



## **IVTU MINUTES**

Associated Students

11/6/12

6550 Pardall Rd.

Minutes taken by: Brianna Franco

### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **A. MEETING BUSINESS**

#### **A-1. Roll Call (Pre-entered Names)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Note:</b> absent (excused/not excused) arrived late (time) departed early (time) proxy (full name)	<b>Name</b>	<b>Note:</b> absent (excused/not excused) arrived late (time) departed early (time) proxy (full name)	<b>Name</b>	<b>Note:</b> absent (excused/not excused) arrived late (time) departed early (time) proxy (full name)
Samir Azizi		Grace Esslinger		Aksai Bapa	
Alex Maitan		Laurie Lewis		Ileana Armendariz	
Jenny Tran		Tyler Washington			
Noelle Hensler		Viviana Romero			
Aaron James		Hannah Pierce			

#### **A-2. Acceptance of Excused Absences**

#### **A-3. Acceptance of Proxies**

### **B. Announcements**

### **C. REPORTS**

#### **C-1. Hillary on eviction case**

- a. Owner notified of ordinance 44.44
- b. Been communicating with him via LRC's Robin
- c. On Halloween, a tenant received a rescission notice the day of her eviction
  - i. However she is still up for relocation benefits
- d. Today another tenant who has to be out in a month, got a letter saying they have the option to stay and live in a remodeled apartment
- e. Owner is trying to cover their tracks by giving out these letters saying that the tenants had been offered this option to stay the entire time
- f. The point of this ordinance is to discourage landlords to displace tenants
- g. The remodeled apartments are available to live in by the tenants, but for a much higher rent increase
  - i. Owner has decreased price of new apartments for tenants from \$1,495 to \$1,300

- ii. This may be because they have no students lined up to live in them
- h. next step is litigation
  - i. landlord was lying when he said that he gave everyone the option to stay
- i. for tenants that have already moved out, they are still eligible for relocation benefits, while those still there will no longer be eligible for those benefits because of these letters they are receiving
- i. Knocking door to door and asking all tenants the same questions regarding options of staying
- j. Also, talk to the students living there now—and ask when they were offered leases/signed them and how much they are paying
- k. IVTU members should research affordable housing options for these tenants
  - i. Type of lease
  - ii. Rent per month
  - iii. 1 or 2 bedrooms
  - iv. availability when?
- l. The Daily Nexus and the Bottom Line have been contacted but a story will probably not come up until after the election
  - i. Must be careful with the message we want to get out—reporters can twist things around
  - ii. Guidelines for how to handle media calls
  - iii. Refer any media questions to Samir/the IVTU office
  - iv. IVTU can use this to inform tenants about their rights under this ordinance
- m. “house parties”
  - i. one tenant will have a party and IVTU will have a presentation to educate tenants
- C-2. Samir on eviction case**
  - a. Going to the apartments tomorrow to question/get more info from tenants
- C-3. Alex on the meetings he attended and the movie preparation**
  - a. Showed up, and no one was there—might have gotten wrong information
  - b. Tabling during Halloween/Teen Center
  - c. About the movie: has emailed Program Board—no response as of yet
  - d. We need to schedule a date and time for the Thanksgiving movie
    - i. Trying to get it scheduled for November 19<sup>th</sup> @ 7 pm in Storke Plaza
  - e. we need advertising
- C-4. Jenny on case management and what’s new in that field**
  - a. Another meeting tonight for the co-op
  - b. Tabling and talking to people interested in IVTU
- C-5. Noelle on ads and swag**
  - a. IVTU ads are in TBL and Daily Nexus
  - b. Get a digiknow going
  - c. T-shirts coming along

**C-6. Aaron**

- a. IVTU computers are outdated—look into getting new computers
  - i. IVTU should pay for their own computers
- b. Reaching out to give out gift cards to families in need for Thanksgiving
- c. Building purchase—Vice chancellor forgot to consider this building purchase
  - i. Haven't heard back from owner (Nicole)—but was asking for \$1.5, but university appraised it at \$1.1
  - ii. Some things may have to be renovated before we can purchase it
  - iii. It is a long drawn out project—has to go all the way up to the UC Regents, but IVTU has been encouraged to keep pursuing this opportunity
- d. Potentially hiring a case manager who's only job is the handle cases
- e. Encourage IVTU to draft a protocol on how to handle/deal with evictions

**D. ACCEPTANCE of AGENDA/CHANGES to AGENDA**

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**E. ACCEPTANCE of MINUTES**

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**E-1. Approval of our Minutes from 10/23 and 10/30**

- a. Minutes from 10/23: Approved
- b. Minutes from 10/30: Approved

**F. ACTION ITEMS**

Remove Karim from position of "Historian" to be replaced by Grace: **Approved**  
Adding Aaron to the Agenda under Reports: **Consent**

**F-1. Old Business:**

**G. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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Twitter, Facebook, other social networks

- a. get this back up and running
- b. need more publicity on these networks

Bringing original member of IVTU to Santa Barbara next quarter

- a. to discuss things going on now and to get a sense of what was happening in the beginning
- b. there was a mass eviction that sparked IVTU
- c. IVTU has a lot of resources and options for help<sup>7</sup>

**H. REMARKS**

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**ADJOURNMENT**