

# **Associated Students Legislative Council Meeting**

Wednesday, February 17, 2010 5:00 pm, State St. Room, University Center

# Call to Order

The Council was called to order at 5:09 p.m., by the INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT, Chris Wendle

# <u>Roll Call</u>

Chis Wendle Josue Aparicio Daniel Gradias proxy **Timothy Benson** Alexandra Onodera Stanley Tzankov Michael Hewitt Jr. Beth Goodman Andrew "Jake" Elwood Jamie Silverstien **Elizabeth Farrington** Joel Mandujano Sammy Maramba-Ferrell Alexandra Onodera Adam Goldman Abigail Cordova Jason Lopez

Veronica Smith recognized at 5:11 pm Barbara De La Torre was recognized at 5:11 pm Fabian Galardo was recognized at 5:11 pm Chloe Stryker was recognized at 5:14 pm Alex Marroquin was recognized at 5:21 pm Brian Mays was recognized at 5:49 pm.

# Acceptance of Excused Absences

Chris Wendle: I have Jasmine Davenport who is excused for this meeting due to illness

<u>MOTION</u> made by Stanley Tzankov, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman, to excuse Stanley Tzankov and Jamie Silverstein at 6:15 pm for 30 minutes. <u>MOTION PASSED WITH</u> <u>CONSENT.</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Abigail Cordova, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to excuse herself at 11:30 pm. <u>MOTION PASSED WITH CONSENT.</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Joel Marroquin, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to excuse himself from 8:00-9:00 pm <u>MOTION PASSED WITH CONSENT.</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Elizabeth Farrington, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to excuse himself at 2:00 am <u>MOTION PASSED WITH CONSENT.</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Beth Goodman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to excuse Jasmine Davenport from today's meeting. <u>MOTION PASSED WITH CONSENT.</u>

#### **Acceptance of Proxies**

<u>MOTION</u> made by Joel Marroquin, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to appoint Gary Thomas as Joel Marroquin's proxy from 8:00-9:00 pm <u>MOTION PASSED WITH CONSENT.</u>

#### Announcements

**Abigail Cordova:** We are going to have an informational session on how to run for Elections this Friday at 5:00 pm in the SRB multipurpose room. Tell everyone to come, tell your other BCCs and other AS staff members, we are posting adds in the Nexus.

Joel Marroquin: What other publication have you done?

Abigail Cordova: we have posters at the Kiosk and on the tunnels.

Alexandra Onodera: Have you advertised through the Digino?

Abigail Cordova: No, we have not.

Alexandra Onodera: How about in the dorms?

Abigail Cordova: Yes, we have.

**Aaron :** We still feel like its being rushed because there are some things in the resolution that contradict each other such as spending limits. Same section B, #1 was not needed, because #2 covers #1. Also in Section 2H Financial Statements, we wanted to make sure how you wanted to publish or how it would be, it doesn't say in this bill. As for putting receipts in binders; where would that binder go? It does not say. We feel like its being really rushed and we only have two days until the informational session. Maybe it should be postponed until next years' elections. It could be better because there are also a lot of typos.

**Josue Aparicio:** I know the ballot language is due to the council by the first week of spring quarter, is it going to get to us?

Aaron: I don't know, we haven't talked about that yet.

Josue Aparicio: Come to us before spring quarter, so its not rushed.

Mike Hewitt: Do you agree with the numbers?

Aaron: Yes, I do, other schools have similar numbers.

Mike Hewitt: Point of clarification. It's good framework but specifics should be worked out?

**Aaron:** Yes. The resolution is there, it just needs to be worked on. Campaign treasurer felt like it should be concerned with parties rather than independence independence. If you do vote and approve it can you send it to the CAB office because trying to print it ASAP.

**Chris Wendle:** I will have Robin to come so she can answer every question about the minuteby-minute LC retreat.

**Robin Unander:** You have two different documents, one is your agenda and things you did at your retreat, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marisela and list your facts about the rentals for that weekend and claims that Villa Antonio was making. You need to decide where we want to go with this. We looked into their claims we have basically traced back of who knew what at what time, there seems to be some of their claims are faceless. You have made it clear to me that you do not agree with some of the claims. Villa Antonio would like a response. We as a group need to have closure on this.

You have the different issues to deal with. Issue # 1 is the bed tax. Besides nightly rates you have to pay for a bed tax that the county charges, we're supposed to assess a bed tax and somehow they didn't tax you because they thought you were a non-profit organization group. However, they later found out that they needed to tax you. So because they have paid for it, we owe \$372.90 in tax, you have to legally pay them. We owe them almost \$700 in disputed damages but we claim that they owe us as well. We offered them a wash. We will not pursue our claim if you out of our deposit the money that we would have paid for the bed tax. They said no. We need to address this. They have rejected our offer to call it even, we need to pay, they have a revised statement and have an additional \$30.80, because the light fixture that they got for \$70 didn't work so they had to go get another one, and that cost an additional \$60. Where we were previously at \$970 for damages, now we are at \$1030 for damages. We have yet to accept this. Issue #2 was the light that I just talked about and bed tax. Issue #3 is that the total amount that they are seeking from us for issue #1 and issue #2 which is \$430.70; which includes the bed tax and extra \$30.80. We can pay it or dispute it. Issue #4 has to do with all the things that you have been reading in the NEXUS newspaper. They mentioned in the newspaper that there were bicycles missing, that you have disrupted the neighbors, thousands of dollars in damages and these are not true. Its not over \$1000 dollars, there are no bicycles missing, everything happened because 25 people in the house, that's a lot. There is going to be laundry and dirt on the floor, it's the result of 25 people. You need to decide if you want to propose a defamation claim against them. You would do this in small claims court. This would be something that we are making a point for the principle. We would initiate a lawsuit against them for defamation and would have to go to San Luis Obispo County in about 45 days to have our case heard.

Jamie Silverstein: If we pursue this legally what would it cost us?

**Robin Unander:** If you did a small claim case then you don't need an attorney; you would do all of it yourself. It is going to cost you time and gas and whether in 45 days you are going to be as fired up about it as now. Fortyfive days from now, everything is going to be different, because you will be in a new quarter, graduation is just around the corner and elections. It is public record so Villa Antonio can go back to the newspapers and say how dare these students do this to our villa. They are still pissed and are making it personal instead of being professional. If we give them a settlement and if they agree or not agree, we can move on to the next step and see if we want to do a defamation.

Mike Hewitt: Did they send an invoice for cleaning and carpet cleaning?

Robin: No they have not submitted an invoice and by law they don't need to give us an invoice.

Jason Lopez: \$480 would be an arbitrary number that they sent us?

**Robin:** It could be. We have their numbers but we don't have specifics of what goes to what. I understand one bathroom was not in good condition but why it took all that money to clean this house I don't understand.

# Public Forum

**KT Vandermark:** Hi, I am the COPS chair. You have on your agenda my removal. I would like to talk about the whole situation. I was COPS chair last year and it was really hard to get people motivated. I was told that my staff would carry on with me this year but none of them did, therefore had to start from ground zero. I still have no members on my committee. When I was emailed last night about my removal, if you have any one interested on being on COPS please notify me. I had a girl contact me two weeks ago about her interest and also Chad Mandela wants to put more blue lights, adding more blue lights wont increase safety. I would love to meet with them and get this ball rolling. If there is no one interested then I say remove this committee, because it's just me.

**Jamie Silverstein:** Why not recruit members at an earlier time, what steps have you taken to advertise?

**KT Vandermark:** I have placed posters in the SRB. When no one continues to show up its hard to continue meetings

Daniel Gradias: Have you sent out any email or mass email? OSL?

**KT Vandermark:** I did one through OSL and I did get one person who was interested but couldn't make any time with me to meet. Another problem is that not everyone wants to be in COPS.

Josue Aparicio: Are you asking us to not remove you as chair or recruit members for you?

**KT Vandermark:** If you want to remove me, I say you dissolve the committee. There is already an allocation standing from last year for \$2000 for disable students' transportation and no matter what happens today that should go through.

