



# UC Santa Barbara Associated Students

## Senate Agenda 10/30

Associated Students

October 30, 2024

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*This meeting was called to order at 6:32 P.M. in the Flying Room A by Presiding Officer Second President Pro-Tempore Butler.*

Minutes/Actions recorded by: Sydney Arbolado, Alexandra Cervantes, Summer Tucker, Liliana Dritz

**CALL TO ORDER** by Alexa Butler Second President Pro-Tempore **at 6:32 PM.**

### A) MEETING BUSINESS

“Before we begin, we call for students to acknowledge that the lands that the University of California locations were built upon were expropriated & founded upon exclusions and erasures of Indigenous people's human rights throughout California. UCSB is built on Chumash Land, specifically that of the non-federally recognized Barbareno tribe. As an association that pushes the student bodies' voices to the forefront, we should aim to make strides past just acknowledgment to those who continue to fight for their right to be recognized & respected as the original stewards of this land. I ask you all to dedicate time & care to personal education & to advocate for justice alongside Indigenous peoples.”

***\*Both IVP Pinto and First President Pro-Tempore Siddiqui have willingly yielded chairship to Second President Pro-Tempore Butler\****

#### **☰ Statement Regarding Chairship Going Forward**

Siddiqui (6:34)

- First going to be reading out this statement addressed to whole student body
- Want to say this decision is not entirely final
- Expect everyone to contribute to this report
- “Current cohort of elected officials represents 75th set of students to represent our university and advocate for the student body”
- “Considering this milestone number and unprecedented nature of last year's election, where many individuals hold historically underrepresented identities, the new generation of leadership has ambitious goals for reimagining the association and campus at large”

- Goals discussed extensively and decided by Pinto, Siddiqui, Butler
- “For the first time in 75 years of AS history, the IVP will no longer chair our weekly senate meetings, unless necessary”
- Butler and Siddiqui will take turns chairing senate meetings the majority of the time
- Also will set up all meeting logistics(location, food, etc)
- Separation will allow IVP office to begin intensive work to identify and repair internal AS issues
- Office will also shift focus to assisting BCUs and BCU chairs to supplement lack of advisors on the association rather than working with senators
- Latter duties will be absorbed by Pro Tempores Siddiqui and Butler
- IVP still convening Senate Executive Committee meetings biweekly, hold weekly meeting with First and Second Pro-Tempores, and require both Pro-Tempores to attend weekly IVP Office meetings
- Ensures constant communication between legislative and executive branches
- This decision is result of Senate Leadership examining a broken system that makes the IVP position overwhelming and ineffective
- We're always available for questions

#### A-1) Roll Call

Name	Attendance	Name	Attendance
Dalia Gerson	Present	Isabella McClintock	Absent
Alexa Butler	Present	Alejandra Martinez	Present
Carly Lankarani	Proxy – Caleb Claro	Dominic Wang	Present
Taylor Iden	Present	Lily Habas	Proxy – Aaryan Gundecha
Enri Lala	Present	Paolo Brinderson	Present
Leiya Kadah	Present	Eemaan Wahidullah	Present
Yasmine Suuck	Present	Jasmine Amin	Present
Levi Corlew	Present	Daniyal “Dan” Siddiqui	Present
Leah Khorsandi	Present	Noura Elkhatib	Present

Mariana Rosillo	Absent	Sandhya “Sandy” Ganesh	Present
Ella Yu	Present	Aryaman Singh	Present

## A-2) Excused Absences

**Mariana Rosillo**

**Proxy Aaryan Gundecha after 8:30PM.**

***Motion to bundle and approve all excused absences.***

***Siddiqui- Kadah***

***Call to question - Ganesh***

***Passed at 6:39PM.***

**Iden**

- Not motion language
- Need to get it from senate leadership
- She said to excuse all absences
- Making sure that's clear

**Butler**

- While I'm absent as second pro temp
- I suggest someone motion Martinez as second pro temp

***Motion to accept the Temporary appointment of Senator Alejandra Martinez as Second President Pro-tempore for the duration of the 10/30 meeting .***

***Siddiqui - Lala***

***Call to question - Siddiqui***

***Passed at 6:40PM.***

***Motion to excuse Senator Gerson at 9:30PM.***

***Khorsandi - Amin***

***Call to question - Kadah***

***Passed at 8:22PM.***

**Proxy Gundecha left at 8:22PM.**

## A-3) Acceptance of Proxies

**Caleb Claro for Senator Carly Lankarani**

Aaryan Gundecha for Senator Lily Habas

*Motion to bundle and approve all proxies.*

*Ganesh - Kadah*

*Call to question - Brinderson*

*Passed at 6:41PM.*

## B) External Reports

B-1) Chancellor's Representative-

B-2) UCPD Representative-

B-3) GSA Representative-

B-4) University Center Governance Board Representative-

B-5) IVCSD Representative-

## C) New Business

## D) PUBLIC FORUM

[1:30]

## Standing Rules of the 75th ASUCSB Senate

### *Speaking agreements:*

*"You have two & a half minutes to speak, with two minutes for Q&A. Please state your name, pronouns, and enunciate, but refrain from yelling. Please know this meeting is being recorded. You may speak on any issue, whether it is on the agenda or not. Please include a content warning if it will be graphic. You may only come up once, and you may choose to not answer questions."*

Butler

- Seeing none, moving into unit reports at 6:41PM

*Moved back to public forum at 7:05PM.*

## Gaucha Racing

Butler

- Are there any representatives from Gaucha Racing here?

Gaucha Racing

- Yes

Butler

- You have two and a half minutes to speak and

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- Please note that this meeting is being recorded
- You may speak on an issue whether it is on the agenda or not. Please include contact warning if it will be graphic
- You may only come up once, and you may choose to not take questions
- Is that alright with you?

Gaucha Racing

- Yes

Butler

- Alright, whenever you are ready

Jeff Duong (he/him, treasurer)

Raghaav (they/them)

Thomas(he/his)

Jeff

- We are here to talk about the possibility of funding Gaucha Racing from the Senate funds
- I believe we talked about this last week with you guys
- Yesterday, I sent a new quote from AMK for the updated amount for the motors
- Last week I always had two hub motors, and I told you guys, double it. So this time it's more official.
- I also included an estimate for shipping, and I revised the conversion rate from euro to dollars.
- So I added a buffer to the original line items that we requested.
- So the total is \$10,500 for power training
- All this is sent through email earlier this morning and yesterday

Butler

- Thank you so much
- Would you be taking questions?

Jeff

- Yeah

Siddiqui

- So I understand that we have discussed this last time
- You said you are buying engine for the competition
- Could you remind me when the competition is again?

Jeff

- The competition is the week after the final in the spring quarter

Siddiqui

- No further questions

Singh

- One thing I want to tell you guys is that since it is after school
- You will want to submit your requisition early on

- So admin has it on hold
- Because if you do it after the school year end, you have to come back again next year and get it through the finance committee

Jeff

- Our plan is to purchase these motors as soon as possible
- The lead time on that is 10 weeks
- So as soon as i can get the funding approved
- I will be placing the order as soon as week 6
- And we will be expected to get the motor winter quarter and start manufacturing

Singh

- We also spoke about collaboration with the program board to have a car show, if you guys ever spoke with the program board?

Jeff

- I did talk to the program board last week
- Plan is to approach program board beginning of winter quarter and to arrange something near the end of winter quarter and beginning the spring quarter
- That's when we'll have more finished product by then

Singh

- This will still be a fundraiser?

Jeff

- Yes
- Our timeline right now is have car finished by beginning of spring quarter and to start testing
- So finish product by the beginning of spring quarter
- And yes, we work as fundraiser too
- Now that we have product, it's good to show the entire campus community

Siddiqui

- I just want to ask you straight up
- I'm really appreciative of you sending over the quote, that really does help
- I wanted to ask, I know that we discussed last time, the entire condition of us funding you gus is that
- Number one, you do events on campus to promote student well-bineg on campus
- And number two, you think it would significantly help your chances in the competition
- I do want to ask, because I do think if we are funding this, there should be a two-way contact made
- I wanted to motion to approve the funding for this with the condition that a car show with program board does take place during winter quarter, and that you report to the 76 Senate the success of the engine in your competition and of what you think could be improved in the future
- Is that something you'd be comfortable with?

Jeff

- Is this the 76 Senate?

Siddiqui

- It's the next Senate. So after your competition, you report to them

Jeff

- I would more than happy to draft the contact with you guys
- Put the signature down in terms of now

Singh

- A documentary for us too
- Would you be down for that?

Jeff

- Yeah

Iden

- You said the car would be done at the beginning of spring quarter?

Raghaav

- That's the target

Iden

- How long does testing take?

Raghaav

- 2-3 months

Iden

- How long have you guys been thinking about this project?

Thomas

- Whole car? 4 years ago, 5 years ago

Raghaav

- We've had the idea of building a race car for four years
- This year, specifically, started building this

Iden

- Got it
- Have you guys pursued anything like self fundraising?
- I know a lot of RCO will go through, with their own members, liek seeing goods in IV
- Have you guys looked into it at all?

Thomas

- Two years ago we sold cookies for \$300
- We also solicited donations of \$2,000 every year and some smaller corporate sponsors, like software sponsorships

Iden

- All right, thank you

Butler

- All right, thank you so much. And thank you again for sending over all the information
- I will be able to forward it to all the senators
- Appreciate you
- I would anticipate that there is going to be further discussion regarding approval/denial

Jeff

- Can I ask the timeline of motion? When can I expect the motion to be held for discussion?

Siddiqui

- Today

Butler

- Are you asking what time?

Jeff

- Yes, because I'm planning to stick around for the motion or if there is any additional questions that may need to be answered

Butler

- I will probably going to move into that portion of the meeting after
- I are going to go back to more reports
- Than I plan on going to old business
- Senator Siddiqui, do you think it will be before 9:00 PM?

Siddiqui

- In my opinion, because it is just a simple motion
- We did kind of informally agree to the terms
- We could just make it now and move back to reports

Butler

- Ok, I'll be moving into action items ASAP

Jeff

- Thank you

Buler

- Ok, moving into action items

*Moved back to Unit Report at 7:15PM.*

E) Acceptance of Agenda

*Motion to accept the agenda.*

*Siddiqui - Kadah*

*Called to question - Martinez*

*Passed at 10:55PM*

F) Consent Calendar

*Motion to accept the calendar*

*Kadah - Wang*

*Called to question - Wahidullah*

*Motion recinded.*

G) Action Items



~~Motion to approve the expenditure of \$10,500 from Senate Unallocated for Gaucho Racing to buy a new powertrain engine based on the following conditions: (1) Gaucho Racing conducts a car show with AS program board in winter quarter; (2) produces report on the success in engine and success in competition to 76th senate, and (3) puts forward a substantial effort to film and present a documentary to the 75th Senate on progress towards the competition.~~

~~Siddiqui—Amin~~

~~Called to question—Kadah~~

~~Passed at 7:15PM.~~

Motion to strike the Motion to approve the expenditure of \$10,500 from Senate Unallocated for Gaucho Racing to buy a new powertrain engine based on the following conditions: (1) Gaucho Racing conducts a car show with AS program board in winter quarter; (2) produces report on success in engine and success in competition to 76th senate, and (3) puts forward a substantial effort to film and present a documentary to the 75th Senate on progress towards the competition.

