

SUA 11.14.17

Meeting Called to Order at: 8:00PM

Roll Call by Chloe at: 8:00PM

Assembly Members Present: Max Jiminez (President), Alice Malmberg (VPIA), Katherine Le (VPDI), Jessica Xu (VPAA), Tamra Owens (VPSL), Keshav Kumar (Cowell), Alex English (Cowell), Lauren (Cowell Alternate), Jeff Stoll (Stevenson), Alana (Stevenson Alternate), Zach Klieman (Stevenson), Sabina Wildman (Crown), Samantha Stringer (Crown), Taj Abdulrahmaan (Crown), Miranda Huezo (Merrill), Emma Cunningham (Merrill), Kimberly Balmorez (Porter), Ted (Porter Alternate), Mamie Yang (Porter), Quinn Chalmers (Kresge), Ian (Kresge Alternate), Burcu (Oakes Alternate), Ayo Banjo (Oakes), Matthew Forman (Rachel Carson), Stephan (College 9 Alternate), Samantha Sanchez (College 9), Vignesh Iyer (College 9), Jonathan Kung (College 10), Delanie Medina (College 10), Davon Thomas (BSU), Alexcis Delos Santos (Bayanihan), Cibyl Engel (PRISM), Fatima Mohammad (MSA)

Assembly Members Absent: Judith Gutierrez (VPEA), Samantha Stringer (Merrill), Arvind Vallabha (Oakes), Thomas Ramirez (Rachel Carson), Angel Solorzano (Rachel Carson), Claudia Flores (College 10), Nikolasi Niumeitolu Saafi (APISA), Raymond LeBeau (SANAI), Singh Dhadha (SSA)

Approval of Agenda: 8:05PM

Max: I motion to add Treasurer to the agenda (5 Minutes)

Davon: Second

No Objections

Jessica: Motion to approve the agenda

Jeff: Second

No Objections

Approval of Minutes: 8:05PM

Davon: Motion to approve the minutes

Jeff: Second

No Objections

Announcements and Public Comment: 8:04PM

Katherine: The office of Diversity is doing outreach tabling this thursday from 1:45-3 at Quarry Plaza. We will also be president at international education week fair from 3-6pm at college 9/10 MPR. This Friday the American Indian Resource center will have its annual event from 6-8 MP at Namaste lounge. They will have a guest speaker from Watsonville. Please come out and support!

Thao: We will be having a workshop for housing market and I will pass out a flier.

Alice: If you are on the committee thank you. I know you all want to get paid. It is a time for all the committees to get together to hang out and meet each other. It will be Friday December 1st in this room and time will be 6pm. On Saturday Dec 2nd Porter Kresge we will be giving out free Mexican food. If you sit on a committee come so you can get paid!

Jane: I have had a couple of questions about how alternates work for college reps. In order to have an alternate the chair of your senate has to email me with your name and the person you are alternating for before this meeting happens. Most of the chairs don't do this. If you can pass this a long and chat with your alternates. I can have the attendance sheet then updated and we can know if all the voting is good. Does anyone have any questions. Okay great!

Presentations: 8:10PM

3M Housing Security Fund Proposals (10 minutes) **8:11PM**

- July 2017 Regents approved reallocating reserve funds from mortgage program to fund student housing needs. Each campus will have 3 millions dollars.
- Money can only be used for new housing initiatives and project funds need to be expended by June 2020.
- It's a funding request and the proposal will be presented to the office of the UC President.
- *Document shows all the ten proposals that are being looked at.
- Students weren't involved

Tamra: Do we know how they are going to choose their proposal?

Max: I have no idea. There is a voting system but I don't really know and I have asked them. From what it looks like they will choose a few projects but not sure yet.

Thao: From what I am reading the decision is tomorrow

Tamra: So there is no way for us to choose what to support?

Vignesh: Is there more information on this online or anywhere else?

Tamra: I haven't found any. I have been trying to call and honestly it's been hard for me to find out any more information. I only know the money is allocated. Usually from my

understanding it is up to the chancellor but it's not like anyone reached out to me. I don't know if any students know about this. I have limited knowledge but I am looking to pursue this.