2. **Paul Monge:** Hi, I am here to introduce a project for AS Legislative Council to get involved with. The project is titled "AS Refrigerator Exchange Project." This is a service that would benefit students especially coming into Spring quarter, which I think would be most effective. It's to help students who are leaving the dorms and who have refrigerators to be able to donate or sell their refrigerators into a center that we would help creating. The refrigerators that we attain we can sell them back the following year. Reselling the pre-owed refrigerators will have two purposes. One is to finance the operations of the center and second is to establish a scholarship foundation. In order to make a scholarship we need external fees. The benefits are that it will generate student jobs, it's an economical and environmentally sound alterative to buying new refrigerators and new revenue streams will go towards funding a scholarship foundation. The next Step is to make a committee with Legislative Council and other people who are interested, confirm a location, and outline a long-term project. As for the scholarships there will be three different scholarships which will be funded. One scholarship will be for a student who is considered to be middle-income and the last scholarship will be for a student who is considered to be middle-income and the last scholarship will be for a student who is considered to be

Adam Goldman: Have you researched on how much it would cost to start the center itself?

**Paul Monge:** It's the 1<sup>st</sup> bullet point. Paying salary for students and renting the vehicles that would be transforming the units.

#### Adam Goldman: AB 540?

**Paul Monge:** Assembly Bill 540 is from the California State Legislation that helps students who are undocumented and came to CA before the age of 16 and/or spent 3 years in HS in the United States. Legislation provides the ability to pay state tuition as opposed to out of state tuition.

Adam Goldman: Who would select the people for the scholarships?

**Paul Monge:** If you look at the final point, it says that scholarship committee will decide who gets what scholarship.

Josue Aparicio: So, will Business Services be selling and buying all year long?

**Paul Monge:** The biggest season to buy refrigerators would be the end of the school year and summer. Fall would be when we are in our selling season For the long-term I would like have a variety of products, because refrigerator season is at the end of the year and beginning of the year.

**Josue Aparicio:** So when it starts off we will concentrate on the end of the years and then diversify to other products? Also how long will it take for it diversifies?

**Paul Monge:** It depends how committed students in Legislative Council are and other AS committees.

**Barbara De La Torre**: I know you are committed to diversify other products, are you open to IV or other places too?

**Paul Monge:** The center would be serving all students but refrigerators are mostly found in resident halls mostly, but students in IV can sell and buy materials that are going to be in the center.

Clay Carlson: The physical location is just used to house refrigerators?

**Paul Monge:** That could be just a storage section and if we have the resources we can fix it up to be an operative center. Friday is the last day that AS Bike Shop will be at that area, and after that it will be unoccupied. So that is a possible place.

**Clay Carlson**: Have you talked to Catherine with Youth Projects about the IV Gift Program and the overlap of that? They collect any unclaimed furniture at the beginning and end of the year and sell it back to the community. She is in OSL, you can get her contact information there. I don't want to see you competing with them, so there might be a way for you to collaborate with them.

Paul Monge: I will look into that, thank you.

Alexandra Onodera: What about renting refrigerators instead of buying them?

**Paul Monge:** We could also do that. Our primary goals I to do buy and sell, because need revenue for creating the scholarships.

**Cori Lantz**: IVCRC is looking for office space. If you're willing to branch out to do it in IV, work with other IV residents. Some of the places we are looking at have multiple offices and IVCRC is too small and are looking for other organizations. We can collaborate and turn it into a store.

Paul Monge: Can we start forming a committee to look into the idea?

Chris Wendle: You can put it in discussions items.

Paul Monge: You have my email so let me know.

#### 3) Ana Pineda – Alpha Epsilon Phi

Hi I'm the chair Alpha Epsilon Phi I am here to ask for funding for our dodge ball tournament. It is this Saturday and I tried to get on the Finance Board agenda and could not, so we are here today. We are asking funding for our t-shirts. I went to IVCRC and they were able to fund our DJ, rental fees and power generators but they were not able to fund our t-shirts. I can give you a

copy what the design looks like. If they come around I want them to know who the staff members are, that's why I want different t-shirt. We have 13 teams participating. My budget is only \$800. I would have to take away from our entrance fee. And I don't want that because it will go towards our two foundations that we support. One foundation focuses on helping those with pediatric AIDS and the other foundations focuses on fighting for Breast Cancer.

Josue Aparicio: Where are you getting shirts from?

**Ana:** We researched everywhere and we got American Apparel because our team requires sweatshop free. That's the best price we can get

**Josue Aparicio**: Maybe can you write somewhere on the t-shirts which foundations the money will go to.

Ana: Yes it's already on the t-shirts, on the bottom.

Josue Aparicio: Can you expand on what foundations?

**Ana:** At the event we are going to have banners and donation tables that explain what each foundation is fighting for. We can't fit all of the information on the t-shirts and that is why we are doing banners and tables.

Alexandra Onoderea: You are asking for \$130?

**Ana:** No, I am asking for \$1,434. We are going to have tanks for staff and t-shirts for the participants. We kept the design the same and company doesn't charge for color.

4) **Ryan Mc-Nicholas** After Dark is helping us with costs by funding us \$1,500 so we are here to ask for a reallocation of security fund of \$1,500 back to Honoraria. If you can add that to the action items, that would be great. The College Republicans thank you for supporting us. Also that we have informed you that on Monday at 10 am the tickets will be available. We pushed up the seating so that 692 students with IDs can attend the event after they go pick up their ticket. The event is next Thursday and it tickets will be based on first come first serve.

Adam Goldman: The tickets that are being sold are the seating already pre-booked or once you get there you will seat wherever you want?

**Ryan Mc-Nicholas** There are two different types of seating, reserved seating for our club members. We have to do the questions ahead of time. We are having questions submitted online and we will be asking the questions. It is a fire hazard to have questions answered in the halls and thus they need to be close to the stage and we don't want anyone close to him.

Adam Goldman: When you asked us to reallocate the first time where did it go?

**Ryan Mc-Nicholas** We originally asked for \$12,933 to Honoraria and with OSL rules you have to specify where everything is going. OSL offered to help with security by funding us \$1,500 therefore we would like a reallocation towards Honoraria.

Adam Goldman: \$1,500 from \$4,200 is being covered so want to increase his Honoraria

Ryan McNicholas: The money we are given is not changing

Jake Elwood: Where will the tickets be available?

Ryan McNicholas: At the AS tickets office.

**Jake Elwood:** The reason why you are having questions before is because of the fire hazard concerns. However, have you thought of having passing out mikes so people can talk?

**Ryan McNicholas:** If someone is in the middle and they keep talking and talking, then how can we notify them that their time is up? That is why we don't want to give out mikes, we need to restrict the time of each question will take.

Alex Marroquin: Who decides what questions will get asked of Karl Rove?

**Ryan McNicholas:** I will do that, the extreme ones of why you like to kill babies, we will pretend its not there. I will make a cut off by Wednesday night of the questions that will be asked of Karl Rove.

Daniel Gradias: Regarding honoraria, the money going to Karl Rove for coming here.

**Ryan Mc-Nicholas**: The actual thing was \$25,000 and whatever we did not get funded was by donations and by fundraisers.

**Veronica Smith:** I know there is concern with questions but why not have a random question chosen and answered, instead of it being controlled?

Ryan Mc-Nicholas: This is the best way to do it. We will not deny controversial questions.

Jamie Silverstein: Who is leading the question and answers portion?

Ryan Mc-Nicholas: Me or one of our club members.

**Fabian Gallardo:** Has The College of Republicans been approached by the opposing side, because they mentioned that Karl Rovehas spoken for free at other campuses.

**Ryan Mc-Nicholas:** We have emailed them, we are going to meet with them tomorrow, and we have already signed a contract for Karl Rove. I don't know where they found that he has spoken for free, because he hasn't.

Sammy Maramba-Ferrell: How much is he getting paid in total?

**Ryan Mc-Nicholas:** Total Honoraria is \$25,000, event total is over \$31,000, students only giving \$9,003.

**Elizabeth Farrington:** Idea to preset question limits follow up questions, have you considered multiple wireless microphones and someone will just turn it off when someone talks too long?

Ryan Mc-Nicholas: It's more complicated than that and we have enough to deal with right now.

Sammy Maramba-Ferrell: In terms of security have you met up with Chief Olsen?

**Ryan Mc-Nicholas:** Yes, we have almost had daily contact with him. We have people in charge of this issue, and with security we are just doing whatever security is telling us to do.

**Mike Hewitt:** What would happen if someone from security says it's unsafe to have him come to Campbell Hall?

**Ryan Mc-Nicholas:** You can make it safe by calling in more cops, there is going to be a free speech booth and if someone is disrupting an event there are ways to take care of it. Once he gets into Campbell Hall then it is safe.