Singh - Iden

Call to question - Singh

Passed at 8:41PM.

Motion to approve the expenditure of \$10,500 from Senate Unallocated for Gaucho Racing following the signing of an memorandum (MOU) of understanding with Senate Leadership outlining the following conditions: (1) Gaucho Racing conducts a car show with AS program board in winter quarter; (2) produces report on success in engine and success in competition to 76th senate, and (3) puts forward a substantial effort to film and present a documentary to the 75th Senate on progress towards the competition.

Iden - Singh

Call to question - Martinez

Passed at 8:47PM.

Motion to approve \$13,500 from senate unallocated for the

☰ Gaucho Food Inclusion Program (GFIP) Pilot Program following the signing of an MOU between senate leadership and Senator Yu which will include, but is not limited to the following conditions applying to the Gaucho Food Inclusion Program: (1) an attempt to include latine cuisine (2) collaboration with UCOP, UCSA, and the EVPSA to obtain permanent funding; (3) Alternatives sought out to paper meal vouchers

Iden - Yu

Called to question - Kadah

Passed at 9:32PM.

G-2) Old Business

[Debate Time Per Item- 30 Minutes]

☰ A Bill To Add Specific Exceptions to A.S. Financial Policies and Procedures

Singh - Suuck

(Edited from Previous Week)

Butler(8:22PM)

- Back to old business

Singh

- It adds exception to our financial policies and procedures that we've been following for a really long time
- This bill would specifically define what each exception means
- Makes it easier for the finance committee to allow exceptions, please pass the vote

Suuck

- Everything looks good

Round robin at 8:23PM.

Khorsandi

- How are you going to explain this to BCUs and RCOs?
- Want to avoid confusion whatever happened last week when that BCU came in thinking that \$1000 was for them, but it was actually for RCOs
- How will you explain to them?

Singh

- These are already in practice, just putting them in policy

Bulter

- Would you like to continue or are you good?

Khorsandi

- Yes, if they're already aware this is going on

Lala

- Well overdue

Iden

- Good job

Siddiqui

- Spoke to Michael about this and he agrees
- Long overdue

**Motion to pass** ☰ A Bill To Add Specific Exceptions to A.S. Financial Policies and Proce...

**Singh - Wang**

**Call to question - Suuck**

**Passed at 8:26PM.**

☰ A Bill to Establish Clear Guidelines for AS Requisition Submissions

Iden - Siddiqui

**(Edited from Previous Week)**

Iden

- Has been on agenda
- Last week we passed agenda enforcing finance director to employ what is listed in this bill
- Ensure by year end, BCUs fill out requisition forms
- So were not having to still be finishing our requisitions by next month

Siddiqui

- Not much to add
- We passed last week the directional resolution along the same lines
- This resolution is also supported by professional staff in financial operations sector
- Not quite sure how relevant after the implementation of MIP
- Good to have solidified in bylaws in case of arbitration

Bulter

- Back to round robin style

Round robin at 8:28PM.

Suuck

- Is the financial operations team going to rectify that?

Iden

- The financial operations team is already overseeing the requisitions
- Empowering them to establish criteria that BCUs stay with it
- Reasonable BCUs submit requisitions by end of quarter

Ganesh

- Say we pass it, will it be applied retroactively as well?

Iden

- For past requisitions, no

Wang

- Looks good

Singh

- Looks good
- Had discussion with senator Iden, glad it is put to bill

Lala

- Always good idea to empower financial team
- Thank you for work you have done on this

Yu

- I like it

Amin

- Couple questions
- Want to make sure we added in exceptions

Singh

- If someone misses their requisition for the year as a reporter
- They can come back to the finance committee next year and ask it to be reaffirmed

Iden

- In the language of the bill, particularly in G, 1C, the main one—failure to rectify the issue within 30 day period may result in requisition being voided under their discretion
- Key word is may
- Even if requisition is voided,
- The BCU could technically still come back and apply for a requisition

Amin

- The second question is the boycott of R and B printing
- I'm not seeing that any of the breaches are definable

Iden

- Just a copy and paste of our entire financial procedure
- Everything is the same what we had in the past
- No changes in the other parts of legal code

Khorsandi

- Is this something that BCUs should've been doing, and they haven't been doing it?
- Submitting the proper requisitions and such
- They have been doing it right?
- How are you going to educate them more properly, now we are serious about this

Iden

- Email will be sent out to BCU chair
- Process of going through requisition
- Bill language is about notice
- All comes back to part of legal code
- "Hey you have 30 days to fix this"
- Conversation will be laid out as the process goes along

Khorsandi

- Follow up question
- Because it is coming from the finance team, they are notifying the entity that has submitted an improper requisition
- Is there a time/date of when they receive the incorrect requisition to when they notify the right party that it's correct?

Iden

- That is generally under the discretion of the finance team

Singh

- What is your question?

Marquez

- Right now, either someone needs to get paid or wants to get paid
- That comes in through the front office in hard copy, electronically, or via email
- There is a group of student and staff who receive every single requisition
- Or someone has to
- If we don't have someone paying for a bill, then
- What happens if there is not match, no one pays or claiming to pay
- That is what bill is about

Khorsandi

- Is there a specified time period for the entity requesting the requisition would be notified?
- Let's say I submit a requisition, something is wrong with it, is there a time period that you have to let me know by to resubmit?

Iden

- From my understanding
- It's first come first serve
- Immediate
- As soon as they get their requisition form, they start process
- From process, if anything is wrong, let them know it needs fixing

Khorsandi

- It is from when they are notified, that's when the 30 days start

Wang

- In response to Khorsandi first question
- In requisition, there is a registered signers workshop
- Went over how to do clearly do requisitions
- Aryaman went over it during the summer

***Motion to pass***  ***A Bill to Establish Clear Guidelines for AS Requisition Submissions***

***Singh - Wahidullah***

***Call to question - Wang***

***Passed at 8:37PM.***

Butler

- I'll be moving chairship to pro-temp siddiqui
- Super cold, need to go to my car to get sweater

Siddiqui

- Please everyone remain attentive

Singh

- Going to action items, motion passed for Gaucho Racing
- It technically means that they do not receive that money until next year

Siddiqui

- You are mistaken, we already passed the expenditure
- If the conditions are found not to be met at the time especified
- The organization will be forced to pay funds

Marquez

- Correct
- Unless there's some circumstance

Singh

- I thought administration won't approve the funding until all conditions are met
- And one of these conditions stated that report on success to the 76th senate, who will be here in fall next year
- Since condition is not met, admin won't give out the money

- So racing would have to wait until next year so we get that money

Marquez

- Correct

Siddiqui

- We have prior understanding that if they don't meet those requirements, they will owe the association

Marquez

- We have not written up the agreement, so we would have to write that up to make it clear

Siddiqui

- If we specify that in the agreement, is the motion still legal for them to get that money immediately

Iden

- Does the motion not need to be adjusted?
- I think it would be a simple adjustment to say they get the money once Gaucho Racing makes the changes

Singh

- That's a better way to go about it
- The way it's stated, they won't get the money until every condition is met
- We have stipulations in committee, and until they are met, admin won't send the money
- I propose we strike the motion

Siddiqui

- Yeah we can strike the motion

(motion to strike original motion under Action Items)

***Motion to fully fund 10,500 from Senate Unallocated after an agreement has been agreed upon by AS Senate leadership and Gaucho Racing.***

***Singh-***

Siddiqui

- Please redo that motion

Marquez

- It would be best to create a memorandum.

***Motion rescinded.***

***Motion to approve expenditure \$10,500 from Senate Unallocated for Gaucho Racing after a memorandum of understanding has been made between AS Senate Leadership and Gaucho Racing.***

***Singh- Brinderson***

***Call to question- Iden***

Iden

- Would you want to include all the conditions in your motion?

Singh

- We are not doing that because then it would technically be paid next year
- Have it in MOU that if they don't do all of this, they would have to pay it back

Iden

- But the stipulation is after they signed the MOU, agreeing to these stipulations
- I think it'd be best to have the MOU be directed by that, and then they sign the MOU, and then they get the funding

Singh

- We could just have it in the MOU, what we just talked about

Butler

- Where are we at?

Siddiqui

- Action items and original motion to fund Gaucho Racing was rescinded

Butler

- In discussion to approve expenditure of \$10,500

Iden

- Important to amend the motion to say the things already agreed upon
- Memorandum does not have to include anything so important to put what we discussed about on bill

Siddiqui

- Can I make an entirely new motion that just solves all of this?

