

A.S. Environmental Justice Alliance MINUTES

Associated Students

DATE:

LOCATION: Minutes/Actions recorded by:

CALL TO ORDER: 5:03 pm 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)	Absent	Ruth Alcantara (Campaign Chair)	Present
Rachel Huang (Campaign)	Present	Dania De Ramon (Community Affairs Chair)	Present
Ajar Kerey (Campaign)	Present	Sarah Schiedslag (Advisor)	Present
Duncan Edwards (Treasurer)	Present	Miranda Obrien (Publicity Chair)	Present
Lorenzo Castenada (Admin Coordinator)	Present	Cambria Wilson (Publicity Chair)	Present

A-2. Acceptance of Attendance and Excused Absences

MOTION/SECOND: Diana/Rachel

Motion Language: Motion to accept attendance and excused absences from 02/10/2020

ACTION: Consent

A-3. Acceptance of Proxies

B. PUBLIC FORUM

C. REPORTS

• Submit Honoraria this Thursday at 11:45pm

• Debrief the UC Sustainable Practices Town Hall

- Sarah:
 - people don't tend to stay as long but they sat and discuss more while sitting and moving to other tables to write on the posters
- Gabe:
 - his table managed to get to 2 tables, they weren't able to get to all the posters
 - the non-controlled environment has it pros and cons
 - non-linear and everyone was able to walk in whenever
- Diana:
 - having a timer would detract people from participating
- o Duncan:
 - some people traded the posters
- O Ruth:
 - decided to trade the posters bc she thought it was more efficient
- o Gabriel:
 - some people might prefer to stay in the same group
- o Ruth:
 - some people sat together with the people they knew which made them more open to discussion
- o Elvia:
 - How do we increase our turnout and participation?
 - maybe have a google form with a QR code to the policies
- Gabe and Sarah
 - possibly hosting a raffle with the google form survey that we send over to students, "fill out this form for a chance to win a prize"
- Diana
 - if we're giving an incentive, there's a lot more to work on (i.e. perfecting the questions, bettering the google form)
 - How knowledgeable do you feel about the policy? How clear is it? What can we do to make sure it makes sense?
- Elvia
 - it would be helpful to look at it, read on it, look over things that possibly doesn't make sense
 - criticize, take notes, add our own input on the policy based on our experiences and knowledge
- Diana
 - Ajar worked on a simplified version which would be helpful in understanding the policy
 - understand the policy so we can better explain the policy, increase our turnout, and reach a bigger audience
 - become knowledgeable on the policy to discuss it in meetings
- o Diana:
 - they wanted to add diversity and equity as a definition to the policy instead of reforming it

- the students and the community has to reform it and see how they can truly
- Sierra:
 - what happened with the berkeley groups that they reached out to?
 - diana: the relationship with berkeley and SC
- o Elvia:
 - I think we should work on the google form as a group, and have everyone's input in the end
- GBM Wednesday: Dams with Guest Speaker Run4Salmon 15 minute Presentation
 - Send out in Newsletter
 - o pass money for snacks
 - Cambria and Miranda: Finish flyer by tonight, send it out to Lorenzo.
 - the presentation is around 12 minutes, what's gonna happen after that?
 - elvia could ask what would be a direct action to that?
 - o guest speaker Julie Bongers
 - we can discuss the action Jeniffer wants to take regarding femicide
 - O Duncan: we can talk about out toxic tour
 - o Sarah: we can ask people's thoughts and questions involving the town hall
 - Oiana: we can ask a question in the context of the Sustainable practices policy. talking about the dam in the context of the SPP. We can ask the speaker if there's any way to take direct action on the issue? Does she have any discussion questions for those attending?
- Tabling for Environmental Studies Department 50th Anniversary (1:30-7:30pm), held in Campbell Hall courtyard
 - When: this saturday!
 - Heavy alumni events→ good "networking" opportunity (we love social capital ofc xD)
 - o 30 minute tabling at Campbell Hall Courtyard
 - o 1:30-2:00pm: Ruth, Dania, Phoebe
 - o 3:15-3:30pm: Elvia, Diana
 - o 4:45-5:15pm: Duncan, Sierra
 - o 7:00-7:30pm:
 - What tabling materials do we need?
 - EJA banner & stickers
 - UC Sustainable Practices Town Hall Brochures (print more at publications)
 - Our Recommended Timeline for the UCOP
 - Cambria's News Article
 - Mauna Kea Info/Brochures (Diana will check in with them about this)
 - info that the Mauna Kea protectors club have made
 - trying to have anyone email the regents deciding on the issue
 - the meeting was scheduled in the middle of finals week
 - o span them with emails
 - the meeting will be held in Oakland
- Toxic Tour in Bakersfield March 7th