**Jamie Silverstein**: I support that u have questions before, but with you guys having full control and only one side of the story will be told, you guys have a chance to be bias.

**Ryan Mc-Nicholas:** I can sit down with you or you can talk to Beth and make sure that we are not being too bias.

#### 5) Allocate \$360 for IDEAS from SAOD (Aurea Martinez)

**Aurea Martinez**: I am here to ask you to allocated \$360 for IDEAS from SAOD. It's so they can attend a Dream Networks Retreat February 26-28th. Thirty three campuses including CC's, UC's and others will work with the Dream Act, and we feel the need to help them so they can rent a van for them to go on that retreat.

Chris Wendle: Who has oversight of the SAOD account?

Aurea Martinez: I do.

Chris Wendle: Since you have authority you are able to pull it out yourself

6) **Stanley Tzankov:** Here to do a presentation on what Academic Affairs Board (AAB) has been doing in the last couple of weeks. Outline what I would like to see AAB do. Two sides of AB, one is a basic resource for students, tips on how to crash classes, how to appeal for classes, also host events, thinking of hosting event that will help for planning for grad school and how to get scholarships. Second side of AAB that I would like to see is a sort of advocacy group for students, dealing with student representation. Last Tuesday included the fact that we will be writing articles on how to crash classes and where to study when the library is full. Also, AAB will be working on endorsing. We need feedback from AS. We are working on, thinking of how to support something like Gaucho books or an alternative to the bookstore and I was wondering

what you guys thought of that. Some could think its like privatization and taking away from the bookstore and some think it's a good thing, so what do you think?

Chris Wendle: We can add this topic under discussion items.

# A.S. Committee & Ex-Officio Reports

**Denny Directo:** I am here to speak on behalf of the IV Tenants Union. I will be talking about membership committee and give you a background of our group. We are a BCC and part of AS and supported by student lock-in fees. We inform people about their rights and responsibility as tenants. We guide tenants on how to deal with landlords. What distinguished us from other BCCs is our office located above graphic art above Pardal. We also provide a service where we do one on one case management. Our services are extended to the community services. To go along and highlight things, we did Halloween campaign, tips on how to keep your belongings safe, offered first time Renter's Rights Workshop, to help with house processes. This quarter implemented TGIF IVU, have a booth because people don't know a lot about us. This Friday we are doing TGIF and safety campaign where we will be giving out free window locks and laptop locks. By next quarter we would like to re-launch our new website, and have a new rating system where you can rate your landlord.

**Cori Lantz:** Hi. I am here representing IVCRC. The first thing I am going to talk about is that Rec and Parks passed the skate park last Thursday, there was a big turnout of students, and putting together a committee, if people want to work on details of the skate park, let me know. Two board members are up for re-election and we are pushing to have more students on the board. If anyone is interested in running for Rec and Park, let me know it is a 2 year commitment. Looking into a new space for IVCRC, and now our meetings are to 30 plus people. We have couple of options, on Friday at 2:30 doing walk through of RDA office. The second floor of the IV clinic is vacant and RDA is willing to rent it to us for cheap. We can maybe take on a new project. We are working with the EVPLA office and working with RDA to add more capital improvements. Is it possible for AS to fund for capital improvement? I don't know if we are allowed to do that. It fits under our charge. We have an extra meeting this Sunday from 12-5:00 pm, in the Mossier Alumni House, wanting to take 5 legislators and we know Elizabeth, Jake and Barbara are interested so that leaves us with room for 2 or 3 more.

Alexandra Onodera: Talk to Brian about capital improvements.

**Cori Lantz:** He is fine with it. But Claudia has mixed ideas because it was never done before. Also the projects are really cool. This fitness zone they want to put it in the park where all the gym equipment would go outside where everyone would have access to it all day. IVCRC hasn't officially decided but I think it's a goo idea.

Alexandra Onodera: What kind of gym will it be?

Cori Lantz: It will be an elliptical gym. It's an adult jungle gym.

#### **Executive Officer Reports**

**Chris Wendle**, *Internal Vice President*: All my meetings are coming up. UCEN Government Board met yesterday and went over the numbers. The numbers look bad but compared to others were good. Sunday from 12-4:00 pm the Lipdub will be filmed. There are three practice rounds scheduled. Campus election committee will meet this Sunday so go over. Parking Board has delayed meeting to another week. Major Events are coming up for Extravaganza

Abigail Cordova: For Lipdub, do we have to confirm with someone about doing it?

**Chris Wendle:** No, just show up. Also, this Friday we will be having the informational retreat to get more information on the election's process.

Clay Carlson, External Vice President of Local Affairs: SBCC Students' Government wants to meet with us, next Thursday at 5:00 pm and they will provide us with dinner. If you are interested let me know, I sent out a letter to you all, the more people we have the better. Chila Vista planning going on, got approval and we are working with Aaron Jones to get the permits. Rec and Park approved design and funding of the skate park. As for Park Board my office is gong to fund "Get out the Vote" for Park and Rec elections because we can't fund individuals. For Media relations Committee, Matt Anderson is doing a big publicity statement next Wednesday about giving the check. Last week released the EVPLA as it is advertisement. As for Office updates, Cori talked about what she is doing and one of their campaigns is working with the idea that IV residents can enter the library and check out books. I guess that already exist so we are trying to expand and publicize the venue. Also, looking at Youth Programming for the library. Labor Coordinator, Jared has been working with Mark Fisher and Ron Cortez on negotiations about labor union issues. They were supposed to have a meeting last weekend but Mark Fisher showed up, threw the flyers on the table and left the meeting saying that is it over. I guess some inappropriate pictures and incorrect statements were displayed on the flyers in reference to Mark Fisher and Ron Cortez. The admin said that the negotiation is over, the 4% pay cut is on-going and the time change for the workers is solidified. Lilly the environmental coordinator continues to work with Michael Hewitt and GREEN is working with Recyclomania. and having their official kick-off event this weekend. I would like to present Omid to come up and say something.

**Omid:** I am here to talk about what I'm doing with the Census. We have open meetings every Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30 in the first floor in the student conference room at SRB. A couple of bcc are involved and county too. We are working on Awareness Campaign and are trying to get the word out there about the Census.

**Clay Carlson:** We have been in contact with the Federal Census Agency and they are driving through some of their bus trailers and have it set for April so we will close down Pardal and do a big publicity stunt to get more information from the students. Omid has been dealing with Halloween Related stuff is in the process of compiling police arrest and citations for the past 50 years, which the county does not have on file so we have been going to the Nexus. We are going through that and seeing which years the arrests were huge and which weren't. Barbara De La Torre met with the Facebook organizer for breakfast and it was not as productive as we thought it would be. Facebook guy is not willing to change the date. There is no proposal and he thinks if he prints out the Facebook page that will be a good enough proposal for the county. The

concern on our end is that if something goes wrong who is going to be accounted for, because we don't think he has the finances to back up. The website is on its way.

**Jason Lopez:** If Floatopia happens, is the responsibility going to be on this person if he has done nothing to organize it?

**Clay Carlson:** He says he is organizing it. Apparently he has people working with the county and fire department. The lawyers are looking into to see if they can find a way to hold him accountable.

Cori Lantz: AS lawyers said they can't hold him accountable.

Elizabeth Farrington: Why charter a van when you can carpool to the SBCC meeting?

Clay Carlson: It depends how many people want to drive.

#### Celina Ayala, External Vice President of Statewide Affairs:

Got a call from the Governors office to work on the Student's CENSUS in particular to the University of California because when the 2000 student's CENSUS came out there was no student attendance or representation. Similar to what Omid and Clay board is working on, we have a campaign University of California Office of the President that works parallel with the student. We are promoting here on campus, and in areas such as the RHA halls. This Friday, my staff and I are going around 3 pm to The Toyota dealership on Hollister. There is only one unionized Toyota Plant in all of North America and it's in Freemont. Its being shut down and taking with it 5,000 workers. It is closing down because GM pulled out. Now I will be reading the resolution for AB 540 students.

