

# **MINUTES**

## **FINANCE BOARD**

February 5, 2007

Flying A Room

University Center

4:00 p.m.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m by Nicholas Szamet.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Scarlet Chan  
Anthony Day  
Jaclyn Feldstein  
Jared Goldschen  
Kyle Hetman  
Kevin Higuchi  
Corey Huber  
Raymond Meza  
Harold Myer  
Samantha Nevels  
Cecilia Perez  
Margaret Pike  
Jose Raygoza  
Joel Rodriguez-Flores  
Jason "J.P." Slauenwhite  
Nicholas Szamet  
Brent Wisener

Absent: Art Avita  
Jacqueline Pham  
Chaz Whatley

Advisor: Aaron Jones  
Brian O'Donnell

### **ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES AND EXCUSED ABSENCES**

MC Motion to excuse absences and proxies. (Raymond)(Scarlet)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

MC Motion to excuse herself at 5:15 p.m. (Scarlet)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

MC Motion to excuse herself at 5:45 p.m. (Jaclyn)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**ADVISORS' REPORT** – Aaron Jones, Brian O'Donnell

Aaron – none.

Brian – none.

**ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

MC Motion to add Healthy Eating and Living on today's agenda. (Nicholas)(Harold)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

MC Motion to accept the agenda. (Samantha)(Corey)  
MCC Motion passed by consent.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES AND CORRECTION**

MC Motion to approve the minutes of January 29, 2007 (Raymond)(Harold)  
MCC Motion passed by consent.

MC Motion to move budgetary hearing before allocations (Samantha)(Raymond)  
MCC Motion passed by consent.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Requests:

1. Environmental Affairs Board - \$6,200.00

Ryan Anderson – We are here to speak in behave of our Earth Day representative. We're putting on our annual festival in IV. Also, we see the need to support the AS goal that AS should be more sustainable. Therefore, we are trying to organize this Earth Day event the best we can. We ask for your help to give us an additional fund in the project so we can make the event possible. Our goal is to make the event energy neutral and zero waste. We want to plant trees to offset the carbon that we will exhaust.

Abby Horn – By planting trees, we offset the carbon use that we emit because the trees absorb the carbon.

Ryan – Initially, we wanted to plant trees called “solar trees,” and we requested funds for that.

Nicholas – Are you requesting from us \$6,200?

Ryan – Yes.

Raymond – How much of your lock-in do you plan to spend on this event?

Ryan – We are taking \$5,000 from our lock-in for this event.

Abby – Since we are having other events later in this year, too, so we can't really afford to fund this event.

JP – What are the t-shirts for?

Abby – T-shirts are our way of publicity. People would have to pay for them.

Scarlet – How much will you sell the t-shirts for?

Abby – At cost.

Raymond – Earth Day is a highly attended event. Thank you for putting things together for this event.

## 2. SACNAS - \$2,080.00

Jose Muro – I'm Vice president of SACNAS.

Griselda M. Velazquez – I'm co-advisor of SACNAS.

Jose – We are here to ask for your help to fund us so we can put together our outreach and mentoring program, which will take place spring quarter in May.

Griselda – We sent invitations to schools to send their students to our campus for a tour. It is on a first-come-first-serve basis. The point of this organization is to increase the number of minority students in science and math majors. We choose 30 schools to come to our program. These students will be students at UCSB next fall. This program will allow them to get to know staff and teachers here, so when they start school it will be a smooth transition for them.

Nicholas – How much are you asking from us, and what do you want us to fund?

Jose – We're asking for \$1,000 for food, \$800 for transportation, \$230 for facility, and \$150 for supplies.

Brent – Will the students be rooming with students in the residence halls?

Griselda – We have students in our organization that are willing to house the students we're bringing in. Our UCSB students will take them to their classes and show them around campus.

## 3. Sociology Association – 370.00

Frances Zepecla – We're asking you guys to help us publicize the Sociology Association by buying t-shirts. We think that this will encourage more non-members to be interested in our organization and raise awareness on our campus.

Nicholas – Are you selling them for giving them away?

Frances – We're giving them away.

Jaclyn – Have you thought of other ways to publicize your organization?

Frances – Yes, we have thought of advertising in the Nexus, but we believe that this will be more effective.

## 4. Gauchos Locos - \$160.00

Sandra Stoke – I'm president of Gauchos Locos this year. We are taking UCSB students to go to the basketball game at Cal Poly SLO next Wednesday. We did this last year. The UCSB Athletic Department funds us for the shuttle bus to get there. I'm asking you to fund the cost of \$405 for the tickets, which is \$9 each. The tickets are given out on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Raymond - Are there any requirement to be in your club?

Sandra – It's open to anyone who's interested. We try to promote Athletics. All you have to do is sign up with our club to go.

## 5. Housing Residential Life – \$1,761

Russell McMillan – I am an RA in San Nicholas this year. We are having our outreach program coming soon. We have with us today the updated budget that we have received from organizations. All of the gray-shaded areas are already funded. We are bringing students to stay in San Nicholas Hall for one night.

