

Legislative Council Minutes of Proceedings

May 31st, 2006

Flying A' Room

The Council was called to order at 5:00 p.m., by the proxy for the **INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT**, Samantha Nevels.

ROLL CALL

Amanda Burlingame
Scarlet Chan
Ajay Deshpande
Christy Escobar
Jaclyn Feldstein
Gina Fischer
Jenna Galoob
Claudia Garcia
Molly Gilmore
Matt Jackson
Sam Marks
Deirdre Mathis
Samantha Nevels
Tiffany Pascual
Cecilia Perez (proxy Sydney Heacox)
Margret "Maggie" Pike
Jason "JP" Slauenwhite
Julia Stephanides
Ashley Weiss

ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES AND EXCUSED ABSENCES

MS Motion to excuse the tardies of Jeronimo Saldada and Julia Stephanides, to accept Sydney Heacox as proxy for Cecilia Perez, and to allow Scarlet Chan, JP Slauenwhite and Ashley Weiss to leave early if needed. (Maggie).

MSC Motion is passed by consent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tyler Tomland – I am the artist for AS. We are working on the annual report, for the people who are returning from last years council, please get your boards and committees to turn in any art work that they have produced so that it can be included.

Jeronimo was recognized at 5:08pm.

Carolyn Buford – I come to these meetings regularly and I'd like to extend a welcoming hand to all of you. I am here to help all of you so please come to see me and ask anything you wish.

Aaron – Regarding your access cards as keys. If you would like your access cards programmed I have the forms to request this be done. Please fill out the forms and then we will be able to get the cards programmed.

PUBLIC FORUM

Amelia – I just passed around the IVCRC minutes. I would just like for you to put them onto the agenda. ChillaVista is this Sunday.

Andres – Concerning the GIVE project, we will be tabling at ChillaVista. Today a few ex-leggies took part in CODA's program. It took place in the Arbor, and was a disability awareness event. I think that we as a progressive school should support disability awareness and access, and make its issues more known and cause them to be more publicized.

MS Motion to go back to group projects. (Jeronimo).

MSC Motion is passed by consent.

A.S. COMMITTEE REPORTS & EX-OFFICIO REPORTS

none

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Don Daves-Rougeaux

none

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Jared Goldschen

none

INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Felix Hu

none

EXTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT FOR LOCAL AFFAIRS' REPORT – Joel Rodriguez-Flores

There are a lot of exciting things that are happening in IV this week and weekend. Tonight there is going to be a meeting about the Master Plan. The environmental impact report just came out, and that is what tonight's meeting is about. Alternative II is the Master Plan Light. Last night Kelly Burns and I, plus many others, discussed each of these and decided that Alternative II is the best option. There will be a meeting tonight at FT, in the Linda Vista room, at 6:30pm discussing the Master Plan. If you want to support the Alternative II, then please adopt the resolution that I passed around.

Tomorrow at 7pm, in IV theater there is the forum for the possible sheriffs who we will be voting on. Also elections are next week on June 6th.

EXTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT FOR STATEWIDE AFFAIRS' REPORT – Bill Shieber

Applications for positions to help the External State Wide office are on the front desk. Please pass these around to those who might want to participate.

The UCSA congress is coming up during the summer, and we need to start getting a delegation set up. It is held at UCSD this summer.

The Senate passed their immigration bill and it is going to committee so it will be a while.

I will be going up to the state senate to testify at the budget meetings.

We are also interviewing people for positions in UCSA and USSA.

GROUP PROJECT REPORTS

Scarlet – This past week we had a silent march concerning the vandalism that occurred in Santa Rosa. I think that we should form a group project so that we could put together a resolution and a work shop in support of this movement.

MS Motion to suspend the rules and to go back to group project reports. (Sam).

MSC Motion is passed by consent.

REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS

Molly – I work with the International Convention of Student Rights. If you would like to help me out this Saturday please come and talk to me.

JP – We need more applications for A.S. Boards & Committees.

Claudia – AAB didn't meet.

Gina – Someone handed me this flier on the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation. Please write down the dates.

Jeronimo – This weekend I went to South Central LA to a farm in an industrial area. If you are interested in helping keep this farm for the families of the area please talk to me.

Tiffany – Today there was a march to support a wage increase for the school's workers. I went to the MCC staff meeting, there will be a big turn over of staff in the MCC and the meeting was about what they will do in response.