***Motion rescinded.***

(final motion under Action Items)

H) Recess

***Motion to enter recess at 8:58PM and return at exactly 9:13PM.***

***Siddiqui - Kadah***

***Called to question - Wang***

***Passed at 8:58PM.***

I-3)- Unit Reports

***Moved to Unit Reports at 6:42PM***

**A.S. Black Women's Health Collaborative (BWHC)**

**Kharys Ebert (Co-Chair of BWHC) and Kamaya Jackson (Co-Chair of BWHC)**

**Kharys**

- I'm excited to share with you all of some of the works we have been doing as an organization

- So first, I have been actively finding ways for our board members to feel supported
- With that, I have repositioned in one document, easily accessible, and ensures all information is recorded for the 2024-2025 academic year
- More to this information includes a guide to the board on how to plan events. A payment doc that reports all payment processes. Individual folders that the board can work in and create their quarterly progress reports. And a media folders that hold information regarding branding and marketing
- I have created a calendar that has multi-cultural events, office hours, and meetings updated throughout the year for the board
- Further, I have created a doc that layout stuff with the agreements for all the board members that will keep us all accountable when it comes to event functions and support. This has been provided so everyone understands the unit in which we function and the importance of communication
- So from the structure of communication/building relationships, we have been able to move forward with the organization
- We have been able to design and order business cards for marketing purposes. We have been working on dedicated grandkids that will include our logo, color palette, and established fonts
- There are also a lot of in-person training, including our views on how to track spending, locate complete requisitions, notes on event updates, and other vital information
- This drive also allows us to share information between board members
- Like I said, we have access to our website and are currently working on a new design. We are hoping to utilize our finalized brand kit and have our website updated by winter quarter
- We have also been working on building stronger relationships with each other to make our board function easier
- This includes group bonding activities
- We are also looking at planning retreats for the board during both winter and spring
- We want to feel uplifted by each other so we can maintain efficiency and understand the value we all hold when it comes to the organization
- I also wanted to thank you Senator Butler, she has been an amazing resource for us
- She has been giving me advice on how to build the board and our relationship
- Building our relationship was important because last year it was kind of difficult, the climate, it was a lot
- It hurt me a lot as a shadower
- So I'm trying to foster something beautiful. To realize that you can build relationships through differences, and through things you don't agree on
- Anyways, thank you Alexa. You have been an amazing resource for us
- I'm glad she is our liaison

Kamaya



- Thank you for being here today, it's an honor to address you on how we have allocated resources this year to sharp focus on our four key pillars:
- Accessibility, accountability, transparency, and building a strong foundation for the future of our community
- These principles has driven every initiative we have undertaken, every dollar spent, and every partnership we foster
- So first with Black Beauty Expo, it is happening November 8 in the SRB, from 6-8
- Accessible to everyone, celebrating black culture, art history, and innovation
- From students to local entrepreneurs, we made room for all voices to share, representation, connection, and opportunities
- The event reflects our dedication to make spaces where we can be ourselves unapologetically
- Then we have the vision journals, created by board member Leah Jackson, showcasing the essence of our collaboration in the community
- We prioritize transparency in planning, making sure everyone has the opportunities to contribute ideas
- Ensure the values of inclusivity and engagement
- Then we established that our meetings are on Monday 5-7
- Now, we incorporate a structure to ensure that we remain accountable to ourselves and each other.
- Through new leadership, we have ensured that these meetings aren't just for formality, but it pays for the session planning and communication
- This constant communication keeps our line of focus on our shared goal, providing a strong foundation for BWHC
- This constant communication keeps us in line and focused
- We also took steps to refresh and clean our office, ensuring it serves as a functional and inviting workspace. Meaning having spaces where students feel welcome and motivated to work
- This effort reflects our long-term commitment to make sure to support student booths physically and mentally
- We also did board posts and community communication strategies
- In terms of our accountability and clearance, we have taken charge of board posts, ensuring that all information is communicated clearly regularly
- Our goal is to keep everyone informed and involved
- Foster a system of trust and openness in all actions
- Then this weeknd, we have the funding for the black family gaucho weekend that is hosted by OBSD, and we are helping with that
- Provides necessary funding to ensure the families have access to meaningful experience on campus, strengthening our collective foundation
- Then we have been supportive of the AS vending machines as well as working on our own that will produce black hair care products, so resources for people of color,
- oils and authentic sources
- Then on November 15, we are partnering with SCORE for the final feast

- We hope to do that with MCC as well, where students can get full plate to go from the MCC so students have nutrients for finals
- Then we have the book giveaway, which is on November 20 at Santa Rosa
- Books ranging from notions of race, gender, systematic change, and challenging societal limits
- In closing, every initiative we pursued aligns with the values of accessibility, accountability, transparency, and laying the groundwork for a thriving community under both myself and Kharys, your leadership
- We are not just meeting expectations, we are setting new standards in what can be accomplished with continual action
- Thank you for your trust.

Butler

- Would you guys be taking questions?

Kharys & Kamaya

- Yes, we will take questions

Siddiqui

- First of all, thank you for being here
- Good to see you again.
- I'm just wondering, I'm not sure about the most up-to-date accurate information, but do you guys know how much rollover you currently have?

Kamaya

- Pretty sure it's \$50,000
- No, \$25,000

Siddiqui

- So you have 25k now?
- Do you have a specific plan on how to spend it?

Kamaya

- In all honesty, we are currently fixing stuff that wasn't passed fully from last year, so most of our money is going towards last year's expenses

Kharys

- Yes, but we are also doing the Black Beauty Expo, current expense
- We are also looking into doing a vending machine, so we have plans to do that in the future
- Also we are doing retreats for the board
- We are hoping, in February, we are going to go explore the Black History Museum in LA
- So we are hoping to do that, and we believe that is something really good to the black community

Kamaya

- And hopefully more books giveaway and products

Proxy Gundecha

- I just have a question about the logistic in terms of the vending machine
- Would you guys be providing the items at a lower cost compared to store prices? And would there be items you can't find in the store?

Kamaya

- I'm going to be completely honest with the vending machine
- We are still working on the logistics part in general, like getting the vending machine
- I know AS has been working on getting their vending machine and we are trying to go the same route, see what is best for our organization
- So at the moment, we are unsure about how we will go about the products
- We are just trying to get a vending machine
- But once we have all the information, we hope to present to the board with detailed information

Brinderson

- You touched on an event happening this weekend, I just wanted to hear more about it

Kamaya

- The event is next weekend, the Black Beauty Expo
- And the following event, it's going to be the Final Feast, which is on the 15th of November
- It is going to be evening time at MCC, it is something where people could come to, stop by, grab a plate,
- Hopefully have some place where people can sit at
- But just an event for students to get good during final

Brinderson

- Awesome, thank you

### **A.S. Trans & Queer Commission (TQC)**

Chloe Hsieh (she/they) and Samantha Garcia (she/her/hers)

Chloe

- We just wanted to introduce ourselves, our board, what we do, and some of the events that we've been working on this quarter, and some of our bigger ideas
- So we just want to let everyone know that we're a resource for LGBTQIA+ students here on campus.
- Our commission is AS entity
- Serve as an advocacy group dedicated to improving the status of queer and trans students here on campus and with the value community through events, funding, education and amplifying career goals for students

Samantha

- We are Best known for our annual pride week celebration in the second week of spring quarter
- which is when we have, like the pride show, fashion show, and other really cool big events
- This quarter we have some big events coming up, including Sabrina Wu
- They are nonbinary, they are person of color, they are queer. Just checking all of our boxes
- We also have identities specific events:

- One would be the aromantic and sexual identity tea discussion event in collation with RCSGD
- We also host frequent events such as lesbian lounge
- We also have an cat cafe event coming up
- Some large events coming up, like Sabrainna Wu, who will be here in like two weeks
- And then we are hosting an event with COSWB, queer friendsgiving, just for people that can't go back home this thanksgiving
- And then we are working on a collab with the queer book club
- And then we have a care workshop coming up, focusing on interpersonal and domestic violence, especially within women loving women relationships
- And we also have a number of spots open in our commission, so we will be posting information about our elections, just to fill those spots
- That way we have more help with planning things like our Pride Week, which are really big events that we usually need more help

Chloe

- We actually had a meeting today with RCSGD
- We have been trying to restart the peer leadership council, especially with other organizations on campus RLC
- So that's something that we are really focusing on, like history and education and resources and advocacy, this upcoming school year, because we've been focusing a lot on social events
- So we think that's really important to diversify the ways that we approach things, especially for students here on campus
- Also, i don't know if I'm allowed to say this, but i just wanted to talk about the election
- We have an election coming up this upcoming Tuesday. It's really important. It's really important that you vote
- And as student advocate for the queer and trans community, there are a certain level of fear and uncertainty with how the election is going to go
- We've heard like insane rhetoric that is just really harmful to our community
- One presidential candidate said that they were going to cut federal funding of schools that are pushing transgender insanity and inappropriate racial and sexual and political content on our children
- And this is not just a presidential issue, it's also for local candidates as well
- I'm in the Planned Parenthood club here, and we did a bring your ballot meeting recently, and we did research on the local candidates as well, and they are also echoing the same rhetoric that is being pushed by presidential candidates
- So on the local level, they're also sharing concerns of sexuality and political activism shared in the classroom
- So local elections matter just as much
- And obviously I'm not going to tell you who to vote for, but I just really want to encourage everyone to built their due diligence and really, really research all the candidates and propositions and everything on the ballot

- I will say vote yes on prop three, it amends the California Constitution to recognize the fundamental right to marry regardless of race or sex
- As a queer person of color whose multi racial, this is a little important to me
- And also vote yes prop six, which effectively bans slavery or involuntary servitude in California prisons. Because the Constitutional Amendment did not do that.
- So just for a little context, queer people are overrepresented in prisons many times as much as anybody else. So that's just really important to us
- Your voice and your vote matters
- We're also willing to take any comments, questions, anything like that.
- Thank you.

Wang

- I just wanted to say thank you so much for coming
- Is there anything you think the Senate can help you with?

Samantha

- Funding for gender affirming products for people signed up on shoreline
- Would be nice to use some of our budget towards that
- We obviously don't want people to abuse it

Chloe

- We did recently fund for the expansion of the gender affirming library, which has so many resources for people who just want to know more about transgender and gender non-conforming resources
- So if we could provide more resources, other than just a library that people could look at, that would be really helpful
- I'm not sure what Senate themselves could do, we might need to think about it more
- We also have our commission meeting tonight, so i can bring it up there

Wang

- I would love to work with you guys

Chloe

- That would be great
- We have a website, we have Instagram, you can reach out to us on anything

Wang

- I have already reached out

Chloe

- Oh that is amazing
- Sorry we are not the media marketing people

Ganesh

- First of all, thank you so much for your work
- Secondly, are you guys still interested in queer disability chair positions?

Chloe

- We were thinking about it last year
- But we heard the process is really drilling and difficult

Samantha

- That would be amazing

- Nice especially since we are opening elections, we can open up another chair position
- Since we are starting our election, we would love to open a new chair position

Ganesh

- When will your elections be?

Samantha

- Since we have some relocation within the board before we open to the general public, so we want to solidify that first
- Hopefully get elections up and running next week

Ganesh

- Want to know timeline for that
- The marketing people, great idea

Siddiqui

- First of all, thank you so much for coming
- I did notice that you guys have about \$50,000 left in your rollover. Correct me, if I'm mistaken, do you have any specific plans on how you're going to spend that?

Chloe

- Last week, we were trying to divide up our budget
- Back then, we kind of didn't understand how much rollover we had at the time
- We went into our budget using the 100k we have for last year and we assumed that we didn't have that much rollovers
- So we kind of divided up the budget (rollover) a little sparingly
- Typically, we spend the most amount of money on our pride events week, and we really try to make those good for students.
- We have a couple of big events coming up.
- I know that we're spending a little more money on Sabrina Wu.
- Usually we don't have a big fall event, but we want to switch things up for an event that we really care about.
- We also have the winter wonder drive, which is a big event for students with local drag queens here in Santa Barbara, usually that tip them over the money
- We also tend to fund a lot of organizations as well, on anything relating to queer students

Samantha

- Also for Sabrina Wu.
- We weren't sure how much rollover we had, so obviously we didn't want to overspend
- So we got someone who we thought was reasonable to get. So that's why, maybe some people here haven't heard them,
- Anyways, we are trying to be reasonable.
- We are not going to spend crazy amount of money, obviously

Singh

- Thank you for coming
- I think you and I spoke this summer over MOU rollover that was denied last year
- It's about \$150,000 right?