#### A RESOLUTION

# *To* Support Institutional Financial Aid for AB 540 Students

*Whereas:* 65,000 undocumented students graduate from high school every year who are potentially Eligible for AB540 status,

Whereas: AB540 undocumented students are not currently eligible for any form of financial aid,

*Whereas:* 33% of fees paid to the University of California are supposed to return to students in form Of institutional financial aid on merit and need base,

*Whereas: AB540* undocumented students pay into this pool but are currently ineligible to compete for this institutional financial aid,

Whereas: the 32% fee hike passed by the University of California Regents has left many

undocumented AB540 students without an affordable education,

*Whereas:* a proposal for the ability to an equal opportunity to institutional financial aid will be presented to the Committee of Chancellors,

*Whereas:* the Chancellor of the University of California, Los Angeles recently discussed the proposal for equal opportunity to access institutional aid at the Council of Chancellors' meeting in January,

*Whereas:* the Chancellor of the University of California, Santa Barbara highly advocates and openly supports AB 540 students on campus and through recent discourse supports the eligibility of institutional aide for UC Santa Barbara students

*Whereas:* the Chancellor of the University of California, Los Angeles and the UC Student Regent will propose institutional aid eligibility for undocumented students to the University of California Regents at the next UC Regent meeting on March 23rd to the 25th,

Let it be resolved: that the University of California Santa Barbara will endorse the proposal being presented to the UC Regents securing the right of AB540 students to be eligible for institutional financial aid, and

*Let it be further Resolved:* that the University of California Santa Barbara will actively organize to secure the right of AB540 students to an equal opportunity to qualify for the institutional financial aid.

*Therefore, let it be resolved that the Legislative Council of Associated Students:* Recognizes the disadvantage faced by AB 540 Students and urges the University of California to allow AB 540 students access to receive institutional financial aid.

#### Alexandra Onodera: What is the AB 540 status?

**Celina Ayala:** Granted to students who were born in the US or remain here since age of 15 is given a status of AB 540, and these students are now able to pay in-state tuition. If you are not an AB 540 status you are instead paying out of state fees. Since you're not given a social security number you can't apply for loans and financial aid, work study, scholarship and can't work.

Alexandra Onodera: They don't have social security numbers because they are not citizens?

**Celina Ayala:** That and other reasons, they get a tax ID number and you do pay taxes to the states where you go through a work program.

Abigail Cordova: It's hard to apply for citizenship, it's restricted.

#### Acceptance of Agenda

<u>MOTION</u> made by Elizabeth Farrington and <u>SECONDED</u> by Mike Hewitt to add under Acceptance of the Minutes Student Lobby 2/11, Academic Affairs Board 2/16, ICRC 2/16, CAB 2/16, QComm 2/11. Add under Action Item # 6 Villa Antonio, Action Item # 7 College of Republicans Reallocation, and add under Discussion Item # 3 The AS Refrigerator Exchange Project. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT.</u> <u>MOTION</u> made by Adam Goldman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Jake Elwood to add a Resolution in support for institutional financial aid for AB 540 students to Business Item #1(021710-72). <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Adam Goldman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Daniel Gradias to add a Resolution in Condemn Acts of Intolerance That Suppress Free Speech, to Business Item #2 (021710-73). <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Beth Goodman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to add Chilla Vista Day to Discussion Item # 4. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Adam Goldman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Fabian Gallardo to accept the agenda as amended. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

#### **Acceptance of Minutes**

<u>MOTION</u> made by Josue Aparicio and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to bundle and approve all minutes; SCORE 2/16, Student Lobby 2/11, Academic Affairs Board 2/16, IVCRC 2/16, CAB 2/16, QComm 2/11. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

#### **Action Items**

#### **1. Elections Code**

<u>MOTION</u> made by Chris Wendle and <u>SECONDED</u> by Jake Elwood to table Election's Code until after Old Business # 5. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

#### 2. Removal of KT Vandermark from chair of COPS

**Josue Aparicio:** We sent her an email saying "If you want to keep your position please come". In her email she said she did as much as she could. The approach we are taking is to remove her and take someone who can take it off the ground

**Daniel Gradias:** She sounds like she is pretty into it, but not taking the right steps to get new members. Can we give her a trial period?

Jake Elwood: She says that COPS could be dissolved, so maybe she is not that committed to it.

**Jason Lopez:** We have this potential new person for chair, why don't we just have this person join KT.

Josue Aparicio: We don't have a chair. We are trying to find one.

**Jason Lopez:** Its almost Spring quarter, are we going to go through all this process again from ground zero all for training? She is committed to work with other people. I don't understand why you are doing it so late.

**Josue Aparicio:** I agree, but its Comm On Comm fault and hers. She gave up, and then Comm On comm., went through the period where it had no chair. Her attitude was defeated; she wanted to dissolve the committee. In the email doesn't sound like she wanted to stay.

**Jason Lopez:** If you take her out and no one wants to be chair, what happens. You have to see it from her standpoint. I say we give her the shot. It's not her fault people are not coming.

Alexandra Onodera: This was my bcc and I was in contact with her and she was just not about COPS, I asked her if she had meetings, she said no one was on the committee. She said there was nothing to meet about. It is a big part of Comm On Comm. But I can say that she never contacted me to get the word out or recruit. I never received emails. She shouldn't stay.

Brian Mays: We need to find a new chair, she is not devoted.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Adam Goldman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Jamie Silverstein to Accept Action item # 2 and recommend Comm On Comm to actively find a new chair. <u>MOTION FAILED BY</u> <u>VOTE (8-11-2)</u>

Discussion on table:

Mike Hewitt: Would it be beneficial to appoint a co-chair and work with her?

Chris Wendle: The Legal Code does not allow for that.

Jason Lopez: Did Comm On Comm know that this BCC had no one?

Josue Aparicio: She never came to us telling us that no one was coming to her meetings.

Jason Lopez: How much responsibility falls under Comm On Comm's hands?

**Josue Aparicio:** Comm On Comm has never run effectively well as it should be. There is over 30 BCCs. It was our fault but it wasn't the majority of our fault. Bringing someone in this late seems pointless, we have to train them and they have one quarter left. I just want to know how this is going to help, I don't get it.

**Jamie Silverstein:** KT made a strong effort, but I feel like she is making excuses. You have to send a message. If people are not doing their best then they do not deserve it.

#### 3. Removal of Mandeep Sablok from chair of Rally Comm

**Chris Wendle:** There was a memo sent. We appointed him but no communication, I will blame myself that he was appointed, and he feels like he is not the chair as much as people have told him. Josue has he been contacted.

**Josue Aparicio:** Yes. We called him about his removal. He doesn't feel it's his fault. He wanted to do it but someone else was chair, that person quit and he was chair, but no one told him. He

wanted to be active but people wouldn't let him because he's not a chair, but he really is the chair. He still thinks he is not.

**Abby Cordova:** I can clarify what happened. He told me that at the end of last year he was cochair, and he was removed to put Paula in. He was really upset that no one consulted him, and she was not involved. No one told him that she had resigned and that he was appointed again, he said he never got a formal call, so he is expecting the formal call.

**Chris Wendle:** When you are in a BCC you are entitled to that position for a year. At the point of transition there is a new LC and new executives and all positions are wiped clean. If you remain in it you have to be appointed. He was not removed, new chair was appointed, half way through she did resign and put up for recommendation that Mandeep take chair because he was co-chair. I recommend we keep him in that position and I will give him the call.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Brian Mays and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to keep of Mandeep Sablok as chair of Rally Comm with the stipulation that Chris Wendle calls him. <u>MOTION</u> <u>CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

# 4. \$360 for IDEAS from SAOD (Aurea Martinez)

<u>MOTION</u> made by Fabian Gallardo and <u>SECONDED</u> by Beth Goodman to Approve Action item # 4: to fund \$360 for IDEAS from SOAD. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

# 5. Allocation for Alpha Epsilon Phi (Ana Pineda)

Chris Wendle: They are requesting \$1,4040.00 for t-shirts.

**Jake Elwood:** IVCRC did not fund because at the point they have already purchased and received the shirts, came wearing the shirts, and they said they had to go sweatshop free, but IVCRC bought sweatshop free shirts for way cheaper. I recommend council does not fund them this money.

**Josue Aparicio:** Reserved my right. It's about how much they are paying, Finance Board only funds awareness t-shirts. Their t-shirts don't bring awareness to the cause.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Josue Aparicio and <u>SECONDED</u> by Elizabeth Farrington to fund \$0 to Alpha Epsilon Phi for T-shirts. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

#### 6. Villa Antonio

**Chris Wendle:** All of you received the letter that Marisela sent to me and the packet with the description of what we did. We are in discussion are we paying the bed tax, are we paying the additional and purposed damages? Read the staff recommendation for issue # 2: GET FROM CHRIS, Issue #4, discussion and staff recommendation: There are 3 options. Our first option is to go to court saying we don't agree with anything, second option we can just settle and our third option is that we want to pay and follow suit with defamation.

