

Legislative Council Minutes of Proceedings

March 30, 2005

Flying 'A' Room

The Council was called to order at 6:34 p.m., by the **INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT**, Andrea Wells.

ROLL CALL

Katie Bender (Proxy: Alex Webster)
Kristen Ditlevsen (Unexcused Tardy)
Jason Everitt
Mia Franco (Proxy Delina Contraes)
Romie Frazier
Michelle Garcia (Unexcused tardy)
Adam Graff
Jennifer Greeley
Felix Hu
Rudy Lopez
Raymond Meza
Tan Nguyen
Frank Pabian
Selyna Perez
Ivan Rosales (unexcused early departure)
Lindsay Saito
Maegan Sinclair (Unexcused absence)
Joanna Thomas (Unexcused early departure)
Chaz Whatley
Adriana Wianecki
Elaine Woodward

ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES AND EXCUSED ABSENCES

MS Motion to excuse the following absences and accept the following proxies:

- Katie Bender, as she has a sorority event. Her proxy is Alex Webster.
- Mia Franco, as she has a sorority event. Her proxy is Delina Contraes

MSC Motion is approved by consent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Michelle Miller

She is asking to add to new business CAB's request for \$200. Because it is less than 2 weeks from the time that they need the money, Legislative Council has the power to grant

them the money. \$120 of this will be going for copying. \$40 for printing, and \$40 for misc. CAB needs funds because they're up for a fee increase. They haven't had one since 1993, and they've tried 3 times before. They want this money in order for them to be able to continue their current programs and expand opportunities. They hope to create a Volunteer Communications Service database. This would be helpful for Honors students, and others who want to keep track of the community service hours that they have served. Also, Governor Schwarzeneger has proposed a necessary amount of hours that college students may need to donate to community service. This could apply to next years' incoming freshman.

Carolyn Buford

Since UC Merced is a new University, and they do not have current Graduate students, they are looking for current Seniors who may be interested in serving as a "Student Affairs Fellow". People who take these positions will be serving the campus in various ways from Teachers Assistants to Health Education.

Some opportunitiesw at UC Merced for Graduating Seniors. They put out a call to all UC's for Seniors who might be interested in working with this UC for a 10 or 11 month contract. There is a preference for an experience as an RA. More info. Could be found on the UC website. Contact Leanna Neves at Lneves@ucmerced.edu if you are interested.

Kelly Burns- Student Lobby

Student Lobby is running a lock-in fee this Spring. Without this lock-in fee they will not be able to exist next year. In the past they went to Finance Board for additional funding, but now Finance Board doesn't even have a lot of money to give. The lock-in fee will be 69 cents.

Joanna Thomas- Legislative Council Representative

AKANKE is having a Carwash this Sat. from 11:00am to dark at the Mobile station on Circ Row over the overpass. Presale tickets can be purchased.

Tues. next week there will be a blood drive in MCC from 11:00-3:00. They will also have a food drive. Jambalaya food will be sold.

Shawn Hicks- SMERF

SMERF is requesting \$200 funding also. They are going to be running an election for an 89 cent lock-in fee to go toward a medical emergency fund. The current coverage programs don't offer a lot of help. People could apply for grants to receive this money.

Chaz Whatley- Legislative Council Representative

Friday, April 1, Unwritten Law will be playing in the Hub. Tickets have been on slae since 3/14.

Monday, April 4 from 7:00 to 9:00pm in IV Theater, the IVTenants Union will hold a tenants rights workshop.

Jason Everitt- Legislative Council Representative

He is finally getting his “party-model” together, and has booked the band Aviatric to play. He needs a good name for the party. If anyone has any ideas, please let him know. The party will take place on April 15.

Felix Hu- Legislative Council representative

The foreign affairs club is accepting entries for their journal. They are accepting applications now.

Jen Greeley- Legislative Council Representative

The Education for Sustainable Living Program is offering various classes this quarter. Some options are transportation or community education. For the community education class they will go to El Camino Elementary School and will teach them about environmental issues.