- You have a lot of really good ideas so if you want to come through me we could just fund a lot of these events that you want to plan
- So it will go through me but it will be your money again

Chloe

- Thank you so much
- Sounds good
- We will bring it up to our commission meeting tonight

Brinderson

- Thank you for coming and appreciate all you had to say
- Your plans sound great
- Not to make this whole meeting about vending machines, but if you are looking to get more gender affirming products out there, you should talk to BWHC.
- Also, there is another vending machine going on, but I think it's probably too late for this year
- But i think next year the advocacy committee will be dealing with that
- So next year, come to the senate

Chloe

- That would be amazing, thank you

Butler

- All right, we'll be moving back into public forum at 7:05PM

#### I-4) President's Cabinet Report-

Attorney General Carlson(7:16PM)

- Good evening senators
- To start I will bring report to the ongoing report in my office
- About 2 weeks ago, I finally got to edit the general attorney website
- Almost done, minor kinks to work out, forms up and running
- @oag.as.uscb.edu
- I had to edit it on my iPad, so there might be some weird formatting.
- About couple hours of work, really good
- Started hiring for our office, case workers positions
- Email went out earlier today
- As of 5 minutes ago, 43 applicants for office
- Super excited to hit the ground running
- We're toying with ideas of having paid caseworkers to do judicial council
- Perhaps a team of volunteer with research
- Anything that can be handled informationally in advocacy sector
- More on that once our office figures out
- Automated our conflict of interest form via docuSign
- Once we update everyone on what is conflict of interest they can find it on your website
- Takes a whole load to work off our plate to focus on things that really matter

- Check out our website, upcoming projects in tab up top
- I came today as a student and AG to talk abt some things that made it onto the agenda today
- Namely the 10/30 report on the chairship moving forward
- Drafted a short memo to kind of talk about the legality or interpretations of how we want to pursue this
- Bring this up in 3 sections:
  - Standing policy basis
  - Basis regarding the by-laws
  - Constitutional basis
- If any of you have researched this in legal code, you'll find there's a standout policy
- Policy 39: policy called procedures for repeated failures to convene the Senate
- Only relevant standing policy related to chairship
- Covers the yielding of chairship of the Senate in a temporary accommodative capacity
- Policy 39 is explicit in its temporal position
- Outlines automatic mechanism for the IVP to reclaim chairship
- In order to start this process, failures to convene the senate must occur
- My opinion that policy 39 is not in effect here
- Necessary measures relating to yielding chairships have been taken
- Even if not necessarily public, there's documentation that verifies that chairship was reasonably yielded
- Policy 39 is an interesting policy, only drafted a couple years by Chief Compliance Officer
- Protects the senate by allowing the senate allowing them the liberty to convene without the presiding officer in attendance. It enables them to make good on their constitutional requirements.
- Policy 39 does not enable ivp to give up, relinquish, constitutional responsibilities
- Doesn't protect them under dereliction of duties
- Can cover the by laws
- There are technically no by laws that cover anything related to chairship
- Next section is dense
- Constitutional basis for yielding leadership
- Constitution overrides every other section, cannot be suspended by unanimous consent
- shall serve as the presiding officer of the Senate except when the office of the president becomes vacant
- IVP's 7 additional constitutional duties including:
  - Facilitation of monitoring proliferation of student fees
  - Serve as official overseer and reference for all interactions between Senate liaisons and their BCUs
  - And be a non partisan representative of all students at university



- In order to adequately address these responsibilities, it is recommended that the constitutionally enumerated presiding officer of the Senate should be in the room when discussion over items related to those latter responsibilities occur
- Their presence ensures them equal opportunity to access their time through public forum
- Helps legal issues they may encounter
- 22,000 students, guarantee students has the most powerful protection on campus
- Informed parties making decisions, presence of IVP guarantees that point
- Longterm chairship is flatly not protected constitutionally
- To revoke constitutional duty is to go back on the charge entrusted by their student representatives
- The student body elected you all to fulfill responsibilities in the school year 2024-2025
- Elected officials are trusted these responsibilities
- To hold the obligation to make good on your duties
- By not making good on promises, by leaving upon the constitutional mandate, IVP opens themselves up to JC litigation
- "The IVP will be present during senate meetings as promised, to fulfill sections 1 as well as sections 1-8"
- Success of subsequent sections is predicated on the proper execution of the former
- Sections 2-8:
- "They will serve as representative of Associated Students in all internal affairs"
- How do you do that if not sitting at the most important meeting in our association?
- Skip to 4
- "They will be responsible for facilitating the monitoring the proliferation of student fees"
- All student fees make their way to this table, lock-in fee or not.
- Skip to 6
- "Serve as official overseer for all interactions between senate liaisons and their BCUs"
- Must also train senators in how to be liaisons
- No better way to teach others than through example
- It is best when they are seated by the front of the table as leader and facilitator
- Skip to 8
- Be non partisan representative of all students at the university
- This same standard is expected as you
- These responsibilities are best served in the room where it happens
- Makes the position of IVP make sthe most powerful on campus
- The citing of the way the US senate conducts business is particularly ironic
- Article 1 section 3. C-4
- The VP of US is not directed to be The Presiding Officer, but rather the president of the Senate but have no vote unless equally divided
- Foreign policy emphases and other responsibilities tasked by president

- his example being used as a reference to justify the dereliction of constitutional duties is simply not apt for the situation here in Associated Students, according to the United States Senate website, which is curated by the Senate historical office
- The senate would only need to elect president pro tempore to fill in for short periods of time
- This mirrors our current systems and structure as our senators intended
- We can verify the meaning of presiding officer
- We can verify how it's interpreted, and meant to be read
- In policy 3 in senate meeting procedure:
- In policu 3 we adopt robert's rules of order
- Adoption of such rules includes the adoption of definitions to the enumerated positions where applicable
- Presiding officer is facilitator and leader of meeting, corroborated consitutionaly and through policies, our own fed government
- I cannot, in good conscious, read the legal code of single position
- Senators too shall be non partisan representatives of all undergrads at university
- Includes management of student fee distribution, 10k poured out to each representative
- 2K to each senator
- And 10s thousand dollars handled by on this table every year
- Thank you very much on your time

Siddiqui

- Would it be okay for us to have a back and forth?

Carlson

- That is not ok with me
- I would prefer to be recongized

Butler

- In that case, I want to allow all of the other senators first, and then possibly this back and forth

Amin

- I'm little confused on how IVP has done things
- As of right now, if they decide to actually resign, which it doesnt seem like they've done yet, will you be the one to take that place?
- Doesn't seem like they have done so yet

Carlson

- No

Amin

- Who will take that place if they resign?

Carlson

- I cannot necessarily speak to the later half of that question
- To address where the confusion is coming from with your initial question, in that hypothetical
- Executive offices are not bounded by the runner-up system
- If you guys resign, the runner-up from last year will take your place
- Not true for executive officers

- Would have to go back to student body for them to elect another IVP
- Another election would have to happen
- In the interim, the IVP would go to the first pro-temp
- Handled in the 73, handled to the EVPLA initially
- And then a special election

Iden

- With the constitution stating as senators we're expected to uphold the constitution
- Legally we're bound
- Int terms if this is constitutionally violating
- What are the ramifications for senators when it comes to JC?

Carlson

- Interesting hypothetical
- Everyone in the room took an oath to uphold the constitution, student legal code
- When it comes to JC ramification, if there were violation inquiries that senators weren't actively upholding the Constitution
- Not necessarily within power of JC to remove people from their positions
- Dereliction of duty
- Their duty, punishment should fit the crime
- Might warrant looking at how honoraria is distributed
- If you are in charge of your own paycheck, no one is holding you accountable
- What mechanisms are placed to ensure you guys are getting the pay you deserve?
- That's where JC would come into play on how the amount is decided

Wahidullah

- If IVP is unable to uphold all of their constitutional duties because it can be so overwhelming
- Would there be a particular exception towards it?

Carlson

- Moving forward with the hypothetical
- It's very easy to straw man, say mountain of responsibilities is impossible so I'm going to choose what I want to do and not to do
- Fact of matter is that everything in legal code is possible, because it was done at one point in time
- Know that to be true, most inclusions in legal code
- They want to set the precedence so the next person come in line will do the same thing
- Almost every addition to bylaws, constitutions, the giants on the shoulders which we stand
- In that hypothetical about exceptions, would it be okay if they made good on 7 of the 8 responsibilities instead of the one?
- Dereliction of duty
- Judge, jury, executioner is the student body
- Going to be making up students in the JC, senators, etc
- At end of day, all of us are students and can view this from a political perspective

- JC mitigated consequences, you guys have to be entering into this at least now with whole conscience
- Does this answer your question?

Wahidullah

- Yes, it does

Brinderson

- Good to hear you've gotten so much interest in your caseworkers
- Guess I just want to ask to what degree have you communicated this problem to the IVP themselves?
- Obviously they're not in the room
- You said it is a hypothetical, I hear from them that it is too much
- To me it doesn't seem that hypothetical
- Not necessarily that I don't want them here
- Nice to have them here
- I'd like to know if you've had a conversation with them, how it went
- And what they think of this

Carlson

- I have not had a conversation with them
- I haven't had a conversation with many of you except Siddiqui
- Hypothetical nature of responsibilities being too much
- It absolutely is possible to get overwhelmed in a position
- I try not to have my personal standard projected to my peers
- At the end of the day, there is not anything suggest that this is a ramification of duties
- Not being in attendance
- Not being here
- Completely antithetical to their constitutional duties
- You might say I'm working backward because I'm not there at the senate meeting last week
- So I don't have all the same information as all of you
- Don't have all the same emotional information that you may have
- Not privy to that
- Because of that, I hope to be from your perspective a truly neutral 3rd party
- That thinks nothing from what you guys decide at the end of the day
- Because of that, whatever you guys choose to do I hope it's in best interest of constitution
- Making sure you find mediating situation for all parties involved
- Includes potentially senators stepping up to plate to help out IVP
- Could include potentially offering assistance or checking in on them
- Should they need help
- At the end of the day we're all in it together
- Thank you Senator Brinderson

Lala

- Not asking you to be a senator, not asking to take us by the hand
- Think I wouldn't be doing my job if I couldn't ask for your legal guidance

- Our single duty here is to uphold the legal duties here
- What paths can we take that would fulfill that?
- How do we make sure that we uphold the constitution?

