

## **Legislative Council Minutes of Proceedings**

May 23rd, 2007

Flying A' Room

The Council was called to order at 5:05 p.m., by the **INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT**, Cecilia Perez.

### **ROLL CALL**

Shahan Ahmed  
Amanda Burlingame  
Scarlet Chan  
Ajay Deshpande  
Jaclyn Feldstein  
Jenna Galoob  
Claudia Garcia  
Evan Ingardia (proxy Raymond Meza)  
Matt Jackson  
Ferez Potzi Laczko  
Sam Marks  
Deirdre Mathis  
Samantha Nevels  
Tiffany Pascual  
Margret "Maggie" Pike  
John Paul Primeau  
Jeronimo Saldana  
Julia Stephanides  
Meri Telalyan

### **ACCEPTANCE OF PROXIES AND EXCUSED ABSENCES**

Cecilia – I would like to recommend the following Jessi Hurd for Alex's proxy, for JPS to be excused to come in late and for Shahan to be allowed to leave at 7:10pm.

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

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Carolyn – Thank you for all of your work that you have done as activists and leaders of the community.

Yvonne – I would like to announce the unveiling of Herstory. Please come next week to the event.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

Liz Buda – I am from STAR. We were funded by Finance Board. So we have t-shirts for you. Thank you for your support.

Cortney Terezo – I am here representing the Students for Israel. The Lebanese Club is putting on a summit, and they excluded Israel in their Middle Eastern Summit. I feel excluded, and they should not hold a Middle Eastern Summit without an Israeli delegation. This is indicative of the campus, who excludes and ignores Israel from their Middle Eastern Studies or other programming on campus. We are trying to raise awareness of our plight on campus.

Jason is recognized at 5:11pm.

Hashim – Finance B allocated funds to us for our event. I am here to request that our funds are kept in our account.

Ian is recognized at 5:21pm.

## **A.S. COMMITTEE REPORTS & EX-OFFICIO REPORTS**

Samantha – Please send me your committees appointments for next year. The council will be appointing them next meeting.

## **INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Marlyn Dukes**

We are still working on our space concerns.

The first case was presented to Judicial Council today. It is great to see them up and running.

I would like for you to direct any remaining funds to financial reserves. I would also like to ask for another \$50,000 for improvements in the AS Offices.

I would like to congratulate all of the graduates, please keep in touch. Thank you for your service this year.

The Students Initiative was an amazing achievement this year, good job.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Jared Goldschen**

I wanted to thank all of you who came out for the banquet last night.

Pertaining to the extended jurisdiction meetings. The group met this morning and we voted about the four main issues. I am happy to say that the alcohol and drug jurisdictions will not be going on to the next round of votes.

Today, there was a great town hall meeting about skateboarding on campus. It was very well organized. There will be another meeting tomorrow as well. We also learned that most skating accidents happen because of lack of knowledge about the rules for skateboarders. So skateboarding will not be banned on the campus, at least not while I'm president.

The Executive Director candidates have been coming to campus. The next meeting is on Tuesday, and that candidate is the last one we have brought to campus for you to meet.

I also wanted to recognize Carolyn for the amazing amount of work that she has done for us. She is a strong advocate for students, thank you.

I wanted to say that this has been a monumental year for AS. I have been very impressed with the campus and with you as Legislative Council. You have done a great job. Thank you for all of your work that you have done. Good luck with your endeavors in your future.

#### **INTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Cecilia Perez**

Honoraria was finalized last week. The checks will be available for you next week.

Thank you for Raymond for presiding over the Judicial Hearing.

Honor Cords are being given to all that hold an office on campus, please remember to take yours.

Thank you for giving me a great year.

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

I have been working on a bill, with Lindsey. We are working to restructure the EVPLA office. This is because we need more people to handle everything that is going on in the office. We will have people to handle each of the growing positions once this legislation is written.

Thank you for everyone for the hard work that you have done. Thank you to everyone who revived COPS this year. This was a huge project and the final product that you accomplished is amazing.

I would also like to thank Jeronimo for never being afraid to speak out.

I want to congratulate everyone, for what you have done this year.  
Congratulations to everyone who is returning to advocate for the students.

**EXTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT FOR STATEWIDE AFFAIRS' REPORT – Bill Shiebler**

The regents meeting was last week, and the diversity study was released. It was very vague and general about the findings that we have worked on this past year. At the July meeting, we will be pushing the regents to tell us what they are planning on doing about raising diversity on the campuses.

The regents and I met and choose the new student regent. He is a senior at UCLA right now. He will be a great advocate for students.

There will be email that you can sign, and send to the UC Davis chancellor. This is to support a wage increase for the workers on that campus.

On a brighter note, the UCSB workers got a \$1.75 wage increase.