Career Center Referendum Development (15 minutes) **8:20PM**

- Have gone to many colleges.
- Scale Delivery Issue: We have only 5 coaches and there are 18k students.
- Technology Issue: The ER System is over 10 years old. We will be changing platforms away from slug quest. We are also looking at other technologies to evaluate
- We have a funding for opportunities issues. We are a self funded unit and we fund through career fairs. The problem is that less companies want to come there because there are easier platforms. We want to move away from this model so we can get more employers to come to campus.
- We want to expand our tutorials that are short so we can help deliver more information to students.
- *Check presentation slide for poll info.
- There are many ways to get feedback, we have one more next week on Monday November 20th from 4-5PM on Monday 3rd Floor of Bay Tree Building and there will be free pizza. We also have a feedback page on the website. There are also a survey button.

Jessica: Last year we did a survey and there was a survey about seeing an actual advisor rather than a peer advisor. This was a topic of discussion. I was wondering if you will get more staff?

We hear that and people want to see a trained professional. We have a really young staff but with 5 people its hard so we had to have a peer way of seeing this. We will be asking the school for more staff!

Sabina: Specifically will there be professionals you will hire?

We are looking at that right now and we will have many meetings coming up to see the numbers and what that will look like. It's hard to say right now because we are still collecting information. That's why we are trying to get an idea on what people want. When I say bodies, I meant would it be better to have 3 more staff members?

Sabina: What student orgs have you gone to?

I have went to almost 30 meetings. I was also at 30 different colleges. We have been trying to plow through out. We are trying to do as much as we can. It's really important that the students have a voice in this.

Vignesh: I was wondering about on campus job opportunities or are you focusing on career jobs.

It doesn't grow unless departments try to hire. Pushing it out is easy but what we find is that there are a set number of jobs and it's really competitive because currently there is 400 jobs right now. We have tried to increase more CIP numbers and internships but those are slow processes. We have to go through a lot of people and a lot of channels. I don't know if we can increase those jobs.

TAPS Updates and Referendum Development (10 minutes) **8:37PM**

- Update on Transit and what we have been working on and the plans for next quarter
- We have been tracking and seeing how many people we are accommodating
- We have done feedback and students want more frequency of buses. Coming in January there will be a new bus that will be coming on campus that will hold more students. These buses will have 110-120 students. It will be Monday - Friday all the routes and there will be weekend uses.
- Problem: The transit operation has a 3 million dollar deficit that has accumulated over the past 17 years. There is a transit fee and this is why we pay for this
- A year ago we did four focus group, we wanted to fee to increase as large as 40-50 dollars per student per quarter and we asked questions like what do they think?
 - Group Votes showed that they definitely need loops, night owls, and then the rest of the services
- We didn't do the referendum last year because they didn't want anything to intervene with OPERS. EVC gave money to TAPS to offset deficit.
- We will do pop up events to do more outreach to students but we don't have the money to sustain that. We want to show that it works and then reach out as a referendum.
- *See presentation slide for map and graphs.
- taps@ucsc.edu

Davon: Reach out to identity orgs. Transportation is more important than OPERS. It is not your fault. For Articulated buses will you reduce regular buses?

We are adding them on. We are trying to do a 20D then we can reallocate the 20 buses to other bus routes. But we are adding on.

Davon: I think this is a great idea.

Max: Wow. I didn't expect that. Thank you for this presentation. My only concern is the student referendum. There are a lot that are being passed and I understand that transportation is very important. But I was wondering if you guys looked at other ways to get funding.

We have pursued external grants for the state. We don't really qualify for federal grants. We tried to get central funds. TAPS is a self supporting unit not supporting state funds and transit feeds. We see some ways that we can get money from city and university but they are usually long range development plans. We have 36k coming from the city to help support the bus. This is where we are at right now.

Stephan: I was wondering if you can provide more info on the referendum. I know that there is a lot of public support but in terms of referendum do you have a concrete proposal?

