

## MEETING MINUTES

### ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO

The Wednesday, February 12, 2020 meeting was held in the Price Center East Forum at 6:04 PM.

Roll was called.

**Public Input provided by** representative from CALPIRG on their funding system. They will be presenting a resolution on allowing student orgs to have waivable fees.

#### Reports of External News:

- **VP External Affairs Williams:** Application deadline soon.

One minute of BBC News.

#### Reports of Members:

- **Senator Kulkarni:** We collected feedback on homecoming event and metrics for HSI. Students felt like a mixer closer to the beach can allow engagement with alumni. They wanted it to be off campus. Regarding HSI, they wanted the funding to go back to the Hispanic community. To become a HSI, there should be centers that cater to the wide backgrounds part of that identity. UCAP decided to give the transfer space in the commuter lounge. We are not giving them the programming area. We are looking to create a temporary exemption on how many rooms they can reserve in university center. On Dirty Birds, the patio is mostly done and the goal is to open at the start of spring quarter.
- **Senator Giangtran:** Committee of EDI discussed the Intertribal Resource Center coming up with the language. It is not official, but the chancellor is gauging feedback on changing to a semester system.
- **FC Christensen:** On the undocumented student center, they came in for funding. They provide an immigration lawyer. We decided that this should be funded. We are frustrated that this is being pushed onto student fees again instead of university taking responsibility.
- **Assistant Director Weng:** An invitation went out for the Pantry's fifth birthday party. This is an open event so please circulate it.
- **President Grudin:** I will be going to Oakland to meet with the UC President. We will discuss system wide COLA, which is the Cost of Living Adjustment campaign. They are asking for money because the cost of living has gone up. That affects graduate students. The Council of Presidents are asking for a seat on Regents. We will discuss bonuses for faculty and admin. We are searching for a Regent from the Central Valley. There will be policing task force updates. We have a new Title 9 director, which is for the office of

OPHD. Stuff the Bus meeting happened. I met with the Judicial Board chair on updating J Board rules.

- **Senator Martinez:** Admissions Committee met today and discussed the SAT requirement for admissions. There's a lawsuit on economic disparities. Due to the lack of research, they recommended that it shouldn't be an option.
- **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso:** Eight College opening in 2023 is coming up with a theme. They are picking it in two weeks. For HSI, we haven't had student feedback on what a HSI should look like.
- **FC Christensen:** I have to fix things in the budget and reorder money around. If you are a senator that was hired late, reach out to me. If you are a senator that needs to order something that is mandated related, let me know. Senate has to vote on those things as a body. If free 4pm next Tuesday, my office has to do inventory.
- **Senator Kulkarni:** UCAP wants nighttime activation during finals week. PC can be another spot other than Geisel. People don't know that PC is open all the time during Finals week. We are doing programming from 9 pm to midnight for all finals week. We will do a light path from the library to PC so they can feel safe. They will be discounts on vendors.
- **President Grudin:** I am on the undergraduate council. One of the discussion items is SAT and ACT writing requirements for admission. We are talking about the DEI requirement.

#### **Reports of Senator Projects:**

- **Senator Lonc:** On my orientation project, I finally met with someone to show my survey results. She is on the Campus Wide Orientation committee.
- **Senator N. Lee:** Feb 26 9-3PM is winter collaborative office hours for my senator projects. We will focus on the mental health fee referendum and educating students.
- **Senator Manlutac:** Senator Hickman has new stickers. We can combine outreach if we all got stamp stickers and if students come back with those, they can get something.

**Special Presentation** by Director of Student Affairs on recreation. There was discussion on wellness neighborhoods, enrollment growth, the future Canyonview Aquatic and Recreation Center of Fall 2022, and increasing on campus student housing. The current RIMAC fee is \$95 each quarter for both grad and undergrad students. The current Canyonview fee is \$22 per quarter for both grad and undergrad. Fee flexibility is needed so they proposed different fees.

- **FC Christensen:** This doesn't increase what is charged to students except for CPI?
- **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso:** If this doesn't pass this year, is there a general timeline?

- **Director of Student Affairs:** We are looking at opportunities. If this fails, we have to look at other opportunities so the Main Gym. We want to go for options that don't increase how much students pay. We are limited by the language. Our long range plans are to have big community impacts. This is the time.
- **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso:** Have you been in contact with the office that is in charge with our construction to ensure there isn't too much congestion in one area?
- **Director of Student Affairs:** We are aware of construction fatigue, but we want to deal with the population growth. The trolley will finish before this is open so those will wind down as these wind up. We will keep the pools open during construction.
- **Senator Pandya:** Will the RIMAC fee ever decrease?
- **Director of Student Affairs:** It is 5 dollars every 5 years so about 1% a year. The inflation on that is below. It can go down.

