sure there aren't cords lying around and make sure you notify people and don't move around things randomly.
- Contact DRC, get a sign language interpreter, closed caption on all videos, contrast colors ie white on red isn't as visible as white on black. Make sure to leave space for breaks, trigger warning
- Food allergies and dietary restrictions: there are a lot of food allergies and to make sure what food is going to be at an event is really important.
- Try to make the most inclusive environment so that there is something for everyone. Make sure everything is marked.
- Make sure that people know at the beginning of the event in case anyone needs a breather
- If you have questions ask SOAR or DRC
- Disability awareness week happening next week. Will be at Quarry Plaza from Monday--Thursday. Will be asking to sign petition to make campus more inclusive. We'll be having a pizza giveaway and we'll give out raffle prizes.

#### Classroom and Lecture Availability Student Survey (20 minutes) **8:39PM**

- There are students who didn't get the class they want but are taking a class that satisfy some requirement.
- Most students don't crash but there are 20% that do crash. 25% of the students in winter intended to drop if they get into a ideal course. In big lecture halls there are a lot of students who don't have a seat in the course.

- What GE did you have difficulty dropping for and in winter quarter it was ER and PR
- Spring enrollment have similar and it is slightly lower for students who didn't get into classes that they wanted. Winter was about 8.5 and spring was about 7.4 percent
- What courses are people crashing and some courses include computer science, psychology, and sociology.
- Students feel so much better with shorten course periods and a lot of art majors have more time to do work outside of class
- There are less discussion however and it is hard to travel across campus in 15 minutes. There are not enough breaks.
- 50% of students felt the impact of the shorten felt that there was negative and 40% felt no impact and 10% felt positive impact
- Do not fix over enrollment by cutting class times. But overcrowding has negative impact on education
- High number is high level of satisfaction (Graphs)
- For the most part students have not taken online courses and the majority of students who took online classes felt that it was similar and some thought it was better
- A lot of students enjoy the flexibility of online class courses. You can ask questions anonymously when it is on an online course (help with social anxiety)
- Students spend 100-300 dollars per quarter on textbooks and course materials.

Joselyn: So in terms of 15,000 students on campus, do you feel that is an accurate assessment of the student body?

Jessica: There was a discussion on this this was slightly a larger response than last year. They wanted a 40% response rate and we didn't meet that but we relied more on narratives and ran few data analysis. When I present to academic senate I tend to read narratives to give insight on what the students are going through.

#### TAPS Parking Plan (10 minutes) **8:58PM**

- We are thinking of doing something and I am disappointed in the representative structure
- I think it is better if me (assistant director come to you guys)
- I have a parking map, there are parking lots where permits are required Monday-Friday ie. remote lots, etc.

- Most of the lots are two flavors permits are required from 7-8:30 at night. It is either weekdays or seven days a week. Those places are usually event centers.
- Campus police department give out the tickets. They have been asking to simplify and standardize when parking permits are required.
- The Quarry Amphitheatre is opening up this Fall and there will be many events but concert promoters are calling him because they want to put on concerts. There will likely be 2000 people coming for concerts which means TAPS will be at East Remote Parking Lot.
- We will sell the permits when we are in that lot but the question is we don't want people shopping for a free parking space. We don't want people to try to find free places
- If we require permits in all lots, every pay station would become a night permit in any lot that isn't restricted for some reason. It makes it easier to buy permits.
- The question is what should we do. Option A make all lots require permits 7 days a week. Option B all lots 7 days except for remotes. Option C all lots 7 days except remotes and base of campus. Or we change nothing and we show up in East Remote when there is an amphitheatre concert.

Bryna: I think my first question is that I didn't know there were going to be so many events happening in the amphitheatre. Are these going to be concerts for our students or for randoms.

This isn't a me question but Jose knows how much that facility needs to earn every year to keep the place running. He is aiming for student programming but he wants to do those for students for little to no cost. How do you bring in that money?

Bryna: Having lived in Cowell for so many years I heard the sound check hours before the sound check and it overpowered my ear buds. For anyone living there closing windows does not stop the sound. If you do have parking anywhere on campus do you have people walking through residential areas. That is a huge security risk. I don't want inebriated people walking around. I would like to have that far away and have one direct route. I know a lot of students who rely on weekend parking to get to the library. Many rely on East Remote to get around to weekend appointments. It is difficult due to mobility issues. During events I would love to see people get access to permits so non concert goers can still go to places.

Brooke: I was wondering if it was possible to have all the college lots be weekday lots and during events turn them into orange ones.

That is the opposite of what we are asked to do.

