



Associated Students Legislative Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 6, 2010

5:00 pm, State St. Room, University Center

Call to Order

The Council was called to order at 5:03 p.m., by the INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT, Chris Wendle.

Roll Call

Chris Wendle
Josue Aparicio
Daniel Gradias
Timothy Benson
Elizabeth Farrington
Fabian Gallardo
Alexandra Onodera
Jasmine Davenport
Veronica Smith
Thomas "Sammy" Maramba-Ferrell proxy
Stanley Tzankov
Michael Hewitt Jr.
Adam Goldman
Chloe Stryker
Casey Capachi

Araceli Aceredo recognized at 6:00 pm
Jason Lopez recognized at 5:15
Andrew "Jake" Elwood Recognized at 5:20
Jamie Silverstien recognized at 5:42 pm
Barbara De la Torre left at 5:55 and recognized at 6:47pm
Sammie Maramba-Ferrell recognized at 6:26 pm
Joel Mandujano recognized at 6:26 pm

Absent

Brian Mays
Abby Cordova
Luis Cardenas

Acceptance of Excused Absences

MOTION made by Fabian Gallardo and SECONDED by Adam Goldman to excuse Araceli Aceredo, Joel Mandujano, and Sammie Ferrell from 5:00-615 for every meeting during the Winter Quarter; Abby Cordova for the meeting, and Barbara De la Torre from 6-7. AMENDMENT made by Jouse Aparicio, that Aceredo, Mandujano, and Ferrell just for the meeting with Chris Wendle figuring out a solution to class conflicts. MOTION CARRIED BYCONSENT.

Acceptance of Proxies

MOTION made by Josue Aparicio and SECONDED by Jasmine Davenport to approve Abraham Monzon as Sammy Maramba- Ferrell's proxy, Gary Alfredo as Joel Mandujano's proxy and Kelly Hartle as Barbara De la Torre's proxy. MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT.

Announcements

Cindy Lopez, Associate Director of Administration: Construction on the bike shop is complete, waiting for fire safety inspection so we can move in to the building. On Friday, at 1pm we will be having a planning meeting for the Bike Shop Grand Opening. Contact Denise if you would like to be apart of the grand opening committee. Next Wednesday there will be a AS Staff and Leg Council Mixer, from 3-5 in MCC/GSA/AS lobby Area.

Aaron Jones, Associate Director of Community Affairs: Marisela will be back next week. CAB sent twenty-one (21) students to assist with rebuilding efforts in New Orleans during winter break. They were there for a week and worked on three houses. Were able to meet and work alongside the family families whose house they were working. Several students shared there experiences on KCSB this morning were they said it looked like the hurricane just happened. AS has sent students to volunteer every year since Hurricane Katrina happen, and still encourages UCSB students to continue to help. Jose Ragoza, the IV Office Coordinator, position that was 50% has been expanded with him now working in the APAR, at 50% as well. He is now a 100% employee. The Campus Elections Committee will be meeting next week and will be finalizing the election ballot. Signatures are needed by Feb 2. The CAB and EAB office have been remolded by BKM. St Michaels Church is in the process of creating a community garden. Building these raised bed. You can go out and volunteer from 9am-12-pm every Saturday until February. CAB is having their annual Care expo on Jan 20th from 12-4 in Corwin Pavilion that is for non-profits to recruit volunteers and job seekers. The non-profits are not charged to have a table. Cab is working closely with Career Center.

Public Forum

None

A.S. Committee & Ex-Officio Reports

Chris Wendle, Internal Vice President: Honoraria was a lot of work. The bill passed increased honoraria last spring presented some difficulties in dispersing the check, will need to work on that funding for next quarter.

Executive Director's Report

None

Executive Officer Reports

Charlie Arreola, President: I hope every one read the nexus article about the Math 3A students. We never seen a number as high as that, were a large number of students received an "F". We will be researching and questioning this situation. This can be a project. I have four staff members and will be adding a senior class coordinator. I have two (2) issues coordinator working on how you can place community service on your transcripts. Also, they are looking into the AS scholarship we discussed that the T-Shirt business revenue would fund. My Chief- Of- Staff will be working with Committees On

Committees and Media Relations. Working with Associated students to put out more press releases. AS Salary savings will be the next press release. We will be using The Bottom Line a lot more. My Admin assistant schedules my meetings follow up with mail. There are several projects I would like someone in Leg Council to look-into:

Sierra Madre Housing Project: I met with Mark Fisher about this family student housing. There is a Third Party Company, Tobbes who is overseeing this project, who are paying their employees at a lower rate, not comparable to the university rate. Several question, needing answers are, who will be living in the housing? Will the housing be subsidized? The third party contractor could control the price of the rent. We want it to be affordable. We need to make sure it is affordable.

