**Senate Minutes**

Associated Students

10 April 2019

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**CALL TO ORDER** by Steven Ho , INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT at 6:45PM

**A) MEETING BUSINESS**

**A-1) Roll Call**

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| **Name** | **Note:**absent (excused/not excused)arrived late (time)departed early (time)proxy (full name) | **Name** | **Note:**absent (excused/not excused)arrived late (time)departed early (time)proxy (full name) |
| Allison Adam | Present | Eric Moon | Excused (Proxy: Noah Fleishman) |
| Nima Bencohen |  Present | Yash Nagpal |  Present |
| Alexis Bettencourt |  Excused (Proxy: Shirel Benji) | Ashley Ng |  Present |
| Xochitl Briseno |  Present | Andrew Nguyen |  Present |
| Jalia Carlton - Carew |  Excused (Proxy: Dhishal Jayasinghe) | Christian Ornelas |  Present |
|  Carla Cernat |  Present | Jasmine Palmerin | Present |
| Adam Chohan |  Present | Melissa Perez | Present |
| Rafael Cornejo |  Present | Gabriella Shofet | Present |
| Alex Funk |  Present | Zion Solomon | Present |
| Anthony Hernandez |  Excused (Proxy: Yana Kogan) | Lea Toubian | Present |
| Sydney Karmes - Wainer |  Present | Ricardo Uribe | Present |
| Yara Khamis |  Present |  |  |
| Dallin Mello |  Present |  |  |

**A-2) Excused Absences**

Anthony Hernandez for the Entire Meeting

Eric Moon for the Entire Meeting

Alexis Bettencourt for the Entire Meeting

 Yara Khamis from 8PM to 11PM

 Jalia Carlton-Carew until 8PM

*MOTION/SECOND: Toubian/Ornelas*

*Motion language: motion to remove Senator Khamis from excused absences*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  6: 46 PM*

*MOTION/SECOND: Bencohen/Nguyen*

*Motion language: motion to add Senator Funk and Senator Chohan to excused absences for the first 45 minutes*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  6: 47 PM*

*MOTION/SECOND: Nagpal/Cornejo*

*Motion language: motion to bundle and approve all excused absences*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  6: 47 PM*

**A-3) Acceptance of Proxies**

Noah Fleishman for Eric Moon for the Entire Meeting

 Yana Kogan for Anthony Hernandez for the Entire Meeting

 Shirel Benji for Alexis Bettencourt for the Entire Meeting

 Rose Ettleson for Yara Khamis from 8PM to 11PM

**Ornelas**

* I have a concern about Noah proxying for Senator Moon because they’re not in the same constituencies
	+ **IVP Response**
		- I approved of the proxies already

*MOTION/SECOND: Toubian/Cornejo*

*Motion language: motion to remove Rose Ettleson as proxy for Senator Khamis*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  6: 48 PM*

*MOTION/SECOND: Cornejo/Solomon*

*Motion language: motion to add Dhishal Jayasinghe as a proxy for Senator Carlton Carew for the entire meeting*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  6: 49 PM*

*MOTION/SECOND: Toubian/Shofet*

*Motion language: motion to bundle and approve all proxies*

*ACTION: Vote: OBJECT/MOTION RESCINDED*

*MOTION/SECOND: Ornelas/Toubian*

*Motion language: motion to add Kelvin Huerta as proxy for Senator Perez until 12 AM*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  6: 50 PM*

*MOTION/SECOND: Bencohen/Solomon*

*Motion language: motion to bundle and approve acceptance of proxies*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  6: 50 PM*

**B) External Reports**

**B-1) Chancellor’s Representative**-

**B-2) UCPD Representative**-

**B-3) GSA Representative**-

**B-4) University Center Governance Board Representative**-

**Rose Ettleson**

* Hope you’re having a good start to the quarter
* Some updates on the projects
* Making progress on gender neutral bathrooms and concluded on our online bpublic forum
* We are taking those responses and seeing what is physically doable for us in moving forward and doing this
* Stickers from EAB and bringing awareness toward resources and paper resources
* We helped them with that project
* Trying to ease into transition of filling spots for next year if you know any one or you yourself and you are interested in UCen governance board, please reach out to me
* I can tell you a little bit more about the process because we are trying to ease the transition
* **Ornelas**
	+ I messaged Gary about the space and he said y’all would discuss it, can you please clarify?
		- **Rose Ettleson Response**
			* Might have been a miscommunication
			* Committee has decided to moving forward for not looking for food spaces
			* If you have a non food concept first then we will ask you to come present at our next meeting
			* If you have any questions let me know

**B-5) IVCSD Representative-**

**C) New Business**

041019 – 87 A Resolution to Divest From Companies that Profit From Human Rights Violations in Israel/Palestine

 Uribe - Briseno

**Uribe**

* First and foremost I want to thank everyone for coming
* I want the student sponsors to give more info
* This issue is one that has been brought up many times on this campus
* I want to offer the CAPS resource
* If you look on the back of your access card and if you need this at any point throughout the night, I encourage you to use this resource
* **For Full Statement, See Exhibit A**

**Briseno**

* **For Full Statement, See Exhibit B**
* Yield to student sponsors

**Dylan and Fatima**

* We will come at the start of discussion

*MOTION/SECOND: Ornelas/Cornejo*

*Motion language: motion to send this to immediate consideration*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  6: 58 PM*

**\*\*\*moved here 1:30 AM\*\*\***

**Student Sponsor Dylan-** Thank you all for staying up I know it has been a long day with the strike. Before I go any further, I want to thank everyone who came out here today and this is something that is very great and thank everyone who was here for the strike at 5 AM. I want to ask everyone who is in support of the resolution to please stand up. These are all of our community members here and many Palestinians who cannot be there as they are scared of hurting their families back home. I am here as a representative of Students for Justice in Palestine

**Student Sponsor Fatima-** I am a 4th year Student for Justice in Palestine representative. We urge the senators to divest. This is the 7th time this resolution has been put forward. For years, Palestinian people have been oppressed. For years out student government has continued to implicitly support the oppression of Palestinian people

**Student Sponsor Dylan-** I feel that we have gotten off track from the discussion of resolution. I am disappointed that many people have not followed the resolution. It is important that everyone knows what they are voting on if we are talking about two different things it does not matter, it is important that we all know and thus we will read through the resolution to ensure everyone is informed.

**See Resolution**

**Toubian-***Point of personal privilege* can they speak on the resolution

**IVP**- I will not stop you but please be aware of time

**Student Sponsor Dylan-** It does provide a basis of discussion and it should be about what is on the paper and not what others think

**Student Sponsor Fatima-** we are here as representatives and it show unity between different organizations

**Student Sponsor Dylan-** I want to go over a few points that have not been mentioned yet, through these documents that our global surroundings and our ability to make changes and support global policies. UC Regents has passed resolutions like these and I was telling you all about deportation and other students which have stood in my shoes and in calling forth for Turkey’s denial of genocide, South African apartheid and this resolution before you is a continuation and complicit in human rights violations UC Regents single out Nigeria in their university investment policy the only country that says they will never divest from is Sudan. My apologizes and these are because of the human rights violations and we are the only school that has tried to remind UC Regents to divest universities to divest from a lot of these companies and these UC Regents are really going to listen and in the past all other UCs have asked and If we were to pass this tonight and we are voting them out and resolve their ways and two years after passed South Africa resolution UC Regents divested from South Africa this university tries to function with students and workers and it is our university and our money and our tuition and additionally the only reason everyone is here is because of our student government and it has power and if everyone here though that this board did not have influence no one would be here

**Student Representative Fatima-** calling on AS senate to divest from 13 companies such as Boeing which has caused the death of many Palestinian children and families

**Student Representative Dylan-** Engineering tools used to only build Israeli communities and expelling Palestinians

**Student Representative Fatima-** The actions of these companies are all committing basic human rights violations daily they are losing their tight to education, security, and right to love

**Student Representative Dylan-** We are clearly invested in these companies our university financial policies are not quite clear and there is an investment pool that is hidden from us and we filed public records act and we were denied by the university

**Student Representative Fatima-** The 13 companies are allowing us to complicity condone these companies and their violence against Palestine and we should redirect its investment that align with university missions statement we should follow precedent and we see this resolution. This is important to note that we are seeking divestment and all of which we should not be invested in the first place and this is well within the jurisdiction of our government and this resolution is extremely simple again it is very simple we should pursue a financial neutral policy we are the only UC who has not yet solved this issue. Vote for this resolution even UCM passed this resolution and they do not have a Students for Justice in Palestine group and many groups are calling on you to pass this resolution and they are your constituents at UCSB and which we are also and the people who put you into this place many of you have had these organizations and went to their organizations and asked for their endorsement and no other resolution has gotten this much support from different organizations. The resolution is quite simple but concern for the secret ballot because of the things called canary mission that people shame because of talking about Palestine I was put on the canary mission by someone here and we had a conversation that was somewhat productive but then I was in disbelief because I was put on this dreadful website they put that I attended a funeral for Palestine children and called out university police for swarming in on marginalized very violating to be called a terrorist and anti-Semitic and no matter if you like it or not the first result is that you are a terrorist and had to explain that night to my family blaming me for trying to advocate for human rights in Palestinian and they were afraid that my sister could not go to this university because of my speaking out and it will impact my job prospects because I got put on a canary mission and Israel has banned a lot of activists from traveling to the country and more intensity to others and basically I am not allowed to go to Israel or Palestine

**Student Representative Fatima-** As a Muslim women on this campus I have been harassed. I was put on canary mission and it is saying that I am a terrorist because I am in MSA and supporting Palestinians and it will hurt my ability to get jobs and even if you are not concerned for my safety you should be concerned for your own safety and you should go to secret ballot so no one can be punished for listening and we want you to be able to vote by conscious and not fear

**Student Representative Dylan-** On our senate we have gone further than that and we have called or divestment for companies involved with ICE and deportation and that seems much more radical because we are living in that and we voted for disarmament of campus police and it is really a neutral resolution and then when you are invested in none you can start the dialogue, two quarters ago I supported a resolution when everyone supported the university we have violated the universal right of privacy of family and home and to not be corrupt and consequently violate rights and Boeing, GE, and when I presented the other resolution everyone here seemed into supporting the resolution that had companies violating human right and we all had a great discussion and we passed the resolution and it was not actually the divestment and I think it is important to follow precedent and now it is time to go through and we should be consistent in following precedent and I think he would agree when we endorse divestment

**Karmes-Wainer-** You mentioned you were disappointed that we did not bring certain points of the resolution you should have spoken before public forum; you are not targeting any country why it is only Israel-Palestine in the resolution

 **Student Representative Dylan-** I think it is more important to hear our voices at the end and we tried to get a lot of people to talk about different aspects of the resolution and it is important that we talk about these abuses

