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## Associated Students

Monday, January 5, 2015, 5:00 PM

IVTU Office Minutes/Actions recorded by: Clara Perez/Andrey Bogdanov

**CALL TO ORDER** 5:06 by Andrey Bogdanov, Chair

A. MEETING BUSINESS

1. **Roll Call**

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| **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) |
| Andrey Bogdanov | Present | Alexandra Meallet | Present |
| Alejandro Sanchez | Present | Bridgett Figueroa | Late (Excused, 5:23) |
| Melissa Sandoval | Absent (Excused) | Jon Nicoloff | Absent (Not excused) |
| Clara Perez | Late (Excused, 5:12) | Diana Puente | Present |
| Aaron Jones | Present |  |  |

Icebreaker: What is your most memorable moment of the Christmas break?

1. **Acceptance of Excused Absences**

*MOTION/SECOND: Alejandro/Alexandra*

*Motion to excuse Melissa’s absence*

*ACTION: Vote: Consent to APPROVE*

*Advisor/Staff Instruction/Request: N/A*

*Responsible for Follow-through: N/A*

*Additional approval required: YES (Senate)*

1. **Acceptance of Proxies**

**B. PUBLIC FORUM**

1. **REPORTS**

**Advisor’s Report**

1. Aaron Jones
   1. Happy New Year Everyone!
   2. IV Teen Center going up quickly, construction wrapping up, contract is still in progress
      1. Agreement pending, $30,000 in funds on hold
      2. The contract draft is in progress and requires more input
      3. Leanor's boss estimates $25 per hour usage fee as a presence of a staff member is required
   3. Reaffirmation coming up this year
      1. No money can be spent on actual campaigning
      2. Students are thorough when they vote
2. Diana Puente
   1. Ribbon cutting for Pescadero Lofts
      1. Looking for people to adopt-a-room
      2. $500 per room to adopt the space for the furniture, appliances, etc.
   2. Spoke with Cameron, the EVPLA on upcoming legislation to discuss A.S. presence in IV
      1. Bills about self-governance and other isla Vista issues
      2. Convening a meeting with the leading organization working in IV
      3. Cameron expressed interest to help with the eviction response and would like to organize a housing forum with us
   3. Pardall Center User group creation is in the works to govern the space and it’s uses
      1. IVTU is a contributor and a user so we have a stake in the development and governance of the space
      2. A.S. budget will include funding proposals for the PC
      3. Last year the PC was run by a Senate Ad-hoc committee with large input from IVTU, IVCRC, A.S. staff as well as student staff
      4. Technically every A.S. student group has contributed funds for the facility and therefore have stakes in the PC

**Executive Reports & Board’s Reports**

*Evicted Abrego Tenants Case*

Outcome visioning:

* Ensure all of the tenants successfully win full compensation
* Capture the attention and involvement of the public
* Put pressure on Majestic Assets to release the benefits to the tenants

Plan of action:

1. Send a letter to Majestic LLC again: paper + email
2. Create a press-release (DONE)
   1. Make it a little more succinct (Diana will make it so)
   2. Write up a short script for email/phone
   3. Contact influential stakeholders
   4. Add influential stakeholders to the press-release (\*-phone call, email rest)
      1. \*Doreen Farr (Diana)
      2. \*Das Williams (Diana)
      3. \*Hanna Beth Jackson (Aaron)
      4. \*Lois Capps (Aaron)
      5. \*LRC (Alex)
      6. \*A.S. President (Andrey)
      7. \*EVPLA (Diana)
      8. \*IVCRC (Bridgett)
      9. \*Fund For Santa Barbara (Aaron)
      10. \*Just Communities (Aaron)
      11. CHO (Clara)
      12. Tenants Together (Andrey)
      13. IV Property Owners Association (Diana)
      14. The Chancellor (Andrey)
      15. Mark Fisher & Willie Brown (Andrey)
      16. SBCAN (County action network)
      17. P.O.D.E.R. (Diana & Clara)
3. Timeline (today is the 5th)
   1. January 7th - Press release edited and checked by Robin
   2. January 8th - Press release to supporters (call/email)
   3. January 12th - Meet with tenants (court prep so do this first)
   4. January 15th - Press-Release OUT w/ supporters
   5. January 28th - Public Forum
   6. January 30th - Abrego Villas Picket 1
   7. February 3rd - Abrego Villas Picket 2
   8. February 6th - Abrego Villas Picket 3
   9. February 11th - Court Date
   10. February 13th - Van Nuys Event
4. Translate the press-release (Diana & Alejandra Tuesday/Wednesday)
5. Begin the social media campaign
6. Draft a petition & translate
   1. Support the evicted tenants and their desires
   2. Put pressure on the landlord - condemn their actions
   3. Supporting IVTU campaign
   4. Site county ordinance
   5. Draw a comparison between Majestic website and their actions
7. Sit down with the families to go over with the press-release
   1. Ask for their personal support
8. Hold a public forum with the families and invite community leaders to participate
   1. Pardall Center, January 28th, 6-8pm
   2. Supplies for the signs
   3. Childcare - Reach out to CAB (Clara)
   4. Interpreting - Jesus (Diana)
   5. Facilitation - Raquel Lopez (Aaron)
   6. Food - refreshments IVFC (gift card)
   7. Sign-in list
   8. Format:
      1. Tenant heavy panel
      2. James Tracy (Diana), Obi (Alex), Samir (Andrey), IVTU
      3. Have the tenants tell the story and their reaction to it
      4. In what real ways have their lives been impacted
   9. Agenda:
      1. History of IVTU as an intro
      2. Current tenant eviction (introduce the families)
      3. Tenants talk about their experience
      4. How the tenants want to be assisted
      5. How can we prevent these problems in the future
      6. Phone call scripts addressing Majestic
   10. Outcome:
       1. Majestic receives hundreds of phone calls
       2. Create a strong appeal to participate in the pickets
       3. Expand the IVTU membership
       4. Build organizational & community leadership
       5. Receive input on housing related issues
       6. Educate the attendees on the issue and their rights
       7. Petition widely circulated
       8. Picket info distributed
       9. Picketing signs created
9. Organize a picket
   1. Determine location, time, participants
   2. Contact participants

*IVTU Retreat*

Outcome visioning:

* Have a great team-building retreat
* Inspire a shared vision of the future
* Solidify plans for the rest of the year

Plan of action:

1. Create a retreat agenda
2. 11-4pm
3. 10th of January
4. Cook food & shop on Friday
5. Goleta Beach
6. **ACCEPTANCE of AGENDA/CHANGES to AGENDA**
7. **ACCEPTANCE of ACTION SUMMARY/MINUTES**

*MOTION/SECOND: Alejandro/Clara*

*Motion to accept the IVTU minutes from December 1st, 2014*

*ACTION: Vote: Consent to APPROVE*

*Advisor/Staff Instruction/Request: N/A*

*Responsible for Follow-through: N/A*

*Additional approval required: YES (Senate)*

1. **ACTION ITEMS**

**F-2 New Business**

*MOTION/SECOND: Alejandro/Clara*

*Motion to accept Cody’s resignation*

*ACTION: Vote: Consent to APPROVE*

*Advisor/Staff Instruction/Request: N/A*

*Responsible for Follow-through: N/A*

*Additional approval required: YES (Senate)*

1. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Teen Center Agreement - Needs Urgent Work next monday

Aaron will prepare notes

1. **REMARKS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**7:58 PM**

*MOTION/SECOND: Alejandro/Clara*

*Motion to adjourn this meeting*

*ACTION: Vote: Consent to APPROVE*