Hannah: I think the main priority is to have students on campus. There are so many who use parking on campus during weekends and it post a safety issue if people are trying to find free parking on campus. I don't think changing all the lots to 7 days a week is effective. Putting it so that you can't even drive your car to the library is not cool. On weekdays I rely on East Remote parking so I really think it is a safety issue if we change all parking lots.

Lily: Motion to extend time from 5 minutes

Bryna: Second

Ian: So how soon will you be making these changes.

We have an advisory committee and the last meeting of the year will be next tuesday. We were directed to go and seek input. I don't know when we are doing the change but we will be discussing this a week from today.

Monse: Is there anyway I can reach out after we talk to senates.

Yes here is my email: [willats@ucsc.edu](mailto:willats@ucsc.edu)

Juan: How are the students selected for advisory committee?

He asked to be on he's not in SUA though.

Bryna: It was SCOC which is the student committee on committees.

Thomas: I want to keep all the remote lots free on weekends. This would really benefit students on campus. If there is an event happening maybe blocking off areas and selling tickets and only on event days.

### **New Business 9:13PM**

S&E Library Discussion with Greg Careaga (20 minutes)

- Head of assessment and planning department

- Jessica invited me to a meeting, Ilene is the faculty chair and I was invited to hear students concerns about the work in the library to reduce the size of collection
- Generally about communication about students and library.

Jessica: I kind of got invited to the meeting that we had passed the resolution the morning after. Greg informed me that the facts in this resolution are incorrect. Just to go over it instead of 25% it is 40% and for the second point under where as they are no plans to reduce it. The game room is not a sure thing and it was in a blueprint it was just an idea there are no substantial follow up. It would be something similar to amazon juice rather than perks. Elizabeth Cowell talked about how not all the books are destroyed. The ones that were destroyed were those available at another UC or not checked out in past 5 years. She affirmed that it was the executive vice chancellor Allyson Galloways decision. This was her solution so the project was fast paced and summer was the best opportunity for this project to happen. They worked with fire marshall and the committee and library was actually consulted contrary to what was being emailed to Grace. It seems like it is a huge issue with miscommunication. I want you guys to get both sides of the story.

Bryna: So I spoke the last time while we were deliberating because I feel strong about it. I am pleased to see that there are no more plans to destroy. I am frustrated that we destroyed rather than donated. I would love to hear on any insight. My other point is that Allyson Galloway is no longer here. I am saddened that this is a move to accommodate students. I know there are a lot of issues but I don't see how removing books that makes our educational value better will help. It is relieved that the damage isn't extensive but I would like to hear the reasoning with it

Greg: Most removed were journal volumes and not book volumes. The challenge is that they are very common and academic. We would have difficult time placing them with academic libraries who have their own space issues. The return on the time invested was going to be low and we spent time looking for a home but were unsuccessful. The value of a paper as a mean has been greatly reduced. The availability of full text online ie german literature. The change that happened was in 2008 but the switch flip. That material isn't as valuable in physical paper form. We found more ways to use this space for mass majority it were journals I wasn't personally involved in selecting the books and I have spoken with Terry Scott. Our goal was not to deprive students of resources that would be valuable to

them. We removed journals because we had full online access and for books it was books that have not circulated in five years.

Matthew: I don't know if this is still relevant but it seems that there are a lot of misinformations. We were told that only 25% of the books remained. I am wondering where the misinformation came from.

Greg: I am going to make an assumption because I don't know the exact facts but there were some floor plans that showed very small footprint and this was a stage of gathering info. Maybe if we put compact shelving then it would be much more efficient. In early drawing there is a small portion of books. My assumption is that the professor looked at old blueprint and new blueprint and used it as his information. We do send some items to a facility for older books that haven't been used. It would be a trickle in process. There are no plans for any systematic withdrawals from either mcherry and science and engineering.

Hannah: On the bottom floor when are they moving shelves and making more study space. We have learned how unsatisfactory it is. We have plIn the only science library the top look was definitely quite.

Greg: We need to make sure that an understanding is gained when it comes intentions.-Endorsement Deliberation: Resolution to Reinstate Nandini Bhattacharya (10 minutes)

Andrew: going back to the point of value of paper text. It is at least in my opinion that it's comforting to be studying around and within books. When we last spoke about this as a body a lot of use has been upset. The specification for removing certain books I think is slightly arbitrary because when students are looking for new information in books it is not all the time that they go and check them out. Sometimes they are searched on cruzcat and they are found in stacks and the specific information found in the book is put back. I think it is quite concerning that all of this happened so quickly and without a lot of transparency

Greg: The value of paper for storing data is reduced I understand the emotional value of print points. I also understand the idea of browsing and I didn't want to diminish the connections. It is an easy call to see why you keep martha stewart.