Alexandra Onodera: I went to the meeting, and come to the consensus that the best thing to do is to go with our second option. We should make the payment, pay the extra \$30 and finishing up any contact we have with Villa Antonio. We no longer want to be connected with them. They made it into a bigger deal. Issue # 4 we can discuss on our own on a different time. Going into legal matters is going to cost more money and take more staff and student time.

**Chris Wendle:** The executives were talking about fixing our names and dispute these charges, there is a lot of speculation whether this is true or not. That's why in the settlement we would just pay this and agree to disagree.

**Jamie Silverstein:** Didn't Robin say if it were proposed in small claims court we would only pay for gas. I reserve my right. It's not an issue of who is right or wrong it's the most effective way we can us our time and money to resolve this. They are winning by having us waste our time.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Elizabeth Farrington and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to deal with issue #4, approve issue 1, 2, and 3 (pay bed tax and additional \$30.80). <u>MOTION</u> made by Josue Aparicio to amend the current motion to pay the Villa Antonio in full \$372.90, not pay the extra \$30.80, and instruct staff to propose a lawsuit in small case courts to dispute alleged damages. <u>AMENDMENT CARRIED BY VOTE (12-6). MOTION CARRIED BY VOTE (14-5-1)</u>

Discussion on table:

**Jake Elwood**: I agree that is the most reasonable use of our resources, I don't think everyone knows who is right, a lot of students still believe that we still wasted thousands of dollars in damages. We need work to correct that.

**Josue Aparicio:** I don't know if I agree. In the only student fee we would be using, like gas, is that really balanced between the money that we are going to win back if we win the case? Its \$600 worth of damages we are finding. We are only spending less than a hundred dollars in gas.

**Elizabeth Farrington:** Giving in and paying everything doesn't tell everyone who is right or wrong, it's not right what they did.

Fabian Gallardo: We can issue a statement to the students telling them what happened.

**Jason Lopez:** It would take less effort, and we won't spend money going up to slow, a lot of the stuff that they said we did is ridiculous. We know it didn't happe, but we are still going to pay for it, I don't feel comfortable, and on top of that its excess. A lot of the stuff we shouldn't be charged. We should still be fighting it

**Charity Agomuo:** Marisela and I would have to go and speak on behalf of you guys, and that is taking money away from us, because we would still be paid to talk.

**Veronica Smith:** I am on the same page as Jason. It's not right for us to use student money for this.

**Mike Hewitt:** We are deciding to pay \$370? What if we just paid the \$30.80 and saying that we can test those damages?

Chris Wendle: By just paying the \$30.80 your neglecting that we have to pay for the bed tax

**Mike Hewitt**: If we don't pay the bed tax on top that, we can say we don't accept the damages, what would happen if we did that.

**Jamie Silverstein:** Reserve My Right. The biggest opposition to my motion is that we should attack this, I am agreeing and that's why I said that we should pay for this and have an Ad-hoc committee to aggressively attack this and to get our name back in the public.

Adam Goldman: Reserve my right, people we are dealing with I am not a fan about having our student fees go towards these damages, that are completely inflated, and because but these people have a history of exaggerating and I think we are best served to lay this matter to bed and go back to work.

**Elizabeth Farrington:** Fabian's idea to send out a statement to students, the best way is to contest this and then the nexus will do a story or not. I don't understand why we are going to give them our money, If we are going to fight it.

Alexandra Onodera: If we did option # 3, and if we still want to take them to court, so that we are all paid and there is nothing from our side, we are paying what we owe like the bed tax.

**Charity Agomuo:** Her suggestion was to pay and then we can file a claim in court. We owe them \$400 but there is something there, there is a lot of grounds to have them leave us alone. I feel like they are going to harass us regardless. We have to pay the taxes, and they already have our deposit.

**Chris Wendle:** If we go with that option with the current motion, it would have to be modified. The staff needs directions on how to preceed so need to make it clear.

**Alexandra Onodera:** We should pay full amount and send a letter that we are done with you, but the board does not want to do that. Pay them full, send them a letter saying here is your money and now we will see you in court. Because the way we are going is not what they are recommending to us. A good amount of us have to go to court and use our time, I want to make sure everyone knows this.

**Jake Elwood:** Reserve my Right. Council reps and fees are more important then sunny days. I move to amend the current motion to pay the villa in full \$372.90, not paying the extra \$30.80, and instruct staff to purpose a lawsuit in small case courts to dispute alleged damages.

Beth Goodman: What is the extra \$30.80 for?

Chris Wendle: On 2/11 sent a revised invoice about the light.

**Josue Aparicio:** Reserve my Right. This LC made a mistake and made AS look bad, and its' not fair for next AS people. We need to clear our name. I like this motion. We should go forward with this.

#### 7. College republican reallocation

<u>MOTION</u> made by Josue Aparicio and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to reallocate \$1,500 from security to Honoraria. <u>MOTION</u> by Brian Mays, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to amend the motion to not reallocate \$1,500 from security to Honoraria. <u>AMENDMENT</u> <u>CARRIED BY VOTE (9-6-6)</u>

Adam Goldman: How did the budget stay the same if \$1,500 was allocated?

**Beth Goodman:** College of Republican has money. The \$1,500 from After Dark is for security, and take the \$1,500 back in their OSL account because we are going to reallocate \$1,500 towards the speaker.

**Veronica Smith:** We have a lot of students complaining about us giving money to Karl Rove and this is us giving more money to Karl Rove because the \$1,500 went to security and now we are reallocating it back to him.

Brian Mays: They should pay that money and use those additional funds for something else,

**Beth Goodman:** The whole event is costing them \$30,000 if they are allocated specific amount of things and they want to be transparent with their funds so they want to take out \$1,500 of their own money that they were paying and put it towards the speaker from their account. We're not giving them more money. Money might come back to us but can go to security.

**Sammy Maramba-Ferrell:** It's not the clear what the right solution is. They are going to use the extra money for security because of the crazy protestors.

Alex Marroquin: As for taking our money back, I know we can't.

**Chris Wendle:** Technically you are allowed to take back funds. For example we did it with Fight Night because had troubles with the school.

**Josue Aparicio:** We didn't take back from Fight Night. If no one goes through with the event then we get the money back.

**Mike Hewitt:** I don't think we should move the money, I think they were going to be able to pay this amount until they found out that they were being funded by After Dark. If they want to pay more money for security they can do that, but at least we won't say that we did.

**Chris Wendle:** we are still in motion, so 9-6-6 motion fails. That amendment is just voting no. so back to the same motion.

**Daniel Gradias**: if we didn't reallocate the money for security and they didn't use all of the money for security would the money come back to us?

Chris Wendle: NO.

<u>MOTION FAILED BY VOTE (9-11-2)</u> to allow money to be moved from security to Honoraria for the College of Republicans.

#### **Old Business**

#### 1. (021010:63) A Bill to Restructure SIRRC

First is Gary and Second is Alex Marroquin

<u>MOTION</u> made by Adam Goldman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Beth Goodman table 021010:63) A Bill to Restructure SIRRC for one week. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

#### 2. (021010:67) A Bill to Restructure CAB Office

First is Fabian Gallardo and second is Gary.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Beth Goodman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Daniel Gradias to table (021010:67) A Bill to Restructure CAB Office. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

#### 3. (021010:68) A Bill to Reinstate the EVPSA Media Coordinator

**Fabian Gallardo:** We want to get him legally on the bylaws and have him receive Honoraria. My second is Gary.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Beth Goodman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to pass (021010:68) Bill to Reinstate the EVPSA Media Coordinator. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

#### 4. (021010:69) A Bill to Establish the Committee on Committees Recruitment Coordinator

**Josue Aparicio**: Hope you approve it. This person is responsible for making 3 recruitment fairs each year, raised Honoraria to \$300, and administrative liaison to \$300, also needs to go to 5 OSL groups.