Kevin Young – The purpose of this program is to bring minority students to our campus.

Kenny Importante – RA staff fully supports the idea to bring in high school juniors and seniors to visit our campus to know more about college life.

Scarlet – What school are you targeting on?

Russell – San Marino, because we have the best relationship with the school.

Raymond – How much have you received fund from RHA?

Russell – Money to cover the hotel costs.

Scarlet – Did you look in to having this program with any other schools?

Russell – Though the area is composed of rich people, there are still people who are minority.

Joel – The schools in that area have a high rate of students graduate from high school.

Aaron – Have you registered with OSL?

Russell – Yes.

#### 6. National Society of Black Engineers - \$3,000.00

Marques Hardin – I'm co-chair of National Society of Black Engineers, and this is Reggie Archer. He's a member of our organization. We're asking for your help for the national conference in Ohio. We ask you to fund us on transportation expenses and others. This is a chance to work with other engineers and to speak with many engineering companies.

Reggie Archer – Our organization is a student-run organization. To go to a national conference is going to be a great opportunity for us since we can bring back skills that we can help develop in the Santa Barbara area.

Anthony - How many people are in your organization?

Marques – We have about 10 members.

Anthony – Do you have only upperclassmen in your organization?

Marques – Our youngest member is currently a sophomore.

Nick – Is your group an all-student group?

Marques – Yes.

#### 7. Interfaith Students - \$400.00

Heather Garcia – I'm representing Interfaith Students as a co-president. We came to ask for your help last year. The outcome last year was excellent. We hope to put up the same event again this year. We are putting together a celebration of Mardi Gras, Ayyami-ha and Purim. Mostly the funds we are asking from you is for the band at the event.

8. The Katrina Relief Group - \$990.00

Gahl Shottan – I'm an organizer of Katrina Relief Group. We are a coalition of students. Our group was formed last year. Our trip this time to New Orleans is a follow-up trip to help the people there. What we will bring back with us is the report of the Katrina situation. What we're asking for are funds for photo exhibit. We also ask for money for publicity.

Nicholas – How many people do you plan to have come to see these photos?

Gahl – The room can hold a hundred people.

Nicholas – What do you mean by miscellaneous?

Gahl – We're not sure yet if we will add more things to our exhibit.

9. FUQIT - \$1,596.00

Brian Nguyen – FUQIT plans to host events for the queer community, and organizing cultural events. FUQIT is not an activist organization. We are more of a club for socializing.

Aaron – Is your organization registered with OSL?

Brian – Yes, since this year.

10. Habitat for Humanity - \$4,000

Cameron Malone – I'm Vice President of Habitat for Humanity. We're here to ask you to fund our project to help people in New Orleans during spring break. We do not do much throughout the year, but this project is the main focus of our organization. In this project, the people there are trying to build a hundred houses in a year. We try to get most of our airfare to get funded.

Brent – How long are u going to be there?

Cameron – 7 days. We're going to be staying in local churches.

11. Kapatirang Pilipino - \$1,148.00

Edwin Obana – I'm the social chair of Kapatirang Pilipino. We're trying to organize a fundraising event to help with the typhoon relief in Philippines. The typhoon destroyed many villages there. We're putting together a concert to raise funds for the relief. The performers are from UCSB and other colleges. The event is open to anyone. We appreciate any amount that you can fund us.

12. SSACC - \$500.00

Wendy Bartos – I'm president of SSACC. We are putting together our annual casino night for students living in single apartments in Isle Vista. The event is completely free. It is also open to anyone. This is a social event we put on for them.

Nicholas – Is this event alcohol free?

Wendy – Yes.

Corey – Is this event open to everybody also students in residential halls?

Wendy – Yes.

13. Healthy Eating and Living - \$1,596.00

Kelsey Rohr – We are putting on our big event of the year, which is National Eating Awareness Week.

Whatley – Each day we have an event.

Kelsey – What we ask for is mainly for advertising. We're giving out t-shirts for the first 50 people who come to the event.

Nicholas – You need to come to our finance board office for a workshop before you have an access to the money.

### **BUDGETARY HEARING**

1. Cindy Lopez reports on Administration, Staff Retreat, and Honoraria (Executive Fees).
2. Claudia Alphin reports on Staff, Staff Salaries, and External Audit.
3. Marilyn Dukes reports on Marketing/PR, Attorney General, Constitution and By-Laws, Controller, Judicial Council, and Media Relations.
4. Sean Lieberman reports on Tech Support, and University Recharge.
5. Andrew Doerr reports on Alumni Relations and Annual Report.
6. Brian O'Donnell reports on Central Telephone and Mail Service.
7. Aaron Jones reports on Main Office.
8. Samantha Nevels reports on Committees on Committee.
9. Joanne Thomas reports on Black Students Union
10. ? reports on Women's Club Soccer.
11. The Sex & Relationship Interns representatives report on their budget.
12. Sam Mark reports on CODA.
13. Cecilia Perez reports on IVP and Leg Council.