Hector: Thank you for coming. 1. Do you have records for every single book tossed away?

Greg: Library records can be complicated. We have that list of all the book titles but if you looked at it and saw the number of volumes.

Hector: There are students who do need

Juan: Motion to add 7 minutes

Jessica: Second

No Objections.

Greg: We want to do a better job on reaching out to students we do have an advisory committee. On Wednesday the 24th. Mcherry 13240 we will be delighted to have you.

Juan: I thought library were keeper of the books and it hurt me knowing books were lost not because they were lost themselves but that the footnotes that students made in the past were also lost. I don't know if you took that into consideration past today. We are a research institution and I want to help reach out to others.

Lily: Can you repeat the details of the townhall

Greg: Wednesday May 24th Mchenry Library Room 1340 from 5-6PM. The library has been working with something called the man driven acquisition. Click here to get this book. We see this much more efficient. We have a recommended purchase form and if you fill it out then one of the selectors will get back to you.

Ian: Going forward are there any absolute 100% plan for S&E

Greg: The most concrete will be a 98 seat active learning classroom and it is effective to involve students. When not class it will be extra study space. That room use to be the computer lab and that is being moved out to the main floor. You won't lose capacity but it would be a more open Space.

Bryna: Motion to add 3 minutes

Jessica: Second

No Objection

Nicki: I still think the resolution stand and I want to see if we can make an amendment to make a student advisory committee for the future of our library.

Greg: I don't have that right but we want to create a programming committee to design what the library would look like. And we would like it to be student faculty.

Katie: So I think the fact that we had to operate off of incorrect info. This shows lack of communication. I think it is important to have students on the library committee but there is a fundamental flaw. If something this magnitude happens and there is no readily information. Committees with students on them is great but it needs to reach the main student body.

Greg: I agree and we are trying to change that we have created a webpage with a calendar and contact information. I would love your help in guidance in how to reach the broader student body.

Sam: How does a small group have so much jurisdiction?

Greg: Every librarian who works at UCSC went to graduate school and have many masters. We didn't do it in the vacuum. We didn't reach out to students but we did reach out to faculty. We brought this information and we sent it out to Deans and Department chair and one faculty member provided us with feedback until the project was done. Everyone is very busy but email doesn't seem reliable enough to get anyone's attention.

Sam: Even considering this type of decision is too drastic to be made. Is there a better system of checks and balances. I understand they are qualified but I am questioning how this was allowed.

Greg: We thought we followed all the procedures and communicated to the faculty we did involve students.

Bryna: Motion to add a minute and 30 second

Jessica: Second

No Objections

Andrew: Do students (Should) that a similar move will take place at Mchenry?

Greg: No we have no plans.

Bryna: I appreciate you coming out here to give us more information. My primary concern of a lot of people is that we are a public university and we are run on student money and public money. It is the public and students who suffered from this misinformation lost in a physical manner. We do have access online and there are visitors who browse physically. Without offering this freely seems like a misstep and I hope that in the future ( I will be getting involved in the library). I thank you for the communication but at the core we were shaken by this situation.

Greg: I appreciate that.

Funding Request: Delta Sigma Theta National Convention (10 minutes) **9:50PM**

- Public sorority to enhance lives of marginalized community more on the black community
- We are working on educational development and we put on programs dedicated in any areas of those.
- The last line of Delta's here was in 2013 and they put on HPV workshops and African American Appreciation day, international day of service, tutoring, food and clothing drive, etc.
- We are trying to do our part for the retention of black students on campus
- We are asking to sponsor members going to the national convention on August 3rd. Registration end at the end of this month. It is a Biannual conference. We are a public service org so we will be coming up with new themes and goals for the year. We are required to go as a voting body. When we come back we are required to hold programs under each of these subdivisions.
- The convention is in Las Vegas we are asking for registration and the total is around \$3000 for six of us to go.
- A lot of alumni come back and look forward to this event. We are required to hold four different programs.
- There have been technical difficulties but we have at least 20,000 dollars.

**Old Business 9:56PM**

Endorsement Deliberation: Resolution to Reinstate Nandini Bhattacharya (10 minutes)

Hector: Motion to endorse the resolution to reinstate Nandini Bhattacharya

Katherine: Second

No Objection

**Closing Remarks and Adjournment: 9:57PM**

Katherine: College 9 senate was in support. Thank you Mecha for coming out and I want to recognize that. Thank you!

Chloe: If you came late please let me know.

Tias: Just a reminder the SUA committee will be at Kresge 321 every wednesday 7:10-9:10 PM I have scheduled 2 campus wide emails. I will be bugging them about it.

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:58PM**