

Senate Agenda 02/19/25 Associated Students

# <u>Zoom Link</u>

*This meeting was called to order at 6:52 P.M. in the Flying A Room by Internal Vice President Pinto.* 

Minutes/Actions recorded by: Sydney Arbolado, Liliana Dritz, Melina Magno, Hazel Gong, Summer Tucker & Isabella Mendoza

CALL TO ORDER by Açúcar Pinto, Internal Vice President at 6:52 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."

A-1) Roll Call

Name	Attendance	Position
Dalia Gerson	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🔹	Off-Campus Senator
Alexa Butler	Present, 🔵 Late 🔹 8:31pm	Letters & Science Senator & Second President Pro Tempore
Carly Lankarani	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🔹	Off-Campus Senator
Taylor Iden	Present, Late 7:03pm	Off-Campus Senator & Advocacy Committee Chair
Enri Lala	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🝷	Off-Campus Senator & Outreach Committee Vice-Chair
Leiya Kadah	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🔹	Off-Campus Senator
Yasmine Suuck	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🔸	Off-Campus Senator &

Name	Attendance	Position
		Liaison Committee Vice-Chair
Levi Corlew	Absent •	Off-Campus Senator
Leah Khorsandi	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early ,	College of Letters & Science Senator
Ella Yu	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🔹	International Senator
Isabella McClintock	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🝷	Transfer Senator
Alejandra Martinez	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early ,	College of Letters & Science Senator & Outreach Committee Chair
Dominic Wang	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🔹	Off-Campus Senator
Lily Habas	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🕤	College of Creative Studies (CCS) Senator
Paolo Brinderson	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🔹	Off-Campus Senator
Eemaan Wahidullah	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🔸	Off-Campus Senator
Jasmine Amin	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🕤	Off-Campus Senator
Daniyal "Dan" Siddiqui	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early ,	Off-Campus Senator & First President Pro-Tempore
Noura Elkhatib	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🔹	College of Letters & Science Senator
Sandhya "Sandy" Ganesh	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🔸	International Senator & Liaison Committee Chair
Aryaman Singh	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early ,	College of Engineering (CoE) Senator & Finance Committee External Chair
OlaBisi Ola-Olaitan	Absent •	On-Campus Senator
Nadine Malhis	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🕤	On-Campus Senator
Amna Chaudhry	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🔹	On-Campus Senator
Kamela Dali	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🕤	On-Campus Senator
Ashley Valenzuela Balderrama	🔽 Present, 🔆 Early 🕤	On-Campus Senator

A-2) Excused Absences Motion to excuse Senator Habas after 8:30PM Wang - Kadah Call to question: Wahidullah Passed at 6:55PM. Motion to excuse OlaBisi Ola-Olaitan for the entirety of the meeting Wahidullah- Kadah Call to question: Wang Passed at 6:55PM.

Motion to excuse Senator Valenzuela after 9:30PM Wahidullah- Kadah Call to question: Wang Passed at 6:56PM.

Motion to excuse Senator Gerson at 9:30PM Khorsandi- Amin Call to question: Lala Passed at 6:56PM.

Motion to excuse Senator Butler until 7:30PM Martinez - Kadah Call to question: Ganesh Passed at 6:56PM.

Motion to excuse Senator Lala at 10:30PM Khorsandi- Amin Call to question: Valenzuela Passed at 6:57PM.

Motion to excuse Senator Singh at 9:15PM Elkhatib - Suuk Call to question: Amin Passed at 6:57PM.

Motion to bundle and excuse all absences Ganesh - Gerson Call to question: Wang Passed at 6:58PM.

A-3) Acceptance of Proxies

**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

Motion to add on A Resolution To Establish A Sexual Assault Awareness Ad-Hoc Co... to the egenda Elkhatib - Martinez Call to question: Chaudhry Passed at 8:17PM.

Moved back at 8:38PM

# A Resolution To Establish A Sexual Assault Awareness Ad-Hoc Committee Elkhatib - Kadah

Elkhatib

- So this was basically worn out of many meetings with Sven Rundman IV, who is the Associate Director of Prevention at CARE and various communications with representatives from take back tonight
- One thing that I noticed was that there was a huge lack of communication between AS and these organizations.
- For example, I don't know if you guys remember, but in a report that was made a few weeks back, President Broadway mentioned that she's planning different events and programming for Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and I brought this up to Sven, he mentioned that he had not been contacted at all for this.
- I think that's ridiculous.
- He also said that I'm the only person in AS that has contacted them in the past year.
- CARE is one of the only two confidential resources on campus, the other being CAPS.
- I don't know if you guys ever been to CAPS, but it's extremely slow, and CARE is the only one that is meant to specifically support survivors of sexual assault, and it has been on our campus since 2013
- Basically since the end of fall quarter last year, I've been like the point person from AS communicating with these organizations
- Creating this committee would basically give me more people to work with.
- And our goals are basically to make knowledge of resources from CARE Take Back the Night more widely available because, as mentioned in one of the whereas clauses, one of the reasons that survivors don't reach out for support

after experiencing sexual assault is due to a lack of knowledge of the resources available and feelings of fear and isolation.

- So making these resources more widely available, and using our platform in AS to do this would be really, really beneficial.
- So that's one of the goals.
- Another is to increase communication between AS, CARE, and Take Back the Night.
- Another goal is back in 2018 from 2018 to 2021, CARE did a really comprehensive training during our association wide training.
- And 2021, was the last year that that was there.
- And I've been in communication with Holly, and one of the goals of this committee is to basically re-establish this to make it a permanent part of our association wide training
- Because it has a lot of really good information.
- We're not trying to reinvent the wheel here.
- We're not trying to create our own events.
- We're more more so trying to work with the already established organizations meant to combat sexual assault on this campus.
- So one of the biggest goals of the committee is to work with CARE and Take Back the Night with events they already have planned, especially during sexual assault awareness month, which is coming up in April.
- Any tasks that they need to do, tabling with them would be something.
- Some events that they do during sexual assault awareness month is like denim day, the Take Back the Night rally, which is the oldest worldwide movement to stand up against sexual assault in the 80s, it was a really big rally specifically at UCSB
- Does anybody have any questions?

# Ganesh

- Can we open the resolution and change the words male and female as AFAB

# Pinto

- Second clause?
- I'm looking at it
- Im iguring out how to better suggest
- Can we do none of that and just say cisgender
- Actually that's not great

# Ganesh

- You can deny it by saying that it is the language used in the survey

# Pinto

- Then it is fine if it was the language used within the survey

# Ganesh

- I just wanted to bring it up so there was a conversation about this

#### Pinto

- Senator Elkhatib, how do you feel about this?

#### Elkhatib

- Since it is used for the survey, it think it is fine
- But i really appreciate you bringing that up
- Do you have any suggestions on the first clause

#### Ganesh

- You did say nonbinary and trans people
- And since it is the language used in the survey, the first one is fine
- It is just because male and female has been traditional discomfortbaing for some people

#### Pinto

- I'm nonbinary but i think it's fine
- If it's referencing a study and it's directly citing that study, I feel like using the exact language is fine
- If using a study and quoting the exact study, i think it's fine

#### Martinez

- Just wanted to say thank you for making this resolution and making the commitment to create this committee.
- I know that you've been working on it for a few weeks now, and you have other assignments and responsibilities you hold within everything

# *Motion to pass A Resolution To Establish A Sexual Assault Awareness Ad-Hoc Committee.*

Ganesh - Chardry Call to question: Briderson Hand vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Abstain: 0 Passed at 8:46PM.

Motion to add A Resolution to Propose an Increase to the Lock-in Fee for the Global Gaucho Commission to New Business. Ganesh - Yu Call to question: Wahidullah Passed at 8:47PM.

# A Resolution to Propose an Increase to the Lock-in Fee for the Global Gaucho Com... Yu - Ganesh

# Yu

- Thank you so much everyone.
- I think Ming Jun has already presented this resolution before.
- I just want to emphasize a little bit more on the resolution
- So as mentioned, there's 13 of international student population at UCSB and they're from 107 countries
- As an international student, personally, traveling from Shanghai to here was a big challenge for me without my parents, and joining the GGC as well as the International Student mentorship program for my first year was something that was very beneficial.
- I just want to mention that again, that GGC is the only entity in SEAL that places serving international students at the core of its commission statement.
- So we not only fund our own event, we also support like every single one of Gaucho across the campus
- The amount of the increase of the locking fee is very reasonable, because they're not only financing GGC's own event, it is also for supporting event of other clubs and Association
- And if we have any leftovers, we're just going to go give it back to AS
- so that's a really safe option

# Ganesh

- I don't have anything else to add that Senator Yu or Zha has not mentioned already
- I just want to emphasize that being international is hard, GGC makes it easier, they need more money

# Amin

- This is a really impressive bill, I think you guys are going to do a lot with this
- My only issue is lock-in fees
- You guys know I hate lock-in fees
- If there is a different way to go about this so we don't have to increase lock-in fees?

# Ganesh

- They have a lock in fee we are just increasing it

# Amin

- That is the issue I have

# Ganesh

- You want to strip the lock-in fees?

# Amin

- No
- I dont want to add more lock-in fees, jsut not trying to add more lock-in fees
- Why would I want students to pay more out of pocket when they go to a UC, the cheapest college by far in the county

# Ganesh

- UC make most of its money through international students who pay a lot more than the average California residents
- We as a Senate are not doing anything, we are just adding this to the ballot and the students can vote on if they want to give us more money or not

# Amin

- I didn't realize this was just to put it on the ballot
- When you table for this, are you going to explain to increase existing lock-in fees to the students?
- Will you explain that this adds lock-in fees for the student?

# Pinto

- I believe there is the exact ballot language in the resolution

# Ganesh

- If you want GGC to table and have that explanation
- We are down

# Student Sponsor Zha

- Using every effort to utilize other resources available to us, as they're asking for increase in lock in fee
- The challenge with fees is that the association is 1.5 million in deficit this fiscal year
- There's really no money to spare within the association
- My opinion is that it's not fair for us to compete in this category
- Much more well-equipped than any other RCO
- Should be easier for them

# Amin

- I'm more on board now since students are voting
- That makes it a little different
- I know you dont want to compete with other SEAL because you guys a lot more established
- I think you can come to Senate and ask us to take it out of unallocated funds
- My question is if you can take it from other places, why are we increasing lock-in fees?

Zha

- It's definitely an avenue for funding
- My opinion, it should be more for different programs
- For some undisguised payments
- We have a lot of great project ideas this year that I requested
- Outreach can only get a certain amount from senate
- 150,000 that's it
- Understand it happens within circulation
- Second reason
- As much as I love to spend time with you all, it takes 2 and a half hours to speak, if you get my point

# Wang

- The title of the resolution is to propose a lock-in fees for global gaucho commission
- My fear is that it is confusing
- As they are not just proposing a lock-in fee but to increase the lock-in fee
- And also the title of the doc said the resolution to increase

Pinto

- We can fix it

# Singh

- We love GGC as an international student myself
- But I have a concern
- You are requesting an exception to policy to go on a retreat for the second time of the year
- How are you justifying an increase in lock-in fee when you are going to retreat for the second time this year

# Zha

- Great point
- Not saying it as justification, just stating, the entire operation of GGC, that judgement could be made by you as senators, not me
- So the data, I believe they should have a particular trait as an exception
- Because we've saved more than \$1200 from student body
- Because we do all our design in house
- We ordered our materials from the supplier, from the factory directly
- And so we found our own shipping company to ship them from the factory to school
- When I arrived, it was just 10 giant boxes, and then welcome package
- We set up at assembly then, but our board member will stand by and approve every single item inside the welcome package
- We could've just went to a supplier and have the board do everything
- But it would've cost us \$16K instead of \$5K
- Yes we are having a trip but I do believe hard work should be rewarded with something nice
- Instead of retreat, we're asking for exemption because we're going to LA and driving ourselves

- It's about options to choose from
- Works significantly compared to retreats in Santa Barbara
- Cost is about the same, and we're willing to drive ourselves
- Why we're going to LA instead of SB
- Does that answer your question?

