

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION
COUNCIL

Tuesday May 17, 2005
417 Kerckhoff Hall
9:30 p.m.
Incoming Council

PRESENT: Biniek, Doan, Hawkins, Kaisey, Kaminsky, Malik, McLaren, Neesby, Nelson, Pham, Sargent, Smeets, Vardner, Williams, Wood, Zai

ABSENT: Sassounian

GUESTS: Samahang Pilipino, Tommy Tseng, Nikhil Chawla, Lauren Miller, Jacob Morrow, Nick Batter, Morgan Miller, Shaun Doria, Tyson Evans, Narges Zohoury, Elizabeth Vega, Joline Price, Jimmy Hernandez, Leonid Pustilnikov, Andy Green, Steven Ly

I. A. Call to Order

- Wood called the meeting to order.

B. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

Corella passed around the Attendance Sheet

II. Approval of the Agenda

- Vardner moved and Neesby seconded to approve the Agenda.
- Biniek called for Acclamation. Wood asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the Agenda was approved by Acclamation.

III. Approval of the Minutes

There were no minutes this week

IV. Special Presentations

ECP Task Force Updates

- Tseng said that he wanted to give the incoming Council Members a full report on the work the ECP Task Force had done so that they would be fully informed on the issue. Tseng said that the research findings of ECP were taken directly from the university's information depository. He said that ECP was part of a bigger plan to get UCLA to accept 4,100 additional students who were full-time equivalent (FTE) by the year 2011. Tseng said that in response to this request, the college developed a plan for enrollment growth. He said that this included improving time to degree, expanding summer sessions, balancing upper and lower division class ratio, and increasing undergraduate majors. Tseng said that the significance of ECP lies in the fact that, as of today, the college has already reached its growth target. He said that the fact that the UC fees have increased by 60% should also be factored into this. Tseng said that ECP had been created in 2001 in order to increase student workload and decrease time to degree. However, he said that the Administrators themselves, according to a report from Judith Smith, acknowledge that the increase in graduation rates may not be due to ECP. Tseng said that there is actually very little evidence that ECP is at all effective. He said that Judith Smith also admitted that it is difficult to say that ECP or re-uniting the lower division courses has had any effect at all. Tseng said that, according to several

major findings, ECP was not really necessary. He said that ECP was implemented after years of significant increases in graduation rates, after years of significant decreases in time-to-degree, and after years of significant increases in FTE students. Tseng said that even with all this, the Administration has produced zero documentation indicating increased revenues for UCLA because of ECP. Tseng then went over some of the key terms that he was using in the presentation and defined them in case the new Council Members were unfamiliar with them. Tseng then showed a positive correlation between the average number of quarters taken to graduate and the average number of quarters students register for. He showed where ECP was implemented, and pointed out that there was no change in the correlation as a result of the implementation of ECP. Tseng showed a similar graph applying only to freshmen and their first year at UCLA. Tseng then showed a graph which indicated that FTE was already increasing before the implementation of ECP, and that there was no substantial change as a result of the implementation of ECP. Tseng reiterated that the College has garnered no increased revenue as a result of ECP. He said that the University does get extra money for each FTE student but, since ECP has not increased that income, there is no more additional revenue because of ECP.

