

Legislative Council Minutes of Proceedings

October 24th, 2007

Flying A' Room

The Council was called to order at 5:03 p.m., by the **INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT**, Matt Jackson.

ROLL CALL

Paulina Abustan
Liz Buda
Amanda Burlingame
Patrick Chill
Ana Contreras
Lex Hamilton (Dan Plotkin)
Husayn Hasan
Jessi Hurd
Radhika Khosharay
Trevor Lyon
Chris Meltzer
Pratish Patel
John Paul Primeau
Paula Reeve
Gloria Schindler
Samantha Stinnett
Cici Uy
Alex Van Wanger
Chris Wendle

ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES AND EXCUSED ABSENCES

Matt – I would like to recommend that we excuse Sinead, to excuse Deirdre and have Jose Raygoza proxy for her, for Samantha to be excused at 6:40pm and to have Narain Kumar to proxy for her at that time, to excuse Molly, to excuse Hassan and to have Rafael Bodilla as his proxy, to excuse Chris M. at 6:00pm, and to excuse Matt Weisner.

MC So moved. (Alex)(Amanda)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Matt – The auditors will be here to present next week.

Carolyn – I am not sure if any of you were involved with the events last night, but I would like to say that I was very impressed with the event. Thank you for your questions and how organized it was. You took on this controversy with composure and a level head, and it was a great event.

Samuel – I am here as a proxy for Sinead, if you could accept me.

MC Motion to suspend the orders of the day, and go to Acceptance of Proxies and excused Absences. (Amanda)(Chris W.)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

MC Motion to accept Samuel as Sinead's proxy. (Jessi)(Amanda)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

MC Motion to reinstate the orders of the day. (Amanda)(Jessi)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

Bee – Hopefully you heard about the recruitment fair that happened on Monday. I feel that it went really well. I hope for improvement the next time, because we will be doing it quarterly. Special thanks goes to all of you who helped out. Dan will not be able to help us any more, so if anyone could help please talk to me.

Crystal Cervantes – I am up for appointment to Business Services. I am a second year student. I am always up for challenges, and I react quickly in all environments. Right now my schedule is pretty lenient so I have the time to resurrect this committee.

PUBLIC FORUM

Federico (MEVA) – We were going to have an event on November 2nd, but we ran into some problems with some contracts with the MCC. The MCC didn't agree with the performance fee that we had said that we would pay to the artist. Because of this, we will probably not be able to hold the event. We cannot host the video editing or IV Teen Center workshops, but we will still be trying to hold the Mariachi Workshop.

JP – So you just want to shrink the event, and still use the money that FB gave you?
Federico – Yes.

Amanda – FB gave you money for the performance and the workshop?
Federico – Yes.

Dan – So are you changing the venue?

Federico – We are still holding the workshop in the IV Teen Center, but we will be moving the performance to Santa Barbara. We will not be using your funds for the performance.

A.S. COMMITTEE REPORTS & EX-OFFICIO REPORTS

Narain – I am here to report about Program Board. Most of the events Paula and Samantha will be reporting on, but I just wanted to say that our events have been great, and are coming along this quarter. We are moving along with our After Hours programming and other Alternative programming.

Matt – Why the Styrofoam microphones?

Narain – We just like them, they were cute little stress toys. We have a few events coming up. November 3rd we are having a casino night. Next week we are showing Carrie for Halloween. On the 16th we have Terry Geiger. We have a Human Rights festival coming up and we need help from your committees to put this on. This will be coming up the week after Thanksgiving. We would like to do this, but it is too much for us to do alone. We need your help.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Marisela Marquez

I wanted to congratulate you on your work last night at the event. It went very well.

Over this past month, I have been going to all of your retreats and getting to know the staff and you as well. I have been learning about your legal code and constitution.

I am working on a staff evaluation system. I have currently instituted a self-evaluation, and their supervisors review this and go over it with them and myself.

The auditors will be here next week, so that you can know what you are into financially.

I would like you to talk to me about the parking situation on campus. I have been asked to bring to you a discussion about raising the lock-in fee for parking. Please talk to me; I need your input on how I should proceed.

Jessi – Do you know if their plan has changed from last year?

Marisela – I don't know. I would like for you to help me find out, and about what I should do on this matter.