# Singh

- Yes

Zha

- Thank you for the question
- I'm glad to clarify it

# Siddique

- I talk about a lot about carry forward the high students fee we pay
- I absolutely think it is an issue
- However, I think we should evaluate everything on a case by case basis
- Global Gaucho Commision, within the past five years, have been one of the most productive and efficient BCU in terms of reporting to the Seante, in terms of actually completing all of their duties and legal code and also in terms of spending their funds
- Im looking at the data I have in front of me
- Last year they carried forward almost 17.5k
- It's not a lot, and I think that just the fact that you included it in the ballot language, that all the funds not consumed by your commission will go to the Senate unallocated makes me comfortable passing this today.
- Otherwise, I'd ask to table it.
- But what I would also say to the rest of the Senate is that by passing this resolution, you set a precedent number one, that you reward good BCU that fulfill their duties within legal codes, who fulfill their mission.
- And, number two, it also sets a precedent that, because this is the first lock-in fees resolution that we're passing, and it has a clause in there that unused fund will go back to Senate unallocated
- You could then make that a requirement for this year and for future Seantes, to require that when there is an increase in lock-in fees or new lock-in fees to require that language
- That would be huge progress towards eliminating the issue of carry forward
- I get the sense that some people may want to table it. I'm fine with that, but personally, I don't oppose passing this today.

# Singh

- I'm all for rewarding hard working BCUs
- But the point of outstanding BCU award is to reward hardworking BCUs
- I don't have anything else to say
- I yield

Zha

- We don't feel that lock in fees increased as the reward
- The outstanding BCU award is an award

- I fully agree with your points
- The reason why were asking for lock in fee increase, lots of our programs, brought welcome package, they fill up so quickly once sign ups open
- We don't say to increase the lock in fee as an award
- But the capacity to enlarge our already popular program
- We will fund the budget with our proposed budget for next year, had the lock in fee will pass and send it to their emails
- In addition, under the clause "Outstanding BCU Award Report"
- You will see for our fall, we had budget that's 2 degrees of 98.7% percent
- Impressive compared to other BCUs
- Should not be rewarded with lock in fee but
- Gives capacity to do more for service

Motion to pass A Resolution to Propose an Increase to the Lock-in Fee for the Global Gaucho Commission. Ganesh - Siddiqui Call to question - Malhis Hand Vote Yes: 17 No: O Abstain: 3 Passed at 9:05PM.

Civil Society ProjectLala - Iden (7:44PM)

# Lala

- This was worked on with collaboration with the attorney general's office
- The idea came from services that are not offered by organizations and ranges from hygiene products, fentanyl services, mental health services, cliff safety, etc
- The incipient ones were that library do not provide any more or students have reported a lack of resources
- We added on it to get it even 10
- It comes out to 40k entirely
- We added things that is most important for students to have
- This is mainly IV housing through rate my landlord project
- We want to give one real push or these projects
- Funding a thorough study on housing of that looks like in IV
- Idea attorney general and I had was to set out funding and give it to one person or group of individuals outside the association
- Preferably outside the association so they can bring fresh expertise
- We can come up with deadline together
- One senator to be associated with one of these projects, two if you really care about the project

- Someone outside senate and association who takes charge to do it
- Concrete way to improve quality of life

## Iden

- The idea behind project itself is interesting of having a ton of grants and giving them to the public, which takes pressure off the association
- Obviously a lot of funding is up for deliberation to senate
- It'll be a cool project to see how effective we are with utilizing grant opportunities like this
- It gives opportunity for people who might be interested in pursuing individual projects
- You get a lot of experienced people doing projects on campus
- Open for deliberation and discussion on this

# Singh

- Thank you
- For this year, this was already funded for, for future years do you have any recommendations or have you spoken to any BCU for a permanent solution for this?

### Lala

- I have not
- Because of time constraints
- It's been rough out here

# Singh

- I recommend having a chat with IVTU maybe, they could be interested in this
- For this year, this is funded by F&B and in collaboration with IVTU
- Possibly they might be interested in doing this in the future
- If we assigned money to this doing our budget deliberations

# Iden

- I want to say that was the idea of clause 41
- Have it happen during the deliberation for each year after the grant goes into effect
- I think there's a possibility of doing to quarterly too

# Siddiqui

- I was looking into this since budget requests is due at the end of the week
- Part of my responsibility in legal code is to submit budget for senate
- If the author would like to help me draft the senate budget packet we can try to find a way to incorporate these funds
- It would be nice to have an idea of how much it would cost

# Brinderson

- You said work with someone else outside of the senate what you mean by that?

# Lala

- It looks different for each project
- Someone already expressed interest in number 5, the rate my landlord website
- In that case, someone interested in computer science would be charged with completing this project with X amount of funding that is lined out
- They are the ones who have to carry these projects through
- Maybe for hygiene projects a group like the women's center would be better equipped than an individual
- There is an element to encourage more people in these spaces
- There is further discussion we are having here
- The idea of budget is due end of our term
- Maybe we should revisit after having convo with Attorney General, Siddiqui and others who are interested and we can revisit next week

# Motion to table Civil Society Projects Act for a week. Kadah - Siddiqui Call to question: Brinderson Passed at 7:53PM

# A Resolution to Introduce a Referendum for a Future A.S. Billiard Hall Iden- Lala

# Iden

- Can I invite the student sponsor up?

# Pinto

- Yes

# Student Sponsor

- This resolution and next resolution being proposed today is very simple
- All they would do is put language on upcoming spring election
- Asking students if they would be interested in putting funds for Billiard Hall of a bowling alley
- There is no fiscal impact, simply put language on ballot
- Doesn't even mean these projects will be implemented
- AS will have backing of the student body to go through these projects

# Iden

- I like the idea of it, it's not utilized enough by students government of what student want

# Student Sponsor

- When I drafted these it was called something different but elections chair told me to use the word referendum

# Singh

- So this will be out to students?
- To have students make the best possible decision
- Do you think it should mention how much this would cost?

# Student Sponsor

- I was hoping senate would table this for time to discuss what to include in resolution

# Singh

- Do you have any estimate?

# Student Sponsor

- It varies a lot
- Depends on the location
- I do not have an estimate on the cost
- That's why I put as a referendum and not an actual clause

# Iden

- I don't believe the bike shop started on that way, it started with lock-in fees
- This is an earlier step to that
- It's not needing of a financial sum attached to it

# Singh

- Senator, almost 50% of the population bikes, that's why having a bike shop is useful to students
- To have students make important decisions, we should put an estimate
- Minimum \$100,000
- Sure we have a big budget, but it is to be reserved for students ebay interest
- We are a university where almost 50% are food insecure
- If students are going hungry, I don't think the first thought is them wishing for a billiard hall

# Pinto

I'd like to say that to increase transparency, referring to adding cost to projects

# Iden

- Not dissing the bike shop but It's a weird speculation to throw out there
- You don't have to have a billiard or bowling alley but everyone can vote no
- We can attach some financial to it
- It'll come back to a lock in fee, and we can specify language with that
- This is super negotiable

Ganesh

- Senator Iden, yes it'll be easier to push for it if student body wants it but we don't want to be policy makers
- Also we don't want to be policy makers without any financial attached to it
- We should do some basic expenditure before presenting to student body
- So they know the extends that their vote matters

# Iden

- That's why I said we can specify that

# Singh

- Senators
- The best way to go about this is start small
- Table at the arbor with petition
- Ask students how much money they would be willing to pay for it
- Possibly campus wide email with survey
- Get outreach committee to help
- Putting it up on the referendum without any additional info doesn't seem like the best way to go about it

# Student Sponsor

- Pro-con statements can be brought up
- Concerns you are bring up can be included in there
- Referendum is just looking at if the would be interested
- Cost is something that comes with policy and comes later
- Purpose of referendum instead of petition
- Gives it straight to student body

# Iden

- It was first you don't have financial sum attached, and then go and table
- You are elected by student to best use the fees
- For example, gaucho racing has given upwards of 90k since you've been chair
- That's how you were elected and chose to spend funds
- It is gauging interest

- First off, I didn't give 90k to anyone
- I don't make decision for my committee
- You have people vote, there's 12 people on my committee
- My job is to guide and recommend them
- Gaucho racing are doing great work
- It was not 90k it was more like 60k
- A lot of money but they need it and deserve it as well
- Every RCO has the same treatment

- They can request however much they need and we'll try to fund everything
- The point you bring up is irrelevant
- My thing with this student needs to know how much of their money needs to go into this
- I don't know how impactful this is gonna be at all
- That's why I said start small
- Show some interest in this
- Get signatures so we can take it seriously

# Iden

- You are agreeing with me more than you like to give
- The students elect you and that is how you chose to spend the money, 60k, it is an elected group and individuals, which si what we are, which is what this project is
- If you don't like billards you can vote no
- I don't like the need to shut it down for no reason

# Brinderson

- I'll break up the back and forth you don't like billiard
- I'm going to agree with Senator Singh here
- This is giving unrealistic ideas in voting population
- This will give unrealistic idea in the voting heads
- They can't get us a billiards hall so now i'm pissed at AS
- I see problem with this if it doesn't follow through
- A better way to get students input is just a poll that's not binding and very informal
- Second of all, I've never played billard sober, there's a reason the only billiard hall is at the bar

# Ganesh

- Senator Iden
- None of this is personal
- I am not opposed to billiards or bowling, you can do it
- You can do it, you can put it as a referendum
- I would suggest table to outreach but I understand
- If I'm a random student, I would want to know ballpark
- I want to know base finance estimate
- Attach some research to it and it'll only help your case
- It will only help your own space

# Student Sponsor

- No issue with adding anything to this referendum
- I want to reiterate the point that the point of a referendum is just to gage interest

- Like i said before
- I never even played the game

- I'm just saying students need to have all info possible before making a decision
- Especially on a referendum
- Have at least some research on this

# Khorsandi

- It sounds like to sum up the debate
- We all agree that needs to be info on the referendum
- I like what the speaker said in the beginning for having pro and con statements in the beginning. It is a great feature
- We all agree that students should have a bigger picture of what this billiard entails
- A pro can be its fun
- A con can be the financial impact
- If we can't come up with a number, we can say it has a big financial impact
- Sounds like we can use this pro-con feature
- So we can put this on the ballot so students can vote on it
- If they don't want it, they can vote no
- If they think the pros are bigger than the financial impact, then they can vote yes and that's their prerogative

# Student Sponsor

- I'd be happy to put on the resolution a more specific dollar amount
- My question is is that misleading to students because the dollar amount does not give them any idea of how much of their actual money will be used
- I'm confused on the whole discussion
- Senate is meant to guide policy
- Students can vote if they want this or not
- If you like I can give more specific estimates
- The purpose of referendum is to gauge interest

#### Pinto

- Does our after dark funding no longer exist? I will google it and show exactly what I am talking about
- It's my understanding that we have a budget that is for no alcohol events that help students socialize After hours
- Would this project be eligible for that?