Sam – CODA didn't meet, but we did have an event today. It was a disability awareness event in the Arbor.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

MS Motion to add the minutes of IVCRC 05/31/06 and CAB 05/30/06, to add the BCC appointment list as Action Item #2, to add as New Business #4 the Resolution concerning the IV Master Plan, and lastly as New Business #5 the Resolution to support the farmers of South Central LA. (Christina).

MSC Motion is passed by consent.

MS Motion to approve agenda as amended. (Jenna).

MSC Motion is passed by consent.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MS Motion to bundle approve the minutes of Leg Council 05/24/06, SPF 05/22/06, WORMS 05/23/06, PB 05/22/06, IVCRC 05/31/06 and CAB 05/30/06. (Amanda).

Discussion:

Jeronimo – We haven't read these minutes so we shouldn't pass them.

Sam – There are appointments that are on these minutes that makes the committees unable to function if their minutes are not passed. But I do agree with Jeronimo's observation.

Amanda – I don't see an issue with approving the minutes because it is the end of the school year and most of these committees aren't doing anything.

Motion is withdrawn.

MS Motion to table Acceptance of Minutes until after New Business #5. (Jeronimo).
MSC Motion is passed by consent.

Felix is recognized at 5:58pm, and begins to chair the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Leg Council Committee appointments.

Discussion:

Gina – I feel that because we got the agenda right before the meeting, that we shouldn't approve these until next year.

Ian is recognized at 6:01pm.

Christi – I think we should table this until next year, because some people wanted to trade. This would make it possible for us to trade.

Samantha – We should get this done, because in the first week of next quarter we need to start going to BCC meetings.

Molly – We should not have to approve something that we just got before the meeting. I do not think that the choices for pro tems are good choices.

Gina – I think that we have a few options. We can approve these over the summer or over a phone vote, or we can do it now. I personally see an urgency to get these passed, but we can do it over the summer.

Matt – I know that Cecilia Perez is at a leadership conference which is why she is not here.

Samantha – Cecilia has extensive knowledge of parli pro.

MS Motion to table this item indefinitely. (Jeronimo).

Discussion:

Amanda – I think that instead of tabling this indefinitely, we should set a date for the vote.

Samantha – I don't think we should table this. Because I will not be in the country this summer and a phone vote will be impossible for me.

JP – I think we should table it.

Molly – I don't think we got enough time to look at these.

Christi – If we table it the people who are not here will be able to discuss their appointments.

Bill – There is no difference between approving these now and a few weeks from now.

Scarlet – I agree with Christi and Samantha. There isn't a lot of things that are done over summer so these appointments are not needed right now.

JP – We should wait so that we can get it right.

MS Motion to end debate (Sam).

MSC Motion passed by consent.

MSC Motion passes by a 14/3/2 vote.

2. Approval of BCC appointments

Discussion:

Gina – I think that these appointments are already approved by the internal committees.

Samantha – CoC and myself worked very hard to create this list. This list is getting to you late because the internal appointments were late getting to me.

Sam – I noticed that the list of advisory committees is very short.

Samantha – As the year goes on I will recommend more.

Christi – I think that we should get to know all of these people before we approve them.

Amanda – I didn't learn that CoC was looking for people until a few days ago and I have friends who want to be on a committee.

Samantha – We accept applications throughout the year.

MS Motion approve the internal recommendations, with the inclusion of Giselle Reyes under Queer Committee. (Jeronimo).

Discussion:

Samantha – If the appointment isn't on the list it's because the committee didn't get me their appointments. Danny Roosevelt should be added to the UCen Governance Board.

Aaron – The advisory committees need to be approved because they meet year around. Also there is also a process that is in place that chooses these appointments.

Gina – I understand your issue with not knowing and never hearing from these appointments. I would also like to say that we should amend to include the advisory committees into the motion.

JP – I do agree with Samantha on some parts. There are very specific boards whose appointments are questionable. I think that we should be more specific about the committees that we won't approve.

MS Friendly amendment to include the advisory committees. (Christi).

Discussion:

Samantha – The six people who are appointed to finance board; do you really want to turn away the only people who wanted to be on FB?

Claudia – I don't think that everyone who turns in an application should be put on the committee that they want, not everyone is qualified.

Adam – There were 6 LC members who sat in on all the interviews for these appointments.

Bill – There is a process, but it is fallible because we were trying to fill these committees. I do agree with Claudia on her point.