Amanda – At the end of last year, I was on the ad hoc committee about this issue. I am curious if you could sit with them and us and figure out how much they actually need?

Marisela – Of course.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Stephanie Brower

I have the date for the next Rate Payers meeting. Tuesday, Nov 6th from 1pm-3pm in the Lobero Room. Alan Wagner will be there, and he will be discussing the Disabled Students Parking permits. The way that they approached you last year is how they approach everyone. My issue with their plan for raising fees for parking is due to the fact that the new parking structures that are not open to the students, the students are paying for. I am working on a tiered parking plan. This is a new idea and it does not go over well because most of the board has been here for 30+ years. If you are willing to help me work out the kinks of this plan, please talk to me.

Halloween parking permits, TPS will be checking which permits are on which cars. If the permit is on a car that it is not registered for they will tow it.

I was going to bring cake for everyone, but when I tried to cut it, it became cake mush.

The Aquarium of the Pacific sent us coupons. You are welcome to them.

Math and Physical Sciences is looking for a new Dean. Ezekiel is on this committee. If there are any specific traits that you feel are needed in a Dean, please talk to me.

The Chancellor's Back to School Night was last week.

Kappa Dash was great this past week. There were over 200 runners. Luckily it took place right before the ash from the fires hit IV.

I have posted my office hours in the Main Office.

All of the executives will be meeting with Marisela at 8am tomorrow.

We are looking at all new applications for the open Finance Board positions. If you know anyone who would like to do this, please have him or her turn in an application.

I met today with Robert Williams; he is a member of the College of Letters and Science executive committee. They are in charge of all of the changes that are taking place right now regarding the minimum unit requirement. We are meeting with each of these committee members to try and figure out all of these kinks.

Currently, there are a lot of people who are having respiratory issues, due to the low air quality. If you see anyone having issues, please do not try to help them unless you are trained to do so.

INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Matt Jackson

I bought a planner today, in the hopes that it will make my life easier.

Radio AS needs to be taken on by someone this year. I have volunteered to do the engineering, but I need you guys to help me or to put it on yourself. I do not have the time to organize a coherent show. If it is not of interest to you, I can fill the half an hour with something else.

We are going to have a working meeting pretty soon. I am thinking November 7th would be a good time to check ourselves about the projects that we discussed.

I now have my office hours posted in the Main Office.

EXTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT FOR LOCAL AFFAIRS' REPORT – Linsdey Quock

The door hangers have arrived, and I need stickers put onto them. Please come to help out. I need your help. We will be putting them all through IV, and in the PO boxes tomorrow. I also need stickers put on water bottles. You can do this for your office hours. If you and your friends could help out, it would be great.

The Legal Resource Center event will be at 7pm today. There will be a few lawyers and a cop to discuss your rights.

The IVTU exhibit at the MCC will be going up next Tuesday. The theme for this event is "We shall not be moved".

Did you all receive my email about Zoila (UCen custodial worker recently fired)? Please donate to her fund so that she can continue her fight against the UCen firing her.

Blue IV is getting started up again this year. This is to make IV more environmentally clean and friendly. On Del Playa and Sabado Streets, there are blue recycling containers. Every month they will be adding a new dumpster to another street. We need to set up an education campaign so that the residents of IV know what they can recycle.

The popular red cups are now recyclable. They will be redeemable for 1 cent apiece. AS is helping to fund this to get it off the ground.

Michael Young – Last night was picture perfect (regarding the Anti-Islamo-Fascism Awareness Week demonstrations). It was a perfect demonstration of a protest. Last night makes me proud to be one of your administrators.

EXTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT FOR STATEWIDE AFFAIRS' REPORT – Christine Byon

I am passing around buttons for the voter registration campaign. Right now we have 3200 voter registration cards, and we are having a Vote Week of Action. **It is not the swag that gets up these great numbers, it's the volunteers.** We need your help to do this. Please sign up to help us table.

No matter what issue you deal with on this campus, key members of the state legislature listen to you because you are involved. You have to register to vote to make your voice count.

I talked with RHA about the announcements that were made during move in day. We are pushing to have everyone register once they turn 18 and every year that they move. RHA feels that voter registration is solicitation, which it is not. Not a lot of students know where to register to vote, so this is why we are having these registration drives.