- If that thing is still up, then yes maybe
- Honestly if you want to do it as a weekly thing you rent a couple of billiard tables
- You could rent our this room, set up a couple tables
- You can come to my committee and request money for that
- Have it set in stone might be questionable
- I think the best way to go about is the total amount that would impact the organization

- It is relevant because it will give students a good idea of what their money will be used

## Student Sponsor

- Sounds good
- There's a gap between referendum which is supposed to gage interest
- You keep mentioning a decision, students deciding if it will happen
- Nothing is being decided at all
- This project never has to come to fruition
- I'm questioning what the bridge is and why that it is necessary
- I can give you the number and estimate if it is necessary
- I worry that the purpose of the resolution is being strayed from

#### Singh

- You cannot gage interest without giving someone all the information on it
- You need to give them everything that it would require
- That is the only thing I would like to see how it
- Location
- Main one is that you need to attach ballpark estimate
- It doesn't have to be exact amount
- I looked outline it said about \$100k
- Put it in there approximately 100k

#### Suuck

- The problem I see is that it doesn't tell you that your student fees are increasing
- It should be included, a lot of students miss the connection that they have to pay for it out of their BARC

# Siddiqui

- Post the suggestion
- Final question may be say
- Say would you support the 76th elected officers to conduct research on purchasing a billiards hall
- Maybe editing the language might satisfy some people's concern

# Student Sponsor

- Absolutely that would be good, I appreciate the suggestions
- Especially if it will ease some worry

#### Ganesh

- Would you like a table to give you time to make these edits?

# Student Sponsor

- That would be nice
- Before it gets table, could I get some specific edits you would like to see

Pinto

- Putting it in the doc, go in the agenda and look at it

Motion to table a resolution to introduce a referendum for future AS billiard hall for one week Singh - Briderson Call to question: Martinez Passed at 8:15PM.

# A Resolution to Introduce a Referendum for a Future A.S. Bowling Alley Iden- Lala

### Lala

- This is not substantially different enough
- Let's just table

### Singh

- If the author can just make the same edit to the doc
- I think it should be the way it should be done

Motion to table a resolution to introduce a referendum for a future A.S bowling alley Wahidullah- Chaudhry Call to question: Wang Passed at 8:16PM.

# D) PUBLIC FORUM [1:30]

# 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. Speculation of a Senator's intentions and abilities is prohibited and will result in strikes, 3 strikes and you will be removed from the ability to speak on the floor. 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."

# Motion to give the speaker an additional 2 minutes.

# *Wahidullah - Lala Call to question: Malhis Passed at 7:00PM.*

Jake Twomey

- Hi, I'm from Calpirg it's great to be back
- If you guys don't know me, I am the statewide chair for Calpirg
- We finished this quarters canvas food drive, we collected clothing, canned goods
- It was really successful, we will be donating them to local AS and community shelters for unhoused people
- Next week we are having a screening of the lorax in our campaign to help preserve our forests
- We are going to have a lorax look alike competition
- We are trying to show that It's actually bad to be cutting down our oldest trees
- We are gonna be representing students from UCSB at the boards of supervisors meeting to talk about future of stable pipeline
- This pipeline burst in 2015
- It's really important that we show that we don't want a pipeline through Santa Barbara which will definitely going to spill again if they run through
- It's great to have as many students as possible show up
- We also gave comment on the fish and game commission which is deicing the future of California's coastal ocean
- We lost 95% of our kelp forest in the last 10 years
- We need to make sure that the new administration does the right thing
- Some stuff I think it's important is 1 we are going to be starting a campaign , you should be expecting an email
- Essentially we ended to hold fossil fuels company accountable for all the pollution they cause
- We saw it with the LA fire, on how devastating the effects of climate change can be
- Set a a climate superfund that takes money from fossil fuels companies and help climate disasters
- We are going to try and pass resolution through AS
- Keep it on your radar, we would love to have someone Co author the bill
- This should be in all your inboxes, looking to expand our open textbook pilot program
- It is a national program to pay for textbook that does not go through publishers
- Right now 5 publishing houses control 80% of textbook market which is why textbooks are so expensive
- We need state funded alternatives
- We need a state funded alternative, right now it is projected to save students 250 million dollars, even though it was only funded 7 million last year
- Under trump administration we need to show that there's support for student ts leaders across campuses

- Signed on letter will take 2 minutes
- It is in your email right now
- That everything I have feel free to ask questions

# Dali

- Can you expand on the pipeline thing a little more
- Why do they want to rebuild it?

## Twomey

- Basically exxon paid for this pipeline ran fine for a long time
- It was running smooth but in 2015 there was awful spill, and they shut down the pipeline
- Millions of gallons of oil spilled in the Santa Barbara Coast
- What they decided to do now is to give a company in Texas money
- The are pretending this is a different company, so Sable is trying to restart the pipeline
- Even with the spill, they still make money
- They did an early environmental report, saying it would leak every year and major spill ever 4 years
- They've invested 700 million in it so far

### Gerson

- Is there an alternative you are pushing for, do this instead or just don't do it at all

# Twomey

- Major alternative is to use clean energy
- The more we can cut off drilling the better, it's not good for the entire coast and environment
- Not proposing another place for the pipeline
- Don't have it altogether

# Eddie Barjas 7:06PM

- My name is Eddie Barjas, my pronoun is he/him
- I'm currently working on a project with the University, in particular Alex Parraga
- He is the Chief Marketing Officer of the University.
- Our goal is to implement campus banners around campus.
- So like on the light poles, there's a couple right now, just scattered around. What
- We're trying to implement some more, particularly around the core areas of campus.
- So the arbor, the Chem Lawn, and that walk from Santa Rosa to like the backside of the ILP, that kind of thing.
- The reason why I'm here talking to you guys is one thing we're running into is just some funding issues from the University, and I know the Senate has access to some funds or knows different ways that we could get funding for something like this to happen.

- We're really far along in the process.
- I just emailed Pinto my proposal.
- I've also been working with the AS President about this, she's met with me.
- We just met the other day to talk about this.
- And she recommended that I talk to you guys about it.

## Dali

- Banner for what?
- For the university?

### Barjas

- Just general university
- If anyone is from LA area, UCLA has banners on literally every single light post
- Our goal would to put up UCSB versions of that
- I also have one made to show off the ILP, because ILP won number one building of the year last year
- Generally UCSB, it's not organization affiliated

# Brinderson

- If you send it to <u>senate@as.ucsb</u>, it will go to all of us
- Im wondering what are the circumstances of the funding issues, especially because your boss works for UCSB
- So how exactly are you running out of money?

# Barjas

- They have a certain marketing fund in budget every year, the scale of the pro
- I think the scale of project like this is not allocated already there
- I was curious if you have resources for that

# Amin

- What exactly do you want for us?
- Funding? Resources? Support?
- Is there a number?

# Barjas

- I think there are multiple ways of going about it.
- I know one thing that Elia brought up is maybe working with one of you guys, if you were interested in the project, and kind of navigating that meeting with Alex,
- This project, I'm hoping it shouldn't take too, too long
- I'm hoping I could get down maybe week three or week four with full implementation of next quarter
- Funding wise, if I could get forward to some ways, like do a proper proposal that kind of thing
- Unfortunately, we don't exactly have an exact number on the banner amount,
- That is something that we're just running into,

- We need to identify the specific number of polls, and then from there, we have a company who's coming out sometime soon to give us a proper quote

# Amin

- Email all of us
- If you email all of us, I'm sure someone would respond

# Motion to extend questioning for 5 minutes.

# *Iden - Lala Call to question: Chaudhry Passed at 7:12PM.*

# Iden

- We were looking at another on campus improvement project
- I think we could use IVTU, we can ask Michael
- If you could give us a ballpark range that would be great
- You could probably going to F&B for this
- And the other thing, I was curious, if you will be open to have a discussion with your team about a n agreement
- If we give you the funding, we can some Assicated Students banners

# Barjas

- One goal I had in mind, this might be later down the line
- Is to have a rotation every year and maybe have students participate in that.
- I also think getting RCO specific banners on each wall will be something that would be really cool.
- Sometimes it fels like it's hard to find out about organizations and involvement around campus
- So i think if you have every banner of specific RCO that would be a really great way to cultivate on-campus engagement
- I think doing an AS one, especially around the UCen and the Stroke Tower, is definitely a possibility

# Iden

- Some part of the association is doing some campus improvement around the stroke tower and the light tunnel
- If you guys are interested in potentially collaborating on those
- Its hard with campus partners because we are directly going through facilities management
- Do you have an email I could possibly reach out to you about this?

# Barjas

- Im working this project by myself
- So just email me

- EddieBarjas.ucsb.edu
- One thing to note is that I am working on this by myself
- So if i could get help from some of you guys that would be great
- I'm also doing a couple of other projects as well
- So every help is much appreciated

### Singh

- I did miss most if not all of your presentation
- You are requesting money for banners right?

### Barjas

- Today i'm not talking about a specific amount
- More inquiring about the process of doing that and being able to get a ballpark number for that
- I dont want to come just asking for \$3 million
- I didnt know what the ranges are and how much you can contribute three
- And make some collaboration
- Or to see if you guys have any suggestions

### Singh

- Are you requesting as a campus department, or RCO?

## Pinto

- Campus department

#### Barjas

- I don't know, I'm working on this alone,
- I been working with Alex Parraga, the chief marketing officer for the school

#### Singh

- Just remember any purchase over \$1,500 requires 3 different vendors
- All of the banner has to have either F&B's logo or AS logo on it
- You might have to store those banners with AS in our inventory
- You might have to get them checked out everything you want to use them

#### Barjas

- Those banners will be on the light poles

# Pinto

- It is a regental policy

# Barjas

- I'm just confused about the storing part

- Any purchase of inventory needs to be stored with AS
- You might need to get that approved by AS everytime you need to use it
- New things we are implementing

## Khorsandi

- If they are up all the time how does the storing work?

## Singh

- I'm just as confused as you
- I need to talk with admin
- It's a new thing i'm implementing
- We do have to follow UC policy
- Banners technically is considered equipment and equipment has to be accounted for by the AS
- That is something we have to figure out

### Pinto

- Speak with our media coordinator
- Whos been trying to get in touch with the office about more promotional materials for AS and more collaboration
- Maybe that would be a great starting point

# Enri Lala (7:17PM)

- I promise I wouldn't be coming up here when there's so many other people waiting to speak.
- But this is important, as you may know, we have a Winter Special Election currently going on, and frankly, it's not going anywhere near as smoothly as we need it to be if we want to reach the 20% mark.
- We had under 100 votes by Tuesday.
- So two full days.
- That's 1/10 of the process.
- We're supposed to be at 5,000 votes, and we were under 100
- By early today, we were in the mid hundreds.
- So the email that the elections board sent out this morning included the declaration of candidacy for spring, we need that to be tucked at the bottom
- Because student who might have seen that email might not have seen that we have a winter specific election going on
- With the outreach committee, we are working on an email to improve that
- One that simply focuses on the special election.
- We're tabling every day, but I would say that this is all of our responsibility.
- So we got 20% when we were all campaigning, but at the end of the day, we were only responsible for our own candidacy
- This is all of our collective responsibility.
- There's no reason that we shouldn't hit 20% on this.

- So we want you all with the outreach committee, join us for tabling and all the rest of it
- Please use your platforms. Reach out to friends, and we don't have to take up the time here. But any ideas that you guys have about how we can hit that 20% mark
- You all have my email. You all have my contact. I'm willing to listen to all of you, but we have to make this happen
- This is a duty that falls on all of us

# Siddique

- Do you have any specific suggestions to mention to people, besides signing up for tabling?
- Because those spots are full
- People talked about class stripes
- Do you have anything specific?