Rudy Lopez- Legislative Council Representative

There will be various workshops on issues of race and ethnicity within the queer community. Monday, April 4, from 5:00-7:00pm there will be a workshop titled, “Discussion on Race and Ethnicity”. April 18 there will be a discussion on Gender Identity. May 2, there will be a discussion on Economic Class. All of these workshops will be held at the GSA.

PUBLIC FORUM

- None

A.S. COMMITTEE REPORTS & EX-OFFICIO REPORTS

- None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Don Daves-Rougeaux

- Welcome back. He hope’s everyone had a great Spring Break.
- They have a new Staff member, Rebecca, who will be working with IVTU. She is an AS alumni. She worked with Women’s Commission and the EVPLA. They are glad to have her on board. She is an accomplished artist and asset for tenants issues. If you get the chance to go by the IVTU offices, pop in and say hi.
- He sent an email around regarding the trustee account. A week from Friday any boards or commissions within AS has to submit a request in writing to him. This is all included in an email.
- We will be putting up Staff job descriptions in PDF files accessible through AS’s webpage. A link will be on the pictures of the staff.
- He knows that elections are coming up soon, and asked that all of the Leggies to keep it friendly.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Cervin Morris

1. Over Spring Break he basically read a bunch of books.
2. He talked to someone in Afghanistan and said that it was difficult for those there.
3. He had a meeting with Morrell, the President of BPRO. They have the IV discount card that will be sold for \$10 out of the A.S. ticket window. They are working on the press release to advertise these cards. The money made off this card could not only go back to Bpro, but 50 cents of this will go back to AS.
4. The search for Vice Chancellor of Administrative Affairs is going well. They are going to be able to meet the candidates and ask them certain questions.
5. Andrea Wells will tell you about the Regents meeting.
6. He just got his license back.
7. He should have his office hours up by next week.
8. UCOP had a different average than their regular 17000 student average, because every year it these numbers have been higher.
9. If anyone wants to see him, you can check his office hours which will be up next week.

INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Andrea Wells

- Both Danielle Lesure and Danielle Humphrey resigned from Legislative Council. There will be interviews Monday and Tuesday for these positions, and there will hopefully be 2 new leggies by next meeting.
- They need students for the Chancellors Committee of renaming FT.
- She went for the meeting of reading applications and arguing of who should go on the be interviewed.
- She goes back next week to interview the 8 or ten that passed the preliminary evaluation next week.
- Applications are due Friday at 4:00, hand them into Andrea Wells' box if you would like to take over one of the recently empty positions, since Danielle Lesure and Danielle Humphrey both resigned.

EXTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT FOR LOCAL AFFAIRS' REPORT – Jared Renfro

He could not attend the meeting, but asked that Andrea Well's read these announcements that he wrote:

My apologies for not attending the meeting tonight my right leg is particularly soar today and I have other work to finish. I am also doing AS work right now on my home computer because it is a more efficient use of my time. My door is open and I am willing to help anyone with any project, or if you would like something better explained, just ask me.

The political climate has changed a little and the County agreed to reopen negotiations for Claire's Park. The assistant to Firestone, Smizer, mentioned that the SB treasurer approved moving forward with the transaction whereas previously he had not. It will be

important for AS to aide Surfriders petition drive. Scott Bull and I are waiting for another update from Firestone before we move forward with our new strategy. The next phase will be to gather more signatures and develop the strongest pro-arguments and make well-researched refutations for our opposition arguments. If anyone would like to help, or likes more info, he will be in his office in the afternoon tomorrow.

Police search committee

Exit interviews will take place next month. We are down to the last 3 candidates. IVTU changed it's meeting time to Tuesday at 7:00. I will have to split my time between EAB and IVTU because they will be at the same time.

I have begun researching lobby groups in SB County. If anyone wants to participate or learn more, I will be around tomorrow, or give me a call or email.