We were told to stand down and not pursue. Right now we are trying to engage so we can have the priorities. I am trying to work on the fee.

Cibyl: You were saying that the program might replace the night owl system.

This was before and it was one of the many ideas relating to night core and safe right program and through the campus police. The drivers are student ambassadors. It's like Lyft.

Cibyl: But student who have issues with the police will have problems?

The home base will be the police department but it will be students in a van.

Alice: I have known about this for a couple of weeks. I am shocked myself. One thing I want to bring to the space, a few years ago when the referendum failed the central funds gave one million a year to OPERS. I was wondering if you think there is hope for taking all of these facts and advocate for budget office to get more funding from central fund.

That would be a wonderful thing but I know there are competition for the funds. We are stoked already that they are covering any deficit. The magnitude of that potential funds can be pretty big. It can be 800,000 pay out from central funds.

Sabina: I just want to mention a few things. The Safe ride program, they still have shirts with the police system. I don't think this is a good system. Maybe it would be good if we are not related to the police system.

I would offer that if the tap ride program working well, it would be good with shuttle drivers. Right now it's a police program and not a TAPS program. I am glad you are grateful but I think you can keep that pressure on them. I know it is hard from what OPERS did. It would be great to reduce student fees. I am curious about increased parking enforcement.

We don't do parking enforcement that is campus police. There are more staffing but those are all university police. It is separate from TAPS. Before there were only 2 but now they have 4. Parking permits gives a balance. If no one gets cited then no one will care about permits. It needs to coexist.

Sabina: Do you put the information on parking permits. There have been confusion about where they can or cannot park in times.

If people are confused then we will try to improve the signs please send an email

Sabina: One bus driver on the loop came up with an idea to hold our bags in front of us and it created space.

We had a serious of public service ads about bus etiquette and to take backpack off to create more space.

Jeff: Motion to extend times by 2 minutes.

Jessica: Second

No Objections.

Ayo: I think there was a person here from the career center that there are only 400 jobs and it can create jobs if we do the safe ride option.

The challenge that TAP has is that we have drivers drive vehicles represented by labor unions. We are trying to outsource this to students. The Safe Ride is students in a van but if TAPS did something that take work away from drivers then that would not go down.

Alice; I would love to see more credit card meters and it will help for students. Email me if you want to help put pressure for fundings.

We are working with park mobile so that we can do on phone. We have ordered our first five parking meters but it needs connectivity so we are trying to find ways for that. I am hoping those will be installed by the end of this quarter. There are also pay cards you can buy.

SUA Food Pantry and Lounge Program (20 minutes) 9:04PM

- *Check presentation slide for full details.
- April 5th 2015 there was a push for SUA to take control of the Stevenson Coffee house and keep it going. The resolution passed by all the colleges.
 - We did the food pantry so that we can combat the food insecurity issue
 - Slug Support has a small office that offer money for books, food, rent, and supplies. Pantry helps relieve some of the pressure put on Slug Support

- Food pantry has a demonstration station that does cooking demo. It also helps students sign up for CalFresh
- Second Harvest Food Bank non profit off of Watsonville to get food. We have 1000 pounds of food from 400. Produce is free.
- Sustainability office helps a food recovery and the sushi comes from the cafes that would have been thrown away. We want to expand to dining halls and work with local organizations
- We work with Family Student Housing. Their leftover produce will be at our pantry. We have greater access time and OPERS is open till 11PM and we can divert food waste. We have 11 shift leads that organize student volunteers and we have 157 student volunteers. It helps keeps the pantry open and it is a big community effort.
- We want higher quality food and more vegan options. I want to offer rice and soy milk. We have pre prepared meals from company called Food Smith. They prepare vegan meals.
- Our model is influencing other areas and family student housing are now getting volunteers. We are also raising awareness on food insecurity. It will help student learn about the food system and these volunteers are gaining that knowledge.
- We are changing the conversation on the idea of a pantry. I am very proud that people are not embarrassed to come into this pantry space. People shouldn't feel uncomfortable to ask for help. This is an open space. People can come and go learn how to take care of themselves. We are also fostering our community.
- Future of the Pantry: Caroline G. works in Cowell who will take over the Cowell Coffee shop. There wasn't a set plan so we couldn't take over Stevenson coffee shop. The Cowell provost support us. We will be going to Cowell and Stevenson Senate and maybe moving the pantry to that. We are trying to pass a referendum. It would be three dollars a year to help fund the pantry. It would free up the money from SUA and it can go back to funding programming. I want to make this program self sufficient. I am looking into other ways as well if we don't do Cowell Coffee Shop. I was thinking also about trailer option, it's not the best but it will keep it on campus. We want to negotiate with businesses off campus to get offices. I want this plan implemented for a long period of time. I want the pantry to focus on finding outside funding resources.