 **Student Representative Fatima-** We are not intending to call it out and we are following precedent such as with Turkey and companies that are part of it and I believe that given that it is especially relevant with election of Israel where they have promised to have a Palestinian autonomous state

**Toubian**- You mentioned how all of the other UCs are affiliated with BDS movement do you affiliate with BDS movement?

 **Student Representative Dyaln-** We should be talking about divestment and not conflate it with bigger terms like BDS and we should be talking about divestment and not conflate terms and what this resolution is about and about Palestine students not being able to be here because they are marginalized

**Toubian-** If you are affiliating this resolution with BDS, I would like to know

**Student Representative Dylan-** I do not think this is part of BDS and we should not elongate terms, I do not think that this involves BDS

**Student Representative Fatima-** We are just trying to divest

**Toubian-** You cited organizations do you have proof of this

**Student Representative Dylan-** You can find it in the records that have endorsed it in the past and many of the people here have endorsed the resolution

**Chohan**- Why are we the only UC that does not divested?

**Student Representative Dylan-** I think that in other UCs they have been honest with how these companies are invested and they put on a ton of public events and our campaign and include student voices and there really is no concrete answers. I think that our university and the way our seats are proportionally allocated and how we vote and resources available to communities and a million different things following that

**Student Representative Fatima-** We are following precedent for South Africa we were also the last UC to divest

**Shofet**- I do not think you understand the impact of your rhetoric that you are saying that this has no effect on Jewish students what other minority group has to defend themselves. I am telling you that I do not feel safe what other minority group would have to prove themselves so much and if it was any other minority group and we say we acknowledge you and support you and stand here and say this has nothing to do with anti-Semitism and our Jewish students and it is incredibly invalidating and take moment to understand the impact of the resolution. Last week I stood and said my parents are refugees my parents were told you were going to die because you are Jewish. There was a note in my mailbox saying that the Holocaust never happened and that is a one-sided issue and authors and one side is committing human rights violations. I almost died because of the martyr fund I was a five-minute walk away from that attack. This conflict is incredibly nuanced and it is simplistic and say it has nothing to do with Jewish student no other minority group has to prove themselves so hard I just want to say in terms of Palestine students who do not feel safe I am sorry you do not know who I have interacted with I care about Palestinians also and this resolution is one sided and this is not affecting any actual change and demonizing one community I have to fight I am supposed to be at UC basic needs conference to fight for 13 million students this pertains to UCSB and not this conflict in the middle east why can we not have a resolution that includes both sides this is not a one sided occupation. I apologize

**Student Representative Dylan-** First off, divestment affects everyone because everyone’s money is in this, and have the audience stand up I think it is really important to Palestinian students that are not able to be here because we offered the ability and considered every single comments and we considered them deeply and include every single comment and tried to make it as inclusive as possible and it is not just us too and 48 different organizations here and the people that you see in here and the Jewish community and we talked to a lot of people and many of others you heard tonight that do not think that this is anti-Semitic please find something in this resolution that is anti-Semitic and find a corresponding clause and tried to go through the anti-Semitic resolution and we looked through very cause of that resolution that we did not violate the definition and we tried to make this proves applicable to everyone and the divestment feedback survey and we should include all student feedback and one thing I would like to ask Shofet you feel personally attacked I am sorry and if you can find a clause in this resolution that is anti-Semitic I would like discuss that

**Shofet-** I just want to reiterate that this was my point no other minority group would have to say I am feeling threatened and unsafe this in itself is invalidating myself as a women, refugee, let us discuss, can we discuss how citation 42 this citation Richard Faulk is a known anti-Semitist there are many ways to support Palestinian people without being anti-Semitic why was he cited

 **Student Representative Dylan-** We think that having 11 of the UN here shows a lot of the body that UN is a good source with so many different communities that there are human rights and we went through all UN bodies and that there is economic and social commission and they did say that they would publish this report and we are just trying to show that the resolution has a consensus among UN organizations

**Jayasinghe**- *Point of Clarification* Where are we

 UN economic and social commissions on western Asia gives reports on human rights abuses that are happening in these regions and so they hired someone to do a report

**Shofet**- Why are you citing an anti-Semite?

**Cornejo-** Please allow other senators to ask I understand your concerns and how personal this is to you but please

**Bencohen-** You said that you reached out to Jewish senators, did you reach out to them or to help co-author the resolution?

We have members of the Jewish community and we reached out to them a and asked them what problems they say and they said it was really good and appealed to their backgrounds and so when we did not and I did not have the time to go to every senator’s author office hours I went to Lea’s office hours we talk and one thing that it is important within SJP and our members that identify with the resolution and we did

**Bencohen** – *Point of Clarification* you did not go to any Jewish senator’s office hours?

 **Student Representative Dylan-** I did not go one of the things is that a lot of the senators here and you have the feedback form you we did not receive any feedback and when I put my name on this resolution and I expected for people to come to me and sponsor this resolution and we had a good conversation but they were not here and really went through this resolution and why we are bringing it up and why it matters and we did have those conversations

**Bencohen** – *Point of Clarification* We have tabled resolutions and bills in the past because they have not been represented by groups

**Bencohen** – On Pg. 7 groups endorsed resolution in the past because this seems similar to BDS

 **Student Representative Fatima-** over the years I want to clarify this is the 7th time we have put a different version of this resolution and we are able to change resolutions and we have made it very velar like the anti-Semitism resolution

**Bencohen** – *Point of Clarification* What are the names of those seven resolutions?

 **Student Representative Fatima-** I do not know

**Mello** – *Point of Clarification* They should be on record in AS Main I believe

**Toubian-** *Point of Personal Privilege* have not been contacted about this as a Jewish senator nor sent a feedback form and this resolution came up on the agenda on 12 PM

**IVP**- I am going to call on you once and you can ask a question once and one follow up if I think you are asking a different question, I will cut you off

**Cernat**- When looking through the resolution I see multiple paragraphs that this body has pledged to divest from what is the purpose of asking this Senate body to divest from these companies?

 **Student Representative Fatima-** We aim to put extra pressure because we have not divested from these companies

**Cernat**- We fund student speakers through GE and Boeing does that mean that it should carry out to GE products and Boeing products

 **Student Representative Fatima-** We are talking about financial investments only

**Cernat**- We invested millions and then if the point is to put pressure on these companies and not just through investments in these other companies

**Student Representative Dylan-** By investing in these companies, we do not have the chance to divest or not and we cannot divest my tuition from these companies so we as a community have that power and we cannot do it alone and individually we cannot do it all

**Proxy Kogan-** Are Hamas and Palestinian authority complicit in human rights violations

 **Student Representative Fatima-** I think that is a larger conversation and there is a fine line

 **Student Representative Dylan-** We think that this senate should be talking about divestment as we do not have the credibility and simply addressing our investment policy as is and I do not see any flaw

**Proxy Kogan-** *Point of Clarification* Hamas is the elected official of the people of Palestine since the resolution states human rights violations why is Hamas not listed or condemned in this resolution

 **Student Representative Fatima-** We do not have any financial holdings in Hamas

 **Student Representative Dylan-** Not about it is about all. It is about the people in the room’s financial investment

**Toubian**- Clause 7 is an overwhelming call for this resolution erasing the voices of students who objected to this

 **Student Representative Dylan-** We should look at previous AS resolutions no resolution has gotten 48 different groups and it is an overwhelming number and I love this discussion about Palestinian human rights

**Toubian-** Can you speak on the voices of objection and overwhelming amount of the UCSB students who object

 **Student Representative Fatima-** We just want to emphasize that this is about financial holdings

**Toubian**- Is your goal to divest from human rights violations

 **Student Representative Fatima-** Our goal is to divest from 13 specific companies for their human rights violations

**Mello** – *Point of Clarification* Please be respectful of your tone to your speakers

**Cornejo-** *Point of Personal Privilege* Can we have a five-minute break?

*MOTION/SECOND: Briseno/Uribe*

*Motion language: motion to take a five-minute recess*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  4:02 AM*

***\*\*\*Meeting resumes 4:09 AM\*\*\****

**Karmes-Wainer-** *Reserve my right* I am tired I think it would be the most valuable if we went straight to discussion and voted

*MOTION/SECOND: Karmes-Wainer/Chohan*

*Motion language: motion to end questioning and go into discussion and then vote*

*ACTION: Vote: OBJECTION*

*Vote Taken:  21-0-3*

**Toubian-** *Point of Information* Do we make a motion

**Ornelas-** It is really important that we acknowledge that a lot of senators expressed concern with specific parts and if we are going to get to voting and however this goes, we should amend those clauses

**Nguyen-** I really appreciate that point, from my understanding I think a little bit of the wording alluded to BDS resolutions in the past and I appreciate the intent of the resolution but having referred to schools that have divested I think that is where a lot of the miscommunication occurs because of these allusions that a lot of our Jewish members understand it to be affiliate with BDS

**Jayasinghe-** Can we motion to take it out

**Bencohen-** I am an Iranian American Jewish student US or Israel were the two options, a as Jewish student I have a myriad experiences on February 6 9:30 PM my window was broken in my house on February 7 2 AM three individuals yelled at my house and pointed at the Israeli flag in my house and they tried to assault them and second definitions according to google Jewish sacrificial that was posted on 65 and 66 block of DP group of individuals f you Jewish, you are Zionist rapists as a result of the acts my housemates do not feel safe doing so they decided it was not worth the risk and the events are anti-Semitic and I truly believe this resolution is anti-Semitic and the environment it creates and we reaffirmed anti-Semitic last week I am a Jewish senator not one has been reached out and why has no one reached out to SSI or Hillel or Habbat vote no on this resolution through roll call I am being transparent we all ran on transparency

**Toubian-** My tone was attacked, I know every single elected senator a women of color getting attacked for her tone and we have had many conversations that it happened to me and it happened to another senator and we spent many hours speaking about it. as a WOC, I am a Iranian Jew and conversations about Israel always included Palestine I resonated with the stories because my people also suffered and I grew up aligning myself with progressive movements. The land my parents came to I was free to be a Jew and their struggles I visited Iran when I was six and I could walk the streets where my parents walked because they could not live there at six yeard old I felt that pain and I understood how lucky was to live in LA. I continued my activism in high school and I was excited to come to UCSB where we embody progressive ideals, I was questioned about my choice of major and I was getting the higher education that my parents did not receive and this is an incredible school and there is an incredible Jewish community when I started expressing student government I had people say you cannot run with us because you support Israel even though I was in student government my whole life, my power grabbing motive I had comments made towards me in progressive spaces, isn’t she Jewish, after the last couple meetings last year I left the campus for the senate that it would provide any solace moments of hope fact finders trip I felt more united with the people I seem to disagree with the most after sharing so many raw experiences on that trip I was proud of the hundreds of students that showed up I was proud of MSA and UCSB Hillel who did Shabbat together there was hope, attacks on homes of Jewish students and when this very senate condemned anti-Semitism senators at this table said that I felt scared on our campus, I felt that once the flyers were put up to put away my necklace and its intent it does not try to hurt Jewish people and Jewish community and how intent is not always the outcome this resolution services to label students and senators as one or the other there is no room for middle ground voting against this resolution I am labelled as someone who is contributing to human rights violations which is absurd I believe that I advise you to look at the parallels and we have more in common than we have different my activism is intersectional that there voices are overwhelmed by others that their safety is less important I do not want my money going to fossil fuels or human rights violations how those institutions are directly affecting them in our local communities I did not speak over and ask the justify their places if that seems to be anti-Semitic to her people if your intention is to divest and not call out and not violate standards that this senate adheres to then write a new resolution