External Lock-in's the Recreation Center and Arts and Lectures: This Committee will review how the money of these lock-in's are spent. Reviewing the ballot language and to make sure that they are using money for the reason voted upon.

Ventura Center: We went to the Ventura Center in November and the meeting was not a welcoming space. The decision was already made before the meeting, so they spent the time talking at the students, but not listening to their concerns. We are trying to work with the dean and who every else can assist in making this transition easier for the students. This is a fiscal issue, so we are trying to support and help these students.

Parking is trying to add a parking fee through campus elections, since the Student Initiative has a 5-year moratorium. But if they pass it they will have jurisdiction to increase the fee in coming years. How many students know that they can get free night and weekend parking? A project should be focused on students knowing they can get a night and weekend pass. There should be a two-week campaign.

Cell Site: Right now, AS gets money from cell sites, we are not sure on how we are getting that money. Elizabeth when she comes next meeting will be able to further discuss this matter

Brian Mays and I, are looking into the Police Review Board to address racial profiling and how they can be more student friendly

Veronica Smith, I did not see the Math 3A article

Charlie Arreola: Last quarter students took Math #A and 300 students got an "F". Highest number ever. We need to look at the numbers and questions.

Veronica Smith: Parking prices are they AS?

Charlie Arreola: The fee would be an additional parking fee for undergraduates to pay more money. The ballot language is set to go up \$2.00. The election will get rid of the AS \$3 and have students pay the campus \$5-6. I mentioned 8 projects; it would be great or some of you to jump on board. Please contact me. Major events meeting will be held this Friday. Karl Rove and Floatopia will be discussed

Chris Wendle, *Internal Vice President*:

Campus elections will be meeting soon I will be acting as the chair, I can answer your questions. We will be approving ballot language. Turn in your office hours by next Monday to the Main Office Student Staff. Remind everyone this is the time you can get a lot of work done now, since the quarter just started.

Clay Carlson, *External Vice President of Local Affairs*: Happy New Year. I am happy to be back. My critic of last quarter was Legislative Council member's involvement in their BCC's. I was disappointed

that many of you have not been active members in your BCC's and did not attend meetings earlier in the quarter, not just at the last minute. Halloween parking permits are not dead, I am now working with David Burbum, UC lawyer, and they do see our point. But we will get this resolved. We are hoping to get the students their money back.

I spoke with someone about MATH 3A. 60% got less than "C-", which Usually it is 14% a C-. This class is important for students who are going into hard sciences. We are trying to see what the students who received that grade are doing about it. We are trying to have students come forward and give testimonies about their experience.

Campus digital signage will be used for campus advertising and emergency awareness. We are looking at a variety of signs. I wanted to see if they are appropriate. (A straw poll was taken, majority in support). I have spoken about having a for-profit, with a lot of outside advertising. If AS heads it up, we can subsidize and not have outside ads or we can make it a for-profit. It is a pilot project we will try one screen first.

I met with Doreen Favre, about Floatopia. There is a Facebook group page created by this guy who is trying to create a non profit- to put on Floatopia. I will be meeting with this guy tomorrow; we are trying to run a campaign similar to what we did for Halloween. I will be coming to you for input about it. Halloween is still being discussed on a county level. We are meeting with 16 entity groups, those affected by Halloween, over the next 2 months. If you want to get involved, it is open.

We are looking at additional space at AS. The Execs and Marisela, has spoken and we are meeting to look at increasing the space. We will be forming a sub-committee and involve the leggies. We have the permission and authority to move forward.

Adam Goldman- Where is the funding coming from?

Clay Carlson: Capitol improvements and fundraising. Right now we are up in the air.

Adam Goldman: Floatopia- on the Facebook group. How many people are attending?. Are we running a risk of legitimizing the event by making an official statement?

Clay Carlson: It is complex. It all depends on what this guy is planning. We are still working on how we will frame it, because we want to educate people about the dangers, without shutting down the event.

Mike Hewitt: Have you talked about Esther about the increased theft rate in IV?

Clay Carlson: IVTU is Giving out window locks and other publicity campaigns addressing theft and locking your belongings. County wise, it has not been addressed. IV foot patrol should put more resource in to that. I would encourage the council to write some positions about Floatopia, digital signage, grades and the theft issues. It would be great for some one to research and go over this in meetings.

