

Legislative Council Minutes of Proceedings

January 26, 2005

Flying 'A' Room

The Council was called to order at 6: p.m., by the **INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT**, Andrea Wells.

ROLL CALL

Kristen Ditlevsen (excused absence)
Jason Everitt
Mia Franco
Michelle Garcia
Adam Graff
Jennifer Greeley
Felix Hu
Danielle Humphrey
Danielle Lesure
Rudy Lopez
Raymond Meza
Tan Nguyen
Frank Pabian
Selyna Perez (unexcused tardy)
Ivan Rosales (excused tardy)
Lindsay Saito
Maegan Sinclair
Joanna Thomas (excused early departure)
Chaz Whatley
Adriana Wiannecki (unexcused tardy)
Elaine Woodward

ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES AND EXCUSED ABSENCES

MS Motion to bundle and approve the following proxies and absences:

Kristin Ditlevsen has something personal tonight.
Joanna Thomas needs to leave at 7:50.
Ivan Rosales will be late because of school.

MSC Motion is approved by consent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carolyn Buford- Associate Dean of Students

- Jodie Anderson, our student regent, will be meeting January 31st at 7:00p.m. in Embarcadero Hall.
- There will be a meeting with representatives from Santa Barbara County Police Force where students and others can go talk to them and bring up questions or concerns.

Barbara Otiz- Office of Student Life

- OSL gave a mini-grant for \$6,148 at their last meeting. Now they have \$14,528 this quarter to give for funding “alternative programming”.
- Applying for a mini-grant is now a 3-step process. (1) meet with an activity advisor who will, at his/her discretion, recommend you to (2) attend a minor events meeting. (3) Fill out an application for alternative social programming.
- Also, one can advertise his/her alternative programming events in the “Weekend Spotlight” section of the Nexus, for free

Chaz Whatley- Legislative Council Representative

- Next Wednesday night, Sand Bar will be opening its doors for all people of 18 years and older.
- They will be collecting a cover, and all this money collected will be given to Tsunami Relief. Doors open at 9:30.

PUBLIC FORUM

- None

A.S. COMMITTEE REPORTS & EX-OFFICIO REPORTS

- None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Don Daves-Rougeaux

- The position of I.V. Tenants Union Staff Coordinator is now open. One can submit an application online. If anyone is interested in applying, talk to Don, or go online and read more about the position. It will begin as early as February 9th.
- IVTU’s lease for the building they are residing in will be ending at end of this year. The University no longer will be leasing the building, so we can’t sublease with them again. We either need to directly lease from owner, or move to another location. The ending of this lease will affect IVCRC also, as they are located in that building too.
- He is currently researching the staff structures of other A.S. entities at different Universities. He will make a presentation on this later.
- The A.S. Bike Shop is moving forward with their plans for a new building. He passed out financial information and a layout plan. They are planning on initially building a temporary facility for Bike Shop. They applied for a one-time funding to pay for facility. This would give A.S. 5-10 years to come up with a permanent site. There are two options for the building. One is purchasing, one is leasing. There is a minimal

(approximately \$30,000) difference between the two. In the long-run, this would require a student fee raising initiative. But this will come later.

- There was some talk about relocating KCSB with A.S. Bike Shop, as their facilities are also not very nice.
- The staff are trying to come up with ways that A.S. can be more environmentally friendly.
- The Dunn School is looking for people to attend and speak at the second annual Day of Tolerance.
- If you have a board or commission and want to roll the money you have now into an account next year, typically the due date is early February. He wonders if others would prefer that this happen in Spring Quarter, so that it gives groups more time to decide.
- There has been discussion at Campus Elections Committee about extending the campus elections from 3 days to 5 days. Graduates typically have that much time, and it would definitely improve student turn-out. He wants Legislative Council to give that some thought. Whether this would help, or be too much extra work and effort.
- Tomorrow there is a Faculty Legislature meeting, open to campus. He emailed an agenda for this meeting.
- We just received our numbers of over-enrolled students for the Summer quarter. There were over 1,700 students. This will bring over \$10,000 into unallocated and around \$30,000 for lock-ins, etc.
- If anyone wants to be a Legislative Rep. for the Faculty Legislature Meeting, please let him know.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Cervin Morris

- None

INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Andrea Wells

- Send an email to Andrea nominating someone for Leggie of the Month.
- She's been working on ideal retreat agenda.
- Been working on some requests that they are going to make Chancellor Yang.
- CODA was doing some events with blind dogs, and skateboarders were ignoring them and running into the dogs, people, etc. CODA now wants to make a demonstration in the Arbor, where students can stand and force skateboarders and others to be more aware of everyone and walk/skate around them.
- She has the list of all the group projects that everyone came up with. Sign up for one you are interested.
- If there are more working meetings, people need to clean up after themselves.

EXTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT FOR LOCAL AFFAIRS' REPORT – Jared Renfro

- None

**EXTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT FOR STATEWIDE AFFAIRS' REPORT –
Felicia Cruz**

- What CODA is trying to do is to show students on campus that you need to be aware of those around you, since there are students who cannot be aware of everything going on around them.
- Talked about UCSA budgeting. Luckily, because UCSA is funded by a lock-in fee at UCSB, we don't have issues paying fees.
- Eligible Local Context i.e. the guaranteed admittance for the top 4% of High School students into a UC is hopefully being expanded. This is especially good for students who come from low-income areas.
- She, together with Chaz Whatley, held an Eligibility Workshop, and she talked to some people interested in running for positions.
- She is working on filling out a survey about how autonomous our students are. Results will be shared later.
- USSA is a nationwide coalition of students from various universities. UCLA is not allowed to give a fee to them because Chancellor Dines said that this could not occur. This won't affect UCSB at all.
- There was the 1st Evergreen Annual report. This is good, because it shows that the Regents are trying to make sure that things are more environmentally aware of schools.
- Had a meeting with a Regent Parskey. They talked about the cut to outreach and enrollment. He said that he will work to try to change this. This is good, because he is a Republican, and they hope that he will become a key to getting other Republicans' votes. In his opinion, the 8% fee increase will happen, and there is nothing that students will be able to do about it.
- UC Berkely passed their long-range-development plan. It was highly contested with Berkely residents, but it still passed. UCSB is working on one now. Students should make themselves aware of what the county is talking about.
- UC Merced will be open in 2005.
- The next UC Regents meeting will be March 16-17 at UCLA. She will be recruiting people to go, even though this is during finals week. There will be a discussion about financial aid at this meeting. Student-return-to-aid will be cut to 25% from 33%. This is the percentage of all paid education fees that are made available to students who cannot afford to pay their fees. The cut will be approximately 6 million dollars. If they do some re-budgeting, they can come up with an amount close to \$6,000,000.
- She had an executive meeting and Ally Sprott, the co-chair of CODA, attended. They spoke about the fact that there was not a wheelchair accessible van for students on campus. They just received an email saying that there will be one available next week. This van will be replacing an old one, and so will only be available to students during school hours, not over the weekend for conferences, etc. This is still an issue for them.
- They are talking about making presentations to different groups about how to make their events more wheelchair accessible.

- UC Davis Regents just voted for an expansion of their stadium. 2/3 of the money is coming from students. The rest of the money will come from other sources. A lot of students have a concern about this because they did not have a choice or voice in this.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

MS Motion to add to the agenda FB minutes for 1/25

MSC Motion is approved by consent.

MS Motion to accept the amended agenda.

MSC Motion is approved by consent.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MS Motion to bundle and approve the following minutes:

1. PB 11/24/05
2. CAB 1/18/05
3. EAB 1/25/05
4. IVCRC 1/24/05
5. LRC 1/17/04
6. LC 1/19/05
7. FB 1/25/05

MSC Motion is approved by consent.

ACTION ITEMS

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Update Elections Code – Lindsay Saito & Danielle Lesure 012605:15

Bill was withdrawn, and a new copy will be sent out to everyone.