**Proxy Fleishmann-** I am a tour guide and I always get asked about the Jewish community and I talk about how strong our community is and how oppositional it is and we are a cooperative campus however bills like this, the students that support this are more invested in one community I have to echo the words that Senator Bencohen said look at the definition that being said I understand the safety concerns of a secret ballot vote and I would be open to a secret ballot and allowing everyone to vote in a secret ballot for their safety if we are going to vote for secret ballot the safety of the Jewish community is in your hands I will be scared if this passes and tell them Jewish families are welcome on this campus one community is more important than another I think we can intentionally this is divisive I support a secret ballot senators interested in transparency and they can note in their office hours that constituents can come to them

**Proxy Kogan-** The fair thing as a proxy considering the students that have shared their history and identity, Russian Jewish student they could not come to America they went to Israel and then came here and in regards to my own experiences I have written papers attended conferences on settlement movement I studied abroad In Jerusalem and I spoke with them and that is something I want to promote in regards to situation on this campus and it creates division and that adheres and allows Palestinian actors and it is something that is possible to make everyone feel included and saying that this resolution has BDS in it look in the citations

**Karmes-Wainer-** Creating possibility of something else, I would be open to secret ballot to protect identities and opinions of everyone who spoke here I wanted to see how everyone else would feel about that a secret ballot

**Uribe-** *Reserve my right* I think that I do not how I would make the motion but I think that what I am hearing and also I want to thank everyone for sharing and I do not if I can make a motion but it would be good to have a motion moving to a secret ballot to approve or disapprove of the bill

**IVP-** If you are the author you cannot make motions regarding the bill

**Chohan-** How does a secret ballot work?

**IVP-** The secret ballot has to be passed with simple majority, Marisela, Holly, and I will be handing out papers to every senator everyone will write Y, N, or Abstain we will make sure of that and then we count it and the papers are confidential for 24 hours but then anyone can go into main and see it

*MOTION/SECOND: Bencohen/Karmes-Wainer*

*Motion language: motion to table this bill indefinitely*

*ACTION: Vote: OBJECTION*

*Vote Taken:  11-12-1*

*Motion fails*

**Toubian-** I feel a secret ballot would be appropriate but look me in the eye and tell me and the impact of what the vote means but if you can live with that and still call me your friend then that is fine

**Nagpal-** Can it be reintroduced if it is tabled indefinitely?

 **IVP-** Subjected to be reintroduced again with a change

**Funk-** *Point of Clarification* For a secret vote you have to motion for a secret vote

POC Briseno what happens after

 IVP we go through rest of the agenda

**Bencohen-** *Point of Clarification* can you go over each vote

 **IVP-** Yes entails pass, no entails die, Abstain rule with whatever side has a majority

*MOTION/SECOND: Perez/Jayasinghe*

*Motion language: motion to go into a secret ballot*

*ACTION: Vote: OBJECTION*

*Vote Taken:  4:45 AM*

**Bencohen-** *Point of Personal Privilege* please be civil and respectful to one another whether this or passes or not

Yes 10

No 14

Abstain 0

*Resolution fails*

**IVP-** Thank you everyone for coming out tonight and it was great listening to you all speak go get some sleep please

**Funk-** *Reserve my right* I think we have been here long enough

*MOTION/SECOND: Funk/Shofet*

*Motion language: motion to adjourn*

*ACTION: Vote: OBJECTION*

**Cornejo**- Can we just power through Finance and Business minutes a lot of orgs are expecting that money I think that we can do it in ten minutes

**Jayasinghe-** Reserve *my right* can we do it through an email vote

**IVP-** Yes

**D) PUBLIC FORUM**-

**Margaret Klawunn**

* I’m here tonight bc I realize that the issues raise a lot of very strong emotions
* A lot of students part of the discussions came with certain fears
* I ask everyone to keep in mind that we are part of the community
* Treat each other with respect
* Here to listen to each other deeply and carefully
* I am concerned for safety of the students involved tonight and I think there are ways to maintain discretion
* Consider whether a secret ballot would be the best way to protect students
* We make sure that our CSOs are here tonight and UCPD is aware of this as well
* **Ornelas**
	+ What kind of concerns have senators and other students expressed to you?
		- **Margaret Klawunn Response**
			* I prefer not to express what individuals have brought forward
			* I have heard about concerns of people being singled out and threatened and involving discrimination and bias

**LaDonte King**

* Good evening
* I wanted to say hello to you all
* Wanted to congratulate you for getting through winter quarter
* Here to remind you all that you will get 4.0s
* You can do this by planning out your time
* Get your calendars together
* Make sure you are getting notes and strategies together
* Get used to seeing your faculty members
* These ten weeks fly by
* Proud of you and look forward to your success

**Raymond Alonso**

* **For full Injunction, See Exhibit C**
* **Toubian**
	+ What happens if we don’t approve it by the end of week 2?
		- **Raymond Alonso Response**
			* Once the injunction is lifted
			* The ballot should automatically be taken off today’s agenda
	+ Do we have to grant some sort of exception?
		- **Raymond Alonso Response**
			* No because we are filing an injunction
			* We have already granted a waiver which only judicial council can do of this part of legal code
* **Ornelas**
	+ How do you see the timeline of elections being affected?
		- **Raymond Alonso Response**
			* Nothing should e changed
			* Assuming that the ballot is approved by week 3
			* We should have a decision out by Wednesday of next week
			* This would provide no hindrance to the timeline
			* The timeline could be in trouble
* **Cernat**
	+ Are you saying the ballot is off the agenda today?
		- **Raymond Alonso Response**
			* Yes
	+ Is there reasoning for this?
		- **Raymond Alonso Response**
			* The petition that was submitted is technically public
			* Until it is requested I can say nothing about it
* **Uribe**
	+ I wanted to ask in terms of timeline
	+ From my knowledge I think soft campaigning on the 14th at 8 pm
	+ As people will be posting, do you feel this will impact in terms of the elections timeline because depending on if this gets approved, do you feel that with soft campaigning that will affect different people within elections timeline
		- **Raymond Alonso Response**
			* Given my understanding, I think that soft campaigning should proceeded as it was otherwise supposed to proceed
			* I don’t think it will change soft campaigning
* **Adam**
	+ Just to be clear, judicial council in this case has superseded the section that says that ballot must be approved by week 2
		- **Raymond Alonso Response**
			* Yes
	+ If it comes at week 3, all senate is allowed to do is to approve or disapprove
		- **Raymond Alonso Response**
			* That is a question for the attorney general
			* We have an inquiry you could ask judicial council to discuss at next meeting
* **Toubian**
	+ Would this affect the way that elections board regulates the elections?
		- **Raymond Alonso Response**
			* I don’t think so
* **Cernat**
	+ Boards do you go up on Wednesday and that would likely be before we could get to an approval of the ballot
		- **Raymond Alonso Response**
			* Decision will certainly be out by then, that is our goal
			* I understand your concerns
			* I’m afraid that is an unfortunate side effect of the timing of this case

**Ramsey Keilani**

*MOTION/SECOND: Nagpal/Solomon*

*Motion language: motion to extend the speaker’s time by 3 minutes*

* + **Cornejo**
		- My main concern is that we have a long public forum list and I think we should set guidelines for 2 minutes for everyone
		- For consideration I think that is the best way to go forth tonight

*ACTION: Motion Rescinded:*

* Today we are discussing whether on this upcoming resolution a secret ballot is warranted
* For what reasons do democracies implement secret ballots?
	+ Secret ballots are implemented because there is a legitimate concern that voters may be prevented from voting their conscience if subject to intimidation and recrimination by their political adversaries
* Secret ballot is necessary because of the documented fact that student groups which peacefully advocate for boycott of companies and entities connected with human rights abuses in Palestine are regularly subjected to harassment, intimidation, and slander
* Entities such as Canary Mission have made efforts to slander thousands of students across the country with the intent of sabotaging these students’ future employment prospects
	+ Practice is commonly referring to as doxing
* Certain individuals have called for transparency which are clearly designed as mechanism to intimidate members of this chamber into voting down this upcoming resolution

**John Paul Renteria**

* Ray just talked about the injunction
* Election board scheduled to met w jc on Monday
* Injunction y’all cannot pass the ballot today
* **Toubian**
	+ How do you see this affecting soft campaigning?
		- **John Paul Response**
			* I don’t see it affecting soft in any way
			* I’m pretty sure last year the ballot was approved week 3 last year and there wasn’t any problem with that
* **Cornejo**
	+ In the event that this does interfere with elections, what are steps that elections board will have to make up for that time?
		- **John Paul Response**
			* I am not sure I will have to talk to my board about that
			* I don’t see any issues with that
* **Adam**
	+ When will the decision be issued?
		- **John Paul Response**
			* We have a meeting with judicial council on Monday but it is their process on how they want to issue that decision
* **Nagpal**
	+ If judicial council comes to a decision prior to the Wednesday senate meeting would it be okay if you have an email vote to pass before Wednesday?
		- **John Paul Response**
			* Problem with an email vote is that should be passed either way
			* It’s just that it should be passed

**Aaron Jones**

* I wanted to take a moment to reintroduce myself
* I want to reintroduce myself and thank senators who have helped me with efforts to revise by laws pertaining to the EOP grant
* We have been supporting needs of our students
* I wanted to put that on your radar that we will be in touch and on your radar
* Breathe with your diaphragm and good luck this evening
* **Nagpal**
	+ Will the new grant request be put into effect immediately after senate passes it?
		- **Aaron Jones Response**
			* Yes I think so
			* We also have to work with vice chancellor
* **Cornejo**
	+ By when do you expect have these by law changes?
		- **Aaron Jones Response**
			* We initiated this in fall
			* We have some traction recently and the management team are reaching out to draft legislation
			* Hoping to have more conversation about that