Molly – As a student I feel cheated in that I didn't know that the applications were due.

MS Motion to end debate. (Scarlet).

Motion is withdrawn.

MS Motion to limit debate to 2 minutes (Scarlet).

MSC Motion passes by a 16/0/2 vote.

Discussion:

Ajay – We should approve the members and not the chairs.

Samantha – These are just members we should not not approve them because we do not

approve of the chairs.

MSC Motion passes by a 15/0/4 vote.

OLD BUSINESS

none

NEW BUSINESS

1. A Resolution in Support of ChillaVista 053106:01 – Gina Fischer & Molly Gilmore

Gina – Read her resolution.

Molly – I feel that CillaVista is amazing and it is going to be a positive event for the community.

Tiffany – We should mention all of the student groups who support this event.

Ian – I'd like to make sure that we are not making any assumptions in the therefore let it be resolved. I think that we should stream line the bill.

Gina – The university has a contrary view of what IV is, and we are trying to show them that we are not what they fear we are.

MS Friendly amendment to the resolution to change the period to a semicolon on the 29th Whereas. (Jaclyn).

MSC Friendly amendment to the resolution to strike the 23rd Whereas. (Ian).

MS Motion to pass resolution as amended. (Christi).

MSC Motion passed by consent.

2. A Resolution in Support of the International Law, the Environment, and all of Humanity 053106:02 – Jeronimo Saldana & Christi Escobar

Christi – Read the resolution.

Will Parrish – The resolution was passed by the LC of UCB. I would like to recommend that you change UCB Chancellor's name to the Chancellor , Henry T. Yang, in the 7th Let it be further resolved to make the 5th Let it be Further be Resolved read the Daily Nexus instead of the Daily Cal. I would like to point out the exploitation of the local people

who live around these laboratories. A vote in favor is a vote in support of the end of nuclear racism and colonialism. Right now the US is spending more money than any other nation in the world to research new nuclear weapons.

Jeronimo – I got this from the Solidarity Against War group on campus.

MS Friendly amendment to the resolution to change UCB Chancellor name to be changed to UCSB Chancellor Henry T. Yang in the 7th Let it be further resolved. To make the 5th Let it be Further be Resolved to read the Daily Nexus instead of the Daily Cal. (Gina).

Discussion:

Samantha – This is an amazingly written resolution, you did an amazing job. I believe that we should research this before we pass it because there is so much information contained in this resolution.

Ian – I would like to see complete citations for the sake of credibility. I see a few grammatical errors that we should change. I do not want to act as a puppet for organizations on campus but we should think about what we are saying to make sure that we are saying exactly what we feel and agree with all of it.

Amanda – I agree with Samantha. I would like to make sure that all of this information is true before we pass this.

Sydney – We should make sure that all references to the University should refer to UCSB and not Berkley where we took this from.

MS Friendly amendment to the resolution to change the 1st Therefor let it be resolved to state “THERE FOR LET IT BE RESOLVED by the 2006-2007 AS UCSB Leg Council” instead of the “that this student body”, and in the 2nd Whereas it should state “UC Berkley” in the place of “our beloved University”. (Gina).

Jeronimo – I do not put out puppet legislation, and I know you didn't mean it to be taken that way, and I respect your wish to have extra time to research this.

MS Motion to table until next meeting. (Amanda).

MSC Motion is passed by consent.

3. Resolution to support UCSB students who may be affected by proposed Anti-Immigration Legislation 053106:03 – Jeronimo Saldana & Scarlet Chan

Jeronimo – Read the resolution. I would like to recommend the following changes: in the 4th, 5th and 6th Whereas remove House Bill HR4437, remove all of the the extra “let it be resolved”. To remove the the period after council in the 2nd Therefore Let it be further resolved. That in the 3rd Therefore let it be resolved to replace “Associated Students, Inc.” with “AS UCSB Legislative Council”.

Scarlet – There are many people who are immigrants and we should stand behind them.

Gina – I like what the resolution says.

MS Friendly amendment to the resolution that the 2nd Therefore let is be resolved there should be a period, and to make all the amendments that Jeronimo stated. (Gina).

MS Motion to approve as amended. (Christi).

Discussion:

Samantha – I don't think that we should take a stance on such a national issue, I don't think that this is our place. We should make it so that we do not only state the students of color, because not all immigrants are of color.

