

**Cowell Senate 2/23/17 8:00PM**

**Cowell Conference Room**

**Minutes recorded by Hailey Nava**

**Guests, Presenters, Prospective Members:** Jaskiron Kaur, Abrielle P., William S., Jane Loughboro, Angela Diong

**Senate Selectpersons:** William Garvey, Ava Mills, Israel Lepiz, Meg Spaulding, Trevor O’Hickey, Oliver Mulcaly, Gavin Shaw, Madison Hatfield, Vicente Lovelace, Hailey Nava, Jose Cadenas, Francis Cyr, Nima Agah, Ryan Cormack, Bradley deMoll, William Walker, Bryna Haugen, Keshav Kumar, Kaiena Conlon, Natan Lao (9:22pm)

**I. Introduction**

- a. introductions

**II. Approval**

- a. Agenda: Madison motions to approve the agenda; Meg seconds; passes by consensus
- b. Nima motions to extend agenda for discussions on cont. Review committee and entertainment co-op
- c. Minutes: Gavin motions to approve last week’s minutes; Will seconds; passes by consensus

**III. Announcements**

- a. Banquet for SUA (?) on 2/25/2017 in the evening
- b. Ava reports that there is a Film festival being held on 2/24 downtown, \$18 per ticket
- c. Cara reported that the West Fest Music Festival: day 1 on Friday 2/24 @ Rachel Carson College quarry 4-8pm

**IV. Treasury Report**

- a. GA: \$1206
- b. Senate programming: \$1232
- c. Prior: \$16385

**V. Presentations**

- a. SUA Constitutional Amendment: amendments must be presented on spring ballot and get a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote by the SUA or  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the college senate’s approval - Language Changes, officer openings, removing outdated/not needed committees from constitution.
- b. Campus Clean-up: Zero Waste by 2020 campaign team - Asking for funding for Annual campus cleanup being held on May 6th from 10:30-1pm; budget is about \$2000 - asking each college for \$200
  - i. Gavin motions to add 4 mins; Jose seconds; motion falls
- c. Kresge Pride: Bradley motions to amend agenda to discuss Acapella instead of Kresge pride; Madison seconds; passes 15-0-2
- d. Acquire a Capella: “Acquirefest”, asking for funding to rent Stevenson Event Center & rent equipment. Budget is \$1030, renting center is \$500, tech crew is \$15/hour. students free admission, non-student attendees pay \$5. Asking for \$300.
- e. Monterey Bay Internships: Website presenting opportunities for students to obtain part/full time paid/unpaid summer internships in their field of interest.
- f. Holi Festival: Indian Student Association holding 4th annual Holi Festival at the

beginning of Spring quarter/ Asking for \$300 for cost of flyers, which are about \$.10 each (ordering 3000)

## **VI. Discussion**

- a.** SUA Amendment: No reason to not sponsor event considering no money is involved and SUA is an important part of campus life, we are no longer paying dues for USSA; changes should be made. Francis motions for Cowell to sponsor proposed SUA amendments to be placed on the Spring ballot; Bryna seconds; passes by consensus.
- b.** Campus Clean-up: Vicente suggests that a low fund is awarded considering the current low amount of our general assistance account. Bryna suggests that we use the money for other matters considering t-shirt money is usually a waste due to usual lack of use by participants. Vicente motions to hold a straw poll starting at \$200 and going down by increments of 50. Bryna suggests that we pay a low amount of \$50 with a stipulation that the money gets spent on expenses other than tshirts. Bradley mentions that the stipulation is not possible. Vicente motions to fund campus cleanup event \$50 out of Gen Assistance with a stipulation that it can only be spent on food and not tshirts; Francis seconds; motion passes 16-1-3 with stipulations
- c.** Acquire Acapella: Bradley mentions that next discussion involves big event that will definitely want to be funded by senate. Vicente motions to fund \$150; Keshav seconds; passes 14-4-3
- d.** Holi Festival: Gavin mentions that events such as this one are very good for connecting students on campus and for promoting the club. The event is known for being fun and vibrant, Senate should fund them to be a part of this event. Madison motions to fund \$300 out of general assistance; Keshav seconds; passes 19-0-2.

## **VII. Reports**

- a.** CPC
  - Kara reports that the library committee is waiting on a response from Alan Christy and Carolyn Golz on library updates, considering issues with the other buildings/uneven pavement in the Cowell courtyard need to be prioritized.
  - Dear World campaign is in the works
  - Cowell college night talent show on March 9
- b.** SFAC: Alice sent SFAC report via email to senate.
- c.** SOFA/SUA:
  - Meeting held: NCAA referendum discussed (Athletic fees, lights, division ii status), forum with the Police; more to come.
  - Tamara got an itemized budget for food pantry. SUA EDM concert featuring Khalid; budget \$19000, Khalid concert on Saturday April 29th
  - Title IX and better support for survivors
  - Intern payment concerns
  - Title IX case payments to student made, progress on supplement currently happening.
  - CARE offices available for student support
- d.** SCOC:
  - College 10 has new representative after 3 wk opening
  - Sister college event on March 5 @ OPERS
- e.** Academic Senate: Natan not present on time to represent Academic Senate.
- f.** E-Co-Op:

- very low student participation. Senate discussion: PR is an issue, co-op not open often during scheduled hours. Very little effort to publicly advertise co-op (tabling)
- Natan mentions that volunteers are available if staffing is an issue for the co-op. Francis motions to add 5mins to discussion; Gavin seconds; passes by consensus.
- Nicki suggest that liquidation of DVDs is a plausible move considering they are not being rented or used and co-op seems to be a drag in general, Izzy agrees.
- Madison mentions that Senate needs to come together as volunteers to put effort towards helping Izzy out with the co-op.
- Kara reports that co-op is about 10 years old and may be outdated; Natan motions to add 44 seconds, motion falls. Gavin motions to add 3 mins; Vicente seconds; passes by consensus.

### **VIII. Committees**

#### **a. Historian:**

- Madison reports that committee wants feedback to the senate regarding what they want from the committee and what changes to the historian committee roles they want to see.
- Facebook group is open, suggestions being taken.

#### **b. Library:**

- Rick reports that there is no formal response to the letter, so no progress can be made until further notice.

#### **c. Budget: representative not present.**

#### **d. Constitutional Review:**

- Nima reports that an error was made during the election of a secretary, feedback from the senate members taken regarding what to do about flawed secretary position. Will reports that the constitution roles were updated for the select-persons and parliamentarian; considering altering to proxy-system.

#### **e. Gift Committee:**

- Ava passed around a sign-up sheet for the committee. Meetings TBA

### **IX. Final Business**

- a. Apparel:** email with photos, order form, and pricing will be sent out to senate. Options are windbreakers, crewnecks, and quarter-zips.

Nima motions to adjourn meeting, Madison seconds; meeting adjourned 9:58.