- Neesby asked if there was a cap for FTE.
- Tseng said that he thought it was around 25,000. Tseng then moved on to the ECP survey that the 2004-2005 Council had conducted. He said that the methodology of the ECP survey had been closely monitored and guided by Judith Richlin-Klonsky, Ph.D. Tseng said that the Institutional Review Board, responsible for monitoring all surveys and experiments at UCLA, also approved the methodology. He said that the Student Affairs Information and Research Office (SAIRO) had also approved the survey instrument. Tseng said that ECP has negatively affected the student body by decreasing the quality of life for many students, decreasing the quality of education, and accentuating the hardships already existing for underrepresented communities at UCLA. Tseng said that 48% of the survey respondents reported that it was “difficult” to meet ECP requirements and 12% indicated that it was “very difficult.” Furthermore, he said that 19% reported a significant negative effect on their personal life, and 20% reported a significant effect on the quality of their extracurricular life. Tseng said that 66% of respondents reported that ECP had impacted their academic quality of life, and the data seemed to point to a possible effect of ECP on students’ willingness to take an intellectual risk or pursue a new academic interest. Tseng also told council about the fact that ECP accentuates hardships for underrepresented communities at UCLA. He said that the most affected groups were African Americans and Native Americans, who were also some of the most underrepresented groups at UCLA. Tseng said that there was also a negative correlation between family income and likelihood of being affected by ECP. He said that, on a related note, there was a positive correlation between the number of hours students worked and how likely they were to be affected by ECP. Tseng said that an average student works about 16 to 20 hours each week.
- Tuttle asked if “Subject to Dismissal” (STD) meant that students were about to be expelled.
- Tseng said he thought that it meant students had one more quarter to get their grades up.
- Tuttle said that, when he was in college, it used to be very serious. He said if that was still the case, then this was very important data.
- Wood said that “Subject to Dismissal” for ECP was different from Academic STD. She said that ECP STD was essentially the second phase of probation. Wood said that the students represented in this data were subject to dismissal at the time of the survey, although the number that actually were dismissed was lower than suggested here.
- Tseng said that nobody was pretending that ECP was causing a huge retention problem; rather it was just lowering the quality of life and education at the university.
- Vardner asked how many people were on ECP STD.
- Tseng said that he wasn’t certain, but would get that information for Vardner.
- Wood said that there were about 4,000 students who responded to the survey.

- Tseng said that he thought the percentage could be multiplied by the number of students at UCLA.
- Neesby said that he thought he would be more likely to fill out a survey if he was directly affected, so he asked Tseng if he had any numbers from the Administration.
- Tseng said that they did have these numbers. Tseng then continued with the presentation, saying that ECP caused academic confusion, and that there were not adequate counseling services. He said that, overall, students said that the counseling services ranked as “less than 50% effective.” Tseng said that the University calls ECP a “counseling tool” to encourage students to get counseling but, according to the survey results, this does not seem to be happening. Tseng then told Council that the ECP Task Force had some recommendations for the Academic Senate. First, he said that they wanted the minimum progress policy to require students to take 13 units per quarter or 39 units per year. Second, he said that they wanted the Academic Senate to expand re-uniting to 4-unit upper division classes to better reflect workload. Lastly, he said that they wanted the college to increase availability and accessibility of educational materials and counseling regarding ECP.
- Neesby asked if Tseng was proposing new checks to be added.
- Tseng said that he was not sure yet how many checks would be in place. He said that they were still trying to work that out.
- Wood said that the checks would probably be on a yearly basis.
- Tseng said that they wanted to modify the unit requirement to uphold the University of California’s commitment to improve graduation rates and time-to-degree.
- Tuttle asked if ECP Probation was reflected on graduating seniors’ transcripts.
- Tseng said that it was not. Tseng said that they also wanted to increase counseling and education about the policy. He said that they wanted to increase communication to students about their ECP status and also to make Peer Counselors more conscious of ECP. Tseng said that his presentation thus far was about what had been done, and said he now wanted to talk about what would be happening in the coming year. He said that the Academic Senate consisted of the Faculty Executive Committee, the Undergraduate Council, and the Faculty Members. Tseng said that he had worked with many Administrators already on this issue and said that he would be meeting with even more Administrators in the next two weeks. He said that there would be an Action Agenda Item in the coming weeks asking Council to support the overturn of ECP. Tseng said that, in the remainder of the year, their proposal would need to be submitted to the Faculty Executive Committee and that Council would then need to lobby them to carry out Council’s proposition to overturn ECP.
- Neesby said that Academic Affairs Commissioner Michelle Sassounian, who was absent tonight because she was in New York with the Model U.N., would probably appreciate receiving all this information from Tseng when she returned to Los Angeles.
- Vardner said that he didn’t think everyone was on the All-USA email list yet, and asked that the information be sent to everyone’s personal email addresses.
- Neesby asked if the survey could have been taken more than once.
- Tseng said that it could have, but that the change to the data would have been negligible.
- Doan asked if Tseng would be working with AAC, or if this would become an autonomous project.
- Tseng said he would continue to work with AAC.
- Wood invited the new Council Members to come to the ECP Task Force meetings so they could get more involved in the issue. She said that Tseng’s presentation on behalf of the Task Force laid the groundwork for the incoming Council Members to carry on the important work that has been done by the outgoing Council Members.
- Vardner asked if he could still be added to the Officer and Member Reports.
- Wood apologized for not remembering to ask at the beginning of the meeting whether there were any amendments or additions to the Agenda, and said that she would was, therefore, reopening the Agenda for any additions or amendments that Council wanted to make.