# Lala

- You all campaigned
- It's the same thing
- Speak to any classes that you are in, speak in sections that you are in
- TAs and teachers are completely ok with that
- Send in every groupchat that you are in
- You guys are here for a reason, you all are good campaigners
- I'm not here to teach you how to do it
- I'm just urging you to please do the same thing that was done
- It will not be okay for this election to not be valid
- It would be a failure on all of the Senate

# Khorsandi

- What do you guys think of this idea, I'm taking an online SBCC class where we get extra credit for voting
- Do you think teachers would do that here?
- To give extra credit when you submit a screenshot of the bumper card at the end

# Lala

- It depends on the professor, if you are a stem major they probably woudln't care
- PoliSci might
- I think it's a good idea

# Khorsandi

- Have outreach send me the email so i can send to global studies and polici departments

# Pinto

- I would also urge that if you are in RCOs, this concerns them
- RCO comes to us for funding and support all the time

- We work consistently with organizitons on and off campus
- So send this out to them as well

### Habas

- This is a little materliatsic but remember when one of the committees said if you did this survey, you enter to get \$50 giftcard or something
- If we are having trouble meeting the threshold
- Why dont we give out some incentives

# Lala

- That was us, that was the outreach committee
- That was a success story
- We got hundred of responses
- But there is a difference between incentivizing people to respond to a survey and to vote
- This sounds like vote buying

# Pinto

- Could be illegal possibly

### Siddique

- I will have to double check on election code
- Im 90% sure it is
- I think there is specific guidelines around giving out food but then also material reimbursements
- I think it applies to any election

# Lala

- Probably can't

# Pinto

- We will double check on that

# Chadry

- Can we ask our RAs to send it out in the group chats we have

# Lala

- All of the above
- Unless it gets you in trouble you, otherwise do it
- Those of you freshmen, putting flyers around resident halls
- I really think you should pursue that

# Mingjun Zha (7:25PM)

# Motion to add 3 minutes to speaker time.

*Amin- Siddiqui Call to question: Chaudhry Passed at 7:25PM.* 

Zha

- Raise your hand if you are an international student
- According to schools statistics
- International students consists of 13% of all undergraduate students
- Which means 1 in every 7 students are international students
- In an ideal world, we all bring our unique perspective, our experiences, and our perspectives into the school, and we can have a commingle of different cultures
- I'm actually surprised that there are 3 international students here
- I go to a lot of AS events, school events as well, and im always the only international students there
- The problem is that the language barrier, culture barrier, and just the fact of moinvg from your home across the entire ocean to a land you barely recognize is very challenging
- Global Gaucho Commission serves as a bridge between domestic students and international students
- We have hosted a wide range of events
- All of our programs are open to our students on equal basis
- I'm here to speak as an international students myself as a part of a resolution to increase lock-in fees for the global gaucho commission
- We have a good breakdown that Senator Yu sent
- We have a good plan of the money that we are going to use it for
- We have good service, but one thing we like is enough funding
- We considered self funding internally from AS, however, as you all know, AS is
   \$1.5 million in deficit this year. There is simply no money
- I'm here humbly in your support in bringing that question to the student body and make this their choice on whether they would like to fund us
- Also, anything not used will go back to the Senate, so no rollover

# Siddiqui

- About the rollover, do you plan on writing that into bylaws?
- Like any of the rollover not spent would go to Senate unallocated

# Zha

- The lock-in language has to satisfy the lock-in language itself
- Because legally speaking, is a contract between the students and AS
- The way we are going to achieve that is by directly amend the lock-in language
- We said that all lock-ins not consumed by the GGC will be returned to the Senate unallocated for general assignment

Iden

- I want to hear more about the mentorship prpgrams really briefly
- And in terms of funding
- I assume we are going to have other BCUs come to use with requests like this
- Maybe wait until we have all the requests so we can decide on it together
- Going down the link
- Also with budget deliberations coming up, you can go from there too

### Zha

- The global mentorship program connect international students with domestic students
- Old students connect with new students
- Meet privately
- Mentors will be trained by the GGC and by Health & Wellness, since that's the collaboration
- New students can come with questions to the old students
- I have been to a similar program in my first year, it is extremely helpful for new students, especially considering international students' unique challenge about VISA, housing, and other issues
- Your second question, I do agree with a holistic approach in regarding to lock-in fee increase
- The reason we are here tonight is because our establishment have a deadline at the end of the winter to pass lock-in fees
- So we are trying to bring it here to introduce it and listen to your feedback, and amend if necessary

# Motion extend to speakers time by 3 minutes

# *Kadah - Yu Call to question: - Amin Passed at 7:34PM.*

# Amin

- Personally, I'm against lock-in fees for students since you can always go to F&B and the Senate for money
- Is there a specific reason you want it to be a lock-in fee instead?

# Zha

- Historically speaking, we run out of money as early as at the middle of the quarter
- We dont want to compete with other BCUs and RCOs for money
- Because we have more experience and is more familiar with the process
- It will not be fair for us to compete with other staff for funding
- Also we are requesting as a lock-in fee is so we can have a steady stream of revenue that is independent from other AS funds

- As an international senator and senate ganesh tries to make a bigger impact for international students in campus
- Almost every week we have our GDC meetings
- We all try to present to support the international community
- Just to build on the events we did, not only the supernova, like the CSSA screen festival
- We also fund MSU

# Singique

- Is there a question?

# Yu

- No

Motion to extend the speaker's time by 2 minytes Siddiqui - Chaudhry Call to question Wahidullah Passed at 7:38PM.

# Siddique

- Would you be fine just repeating the same thing in discussion?

Yu

- yes

# Elkhatib

- How much will the lock-in fee be?

# Zha

- About \$120k every year

# Oseinou Diagne (7:40PM)

- With the winter special election happening
- I've been working with Henry to get this out
- I agree with him that this is all of our duties
- Not just ours, but also the election board
- So we been working to get the videos out
- We got 4 videos done with Henry
- One will be introducing him, one about the winter election
- That should be sent out to UCSBLife, with 15,000 followers, so hopefully get a lot of videos
- Also have the graphic to the actual ballot and not the election board page
- We been working also on getting that specific language to students
- Because election board doest like when we have our opinions

- So i been working with them on getting our videos approved, they havent responded yet
- So one of the videos is saying exactly what it says on electron board so that we can tell it on students
- I think we can hopefully get approved soon because that is very important
- I'm also making a media post regarding exactly what I just said
- I feel like I shoudlve have to get that approved with them, but I will do it anyways
- UCSBLife has been woring with us really well
- They agreed in getting Senate stuff out there
- I been working with them closely
- That's all
- Be careful when you say yes or no
- Dont explain at all
- Just say go vote
- We are going to get 5,000
- I think we can go it

Pinto

- Anyone have any questions?
- Thank you for coming

E) Acceptance of Agenda

Motion to accept the agenda. Iden - Wang Called to question- Amin Passed at 10:57PM.

F) Consent Calendar -

G) Action Items

Motion to amend the agenda and add the GGC winter quarter retreat exception Yu - Ganesh Call to question: SiddiquI Passed at 8:50PM.

# GGC Winter Quarter Retreat Exception

Singh

- They are going to be using AS funds to travel so they need approval
- A better word would be exception not exemption

(10:54PM)

Pinto

- Can you just give us a rundown?

Yu

- We wanted to do a retreat this weekend, really quick decision
- Quick position when every member can do it this quarter

Pinto

- What is the exception for?

Yu

- The whole thing, travel, yes
- Not going to be too much

# *Motion to approve the GGC Winter quarter retreat exception. Ganesh - Butler Called to question - Iden*

Iden

- What is the fiscal amount on it?

Pinto

- It's coming out of GGC budget
- Allowed unlimited exceptions

Yu

- Couple thousand, probably below 3k

Passed at 10:56PM.

G-2) Old Business [Debate Time Per Item- 30 Minutes]

A Bill to Create a Mental Health First Aid Subcommittee Under Commission on Stud... Lala - Ganesh

Motion to table A Bill to Create a Mental Health First Aid Subcommittee Under Commission on Student Well-being Legal Code. Ganesh - Malhis Call to question - Wang Passed at 10:57PM.

H) Recess

Motion to enter a 15 minute recess starting at 9:05PM. Butler - Wang Called to question - Chaudhry Passed at 9:05PM. I) ASUCSB Reports

I-3) Unit Reports-

Zero Waste Committee (ZWC)

# Lobby Corps 8:18PM

# Speaker 1

- Hi, happy wednesday
- I'm the state and federal co chair for our school's lobby core

Speaker 2 Nelson

- I am the local chair for lobby corps

Speaker 1

- Back in January, Governor Newsom released his budget proposal for California
- To no one surprise, UC has an 8% cut
- In response we mobilized students to go to sacramento for a budget advocacy day
- We met with legislators, including state senators to talk to them about not cutting UC budget for the next fiscal year
- We also promoted our own budget priorities which included increasing funding for disability centers, funding for food and basic needs as well
- We also had one for more funding a transfer program
- These 3 budget things are really important
- Here at UC, enrollment is going up, resources are not
- We have a campaign going for undocumented and international students
- We want to make sure that they have access to food and basic needs services
- Right now, international students and undocumented don't qualify for calfresh or snap benefits
- We need to urge the UC and the governor to give money to UC's to fund programs
- Similar to aggy fresh, which is a program at UC davis, we want to have one across all UCs
- Our students had a great time, it was open to all students
- Another thing we did was brought senator Monique Limon to have a town hall
- One of the things we talked about were the is Cal Equity, because she represents UCSB and SBCC, we want to make sure we are holding them accountable for voting on legislation that promotes accessibility in higher education
- We also brought topics surrounding what she intends to do with the new administration and what she will do as a state senator to protect vulnerable communities around the area
- Another thing coming up s our annual student lobby conference
- This is a conference representing all 9 UC campus
- This conference is taking place march 7-10 in Sacramento
- We'll be going with other UC's

- This is a great opportunity for students to professionally develop and learn about legislative process and policy process and also interact with other uc students and legislators
- This was open to all students
- Everything is paid for
- We will be lobbying for bills for higher education, such as a bill that has to do with protecting students from college creditors
- We are also lobbying for a bill AS98, safe act, school alerting families in education act which make sure schools telling and notifying their students, teachers, and community members when ICE and law enforcement will be on campus
- Especifically with this new administration holding school accountable for transparency is important
- Hopefully another cosigner bill that UCSB students write that states what cosigner is language in actual law
- That's a little bit in the state side
- On the federal side we are working with the United State student association that closed down in 2018, to make sure we are building nation wide advocacy to hold administration accountable

Speaker 2 Nelson

- On the local also been active
- Met with UCPD and care to get update on interpersonal violence detective program updates
- That was a program that was on and off for a few years
- We confirmed someone is being trained to succeed them
- She is coming fully in position sometime in March when she'll be doing outreach and detective work around interpersonal violence case
- We just confirmed to make sure
- Working with county to help with calfresh delays
- A lot of students their calfresh documents are being processed very late
- Some people have said that they have submitted a long time in advance only for their benefits being paused or cancelled because their forms not being processed on time
- A lot of people have talked about how they had to go without groceries
- Make sure people can have benefits they deserve
- We are trying to make sure to get more people on calfresh possible
- I'm currently working w ucsb basic needs to bring calfresh to set up interview times
- People can come in to set up interview times
- Previously this has been very successful
- Basic needs said hundred of people have came
- We are trying to get that back
- Some unfortunate news around Deltopia
- They got rid of restorative justice for the week of deltopia
- Owen and them has done their best to change their mind and that's a bad idea