Adam Goldman (new second): I suggest we make this happen.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Beth Goodman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Elizabeth Farrington to pass (021010:69) Bill to Establish the Committee on Committees Recruitment Coordinator. <u>MOTION</u> <u>CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

#### 5. (021010:71) A Bill to Encourage Transparency & Competition to our A.S. Elections

Sammie Maramba-Ferrell: Joel made a new one, so did not email it.

Chris Wendle: Joel sent out another bill after the agenda was created.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Sammie Maramba-Ferrell and <u>SECONDED</u> by Beth Goodman to table (021010:71) Bill to Encourage Transparency & Competition to our A.S. Elections until after Representative Reports. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

### New Business

# 1. (021710-72) Resolution in Support for Institutional Financial Aid for AB 540 Students.

**Chris Wendle:** This is a position paper need 2/3 vote to pass. The author is Fabian Gallardo and second is Jason Lopez.

**Fabian Gallardo**: These students already pay same fees we do but don't have same access to grants because don't have social security numbers. We want them to be eligible to have the same rights.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Elizabeth Farrington and <u>SECONDED</u> by Sammie Maramba-Ferrell to pass (021710-72) Resolution in Support for Institutional Financial Aid for AB 540 Students. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

**Chris Wendle:** Side note, all resolutions need to be turned in by Tuesday at 11 am. You all need to make your best to get them in by that date and place it in correct format; having the therefore, and whereas, and the authors and seconds.

#### 2. (021710-73) Resolution in Condemn Acts of Intolerance That Suppress Free Speech.

Adam Goldman: I already went over this, last week the UCI hosted the speaking event with the Israeli ambassador to America. At the event there were about 100 students who were disruptive and 11 students out of this group were arrested for disturbing peace. We as student leaders need to take a stance on it and condemn it because with Karl Rogue coming to our campus to speak we don't want the same incident to occur.

Beth Goodman: The chancellor of UCI is embarrassed and appalled. This is a free speech issue.

**Jamie Silverstein:** What they did was wrong, but the Council is moving in wrong direction, my problem is that when I campaigned last year we promised that UCSB AS would not get involved with politics. I'm starting to see a pattern. This isn't our place to mettle. Our time could be more usefully spent. Recommend we stop introducing these bills, its' not productive for either side

**Elizabeth Farrington:** There are a few typos and some things are unclear. We have a big voice for a reason and protecting freedom of speech is important.

Mike Hewitt: It was their free speech to say whatever they wanted to say.

**Beth Goodman:** They stood up and said you are a war criminal, they were screaming hate speech.

**Mike Hewitt**: So should write a resolution that people should not be interrupting and should be respectful to speakers, because this might happen during Karl Rove.

**Sammie Maramba-Ferrell:** I was hoping if one of you could clarify why MSU was mentioned because I read a couple of articles and it was not mentioned that MSU was to blame. The MSU at UCI sent out a letter condemning them, they just said it was UCI students and I'm skeptical about jumping the gun and labeling this an MSU. It's not that sensitive to that dynamic. I agree with Mike, about being clear that there is freedom of speech issues on both sides. I'm concerned about simplifying our freedom of speech

**Veronica Smith:** We shouldn't limit ourselves to not get into political things; it is part of our job. I don't see why we need to bring a resolution, they have already been arrested, and the ambassador can handle himself, no actual violence was done towards him.

**Josue Aparicio**: I agree with Jamie, I don't want AS associated with targeting one community. We don't talk ethnicity and just mentioned students.

Brian Mayes: Agree with Mike, shouldn't target specific issues.

**Jason Lopez:** Reserve my Right. Shouldn't be using Muslims name, I'm ok with taking political stances, we are representing all UCSB students and there are both sides to consider.

Adam Goldman: This is addressing freedom of speech question, aren't they exercising their freedom of speech by doing or saying whatever they please. There is a reason why they got arrested and that is because they were causing harm to the speaker and to the event. There are videos online for you to watch it. This council has done a good job of avoiding controversial issues and this set a dangerous precedent if we don't speak of this with Karl Rove coming to our campus soon. This is the big event at our sister school. It would be embarrassing for the UC for whatever happened at UCI to happen again. I definitely want to see this bill amended, I agree it does target the Muslim students and we don't want to target them. This bill as it stands right now deserves more respect. I am open to alterations to the bill, I will talk to Beth about that but we shouldn't be afraid about taking a stand.

**Daniel Gradias:** I agree with you, we shouldn't be afraid to tackle these issues. We shouldn't take a turn and say we are condemning actions of intolerance. We need to promote healthy discussion, and instead of targeting MSU student. We should not be creating divisions but bring people together. Bring it wider and condemn people who don't use responsible healthy discussion and who are not being responsible. We need to promote more togetherness.

**Beth Goodman:** It is interesting how you didn't say ASI didn't want to get involved, we just passed a resolution condemning whoever defamed SJT's thing on the roundabouts. I understand Israel isn't everyone's favorite country. I don't think it looks good that we passed a bill that supports SJP and then sending out emails saying that ASI does all these terrible stuff. We can amend it so it is less inflammatory.

**Jamie Silverstein:** I voted yes on that bill, it started a trend, we vote yes supporting one side and then take another side, and there is such a political bill. The goal of the putting the sticks on the

grass was to promote dialogue, how one had more deaths then the other. We passed the bill that had a political agenda. The Muslims union was mentioned 4 times. None of us know anything about this conflict. Who are we to take a stands on it. We are not elected to take a stands on these issues. I'm going to vote No on this bill, we never take sides on a political issue. You're going to have another bill next week from the other side.

Casey Capachi: Also, Riverside students arrested too, and eliminate the MSU.

**Timothy Benson:** I understand, but its clear to me that the paper takes a stand in the Israeli, it's not AS place to take a stance. Taking into consideration that maybe can retool somethings, I have a lot of hesitant to pass the paper the way it is.

**Brian Mays:** Reserve my Right. I see his point in writing it, I agree with Jamie. It hasn't happened on our campus. I don't think they should have been arrested.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Brian Mays and <u>SECONDED</u> by Alexandra Onodera to not pass (021710-73) Resolution in Condemn Acts of Intolerance That Suppress Free Speech. Vote to Vote Fails (10-7). <u>MOTION</u> made by Daniel Gradias to amend current motion to table (021710-73) Resolution in Condemn Acts of Intolerance That Suppress Free Speech for one week for revisions to be done by authors. <u>AMENDMENT CARRIED BY VOTE (14-6-1)</u>. Vote to Vote passes (15-4). <u>MOTION CARRIED BY VOTE (14-8-1)</u>

#### **Discussion on table:**

Adam Goldman: I appreciate your comments, I would ask someone to table this to give Beth and me an opportunity to fix this. We are going to have a very controversial speaker next week and UCSB is part of the UC system.

**Jason Lopez:** Reserve my right, suggest you come back with a new resolution and target main goal, and being respectful instead of throwing names out there.

Jake Hewitt: If this bill dies authors can bring it back next week.

#### **<u>Discussion</u>** 1. Parking (Goldman)

**Josue Aparicio:** We are paying a lock in fee for parking and can't get our parking tickets for free. Chris said he would talk to them, maybe after he talks to them depending on what they say we can create a committee to talk about this.

**Daniel Gradias:** The issue with parking is that students are getting tickets when they did buy a pass, and then got a ticket because it was staff only until 5:00 pm.

**Jason Lopez:** My concern was to open those faculty spots to students on the weekend and after 5:00 pm; especially the one in front of the library.

**Brian Mays**: They should at least try and change the hours if they are not going to give us more spots.

### 2. Athletics (Goldman)

**Josue Aparicio:** We need to meet with athletics director and say that we need to have extravaganza. We need to have a rally meet with him and discuss the issues.

Brian Mays: Is it possible to get athletics director to come in and speak to us?

Chris Wendle: Yes. I can definitely ask him.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Adam Goldman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Beth Goodman to end discussion on Discussion Item # 2 Athletics and. <u>MOTION</u> made by Jake Elwood to amend current motion to also add an Ad-hoc committee and that Josue Aparicio will look into meeting with Athletics Director to discuss the issue. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>.

# 3. The AS Refrigerator Exchange Project

Brian Mays: Any information given about the scholarships?

Chris Wendle: Yes, it is on his handout.

Elizabeth Farrington: If I'm free I will be there.

Adam Goldman: I am for it.

Abby Cordova: I will email him too.