Amanda – I don't think we should stand so unwaveringly on this issue, maybe we should tell the Legislator that they should compromise.

MS Friendly amendment to the resolution to strike the last Therefore let it be resolved. (Jaclyn).

Jeronimo – This isn't only a national issue it is a local issue. If this legislation passes the families and the students will be gone, and that is a lot of people who are on this campus. I also agree with the issue that not all immigrants are students of color.

MS Friendly amendment to the resolution to strike the 44% clause from the 1st Whereas. (Christi).

Christi – If we pass this we are fully supporting our community.

Molly – It is unfair to break down the community into undocumented and documented.

Amanda – I would like to see that we support the AB540 students that are here. I do not think we are being specific enough.

Scarlet – I would like to add another Whereas that states that we support the workers on campus and not only the students.

Ian – I think we should support a hastened documentation of the immigrants.

Amanda – I would like to state that not every Latino is undocumented.

Jeronimo – I would like to ask that we keep it simple, we are not asking for anything. It is purely symbolic and we do not want to take on peoples political views and the government.

Christi – I agree with Jeronimo. I think that it's pretty beneficial as is and I think that we could vote on it now.

MS Friendly amendment to the resolution to add a Whereas, after the 2nd Whereas, that states “Whereas- the Legislative Representatives support not only students but also the staff hired to work for the University of California, Santa Barbara, and their families, and” (Gina).

MS Motion to call for a vote. (Christi)

MSC Motion passes as amended , (16/1/3)

4. IV Master Plan Draft Environmental Impact Report 053106:04 – Tiffany Pascual & Gina Fischer

Gina – Reads the resolution. There is an urgency to this, and there is a meeting tonight. The comments are due at the end of June.

Amanda – I feel that Joel knows what he's talking about, and so we should pass it as is.

Ajay – I feel that we should table this because we should verify these facts.

MS Motion to approve this resolution. (Amanda).

MSC Motion passes. (18/0/2)

5. A resolution to support the South Central Farmers in their Struggle to fight eviction and pursue social justice 053106:05 – Jeronimo Saldana & Scarlett Chan

Jeronimo – Read the resolution. I would like to recommend the following changes: this is not a bill it is a resolution, in the 1st Whereas, after representatives, remove the period, and strike the second to last Let it be further resolved. We are squatting on this land to keep it open for the people to farm on this land.

Scarlett – I am from the South Central area so this hits very close to home.

Discussion:

Gina – We should reach out to the other schools in the area. On the last whereas change the dashes to semi colons.

Ian – Thank you for bringing this to us.

MS Friendly amendment to the resolution to what Gina said and what Jeronimo said, and to have the 2nd Whereas to not say a majority but to state the prefer number instead. (Ian).

Samantha – I don't feel that this is the place to state these things. And because of this I will not vote in favor of it.

Christi – I do not agree with Samantha and I feel that this is the perfect place to say this.

Tiffany – I think it's important to pass this because LA politics influences the UC system.

MS Motion to approve as amended. (Gina).

Discussion:

JP – I am very conflicted on this, I think it's a great piece of legislation, but I do agree with Samantha. I think this should be a group project and not a piece of legislation.

MS Motion to end discussion. (Deirdre).

MSC Motion passes (14/3/2).

MSC Motion passed (14/3/3).

MS Motion to bundle and approve all minutes. (Amanda).

MSC Motion passed by consent.

MS Motion to go back to BCC Committee appointments. (Gina).

MSC Motion passed by consent.

MS Motion to approve the chairs of CODA and Media Relation (MR) and all members of external committees. (JP).

Discussion:

Christi – I agree with Sam Marks being the chair but if you could give a reason why we should approve the chair for MR.

Samantha – MR chose him and I feel that they choose the best possible person for the job.

MSC Motion passed by consent.

DISCUSSION

none

SECRETARY'S REPORT

none

REMARKS

Sam – I am very impressed with what we have done in our first meeting. I feel a challenge from Ian for most refined leggie.

Samantha – I am sorry about the fervor that I showed for the CoC appointments.

Christi – We will discuss the appointments and then vote on them.

Gina – Samantha you do an amazing job with CoC, thank you. Please research what committees you want to be on. Also please promote our committee and get people to apply for the committee positions.

Jeronimo – We all did a great job.

ADJOURNMENT

MS Motion to adjourn. (Samantha).

MSC Motion is passed by consent.

Meeting is adjourned at 8:25pm by Felix Hu.