- They frankly do not care
- He doesn't care, no interest in trying to care
- Seemed unlikely we could change his mind
- Keep that in mind restorative justice will not be available during deltopia
- I've talked to everyone, lobbied as hard as possible
- It's just one guy who doesn't like working with the students
- We will send out more information
- Regarding housing expansion program, our goals is to get a student on the oversight board
- We don't know what the structure will look like
- We are working very hard to have students voice on board
- Makes sense to us, oversee IV, should be a student
- UCSB GR has throw their support behind it
- We are working on details with them
- We've also been lobbying for UCIV funding
- For example, try to expand UCIV like frat row, making sure that there's proper transport to be able to move materials around
- This does need a lot of funding
- Goal is to expand funding sourcing to stop always asking you for monet
- Ask money from state holders
- We are planning a lobby day, not to lobby on any specific policy but more so to establish contact between students and law
- I did email senator.ucsb earlier
- There was a law that want to change bylaw in lobby core
- It's my understanding that the language needs to be changed
- We are also not going to be around to answer questions due to finals
- We asked them to remove the language and reintroduce them here on here as soon as possible
- Love to take questions on bylaws

# Suuck

- 2 problems
- I wrote the bill and I haven't fixed it so that is my fault
- Senator Siddiqui brought up that I didn't consider
- First is executive board meetings, you wanted it to be that individual were subjective to approval for chair discretion
- This is a problem because Senators and execs have access to all meetings
- So would it be ok if I changed it that it will be open to non voting members

# Speaker 2 Nelson

- In the form Senators will be included
- Goal is to put writing in text
- Not because there are things we don't want people to know
- It's a matter of when we have things like closed sections and sensitive to general members like selecting whos going on trips

- We want to make clear in legal code, unless you are senator or exec members
- Unless you are someone who has a stake, we don't want people showing up to our meetings
- Something major happening, we don't want people to ask if they can come
- Senators are more than welcome to show up

## Siddiqui

- Within Roberts rules, if you motion to go into closed section you can exclude anyone
- Just for bylaws consistency, we should put in the change
- Within Robert's rules you can invite whoever you want to closed sections

# Speaker 2 Nelson

- There are certain things that are not incentive
- But for things like selecting people to go on trips, we don't care if senators are there but we don't want general member to keep asking
- Main thing is distinguish main meeting and exec meeting
- Everybody is welcome to general meeting
- For exec, we don't want everyone to come

### Suuck

- Second thing is that under operating procedures section F, you wanted to ask a law about lobby core neutrality, senate not forcing lobby to take a stance
- Senator Siddiqui, if it is in line with EVPSA, it will be legal

# Siddiqui

- This specific clause I sent to senator Suuk
- Basically with BCU, the way it is designed it states that executive authority, through BCSU, execs have their authority
- Senate provides checks and balances
- I would change UCSA to EVPSA to be in line with constitution

# Nelson

- That's no problem

# Suuck

- I'll add those changes, I wasn't planning on introducing it today but

# Speaker 2 Nelson

- Are there any questions for things that are not going to be changed today?
- Since we won't be available for questions when this is brought up

# Ganesh

- Could you please laborate on your motivation your clause on neutrality

## Speaker 2 Nelson

- A lot of work we do is delicate
- Number one goal is to represent UCSB students
- Whatever we are lobbying for is what Santa Barbara want
- We have a lot of input from orgs like UCSA, to help us figure out things that are not only important to UCSB students but also all UC students
- There have been certain situations for example, I am very fortunate that senate were able to work with lobby core on this last year
- That was the issue with free speech and things like that
- What we would have to do in the case EVCSA takes a stance on something like 1287
- I'm sure of the composition of last yeast senate, you are well aware of what happened
- We dont put to be in a situation to pick between divorce parents
- It is a huge waste of time and a tough political situation
- We don't want to spend extra time to figure out conflicts between senate and UCSA
- We notice that it is in bylaws and we figure because it is in the bylaws, we can change it
- We are very transparent
- So if senate has any concern, ask us
- Making it so that not a procedural case

# TQ Comm(9:30PM)

Co-chair Samantha (she/her) Co-Chair Chloe Hseih (she/they)

# Samantha

- Background we want to introduce ourselves and give info on what is happening with the board
- Our commission is an AS entity, advocacy dedicated to improving the status of the trans and queer community in IV
- Focus on events, funding, education, and advocacy
- Stuff weve done this quarter
- 5 new members this quarter: qt, disability, special projects, two educators
- Welcomed 2 new members studying abroad
- Situated them back in their positions
- One was qt bipoc, other was international
- Doing workshops to become authorized signers
- Helping out and creating events
- Improving visibility of events via outreach and posteres
- TQ town hall, aro-ace events, lesbian lounge and cat cafe
- Lesbian lounge beach walk and bagels sunday 10AM
- Button-making
- We are planning a women love women speed dating event probably in spring

- New members who's doing that, they're still getting situated
- We did a Totes and Info with oSTEM
- We're doing winter wonder drive which is this friday in UCEN hub
- Free event, show up
- Giftcards for gender forming products
- Tomrorow having QT bipoc air dry ceramics event
- Creating a resource link to go live on instagram
- Highlighted story or pinned post, just so people can request resources, space, events
- Started a Queer Leadership council meeting
- RCSGD, oSTEM, Keshet, Drag Club, and QT Grad Student Union
- Gathering of trans and queer marginalized groups
- Doing shared GCAL
- That way we can piggback on each other's ideas
- External chair has been attending MCC council meetings
- They are at the same time as our meetings so it's hard with the conflict
- Trying to keep that connection with MCC

## Chloe

- Next quarter
- Biggest pride event in spring quarter
- Our biggest slew of events
- We figured out the pride theme but will announce that later
- Sunday roller skating
- Also ace visibility day
- Monday is glossbox gallery event in collaboration in pacific pride foundation-50th anniversary
- Hopefully can book that space
- Big celebration, want to highlight
- Highlight local queer history in santa barbara
- Bunch of stuff stowed in lib
- Hopefully getting student commissions for art as well
- Monday and Tuesday we are doing Loteria
- Cards from RCSGD
- Space booked, big success last year
- Tuesday, thinking of vogueing workshop, trouble reaching out to talent
- Trouble reaching out to talent so please let me know if anyone has ideas
- If we don't work it, might do a decolonizing queerness event
- Especially focusing on native americans
- Our theme this year is pride across america
- Thought it would be inadequate if we didn't include indigenous history
- Looking into that and having trouble reaching out to indigenous orgs on campus so would love to hear ideas
- Wednesday double feature, two movies that we'll reveal later
- Thursday we are doing the fashion show

Samantha

- Waiting to post because if we do it too early, people will sign up and then drop because they don't know if they are actually free
- They don't know if they're free or not

## Chloe

- Student fashion show, show up show out
- Friday is queer prom
- Saturday is queer fest
- Organising vendors, performers, sticker contest
- If anyone wants to participate and have their band or small business, apply
- On insta
- Saturday, drag show, working on contracting queens
- The queen that we booked is going to be really fun, will not be disappointed
- Won't be disappointed
- Doing a T shirt
- Commission a friend of mine, a queer artist
- Working on our 4th annual Utopia scene
- Getting them situated
- Student art, photos, poems
- Goping to continue on after I graduate
- Also working on a video project that we are going to do throughout
- Probably doing throughout 1st and 2nd week
- Getting testimonials and highlighting UCSB community
- Also Pacific Pride foundation, working on getting video testimonials of elderly lavender community in santa barbara
- Going to be really fun seeing that dichotomy especially if we can show it before our drag show
- Also some questions, don't know if they're most relevant to senate
- If anyone has questions for us or ideas please let us know

## Pinto

- For indigenous orgs, I'll list them out
- Our center, AIICRC, student org AIISA
- CPOD
- AIISA has been a little inactive
- AIICRC has more staff support
- Can alert students that are peer mentors in that space
- CPOD, literally all of our members are queer
- For talent, I'm not sure what you are referring to
- One suggestion, she's an activist, poet, speaker
- Name is Bay Davis
- Located in LA and spoken at other UCs in the past, is very vocal, poet, speaker, activist
- What were your questions?

## Samantha

- If we could hold funds for other orgs, but they get all of the funds so they have that platform?

Chloe

- This is in reference to the Pacific Pride foundation
- In addition to archive museum they're doing, if people wanted to donate funds to them, are there rules against that

## Pinto

- Form my understanding, you can uplift their fundraiser, but cannot be like we are fundraising for them

Wang

- To my understanding, fundraising for nonprofit if all the funds go to that nonprofit are allowed
- That's what I was told
- So if it's for a foundation that is legally a nonprofit, I think it should be fine, but check with Senator Singh

## Chloe

- We'll double check their legal code

Pinto

- Would actually be in financial policy, need to look at their website Ganesh
- Are you guys also doing the thing where you sponsor films that center queer folk? Samantha
  - Yes, we didn't mention it
  - Haven't passed the motion yet

Chloe

- Going to be handled by RCSGD, spring quarter

Wahidullah

- When it comes to your fashion show, are you looking for designers or people to help support the fashion show?

Chloe

- How it works is we come up with list of five themes
- Students can sign up for a theme or category they want to dress in
- It's all students designs and what they are comfortable with
- Not like we're designing fashion for them

Samantha

- If you have models you know that would like to run, let us know
- Always stressed about having to get people

Pinto

- Not to brag, but I won a few years ago and got to meet Monet X Change
- Super fun

Chloe

- Yes we always have that VIP, you get to lip sync something

Pinto

- It was so fun, I suggest everyone do it

Wang

- To follow up, to do fundraising yourself you have to get it approved by executive director

- Fundraising also goes to AS ticket office
- Some stuff needs to get approved by finance committee member
- Honestly I think the easiest route is to plug their fundraiseers because there's a lot of hoops you'll have to go through

## Ganesh

- What are the tentative dates for your queer fest?

Chloe

- April 12th, 12-3
- Wondering if it's possible to allocate things such as grants for gender affirming care?
- It's a difficult situation because I know for AS and BCUs we can't just give people money
- Which is what I think it'd be construed as
- Especially because of the politics right now and I have heard about possible cuts in UC funding
- I've heard about possible funding cuts
- Or limitations on that
- It's our concern that we can't do more to help queer and trans students on campus

## Wang

- To my understanding, giveaways are allowed if you seek an exception
- Because you are a BCU, not RCO, you get unlimited exceptions
- You just have to ask, an exception for this thing
- If you bundle all expenditures for one line item
- If you say we are going to use an exception for something like a giveaway, or T shirts, you should be fine as long as you use an exception

## Chloe

- This would possibly be in collab with Health Equity, an RCO

## Pinto

- Might pose some limitations
- I would suggest figuring out how much you want to spend and asking for the exception
- Go to FnB, ask that exception
- Involving RCO makes things more complicated
- Also if you plan to spend 15k+, have to ask FnB for approval
- And I would suggest putting more than 15k into those grants

## Samantha

- Clarity on AS policy regarding graduate student events

# Chloe

- Been in alot of queer council meetings recently
- To my understanding the graduate student association only gives 300 dollars to graduate students to do any events
- But I think issue would lie on associated students, only undergrads give that money
- Lock in fee only applies to undergrads

- If we allocate money, like we do with RCSGD, give them 15k a year

- If we do something similar like 3k a year just for grad student orgs
- Would we run into an issue?

Pinto

- Yes
- I would say the way to go about that is make it a collaborative event
- As long as it's also very clear that this is open to all, it should be chill
- Should be chill
- Would definitely suggest reaching out to Chair Singh about any of those questions Samantha
  - For BCU award for winter, is it coming out of our personal budget

Pinto

- No

Samantha

- Why

Pinto

- We are going to be talking about that today

Chloe

- We were wondering because we are reaching the end of our budget

Pinto

- It would not be coming out of your budget
- I'm rereading all of the applications, beautifully made by Zha

Chloe

- We wanted to approve communication with AS senate
- Already talked to Sandy
- Should we communicate anything Senate-related with our liaison first?