**President Grudin initiated a straw poll** on supporting passing the language to UCOP, not supporting, and abstaining.

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Reordering back to **Report of Senator Projects:**

- **Senator Monroe:** We will do an event on potential student fees.

**Question Time:**

- **President Grudin asking FC Christensen:** Regarding the immigration lawyer, why is it falling on student fees to fund this because there is a requirement to have a lawyer.
- **FC Christensen:** The lawyer is part of the larger undocumented student center. We are looking at why they aren't providing this, but we also want to provide resources.
- **Senator Manlutac asking President Grudin:** Regarding the undergrad committee, what is the current requirement?
- **President Grudin:** I think there is a writing requirement.
- **President Grudina asking FC Christensen:** How many funding have they historically received and how much in the future?
- **FC Christensen:** In the past, they have been funded by temporary measures so never permanently. They are asking for a 672,000 dollar fund. They have plans on if DACA is repealed. This is the first time for full time funding.
- **President Grudin asking Senator Manlutac:** Will this answer your question? UC requires a SAT or ACT writing. We are the 9/11 institutions requiring this.
- **Senator Manlutac:** Yes.

### **Reports of Committee:**

- **FC Christensen on Finance Committee:** Item F1 tabled indefinitely.

No objections so the decision of the committee stands.

- **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso on Legislative Committee:** Item L3 tabled indefinitely.

No objections so the decision of the committee stands.

- **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso on Legislative Committee:** Item L1 was discharged to senate because this would be a good conversation.

**VP Campus Affairs Reynoso moved to enter a moderated caucus for ten minutes regarding item L1.**

**Senator Lu seconded.**

No objection so entering a moderated caucus of ten minutes.

- **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso:** This is the second year parking restriction. We saw both sides in committee. We should because policy is put in place no matter what. The con is the appeal process is undergoing changes so it isn't clear. Some felt we can't end something without having alternatives. My opinion is we can't have any actionable things we can do for this.
- **Senator Giangtran:** There aren't any alternatives and we can't explain to constituents.
- **President Grudin:** Transportation needs to put out an official statement to the public. They want us to put out a statement first to let students know students were engaged in this process. We do not have to pass this.
- **Senator Pandya:** I want to take a vote so each member can vote.

Exiting moderated caucus.

**Senator Huang moved to approve item L1.**

**Senator Pandya seconded.**

**FC Christensen objected.**

- **Senator Huang on motion:** Nobody said anything of not passing it and I wanted to save time.
- **FC Christensen on objection:** The language is the issue because it has no solution. We merged a good thing with something confusing.

- **President Grudin:** I want this to be tabled indefinitely because I want to change some of the language.

Roll call vote of 3-17-4 so motion fails and item L1 is not approved.

- **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso on Legislative Committee:** Item L2 was discharged to senate so we can discuss.

**Senator Huang moved to a moderated caucus of fifteen minutes on item L2.**

**Senator Walker seconded.**

No objections.

- **VP External Affairs Williams:** This is Prop 13. This will be on the ballot in March. It is supposed to allocate 15 billion to public schools. This is to help with infrastructure and safety.
- **FC Christensen:** Do you support this?
- **VP External Affairs Williams:** I support this. This affects K-12 schools, not just universities.
- **Senator Kulkarni:** A lot of people don't know what Prop 13 is so I think there are a lot of senators who don't know what it is either. We should discuss what that is.
- **VP External Affairs Williams:** GO bonds work by states taking out bonds from the general funds. State has to pay it back over time. Elections will state the pros and cons.
- **Senator Kulkarni:** The 15 billion is like a loan from the bank. The 2 billion to UCs, the UC won't be paying off this debt. The state of CA does that. They will pay back over 35 years. UCs have to submit a plan on more affordable housing. We should also ask for a copy of this plan if we support this. I also want progress over the years. Constituents felt we should be using some of this money for basic needs.
- **Senator Huang:** I feel like Senator Kulkarni complicated things. I see the government paying things back. The reports were a great point. On basic needs, I don't see the reason to allocate this to basic needs because this is designated for housing. CA gov is giving us money for basic needs this year.
- **FC Christensen:** These bonds have no stake on our end. It is CA's responsibility. This won't increase UCSD's debt and I also don't see why we should allocate to basic needs.
- **VP External Affairs Williams:** We are in a process of facing a tuition increase. They will vote during finals week. If this passes, it takes off a weight on the UC budget so we don't have to ask for money for facilities. If you are on the fence, keep that in mind that this is on the state.

- **Senator Lone:** We should recognize that the investment from the state of CA is for safety. Which direction will God tip? We should circulate the plan. We don't need to bring basic needs into this.