Celina Ayala, External Vice President of Statewide Affairs: There will be a board meeting at UCR this weekend. I will be working on saving Ventura campus, I felt the frustration and it was intense. The desperation of the students in attending the Ventura center was being shut down. These people have families, and I cannot stress the importance of saving this center. It is just wrong. Regents Meeting was televised and we were kicked out.

Group Project Reports

Adam Goldman: Those who went down to Ventura will get together with students and decision makers. The relationship between the two is not great. Their stories were inspirational. ESS is getting back on the Wagon. They will be around to Spring 2011. We have had some progress before it was on Spring 2010

Veronica Smith: The Administrative Dinner will be in the Corwin Pavilion on March 4th. I will be meeting with Dr. Young to get administrators on board. I will be meeting with student groups to get them interested. I wanted to know how much the board would be allocating for the dinner. The quote from the UCen was about \$1500-1600.

Alex Onodera: I spoke with Judy, about a T-shirt businesses and we contacted Cal Poly, there is as guy that could come down to help us start it up using “Green” ink”. Greek Committee is having a forum during Greek Week.

Daniel Gardias: Spoke with Web dev with them about the blog.

Jake Elwood: Trying to get a place in IV for AS, along with Barbara. We are looking into approving WIFI and UMail at UCSB, as a future group project. We are looking at using GMAIL a campus email account.

Stanley Tzankov: Tech initiative plan fee involves UMAIL updates. They may already be trying to rework.

Adam Goldman: Make an app that promotes UCSB events.

Stanley Tzankov: There should be a Gold app. So they will not skip class to crash classes.

Chris Wendle: The goal is to have Gold work on phones

Acceptance of Agenda

MOTION made by Mike Hewitt, SECONDED by Josue Aparicio to add TBTN 1/5 and IVCRC minutes and Budget Surplus, Floatopia, AS Dinner, and Campaign Promises to DISCUSSION

MOTION made by Josue Aparicio, SECONDED by Adam Goldman to accept the Agenda as amended.
MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT

Acceptance of Minutes

MOTION made by Mike Hewitt, SECONDED by Adam Goldman to open Finance Board minutes to add Raul Martinez as Mike Hewitt’s proxy. MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT.

MOTION made by Josue Aparicio, SECONDED by Alex Onodera to approve the minutes for FB 1/4 CAB 11/17, ASPB 1/4, LC 12/2, TBTN 1/5, and IVCRC. MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT.

Action Items

None

Old Business

None

New Business

1. (010610:47) A Bill to Restructure the Legislative Council Members' Job Description

Alex Onodera: My idea with this bill is not to have office hour's off-campus, because it may not be effective. I wanted to incorporate community service, instead of that one hour. I feel as though community service we would give back to the students in a better way then, that one-office hour. It is a more productive way to work with Cab/ community.

Fabian Gallardo: It would be a better idea to restructure how we keep track of the hours. We should go to the students.

Josue Aparicio: I cannot support taking the hour our. On campus reps do use it.

Joel Mandujano: I agree with Fabian and Jouse. For off-campus reps, I find it useful. Fabian has a good point we should have a certain place. This could be a time to structure the place of the off campus rep- such as a center.

Chris Wendle: We are not looking at the bill for what it is, but we should create a solution.

Elizabeth Farrington: We should discuss this more, by creating an ad hoc committee

Alex Onodera: First, I wanted it to be more for off -campus reps. is it adding community service, or is it adding the office hour that is the problem

Stanley Tzankov: Community service I am divided on. We need the space to represent, but I think that community service would be great. The issues should be separated.

Jamie Silverstien: I agree the problem with tracking off campus hours, but I do not feel community service is the solution.

Mike Hewitt: Community service does not have to be separate, there can be overlapped with your current community service. For on campus reps, such as Joel, we did not think about that. But we do need to find a better way to track it.

Jake Elwood: Legal Code encourages that we do community service. It is not a bad thing that the bill requires that. But getting rid of on-campus and off-campus hours are a good thing. Community service as a requirement is a good thing; we should just lower the hours from 8. If tracking is an issue we should advocate for a space in IV.

Chloe Stryker: The office hours is valued, if there was a space. The importance is that we have a space.