Pinto

- \*thumsb up\*

# Chloe

- What would the turnaround time on responses? Or is that up to the person?

Pinto

- It depends
- Finals, midterms get chaotic
- If people have office hours, go to them

Ganesh

- Also we have standing meetings every week monday 3-4:30
- A lot of BCUs just drop in during that time
- Feel free, just drop in
- If you can just drop in and we can talk about anything

# UCIV(9:50PM)

Speaker

- Chair of UCIV, quarterly report
- Reps, 30 of us total completed a quarterly orientation

- Along with CPR first aid and AED certification through rec cen
- Continued weekly saturday and friday night shifts
- With more than half of shifts staffed
- DP and Pardall center tents staffed along with patrols
- Number of ppl visiting our tetnw depends on how busy
- Typically a clamer nights we see 200-300 people at the tent
- On busier weekends, 500+
- As for snacks, water, narcan and test strips
- All resources we've continued to provide
- I along, EVPLA Owen Myers have been preparing for deltopia
- Have been prepping for Deltopia
- Planning to have EMTs near our tent
- Currently coordinating with IVPD and county
- Either at later acorn park or on DP
- Any questions?

## Pinto

- Appreciate you guys

Iden

- So many times you're drunk in IV, and you guys are there
- In regards to deltopia, as many as possible
- I got scheduled last year for work, but if anyone is down
- When there's little acorn, you're stuck on edge of IV and you have to go all the way down

## Speaker

- We do water carts and drag the carts on DP
- By the time we turn from little acorn to DP, we run out of water
- Understandable, so many people at Deltopia

## Pinto

- Have question, might be for Owen Meyers
- Wanted to check in on the possibility of having a med tent or stationary EMT
- Some type of service there
- Is that still happening, did it get dismissed?

## Speaker

- We are trying to get EMTs from Ventura County
- 3 to be exact, from Ventura County

## Pinto

- And would they be on DP

## Speaker

- Still coordinating location with IVPD and the county

Pinto

- Happy to hear y'all are still pursuing that

Ganesh

- Thank you so much
- Dont know if it's your jurisdiction
- You guys provide water, are the porta potties under your jurisdiction?

- Do the porta potties come under your jurisidcitoin?

### Speaker

- Not under UCIV jurisdiction
- Form what I know, thers been movements to get more porta potties on DP
- It's not supported by IV foot patrol

### Pinto

- Would that be IVCRC?
- **Owen Meyers** 
  - The sheriff was very anti-having anything on DP

McClintock

- Just wanted to say thank you
- I see your work every day working at pardall center
- One thing i wanted to bring attention to, sometimes ppl come up to pardall center and ask about volunteer opps
- If anyone needs a volunteer opportunity, UCIV is always accepting
- We could spread the word, they always appreciate ovlunteers

## Pinto

- Shout out to our very involved senate

Khorsandi

- About the porta potties on DP
- They are saying no?

## Speaker

- From I heard, it's more bathrooms

Meyers

- As for the bathroom situation, we have been working to coordinate a position on walter caps park
- Two years ago, UCIV was stationed on DP during deltopia
- However, that was the first UCIV shift
- Upon a shift change and running low on water, they left
- Ever since then, hisotricaly the sheriff has been very anti anything on DP
- Virtually I worked deltopia last year and there were no water stations last year
- No water stations on DP
- Only water being given out was by student orgs
- Did not see any water
- Sheriff was very insistent on no water or porta potties
- Incentivizes people come to DP and party

## Pinto

- If we situate porta potties on parks, would that result differently
- Instead of putting them on the street, we put them in parks?

## Meyers

- The parks and foot patrol work very closely together

Khorsandi

- In my conversation with Eleanor,
- She's basically saying that porta potties or anything would prevent cliff falls
- Help cliff because then people don't go pee off side of cliff

- Has this been conveyd to the sheriff?

Meyers

- Yes the sheriff is well aware

Khorsandi

- Is Eleanor's office aware of the sheriff? Mevers
  - Yes they come to every meeting
  - Historically no
  - His decision at the end of the day

Khorsandi

- Does supervisor have a work around this?
- Or is it just like what he says goes

## Meyers

- Really is a situation where they
- Want to live in neutrality with eac hother
- The restorative justice suspension
- When it came to that, taking about it with office, they were unresponsive to anything I said
- They dont want to engage in it and defer to foot patrol as well
- They believe footpatrol will run it they way they run it
- Dont wanna fight against Santa Barbara sheriff office
- Same with UCPD because they lose jurisdiction when they step into IV
- Two restorative justice programs that give foot patrol power to suspend all programs
- Gives foot patrol power to suspend all restorative justice programs

## Ganesh

- I know this is a constant effort you guys are doing
- Thankful you are continuing to fight about this
- Don't want to piss on a bush
- Thank you for all your work

## Meyers

- Will be a town hall very soon

Pinto

- Would UCIV ever considering partnering with alternative spaces to have porta potties essentially
- Like talking about the church on Sueno?
- Situating a porta potty in their space
- Or maybe reaching out to housing co-ops
- Maybe taking away focus from del playa while having the services

Speaker

- Restroom at Anisqoyo park
- There is a porta potty on DP technically, at the end near sea lookout park
- What we have done is directing people to actual bathrooms when they ask
- Also Pardall Center, when there's staff there, we have staff open so people can use their bathroom as well

## Wang

- Echo about the housing co-ops
- Dolores would be closest one to DP

## Amin

- Few questions
- Thank you guys so much
- What you guys do is one of the most important things on this campus
- Everytime I talk to anyone to prevent what this guy is doing about restorative justice they have been like he's a hard head
- What do you guys think
- I know we talked about doing a survey on campus
- Want your opinion on whether or not you think they'll actually do anything

## Meyers

- I do not think it would change his opinion at all
- He said
- Quote "I dont care if I have to be the bad guy to students, I will do it if it benefits public safety"
- I don't think student sentiment matters necessarily, just his belief that it will be an effective deterrent

## Amin

- His name is sheriff?

## Meyers

- Sheriff Brown is county sheriff
- Would it be possible to take money out of senate unallocated and use it to put the porta potties there without permission

## Pinto

- They'd just forcibly remove it

## Amin

- How are they going to remove it?
- They are people

## Meyers

- I also see that damaging
- Problem is UCIV have to work with footpatrol from professional standpoint
- Strainignt that relationship putting porta potties will make Parks and Rec mad
- Targeting them without them knowing creates another situation

## Iden

- Long term project
- Looking into constructing a new public restroom facility
- In collab with Parks and Rec
- Dont know if some of those lots are owned by private owners

## Meyers

- It's case by case
- Either by the parks or the city themselves
- Interested in building more and it's something I have been talking about with them

- They are also well on funding

### Iden

- Something I think people would put money towards
- Also porta potties are gross
- Dali
  - Thank you for your work
  - What are the odds you guys would be able to work with people to stabilize them
  - They're yucky and gross and people knock them over

## Meyers

- I would have to talk to the county more specifically
- Here's main issue: everything is centralized at little acorn, at the loop
- Part of the whole point, is that we will be central to distribute food and snacks
- When it comes to securing them, it'll be separate convo
- That's something to bring up because I know it was an issue in past years

### Speaker

- I've noticed two on DP

Meyers

- There are consistent

Pinto

- Recognizing that lack of accessible bathrooms does impact AFAB people a lot

## Ganesh

- If there is any way to do a project
- Blue light project, something inspired by that
- More permanent and actual bathrooms on DP or central in IV
- I know you guys will probably be next to park in loop
- If you can really push for sea lookout park,
- No one's walking all the way there

## Meyers

- We have been contactly eleanor consistently
- Regardless of anything, we'll have EMTs at deltopia
- I can't confirm an address the EMTs will come to
- Either way, we'll move forward

Pinto

- Thank you so much

Public Mental Health Commission (PMHC)

Maia Richards on zoom(10:08PM)

 Okay, great. Thank you. So yeah, we're the public and Mental Health Commission. Super quick, our mission statement: The Public and Mental Health Commission, is a body concerned with the healthcare and mental health of UCSB undergraduate students. The Commission aims to address relevant public health issues and works to maximize the health and mental health of UCSB students through student run projects in coordination with Student Health, CAPs and other relevant entities, and will advocate and serve as a point of reference for other health and mental health entities on campus. Its purpose is to promote the awareness of student health and mental health concerns in our community and take direct action to address and combat them accordingly.

- So as far as events this quarter, we did tabling at COWEBS Winter Wellness Wonderland. We did a plate smashing event where students wrote with Sharpie on ceramic plates, and we're able to smash them into a kiddie pool. That was a huge hit. People had a lot of fun with that, and we've kept a lot of the materials to hopefully redo this at some of our bigger events. In the spring, we did a Valentine's Day, like crafting with ASOP that was just kind of like a fun event where people could come and have some snacks, like flower bouquets, card making and stuff. Just today, we did our, like, quarterly midterm tabling in the Arbor, where we handed out blue books, energy drinks, and snacks. We handed out a lot of things like Emergen-C, stress release teas, and stuff like that. We want to kind of focus more on health products, rather than like the normal, Celsius products.
- This Friday, we have a sleep hygiene workshop in collaboration with health and wellness, our International Student Liaison has planned and done a lot of research into healthy sleep practices, and we're handing out, eye masks and stuff, and I know they're doing a meditation and yoga activity. Our Events Coordinator for the end of the quarter is doing a vision boarding for winter reflection and spring planning. And then our Public Health Special Projects Coordinator in collaboration with Students for Reproductive Justice, did our sexual health resources info session where we had Angie Magaña and another registered nurse at Student Health come and talk about the resources on campus, specifically the ones related to the reproductive justice program that we run.
- As far as our bigger collaborative projects, this quarter, we finalized the bill for the Mental Health First Aid subcommittee which has kind of been in discussion since the spring. We came to a conclusion with COSWEB about the subcommittee and maintaining practices with subcommittees, like not giving them honoraria, and so we're also continuing working on the MOU with that. That's hopefully going to streamline the funding from the wellness cluster, because it is something we like to pay for.
- Otherwise we kept our relationships with Gauchos for Recovery going. We're in the process of planning a fundraising 5k for them in the spring, and that's going to be like a bigger event. Anytime we meet with them, their main concern is that they really don't have the funding that they need to get stuff done, and so we want to be able to help with that any way we can. Also hopefully the 5k will also kind of bring awareness to the fact that they don't have this funding from the school directly.
- For the Reproductive Justice Program, we have the information session coming up. Obviously we're having the kind of constant issue of advertisement. A lot of students either don't know what it is, or we can't, like, fully tell them what it is, because of the same kind of issues politically that I think a lot of other organizations are facing in the realm of healthcare. We can't be fully honest about

what the program is covering, where that money is coming from, but we continue to fund the program and advertise it as best we can. In April, we're hoping to plan an event for overdose prevention week during week one or two. We're in the process of planning a mental health art showcase and performance event where students can showcase their art. Hopefully we're gonna have some bands and stuff and it'll kind of be like a fun outdoor activity. In May, we'll have our annual Mental Health Conference, which is pretty much our largest event of the year. It's like a day-long conference at the SRB on a Saturday in May. We had quite a few applications for the subcommittee, so we're hoping to have a good group of people be able to plan this year, and then again, we have that 5k in the process of being planned. Then there are pictures of what we have done this quarter.

#### Pinto

- Thank you so much. Do we have any questions?
- Alright there are no questions. Thank you.
- Alright now moving on to the Zero waste Commitee? Do we have any representatives in the room? I think they're sending their report via email.