- need one more driver: Tuesday March 3rd for Van certification, 7am-6pm, meet on campus for now
 - starts at 10:15am and ends around 2:30/3pm
- o need to reserve 2 van (Duncan)
- o snacks/food? bring snacks and make it clear that it's an all-day event
- o Finish Flyer, Outreach
- Finish google form (Dania)
 - the info can all be found in the google form
- Share with MAPAS (Diana)
- have the info out by tonight
- Delegation to Berkeley Conference Outreach
 - <u>University Announcement</u> (Miranda)
 - more outreach; friends, orgs, professors, etc.
 - Tabling: print out flyer for conference with QR code for our google form, berkeleys google form, and workshop google form (there are 3 different forms that need to be filled out)
 - o email cultural groups to share the information
 - o google sheet with info on all orgs, we can email them and have them spread the word to their members
 - specify thats 3 diff forms
 - workshop (if they want to host it), berkeley rvsp (if they want to go by themselves), going with EJA will have to rvsp
 - create a blurb for the Berkeley conference that can be used for the orgs, professors
 (Ruth)
 - send newsletter with info on the conference, toxic tours, and the general body meeting
- Our Earth, Our Communities, Ourselves: Mobilizing for Collective Action Conference
 - May 2nd, spring quarter at SRB
 - o media, vibe
 - what colors? or what would you like to see?
 - someone hugging an earth
 - the color yellow-ish
 - brighter colors, not green
 - Miranda
 - we need a branded image to keep advertising
 - elena's drawings are good but they may not be appropriate for the conference
 - What are certain things we want for the posters/advertising?
 - o a suggestion to change it to the aforementioned title
 - o go with the idea to taking care of yourself
 - a guided group meditation, ending with a nice group activity
 - o having the chumash to be the keynote speakers, hopefully
 - o start advertising 2 months ahead and send it out to people, giving them enough time to think of a workshop

- o intentions for this conference (what do we want people to come out feeling? our audience?):
 - Have different workshops to have different aspects of it
 - different takes on Environmental Justice
 - Inspire people to join and get involved
- Overarching theme:
 - something to focus on, similar to the womxn's social justice conference
 - a description will definitely come along with the title in the future
 - we'll make sure that our Logo is there
 - sierra: learn something about <u>definitive action</u>, maybe as a group, to create a collective movement; mobilization by involving other orgs, communities
 - duncan: my intention to learn a lot, learning from the self or others. going back to the audience, presenting something to students no matter the year, age, etc
 - diana: everyone is here to learn something but they can also come to teach
 - dania: would like to leave inspired since EJ issues often lead to arguments. sharing EJ wins would be really nice
 - Elvia: likes the open space and coming back together for everyone to learn as a group
 - definitive actions, the concrete steps
 - reaching out to the bonfire collective since they've had guest meetings on action
 - What is something we can do that is impactful?
- Notes on the posters from the UCOP

C1. Advisor's Report:

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

- a. Dania
 - i Worked on Town Hall slides
 - ii. Candidate Forum
 - iii. Brainstorming ideas for event with EVPLA
 - 1. Sustainable Partying Tips? (info flyer)
- Ruth
 - Sorry I don't have any updates for this week:
- Cambria
 - Writing an essay on Palm Oil for a class, thinking about linking the finished product to our social media?
 - Not looking good for driving March 7th, I think that I'll be in Mexico
 - Going to work on transcribing toxic tours

- Duncan

- Picked up stickers
- Emailed Pacific Pride Foundation about creating a workshop for our conference relating LGBTQ/public health issues to environmental justice

- Ajar

- Emailed Diana from IV Community Center about scheduling a meeting about planning a community town hall regarding the UC Sustainable Practices policy
- Working on google form of questions from the student Town Hall last Wednesday for distribution to student orgs/people were not able to make it to the event

- Lorenzo

- updating the newsletter for this week, lmk if you'd like me to add something to it

- Elvia:

- Met with chairs
- Been in contact with Julie, guest speaker for our GBM
- Help prepare for the town hall
- Interviewed with Diana by the Daily Nexus
- Thinking about the townhall and candidate forum thh
- attended conference meeting

- Rachel

Conference Theme: Ourselves, Our Communities, Our Earth: Mobilizing for Collective Action

- any more inputs thoughts more?
- Our Earth, Our Communities, Ourselves: Mobilizing for Collective Action
 - idea is that we always come back to ourselves at the end of the day - wow what if we have a guided meditation at the end of the conference
- CAN WE ALSO briefly talk about the vibe we want the art to be like?
- met with Miranda for conference outreach! we now have a plan
- planning minor meeting
- website -
- AISA symposium!!!

- Diana

- Met with conference, working on email draft for keynotes
- EJA UC Sustainable Practices Town hall
- Meeting with Pellow and other profs for panel in springX
- Toxic tour in Bakersfield google form and flyer
- Work on future town halls
 - Meeting with Diana from Community Center on Thursday
- Attended Mauna Kea Protectors meeting
- Change legal code from POC to BIPOC

- Outreach for delegation
- Tabling for ENVS 50th anniversary
- email file for brochures to publications@as.ucsb.edu, say how many copies and in color, double sided, folded

Gabriel

- Planning on doing panel about history of EJ for Earth Week during spring quarter
- Presented on CalEnviroScreen 3.0, and Environmental Justice screening tool created by the California Office of Environmental Health and Hazard Assessment.
 - Map of Disadvantaged communities: http://oehha.maps.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=c3e4e4 e1d115468390cf61d9db83efc4
 - Report:
 https://oehha.ca.gov/media/downloads/calenviroscreen/report/ces3r
 eport.pdf
 - Map Results and individual indicators: https://oehha.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=8dad35dcd2274285874e60871c404edc
- Dania:
 - the meeting had a great turnout and it was interesting to hear others' perspective on EJ issues
- Miranda
- Rachel
 - a anonymous comment box for the sustainable practices committee
 - made for specific questions
 - open to additional questions, comments, concerns
 - name can be optional
 - make it into a google form

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

D. ACCEPTANCE of AGENDA/CHANGES to AGENDA

E. ACCEPTANCE of ACTION SUMMARY/MINUTES

A) Approval of our Action Summary/Minutes from:

MOTION/SECOND: Diana/Dania

Motion Language:

ACTION:

F. ACTION ITEMS

F-1 Old Business:

F-2 New Business:

MOTION/SECOND: Diana/ Rachel

Motion language: Motion to approve \$50 for 2/26/20 General Body Meeting for snacks

ACTION: Consent

MOTION/SECOND: Diana/ Phoebe

Motion language: Motion to approve \$100 for the Toxic Tour on March 7th.

ACTION: Consent

G. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A) N/A

H. REMARKS

I. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION/SECOND: Diana/Rachel

Motion Language: Motion to adjourn at 6:11 pm

ACTION: Consent