Sam: I understand the value of off campus idea but the safety issue is a concern.

Tamra: When I first planned this I wanted it to go off campus but now its not a good idea. I heard from students having it on campus is most convenient.

Delanie: Motion to extend this by five minutes

Sam: Second

No Objections.

Keshav: I appreciate all the hard work you do. I was thinking about coffee shop employees. I understand the food insecurity but there is a discussion from the coffee shop employees to make it a multipurpose space maybe.

Tamra: I am definitely open to that. I definitely have more meetings coming up where we will talk about the details more.

Sabina: Can you elaborate on the second food harvest?

Tamra: Our meat and eggs are money but our produce is free.

Sabina: Where are other foods coming from?

Tamra: Pre prepared is food smith, costco for bread, sustainability office, and safeway for eggs and tortillas. I am trying to switch to second harvest for eggs.

Sabina: With the self support and thinking for the future, have you looked into other sources of funding.

Tamra: I have asked GFI but their main focus is to support the dean of students pantry. I don't want our money to be tied to any other avenues of admin connection. When we first started the pantry we had a 10k grant but I don't want to depend on administrators.

Sabina: I understand but I don't want student fees to go up. I won't be opposed to get money from admin for this because it should be paid by the school.

Vignesh: The referendum didn't pass right?

Tamra: No.

Vignesh: What would be the different this time?

Tamra: This would be only for the pantry before it was grouped with SUA.

Max: I was wondering about measure 43 and if you looked into that. I have applied to it before and it does a lot of stuff like food based things. It does have a pool of money and student can get funding there. There are also places for students to apply for permanent plans. I know more and we can talk too. But there is permanent funding from CSC and I think there is a good chance we can get that.

Treasurer

Davon: Motion to go into closed session because we are dealing with hiring and firing
Delanie: Second
No Objections

Closed Session

New Business: 9:44PM

Funding Request: Pagkakaisa Dance Troupe (15 minutes) **9:44PM**

- It is a retreat for under privileged groups.
- Our funding request total from SUA Programming is 1,450.
- The budget breakdown will be in the powerpoint presentation.
- We are asking more than usual for shirt funding because this is a collaborative endeavor and has never been pursued until now. We are accounting for over 80 shirts and we want to make sure this special event is commemorated.
- Hopefully having the same uniform we can show the unity aspect. We hope to make this an example and pedestal so our successors can carry on this movement.
- We want to promote this culture of solidarity.

Jane: They have requested money from SOFA but they didn't attend the meeting so I told them to come to funding requests here.

Sabina: What other orgs are you planning on working with and will they all get shirts.

Historically we have worked with ISA and MSA and we have invited many other orgs. It is a huge list of organizations we invite and we try to be as inclusive as possible. We go down the SOAR list and try to get all the mediums in. Our goal for the shirts to be shared our main priority is focusing on the orgs hosting the event. We have budget it so we can have extra shirts to give away to the leaders of the orgs attending the event.

Delanie: You mentioned that you sought funding from CEP have you gone to college senates for funding.

We are making plans if we aren't fully funding by SUA and CEP.

Delanie: Will you go to college 9 or all?

We try to not waste too many people's time and we are trying to prioritize college themes that go along with our event.