**Annel Rodriguez**

* I have already spoken to some of you
* Please keep those conversations in mind
* Keep Palestinian students in mind
* I would like to emphasize some major points
* When you vote on a secret ballot please keep this in mind and your constituents in mind
* Clarify some misunderstandings
	+ We are targeting Israel
		- That is not true, we are not targeting Israel

**Rachel Andrews**

* As a UCSB student I don’t feel comfortable with my tuition money being added to the Israel/Palestine conflict
* This does not condemn a particular country
* Call for AS senate to support this resolution
* **Toubian**
	+ If this resolution is not pushing any particular country then why is it only mentioning Israel and Palestine?
		- **Rachel Andrews Response**
			* We have already divested from specific countries
			* We are not just targeting one specific country
* **Ornelas**
	+ How should we ensure student safety?
		- **Rachel Andrews Response**
			* Call for senate to do a secret ballot to protect the person next to you and your constitute
* **Proxy Dhishal**
	+ Could you list some of these human rights violations?
		- **Rachel Andrews Response**
			* Cemex is responsible for providing cement to build a wall that restricts movement of the Palestinians
* **Shofet**
	+ What percent of the wall is cement?
		- **Rachel Andrews Response**
			* I’m not sure
* **Proxy Dhishal**
	+ How much of the wall encroaches on the west bank territory?
		- **Rachel Andrews Response**
			* Not sure
* **Proxy Noah**
	+ You said this resolution calls out people but all this questions are specific on one country
		- **Rachel Andrews Response**
			* I cannot control what questions I am asked
			* This is talking about companies in Israel/Palestine
* **Ornelas**
	+ You mentioned you don’t feel comfortable with your tuition going into investment
	+ What do you want AS to do about the student fees you pay into?
		- **Rachel Andrews Response**
			* The power as you are representing your constituents
			* AS voting would add further pressure on regents to actually divest from these companies
			* The senate has voted to divest in the past
* **Shofet**
	+ Following up on Proxy Noah’s question on singling out the violations in Israel Palestine, can you elaborate on how this is different in condemning all human rights violations?
	+ Senate already passed resolution that we would divest from all countries
	+ This resolution is anti semitic
	+ How is this
* **Ornelas**
	+ Which specific resolutions are you talking about?
* **Shofet**
	+ Senator Palmerin drafted one on ICE
* **Ornelas**
	+ The deportation regime?
	+ That’s a different resolution
* **Cernat**
	+ In the last few sentences it says that the association will divest from all countries involved in human rights questions
* I believe personally that we are deliberate when we speak on countries that are perpetrating human rights abuses
* I do acknowledge that it called on the UC to divest form these companies it is important to iterate this

**Pratik Raghu**

* I am a member of the student activist network
* Reiterate the importance of a secret ballot for all the reasons previously mentioned
* Human rights violations were my introduction into international politics
* Basic struggles to find things people need
* I have been horrified to see human rights crises intensify
* An issue of this kind can seem daunting and it is impossible for many of us who are infected
* Those closest to the issue
* We are called upon to act here at UCSB
* Divesting from the companies does not mean withdrawing funds from one of the most pressing humanitarian disaster, it is sending a message to these corporations that profit from this

**Tanya Hyde**

* I am a community member and member of Jewish Voice for Peace
* I am here to support this resolution
* What was obvious to me that they are not trying to alienate anyone here
* They are asking that their tuitions don’t go to denying the Palestinians of their acts
* Instead of asking why we are singling out Israel
* Why Israel should be exempted from the human rights violations
* The human rights violations have been well documented by Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch
* They are not just looking at Israel
* Various arms of the un and you would be surprise that other have also documented these violations
* The university that has principles of ethical investment
* Divestment tactics have been used time and time again to ensure ethical investment
* 8 UC campuses have passed this in the past
* For any anti war activist, any company name here has a history of this

**Zach Blumenstein**

* As a Jew and American, I am ashamed of what is done around the world to support the western lifestyle
* Ashamed of the things that people have been committing in the West Bank
* We are not here to talk about what Israel should do
* Given the humanitarian actions in Israeli occupied territory
* Divestment from military contractors that build weapons to slaughter civilians
* We are told it is anti-Semitic
* All you people trying to protect me, protect me by protecting my brothers and sisters in Palestine
* Protect me by protecting my loved ones in Gaza
* Protect me by telling Netanyahu that Trump has no place in the Jewish community
* Take my money out of humanitarian crimes
* **Proxy Dhishal**
	+ Have you been keeping up with the Israeli elections?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* Yes
	+ Netanyahu said he would annex the West Bank, how that make you feel?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* Sick
* **Karmes Wainer**
	+ Do you believe that this discussion here is protecting you in any way?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* I mean I was using the language of protection metaphorically
			* There is emotional damage done to see emotion damage done to their loved one
			* I am lucky enough not be an Israeli in this war waged not only by western powers
	+ Is this discussion beneficial for your protection?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* I don’t know what you mean
* **Shofet**
	+ The national BDS movement has said that there is no state and there will not be a Jewish state
	+ What is your thought on the possibility of two state solution?
* **Mello**
	+ Where do you see BDS in this resolution?
* **Shofet**
	+ In the resolution there are many schools cited that have been cited as victories on the national BDS page
	+ I don’t see how this is different from a BDS resolution
* We are not getting anywhere and it will hamstring this entire discussion if we combine different issues
* This cannot be tied in some inherent way to wanting Jews out of Palestine
* I think on the other hand the question of what does the Jewish state men needs to be visited
* I think that is a question put on the forefront by the nation state law that was passed recently and by alliances between Israeli government and by governments from around the world
* **Mello**
	+ I just wanted to remind people that one agreement was no laughter
	+ Some said that this is anti semitic and I’d like to hear your thoughts
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* As a Jew, I am in a certain position to understand the problem of anti Semitism and the kind of fear that we have to walk into a synagogue
			* On the other hand I by no means want to speak for other people who have unique experiences
			* In my participation in the struggle for Palestinian freedom, it has been my family
			* I have never seen any jokes at me
			* I think the idea comes up with the idea of singling out Israel
			* I think that is illogical
* **Proxy Yana**
	+ Did you get any fliers in your mailbox that said that the holocaust is a lie or anything like that?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* Yea I am concerned about the rise of right wing attacks on anti Semitism
			* The one way to curve the right wing is not supporting ethnic cleansing and violence and humanitarian disruption
* **Proxy Noah**
	+ Do you believe that you adequately represent mainstream Jewish voices?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* I am not claiming to
			* I am acting as an individual as is every single person here
* **Toubian**
	+ Can you describe any tangible impact if we pass this resolution other than making other Jewish students feel unsafe?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* I disagree with the premise of the question
	+ Beside making other Jewish students feel unsafe, can you describe any real impact?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* I disagree
	+ Can you describe any tangible impact from this resolution?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* In addition to the political influence it might have there is the advancement of the rights of Palestinians which is tangible
* **Ornelas**
	+ All of AS investments and all investments made in the companies named
	+ We direct AS IAC pull the direct investments
* **Toubian**
	+ Other UCs listed and other campuses, have there been tangible benefits?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* I don’t care how intangible the benefits are
			* I believe in this resolution
			* It does practical things which I believe in doing
			* I don’t think I’m engaging in this just to single out the Jewish friends I have on this campus
			* I don’t think that opinions on Israeli human rights violations have to do with marginalization
* **Bencohen**
	+ University of Indianapolis: after divestment, there were swastikas carved
	+ What is your opinion on this?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* Anti-Semites hate Israel
			* It is absolutely essential for us to separate criticism of Israel and anti Semitism the same way we separate criticism of American foreign politics from national pride
			* The connection between these two
			* The fact that all these issues doing with Israel have to do with Jewishness, I thought we just finished calling out
* **Proxy Yana**
	+ Earlier when Senator Toubian said beside making Jewish students feel unsafe you said you don’t accept this premise
	+ Do students feel this resolution is anti-Semitic?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* Yes
			* People feel a lot of different things
			* I would love to hear the ways in which my Jewish brothers and sisters are more scared than they used to be
			* I would invite them to meet the people behind the resolution who are not fascist who are in some cases white like me and in some cases Black and Brown people subject to the violence used to fuel our way of life
* **Toubian**
	+ Do you believe anti-Semitism only exists on the far right?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* No
* **Shofet**
	+ Does this resolution consider human rights violations admitted by Hamas?
		- **Zach Blumenstein Response**
			* We are not financially invested in them
* **Ornelas**
	+ AS is invested in mutual bonds that are invested
	+ The money that we give go into that
	+ Over 60k in those
* **Shofet**
	+ I am asking that because previously, there weren’t any actual investments and it further reiterated that this is anti semitic
* **Ornelas**
	+ To my knowledge the source of where this comes is directly from IAC’s investment reports

**Nastacia Schmoll**

* I am here to support the resolution
* In this world we show our values by spending money
* By doing this, we are showing our approval of this
* We should not implicate ourselves in this
* This shouldn’t be controversial but I know this is emotion
* I hear different perspectives
* People on both sides don’t feel safe and I appreciate the fact that we can have this discussion
* I hope that we can try to put our presumptions aside and think about how the folks in Palestine are being affected by our investments in these companies and where our money is going to
* I honestly think that by supporting something that is killing people
* I know this resolution is directed at companies contributing to this Palestinian conflict
* **Chohan**
	+ I want to remind everyone who comes up that if you are uncomfortable you can opt out of questions at any time
* **Toubian**
	+ Will the chair allow 5 minute warning before public forum is cut off?
	+ **IVP Response**
		- A motion would have to be made
* Toubian/limit question time to 5 mins for speaker/nagpal/OBJECT

*MOTION/SECOND: Toubian/Nagpal*

*Motion language: motion to limit question time to 5 minutes, no extensions for each speaker*

*ACTION: Vote: OBJECT/NO RESCIND*

*Vote Taken:  Vote to vote 10-14 FAILS*

* + **Ornelas**
		- Why do you want to limit this?
	+ **Toubian**
		- I think it is in the best interest of everyone’s time
		- Seven minutes times however many speakers
		- I think 5 mins allow enough time
	+ **Cornejo**
		- My only concern is that we limited the speaker’s time to 2 minutes
		- The responsibility lies on us
		- The questions asked can be clearer
	+ **Nagpal**
		- I think that 5 mins is too short
		- 10 minutes might be more fair
	+ **Proxy Noah**
		- I think a time limit is necessary to be respectful of time
	+ **Uribe**
		- I hear the points
		- We are introducing a new rule when we already started
		- Time limit itself should have been discussed before
		- It won’t be fair for those who already came and people who will come after
	+ **Toubian**
		- There is no rule that says we cannot do it now
		- Seeing how it’s been going this
		- I would be open to amending my motion
		- We have seen people take question time to finish what they didn’t finish before
		- We have no jurisdiction to cut them off
		- Some time of 5 or 10 minutes or so would be good to respect people’s time
	+ **Nguyen**
		- Reserve my right
		- I want to echo what Senator Cornejo said about us being senators and how much time we take