Carlson

- Definition is political is to do what you think is right given the circumstances
- As long as you're going, mentally, spiritually, physically
- And you still think it's the best change for everyone here involved
- Very easy to get bundled up in this room together
- Sometimes difficult to remember there are 22,000 students actively being taxed to fund you guys
- Kind of ridiculous that it's 16-17 million a year
- Why we inspire to restore justice
- Not having a couple people in the room, who cares, take time off
- All of you guys allow to send proxy
- If you need to take care of yourself
- At the end of the day, the government job is unlike BCUs and the rest of the association
- You guys have electoral, there's people looking at you for support
- If you can't be there, then why are you in this position?
- This position is unlike any other position in the association
- In that way, you need to be able to strike that balance between can you get the work done?
- Can you make good on your constitutional responsibilities?
- I know for a fact there's people at this school willing to do the work
- 40+ people in my inbox asking me to work them hard
- I'm going to work them harder than some people are working you guys
- Not personal
- Not complicated
- You do the job or you can't
- Find out strategies that help you do that job
- If you need to recruit, delegate more, do it
- But the job comes first
- The job is specifically enumerated right there in text
- Everybody can read it

Butler

- Siddiqui, I'm cool with doing exchange
- Do ask, before you rapid fire questions at our Attorney General, to be recognized

Siddiqui

- Intend on just having a back and forth between me and AG
- Welcome to include you as well
- Would you be willing to answer back and forth questions in yes or no format?

Carlson

- No because usually those lead to leading questions

Siddiqui

- Just spoke about this

- Across Robert's rules of order to US Constitution, legal bodies
- Is there a single definition of the term presiding officer?

Carlson

- In terms of phrase, probably not
- In terms of compound phrase, it's pretty straightforward

Siddiqui

- You're saying there's multiple definitions?

Carlson

- Every single one of the definition I come across implies that the person with the title Presiding Officer is in the room, whether Zoom or physically
- Sometimes things like voting or non voting, facilitating a neutral tone, are different

Siddiqui

- Just to clarify, when you say presiding
- My interpretation is that you're overseeing something
- You're interpreting presiding being overseeing meaning that you have to physically be present in the room, rather than just a general sense of overseeing the functions of a specific bond

Carlson

- I think if you are presiding over something, you are task with facilitation, moderating meeting decorum
- If you are US senate, tasked with determining who to speak/not to speak
- Order of speakers
- Task with interpreting rules of debate
- Rules of discussion
- Would say definition is pretty straightforward
- It is implied that the presiding officer we use in our Constitution is in reference to Roberts Rules of Order, set in policy 3 meeting procedures, that they're expected to uphold all that is expected of a presiding officer
- True of all of our enterprise units
- Program board, pardall center, food bank, kcsb are all expected
- Robert's rules of order has been so ingrained into precedent of association
- It was made policy 3, not 41 or 42
- Think it's implied that the definition we use is a presiding officer that moderates discussion, that facilitates who's going to speak next

Siddiqui

- I do want to go to concept of usage of Robert's rules of orders
- If I'm not mistaken, within the Constitution itself does it specifically specify that all terms enumerated in the Constitution are referring to the Robert's Rules definition of those terms?

Carlson

- No, it doesn't
- The capacity with which we seek to define our verbiage, does it say we're using the Merriam Webster dictionary to define all the terms?

- We base our interpretations, which both you or I are at authority to interpret, but it ultimately goes to JC for litigation, we base all of those on the fact we share the english language
- We've always used those terms
- Regardless, whatever our profesor or PHd candidate literature to justify that the presiding officer simply means that they are in charge, an extremely liberal judgement call
- Would either be met with judgement by JC or would allow association members to run away with their responsibilities
- Again, we lead by example
- If we're not following our legal code, how can we expect others to do so?

Butler

- Taking two more questions on this matter

Siddiqui

- It seems to me, we can have whatever interpretation we want
- But the only body who can determine their interpretation of the Constitution is judicial council

Carlson

- At the end of the day, senate reserves the right to change the text
- They dont reserve the right to say "that's what i think it means"
- That right is reserved to the judical council

Siddiqui

- We're in agreement that JC can lead interpretaiotn of the constitution?

Carlson

- Yes, JC is the sole interpreter of legal code

Butler

- Alright we're gonna wrap this up, siddiqui make it quick

Siddiqui

- Only the judicial council has the right to define the responsibilities
- If JC is not officially appointed by the legal processes laid out, are they allowed to rule on anything?

Carlson

- Senator, it sounds like you are holding judicial council hostage

Siddiqui

- I'm asking a question

Carlson

- Regardless of the person who chairs
- If the chair of judicial council isn't there
- As a clarification question
- Are you saying because there is no chair, they don't have a right to convene or meet or make decisions?

Siddiqui

- Yes I am, because none of them have been legally appointed

Carlson

- Then do you see the hypocrisy in the idea that your body in the idea right now doesn't have the presiding officer to convene the meeting?
- It again, feels like, and I don't want to talk about your intention
- It feels like we are using judicial council as political pawns, to prevent any pushback relating to the decision that Senate leadership seems to have made regarding the new chairship

Siddiqui

- Answer is no
- Simply asking the questions at the AG for the legal interpretation of my own questions, not something I expect us to decide today
- First item listed under duties and powers is to supervise and maintain policies, properties, and conduct of AS
- Considering the entire Senate is legally within their positions and Judicial Council isn't since Judicial Council the only authority tasked with interpreting the Constitution, yet they have not been officially appointed
- The Senate has the power to supervise and maintain the policies, properties and conduct of the AS
- Would the Senate be able to provide an interim definition of how they define the term presiding officer as we wait for the judicial council to be legally appointed?

Carlson

- I'm not exactly familiar with judicial council's legal code
- Usually they operate behind closed doors
- But the decisions are open to the public
- I am actively playing this out as the perspective of a former senator and an attorney general
- Would say when I was a senator, made sure to practice that legal interpretations followed like Ockham's razor
- The most likely interpretation is probably the interpretation
- I try to practice the intent to which the text is written
- I try to practice identifying the intent to which text was written
- If I didn't like it, I'd just change it
- I suppose as a student, everyone is allowed to have the right to read and take from that which you will
- I suppose that your interpretation could be put against all of the other interpretation in this voting body
- Because that may need to be arbitrated just in discussion of yourselves
- How you want to employ those things
- If the JC is inoperable until you see fit
- How are you going to come to a decision that all of you guys are proud of?
- Wonder what power the President might have with executive orders filling JC seats
- In case of an emergency
- Because President always get wonky with emergencies

Iden

- It's not important, I can talk with AG when it comes to 10/30 report



Amin

- Basically, we cannot and should not create our own definitions
- If there's something we want to do, we have the power to change bylaws
- We can do that, but not the best idea, but we can do it
- That's what I got out of this convo

Carlson

- Idea is that legislators write the text
- Legislators will include loopholes that are open ended
- This is why people like us get really mad at elected officials when our supreme court overturn a rule because they are simply interpreting the things in a different way
- That is the law of the land, how they are interpreting it
- The interpretation, if challenged, will be arbitrated by judicial council

Butler

- Thank you for coming

Carlson

- Hopefully next time when I come back I can introduce you to more about my office

#### I-5) Executive Director's Report-

Executive Director Dr. Marisela Marquez

(8:05PM)

- Eight new appointments
- Premier staff members, appointed into the department
- Employing new onboarding method, will onboard together and problem solve together
- When you have experience together, it's more enriching
- Financial operations coming on board and having a sense of opportunity to work with Micheal
- Ashley has separated from department, in their case they were the financial coordinator
- At the same time as they left, they had folks coming in
- An opportunity nonetheless to pass on information
- Do have standing committees on a few other positions
- In next couple weeks, I'll bring you all up to date with that
- I started to mention upcoming effort to develop partnership with Professoinal and Continuing Education as an option for you all as students, you can take pace courses
- They have different way of informing you all and becoming present in your transcripts as undergrads
- Opportunity to develop a certificated program
- Began process during pandemic, AS might become participants in

- We call it FRAME(foundational, reflexive, meaningful, experience certificate)
- You have opportunity to gain a lot of experience and gain credit for that work
- Typically, the one transaction that occurs is through your honoraria
- However, you're really here to be students
- Want you to consider this, could help gain some more theoretical and methodological experience
- Idea would develop a certificated program that anyone that's an elected, appointed student, through AS could also gain essentially another transcript
- Other staff led initiatives include AS Space Committee, working on idea of just space and AS
- We're spread out on a lot of different spaces, policies affecting it all the time
- Would invite any senators or elected officers to join us
- Idea is introspective and throughout the year
- Whether you're convening or not, we'll push these initiatives forward
- The staff led initiative on AS basis is taking care of each of the spaces, Pardall Center, bike shop, etc
- Going to get an extension on that deadline, or come close
- BWHC, working with Take Back the Night, and more
- Giving advice and counsel as needed
- Very self-motivated entities moving forward
- They need lots of support right now
- Essential and important groundworks in terms of all of your student employees
- Last year, we had a very strong student manual that's being updated and training that's associated with it
- Mapping out additional training

Butler

- Exciting initiatives
- Would love to get units for my Senate work

Marquez

- Office of restorative justice on campus
- Idea is that circled elements of having the energy and opportunity to sit with someone, much less the attention and presence of all of our ancestors, is not a small thing
- We didnt invent it
- Very important for me to pass on to you all that there is a method to it, there is a way to agree or disagree
- The issue is not the same, and it's not treated the same, as though you can replace the other
- I have some literal handouts of how they do their work
- Dr. Becerra did make an invitation to us on the record
- Wanted to offer to the chair and also the senators to pass along constructive, complete, thorough information about how it's actually done

Wahidullah

- Thank you for educating us about your program

Marquez

- We are designing it as you speak
- 3-4 courses we developed in different areas
- We met with current dean
- Right now, it would be joining our conversations about how to implement it and give it the root that will let it keep going after this quarter
- Probably go online winter term
- We are still planning and implementation phase
- My ultimate goal is that we would co-teach these courses because no one knows it better than you
- We might be expert in our area but we are not you
- But we're not you

Butler

- Any other questions?
- Thank you so much

Marquez

- Thank you

Carlson

- May I add just one thing to my statement?
- There are instances on the record from previous senate meetings that I was going to restorative justice or CAPs or Dean of Student Life
- According to the minutes, none of them were in attendance
- Can reasonably conclude that what the minutes are is not correct?
- Would respectfully request the record is corrected to account for that

Butler

- Will you be accepting questions on this specific topic?