Davon: What is your estimated attendance?

Including both members of participating orgs and general we are expecting from 450 to 500 students.

Davon: How many shirts can you buy with 900 dollars.

From previous quotes that will go to 90-100 shirts which would benefit both the hosting orgs.

Tamra: Is there an itemized budget you can give us so I can see how you got to this number. Also for advertising you can get them fairly cheap at university copy.

These figures are derived from passed funding requests that have been approved by SUA. We have a list and we can give you that. To address your concern about the shirts, in the description we tried to show that the shirts will be advertisement but also as our team shirts. It will be use of it beyond this event. I understand 900 for shirts is excessive but this is a collaborative effort and it accounts for two orgs. It would have been doubled the price if we got the shirts separately.

Tamra: Motion to extend time by 30 seconds

Delanie: Second

No Objections

Tamra: Is this event going to be free?

Yes.

Tamra: Motion to adjourn

Ted: Second

Jessica: Objection, I have something on the agenda.

Move into a vote: In Favor (0) Opposed (23)

Davon: Motion to take a 10 minute recess to move rooms.

Delanie: Second

No Objections

2:1 Ratio Discussion (10 minutes) **10:11PM**

Kat: I sent an email out to everyone about the 2:1 ratio. It is a target to increase the number of transfer students. I am compiling student concerns to send it to academic senate.

Ayo: I think one of the most disturbing things is that our ratio is 3.5 to 1 and I am concerned on how we can decrease that to 2. That would be admitting less Frosh? I think Frosh rate is increasing across all campus. The numbers are not working towards this ratio.

Jessica: I think UCSC is somewhere in 2.5 rather than 3 but I could be wrong. We are currently not meeting it and we want the university to know that there are external factors on why UCSC does not meet that issue. There are reasons on why students might not pick this university. I would like to show that admission won't be lowered to achieve higher transfer.

Tamra: Have people figured on how it will affect porter because most transfers go there?

Ayo: Would it be possible if they wanted to admit or transfers, can we push that idea when the new housing is finished so we can accommodate that?

Sabina: Has there been any pushback on this because it doesn't fit general trends. This is not fitting applications. Are they interested in enrolling more students in general. Can they meet the requirement of enrolling more students.

Ted: At Porter Senate a few weeks ago, we were spoken to about the increase of students and the West Development project. I don't know if it answers the question about transfer students but it doesn't look like they have any plans to house the transfers.

Emma: People have been talking about more volume of transfers but can there be less frosh and bring the ratio down. I mean instead of bringing in the same amount of frosh and adding more transfer would it be possible to downscale the amount we admit.

Vignesh: Is the academic senate addressing this about the ratio or are they supporting the increased admissions. Is this resolution trying to get to 2:1

Katherine: There was a draft of the proposal but what I am trying to do is to get student input and sending it to the senate to highlight on how we feel but I don't know their stance. But we are highlighting student concern.

Davon: So Emma's question was decreasing amount of under grad but wouldn't the school lose funding if we do that? We have a price on our heads as in the more students we have the more money we will get.

Emma: If we can meet the 2:1 ratio would that offset what we do. I meant instead of more we keep our amount but even it out.

Sabina: It mentioned that merced doesn't have to meet this requirement but I am curious why merced doesn't have to. I was wondering if we can talk about that santa cruz is at capacity and we shouldn't be pushed to meet this requirement.

Jessica: They don't know how it will impact academic department because Transfer does have to meet a GPA requirement and they don't know if they have to lower that GPA. Merced is excluded because it is newer and has a lot of development going on. In terms of if we can reduce I think we have mandates that we have to admit a certain number. Based on that number it has to be $\frac{2}{3}$ of the population and the remaining is $\frac{1}{3}$

Jonathan: In regards to Riverside current ratio is 2.7 to 1

Emma: I have been hearing more than the amount of 2:1

Jessica: A couple of years back we overenrolled and we anticipated more will SIR but we had more incoming and based off that number we would have to take 600 more on that number. We are admitting our mandated amount and we are trying to not get past that.