*MOTION/SECOND: Nguyen/Friendly with the First*

*Motion language: motion to amend the current motion to limit question time to 10 minutes per speaker*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  8: 09 PM*

**Jarod Ramirez**

* I am a member of SAN
* I find it appalling that we are invested in companies that benefit from this humanitarian crisis
* Our university should honor our commitment to human rights
* In order to have a true vote and to protect the safety of senators, we should do secret ballot

**Barbara Parmet**

* I am a community member
* SURJ
	+ Showing up for Racial Justice
* Fighting for Palestinian rights
* I will speak directly for divesting from two specific companies
* IDF has used caterpillar to tear down Palestinians’ homes
* 2006-2018, Israel demolished countless Palestinian residential areas
* I have spent many years speak about other American Jews about our obligation to treat Palestinians of being humans instead of being Anti-Semites
* I ask you not to vote out of fear
* Please act to divest form corporations
* **Ornelas**
	+ In my conversations with Jewish community leaders whenever Jewish voices have been brought up, I’ve heard that it invalidates the voices. Can you elaborate?
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* I have been told that I am outside of the tent
			* For me this is a disrespectful way to treat another human being
			* I was brought up as a Jew and I have been to Israel and have had many of the same experiences
			* Conflating criticism of Israel and anti-Semitism is wrong
			* We have a lot of rituals and Jews who work all over the country
			* We are just as part of the Jewish communities
			* We hare marginalized it shows that we are saying things that they fear
	+ What are your concerns about this resolution and anti-Semitism in the community?
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* I am always concerned about anti Semitism
			* It exists and it was used against me
			* That is a discussion I have w people in social justice
			* Anti-Semitism is a very complex idea and we had a long discussion about the history of Anti-Semitism
			* I am reluctant to make a simple comment about it
			* It is used in many different ways
* **Proxy Dhishal**
	+ How do you feel about prime minister Netanyahu
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* I think it is clear to me with the nation state law and with his promotion of taking over the west bank this seems obvious to me that he is not concerned with international law
	+ Can you tell the board a little about canary mission?
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* I don’t know a lot
			* Canary mission has been secretive collecting information on students and professors
			* Canary mission has secretly collecting info and for those students and professor says they see supporting Palestinian rights
			* They put it on the website and use it as blackmail so they can’t get jobs
* **Bencohen**
	+ We were talking a little about anti-Semitism, can you elaborate more about this?
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* When you hear anti-Semitism you think that person hates Jews
			* When we call someone an anti-Semite it preclude thought
			* I shuts down discussion and is name calling
			* It doesn’t have to do with reason at a certain part
			* It is not helpful in discussing ideas
			* When it is obvious, like a swastika on a grave or when they kill for hateful reasons
			* When there are pollical reasons of conflating criticism of Israel with being Jewish, it just doesn’t work for me personally
			* History of groups calling other people including Jews calling other Jews, the ideal used is in a way that I don’t always appreciate
			* There is a lot of debate
			* I don’t think there is a way to define anti-Semitism
	+ Does this mean each individual has their own personal definition of anti-Semitism?
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* I don’t know
* **Proxy Yana**
	+ Earlier you said that when people call you a self-hating Jew and you saying you opinions. It doesn’t promote dialogue
	+ Do you think this resolution promotes dialogue?
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* I think it does
	+ Dialogue toward a peaceful coexistence?
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* Yes
* **Toubian**
	+ Do you believe that the conversations having tonight is effective communication to bridge the gap between these two groups?
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* I don’t know if pure dialogue can ever fix the world
			* All I know is that we must speak the rights
	+ Can you speak on the violations on Hamas?
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* Yes there have been
			* They have not always been helpful to their own people
			* I believe that the Israeli government have destroyed more Palestinians who could have helped their people over time and history
* **Briseno**
	+ Can you explain why or why not anti-Semitism is related to being critical of the Israeli government?
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* Being critical of American foreign policy doesn’t equal not being a patriot
			* It is the exact same thing
			* There are cases where it is anti-Semitic
			* We cannot conflate them always
* **Proxy Yana**
	+ Does criticism include singling out the only Jewish state in the world?
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* It is also true that this single state gets more funding from the us than any other country in the world
	+ You’re saying that singling the only Jewish state is not anti-Semitism?
		- **Barbara Parmet Response**
			* They are not being singled out because they are the only Jewish state
			* It is the military industrial complex where each supports the other

**Ivana Cruz**

* I am a member of multiple orgs on this campus
* For a long time I didn’t think divestment was a question
* I have heard both sides and both concerns
* I still maintain that the only responsible thing to do is to divest
* There is a reason it keeps coming back
* They feel for Palestine and the intimation tactics used will not stop our support
* I am asking as a student to consider that we should not be invested in these in the first place
* I stand with you if you vote in favor
* If you do vote yes or however, it doesn’t matter, there are people backing you up

**Aaron Raimi**

* After losing both his parents he is physically and mentally scarred
* My grandfather survived the holocaust
* My grandfather fought in the Israeli army
* We stood together to fight bigotry and hate, one of which is anti Semitism
* This resolution and bds in general hurts the Palestinian movement
* This resolution hurts each and every student on this campus of which many were present at vigils
* Targets Jewish people
* Vote no on this resolution
* **Bencohen**
	+ Do you believe we should vote secret ballot?
		- **Aaron Raimi Response**
			* Open ballot to maintain transparency
* **Briseno**
	+ How is an open ballot appealing to transparency?
		- **Aaron Raimi Response**
			* I don’t think that this matters
			* I am more concerned with the vote
			* If you choose for open or closed, it is more about this resolution
* **Mello**
	+ Can you explain how you think Palestinians have been represented?
		- **Aaron Raimi Response**
			* I don’t speak for Palestinians
			* They have a group on campus
			* If they want representation, they can go through elections
	+ Do you feel this divestment is a form of Palestinians not having enough representation?
		- **Aaron Raimi Response**
			* That is up to you
			* I am not speaking for them
			* If they feel it represents them, then it doesn’t
* **Ornelas**
	+ You shared an anecdote about Palestinian women, where was the factor located and where does she live?
		- **Aaron Raimi Response**
			* The factory is in West Bank; it is in area C it is under Israeli control
			* She lives in area C
* **Solomon**
	+ Seeing as our student sponsors are on canary mission, how does this make you feel?
		- **Aaron Raimi Response**
			* I stand against doxing and canary mission
			* I don’t think any of us would endorse canary mission
			* One group is related to this but they are an outside group
			* As opposed to open or secret ballot that is up to this body
	+ How do you believe an open ballot will affect voters being put on those websites?
		- **Aaron Raimi Response**
			* I don’t know how they run
* **Proxy Shirel**
	+ I was wondering if you could speak about your experience as a Jew on this campus
		- **Aaron Raimi Response**
			* My experiences have been overall positive
			* I have experienced numerous instances of anti-Semitism and bias
			* Recently this past week and a half I have had friends who had posters shoved in their mailboxes that were anti-Semitic
			* I don think that is a coincidence bc as we know, anti-Semitism always shows its face through a different way
			* I was through religion and persecution
			* Today anti-Semitism has manifested in anti-Israel bias
			* I don’t think it is a coincidence that they were released right after the antisemitic posters were released
* **Adam**
	+ Can you elaborate on importance of Israel on Jewish students?
		- **Aaron Raimi Response**
			* To express the level of connection between Jew and Israel
				+ They’re almost interchangeable
				+ There is no Jews without Israel and vice versa
				+ The importance isn’t that it’s where we are from, it is a matter of life and death
* **Briseno**
	+ If I am critical of American government of Mexican government how is it different from being critical of the Israeli government?
		- **Aaron Raimi Response**
			* Criticizing Israeli government is different
			* Calling for destruction of the government of Israel
			* 2 days ago, Israel had an election, there is so much disagreement that they cannot come to an agreement
			* There is nothing wrong with criticism, it is when you call for the destruction of the government is when it crosses over to anti-Semitic forms
			* You delegitimize
			* You demonize the state or you create a double standard in which things that are going on in Israel you don’t call out in other countries
	+ What specific in statement in the resolution does this?
		- **Aaron Raimi Response**
			* This resolution was written very well
			* The actual language is very covert but insidious
			* Calling for economic boycott and isolation of Israel
			* Economically isolation country hurts the country
			* If it doesn’t have funding it has a heard time existing
			* The founder of this bds movement , he says that they don’t believe in a Jewish state
	+ There is no explicit mentioning of BDS
		- **Aaron Raimi Response**
			* It is just missing the B and the S
			* It’s basically BDS
* **Amit Lev Ari**
	+ Good evening
	+ I am from Israel
	+ Last week anti semitic fliers were found on windshields of their cars and a student was seen wearing an SS shirt
	+ This resolution sets a double standard for Israel, the only Jewish state
	+ This is anti-Semitic in character
	+ Does not sympathize with the fears of the Jewish students
	+ This does not show any solidarity with people
	+ Passing this would mean ignoring the voices
	+ I urge you all to recognize your platforms and vote no on a public ballot

*MOTION/SECOND: Proxy Noah/Karmes Wainer*

*Motion language: motion to close signups for public foum at 8:50*

* + **Ornelas**
		- I think we should be conscious of folks who have to work
		- We talk so much about hearing voices
		- I don’t see a point in cutting off the signups
	+ **Karmes Wainer**
		- Can we compromise with a later time
		- Ten PM?

