

Cowell Senate Agenda 2/16/17 8:00PM

Cowell Conference Room

Minutes recorded by Hailey Nava

Senate Selectpersons: Nikki Santiago, Tyler Olson, William Walker, Alice Malmberg, John Angeles, Ava Mills, Liorah Goldsmith, Madison Hatfield, Sarah Alder, Nima Agah, Miguel Lepiz, Natan Lao, Rick Takeuchi (8:18pm), Vicente Lovelace (8:03), Keshav Kumar (8:38)

Guests, Presenters, & Prospective Members: Jessica Xu, Hailey Nava, Kaiena Conlon, Natasha Martinez, Brian Bankk, Andrea Ramirez, Vanessa Soria

I. Introduction

- a. introductions

II. Approval

- a. Agenda: Natan motions to approve this week's agenda; Miguel seconds; Vicente motions to add 5 min to SUA report; Tyler seconds; passes 12-0-4
- b. Minutes: Madison motions to approve last week's minutes; Tyler seconds; passes by consensus

III. Announcement

- a. Jessica reports that Academic Advising is having an open house event on 2/22/2017 in second floor of Student Union
- b. Alan Christy reports that the Eloise Pickard Smith Gallery will be hosting an event for Japanese-American history Day of Remembrance on Sunday, February 19th, 12pm-2pm. Tyler motions to add 2 min; Sarah seconds; passes by consensus.
- c. Nicki reports that on Saturday 2/18, the Filipino Student Association is holding an event from 2-5pm in the college 9/10 multipurpose room about the Filipino culture

IV. Treasury Report

- a. Prior: \$16,385
- b. Senate Programming: \$1,262
- c. General Assistance: \$2,026

V. Presentations

- a. UCSC Ballroom Dancing: Rebecca reports that on Sat 2/18, 10:00-11:30am, the Ballroom Dancing Club is having an event with a professional Latin dancer to teach students about ballroom dancing. Asking for \$170 to pay for private instructor
- b. Camp Kesem: Andrea & Vanessa - asking for \$500 to fund camp..Redwood Glen camp on August 6-11. Camp Kesem holds events/camps for children whose parents have/are suffering from illnesses such as cancer.
- c. FPC Film Festival: Film Production Coalition is an org on campus that teaches students how to make short films. At the end of every quarter, they hold a film festival; planned for March 18 @ Media Theater. Asking for \$150-200 to pay for projector use/access to equipment
- d. Teach for America: representative not present
- e. Council of Chairs-Mixer: Nima reports that Council of Chairs will be holding a mixer for all student senates to bond and discuss needs of student body. Event planned to be held in the Stevenson Event Center on March 2, town-hall style meeting. Former Santa Cruz council members there to mentor/help guide discussions. Asking for \$30 to feed attendees and fund event.

Nima also requests to cancel March 2nd meeting so senate members who would like to attend can do so.

VI. Discussion

- a. UCSC Ballroom dancing: Natan motions to fund fill out of GA; Nicki seconds; passes 9-0-6
- b. Camp Kesem: Rick says that the program is great and the money will be going towards a good cause. Nicki states that we should fully fund. Sarah motions to fully fund. Rick motions to suspend standing rule that caps funding at \$300; Natan seconds Rick's motion; Passes 12-0-5, funding cap suspended. Madison motions to add 5 min; Tyler seconds; passes by consensus. Natan motions to fully fund \$500 out of GA; Rick seconds. Kara points out that funding this event will cost $\frac{1}{4}$ of the available gen assistance balance. Discussion over reasons to fund this event. Tyler motions to add 2 min; Madison seconds; passes by majority. Vote to fully fund Camp Kesem \$500 out of general assistance passes (---)
- c. FPC Film Festival: reasonable funding request considering ITS charges \$150 for equipment rental. Nicki motions to fund \$150 out of GA; Madison seconds; passes 10-0-7.
- d. Council of Chairs-Mixer: Alice mentions that funding this event could come with a benefit to our senate through participation at mixer. Madison mentions that funding the event but not cancelling the meeting in order to have Cowell reps present at event would not be reasonable. Natan holds straw poll asking which reps would attend event. Natan motions to cancel meeting on March 2nd; Tyler seconds; passes 12-0-2 to cancel senate meeting on March 2nd. Natan motions to fund \$30 out of GA; Alice seconds; Tyler objects, states that funding should come out of senate programming. Tyler motions to change Natans motion to fund from Senate Programming instead of Gen. Assistance; Madison seconds; motion to fund \$30 from senate programming passes 14-0-3.