I went to the UCSA board meeting at UCLA this past weekend. We were debriefed about the Dream Act. There are a few people in the governor's cabinet that did not want this to go through, but the bill moved really quickly because of a senator from LA.

The UC Regent's meeting will be held at UCLA this coming weekend. The November Regent's meeting is very important because this is where they decide what their budget will look like for the next year. This is also where they will decide on how much they are asking for from the state legislature. Instead of asking the legislature to balance the budget, the Regents will raise the fees of the students again if we can not stop them.

GROUP PROJECT REPORTS

Radhika – I talked with Cathy, the Chair of CAB. We would like to send some care packages to the victims of the fires.

Jessi – I would like to get the word out earlier for our AS Congress.

REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS

Amanda – **SAC's** event was great and happened last weekend. We are trying to figure out other ways of fundraising, so that we don't have to come to Finance Board.

Gloria – Queer Commission is meeting tomorrow at 7pm. Finance Board allocated a lot of money in a short amount of time.

Radhika – Investments met and we are progressing.

Paulina – Student Lobby met and we have a lot of new officers. SCORE is working on the student of color conference.

Dan – Finance Board made it rain.

Jessi – Deirdre and I switched committees. Deirdre is now on CODA and I am working with WORMS. WORMS is working as a part of the Environmental Affairs Board. I am working on making this permanent.

JP – The Committees on Committees recruitment fair went really well. Compared to the past, this was a well-attended fair. Finance Board had a closed session after the meeting. We talked about the current issues that we have been facing. We are trying to make changes to the Legal Code.

Liz – As to the parking situation, Chris Miller Fischer apologized through Lindsay to me, but I will not accept it because it wasn't to my face. I am looking to see if their kicking me out of their meeting was legal, if not I will be fighting it. Bill's Bus is running tonight. You should all go.

Husayn – AS Recycling is meeting at 10am on Wednesdays in the AS Conference Room. We are setting up the Red Cup recycling program. We are also getting our name out there more as well. I was very pleased with the counter event (Anti-Islamo-Fascism Awareness Week), during the movie more than half of the people were wearing green shirts. I am happy that both sides were able to talk so freely and coherently. I feel that the events complemented each other. This is why we shouldn't shut other people down for speaking an opinion that we don't agree with.

Cici – Media Relations is trying to get an AS calendar on the website. We will also be writing a column for the Nexus.

Paula – Narain hit on most of my points regarding Program Board. We are currently working on next quarters line up, it's looking great.

Jose – Finance Board met and we talked about our current policies. The events last night were great. A lot of people went to the counter event. The vote for the National Dream Act fell 8 votes short. There will be another vote on it.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Matt – I would like to recommend that we add the following minutes to the agenda: EAB 10/16/07, EAB 10/22/07, EAB 10/23/07, AS Recycling 10/15/07, AS Recycling 10/8/07, Coastal Fund (SPF) 10/15/07 and CAB 10/23/07.

MC Motion to add under Action Items, the appointment of all people on the Committee on Committees appointment list. (Amanda)(Jessi)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

MC Motion to add under Acceptance of Minutes all minutes that Matt J. listed. (Amadna)(Paula)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

MC Motion to approve agenda as amended. (Amanda)(Jessi)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

LC 10/17/07, MR 10/17/07, IVCRC 10/23/07, FB 10/22/07, ASPB 10/22/07, EAB 10/16/07, EAB 10/22/07, EAB 10/23/07, AS Recycling 10/15/07, AS Recycling 10/8/07, CF 10/15/07, CAB 10/23/07

MC Motion to bundle and approve the minutes. (Pratish)(Dan)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Committee on Committees Appointments

MC Motion to approve all. (Amanda)(Paula)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

OLD BUSINESS

none

NEW BUSINESS

none

DISCUSSION

Jessi – I am very glad that last nights discussion went so well.

Chris W. - Watch out for the people who have been so hurt about what has been happening in San Diego and Las Angeles.

Gloria – Please be safe this weekend.

Patrick – Please clean up after yourselves.

Dan – I am glad that we funded both events last night.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

none

REMARKS

none

ADJOURNMENT

MC Motion to adjourn meeting. (Pratish)(Paula)
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

Meeting is adjourned at 6:33pm.