## CoC Winter 2025 Senate Report

## Pinto(10:17PM)

- Going to read this from the Commitee on Committees
- Committee impact:
- The Committee on Committees is the Associated Students (A.S.) of UCSB's primary entity responsible for the advertisement and recruitment of A.S. BCU members. This quarter so far, the Committee on Committees website has had over 30 applicants for various positions. We are working with 4 different BCUs to advertise and recruit for their positions, and have helped TSA fill their remaining positions. Currently, the Committee on Committees is working to fill the IV Arts Board, EVPSA, the Liaison Committee, and EVPLA. Members of our Outreach and Recruitment team table weekly at the Arbor. If a BCU you are a part of is looking to fill any positions, please fill out the spreadsheet <u>here</u> or contact any member of the Committee, and we will do our best to complete your request promptly.
- Additionally, the Committee on Committees is responsible for maintaining a positive climate within UCSB Associated Students. CoC has worked hard to improve outreach within the Association, through attending events such as the AS Quarterly, Presidents' Cabinet Meetings, and other BCU meetings as needed. The Committee is hosting the Winter Chairs meeting on February 19th to give a platform for BCUs to discuss current issues within the Association and use civil discussion to find solutions to these issues. The committee has also remained in contact with the Liaison Committee, Internal Vice President's Office, and various senators to provide input on changes within the Association appointment process. CoC remains open to maintaining a positive climate within AS, and if you would like to come into a Committee on Committees meeting or discuss an issue,

please contact either CoC's Internal Chair, Damon <u>as-internalchair.coc@ucsb.edu</u>, or External Chair, Sasha <u>as-externalchair.coc@ucsb.edu</u>.

- Upcoming projects:
- In the Winter quarter, the Committee on Committees will be hosting the Winter Quarter Chairs meeting and working to contribute to an A.S. Recruitment Fair in the Spring.
- This report, in no way, reflects the holistic responsibilities, actions, and activities of the Committee on Committees. Countless details are left out due to time and space constraints. The committee continuously works hard to aid the recruitment, retention, and climate of UCSB Associated Students.

I-4) President's Cabinet Report-

## W Outstanding BCU Award Report 25 Winter.docx

Zha(10:20PM)

- We are announcing the President's intent of nomination
- According to implementation plan set by senate
- It's our subject to awake a public comment period
- Today we are just announcing it and asking you all to give us feedback, the highlighting
- They are subject to change
- They are what the task force has recommended and what the President has made clear
- Establishing connection

Mira

- I'm a pyramid fellow
- Here to speak because of conflict of interest on one of the subcategories

## Zha

- 16 pages
- So in terms of summaries, of who we are recommended to give awards and our reasoning
- There are some more recommendations that will bring that out at the end of our presentation
- So our first subcategory, the most competitive, student wellbeing, contribution to mental health and social engagment
- So for this subcategory, what I'm recommending to approve is the COSWB
- Reason being is that they do their budgeting the best
- Best return of student money
- Had proper budgets including honoraria of 17k
- So that's about 130% of budget execution rates
- Won't read everything out
- We have some applicant B
- Using pseudonym

- We believe they are also doing good work
- Our main concern was the budget execution rates which is 39%
- In the application, they mentioned that their projects became filled up once set up once open
- Failed to fully implement budget
- Applicant C
- Most influential among applicants for subcategory
- Problem is that after careful review of leader code
- They're extension of entity of something else, not a BCU
- Therefore, outstanding BCU, we cannot recommend them for the award
- Since the global gaucho commission applied for professional and academic development subcategory, I excuse myself from reading of it

## Mira

- We're just going to go over this quickly
- Award team,
- After careful review of all their events notices that in respect to categories
- Cost efficiency, outreach
- Recognized importance of GGC and their work
- We pushed that they're demonstrating commitment that they enhanced community they are supposed to provide for
- Just such a beautiful comprehensive work by zha
- If you have questions, you can ask us
- We just found that the award team and
- President also pushed for nomination for Global Gaucho Commission
- In terms of professional and academic subcategory
- Only ones who applied
- In terms of giving the award, we are pushing to allow them receive the award
- Next subcategory, representing to marginalized communities
- After careful review of trans and queer commisison
- Pushing to forward them to accept the BCU award
- As a nominee for BCU award as championing marginalized communities
- Especially certain intiaitives, such as queer and trans advocacy coordinator
- We have noticed as this quarter was the first quarter where it was sort of a pilot program and we have written areas of improvement for the award
- Some BCUs didn't know
- They didn't know until it closed
- Uneven distribution across the 3 categories
- In order to encourage other BCU participation and achieve balance participation for future quarters,
- For future quarters, we plan to intensify our outreach efforts
- Thank you

Zha

- We have gone through recommendation for improvement of ourselves, and throughout work process

- Throughout the process, we have found a rare commission, relatively low execution rate amongst the BCUs
- Reason to it
- Lots of BCUs don't have comprehensive knowledge of budget and how to spend it
- Often times, they literally don't know how to get the money they have and spend it
- Second reason, before BCUs spend anything,
- Need to pay for the merchant yourself and go through requisition process
- It's happened to me before, it's too much
- So its a huge discouragement for yielding to the budget
- As senate, it would be the best for you to propose a solution to that
- We welcome any questions, comments

## Iden

- For application, where should I direct BCUs to go
- Just got out of IEC meeting, they do really good professional development, they had a packed room doing really good portfolios
- Where should I direct them

## Zha

- For this quarter, we have sent an association wide email
- While we look forward to work with advocacy committee directly, we'll outreach to other bcus
- I would personally reach out to the chairs to gather as much help we can have
- Advocacy committee as well as liaison committee
- Publicity problem

Iden

- Is there an email I should be giving BCUs to go through this process

# Zha

- It's a google form

## Brinderson

- I saw the president nominated the commission on student and well being for the student and wellbeing ategory
- Was that a competitive decision, or do you expect the namesake
- Is it competitive

## Zha

- It is competitive, name is just a coincidience
- The main reason we recommended the president to nominate them is the
- 1st, budget execution rate, 2nd, low student cost for events

## Pinto

- Can you clarify are these the intentions of the president, not the official nominations?

Zha

- Just the nominations

- Next week we will have public comments

I-5) Executive Director's Report-I-6) Executive Officers' Report -Owen Meyers(10:58PM)-

- February 26, Know Your Rights Workshop from 3-4pm with Maria's tacos. February 27 Deltopia Town hall, 5pm also free Maria tacos. Cannabis Town Hall. Open police accountability board meeting, March 5, donating 100 kits for those affected by fires. I'm working with IVCSD on the sobriety center for Deltopia. I'm working to get EMTs and planning location logistics, as we went over before. Sexual assault awareness events, I'm working with SASA to get those events sorted out. It's gonna be like three different events, one of them for Denim Day. One of them involves awareness about drink spiking issues. One of their main policies is to raise the bar that they're advocating for, like getting testing to different bars. IVTU and I are working on local distribution. That's gonna be part of a spring planning event that happens in the spring quarter. Hundreds of little kits will be distributed at that event. I'm working with the Attorney General on Deltopia issues as well. Pardall grand reopening will probably take place in the spring, we got new computers. Hopefully that vending machine gets out to the Senior Memorial, I've been working on that. And IV safety, we kind of went over that already.
- I-7) Senator Representative Reports-
- I-8) Administrative Reports-

J) Committee Report

- J-1) Standing Committee on Finance -
- J-2) Standing Committee on Outreach -

(10:33PM)

Report on Recent Executive Orders & Their Effects on UCSB

Neil Harder

- Basically, I don't want to waste your guys' time. I just think that there's some things that need to be brought to your attention that you guys potentially have the power to influence, or at least do something to help.
- So currently, as you guys know, the Trump Administration is in the process of basically issuing a grand scale effort at removing all DEI initiatives throughout different universities in California, for example, but also throughout the entire United States as a whole.
- I did share a document with you guys that has a comprehensive analysis of the different issues that are at hand currently. I do believe that you guys have access to it? As it appears on my screen, people are slowly clocking in so there you go. As opposed to addressing the names and the executive orders and each one of them

individually, I'm basically just going to tell you guys what I've discovered as a very abstract view, but certainly something that you guys need to be aware of. Basically, there are multiple federal agencies in the process of currently canceling federal contracts. One of them is NSF. NSF is the National Science Foundation. One of them is the NIH, the National Institute of Health. Actually, as a matter of fact, the NIH just recently did a massive budget cut that is affecting University of California and multiple other universities throughout the nation, and that is being implemented across the entire wave of federal agencies. NSF is another one that just issued a report this morning, actually, which I was going over just a few minutes ago, because it's a, you know, 43 page long report that is very, very comprehensive. That is because they're obviously making a grand effort here at trying to target every single vestige of DEI, if you will. The report that I'm looking at, which is linked in my report as a sub link list things like status, social justice, gender, race, environmental justice, which are broad categories, but it's purposely made broad so that they have as much leverage as possible to start canceling grants and things like that.

- So basically, what you guys need to be aware of is that there are potentially multiple different research initiatives that are occurring on our campus and students that are getting funded through these research initiatives, which have DEI type names in them, and/or, are in of themselves, DEI related research projects. For example, the Benjamin Banneker project within the DEI module of the University of California's website potentially falls under this DEI category overview of projects that are going to be potentially canceled. So that's just one example.
- My job was to basically come up with what the federal government is going to be doing, and I believe that there already is a grand scale effort at basically targeting as many different Benjamin Banneker or similar programs as possible. I wasn't tasked with figuring out all of the different UCSB programs that fall under this description of DEI. That's the next step. The first step was the federal policy perspective, but then our next step is to identify the different programs within UCSB that are going to be affected. As a suggestion to you guys, I think that obviously, once we have more data on the different different programs that fall under this pretty broad category, we're going to be able to hopefully provide a list to you guys of students, and research projects, and initiatives that are happening on campus that fall potentially under this overview.
- Basically, for lack of better words, start thinking about what you guys are going to do to potentially make up for the fact that there's going to be quite a few different research projects on campus that are going to either have their funding removed or have the parameters of them affected in some capacity. That's number one. Number two is, as I'm sure you guys are aware, there was an issue last year with the previous president in regards to anti-semitic actions. That's going to probably come up again this year, mainly because one of the executive orders that was issued by the Trump administration was another grand scale effort at reviewing all previous anti-semitic cases throughout all universities. Because any cases that relate to anti- semitism specifically are being looked at, and because that issue did

come up last year, there's a potential that it's going to come up again this year, throughout the investigation. The way that I look at this is basically, if it does come up, and the University of California, Santa Barbara is basically put under a microscope in regards to the anti-semitic issue, then there's a possibility that there will be a broader analysis of the school in general. So when I say that, I mean, like, if the government's looking at us because of something that happened last year in regards to anti-semitism, and they already are motivated to stop DEI, then they're probably going to conduct a more comprehensive analysis of the DEI initiatives that are occurring on campus. That's just, that's the way that I looked at it and what I have for you guys today.

#### Pinto

- Any questions?

#### Khorsandi

- I'm trying to understand the anti-semitism thing. Even though we are under the microscope, what do you think the federal government constitutes as anti-semitism at UCSB?