Jason Lopez: A short-term solution for off-campus reps, there is an ITVU office, so there could be as sign in sheet there. Like we do in the main office. It is a temporary solution. As far as the community service. If that is a one-hour week, go to the meetings and ask them what they want, and what can as do for you. Which will be more effective then picking up trash.

Tim Benson: Jason brought up a great point. The purpose of office hours is to connect and communicate with our constituents, but we already have a place such as the IVTU office. If people are torn they should have an option if they want to do community service.

Barbara De la Torre: We are already doing community service with other BCC's.

Jake Elwood: We do have a space, but we do not have visible space/ AS office.

Veronica Smith. It should be either or.

Jouse Aparicio. We should table it for one week.

MOTION made by Josue Aparicio, SECONDED by Jake Elwood to table bill (010610:47) A Bill to Restructure the Legislative Council Members' Job Description for one week. MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT.

Barbara De la Torre, Jason Lopez, Elizabeth Farrington, Fabian Gallardo, Stanley Tzankov, Jake Elwood and Adam Goldman were interested in the ad-hoc committee to discuss the restructuring of the Legislative Council members job description.

MOTION by Joel Mandujano, SECONDED by Josue Aparicio, to suspend the orders of the day to add #6 Community Service to DISCUSSION. OBEJECTION TO CALL TO QUESTION made by Adam Goldman on the basis that it could be discussed in the Ad-Hoc committee. MOTION RETRACTED.

Discussion

1. Leg Council Retreat (Gallardo)

Fabian Gallardo: The retreat is this weekend. The Sexual Harassment Workshop will be in the Lobero room. We will be leaving campus at 5:00PM. Staying in Los Osos and there are cooking groups,

Casey Capachi: Can a van come back earlier for the RHA retreat?

2. Budget Surplus

Chris Wendle: During the audit meeting it was recommended that we have a surplus that we should spend.

Adam Goldman: Use the surplus money to create a bank. But it as ton of money, it is like about 800,000 a year, we should do something with it.

Jake Elwood: We should invest the money into an AS office space in Isla Vista.

Alex Onodera: Can we talk about this during the retreat.?

Barbara De la Torre: There will be an AS space by Parking lot 22, it is closer to IV.

Chris Wendle: The Master Plan for 2025 AS would have space next to the SRB. There are so many details that need to be figured out, to address all these issues

3. Campaign Promises

Adam Goldman. It would be worth looking into the promises we made while we were running for this position.

4. Floatopia

Adam Goldman: Do we want to take a position and what position should we take?

Chloe Stryker: On Facebook there are a lot of guest that are confirmed for the event. So I do not think we should be against it.

Daniel Gardias: This event is going to happen rather you like it or not. So we should try to make this event as safe as possible.

Barbara De La Torre: Where is the line drawn? What is Santa Barbara County doing? Or what can AS do? There is only so far we can go. We need to think about where do we draw the line; there is only so much we can do.

Adam Goldman: It is good that the Facebook group promotes safety, but let's be honest people will still do it. This situation is volatile, because right now it is pretty illegal, so they could just start arresting people. But as leaders we need to support the right thing.

Stanley Tzankov: This is directed to Barbara. What is the county doing?

Barbara De La Torre: Offering permits to drink on the beach. The person who had the permit would be responsible.

Chris Wendle: I see no way that the permits will be working.

Jake Elwood: I agree with Adam. It is going back to the first point. Do we want to take an action? If we do take an action we should not support Floatopia as it is going to be, because however it goes down it will be illegal. If we want to support it we should take no action, not a good idea since Floatopia is against the law. If we do take action it should be to support clean and safety measures.

Chloe Stryker: We should take action, because students will not listen to it. We should put our efforts into campaigning,

Tim Benson: I agree with Jake. We should support Floatopia clean up. Create clean up stations or something. We should support the cleanup preservation of the beach afterwards.

Josue Aparicio. We agree that we do not want to take a stance, but we want to support are students.

Jason Lopez: Just because we support Floatopia does not mean we support the dangerous actions. Just like we did with Halloween. If 6,000 people want it, we should support the safety

Elizabeth Farrington: As far as the environmental impact, it is the urine and the trash in the ocean that kill the fish.

Jamie Silverstien: This reminds me of the clean needles project. I agree with Jason, we understand that they are going to do that, so we should make it safe. We can get port-a-potties and limit what people can bring to the beach.

Jake Elwood: It would be beneficial to keep in touch with Clay's office and what the county is doing. So we can figure out how we should support and assist this event.