#### <u>MOTION</u> made by Adam Goldman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Beth Goodman to end discussion. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT.</u>

# 4. Chila Vista

**Beth Goodman:** Due to IV pride, changed it May 8<sup>th</sup> and also Extravaganza is on May 15. If you know of any objections to that date let me know, I want suggestions. Also if anyone wants to help tell them to email me and let me know.

Abby Cordova: Can you give an overview of what it is?

**Beth Goodman:** It is a celebration of IV. It started 4 to 5 years ago, all local business, clothing and food all sustainable and will be having local bands play, have free food and celebrate IV culture.

#### <u>MOTION</u> made by Jake Elwood, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Abigail Cordova to end discussion. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT.</u>

#### **Representative Reports**

<u>MOTION</u> made by Joel Mandujano, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to suspend the orders of the day goes back to Acceptance of Proxy and make Greg Jasmine's proxy from 9:05 pm and on. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT.</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Jake Elwood, and S<u>ECONDED</u> by Jamie Silverstein to email all Representative Reports to Jake by Friday 4:00 pm. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY VOTE (15-3-4)</u>.

# Chris Wendle: We will now go into (021010:71) A Bill to Encourage Transparency & Competition to our A.S. Elections.

Joel Mandujano: We changed the title to Restructure AS Elections. Have been working on this tirelessly, all I could think of what this. I met with some Aaron, Charity and other legislatives and I have made some changes to the original one, changed section 2H Financial statement letter D, must include money projected to be spent and also Projected Apparel/Clothing to be used for campaigns. Inclusion of a policy making the usage of apparel sweatshop free and last year sweatshop clothes were used and it's not bind under the AS legal code because not AS funded. I also changed \$76,000 to \$7,600 for Section 4 Financing, Letter B Part 2. I did \$7,600 campaign budget cap. I looked at other UCs schools and theirs is around there. Also if you Section 4 Letter B Part 1, the independent executive office candidates are allowed to spend up to \$750, I increased it, and independent executive officers candidates are allowed to spend up to \$250. I went off last year's party estimates. The independent is 50% less so total half of \$500 is \$250 and \$250 plus \$500 is \$750. The \$7, 600 s from point 1, so if the party has 24 candidates and you multiply it out you get \$5,000 and I left \$2,600 for fundraisers and donations. The question of why having a cap on donations and fundraisers was brought up; well not everyone has access to donations and parents money. If it's best for the association then it's for the best. I'm jaded by the AS elections. Every party must get a campaign treasurer, must submit a budget on proving how much they spent. Each party needs to check the other party's budget. The daily Nexus will want access to this and must make it available. I want to personalize this for all of you and show you how important this is. I want to show you how important this is.

Fabian Gallardo: I think we should pass the bill.

Jamie Silverstein: I am a huge fan of the bill. Let's add some enforcement mechanisms.

**Elizabeth Farrington:** I went to Election's Committee and they had a few issues with the financial statement, which the first italicized section, the Financial Statement documents should be sent in a binder but that is not clearly written. EC and Aaron agrees that it would make more sense to put this binder in the AS admin along with every other financial statement, and mention that it is available to the public. EC liked the small and apparel clothing and like that its sweatshop free in section 3 subsection C. Spending limits, Section 4 part B, subpart 1 would be a lot clearer to read if you cut out Independent from Independent Executive Officers because the

word each clarifies that. EC confused about the \$2,000 difference. We could just do away with Section 1, and it's up to the party with the cap and easy EC to hold them accountable once we put in the proverbial of the bill. In campaign treasurer, they were worried that it focused too much on the party system. Also in the last part of the campaign treasurer section, Part E it should be judicial council that holds people accountable, not legislative council.

**Abby Cordova:** Elections Committee wants this bill to pass, need to change a couple of things, such as spending limits section number one, it focused on parties and not independent. Why \$7,600 and not \$5,600? Why did you add the \$2000?

Chris Wendle stepped out 9:27 and Jake Elwood stepped in as chair.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Beth Goodman, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Abigail Cordova to nominate Alexandra Onodera as first pro-temp. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT.</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Jake Elwood, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to recess for 5 minutes from 9:30 to 9:35. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY VOTE (18-0-0)</u>

#### Call to Order

The Council was called to order at 9:37 p.m., by Jake Elwood **Roll call** 

Josue Aparicio Timothy Benson Stanley Tzankov Andrew "Jake" Elwood Jamie Silverstien Elizabeth Farrington Joel Mandujano Sammy Maramba-Ferrell Alexandra Onodera Abigail Cordova Jason Lopez Veronica Smith Brian Mays Fabian Gallardo Barbara De La Torre Chloe Stryker Mike Hewitt Casey Capachi Araceli Aceredo Alex Marroquin Greg

Adam Goldman was recognized at 9:39 pm Daniel Gradias was recognized at 9:40 pm Beth Goodman was recognized at 9:40 pm <u>MOTION</u> made by Chloe Stryker, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to add in the current changes to (021010:71) Bill to Encourage Transparency and Competition to our AS Elections, In section 2 subsection 4 quarter should be lower case Q. In section H 1 executive, legislative and council student advocate general should all be capitalized. In the same section 4 pm needs to be written out. In section H 1 a, b, c, d, and e should all have periods. H1 b) campaign and treasurer should be capitalized. In Section H1 d) it should be subsection AA and same with e). In Section C the apparel clothing usage is too vague, so it should be purchase of apparel clothing. In section 4 C b) elections committee should be capitalized. In Section 4 C b) *i*, *ii*, *iii* should be changed to aa, ab and ac. At the end cross out the therefore let it be resolved by AS, the very last sentence it's not a resolution. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT.</u>

**Josue Aparicio:** Reserve my right. I was opposed because there wasn't enough time to put it in Elections Committee. But now we know that we do have time. We do need spending caps and these are far lower then what other UCs have. We need to do what they are doing.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Josue Aparicio, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Chloe Stryker to make the following changes to (021010:71) Bill to Encourage Transparency and Competition to our AS Elections. Change section 4 Financing: C) Executive officer candidates and parties which work in coordination with the candidates are allowed to \$1000 per candidate for contribution to their UCSB campaign. Legislative Council candidates which work in coordination with their candidates are allowed to spend \$250 per candidate in contribution to the UCSB campaign. I'm willing to negotiate higher or lower but I feel like that is good because other schools have those numbers. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT.</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Elizabeth Farrington, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Chloe Stryker to amend motion so that Section 4 part B subpart 1 is stricken from the bill and subsection B part 2 to say that parties will have a campaign budget of \$8000. <u>AMENDMENT CARRIED BY VOTE (18-1-2)</u>,

Chloe Stryker: Still including donations?

Josue Aparicio: Yes it is.

**Elizabeth Farrington**: Reserve my right. I think it would be difficult to know who puts in what amount of money.

**Sammie Maramba-Ferrell:** What is the motivation of raising it aside from comparing it to other UCs? It's not accessible because other UCs have other budgets. It would be to an advantage if people had full funding. I like broad cap, it should be more accessible. It should still be lower. We have one of the largest student governments.

**Joel Mandujano**: If you still break that down to dues, its still \$250 a person and \$8000 for campaign is way too much. I recommend \$7,500, and also other schools have more undergrads then we have.

**Abigail Cordova:** I agree with Joel to lower it, \$8000 will put us in the same place as last year. We are limiting people running. Not everyone will be able to fundraise \$8000. Even \$7,500 is

too much. I propose \$5,600. We do have the lowest population and that should be put in consideration.

Mike Hewitt: Can we steer away from whatever was spent last year.

**Josue Aparicio**: Everyone referencing to the campaigns from last year, you guys don't know how much we spent and it was way less. Some people in the party still didn't pay but are elected. It wasn't a due. I think \$8,000 is a good compromise. I don't understand why we are lowering it.

Alex Marroquin: It is easy to get your name across here, instead of other UCs, why are we trying to set the bar high if we didn't get that high last year.

**Timothy Benson:** I have a question for the author, amount that independent can spend is \$1,200, is that intended to be an incentive for people to run as independent people instead of parties

Joel Mandujano: No, it's to even out the plain field.

Chloe Stryker: This budget is including donations where as it didn't before.