We will be asking for support to help us get more space for AS, please be available to support this cause.

Yesterday the academic prep funding was put back in the budget for the state legislature. The labor centers also got their funding.

Christine will be having for updates for you, so that you can stay involved if you want to.

Thank you to everyone. We have done some great things this year, and for you to do your office hours and to sit through these long meetings shows that we can make a difference and a change.

Thank you to the other executive officers for all of the work that you have done with me. I may not be a good house mate, but thank you. I think it is hard to see all of the work and commitments that we do, so thank you for all of your support.

Thank you to Christine. She is the backbone for the organizing that we do in the office. I would not trust anyone else to do this job.

Thank you to Amanda and Jaclyn for all of your work statewide and nationally.

Thank you to all of the staff, and to Marilyn for stepping up, to Aaron for being a great adviser, to Elizabeth for all of her help, and to Carolyn thank you for all the special projects that you take up to support the students.

## **GROUP PROJECT REPORTS**

Jenna – Half of the COPS stuff is here. Please come help us put the packets together.

Amanda – SAC is still having our AS sponsored coffee house on June 5th. Please come to talk to these students.

## **ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

Cecilia – I would like to recommend the addition of the following minutes: Honoraria 5/17/07, Honoraria 5/14/07, SPF 5/7/07, SPF 5/14/07 and SPF 5/12/07.

MC So moved. (Shahan)(Meri)  
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

Cecilia – I would like to recommend the addition of the following Action Items: as #2 Reallocation of \$5000 from Honoraria to be put under AS Main Office, and as #3 Allocation from 06-07 remaining funds to Capital Reserves and \$50,000 to AS Office improvements.

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

MC Motion to add as Action Item #4 the reallocation of funds for MDCD.  
(JPP)(Samantha)  
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

MC Motion to adopt the submitted Bill to Update Financial Policies and Procedures as Old Business #2. (Raymond)(Amanda)  
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

MC Motion to accept the agenda as amended. (Jeronimo)(Samantha)  
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

## **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

Cab 5/22/07, LC 5/16/07, IVCRC 5/21/07, FB 5/21/07, PB 5/21/07, Honoraria 5/17/07, Honoraria 5/14/07, SPF 5/7/07, SPF 5/14/07 and SPF 5/12/07

MC Motion to bundle and approve. (Amanda)(Shahan)  
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

1. 2006-2007 AS Legislative Council Endorsement of “How to Write Legislation” Informational Packet

Matt – I put this together, to show what we have learned. I feel that we should pass on this knowledge to the next LC and to all students that want to write legislation.

MC Motion to approve. (Shahan)(Meri)

### Roll Call

(Abstain) Shahan Ahmed  
 (Yes) Amanda Burlingame  
 (Yes) Scarlet Chan  
 (Abstain) Ajay Deshpande  
 (Yes) Jaclyn Feldstein  
 (Yes) Jenna Galoob  
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 (Yes) Samantha Nevels  
 (No) Jason Parnell  
 (Yes) Tiffany Pascual  
 (Yes) Margret “Maggie” Pike  
 (Yes) John Paul Primeau  
 (Yes) Jeronimo Saldana  
 (Yes) Jason “JP” Slauenwhite  
 (Yes) Ian Taylor  
 (Yes) Meri Telalyan  
 (Yes) Alex Van Wanger

MCP Motion passes by a 18/1/2 vote.

2. Reallocation of \$5000 from Honoraria to the AS Main office

Aaron – I checked the main office account and we are down to about \$200 dollars. We need money to cover any remaining expenses that the main office might have.

MC Motion to approve. (Shahan)(Meri)

MCC Motion is passed by consent.

3. Allocation from 06-07 remaining funds to Capital Reserves and \$50,000 to AS Office improvements

Raymond – I think Marilyn explained everything.

MC Motion to approve. (Raymond)(Deirdre)  
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

4. Reallocation of funds for MCDG

Amanda - I do not see a problem with this at the moment.

Alex is recognized 6:02pm.

MC Motion to approve with the restriction that no funds can go to props.  
(Raymond)(Samantha)  
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Bill to Create New Positions on AS Program Board

Jason – I sat down with Brenden to rework some language. We made the changes that people told me to make.

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

2. Bill to Update Financial Policies and Procedures

Nick – The bill is the same as last week. We made some changes to reflect the concerns that FB had this year, as well as to make funding available to who it is not currently available to. Also any fund raising events over \$5000 will have use the AS ticket window.

Samantha – This should pass.

MC Motion to approve. (Shahan)(Jeronimo)  
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

3. Bill to Revise AS Queer Commission By-Laws

Jenny – This is still the same as last week.

MC Motion to approve. (Ajay)(Raymond)  
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

4. Bill to Remove First Year Council from the Legal Code

Matt – Do it.