Resolutions: 10:24PM

Student Academic Senate Resolutions (20 minutes)

- *Please refer to document to view resolutions

Sam: Great, also the title is 2016-2017

Jeff: I think everything included is very reasonable. I don't think anyone need any substance of changed. I mean it has already passed by SAS

Ayo: On the termination letter, the Student union assembly was mentioned twice.

Sam: I am not sure if the other document has a date on it just so we can make sure everything is perfect.

Max: I met with Jessica earlier and I want to let you all know that thank you for doing this. I talked to a professor about working on over enrollment and getting advising from Steve McKay and I worded something very similar. He said we should be wary about the way we frame about the therefore being further resolved sounding anti growth. I agree that we shouldn't increase enrollment until sufficient resources but it can be taken as depending on who's reading it that it sounds like no more students which can sound bad. It's hard to explain but we don't want to sound like we are not down for more students. The mission of the students is to expand access. We want the framing to sound like give us more funding rather than no more students.

Keshav: I motion to suspend section C.10.F.V.C.3 of the Bylaws of the SUA

Jeff: Second

Cibyl: i think there can be more edits and I do want to take this to my space.

Burcu: I love that you are suspending the Bylaws but I think if there are edits we can make it right now. Anything to make it better.

Zach: I want to ask that we do this if it is a time sensitive issue. Does suspending the Bylaws because of our conviction?

Jessica: I think the reason why I am okay with this is because all the reps have had an opportunity to discuss already but I think one is more time sensitive than the other.

Sam: Why is the termination one time sensitive

Jessica: Given the events that have transpired in the last couple of weeks. I would rather the actions be taken sooner than later.

Sam: It was brought up in Crown Senate that it won't work against the legality of things.

Jessica: I have reached out to my personal supervisor but I haven't gotten a response yet. I am not contributing to any additional evidence. I personally don't believe it would impact any legal action.

Sabina: In response to Sam's thing, I think it's good SUA takes a stance on this but from a perspective of someone dealing with court cases, it can affect things like maybe you are asking students to put this out and it can be held against them. Would this be useful to him. Is there anyway we can contact him.

Max: In the resolution about over enrollment, I am in full support of this but I am urging the space to take some time to look over it.

Move into vote: In Favor (23) Opposed (1)

Bylaw has been suspended

Davon: Motion to pass resolutions

Keshav: Second

Zach: In the interest of supporting that we wait to pass the resolution in order to not affect the proceedings.

Sam: To all those concerning if this will impact legality, I think him not responding regards the impact. I don't think it will impact.

Sabina: There can be retaliation from the university. I think Steve McKay's point is very important. I don't want to stand to restrict the accessibility of the University. I move to amend to allow the referendum to pass with additional changes that can be changed.

Jessica: Second

Jeff: Motion to split the motion.

Sam: Second

No Objections

Sam: Motion to extend time by 3 minutes

Jeff: Second

No Objections.

Stephan: Would changes need people to sign again?

Jessica: No, this would be SUA resolution modeled after SAS

Max: I am just worried about wording because I don't want this document to be used against us in anyway because of the way we are framing it.

Jessica: Can you propose language. I understand what you are saying but I don't know where.

Max: I want to but I don't have the capacity to think about wording. I am just thinking about the wording.

Jeff: In the language that I am seeing it is implicit that the University ack the resources to support students, that carries the idea that we oppose increases in enrollment because of lack.

Ayo: Motion to extend time by 3 minutes

Tamra: Second

No Objections.

Tamra: Can people go in tomorrow sometime and change the location and pass it that people will come in and change but we can't get through it today.

Jane: We don't pass resolution twice.

Ayo: Given the termination is time sensitive and over enrollment can wait. I would like to motion to postpone over enrollment to next week.

Sam: Second

No Objections.

Jeff: Call to question.

Keshav: Second

NO Objection

Move into Vote: In Favor (23) Opposed (2)

Closing Remarks and Adjournment: 10:58PM

Meeting Adjourned at 11:00PM