The IVAG is supposed to meet the next week, after cancelling the last 4 meetings. My response to the report will not be submitted to the Chancellor until after the report is made public, which should be on Tuesday, or the following Tuesday. At which point, I hold an open meeting for all of the students in the AS office (Probably Thursday) to review the entire document and my responses. I will then incorporate other students comments into my final response, which will then be submitted to the chancellor. IF you did not figure it out, the only way I can legitimately get responses from students in regard to specific wording in the IVAG report is to wait until the document is public.

Claire's Park, Lobby Groups, and IVAG are my focus this week. I will have an update of my progress next week in person.

EXTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT FOR STATEWIDE AFFAIRS' REPORT – Felicia Cruz

- She has class soon, so will be speaking first.
- Attended Chancellor Advisors meeting. They gave a break-down of next years admittance.
- This year UCSB accepted all students that was ELC eligible, i.e. top 4% of highschool. SB has the 3rd highest "diversity-acceptance" of all of the UC's. Many of these students actually do not end up coming.
- They are including more low-income students and students of-color.
- They applied for a gear-up grant that the may be reinstated. This is a grant that starts with 6th grade students and works all of the way to High school students to help them with the process of applying for colleges, etc.
- They lobbied Louis Capps and attended conferences. It was really good. A group of people also lobbied a representative in the Santa Maria area.
- UCSA meeting this we at UCSC. They will be hiring a new field director
- She will be going to Chicago for a UCSA meeting, and then another in San Francisco.
- She an Cervin Morris will be attending a meeting with the UC Student Presidents and UVPA's.

- She talked with Tom Sell's, along with others, and is working on return-to –aide, to return it to 33%.
- She will have a meeting with Chaz Lane about this.
- There were a couple Highc schools that did not have the UC Eligability done. They are working to get them eligible, without having to go through all legal avenues.
- They are accepting applications for UC System-wide committees. www.uca.org. Go there and look a this opportunity to serve on UC-Wide committees.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

MS Motion to add Finance Board Minute for 3/28/05. Also to add CAB and the Student Lobby's request for \$200 funding.

MS Motion to add IVTU minutes from 3/28/05 and 3/29/05.

MS Motion to add the following 2 emergency bills:

1. To allow Residence Assistants to Participate on the RHA Coord Board
2. To discourage RHA from Changing their Solicitation Policy.

MS Motion to add under Action Items the appointment of Nina Tringali, Delaina Contreras, Philip Dawkins, Kaitin Bhakta, Courtney Weaver as Finance Board members

MS Motion to add the acceptance of Felix Hu as Investment Advisory Chair and Romy Frazier as Vice Chair.

MS Motion to approve spending of \$50 from AS's funds to make a general AS ad in a ppamphlet that all incoming Freshman will receive.

MSC Motions are approved by consent.

MS Motion to accept the agenda with the amendments.

MSC Motion is approved by consent.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MS Motion to bundle and approve the following minutes:

- CAB 2/28/05
- IVCRC 02/28/05
- LC 03/02/05, 03/09/05
- PB 03/28/05
- EAB 03/29/05
- FB 03/28/05
- IVTU 03/28/05 and 03/29/05

MSC Motion is approved by consent.

ACTION ITEMS

1. CAB's request for \$200 from the Campus Issues account for their election.

MS Motion to grant CAB \$200 from the Campus Issues Account for their election.

MSC Motion is approved by consent.

2. Student Lobby's request for \$200 from the Campus Issues account for their election.

MS Motion to grant Student Lobby \$200 from the Campus Issues account.

MSC Motion is approved by consent.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Removal of Ivan Rosales from Legislative Council

MS Motion to allow Ivan Rosales to continue to serve on Legislative Council.

A roll call vote was taken.

In favor of motion?