Carlson

- Since it is a request
- Sure

Siddiqui

- Thank you for that
- The restorative justice circle that was proposed was intended to take place on outside of a senate meeting, no one filled out the form
- Made decision to hold restorative circle during meeting but neither entity was able to attend
- What was originally proposed is different than what we ended up doing

Carlson

- Ok thank you

I-6) Executive Officers' Report -

I-7) Senator Representative Reports-

Martinez

- Carly and I have been working on the Senate retreat and how we can logistically figure these out.
- We are going to be sending out a google form so everyone can fill it out and get preferences and dates cleared through.
- We heard some feedback that some people want to go to Knotts Berry Farm instead of Six Flags because Not everyone can ride roller coasters without getting motion sick, or because there are more sensory things at Knotts Berry Farm, although Six Flags is closer.

Bulter

- I've never been to Knotts Berry Farm.

Amin

- I prefer Knotts Berry Farm better, but I'm down for either. I don't actually care, I'm here for the vibes.

Ganesh

- Can someone clarify the difference between the two?

Martinez

- Knotts Berry Farm has more than exhilarating or rushing rides, like you aren't going to get your shores thrown off and stuff, and they have carousels and like little things for sensory you know.
- Six Flags has a majority of epic roller coasters. It is epic vs. epic and calm.
- The second question is a little sillier because we just want to make sure. We have the option of booking rooms with two queen size beds, 2 people per room, or 2 people a bed so 4 people a room instead.
- It would be exponentially cheaper to do something like this.
- If we have snugglers we can do 2 people a bed.
- Carly wanted to ask if we could do 2 people to a bed.

Butler

- I want to go round robin so we can actually see our sleeping preferences.

Suuck

- I'd rather not.
- Also, I'm pro Knotts Berry Farm.

Ganesh

- Either for question one.
- Second question, ideally not, unless we are really strapped for money then I will adjust.

Corlew

- I think we should all fit into one room.

Wang

- I'm fine with either, I prefer not to be the big spoon.

Elkhatib

- I'm okay with either
- I'm down for Six Flag because I've only been once.

Kadah

- Also okay with both.
- Prefer not to share, but if we have to we have to.

Singh

- I've never been to either Six Flags or the Farm.
- I'm down to snuggle.

Siddiqui

- What's the cost difference between these two?

Martinez

- Don't quote me, but wait, actually I'll get back to you on that.
- There was just a big difference.

Siddiqui

- Would that be per person or per room? How many rooms would you estimate?

Martinez

- No, per room
- 12 rooms with 2 people per room, or 6 rooms with 4 people per room
- It depends on how many people show up.

Siddiqui

- I'd prefer 2 to a room, but if we have to, we have to.
- I'd say the cost difference is important.
- I just want to remind everyone that if we give the senate unallocated to every person who asks for it, then we are going to have to be in one room.
- Let's be careful and responsible with how we spend our money.

Brinderson

- I prefer Six Flags.
- I've been to both quite a few times, and Knotts Berry Farm is a little smaller, but the rides are still fun.
- I prefer my own bed.

Iden

- Thank you for taking charge of this. This job sucks a lot of the time, so if every other BCU gets a retreat, then we should too so thanks for working on this.
- Maybe we can look into inflatable mattresses if this is really a dilemma, but I'm unsure of the university policy on this.
- I also want to do Six Flags.

Lala

- I'm all for senate bonding, but I don't think cramming ourselves into bed is a great idea.
- I have enough experiences with the Debate Team where the blank just ends up on one side of the region. Leads to conflict instead of cooperation.
- I like calling it the Farm. It is a bit smaller I think.
- We want this year to be epic, and you described Six Flags as epic so let's do epic things.

Yu

- I've never been to either.
- It seems like Six Flags would be more fun.
- For beds, it would be nice if there was bigger space.

Khorsandi

- I'm chill with either. I've never been to Six Flags because I have a debilitating fear of heights.
- For you guys I will make it work.
- My fear of missing out is bigger than my fear of heights, so Six Flags.
- As for the beds, I have a twin sister, so we shared everything, so I know how it goes. So I'm fine with it.

Amin

- I'm happy to share a bed with Leah. We've done that several times already.
- But I'm down for both, I am here for the vibes.
- I would prefer Knotts because it's smaller. That means we can do more things and be a group instead of splitting up.
- If we go to Six Flags I think we'd split up and it would not be bonding as much.

Butler

- I was, this summer, in conversation about going to Six Flags before the school year started to literally ride roller coasters to get our jitters out.
- I did run into a few issues, but now as a collected front, we'd be able to create the best retreat.
- The issues were around that Six Flags is more associated with a "fun" trip, a leisure trip, rather than a trip for leadership development which is the intent of the trip.
- For further discussion, I do want to give you points of reference of Holly and Marissa, they're great at planning retreats and are further open to conversation. I'm sorry I can't take the initiative further. And also executive Director Marquez as well.
- When I started these initiatives, these thoughts were some of the issues I had.

Martinez

- We are definitely taking that into account.
- The schedule we have is leaving Friday night
- For Saturday there would be training. These would be like Senate trainings, discussions, like AS1, to discuss everything we needed to.
- We want to book a conference room at the hotel because we are looking into various spaces so we could hold training sessions.
- We would do Six Flags as a Sunday thing and return Sunday night as well.

Singh

- Who is going to drive us there?

Martinez

- It depends on whether we can get a UCSB van, or a bus, and that would be decided on which park we go to. There is bus parking at Knotts Berry Farm but I'm still looking into Six Flags. So either a bus or 2 vans depending on the park preferred, and how many people are going, and those logistics.

Singh

- I can drive us there too.

Wang:

- Are we going to separate the rooms by gender or sex?

Martinez

- Not the case. We are going to do it based on who you are most comfortable with and who you want to spend the night with.

Amin

- I think Singh and I should take two vans and race.

Kadah

- I regularly drive a truck so if anyone should be driving a van, it's me.

Butler

- I know how to drive too so we will figure this out. Thank you so much senator for your drive and passion.

Lala

- When are we doing this?

Martinez

- We were thinking between week 7 weekend
- But we were also thinking week 8 weekend
- These will be sent out on the survey to make sure everyone can go without worries about midterms .
- We want to make sure everyone can come and relax and have fun.

Butler

- Please fill out the survey. Thank you so much. I appreciate you.

## First President Pro-Tempore Siddiqui: 10/30 Report

Siddiqui

- I have no intention of stonewalling the progress of the judicial council or using them as a political tool.
- I have made multiple attempts to, on the record, to fill in all the seats
- The constitutional issue we are running into is for the Internal Vice President, there needs to be a solid understanding of what the Internal Vice President should do
- In my back in forth, I gathered two different sources of information that contradict each other
- The point I want to make is, it is very clear that there are multiple definitions of presided and presided officer
- A constitutional amendment needs to be made, in regards to the IVP's duties
- The associations definition is to make rulings based on the interpretation, we are in a legal grey area on whether the Internal Vice President is doing its duties
- I want the judicial council to make a ruling on this
- The Senate is empowered to supervise and maintain the policies and procedures of the association at large
- Until judicial council can appoint the chair and vice chair and fill the remainder of the seats, the only way we can move forward is to provide a temporary definition of the term

- This doesn't have to happen tonight
- I am happy to answer any questions, at the end
- That being said, the rest of this report is a discussion. We went over this report together and I wanted to bring this to you so we can move forward as one
- My understanding is that the Internal Vice President will attend the occasional senate meeting in special circumstances
- If they can not be present, myself (Siddiqui) and Senator Bulter would take turns chairing
- Potentially yielding chairship to other Senators but no senator will be forced into chairship, it is in order to give each other the opportunity
- Next year the association will be able to move in a smoother way
- We are looking into splitting the IVP office in three ways
- The first will be Senate - IVP will appoint the First Pro-Temp, Second Pro-Temp, all Standing Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs, assign all senators to committees, assign liaisons to administrative committees, parliamentarian, and all other senate-related appointments
- Will oversee Senate Executive Committee meetings that happen biweekly and hold a weekly meeting with the First and Second Senate Pro-Tempore's; The First and Second Pro-Tempore's shall also attend their office meetings weekly
- Will still execute their role in the creation of the Annual Senate Strategic Vision Plan
- Will oversee and direct all administrative committees of the senate (elections board, CoC, IAC, rules & administration, + tech & operations).
- This makes it so they only come for 2 meetings, and then when they get into the Summer they will focus on policy
- The second is the internal division
- Will oversee all aspects of ASUCSB Human Resources, Auditing, Organization, Management, and other matters pertaining to professional staff.
- Will coordinate directly with professional staff, including department leads in different divisions. Will work very closely with advisors in Student Development/Resources.
- Be responsible for facilitating the monitoring of the proliferation of all student fees throughout the university.
- Be responsible for all technological, financial, software, and other internal processes in ASUCSB, and for initiating projects to advance AS in all of those sectors.
- I cannot emphasize enough, this is so important. We do not have anyone who is fixing this issue
- The last part is focused on BCUs and campus organizations
- Serve as the official liaison between Associated Students, the Office of Student Life, and Registered Campus Organizations.
- Will be the main authority governing senate interactions with BCUs
- will assist all BCU Chairs and members of the Association with issues pertaining to their organization, main person responsible for ensuring BCUs complete all their required duties



- Will work particularly closely with the Finance Committee and the Committee on Committees, Chairs the Honoraria Committee
- Will hold all BCU membership and Chairs responsible for completing tasks
- Me and Butler were chairs last year and we are more than happy to help all of you
- Me and Butler meet with people just to plan the meeting, not even being at the meeting itself
- In my meeting with the president this morning, she seemed to be onboard with it
- The problem is that no one can manage doing everything the president does, it is virtually impossible
- They are very busy and one of the huge problems is that A.S. has become a worse version of SEAL
- We get paid barely nothing, and when we do it is almost 3-6 months late
- A.S. was designed to be student government not an offshoot of SEAL
- The reason we have BCUs is to engage in policy work, projects, and events
- Because the association has grown it is almost impossible for the president to assist and manage BCUs
- This is not the way it was intended to run and no one is benefitting from the system
- So what I'm proposing is expanding the President's Cabinet to add around four to five, maybe five to six, will have to see the specific, intermediate intermediary leaders, each overseeing a cluster.
- The formula I have in my head is: IVP and senate constructs, then goes to executive committee, then goes to the Senate. I want to have a similar system.
- I believe that the President themselves should be working on policy objectives they want to achieve. I think they should hand that down to their cabinet
- I think having leadership in the President's cabinet, let's say I'm going to make up a hypothetical. I will not be mentioning specifics, because any specifics that actually comes to the core, I want to involve heavy, heavy consultation first with advisors, as well as the VP and the president themselves. So I will not be mentioning specifics. But let's say, for example, we have a plane BCU, bike BCU, and a car BCU
- Then I would appoint an intermediate intermediary leader called Director of Transportation
- Then the director of transportation will set policy and manage each of those BCUs
- This will actually allow the president to set policy for association at large
- Another thing, I want to go over standing committee expectations, and I will be citing several legal codes
- All standing committee meetings must have an agenda posted and emailed out publicly at least 24 hours.
- All standing committee meetings have to be made publicly available and accessible to the public.
- Not doing so puts the association at legal liability of being sued over the ground.
- Oftentimes in these committees, you're casting money related to student fees. We are introducing legislation to the Senate that is transformative.