**Elizabeth Farrington:** Reserve My Right. Personally I think it should be lower, if its fair and even why not, Election Committee bylaws should increase how much they spend on campaigns percent of people that voted last year was enough so don't need to keep the cap to whatever it was last year.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Elizabeth Farrington, <u>SECONDED</u> by Fabian Gallardo to amend Section 4B2 to decrease party cap to \$6000. <u>VOTE TO VOTE PASSES (18-5).MOTION CARRIED BY</u> <u>VOTE (13-5-5)</u>

Discussion Table:

**Chloe Stryker**: My problem is donation is that included in the \$6000? Donations should be on top of that or raise it to \$7000.

**Joel Mandujano:** I think \$6,000 is good and includes donations and if anything donations can subsidize dues per candidate.

**Sammie Maramba-Ferrell:** Reserve My Right. That might be an issue for someone who has access to donations should be thinking of people who don't have access to the boards, \$6,000 is good, but not ideal.

**Joel Mandujano:** amend current bill, add under section 12 Fines and Penalties, subsection B so parties or The EC has full discretion to disqualified parities/candidate however any ruling made by EC can be appealed or overturned by AS Judicial Council.

Elizabeth Farrington: Section 2 F, part 3, is very similar.

Chris Wendle: So the amendment has been withdrawn.

**Jamie Silverstein:** My problem with it's not incremental. EC I predict will be too hesitant or they will actually use and people will be really pissed off. So I don't know what to do for enforcement mechanism. It has to be incremental and strong.

**Josue Aparicio:** With this punishment we are giving too much power to the EC, figure out a point system, like how many times you mess u, a certain number of points is a warning, a certain number is a fine punishment and a certain number qualifies for disqualification. Or else people are going to be disqualified for small things.

**Elizabeth Farrington:** EC already has a lot of power; it's not a big stretch to put that in there. I don't think it's a big deal. We have JC we can check that.

**Chris Wendle:** This needs to be done by tomorrow, so they can make the copies for the forum on Friday.

**Sammie Maramba-Ferrell:** If I yield it to Christina, she can talk about her experience on EC. Question to Christina, Do we need a point system to enforce punishment?

**Christina Baggo:** I feel like endorsing the Legal code was difficult, especially when you go to big events and there is only 1 to 2 people there that could regulate the infractions. Elections Committee would have to work out with Legislative Council.

Jamie Silverstein: reserve my right; want to move out of this direction. Motion to not follow this format and

**Chris Wendle:** This needs to be done by tomorrow, so they can make the copies for the forum on Friday.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Adam Goldman, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Beth Goodman to go into recess and let Christina do her presentation and then go back into session. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY</u> <u>CONSENT.</u>

# Call to Order

The Council was called to order at 11:43 P.M by the INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT, Chris Wendle.

# <u>Roll call</u>

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#### **Excused Absences:**

Abigail Cordova

**Chloe Stryker:** Section 4: last sentence of section E change from Leg Council to Judicial Council

**Timothy Benson:** I don't even have an electronic copy of it. The soonest we could access it by tomorrow.

**Chris Wendle:** No matter what we end up doing there is going to be a lot of questions. Since there is a seperate sheet for punishment, and nothing that is in violation will go in judicial council. This whole thing is new its going to take AS off guard, going to find wholes in this. No matter what we are going to find things unfair tonight.

**Jamie Silverstein**: I agree with Chris, so what if we write we leave the punishment to EC, but have to publish all of them 2 weeks before elections. And approved by LC, we leave it to them. I recommend that somebody motion to amend the bill, to stipulate that EC must lay out rules and regulation regarding money, posters, flyers and everything and punishment are attached to this X amount of times, and LC can approve that.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Jamie Silverstein and <u>SECONDED</u> by Sammie Maramba Ferrell to amend that Elections Committee will formulate and make public regulations for campaigning hours at least 3 weeks before. <u>OBJECTION TO CONSENT. MOTION CARRIED BY VOTE (18-3-1)</u> **Chris Wendle**: Jamie you would want it to be decided by week nine of winter quarter , LC has the power to vote on it by a super majority.

**Timothy Benson:** It's a good idea, we need things by the book, add to bill that annually EC will make their own enforcement. Its two weeks before elections committee, Abigail and I can bring it in and you guys can vote on it.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Elizabeth Farrington, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Joel Mandujano to amend bill, section 4 part C, Letter A, "is to be appointed internally by a party and is responsible for keeping record of financial expenditures if running independent the candidate is his or her own campaign treasurer" Section 4, C letter D. all the same except published made into "made public". Part E, last sentence, LC is changed to JC. All italicized area the formatting is fixed. <u>MOTION</u> <u>CARRIED BY CONSENT.</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Jason Lopez, and <u>SECONDED</u> by Sammie Maramba-Ferrell to amend Section 12, new letter K, to state that if any party exceeds cap a \$1,000 fine will be given to that party. <u>MOTION FAILS BY VOTE (6-14-1)</u>

Discussion table:

Beth Goodman: Where does the money go?

Chris Wendle: It goes back to EC account.

Josue Aparicio: \$1,000 is a lot. It doesn't outline how you would get disqualified.

Alexandra Onodera: I thought we were going to do punishments later.

**Elizabeth Farrington:** Reserve my right. This contradicts that EC has. I recommend we go to a vote and shoot current amendment down.

**Jake Elwood:** Individuals being able to run by independent she be limited so a whole bunch of people do not run together as independent but as a party.

**Elizabeth Farrington:** how do you expect for penalties to be written? If we have to approve the Election Code, how can they create a list of penalties?

Chris Wendle: We are in an experimental phase, we are not going to have all the answers.

**Jamie Silverstein:** Then we should not be making rules for independents of the elections code. We should just let EC make their own rules. They cannot make any rules contradicting the Legal Code. They will create the rules and send it back to us by week nine so we can approve. The whole point of this bill is to create a framework for spending caps.

Chris Wendle: What happens if this passes?

**Aaron Jones:** It is pretty much what Elizabeth said, that they already have the authority over elections so they will not do anything crazy. Tim has brought up a good point; we do not have the binder to go over the rubric of what will be gone over. I would suggest that it would be separate from the legal code.

**Jake Elwood:** If the elections committee brings them to us week nine and we do not approve them what will happen.

Elizabeth Farrington: Nothing.

**Aaron Jones:** Nothing will happen, but you will give the power to EC to make the decision. They would have to file a case with Judicial Code.

Jamie Silverstein: There is a lot of things in the bill that give EC Guidelines

**Jason Lopez:** At the EC meeting they will be taking it at a case-by-case basis. The fine should be 10% of the budget that is used. Your punishment will depend on how much you went over you went over. So if it is \$6,000 then your fine will be \$600. We want to keep it high so people will be discouraged to go over. We should set the guidelines so there is a fine line. 10% is reasonable.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Jason Lopez and <u>SECONDED</u> by Araceli Aceredo to add 10 % fine of the budget used for the campaign any party goes over budget. <u>OBJECTION TO CALL TO</u> <u>QUESTIONS</u>. <u>MOTION FAILED BY Vote (6-15-2)</u>

**Veronica Smith:** I agree with Jason, if you go over, you go over, you should be disqualified... you will have a budget and not go over. There are rules set in place for a reason.

<u>MOTION</u> made by Joel Mandujano and <u>SECONDED</u> by Elizabeth Farrington to go into section 2 Subsection B. No independent executive candidates shall exceed a campaign budget of \$500, including but is not limited to donations, fundraisers, and financial contributions. No independent legislative council candidate shall exceed \$300 including, but not limited to donations, fundraisers, and financial contributions. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT.</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Fabian Gallardo and <u>SECONDED</u> by Jake Elwood to clarify what independent candidates are such as non-partisan and not be endorse by a party or a candidate in section 2G2. <u>MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT</u>

<u>MOTION</u> made by Jamie Silverstien and <u>SECONDED</u> by Beth Goodman to pass (021010:71) A Bill to Encourage Transparency & Competition to our A.S. Elections. <u>OBJECTION to</u> <u>CONSENT. MOTION CARRIED BY VOTE</u> (19-1-2)

<u>MOTION</u> made by Araceli Aceredo and <u>SECONDED</u> by Mike Hewitt to pass the Election Code. <u>MOTION CARRIED WITH CONSENT</u>

# <u>Remarks</u>

Chris Wendle: Send Representative reports through email to Jake.

# **Adjournment**

<u>MOTION</u> made by Beth Goodman and <u>SECONDED</u> by Adam Goldman to Adjourn Meeting. <u>MOTION CARRIWD WITH CONSENT.</u> Meeting Adjourn at 12:34 am.