Katie Bender (Proxy: Alex Webster) Yes

Kristen Ditlevsen Yes

Jason Everitt Abstains

Mia Franco (Proxy Delina Contraes) Yes

Romie Frazier Abstains

Michelle Garcia Yes

Adam Graff Abstains

Jennifer Greeley Yes

Felix Hu Abstains

Rudy Lopez Yes

Raymond Meza Yes

Tan Nguyen Yes

Frank Pabian No

Selyna Perez Yes

Ivan Rosales Yes

Lindsay Saito Yes

Joanna Thomas Yes

Chaz Whatley Abstains

Adriana Wiancki Yes

Elaine Woodward Yes

MSC 14-1-5

2. Approval of Ballot Language for A.S. Student Lobby Initiative

MS Motion to approve ballot language for A.S. Student Lobby Initiative

MSC Motion is approved by consent.

3. To encourage Residence Hall Association to allow Resident Assistants to participate on the RHA Coordinating Board.

4.

MS Motion to add Raymond Meza as a second to the bill.

MS Motion to change the second “Whereas” to state, “The proposal is now on the next agenda for the **next** RHA Coordinating Board meeting of Spring Quarter set for Tuesday April 5th, 2005; and” (Amendment underlined and in bold).

MS Motion to amend the fifth “Whereas” to now state, “Whether or not the proposal to be approved by the RHA Coordinating Board will state that if an AS On Campus Representative is also an RA, they would be able to vote on any RHA Coordinating Board issue, or would not be able to vote on any financial issue, the proposal is unacceptable to the Legislative Council.”

MS Motion to add an eighth “whereas” that states “RA’s already pay their dues with their service to on-campus residence.”

Amendments are friendly.

MS Motion to pass bill.

MSC Motion passes 19-0-0

5. Discourage the Residence Halls Association

MS Motion to amend the 2nd Whereas to now state: “The current proposal on the agenda would allow the residents to choose between an array of options on the 2005 Spring Ballot designed to limit their exposure to non-RHA affiliated organizations; and”

MS Motion to add after the last whereas another whereas saying, “ The only people who can vote for AS ON Campus Representatives are those living in Residence Halls, and not allowing such would severely hinder their campaigns.

MS Motion to add before the CC’s, “Therefore let it be further enacted: That we urge RHA Coord. Board to enforce its current solicitation policies.

MSC Motions are approved by consent.

MS Motion to pass bill with amendments.

MSC Motion is approved 18-0-0

Rollcall was taken again.

Present:

Katie Bender

Kristen Ditlevsen

Jason Everitt

Mia Franco (Proxy Delina Contraes)

Romie Frazier

Michelle Garcia
 Adam Graff
 Jennifer Greeley
 Felix Hu
 Rudy Lopez
 Raymond Meza
 Tan Nguyen
 Frank Pabian
 Selyna Perez
 Lindsay Saito
 Chaz Whatley
 Adriana Wianekki
 Elaine Woodward

Absent:
 Ivan Rosales
 Maegan Sinclair
 Joanna Thomas

GROUP PROJECT REPORTS

Andrea Wells- Lindsay Saito did a great job on the care packages. They were a great success.

Jason Everitt- We are having the party on April 15th. He is wondering whether LRC and COPS would be interested in helping out or attending. From 6:00-8:00 the police will be at the residence. There will be a central source of alcohol. Ask the police, if there's a question about any particular "party" aspect, i.e. noise violations. From 9:00 there will be a band. There will also be a "bar" room, with security and people asking for id's. He needs people to show up to the party. We will have people and funds to use on this party. The A.S. Readers deal is going well. He has a meeting next Tues. with the Chair of Religious Studies. It is kind of hard because the Political Science professor that he spoke to was not very nice. However, from now on they will just be going to professors individually.

Adam Graff- To clarify, We do not have any clients in for readers in the Religious Studies dept. The reader court needs to start-up again and decide where to go from here. He will send out another email soon. They are basically at a stand-still on this issue. He wants to get the budget report online. He wants to see this happen this quarter. There are people interested in making this happen, from what I can gather. He did have a sign-up sheet for this last quarter. He will send an email out over exolc again.

REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS-

Adrianna Wianekki- CAB will make the signs for Jason. Giver her the info, go to their office, or attend their meeting Thursday. This is true for any group that wants posters.