There were various concerns brought up about this bill during the meeting. As per Raymond Meza:

- In the last whereas it does not clearly state what the issue is with “instant-run off,” that we are to discuss. Another whereas would be beneficial in order to explain what the dilemma is
- Article III, Section 1, A), 1) 60 units in residency ensures that a person ensures that a person has been on campus for an amount of time and could possibly be more conscious of the issues that affect our campus, had previous involvement in Associated Students. Secondly, this only applies for executive officers. Lastly, according to Article III, Section 1, A), 4) there is a appeals process.
- Article III, Section 2, I do not understand the reasoning for a change from “the last Legislative Council meeting” to the “8th week” of Spring quarter.
- Article III, Section 12, 2), b) This should certainly not be completely struck out. It is very important that we keep the impartiality of the Elections Committee that this clause ensures. This clause allows for anyone who does not hold an elected office or appointed position to be a voting member on the Committee. Most people in other AS BCC’s are not appointed and not one of them is elected. You can do the work in a BCC without being appointed and in fact most AS work is done through people like this. My suggested amendment would be this:
 b) No voting member or Chairperson of the Committee may be holding any other *elected* office or appointed position in the Associated Students
- Article XIV, Section 2, B), 3) and 4) I do not believe that possible candidates should have restrictions on proxies that members of Legislative Council themselves do not have to observe once elected. Secondly, regardless if you have a proxy at the Mandatory Candidates’ Meeting, that individual is still responsible for understanding the elections regulations and will still be penalized if they do not follow them.
- Article XIV, Section 3, C), g) Leave current language AS IS. The less signs on grass plots THE BETTER.
- Article XIV, Section 10, B) I believe that there should be a threshold percentage for a ballot measure to be valid, especially in this instance since 15% is the floor. If you have a majority of the people supporting a cause then I would help that this cause is worth for at least 15% of the students for have voted for it in one form or the other.
- Article XIV, Section 11, C) Regardless of the mechanisms of elections an avenue for a recount should exist in the event of something erroneous taking place

GROUP PROJECT REPORTS

Adam Graff

Said that the Readers Project is getting started well.. On Monday, he typed up and emailed out a spreadsheet with all of the different departments on campus, their heads, and names of those who have used A.S.’s note-keeping services in the past. He would like to send out a list and divide the departments so that different people will email the different departments. Felix Hu was wondering about the “equivalent” services that A.S. claims to have, as these are concerns of different Professors.

Tan Nguyen

The manager in charge of sports events in the Thunder Dome said that it was too late to do a Tsunami Drive at the basketball games. We can have a table for A.S. and we can have fliers, and such, but we cannot have actual boxes at the games. The reason given was that since it is a month after the event, it is too late to do a drive. He still wants people to show up to the games, to show A.S.'s presence on campus. A.S. could have boxes outside to collect money, but they could not "work a line", since this is a captive audience, and is not allowed.

He is excited because the Santa Barbara community Soup Kitchen, located down town, finally made a commitment to help the homeless in IV. They will serve them hot meals and help them. Now there will be a program Monday-Friday which will feed the homeless in IV, and they will also help with other problems, such as alcohol problems, etc. that IV homeless may have.

Frank "Justin" Pabian

Was wondering whether it would be in our interest to write a position paper about this issue before we talk to them. Don recommended that we speak to the person that made the decision and find out from her exact reasons why we cannot do a drive at the game.

Mia Franco

There is a meeting for the flag football coalition in the MCC room one at 8pm.

Joanna Thomas

There is a Womens Color Conference planning meeting at 8:00 tonight.

REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS-**Lindsay Saito**

Elections- Is working on a bill.

IVCRC gave money to Hillel Feb. 10th for a singles mixer. They will auction off people from different class levels for Valentines Day dates. Proceeds will go to an organization to help with cancer.

Selyna Perez

LRC is going to have the second "Know-Your-Rights" Workshop. "You got busted now what".

SCORE- Gave money out today. Their budget is low, and they have an event Monday, January 31st, at 6:00, called SLAM in the MCC. They are holding a GROW soon (Grass Roots Organizing Workshop) soon.

Michelle Garcia

Media Relations is interested in letting different groups and commissions know that they are there to help get the word out for events.

Tan Nguyen

BIKES passed \$10,000 of additional funding for the West Campus Bluff path.

Felix Hu

SSACC Talked about maintenace, filling up holes, etc.

Joanna Thomas

Womyns Commission met Monday at 7:00. They gave money to W.E.T.T for the Vagina Monologues. Gave money to students going to the lobby conference. She thought that the amount was somewhere between \$100 and \$200.

Jen Greeley

SPF met. They approved Butterfly Habitat Enhancement \$5,600 for student stipends and for restoration of plants. SPF will fund ESP money for them to make t-shirts. Scott Bull designed a brochure about how people in IV need more incentives to recycle and throw things away.