*MOTION/SECOND: Funk/Friendly with the First*

*Motion language: motion to amend the motion to close signups for public foum at 10:00*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  8: 43 PM*

* **Jonathon Lebo**
	+ I am a UCSB student come to speak against this
	+ This bill is not about fostering peach it will do nothing to resolve the issue
	+ The charges against Israel make no mention of how Israel seeks to defend itself against its Muslim neighbors
	+ Why is it that when Jews defend themselves it is considered humanitarian crime
	+ It leaves out points
		- Palestinians kill Israelis
		- On top of that when they found out that Palestinian bodies such as Hamas built terror tunnels, they cut funding
		- I do want to say that among the Jews
	+ This bill is trying to label Israel as committing war crimes
	+ It is stripping Israel of its right to defend its rights to defend itself
	+ Over 20k rockets have been fired off from Gaza
	+ They have a right to defend themselves
	+ Marginalizing the Israeli and Jews
	+ This bill causes the platform for hate crimes to occur
	+ **Mello**
		- Should we be invested on either side?
			* **Jonathon Lebo Response**
				+ We should invest from these companies
				+ They produce a lot of things that are anti-missiles
				+ Israel operates iron dome
				+ It promotes technological innovation
	+ **Ornelas**
		- To my knowledge, economic prosperity in Palestine is limited; do you have an approximate idea of how many Palestinians enter Israel that they cannot find?
			* **Jonathon Lebo Response**
				+ The barrier wall is a recent development
				+ It has been put up in recently ~ 15 or 20 years
				+ It encouraged Palestinian citizens to enter Israel

Some blew themselves up and killed people

* + - * + I don’t have an exact number but I know that there are Palestinian Israelis have no issues getting work in Israel
		- Do you think it is easy for Palestinian to enter Israel?
			* **Jonathon Lebo Response**
				+ I would focus this time on why this bill endangers UCSB Jewish students
	+ **Proxy Dhishal**
		- How do you feel Israel using its army for purpose of settlements in west bank?
			* **Jonathon Lebo Response**
				+ Israel is a Jewish land and it always will be
				+ Jews have been there and have been exiled from Israel four times
				+ We have been forcefully dispersed
				+ The west bank is not really the west bank
				+ It would be saying that Baja California is not really Baja California
				+ Territory over there have been historically Jewish land
				+ We do want autonomy for both sides
	+ **Nguyen**
		- Divestment is platform for anti Semitism, can you elaborate how that manifests?
			* **Jonathon Lebo Response**
				+ Zionism and Judaism is deeply rooted in each other
				+ Israel is inscribed in the flesh of a Jew
				+ We focus toward Israel
				+ You can’t separate Zionism and Judaism
				+ When anti Zionists want to make a statement, he goes to synagogues, not to Israel
				+ It directly correlates
				+ People have Israeli flags visible from the outside and because of this, their houses have bene pelted with flags
				+ Why should we feel we should hide our identities
	+ **Shofet**
		- If you could elaborate on anti-Semitism UCSB students will face?
			* **Jonathon Lebo Response**
				+ This is not showing full truth of the matter
				+ Everything in this resolution cites as humanitarian violations is the result of self defense actions
				+ I think it is unfair to bring this to 25 people to make this decision
				+ This is something worldwide we cannot decide
				+ I feel every single year I have to justify my existence as a Jew and as a Zionist
				+ Some may feel that being anti-Zionist is anti-Semitic you can separate, but this is not the case
* **Chohan**
	+ I think we should allow for ten minutes of questions
	+ They can finish what they say but we should perhaps cut people off at 10 minutes
	+ We want to be respectful of people’s time
* **Cornejo**
	+ This falls under jurisdiction of the chair
* **Proxy Dhishal**
	+ We can have ten minutes and one or two after if you still want to finish
	+ After one minute that should be enough to answer your question

*MOTION/SECOND: Ngyuen/Toubian*

*Motion language: motion to extend speaker’s answering time to two minutes after the question is asked*

* + **Toubian**
		- Can we just request the chair to cut off the speaker when the question has been answered?
		- **IVP Response**
			* Yes

*ACTION: MOTION RESCINDED*

**Cristina Curiel**

* I call upon senate to support this resolution
* I urge senate to stop allowing this university to invest in these companies
* Israel is the base for US imperialism
* This resolution tis directing toward condemning US imperialism and stopping any further deaths
* This would be an imperative
* Use secret ballot

**Olivia Bernheimer**

* I have never felt unsafe to tell people about
* I am strong believer of coexistence and human rights
* I want to be on the side to protect the most beliefs
* No one should be targeted or mistreated
* The founders of the BDS movement is to put anti Semitism behind human right
* Sanctioning Israel does not help the Palestinian people
* Bds is destructive not constructive
* Empathy doesn’t mean agreement
* Everyone is coming from a good place
* I think that we should pass a resolution that does not targe any specific group

**Avital Rutenburg**

* This resolution is anti-Semitic
* It has been around for hundreds of years and taken many forms
* It has taken the form of BDS
* This resolution makes me feel unsafe on my college campus
* Why are we looking to pass a resolution that demonizes the only Jewish state
* The only goal of BDS is to bring down the state of Israel
* This erases our identity
* Many Israeli Jews are people of color
* We cannot help people by dehumanizing a huge part of the middle east
* **Shofet**
	+ We will ask you if you feel comfortable taking questions then you can say that you do not feel comfortable

**Eduardo Perez**

* I am a leader and patriot and I am here speaking for myself
* I am here to speak against divestment resolution and I am also speak in defense of the Jewish people
* Political Israel is recognized as a world leader of human rights and as a nation that provides generous things than the united states such as health care
* Home of the gay capital of the world: Tel Aviv
* Elsewhere we have huge problems like concentration camps in china and massacring of hundreds of people to do this
* Israel is rich, powerful and a nation with liberty and freedom and a lot of the world
* The answer is not tearing down Israel
* **Funk**
	+ Would you support resolution that condemns human rights violations in any concepts?
		- **Eduardo Perez Response**
			* I would if it concentrates on big violators
* **Ornelas**
	+ Can you comment on experiences you saw of living situations of Palestinians living in West Bank?
		- **Eduardo Perez Response**
			* Difficult to live there because history of terrorism
			* Israel does what they have to do to respond to terrorism
			* It is v difficult to live there
			* Things are improving the Palestinians talk to us about increased cooperation and how that improves things a lot
			* More and more interaction between Israelis and Palestinians
			* They need a peace deal, without this, it’ll be very difficult to do other things
	+ Can you comment on difference between accessibility of resources?
		- **Eduardo Perez Response**
			* In Palestine there are these security checkpoints it harder in terms of economic mobility
			* Arab Muslims are an integral part and play just as a role as Israelis in the government
			* There are high officials in every seat of gov
			* It is a Jewish state so there is some preference to Jews
			* As we have seen in history, when Jews are oppressed there is no one to defend them
* **Nguyen**
	+ We as an org ought to divest form orgs that violate human rights?
		- **Eduardo Perez Response**
			* I think in general that is a good principle
			* Israel is such a strategic ally, there is room for mobility in terms of some type of agreements
	+ How do we format a resolution that divests from companies that violates human rights without singling out group of people?
		- **Eduardo Perez Response**
			* You should single out the most oppressive countries
			* Iranian based countries like Iran is a huge sponsor of terrorism
			* In terms of national interest are threats to freedom and liberty everywhere
* **Shofet**
	+ What resources does Israel provide Palestinians?
		- **Eduardo Perez Response**
			* A lot of charities I guess
			* If people need healthcare they can get it in Israel
			* I am not an expert
* **Ornelas**
	+ You mentioned that we should prioritize one or another, how does this foster peace?
		- **Eduardo Perez Response**
			* Israel is an ally in terms of promoting liberty and equality and principles that Americans stand for
			* You are hurting the worst countries in the world
* **Cornejo**
	+ What is the biggest security threat at the moment?
		- **Eduardo Perez Response**
			* I just went on a tip and I read the news
			* Hezbollah is probably the worst
			* Syrian border and they have so many rockets
	+ What are some human rights violations Palestinians face?
		- **Eduardo Perez Response**
			* Your house bulldozed
			* Context to all these things
			* I know Palestinian authority limiting electricity in Gaza
			* I have heard that when Hamas sends rockets and Israel needs to respond, I guess that could be human rights violation
* **Proxy Shirel**
	+ Did you learn anything about the security wall?
		- **Eduardo Perez Response**
			* What I do know is that since the wall was erected there have been no successful suicide bombings
			* Adding more layers help with security
			* I think the main point is this

**Nicole Oberman**

* I travelled to Israel and I learned a lot
* A man said to me that his vision for peace is to kill all Jews but hearing that invoked a lot of fear in me
* No person should ever be in a situation like this
* I constantly preach about the diversity and inclusion
* As someone who is liberal and progressive, I can recognize that Israel has violated human rights
* Divestment is a symbolic gesture to take rights away from these people
* I do not want the fac that Israel promotes diversity and human rights to be taken away
* Enough is enough, stand up against discrimination
* Vote no tonight

**Riley Hseih**

* I stand here bc it is an injustice that this UC is violating human rights
* Take a step and help Palestinians’ dream
* Right now they are not allowed to dream
* Over 1300 Palestinians have bene killed
* These corporations that we are invested in direct contribute to the human rights violations against these Palestinians

**Jonathan Stahl**

* Since we are talking about the human rights violations, I want to add to the brief history that Jews are the group that have been persecuted for millennia
* It took the horrible highlight of the holocaust and Israel is finally the safe space that they have
* We have to recognize Israel as a necessity for all Jews
* In the preamble it says Israel will exist and will continue to exist until Islam obliterates it
* Saying that Israel needs to be eradicated is unprecedented
* Israel has their right to self defense
* I want you to keep in mind when you get to vote keep in mind the state surrounding Israel want it to be eradicated

**Rafael Shapiro**

* This resolution draws parallel from apartheid but it is misinformed
* There is no comparison to be made to apartheid
* It is not unusual to have checkpoints to regulate who can enter a country
* Since the institution, terror has decreased
* When Israel become slack, terrorists have taken the liberty to launch new attacks
* I was raised in a family that emphasizes egalitarian rights and I believe that this student body shares the same ideals but this resolution challenges this ideal
* How can the university stand for such a movement that would inhibit Jewish voices

**Rose Ettleson**

* **For Full Statement, See Exhibit D**
* **Toubian**
	+ Do you believe that legitimate criticism is anti-Semitism?
		- **Rose Ettleson Response**
		- No
* **Cornejo**
	+ What are your opinions of students like me taking an open ballot?
		- **Rose Ettleson Response**
			* Your safety might be in question but because of your position to be as transparent as possible
			* This is one of the most transparent as possible with the enacting of your Facebook pages
			* I urge you to uphold those standards
	+ We talk about liberty but what about Palestinians and Israeli?
		- **Rose Ettleson Response**
			* Coalition
* **Nguyen**
	+ What does peace look like?
		- **Rose Ettleson Response**
			* Not this resolution
			* Both from Israeli and Palestinian backgrounds but this only serves to bring up the Palestinian narrative
* **Cernat**
	+ We have heard about whether this is being indicative of BDS at all can you expand on this please?
		- **Rose Ettleson Response**
			* The D is BDS is divest, that is my first notion that this is BDS
			* It doesn’t have to have the BDS letter mark on the heard
			* SJP had an event that was calling for organizing for BDS
			* Other senators have mentioned schools that have had BDS movement that has been successful and I think national SJP has to say that this is a BDS resolution
	+ Why is BDS bad?
		- **Rose Ettleson Response**
			* It negatively impacts us because it makes us feel that we cannot support Israel in our communities
			* There have been instances of increase in anti-Semitism following passing BDS
* **Chohan**
	+ I understand your sentiment in transparent, do you not think that come concerns are worth the lack of transparency?
		- **Rose Ettleson Response**
			* I understand the concerns of safety but you all were elected and you chose these position and their constituency
* **Toubian**
	+ Why did you think UCSB has been the last to divest?
		- **Rose Ettleson Response**
			* We have strong anti divestment community that comes and speaks from the matter
			* We feel this resolution should not pass
			* Other contextual issue that have caused it not to pass
			* The BDS movement have shown itself as strong
* **Proxy Yana**
	+ Senators pointed out that universities were cited that passed the divestment movement, BDS limit its various educational opportunities, as a student how does this make you feel?
		- **Rose Ettleson Response**
			* I feel a lot of great academic opportunities can be introduced
			* This disappoints me
	+ What do you think this senate should do in promoting and preventing the discontinuation of investment?
		- **Rose Ettleson Response**
			* I think it should uphold investment
			* As UCH academic exploration as possible
* **Proxy Shirel**
	+ If this resolution were to happen tonight, what would be the state of these investment?
		- **Rose Ettleson Response**
			* Regents have committed to not divesting from them
			* I don’t know how that would work if we pass this
			* This is clearly a symbolic movement
* **Toubian**
	+ Can the audience please refrain from whispering and step outside if you wish to continue conversation