VII. Reports

- a. CPC:
 - Kara reports that next Wed. 2/22, there will be an Open Mic event in the Fireside Lounge @ 8pm
 - Feb 23, before the senate mtng, Porter Squiggle has a candlelight remembrance event for those who suffered from mental illnesses
 - 2 career workshops Stevenson fireside lounge: Tuesday - resume & cover page writing. Wednesday - interview workshop 4-5:30
 - leadership class is now GE eligible, available to leadership students next quarter
 - film festival raffle next week
 - natan reports that college night on 2/15 was successful
 - vicente reports that Co-Op was not open when it was supposed to be on mon 2/13 and friday 2/10; Kara suggests that Co-Op should be part of future senate discussion regarding senate participation or volunteers
 - Kara reports that SUA elections are coming up soon in the spring
- b. SFAC: Alice brought back answers and information about SFAC discussion last week:
 - SFAC did not vote on measure 8: most of the money in question is going towards paying SUA officers, and to keep up with inflation rates. Questions arising about funds due to previous events held without extra money
 - why SUA advisor paid out of SUA budget: SUA advisors are on SAO3 ranking, always has come out of budgets, and student orgs are supposed to pay advisor out of budget

- will most likely abstain or postpone vote on measure 8
- Keshav mentions that paying advisors shouldn't be a concern of students paying due to nature of association: student gov represents student body
- Athletics finances: NCAA div III, has been in budget crisis; election failed last year; athletics funded by chancellor; opinion poll on ballot this year similar to that of last years; \$5 -> \$45/student/quarter; financial contractor, UCSC alum hired to help OPERS budget crisis; if passes, fee will disappear in 2041; rate will make athletics self-sustainable in 25 yr
- Feedback from Senate is needed for concerns regarding favorable support of fee implementation; SFAC should be reviewing proposals friday 2/17
- straw poll held for senate's opinion on whether SFAC should show support for fee, not support, or abstain from discussion
- if student members want representative to answer more questions regarding measure 8, they should contact Alice
- c. SOFA/SUA: internship salaries close to \$6000 (nature of work, min wage) those with complaints should contact Vicente), internship applications remain unread by president
 - Dear World funded by Cowell (?)
 - Teach for america came to SUA meeting to discuss nature of program
 - title ix hearings / discussion
 - SUA programs: 2017 pop-up concert costs \$19000, in works
 - SFSH program wants to be brought back due to lack of success in past; Tues., Feb 28, in the Oakes Learning Center 6-7:30 to discuss recent events and policies
 - desire to increase number of events regarding sexual harassment
 - ICE raids: series of raids on tues to detain gang members as a result of 5 yr investigation, however undocumented immigrants were illegally detained as well. Investigative report started regarding incidences of undocumented citizens detained/unlawfully searches and seizures // discussion on whether city can be held accountable for unlawful raids // Keshav reports that city council had no idea about unlawful raids and motions are being made to ensure that ICE no longer has secret involvement in Santa cruz; Vicente reports that the university could possibly lose federal funding if we are an official sanctuary campus // natan motions to add 2min; Tyler seconds; motion passes by consensus; Natan motions for 61 seconds to be added; Tyler seconds, motion does not pass.
- d. SCOC: Keshav reports that a new SFAC rep was chosen, top 2 individuals of 3 applicants are being interviewed soon in order for decision to be made
 - sister college event being held on march 5
- e. Academic Senate: Natan reports that a forum was held in regards to general student success: "slug success", from education advocacy board, utilizes data to identify academically at risk students, centralized student leadership for student success; in testing stage, going to cost \$175000. Student success analyzed in regards to race, major, etc.
- f. Entertainment Co-Op: representative not present

VIII. Committees

- a. Historian: Madison reports that cameras were labeled. A PA requested historian presence at an upcoming college night.
- b. Library: Rick reports that the letter was printed and sent to Carolyn Golz & Provost Christy

- c. Budget: due to scheduling conflicts, meetings have not been held yet
- d. Constitutional Review: first meeting could not be held today due to no participants showing up
- e. Gift Committee Formation: new standing committee to be formed in order to find ways to use cowell funding to make cowell a better place; Keshav suggest tower viewers; Sara nominates Ava as head chair of committee; *sass*; vote to elect Ava as chair of committee passes
 - gift suggestions: white boards for lounges, tower viewers, smartboards, safe chalk,

IX. Final Business

- a. Apparel Update: Nima reports that he still needs to contact apparel company

Tyler motions to adjourn meeting; Miguel seconds; meeting adjourned 10:07pm