BIKES will give \$10,000 for West Campus Bluff restoration. SPF will give \$40,000.

AAB is meeting Friday at 1:00.

Adam Graff

EAB- The first ever CA University Climate Change Summit is to be held from 9:30-4:00 on February 4-5. This will be sponsored by Bren School at UCSB. They will have various speakers come. Anyone at all interested in what is going on with the climate change is welcome to attend. The vermiculture project is going ahead full-scheme. Now there are arrangements with Java Jones, Blenders in the Grass, and Super Cucas to handle their refuse.

Elaine Woodward

RHA approved a stage for the kick-off of black history month.

Chaz Whatley-

Program Board Gave \$150 for security to the VSA for their winter formal that will occur February 4th at 9p.m. in the Hub. It will cost \$10 for students coming alone, and \$15 for a couple. They funded \$150 worth of security and sound for BPRO's event Saturday, February 11. They gave \$150 to 191 Productions for Fashion Fusion, a fashion/talent show. Next week they are showing *Team America* at 7:30 and 10:00 in IV Theater.

Flogging Molly is playing tomorrow. *Social Distortion* 's show is coming up.

Constitution and Bylaws decided to postpone their meeting.

IVTU's lease is up. They are going to have a meeting with LRC about sharing a space with them. Their chair, Paulina, will no longer be working with them, so there will be a position open. Wednesday, February 2nd, Sand Bar is having an 18+ event. Tickets are \$8 presale, \$10 at the door.

Frank "Justin" Pabian

Friday night, RHA put on a stop-light dance at IV Tower. He had a great time. Only about 50 people showed up. Saturday night, the San Rafael Staff threw a milkshake mixer. It featured a milk-chugging contest.

Comm on Comm should meet soon, but Lance has not sent out an email yet. RHA met last night. They gave away \$1000 to Direct Relief from their unallocated fund. They gave \$1000 to the families of La Conchita from also from their unallocated fund.

He attended Finance Board meeting Monday. It was an experience

Jason Everitt

Ad-hoc committee is having interviews Friday starting at 1:30. They need 5 people to be there, and they need at least 3 more to sign up. They already have the questions set up. Finance Board gave \$200 to MCAC for a Flag Football tournament. This will cover t-shirts and 2 more refs, since they were worried about impartiality. It was an emotional meeting, and they spent the rest of their money, so they are out until next quarter.

Danielle Humphrey

The first Finance Board Budget Hearings is Feb. 14th.

They gave money to the Delta Sigma Theta Talent Show which will occur Thursday, at 8:00. They also funded BPro.

Danielle Lesure

Nothing to report

Maegan Sinclair-

Finance Board had a proxy for the Finance Board meeting.

Mia Franco-

Finance Board gave \$250 to BSA and the W.E.T.T. It was an emotional meeting because we had such a limited amount of money to give out. Some people took it personally. She is excited to hear that AAB is meeting. Hopefully this will get started this quarter.

Adrianna Wianecki

CAB will have a fundraiser at Sam's-To-Go on January 28. A portion of their profits will go to Student Publication. Tomorrow at 6:30 there's a Habitat for Humanity meeting. They'll speak about Spring Break trip on Arizona. Goleta Valley needs help decorating for Martis Gras. They will have a meeting for this on Monday, Feb 7 from 12-10.

Rudy Lopez

Jared came up with some ideas in order to get more members in IVTU. They are trying to get an advertisement in the classifieds. They are also pushing for a Womyns Center fee increase.

Raymond Meza-

Student Lobby has been working with the Governor's proposed budget. If anyone is interested in going to the Lobby Conference, or wants to write a testimony about the effect of the fee increase, let him know. Anyone interested in Academic Senate

Committee should speak to Lance. This gives the chance to talk to professors about student's issues.

SECRETARY'S REPORT Andrea Llovera

- Nothing to report

DISCUSSION

- None

REMARKS

Selyna Perez

If anyone has friends in EOP or has not signed the ballot, please sign it.

Adam Graff

Reminded everyone to speak to him after meeting about helping with his reader project.

ADJOURNMENT

MS Motion to adjourn at 8:13 p.m.

MSC The motion is approved by consent.