**Aaron Hendizadeh**

* I have been in your position here before
* From hate crimes perpetrated to anti-Semitic fliers, we have BDS presented
* At lest this time it wasn’t brought up on holocaust remembrance day
* Put yourself in progressive Zionist Jews who feel unwelcomed because they have a predetermined stance in favor of BDS
* That official SJP divestment directly cites BDS
* Since everyone is okay with silencing the voices of Jewish students, I will be silent
* That silent is the silence of exclusion
* That silence is what the senate would be supporting
* Look behind me and see the vision of the room
* Vote no
* **Proxy Yana**
	+ Can you talk about the reactions of your peers when you saw that divestment is on the agenda?
		- **Aaron Hendizadeh Response**
		- The whole community goes in panic
		- It is not something we are fond of or happy about
* **Proxy Noah**
	+ Many of the Jewish students have expressed concerns about their safety
	+ do you believe that this resolution poses a catch 22?
		- **Aaron Hendizadeh Response**
			* I think introducing this in the first place places senators at risk
			* Once BDS passes, it becomes more acceptable to anti-Semitic
			* I don’t think that legitimate criticism of Israel is anti-Semitic
	+ As one of the leaders of Jewish community would you like to see a more fair resolution?
		- **Aaron Hendizadeh Response**
			* I heard the idea but there was no approach this year
			* That would be great
* **Toubian**
	+ Could you speak on concern of voting on open ballot of safety concerns?
		- **Aaron Hendizadeh Response**
			* I think that introducing this is the reason that senators are not safe
			* This could risk them putting on this horrible website called canary mission
			* Whenever you are elected you are here to make tough decision then you shouldn’t be shamed
	+ Does this resolution foster effective communication?
		- **Aaron Hendizadeh Response**
			* No I don’t think so
			* It makes students in those communities feel more alienated
			* There are other students who express concern for example there was a worker union mark and many would like to be involved
				+ This happened oat the same time
				+ They changed from workers rights to an Israel Palestine issue
			* QComm founded the wall which is offensive to Jewish students
* **Shofet**
	+ The resolution says that this illustrates the overwhelming demand for divestment
	+ Do you know of any Jewish orgs that were reached out to?
		- **Aaron Hendizadeh Response**
			* I don’t think I was reached out to
			* This resolution was not open to any people who had opposition to the resolution
			* Perhaps other Jewish orgs were reached out to but I don’t think they represent all of us
	+ Is this making us choose one over another?
		- **Aaron Hendizadeh Response**
			* I think this is taking a stance
			* It alienates the voices of Jewish community
			* I don’t think this accomplishes anything
* **Proxy Yana**
	+ Considering recent anti-Semitic attacks, how does it make you feel?
		- **Aaron Hendizadeh Response**
			* I definitely feel threatened and scared
			* Someone also felt really uncomfortable
			* Someone of the citations are authored by people known for anti Semitism
			* Other people on the other side also feel targeted too
			* I was here before
			* I want to advocate for my community

*MOTION/SECOND: Ornelas/Uribe*

*Motion language: motion for a 4 minute recess*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  9: 55 PM*

**\*\*\*moved here 1:05 AM\*\*\***

**Joshua Dolinsky-** Thank you for staying up late. Despite claims on the contrary this resolution is about Israel and part of the greater BDS movement, it is thinly veiled anti-Semitism. Israel is not a perfect country, but Israel treats other soldiers the same as it would its own only country that respects women, voting, freedom of religion the only one in its region. Saudi Arabia which is the biggest recipient of US arms per year has anti-Semitism intent and the founder of BDS denied Israel’s right to exist completely they alienate much of the Jewish campus community such hate is allowed on campus so long as it is covered if you are willing about the take into account the possibility of a public vote

**Cernat-** Can you speak more on your last point?

 **Joshua Dolinsky-** I want the senate to vote publicly people here have broadcasted their views in the world with their face and our senators should do the same we are your constituents that said I understand your concern, but transparency is ultimately very important

**Adam-** *Point of Personal Privilege* the iPad is dead

**Uribe-** *Point of Personal Privilege* the iPad just turned on do you want to start the live stream now or wait**?**

**Shofet-** We should let it charge

**Hannah Greei**

This divestment resolution has rhetoric that is threatening to Jewish students. I visited Germany and went to a concentration camp. I came back and found anti-Semitism flyers on DP and passing this resolution would alienate the Jewish community. Each year I volunteer for Hillel during spring insight. I talk about how I chose this school because of its diverse and supportive community. When I say we have BDS here I see fear in their eyes, while the Jewish community is diverse, resilient, and strong these fears are not easily dismantled. They will over time evolve into real life stereotypes and demonization please vote and use an open ballot for transparency.

**Aaron Freid**

It is difficult to express how disheartening this resolution is for my friends and Jewish community. Everyone is on edge it cuts to the very core of my identity Israel is a place of refuge and it remained the one place where everyone could go, I tend to be optimistic however as I look out at the world I see anti-Semitism flyers I see swastikas in Jewish cemeteries and I see Pittsburg it is inconceivable how our university could align with a resolution that supports BDS and it is unacceptable to confuse criticism of Israel and BDS only Jewish state in the world reject this resolution and vote by roll call

**Victor Zachary**

I have a lot of oppression in my life I would shower with tear gas and bullets I am the son if the revolution in Egypt I understand BDS and a stance would not make any change I understand how small our voice is but regardless you have your voice and how effective is you must use it

**Sara Babakhyi**

I am here to talk to you about the other side, we should not divest in Israel because other countries do no the same, ethnic cleansing indigenous of Muslims and Christians, Israel is a nation state of the Jewish people, the other side chooses to turn a blind eye you choose you are either on the side of the oppressed or you are not

**Mark Jay**

Associate professor of sociology people come up here and make speeches without reading how many people will speak on a deep issue of occupation how many people have read the books yet we rely on our personal experiences I am a Jewish but this is global capitalist and this a gross disgusting world between 2005 and 2014 ,168 Israel people were killed 3800 Palestinians were killed yet we hear your stories of traveling to Israel and you feeling scared from growing up in one of the wealthiest countries in the world

**Justin Feldman**

Student from UCLA because I care about this issue, my family who live overseas in Israel, Chancellor student at UCLA I hosted an event last year showcasing the history of Kurds and Armenians and Israelis and it was shut down and we were called terrorists and white supremacists we have placards knocked off flags ripped down and we had many students intimidated by people not from our campus and they decided that their social justice cause would shield them from any accountability or responsibility and if we are talking about justice whose justice should be considered think about how sensitive this issue here and across the nation and are thinking about how direly social justice is being yielded

**Gershon Klein**

We were studying in the morning and in the middle of this rickets started to fall and it was intended for a person and Jewish nature goes back a long time and it is a 1000 year old and killings are nothing new and ageist as ourselves and divestment is the form taken today and casted Israel as bloodthirsty people that they intentionally want to kill child and intend to take human life intentionally taking human life as a Jewish state that is one of our priorities to take the life of Palestinian children that is what is being discussed for hours and hours and here we are again are you happy with that?

**Marisol Hernandez**

Member of WommComm and you should pass this resolution and we recognize the ongoing oppression of women in Palestine we believe in the freedom of Palestine and violence is being implicated I stand in solidarity from Mexico to Palestine and US Mexican border being gassed urged you to vote in this resolution and you passed a resolution on 1/13 to divest from and I urge you pass this ballot in a secret vote for the safety of your constituents

**Cernat-** At what point is a senator considered absent, legal code says 30 min

**Eden Shirin**

Born and raised in Israel, growing up a number of my first childhood memories to put on gas masks and we would go to bomb shelters after school it should sounds absurd but it is not we grow up watching the news wherever and whenever you are you are privy to terrorist attacks and I though at UCSB it would be welcoming culture however every time divestment talks arise against Jewish and Israelis and I feel that this divestment resolution does not prevent human rights violations but it inflicts human rights violations for the first time in 9 years I feel personally attack since I moved here

**Sarah Mehrina**

Iranian Jewish supporter of the state of Israel fled Iranian resolution over 800,000 Jewish are people of color who fled middle eastern countries for us Israel is a safe haven and this resolution is erasing the narrative this summer I got to visit Israel-Palestinian circle and we met with an Israeli women and Palestinian man and when asked about divestment movements but individuals strongly and firmly argued that we have no place making an argument we can change what happens when we think and this does not foster any positive results and it has no place here as we are not experiencing the experiences and the goal of peace and we need to end the pattern of choosing sides

**Karmes-Wainer-** Do you believe that is appropriate for student senators to be voting such a serious issue?

 **Mehrina-** I do not think it is appropriate because we do not have the nuanced experiences and we do not understand the complexities of this narrative and that will impact people in the country so far away and why are we making it a problem on our campus

Chohan what do you think we should do as a senate

 This resolution is very obviously in who it is targeting ans we need to come together and put one narrative at the forefront, and we need to talk to each other and this exactly the opposite of peace and we need to all communicate

**Miles Forrest**

The basis of any democratic process is being able to speak and vote when students are threatened by having names put on canary lists and the fact that some students are engaging in these power movements and you as the senate should be upholding the community, secret ballot what is the secret ballot reserved for if not for resolutions like this and for people arguing about transparency and transparency votes are made under duress and they are not representative of senator opinion