- The student body needs to be aware of when these meetings are taking place, so that it can be accessible to them
- For a lot of committees, especially if there is legislation pertaining to BCUs, so the point of having that meeting, time and date to the public is that they can come
- Another point of that you are eo officio members of every senator
- All of you should be attending other committees if you have the time. But in order to do that, all of the committee meeting times and dates and locations have to be made public, and it has to be at least 24 hours.
- I'm not saying 3 days or a week, I'm saying 24 hours. I think that's very realistic.
- Other than that, all minutes containing votes, actions and discussions, for all minutes in general, when your committee proceeds, has to be submitted to the Senate for approval.
- Now, three of four committees have done this, and I've talked to them about it, and I'm happy they did.
- But for those of you who haven't, please start doing so
- The reason why I'm issuing this report is because I don't want to get into punishment. I don't want to get into uncomfortable conversations.
- I wanted to state this out on the record.
- Please submit your minutes to the Senate.
- And also, for all committees, you have to have standard meeting time. I don't care if it's weekly or bi weekly. I think a minimum that has to be bi weekly, but you have to have a standard recurring time, just for the purpose of the entire point of these meetings are an extension of the Senate and they have to be made publicly available and open to the student body.
- So I'm personally requesting each chair to send it to myself or Pro tempore Butler, all the aforementioned information in this report by next week's senate meeting.
- Again, just setting it public meeting time, setting a location, setting a recurring time, and sending me links.
- Now moving on into the last section of my report. This is the overall Senate accountability measures going forward
- I'll be completely honest: when I'm in here, I feel like I'm a school principal. I don't want to be. I genuinely don't take pleasure in raising points of order, and for lack of a better term, reprimanding you guys all the time. I'm forced to, because that's the nature of my position, as is Alexis' position.
- Frankly, the conduct of the last meeting was simply disappointing
- In terms of side conversations, in terms of, you know, being on our devices and doing things not related to the meeting
- Last meeting was really bad. This meeting has been much better, but we're still not where we need to be.
- A lot of times our staff will look back to the last Senate and say, oh my god, we're so much better than them.
- I'm asking you to attend these meetings and act as if you were in a section. If you were in a section, you would not be having obvious side conversations with the person next to you and you would not make it very obvious that you're not paying attention or doing something on your device not related to the meeting.

- I understand that emergencies come up, at least have the decency to pretend like you are paying attention.
- These meetings are publicly recorded, and everyone can see them.
- All of you need to, as required, and three hours a week office hours. Another alternative is setting up a Calendly
- If you haven't done it already, I just set up mine this week, so I was behind as well.
- But you have to have one of those two
- As senators, you are all elected officials, and you have to be publicly accessible to your constituents
- Back to attendance. It was much better today.
- Going forward, I'm asking for at least 24 hours notice to me if you are going to be late
- If Senate leadership does not receive notice that you will arrive late or you're not going to be at a meeting, we will start counting it as an unexcused absence.
- And after a certain amount of unexpected absences, you are subject to removal.
- It's not something that me or Alexa want to do. It is something that we are being forced to do
- But we will start doing it going forward.
- The last part of my report that I want to address is the closed session.
- We have talked about the Brown Act countless times in this chamber. I welcome all of you to look at the legislation yourselves and read it. I read the entire thing personally, and I took notes because someone has to
- The Brown Act is the single most significant piece of statewide legislation governing our responsibility as a legislative body.
- I remind you all, even though we are a student government, we are an official, registered legislative body.
- Those who are violating the confidentiality of the closed session. This is not a joke. There are genuine legal consequences.
- If it's found in written or factual proof that someone's violating the constitutionality or the confidentiality of the closed session, the association at large can be sued by the state government.
- So I'm saying that if I find out that anyone has violated the confidentiality of a closed session meeting, I would be personally seeking to take action against them. I don't care who you are.
- This is the last time I'm going to state all these things out in the open. Again, they are expectations. They're already expected as part of your duties. I shouldn't have to be addressing this.
- Further violation of these issues is going to result in penalties

Butler

- Thank you Senator.
- I really appreciate your work and commitment, not only to the Senate but the association at large.
- We have five minutes for questions as we digest this report.
- But I do want to encourage the Senate if, you would like to discuss with me or Dan further, please reach out to us

Singh

- Thank you so much, very interesting report
- Quick question, if I send the agenda out can I still make changes?

Siddiqui

- Yes

Khrosandi

- First question, for the committee requirement, the 24 hours for agenda, does it also apply to temporary committees?

Siddiqui

- Yes, it is a part of the standing committees according to by-law

Khrosandi

- Where will we post our office hours?

Siddiqui

- Up to you
- Many people do Instagram stories or posts
- I put them in my email signatures
- But will start posting them on Instagram as soon as I hire my social media person

Khrosandi

- Third question, has the senate website been updated?

Siddiqui

- Right now, we have a web development director in IVP that is currently working on it
- It will take some time

Butler

- I was talking to IVP about this
- The web developer just got access to make changes

Khrosandi

- Okay, thank you

I-8) Administrative Reports-

J) Committee Report

J-1) Standing Committee on Finance -

**Senator Singh**

Singh

- Just some quick reports
- We spent about \$150,000 in the last 4 weeks
- In my MOU with the Program Board it has been about \$20,000 so far and with SCORE its about \$6,374
- The MOUs with EAB, CAB, IVTU, SCORE, and Program Board have been adopted
- Everyone else has been discussed, they will be adopted hopefully next week
- We have been doing a lot, everything has been going pretty well

- The Finance Committee can't really do projects, we approve or deny funding request but I did have some goals
- Right now we are first come, first serve
- There are some events that happen later in the year or quarter and it should be fair
- We already get way too many request, doing it all at once is way too much work
- I propose creating a new fund, it would be DEI events
- Right now we have the Culture and Grad fund, but we can't always use it.
- A lot of the RCU's events happen at the end of the quarter and I just want it to be fair
- Two weeks ago we had a debate about financial policy and legal code
- There are a lot of discrepancies, I would love some help on finding the different conflicting information
- A lot of groups aren't submitting their minutes, even though the workshop say to clearly submit minutes
- Michael and I also discussed how BCUs are spending way too much money on food without having proper justification for it
- If it is a lock-in like SCORE, they need to have justification
- This has not been followed, I think it is a lot of work but it is university policy
- I would introduce a resolution but I did not want to introduce it late and get people mad

Butler

- Thank you, this is great work
- I am excited to see what the Finance Committees will do
- I think a DEI fund is needed

Lala

- Thank you for your work
- I spent a lot of time at an RCO, when you are outside of A.S. the Finance Committee seems very scary
- It is very intimidating to go in and ask for money
- Regardless of anything you need to communicate with RCOs before hand
- Try to figure out what they want
- We might want to think about what new problems this might offer
- It would also be good to make sure that everyone is on the same page
- Who would be able to apply for these grants?

Singh

- It would be up to the discretion of the Finance Committee
- The draft plan I had about every quarter, is kinda where I am coming from
- I don't have plans to change the first come, first serve system
- Just adding the new fund

Lala

- Can you clarify the BCU and RCO thing?

Singh

- Last year Senate denied the request of rollover
- Now we have to sign MOUs with all those BCUs

- Me and Iden are working on fixing the light tunnel
- Even the liaison committee, I would love to work with you all
- I don't know how it would work those so would it be through the Senate number

Ganesh

- Would the money come from the existing Culture and Grad fund?

Singh

- No it would come from Senate

Ganesh

- How much

Singh

- About \$35,000

J-2) Standing Committee on Outreach -

**Senator Martinez**

- Hello everyone I am the Outreach Committee Chair
- This is Senator Lala, the Outreach Committee Vice Chair
- The Outreach Committee has tackled various efforts to reach out to the student body
- We have been developing a different surveys and tabling at the arbor
- We have also been in the process of hiring our policy analysis and student members at large
- We got in two responses so far and that is ¼ of the positions that need to be filled
- We have also held weekly meetings
- We reached out to campus Dems and lobby corps on election collaboration
- We also reached out to EVPSA but we have gotten no response
- We have figured out we will focus on student homelessness, student housing, and dining commons student workers
- Met with Zach Lang to develop ideas on policy themes and support him and President Broadway's efforts for dining halls
- To support his ideas on the resolution, we are introducing in the upcoming weeks
- We reached out to Nayeli about taking over the EAC social media and we did not get a response

Lala

- The way we planned this is so the chair would give the general quotes and I would break it down
- The first of which is surveys -
- We have completed the vast majority of the steps need, we have drafted both surveys, trying to find the perfect balance
- We went to the Finance Committee and Senator Singh approved us two gift cards to give out as incentives
- Wang was really helpful on building on this, he pointed us in a very helpful direction

- The first pro temp briefly mentioned a project in collaboration with YESA
- I was contacted by a representative of the Isla Vista Tenants Union
- There was a housing coalition meeting last night
- I think it is more than feasible to collaborate with IVTU
- We are going to be sending out a bulk email to the student body this week
- If you know anyone on campus at the resident halls please let them know that we are trying to get these applications out as soon as possible
- Our deadline is next Wednesday, and it would be useful if we could fill these positions out

Martinez

- We have also been tracking to speak with Shawn about having these surveys be anonymous
- I want to discuss everything with the higher positions
- I want to make sure we do this in a way that everyone is comfortable
- We are trying to work around making them anonymous
- These surveys will be released very soon

Lala

- I finally did get a meeting booked with Shawn
- Thank you Senator Iden for reminding me of this
- It is important that we deal with student data in the best way possible
- The anonymous part is undecided
- We have had some responses that include names
- We will speak with Sean on how to handle that

Martinez

- It is more to get Senate perception
- The workers are working hard and we don't want to put anyone in jeopardy

Butler

- Thank you so much
- Senators, any follow up questions for our committee?