MC Motion to call for a 5-minute recess (Corey)

MCC Motion passed by consent

The meeting was called back to order at 6:10 p.m.

### **NEW BUSINESS** – Continue

Allocation:

1. Environmental Affairs Board

MC Motion to allocate \$6,200.

Corey – Where are they planting the trees?

Brian – Isla Vista

MCC Motion passed by consent

2. SACNAS

Nicholas – The question is whether these students can spend the money from students’ initiative that our students pay for.

Samantha – These students have already signed the form to come to this school.

MC Motion to allocate \$2180. (Samantha)  
MCC Friendly amendment to fully fund the food expense.

3. Sociology Association

Samantha – I do not think that this is reasonable to fund them since they are not even putting an event together. We usually fund events that will have many people attend.

Corey – I agree with Samantha.

Anthony – I think there are other ways to advertise their club.

MC Motion to allocate \$0 (Raymond)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

4. Gauchos Locos

Nicholas – This is for the ticket cost.

MC Motion to allocate \$160.00 (Harold)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

5. Housing Residential Life

Nicholas – I believe that we should promote outreach programs, but the question is whether we should be focusing on these students. Personally, I grew up in the area and San Marino High School is one of the most beautiful schools in Southern California. The question is whether we’re honoring the students’ initiative based on associated economics or ethnicity.

Cecilia – I believe that they want to target under representative students there. Perhaps, we don’t have to fully fund them.

Raymond – I do not believe that this high school is under represented based on API numbers.

MC Motion to allocate \$500 for food expense (Raymond).  
MCC Motion passed by consent

6. National Society of Black Engineers - \$3,000.00

MC Motion to allocate \$780 (Raymond)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

7. Interfaith Students - \$400.00

MC Motion to allocate \$400.00 (JP)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

8. The Katrina Relief Group - \$990.00

Nicholas – I wish the groups had categorized details under miscellaneous.

MC Motion to allocate \$840 (Samantha)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

#### 9. FUQIT

Brian – The group that requests fund has to be registered with OSL since last year.

Harold – The group is not a politically active group. This is just for a socializing group of students.

Samantha – should we fund for t-shirts?

Harold – the t-shirts will be for queer bombing.

MC Motion to allocate \$1416.25 (JP)

MC Objection has been called.

MCP Motion passed by a 9-1-1 vote.

#### 10. Habitat for Humanity

Cecilia – Can we fund them \$500 for food?

Nicholas – However, they cannot spend it on their airfare.

Jeronimo – If they do not receive any funding they will have to pay out of their own pocket.

Aaron – I think they should contact AS Katrina Group.

MC Motion to allocate \$0 (JP)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

#### 11. Kapatirang Pilipino

MC Motion to allocate \$1,123.00 (JP)

Raymond – We cannot fund their transportation.

MC Friendly amendment to allocate \$1,023.00 (Harold)

MCC Motion passed by consent

#### 12. SSACC

Samantha – It seems that everyone is not qualified to attend the event.

Nicholas – That's the question we're trying to get answered from her.

Cecilia – I believe that they try to say they will not turn down people that their targeted people will bring with them

Samantha – I think that we should go to a vote.

JP – They do not have much funds. The event that I went to two years ago had a lot of potential. This year they are trying to advertise it more.

Jeronimo – Personally, I do not think that this is needed for everyone to get through the transition. However, this is not likely for everyone at large.

Samantha – We have to keep in mind that people who live there also pay AS, and therefore, they should see an event that is funded by their money.

MC Motion to allocate \$500 (Samantha)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

13. Healthy Eating and Living

Harold – Will the t-shirts be funded?

Cecilia – No

MC Motion to allocate \$1425.  
MCC Motion passed by consent

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. Travel Request, CAB

MC Motion to approve CAB travel expenses (Raymond)(Samantha)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

2. Removal of Art Avita & Jacqueline Pham

MC Motion to approve removal of Art Avita and Jacqueline Pham (JP)(Kyle)  
MCC Motion passed by consent

**SECRETARY'S REPORT – Buranee Sliff**

None.

**BOARD REPORTS**

None.

**CHAIR'S REPORT – Nicholas Szamet**

There is a meeting regarding transportation funds policies this Sunday at 1 p.m. in the AS Main Office. Thank you everyone for sitting through the meeting today. It is definitely the longest one we will ever have.

**VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT – Raymond Meza**

There will be an email sent about the working group on the policies and procedures changes. Welcome the new members.

**REMARKS**

Nicholas – Should we have a meeting this Sunday? We cannot have a meeting if we do not have a quorum.

Cecilia – Does anyone feel uncomfortable not being at the discussion?

JP – I feel I need to be there to express my opinion if I do not agree on some points.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MC Motion to adjourn the meeting. (Corey)(JP)

MCC Motion passed by consent.

The meeting was adjourned at 7 p.m by Nicholas Szamet.