Mike Hewitt: This conversation will be ongoing. We need to create ad hoc committee. That can focus on having a forum, working with the county, EAB, creating a campaign etc.

Barbara De la Torre: I might be taking on Floatopia for Clay's office. We should talk about it with Clay. We should look at having a ten-year plan for Floatopia, like they are planning for Halloween.

Chris Wendle: If you want to develop a position paper, I encourage you to attend the Major Events Planning meeting and meet with the guy from Facebook.

5. AS Dinner

Veronica Smith: The Budget is about 2,000, I wanted to know what Leg Council would be able to allocate, before I go further with planning. It will be \$10 per person for veggie dishes and \$12-13 per person for meat dishes.

Josue Aparicio: Does this include venue fees?

Veronica Smith: No, Corwin and the electronics cost about \$500.

Josue Aparicio: What is your goal for publicizing?

Veronica Smith: I will be sending invitations and emails. I will be speaking with Dr. Young and other senior administrators. My main push will be publicizing to student group. There are not many events like this on campus.

Adam Goldman: How much money does Legislative Council have left?

Chris Wendle: About \$10,000. For the future, we could go to finance board and ask them for more money.

Adam Goldman: It would be worth funding the event.

Jake Elwood: I think this is a great project; it just depends on what administrators come. If you are having a cater dinner, you run the risk of students just coming for the dinner

Veronica Smith: My main goal is meet and greet. They will be eating and talking with administrators. I encourage you to come to my next planning meeting.

Jason Lopez: Maybe you should have an RSVP

MOTION by Elizabeth Farrington, SECONDED by Josue Aparicio to end discussion on dinner.
MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT

MOTION by Adam Goldman, SECONDED by Jake Elwood to end the discussion in its entirety.
MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT

Representative Reports

Elizabeth Farrington: EAB meeting is in Tuesday, 7:00pm in GSA.

Casey Capachi: RHA discussed All Hall event

Stanley Tzankov: Program Board met. Steve Aoki is sold out. Went over the fall lineup for Tuesday Movies

Josue Aparicio: Finance Board met. We financed Laughology. They perform every quarter on Saturday nights. We fund them every quarter because it is well attended event..

Jake Elwood: IVCRC also funded Laughology, as well. Part of the off-campus reps job description, is to attend a community meeting. Last quarter I saw a lot of off-campus reps at the end of the quarter. We encourage to you to attend meetings throughout the quarter meet every Tuesday night.

Mike Hewitt: Went to the EAB meeting and was able to share my experiences I had in Copenhagen. I am working on Greek Going Green, we are encouraging house audits. If you are interested in helping please contact me. Chancellor Sustainability Committee is meeting tomorrow. On April 9th and 10th, there will a California follow up conference, for those who went to Copenhagen from across the state. We will be doing a presentation for finance board and leg council.

Alex Onodera: Finance board is excited about having a retreat with leg council.

Daniel: Media relations are finally getting on its feet. If your group needs advertising contact the chair Matt Anderson.

Jamie Silverstein: My goal is to pick up the composting project.

Joel Mandujano: Diversity and equity committee meet. RHA people met, they are always happy and I enjoy the meetings.

Sammie Ferrell: Queer Commission will be accepting applications for Creating Change Conference SAC is trying to look into providing funding for OSL groups.

Jasmine Davenport: Womyn's Commission meeting is next week. The office's worked on improvements for this quarter.

Adam Goldman: My committee's are not meeting.

Tim Benson: IVTU is planning mixer and inviting other AS BCC groups.

Alex Marroquin: Skating is banned in the Arbor. Be the change live the dream- will not be able to have the event in the Residence halls

Jake Elwood- Students that are having a hard time registering, contact

Alex Marroquin: Is there away we can help students trying to crash classes?

Chris Wendle: There are so many things that go into it so we cannot control it.

Alex Marroquin: Are we still obligated to comply with the MCP?

Stanley Tzankov: They will not be enforcing the MCP during the budget cuts. We are trying to get an official statement out through the office.

Barbara De la Torre: IVCRC talked about their goals for the quarter at the last meeting.

Jason Lopez: Tell your BCC's they should come and request money.

Administrative Assistant's Report

None

Remarks

Chris Wendle: Turn in office hours to the main office student assistant by Monday. I wish you all luck with getting into your classes. Last quarter was great. This is a place to have a discussions, that are controversial and a place to take a stance. Lets keep it going

Adjournment

MOTION made by Jake Elwood, SECONDED by Adam to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED BY CONSENT. 7:50pm