Siddiqui

- Thank you so much
- Also apologies for not being more timely, been trying my best, but I want to get it done before next meeting
- One of your purposes is so the Senate can conduct policy analysis and something on the strategic plan was for your committee to do some Senate projects.
- And part of your goal is to conduct these analysis
- Do you have any ideas for that?
- If it is too late in the quarter, how will you work around it?

Lala

- It was on the back of my mind
- There wasn't anything concrete so weren't going to talk about it but we can
- The key thing about the think tank portion of it and the policy reports we have in code to produce, is that it is not primarily authored by elected senators
- There are positions in there that will take the lead on that

- You can think of U.S. senate report like the Church report in 1970s led by Senators and they established it, but the draft of it was from policy analyst
- The think tank portion relies on the policy analyst
- A lot of the function relies on members at large
- Or even the more effective functions of meetings rely on the minute takers as well
- Our next step is to recruit and finish the hiring process
- We are going to have interview
- We would make sure we have more applications coming in
- I would say that, I think it makes sense if we focus on one report
- A clarification question, this would be a long term thing?
- I think this would make more sense

Siddiqui

- The way it is written in the code, does not specify
- I would have to go back and check that
- I'm okay with you guys only doing one
- I do not want to overburden you guys
- I would just ask if there is a solid determination made if you guys want to have one report for rest of year or have one for winter and one for spring
- I will leave it up to you guys

Wahidula

- Congratulations
- Question: I have been in contact with the committees you have been talking about and they have similar questions
- Is it possible that I can share that information?

Lala

- Yeah a huge component of this committee, is if we want get concrete things done on housing in this term or the short term
- We have to standardize the data that we are working on
- In this association and organization outside of it, everyone is reinventing the wheel on efforts
- If you can pass our information on, that'd be great

Iden

- In terms of that topic, the Advocacy Committee is tasked with liaising with basic needs on campus
- They have a lot of concrete data
- I recommend talking with them
- Senator Habas is our liaison with them

J-3) Standing Committee on Liaison -

J-4) Standing Committee on Advocacy -

J-5) Group Project and other Temporary Committee Reports -

Iden

- So just some quick updates, I want to thank you all for helping us pass that bill
- Who has gotten their honoraria?



- Just Dan? Okay
- I will send you all a demo, but Michael and I meet up to talk about a new system
- We passed this on the 16th of October, they are required to submit documentation on what they used the funds for
- I also wanted to talk to you all, about how a lot of the department heads are new
- And also the resolution has been sent out so hopefully students get more recognition

Wahidulla

- Good job

Ganesh

- That was way too fast, can you please explain

Iden

- We looking into a new system, called Tipalti, to do honoraria
- I am going to send out a demo but it is going to be a digitized form of what we do now
- We are still in discussion with the Finance Team, but we are pretty optimistic about it

K) Minutes and Allocations:

 To Be Approved

***Motion to bundle and approve all minutes and allocations.***

***Siddiqui - Kadah***

***Called to question - Wang***

***Passed at 9:34PM.***

M) Discussion Items

 Gaucho Food Inclusion Program (GFIP) Pilot Program

Moved here at 8:48PM.

Yu

- Thank you for your time last week as I introduced GFIP.
- I'm back this week to share some key improvements I made based on the feedback I received and guidance from directors of USS and OISS that I have reached out to and scheduled meetings with.
- I have refined the eligibility criteria and adjusted the voucher distribution process to ensure our reach is as inclusive and effective as possible.
- I met with the directors of USS and OISS and they both offered tremendous guidance and professional advice that has led to meaningful adjustments in our approach.
- For example, if we open the document, the pilot program is going to be supporting UCSB undergraduate students, particularly international, out of state, and undocumented students with or without DACA.

- If we go to the very end of the document, we can see there's 3 forms.
- There's one called "GFIP Self Assessment Form," one called, "GFIP Meal Voucher Request Form" for winter quarter, and "End-of-Pilot Student Survey."
- And the directors all went through all of the forms and are supportive of it .
- This project can set a positive precedent as the Senate's first initiative of the year with all your support.
- I am excited to connect with more businesses once funding is approved.
- I've already reached out to a few local eateries and they are interested in our collaboration. I want to extend thanks to everyone who has contributed to
- the ideas and insights.
- Together we are making UCSB a more inclusive and supportive space for all.

Buter

- Thank you so much Senator Yu. I appreciate you coming and presenting again for the second week.

Siddiqui

- Thank you for presenting this week and last week.
- I've had the opportunity to work with Senator Yu after the last Senate meeting to workshop some of the things we wanted to fulfill in the original proposal.
- I'm really excited to see it passed.
- I will just say that there may be one or two conditions I want to add to it, but I don't think it's anything we have to discuss within the motion right now.
- I noticed a lot of the participating restaurants and cafes are traditionally East Asian cuisine focused.
- I was wondering, since this program is also targeting undocumented students with or without DACA, has there been any outreach to Latina cuisine focused restaurants?

Yu

- Yes, we are going to make sure it's as diverse and inclusive as possible.

Martinez

- For the Latin restaurants, what restaurants were you looking to reach out to?

Yu

- Do you have any recommendations?

Martinez

- I would recommend Super Cucas, Zocalo's and Maria's Tacos.
- Those are pretty good to start.
- They all have really full meals and good meals.

Lala

- Thank you for coming up here and showing your professionalism in quick timing.
- Few questions for you.
- To confirm, this is a tentative list of restaurants and you are planning to add to?
- Secondly, maybe this is just me, are there any changes to financial breakdown from last time? What does it come out to?

Yu

- There is not really a change for financial structure.
- I made voucher allocation more clear
- One meal voucher=2 breakfast, 2 lunch, 1 dinner so this helps people better understand where money goes. The price range is listed there so I think it creates a better understanding of where the money goes.

Wahidullah

- What are some of the updates?

Yu

- For the restaurant outreach part, we're working on it still.
- After it gets approved, we'll be more confident about negotiating about them.

Wahidullah

- Okay cool.

Iden

- Senator Yu has been absolutely grinding this quarter in six classes and doing this whole proposal. It's really hard to put in the work with school so well done.
- I would recommend looking into alternatives for paper meal vouchers so there is more of an accountability aspect.
- Question I have for you: In terms of funding, if it goes slightly over or under, how would you want to handle that?
- Would you be okay with stipulation? Or this can be adjusted and is just a preliminary estimate?

Yu

- Yeah, for sure.

Butter

- Thank you so much.
- I commend you on the hard work.
- We are about to approach recess.

## [75th Senate Strategic Vision Plan](#)

Siddiqui

- My original intention was to have this ratified and passed today.
- Unfortunately, we are technically behind a meeting because we did not convene week 1, so I don't think it will be today, but we have to pass and finalize this in week 6, so that we can move on as a body and actually start implementing this.
- There's 3 different things that need to be completed before we can move on.
- The first is a solid, tangible goal for the Outreach Committee in regards to cooperation with YDSA in a long term goal related to university housing that needs to be specified. And then there's two other administrative committees under our jurisdiction that we need to meet with and set goals for. The first one is the Investment Advisory Committee. Our liaison is Senator Corlew. I am planning on having a dialogue with him after this meeting, as well as, the advisor Michael because they have some bigger, long term goals.

- The other one is the Committee on Committees, another subcommittee of the legislative branch, who are tasked with filling all the vacant positions in the association. I wanted to ask, I communicated with Committee on Committees, and their standard meeting time is Thursday at 2pm. They informed me that they are going to be changing the meeting time for the future, but they are meeting tomorrow at 2pm, and I'm not able to make it because I have class, so I want to ask if anyone from Liason Committee free to attend the meeting tomorrow at 2pm?

Wahidulla

- I can try.

Siddiqui

- If you're willing to attend tomorrow, I'll text you about it. I just want to get a better understanding of their goals and objectives for the year, and later figure out the permanent meeting time so we can have a permanent liaison.
- I want to pass this next week.
- Once this is done, we can start utilizing the staff members from the office to promote this plan.
- I think it is the 2nd most important thing we do all year after approving the yearly budget.
- It's going to be done next week, but we need extra week because of capacity
- Thank you Senator Wahidula for volunteering.
- I just want to open up to discussion for everyone because this is literally what we are going to be doing the entire year.
- We can always go back and make changes, but this is the solidified plan we have as a legislative body.
- I would really appreciate any feedback because I do want to approve this at next week's meeting.

Butler

- Thank you to all of you for your hard work
- I want to do a round robin style to give everyone a chance to speak, possibly ask questions, and dialogue about this matter. So we'll be starting on the left side.

Lala

- I'll speak about this in some detail in the outreach report.

Martinez

- Looks good.

Kadah

- I think this will help our senate have a more strategic plan for the next year and also help other senates as a guideline.
- I would hope to see it passed in the near future.

Wang

- Looks good.

Wahidulla

- Happy to check in on it.
- All the work you all have been doing will benefit us year round and I would be happy to learn more about it.

Corlew

- Looks good.

Ganesh

- The Liaison Committee can email an offer to schedule a one on one.
- The problem we are facing is that we are reaching out and there is no response.
- We are slightly understaffed and more than slightly frustrated.
- So I feel like you also have to help the association.

Siddiqui

- I understand what you are saying.
- That's why I used the language that "the committee must email and schedule a one to one."
- We can change the language to add "attempt to" to make it more clear.
- If someone isn't emailing you back, then you are free of your responsibility

Ganesh

- Yes please.

Siddiqui

- We can change the words to "attempt to" after "and."

Ganesh

- That language would be very helpful.

***Motion to amend the liaison committee's goal from "The committee must email and schedule a 1-to-1 meeting with each BCU and ask them for proposed amendments/changes to their legal code. All of these changes should be made on one document and a bill reflecting all of these changes be passed by week 8 or 9 of the quarter" to "The committee must email and attempt to schedule a 1-on-1 meeting with each BCU and ask them for proposed amendments/changes to their legal code. All of these changes should be made on one document and a bill reflecting all of these changes be passed by week 8 or 9 of the quarter"***

***Siddiqui - Kadah***

***Called to question - Suuck***

***Passed at 9:28 PM.***

## **L) Appointments**

### **Environmental Affairs Board**

**Nikki Talebi as Advocacy Chair**

**Jenna McGovern as Advocacy Chair**

**McKenzie Martell as Administrative & Communications Chair**

### **Elections Board**

**Resignation of Rahul Unni Aravindakshan**

Office of Senate Leadership

Kamaya Jackson as **Second President Pro-Tempore Constituent Services Liaison**

***Motion to bundle and approve all appointments and resignations***

***Brinderson - Kadah***

***Called to question - Wang***

***Passed at 9:33PM.***

N) Remarks

L) Adjournment

***Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:56PM***

***Singh - Kadah***

***Called to question - Martinez***

***Passed at 10:56PM.***