#### Speaker

Okay, let me give some context. Only universities that receive \$1 billion of funding or more are going to be the ones that come up under the federal government's immediate analysis. Basically they're prioritizing schools that receive \$1 billion of funding or more. UCSB, I believe, receives 137 million total from the federal government. However, the University of California, as a system completely, receives like \$13 billion. Now the idea here is that, and this is me doing a lot of a lot of connecting dots, where their things are very, very ambiguous, because the administration is being purposely ambiguous. They want as much leverage as possible so that they can just do things with as much power as possible, if you will. But basically, the way I look at it is the University of California is certainly going to come under review like they received \$13 billion of funding, like we're certainly going to come under review for DEI.. But because of the makeup of the UC system, I don't know if the grand entity, which operates its own DEI initiatives is going to be the sole entity that's investigated, or if the subentities of the university are going to be investigated as well, including UCSB, UCLA, UC Irvine, all of these various ones. Now because the Trump administration has leverage in the way that they investigate things, the way that I see it, and the way the connection that I'm making between the DEI policies and the anti- semitism issue is that if the University, which is unique in the in the argument of the anti-semitism realm because of what happened last year, is that we are going to come under specific federal investigation because of that thing in it and of itself. My thought process is that if the university comes under investigation specifically for that, then the Trump administration, in theory, might as well use full leverage while they're investigating us to then push for a DEI policy investigation initiative reform. That's the link that I'm trying to make. Now, of course, that's not stated anywhere. You know, they're not going to say that, but that's me digging and trying to understand what the Trump administration's most likely outcome of their investigative manuevers is.

### Pinto

- Thank you. We don't have time for more questions

## J-3) Standing Committee on Liaison -

(10:42PM)

Senator Suuck

- I only have three things, so I will be quick, but I do kind of need feedback. So first thing, the major thing my committee has been working on is pro staff relations, and we came to the idea that we need to have a meeting between Senate and pro staff. My idea and, I don't know if this is going to happen, it depends how busy I get week 9, but maybe Friday morning we have an event potentially chaired by me and Rosa, talking about communication between senate and pro staff. It would be a way for everyone to kind of get to know each other. It's not necessarily a mandatory thing. There would be food provided so people are motivated to come. That's kind of the time that I was told would work best for most people. If y'all think that's not good, let me know. I know Friday, sometimes people like to travel, or if week 9 is a problem as well, I'd like to hear about that. When talking to Marissa, we said that there should probably be a topic of the meeting, so we decided on communication as a topic for this quarter. If I get this done this quarter, next quarter, I want to do another kind of meeting in the same vein, at another time of the day, so pro staff that are off campus on Fridays could show up. So we have a bunch of new faces who can come and then have a new topic. So that's the plan right now.
- Other two things, I just want to relay a couple things that I've heard from Pro Staff. I was invited by Marissa to go, from I think it's 10 to 11:30 every other Tuesday, to a meeting with all the advisors, and I pulled up. If y'all want to pull up too, that'd be so fun. If you can't pull up, I'll probably be there in two weeks so if there's something you want me to say, I can say it for you. I know they really appreciate having some of us show up, it really shows that we care. Two things they mentioned to me that I also want to relate to the Senate. Number one is slack. I think we should probably make an effort to get back on Slack. I know it's been a challenge in the past, but if that's something that the Senate would consider, I think that would be good, because Slack is a more formative way of communication that I feel would be better for the association. But again, I understand there were issues in the past related to that. Recently, I found out I was not on the association Slack, and also recently found out a lot of y'all are not on the association Slack.

#### Pinto

None of us are.

Suuck

I'm going to send an email giving you all the links so you can join because it's a good way to communicate. It's faster than email, because you're just texting each other. A lot of folks definitely prefer Slack, so it's better to have formal communication on that platform, so watch out for my email on that. So that's another thing. Last thing, something I've heard come up is, and I'm guilty of doing this, I think we're all guilty of doing this, but last minute additions onto the agenda. We're all students and Tuesday night is usually when I wrap up my legislation, but I think we need to consider limiting the last minute additions onto the agenda. A lot of times it's presssing. A lot of times it's things that need to happen, at this time and I get that. I totally get that, but I think it's something we need to think about for the future in terms of transparency, in terms of relevant stakeholders, in terms of staff relationships as well. It's just something I've heard multiple times from multiple different groups. I've had BCUs that are upset, I've had pro staff that are upset. I've had students that are upset.

## Pinto

- I'm upset.

## Suuck

You're upset. I get it, but I think it's something you need to think about limiting.
I'm going to probably start piping up a little bit more. You might hear me be like,
"Hey, do we really need to do this, right now? Let's wait another week." Especially if it's a resolution because you're going to give an hour's notice and then pass it. I get it, because some of these resolutions are political issues that are happening currently and the political atmosphere is changing everyday as we speak. So I totally understand that, but just something to think about.

## Pinto

- I'd suggest scheduling the week 9 thing immediately. Reserve the date and then we can figure out logistics.

Suuck

- I'm going to reach out to Holly and Melissa so watch out for my emails. I'm going to try and make this happen. I've been lagging but I'm doing it. Watch out for my emails, if you don't come, I am going to be very sad.

Ganesh

- Has pro staff expressed wanting executives at their meeting or do they want the Senate?

Suuck

- I think they are open to both to be honest.

Ganesh

- Have you had this conversation with them?

Suuck

- I have not had that conversation.

Iden

- Make coffee donuts optional at 8am, everyone will go.

Suuck

- 8am?

Iden

- I feel like a lot of people are in the office then. What time are you in the office Marissa?

Marissa

- I have kids to drop off at school so I'm different.

Pinto

- I think 10am.

Suuck

- I was going to do 10am because I have class at 9am. If I'm chairing the meeting, I have to be there.

Iden

- I'm so guilty of the legislation. Let's edit the standing policies so we can avoid that. Pinto
  - I'm just not going to accept it anymore. I think it is so difficult to be chair because I love what you all have to say every time, so I am not going to leave it off the floor. I also think there is value in letting things marinate

Suuck

- The email chain today was like five things.

## J-4) Standing Committee on Advocacy -

## (10:50PM)

Senator Brinderson

- I sent you all a survey and if you live in IV I appreciate you filling it out
- It's about new program that Nelson from lobby corps touched on
- Voluntary inspection form on county website
- It doesn't get filled out because students don't know about it
- New program built on 3.7 million dollar pay that they started to plan last summer
- It's coming closer to completion
- They are on the language draftings stage
- Tyring to get as much input as possible
- Put a lot of blank spaces there
- If someone wants to ask her about toilets
- Questions about this program would be necessary
- Please fill out survey

## Ganesh

- To respond to the \$3.7 million payout, it was not build more houses, but to do this
- Was not building more houses, but doing this?

Brinderson

- Start on oceanside and then maybe the funding will run out before we get to oceanside
- 3.7million not big amount for county
- Good they are doing to inspect
- Don't know how you blow through 3.7 that fast

Iden

- I think that starting on ocean side,
- Just make it broad
- Every house is a shithole so make it broad

Pinto

- Not all, 67 is pretty cheap, varies, and also depends on the nepotism of it

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

K) Minutes and Allocations:

## To Be Approved

Back from recess Singh

- Thank you, chair. If everyone could open the minutes and allocations drive and scroll to CAB.
- Another one of their allocations for money is contradictory to financial policy and I have had conversations with the co-chair of CAB. They are okay with us overturning this and then they are going to make a new motion on Monday so they can make an exception for what they are requesting.

Pinto

Are you prosing we move the 2/17 2025 CAB minutes from the to be approved folder?

Singh

No, if we just open their minutes, and overturn the motion, everything else can be good to go. Under action items, in terms of funding subsection C, alternative breaks coordinators. The request of \$15,700 for food, supplies, hotels, and transportation is contradictory to our financial policy. This requires an exception from the Finance Committee and it hasn't been given yet. I've recommended the CAB chair to amend the motion and add the stipulation that the Finance Commitee grants an exception for transportation so that it aligns with our policy.

## Motion to open up the 2/17 CAB minutes.

*Singh- Ganesh Call to question: Butler Passed at 9:24PM.* 

Singh

- Can someone tell me the exact motion language to overturn?

Pinto

- It would be motion to overturn the motion

Iden

- Do we have the power to overturn the request ourselves?
- Can we edit this to say upon approval of the Finance and Business Committee itself?

Pinto

- It is my understanding that they are going to make the decision again at a future date after consultation with the Finance and Business Commitee chair.

Motion to overturn the motion to fully fund the alternative reeks coordinators \$15,700 for food and supplies, hotels, transportation, a social activity and emergency buffer for the Spring break volunteering trip request

*Singh - Amin Call to question: Wang Passed at 9:26PM* 

Singh

- Do we have to make a statement on why we are overturning this or can we just close the minutes?

Pinto

- We can write in our minutes its because its in breach of financial policy

Singh

- So we don't have to make a motion to enter the statement into the record? Pinto
  - I don't believe so

Motion to close 2/17 CAB minutes. Singh- Wang Called to question- Chaudhry Passed at 9:27PM

Iden

I was at an IEC meeting because their agenda and minutes were super sub par. I have noticed that for a lot of minutes they are like that. It does not show important information, there is no primary or secondary shown in motions, and there is just not a lot of information recorded. I wanted to get your guy's help on that.

Ganesh

- Do you want us to explain how to do minutes to BCUs?

Iden

I think it just needs to be explained what is required. Especially attendance, like I don't even know if they are meeting quorum or not, and they are passing \$10,000.
 I'd work with you as well on this. Senator Singh, if you have anything to add on this?

# Singh

- To add on, I've also seen chairs themselves make motions and actually vote on BCU business so I think that's a great idea.

Pinto

- To be clear, this exists within our training documents on the AS UCSB website so Senator Ganesh if you want to direct people to that.

### Ganesh

- I do have a doubt. I was the Liaison Chair for the elections board last year. Chair Hansen made it clear meetings were very informal last year. Chairs can keep it informal. I want to be clear that I am not coming down on their necks to follow Robert's Rules, but just to have them tell me the basics like who is present and who is not.
- Do you want to work with me?

Iden

- Yes

Motion to bundle and approve all minutes and allocations. Ganesh - Suuck Called to question- Wang Passed 9:30PM.

L) Discussion Items

Motion to enter a closed session discussing the 2025 Budget Hearings & Deliberations inviting all Senators, proxies, minute takers, Senate Leadership Staff, the IVP, the Executive Director, the Assistant Director for Governmental Affairs, and the Assistant Director for Community Engagement & Leadership. Siddiqui - Singh

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M) Appointments

Office of the External Vice President for Local Affairs (EVPLA)

Casey Carnow as **EVPLA Housing and Resident Coordinator** Alondra Jaregui as **UCIV Publications Director** 

## <u>UCIV</u>

Alondra Jaregui as UCIV Publications Director

<u>Senate Leadership Staff</u> Removal of Ashley Brazell as **First President Pro-Tempore Outreach & Media Coordinator**  Appointment of Oseinou Diagne as **First President Pro-Tempore Outreach & Media Coordinator** 

Resignation of Kamya Jackson as **Second President Pro-Tempore Constituent Services** Liaison

Sinderella Okwaraibekwe as Second President Pro-Tempore Constituent Services Liaison

<u>Global Gaucho Commission</u> Resignation of Allan Ai as **Cultural Awareness Advocate** Resignation of Sofia Cruz Barragan as **Special Projects Officer** 

<u>Office of the Controller</u> Resignation of Joseph Han as **Controller** 

<u>EVPSA</u> Mariana Rosillo as **Internal Head of Staff** 

<u>Rules and Administration Committee</u> Rya Bonavia as **COC Representative** 

<u>COSWB</u> Resignation of Hannah Whiteman as **Nutrition Coordinator**. Appointment of Sophia Rodriguez as **Nutrition Coordinator**.

**Elections Board** 

Appointment of Senator Dominic Wang as Senate Liaison

Motion to bundle and approve all appointments, resignations, and removals Butler- Martinez Called to question- Wahidullah Passed at 10:57PM

N) Remarks

O) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 11PM. Iden- Chaudhry Call to question- Amin Passed at 10:59PM.