**Senator Kulkarni moved to extend time by seven minutes.**

**FC Christesen seconded.**

- **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso:** What is the deadline they want this to be approved by? What is UCSA's conversation surrounding this?
- **VP External Affairs Williams:** The deadline is the last full week of February. UCSA has tasked AVPs with submitting reports on Prop 13 and going back to senate to ask for an endorsement. We believe this will help in negotiations with the UC budget. On the plans, UCSA is looking into getting access to those so we know where the money goes to.
- **Senator Baysic:** As a CA citizen, it's like where you stand on the political spectrum. I would leave it to CA citizens to vote.
- **Senator Pandya:** There were concerns on AS backing a prop.
- **Assistant Director Weng:** You can pass this resolution. The decision to make is on things out of our locus of control. It goes to what you want to hold in a statement and the power of it.

Exiting moderated caucus.

**Senator Huang moved to approve item L2.**

**Senator Giangtran seconded.**

**Senator Kulkarni objected.**

- **Senator Kulkarni:** We should look at the language and get access to the plans.

Roll call vote of 21-2-1 so the motion passes and item L2 is approved.

**Unfinished Business:**

**VP External Affairs Williams moved to table unfinished business item 1 indefinitely.**

**Senator Kulkarni seconded.**

No objections.

**New Business:**

**Senator Kulkarni moved to enter discussion regarding an item.**

**Senator Walker seconded.**

No objections.

**Senator Kulkarni moved to enter discussion regarding the item for seven minutes.**

**Senator Walker seconded.**

No objections.

- **Senator Kulkarni:** UCAP wants PC to stay open during Finals week. Burger King is open 24 hours. A few vendors said they will have extended hours. There will be a Lofi study jam and other events. First 75 people get a study pack. Timeline is promoting in week 8. It will be from 9 to midnight, but PC is open 24 hours.
- **Senator McKeever:** The concern was it comes at the cost of student workers.
- **Senator Kulkarni:** The vendors with extended hours, we requested to staff non students because they have finals.
- **Senator Rasekh:** Are there areas for silent study?
- **Senator Kulkarni:** It is in the forum. It is the first 75 to check in.
- **Senator Walker:** What about sending it to RAs to publicize?
- **Senator Kulkarni:** That sounds great.
- **Senator Vij:** Would they be open to table sharing to make more space?
- **Senator Kulkarni:** I will bring that up.
- **Senator Lonc:** For the check in process, what are the justifications to have check in at all?
- **Senator Kulkarni:** We haven't got to the point of planning where we know the checking.

**Senator Huang moved to extend time by five point five minutes.**

**Senator Kulkarni seconded.**

No objections.

- **Senator Kulkarni:** It is not so much of standing at PC entrance it is more getting the study packs. I imagine once they run out they will just let people in. We want to see how many students come.
- **Senator Baysic:** To increase attendance, you can ask the vendors for discounts. For Rockstar ambassador, you can ask for that.
- **Senator Lu:** Is it possible to do self care or relief at the same time?
- **Senator Kulkarni:** It will be very likely if I bring it up. Is there a particular space you would like this at?
- **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso:** This is a good opportunity to partner up to let people know where spaces are full or crowded. Giesel reserves one of the rooms to have coloring and snacks. It can be in the Comunidad rooms.

- **Senator Kulkarni:** Will AS consider partnering to contribute basic needs?

Exiting moderated caucus.

#### **Open Forum:**

- **Senator Huang:** Me and Senator Lonc want to create a position of AVP of Marketing to create more ways of marketing like TikTok.

**Senator Huang moved to enter five minute moderated caucus.**

**Senator Lonc seconded.**

No objections.

- **Senator Huang:** Is anyone interested in that?
- **Senator Lonc:** Our social media presence is fragmented. Our Reddit account is a dud. We should create one AS account for different patterns to create coordination.
- **Senator Pandya:** I don't know if there is a need to create an AVP position for that.
- **President Grudin:** We have the AS graphic studio that is supposed to post. Instead of creating a position, we can try to better incorporate the graphic studio into AS. we should maximize resources we are already paying for.
- **Senator Vij:** To bring more attention to our instagram page, we can open it up to messages.

Exiting moderated caucus.

- **VP Campus Affairs Reynoso:** For Triton Dine we are having Italian food. First Monday of finals week. Please bring your own tupperware. Feb 18 is the Feedback Forum for campus construction. It is 4-5 in the Red Shoe Room. There is an AS Elections Mixer on Feb 27 from 4-5 pm in the Green Table Room.
- **Senator Walker:** Feb 20 is Warren Live. It is 8-11:30 pm.
- **President Grudin:** Senator project pitch is five minutes after this ends.
- **FC Christensen:** Go to Feedback Forum instead of counting things.
- **Senator Alsaied:** I know a website to help with jobs.

#### **Final Roll Call**

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.