Samantha – Yeah!

MC Motion to approve. (JPS)(Meri)  
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

5. Bill to Add Positions to the EVPSA Office

Amanda – No changes from last week.

Samantha – This is good, and it's needed

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

6. Bill to Ensure Access to AS Finance Board Funded Events

Sam – I think that next years council should act on this. I think that Nick and Raymond should work on this so that it will work.

MC Motion to refer to 07-08 Legislative Council. (Deirdre)(Ajay)  
MCC Motion is passed by consent.

**NEW BUSINESS**

none

**DISCUSSION**

none

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

It has been an honor working with all of you.

**REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

Amanda – SAC met, we had a great event on how to make pizza. Our banquet is coming up too.

Jaclyn – You are all amazing, it has been a wonderful year. I have grown as a person by being on this council.

Sam – The Skateboarding forum went really well this morning. I hope that we can find common ground for this issue. Ross David was a great event. CODA needs members, it is a great group of people. Please support them. Their meetings are on Tuesdays at 3:30pm in the CODA office. AS has been a great part of my life, I am in awe of what we've done. It's been great. Thank you.

Maggie – It's been a great year.

Claudia – I am speechless. I have done AS all four years, and I am going to miss it.

Jeronimo – I started here 1997, and I came back and it's has been a great experience. Never back down, and always listen to your students. Your job is to be an activists. Thank you to Jared for being so respectful to me even when I was not to you. You have done a great job. I am very proud to be apart of this.

Scarlet – I am sure that you can rely on my for inappropriate comments that I have. LC has changed my life and how I look at it. Thank you for all the experiences. You can learn from each other, and that is such a great thing to learn. I respect everyone for putting up with what I do. Thank you. I am very proud of all the women on the board, Jaclyn you have opened up and have made a huge impact. Please keep in touch, I will miss you, all of you.

Raymond – To think that this is the last LC that I will sit on. I have been appointed, elected and a proxy. Incoming LC, you are incredibly lucky for the AS that you are coming into. AS has grown, and the respect held on the council is amazing and you, as incoming Leggies, need to remember what you are coming into. I came in to AS to build the queer community, and I feel comfortable leaving now.

Tiffany – It has been a struggle to stay on student government. I came in for SCORE but this has been a great experience.

Matt – Thank all the executive officers for nominating me last night. Congratulations to all that are graduating this year, I respect you and thank you. I look forward to being about to help all of the students next year.

Samantha – LC, FB and Committee on Committees has been my life. I am not graduating but I will not be in LC, next year. I will be on PB. Thank you for the great time.

Ian – This has been a great time. It was fun to work with you.

Jason – I would like to thank Aaron and Marilyn. Aaron you got me elected by making me run. Marilyn thank you for your never ending support. It has been

great learning experience. I appreciate all of you and I will miss you. You all gave me the inspiration.

JPS – This has been an awesome road. Being in AS has given me a lot of perspective, and it was a great learning experience. You are going to meet friends on LC, just like I have.

Potzi – SPF gave \$48,000 to 7 different project on campus. The SRB Governance Board is going to price out keeping it open for later. I came in this quarter, thank you for being so supportive of me as a newbie. I wish you all the best.

Meri – This has been an incredible year. Good luck to all the graduating seniors. Learn from this. I did.

Alex – I have the utmost respect for everyone on the council. All the activists you are great and I love the work that you have done.

JPP – Parking is searching for other ways to pay for their fees. This year I have learned the most from the people who I didn't agree with. Thank you for teaching me.

Julia – This is strange because it's my last meeting. I am so glad that I stayed on the council. Felix made me think that the council can not do things on campus. You are the most interesting people that i have ever met.

Ajay – I have had to ween myself off of AS this quarter. In years past the relationships on the council have been cold, but this year you are all my friends and I love this atmosphere. I hope to see you around. I learned a lot from each of you. New Leggies learn and do what you want early.

Shahan – Thank you to all the executive officers, you have been great.

Deirdre – This has been an experience. In elections you have to run against these people, but you learn to love each and everyone. Romy thank you for getting me into AS.

Jenna – I am usually quiet, but that means that I am listening. You are amazing people.

## **REMARKS**

Tyler – We wanted to do something special for you as the staff. We will be holding an event in the Hub on June 5th.

Sam – My advice for the next council. Two years is a short time so you need to start doing things right away.

Samantha - There is an AS Radio show and we need you to carry on this.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MC Motion to adjourn. (Amanda)(JPS)

Roll Call

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(Yes) Jason "JP" Slauenwhite

(Yes) Ian Taylor

(No) Meri Telalyan

(Yes) Alex Van Wanger

MCP Motion passes by a 17/6/0 vote.

Meeting is adjourned at 6:43pm by Cecilia Perez.