This is the Publicity chairs' community service to the students. If you have March 1-April 3. There is a drop box in the CAB office. The special olympics basketball tournament will be if you would like to volunteer 730am-330pm. The walk for good times is a walk around the lagoon. It is 10 to sponsor yourself. The money goes to the Ronald McDonald camp. This will happen Sunday April 17. You will get a t-shirt and a free performance by naked voices. Battle of the Bands is coming up. Program Board is going on their retreat this weekend.

Rudy Lopez- Did not attend IVTU. Wanted to repeat about the event that is going next Monday.

Selyna Perez- LRC is having an event April 21st at IV Theater. "You're busted, now what". So if this seems suitable to you, please come. Kristin set up a meeting with IVTU about sharing space with LRC.

Romy Frazier- There was no meeting for COPS. Investments finally has a meeting.

Raymond Meza- All-hall-ball is coming up.

Chaz Whatley- Program Board is showing the Sahara sneak preview April 5 in IV Theater at 8pm. Magiv Lantern this Friday at 8pm in IV Theater is showing "Finding Neverland" and "Peter Pan". Demos are due April 1st for the "Battle of the Bands". Student lobby is talking about their ballot initiative. There is a class called "Policing the community". IVTU's lease is ending soon. They changed their meeting times right now because their chair had a conflict. They have been working with Santa Barbara Comm Coop to start research. They're working on becoming a more cohesive group with IVTU and to grow as a committee because they really only have 4 members. If anyone is interested in Tenants issues, please come and attend the meetings.

Justin Pabian- Reminds people to come Tues. at 6:30 to the RHA Coord Board meeting is taking place, and asks that people come help them with their cause.

Jason Everitt- Spent \$12,000 last week. The attorney general called during the meeting. He is back and is trying to work out a meeting time where he can attend.

Adam Graff- Went to EAB and it was a smaller meeting than normal. They have been continuing to work on the compost project, vermiculture. They are hoping to take another route on getting this done, hopefully through AS. As soon as anything happens, he will let us know. He missed his chemical safety meeting. However, it looks like they are tightening up their safety precautions, so that there will not be many problems in the future. EAB is having their annual Earth Day event April 16 in Ana 'Squoyo park. It was a great success last year, and will hopefully be this year.

Elaine Woodward- For Romy Frazier and Felix Hu she does have contact info and old agendas for the investment committee.

Jen Greeley- They went over the specific types of plants and how to have good vernal pool edicate. They have not had any paper funding yet.

Tan Nguyen- IV Communmity relations meeting- They funded 3 groups. They funded 5 students from IV. Student Benefits Concert will be donating more than half of their proceeds.

Felix Hu- SSACC- The administration is turning parking over to the university. Parking fees will be doubling every year for the next three years, and then they are supposed to begin to fall. Comm on Comm has not yet met.

Lindsay Saito- Has nothing to report.

Kristin Ditlevsen- LRC is making headway on their business plan.

Michelle Garcia- Nothing to report

SECRETARY'S REPORT Andrea Llovera

- Nothing to report

DISCUSSION

- None

REMARKS

Carolyn Buford- AS cops should still be having a townhall meeting soon.

Lindsay Saito- Said that this meeting was really fun and is excited that we are all back. She hopes that the tension of the elections don't get brought to the meetings.

Romy Frazier- Was wondering when the people elected for the Finance Board should begin attending the meetings.

Chaz Whatley- WOCC is April 8-10. Sat. there's a concert with Medusa. Please come. You don't have to be a women of color to attend.

Justin Pabian- Wants to thank everyone for being patient with the bills.

Rudy Lopez- If interested in volunteering for Raza College Day April 16, speak with him.

Raymond Meza- The chancellor Berkley wrote an opinion piece. He wrote about the detrimental affect that proposition 209 has had on diversity is colleges.

ADJOURNMENT

MS Motion to adjourn at 8:56

MSC The motion is approved 16-2-0.