**Shir Klainman**

We have the duty as students to understand the full context of what we are voting the resolution silences dialogue and Zionism by definition is the movement of the Jewish people to self-determine and this resolution is hypocritical one sided and destructive and we should be having a conversation cover photo of SJP Layla Khalid and she was and their family members were killed and suffered in concentration camps and no country would take them except Israel and you can see then how resolution makes me feel disregarded and unsafe as a Jewish student, vote by roll call and vote no

**Daniel Berchenko**

I want to talk about fear, I am a Jewish student and I have a laundry list of horror stories I also understand history and patterns and a number of Jewish students who have fought for social and racial justice and how is it possible that intelligent and persistent Jewish students who are in denial of Palestinian people and as a Jew I recognize that students I understand fear I have as much reason as anyone to be afraid all that stands between us and when did we as Jews forget about our history what else would you call the actions of the Jewish community when did we forget that our enemies are one and the same we are defending the corporations and we cannot let fear control us for the millions of Palestinians I do not support the Zionist state

**Jayasinghe-** Do you feel the resolution is anti-Semitic?

 **Daniel Berchenko-** No because my identity as a Jew goes beyond the state of Israel this illusion is some instruction link between Zionist and this movement is barely 150 years as if we have not spent 1000 years based on diaspora I am not denying my identity and home to Jews is wherever they can be found BDS is more in line with Jewish tradition

**Jayasinghe-** Elaborate how you feel on canary mission

 **Daniel Berchenko-** I am not familiar with canary missions I have done some minimal research, but I do not have a good answer

**Bencohen-** Does Israel have a right to have a definition of what anti-Semitism is?

 **Daniel Berchenko-** No

**Bencohen-** There is a strict definition of anti-Semitism and you speak for the Jewish community

 The discussions of anti-Semitism and what this means as a political movement completely ignore relationships between Jewish and Palestinians and it is ridiculous when you understand the border context and the clear disparities in power and resources

**Nadav**

I said this last year and I will say it again the divestment resolution was written in and the senate will completely marginalize a group of people regarding the entire Israeli-Palestinian conflict and at times I felt and as written and interrupted and it boiled down to the fact would ultimately disappoint one groups on campus I do not wish it upon any of my enemies I hope that is not the end and I hope that every student feels that is the beginning of a healthy dialogue and this because an issue does not pass and I truly wish that the issue is continued to be discussed

**Proxy Yana-** A resolution that allowed for Palestinian voices to be heard

 **Nadav-** If we decide on an answer right now we will not get an answer we will like and we need to ask people and create dialogue and many people have come and said and there is a current divide in the room and once this is over not many people are going to continue this conversation and saying we should come up with a conversation now

**Chohan-** What do you make of the fact that the resolution comes up every year

 **Nadav-** I have seen things like this before, communities need to be made aware and have a conversation

**Nuphar Ezra**

Listening to senators debating on the issue that has no reason to be argued this is the second time since I have seen my peers and friends and ultimately accomplishes nothing and it pains me to see why this resolution 11 hour meetings that are aggressive and unproductive you are supposed to advocate for our constitutions and there is a physical divisions and you say no to the resolution if nothing else that tears the student body apart all of you ran on transparency so I urge you to vote by roll call

**Walid Affi**

Thank you for providing me the opportunity I am professor in dept of Communications and I have co taught a course my father is Palestinian and my mother is American my father fled and I have taught alongside Hillel staff and rabbi and Israel occupation is the longest occupation in Gaza and the longest ongoing occupation and the internal right to resist occupation and they do not have that right and this company and every human being has a right to stake their own and every child has a right to education and safe access and security

**Daniel Ebrahimi**

BDS resolution is the beginning of false promises and demonizes problems will be solved and the international community and no right to vote and why the narrative wills suddenly be created and advanced medical care and Palestinians re the number one recipients of foreign aid in the world and Palestinians deserve a state of their own but their leaders will not cooperate and the number of issues today and the only issue and the country is functioning with pluralistic identities and for a large number of Jewish gauchos and for many reasons and who have no, cultural and

**Shofet-** *Point of Clarification* When do we have the room until?

 **IVP-** 10 AM

**Dylan Fussman**

American Jew Brazilian student Latinx community not true Brazilians do not agree local problem as other people have said my windows have been broken and a couple guys drove by my house and this is out of hand and the police do not really do it and you are saying you condemn do I need to militarize and stand outside my house with a shotgun and if you want to prove you are against it vote no or pay for my window

**Rachel Huang**

I support the resolution I want to speak on environmental justice and while integral and solar energy and Israel has been taking toxic waste and putting it into Gaza and increases and strategically placed and the fast growing and prevent people from returning to their homes and the stress of returning and the degradation of the earth as a student you the fossil fuel companies and other companies that UCSB condemns fossil fuel and vote by secret ballot

**Zuhal Hashimi**

Student for MSA and so I not Palestinian or Israel but I am in support for the resolution however I want to bring a perspective who are not able publicly speak on this topic out of fear UCSB is involved with this companies and I feel ashamed of this and I personally believe the only way is to divest just because something is controversial we should not shy from it and other UCs have passed and just as I have Hamas and other terrorists and in terms of American corporations and this specific issue and just as passed resolutions has been I am not asking to fix in conflict but please take a step in this and vote by secret ballot

**Chelsea Sanchez**

Co-chairs of MUJER that endorse this resolution and pass this resolution as companies are profiting from human rights violations and UCSB should take a central stance and as a central American and being part of a community that the experiences of the Palestinians people are similar to my own experiences and ask ourselves why are we not hearing voices of Palestinian issues and I stand before you today and urge you to pass this resolution and vote by secret ballot

**Metrah Sadeghi**

Intentional conflation between and I support this proposal and what has been said about the foundations of the BDS movement and the conceptualization from Zionism as inseparable from Israeli people and conflation between opposed to Zionism and opposed to Jews and to demonize those who speak out on different sides and those who are profiting off of it and those are entirely valid but also disregarding Palestinian people and while I do not want Jews having things thrown in their windows and one community marginalized history and I will quote

**Ulises Bucio**

Co-Chair for SCORE and in SIRRC and I say that to say imagine looking at people who voted against you I urge you all to join the better side of history and I want to say that marginalized members that you should not try to change and you are all qualified to make a decision and you can’t pick and choose when you are qualified and when you are not and Ferguson and police brutality and you should pass divestment change should start with us if not us then who use a secret ballot

**Jayasinghe-** Would the resolution make a difference?

 **Ulises Bucio-** We are the richest school in the richest state in the richest country in the world we should come together with all UCs because every year it does not pass

**Max G**

Agree on one side the time for peace has come the resolution before you will fail to do so, Israeli defense forces for three years in the war and it taught me a lot first thing it taught me that this issue will not be fixed on the campus, second thing nobody wants peace more than I do I have lost best friends and I woke up with friends gone who I went to sleep with I am sick of tired of hearing rockets polarizing tactics offers more problems than solution hate filled mandated masquerading strongly urge you to join our struggle and vote on no in transparent vote

**Tal Garner**

The resolution attempts to prove that Israel is committing human rights violations and human rights each I came back from Israel that human rights watches as acts on Israel are badly distorted and one of the principle reasons is that human rights watch that have similar policies and again that was amnesty and Israel a state valid and amnesty dance with delight and blatant examples of bias in media blaming Israel for terrorism against innocent people and annihilation and clear evidence of bias and it does mean that things should be taken at face value uphold our university’s values

**Kim Fuentes**

USLAS member and we have the responsibility to ensure and we should ensure that all students feel safe and there have been many mentions of the separations but why then does it mainly separate Palestinians families and their land in Gaza and urge you to use secret ballot

**Michael Kile**

Founding member of SAN and today I want to focus on three main points, one of the companies that makes missiles their stocks skyrocketed when Trump used missiles and there is an agreement that promotes a conflict and specificity and people are either against Israel and Palestine and we have to specify groups to have a complete dialogue secret ballot when there were a lot of abstentions and one of the people at the table was deathly afraid of being deported and anyone who is calling for an open roll call and using canary missions

**Jayasinghe-** Can you elaborate on the Black Lives Matter example?

 **Michael Kile-** People who are arguing about Israel are pushing to ignite certain narratives and there are a lot of people that suffer from police violence but same people get offended when we specific and they try to erase certain narrative and in this case it is the Arabs and the Israel Palestine conflict

*MOTION/SECOND: Jayasinghe/Uribe*

*Motion language: motion to take a seven-minute recess*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  2:33 AM*

**E) Acceptance of Agenda**

*MOTION/SECOND: Ornelas/Jayasinghe*

*Motion language: motion to table spring elections ballot because of the Judicial Council injunction*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  2:43 AM*

*MOTION/SECOND: Ornelas/Nagpal*

*Motion language: motion to add Finance and Business minutes 04/08/19 to the agenda*

*ACTION: Vote: OBJECTION*

*Vote Taken:  22-0-0*

*2:45 AM*

*MOTION/SECOND: Nagpal/Jayasinghe*

*Motion language: motion to accept the agenda*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  2:45 AM*

**F) Consent Calendar**-

**G) Action Items**

**G-1) Immediate Consideration**

**G-2) Old Business**-

2019 Spring Elections Ballot

**H) Recess**-

**I) ASUCSB Reports**

**I-1) Administrative Committees**-

**I-2) Boards and Commissions**-

**I-3) Unit Reports**-

**I-4) President’s Cabinet Report** -

**I-5) Executive Director’s Report**-

**I-6) Executive Officers’ Report** -

President

         Internal Vice President

         External Vice President of Local Affairs

         External Vice President of Statewide Affairs

         Student Advocate General

 **I-7) Senator Representative Reports**-

 **I-8) Administrative Reports**-

**J) Committee Reports**

 **J-1) Standing Committee on Finance and Business**-

 **J-2) Standing Committee on External Affairs**-

 **J-3) Standing Committee on Internal Affairs**-

 **J-4) Group Project and other Temporary Committee Reports**-

**K) Minutes and Allocations:**

 **K-1) Senate Minutes**

 Senate 04/03

**K-2) Administrative Committees Minutes**

**K-3) Boards and Commissions Minutes**

EAB 04/08

 COSWB 04/09

 SCORE 04/03

**K-4) Unit Minutes**

SIRRC 04/04, 04/09

 IVCRC 04/09

 CAB 04/08

 Coastal Fund 04/09

 TSA 04/09

 KCSB 04/01

 Bike Comm 04/01, 04/08

**K-5) Standing Committee Minutes**

**L) Appointments**

Resignation of Eric Moon as Events Coordinator for IVCRC

**M) Discussion Items**

**N) Remarks**

**O) Adjournment**

*MOTION/SECOND: Nagpal/Funk*

*Motion language: motion to adjourn*

*ACTION: Vote: CONSENT*

*Vote Taken:  4:58 AM*