



A.S. ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ALLIANCE MINUTES

Associated Students

DATE: 3/2/2020

LOCATION: Minutes/Actions recorded by: Lorenzo Castaneda

CALL TO ORDER: 5:09pm

A. MEETING BUSINESS

A-1. Roll Call

Name	Note: absent (excused/not excused) arrived late (time) departed early (time) proxy (full name)	Name	Note: absent (excused/not excused) arrived late (time) departed early (time) proxy (full name)
Diana Garcia (Cochair)	Present	Gabriel Van Praag (EAB Liaison)	Present
Elvia Cruz (Cochair)	Present	Phoebe (HRB Liaison)	Present
Sierra Andrade (Student Affairs)	Present	Ruth Alcantara (Campaign Chair)	Present
Rachel Huang (Campaign)	Present	Dania De Ramon (Community Affairs Chair)	Present
Ajar Kerey (Campaign)	absent (excused)	Sarah Schiedslag (Advisor)	Present
Duncan Edwards (Treasurer)	Present	Miranda Obrien (Publicity Chair)	absent (excused)
Lorenzo Castaneda (Admin Coordinator)	Present	Cambria Wilson (Publicity Chair)	Present

A-2. Acceptance of Attendance and Excused Absences

MOTION/SECOND: Diana/Gabe

Motion Language: I motion to accept the attendance for 03/02/2020

ACTION: Consent

A-3. Acceptance of Proxies

B. PUBLIC FORUM

C. REPORTS

- Check-in

- March 7th Toxic Tour
 - Let Diana know in case you're interested in going since the form to sign up has been closed
 - If you're able to pick up snacks, let Diana know
- Spring Quarter Core and General Meeting
 - General Meeting Wednesday's at 5pm
 - Abolishment of general meetings lmao
 - sometimes they feel more like a lecture and no direct action is usually taken
 - should we have more time to work on events?
 - Dania:
 - Ruth: Maybe it would be better to talk to students and get to know the community. Maybe having more socials next quarter
 - Diana: We could have volunteer socials to get to know people in the community
 - if members want to focus on their own event, they're free to commit to that
 - for example, those interested in hosting a workshop for the EJA conference, they can take on that direct action instead of going to general body meetings
 - Gabe: if someone wants to have a standalone group meeting (i.e. a case study) we should encourage
- [EJA Conference](#)
 - feelings/updates
 - Diana: How can we have an open discussion when planning this?
 - Ruth: It would be nice to focus on the conference as a whole because it would put the org's name out, especially with such interesting topics
 - Rachel's feelings, thoughts on the conference:
 - Everyone in the group has been hands off from the conference. Maybe if we open it up as the core, we can work on it together. We can contribute equally, or as much as one can, to this project.
 - Duncan: Maybe we should think of cutting off general meeting times to work on the event. We have the toxic tour this weekend, so we have the rest of the quarter to focus on the event.
 - Ruth: maybe we can set an hour for conference planning plus another hour for anything that needs to be announced
 - Diana: Maybe we can have 30 minutes to update and events. The rest of the time can be used to form groups focused on different parts of the conference. Individual roles can be hosting a workshop, having t-shirts for volunteers, lanyards
 - Elvia: It could also help to see how other universities have hosted conferences similar to the one we have planned. We should look at videos, lectures, etc.
 - Gabe: thinking of emailing an organization to collaborate for the conference
 - Diana: The reasons for not asking Mark Lopez is because he came last year. Making the conference more centered away from cis-male and towards BIPOC,

LGBTQ+ keynote speakers. Looked up at Rachael Stevens but she's not active on social media

- Elvia: What should be the bottom line for next week?
- Rachel: the food will be tricky to figure out because the caterer for food has two different food options. We assume 75 attendees for the conference. If the speakers have a low asking price, we can allocate more money for food.
- Ruth: The Community Environmental Conference Council, it's pretty white.
- Diana: Invited Alejandra from CAUSE, prof Stewart, MUJER alum, Jess and Michaela, undergrad speakers, community organizers for panel since it is more related to EJ.
- Miranda: Professor Pellow should be asked for a connect
- Ask Pellow for suggestions for a closing Keynote Speaker
- Bottom-Line
 - look up previous conferences, workshops, and events to inspire us for the conference
 - have a workshop in mind for next week
- Diana: What event do you want happening? What haven't we touched upon? We have many ideas in place that require direct action.
- Update Calendars for Spring Quarter for Chair Check ins
- Can we do public comment on Shasta Dam
 - Bongers on the dam: There was a picture of a bear that didn't have salmon that year.
 - Maybe we can vote as EJA to send in a comment?
 - [State Initiates Environmental Review for Proposed Delta Conveyance Project, Begins Public Scoping](#)
 - includes the email that we can email
 - [Bongers - delta conveyance project comment stmts.docx](#)
 - [Salmon deprived bear.docx](#)
 - [public comment](#)
- Website is up!
 - Update tab
 - info and news stories related to EJ
 - eja.as.ucsb.edu
- EJA Delegation to Berkeley
 - hotel invoices sent to Sarah

C1. Advisor's Report:

C2. Executive Officer's Report(s) N/A

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C3. Group Project/Member Report(s) N/A

- Ajar

- Made a google form of questions from the Sustainable Practice Town Hall. If anyone thinks of any good questions to add, please let me know!
- Met with Paulina from IV Community Center with Diana about how to involve the IV community's opinions regarding the Sustainable Practices policy
- Gabriel
 - Tabled for EJA for the ES 50th anniversary
 - Have a working group this wednesday for EAB about the connections between environmental and social justice issues, more of a thought experiment/game.
- Dania
 - emergency preparedness kit
 - resilience in community series! (next quarter)
- Ruth
 - Didn't table but I brought the tabling material for next group
 - having a workshop w/ El Congreso about what is EJ and environmental racism for highschool students
 - Spring Quarter
- Diana
 - Tabled for EJA 50th made friends
 - Panel for Environmental Injustice and Settler Colonialism with two professors. Week 3 of Winter Quarter
 - Met with Paulina from IV Community Center
 - Met with Katie Maynard
 - Met with conference ppl, emailed panelists and keynote speakers
 - Mauna Kea Protectors meeting tomorrow
 - met with Dania and Sierra
 - Toxic Tour email and planning lol

D. ACCEPTANCE of AGENDA/CHANGES to AGENDA

E. ACCEPTANCE of ACTION SUMMARY/MINUTES

A) Approval of our Action Summary/Minutes from: 2/24/2020

MOTION/SECOND: *Diana/Rachel*

Motion Language: *Motion to accept minutes from last general body meeting on 2/24/2020*

ACTION: *Consent*

F. ACTION ITEMS

F-1 Old Business:

F-2 New Business:

MOTION/SECOND: *Duncan/Gabe*

Motion language: Motion to draft the letter for public comment for favor of the Winnemem Wintu people

ACTION: Consent

G. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A) N/A

H. REMARKS

I. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION/SECOND: Phoebe/Mirandaoebe/Miranda

Motion Language: Motion to adjourn the general body meeting at 6:46pm

ACTION: Consent