- Hawkins asked to be added to the Officer and Member Reports.
- Neesby moved and Hawkins seconded to approve the Agenda, as amended.
- Neesby called for Acclamation. Wood asked if there were any objections to the call for Acclamation. There being none, the Agenda was approved, as amended, by Acclamation.

V. Appointments

Approval of Appointment Review Committee Members

- Wood explained that there was an Appointments Review Committee (ARC) that interviewed all of the nominees the USAC President forwarded to them for appointment to various campus-wide committees. She said that, after ARC meets with each nominee, they will submit their recommendations to Council, after which Council will vote on whether to approve the President's nominees. Wood said that the ARC has four members: the Internal Vice President is the designated Chairperson of ARC; two additional members of Council are designated by the President to serve on the ARC, and that the Finance Committee Chairperson always serves on the ARC as well. Regarding the two Council Members designated by the President, Wood said that a precedent had been set in the past to have the EVP fill one of those slots. Accordingly, Wood said that she was designating Jeannie Biniek as one of her two designees. She then said she was designating Tracy Pham to the second slot, based on her personal knowledge of Pham's qualities and commitment.
 - Sargent asked if other Council Members could attend the ARC meetings but not vote.
 - Wood said that they could.
 - Doan said, as Chair of the ARC, that she would be available in the Summer, and asked if the two designated Council Members would also be available then.
- Pham and Biniek said that they would.*
- Neesby moved and Malik seconded to approve the Appointment of Tracy Pham to the Appointments Review Committee.
 - Council voted to approve the Appointment of Tracy Pham to the Appointments Review Committee with a vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.
 - Hawkins moved and Neesby seconded to approve the Appointment of Jeannie Biniek to the Appointments Review Committee.
 - Council voted to approve the Appointment of Jeannie Biniek to the Appointments Review Committee with a vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstentions.

VI. Fund Allocations

There were no Contingency Fund Allocation Recommendations this week.

VII. Officer and Member Reports

Facilities Commissioner – Joe Vardner

- Vardner said that he had spoken with AVC Bob Naples, and had learned that approximately half of the newly -elected Council Members had not been invited to the Chancellor's Reception this coming Thursday. He told Council Members who had not received an invitation to let him know so he could ask that their names be added to the Guest List.
- Neesby asked when the ECP Task Force holds its meetings.
- Wood said that they meet on Thursdays from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
- Vardner said that he would be working with Events Services to promote activities at their Activities Fair. He said that nobody ever got anything out of this in the past, and asked Council for any suggestions on how to improve this outreach. Vardner said that he also wanted to get the Office Space Allocation Committee appointed immediately so they could begin to rectify the problem of non-existent groups having offices in Kerckhoff Hall and new groups having none.

- Tuttle asked if the recommendations made by OSAC had to be approved by council.
- Wood said that they did.

Cultural Affairs Commissioner – Todd Hawkins

- Hawkins said that Jazz Reggae Festival was coming up on Memorial Day Weekend. He said that he would be passing around flyers, and said that there were posters available at the CAC office. Hawkins said that they were asking for people to volunteer for at least four hours.

Chancellor’s Representative – Berky Nelson

- Nelson said that he had mentioned the Judicial Board during the meeting of the Outgoing Council earlier this evening, but would defer further comment on this subject until next week’s meeting.

External Vice President – Jeannie Biniek

From Jeannie Biniek’s Weekly Report to Council:

California Affairs

- Yesterday, members of the UC Regents Committee on Investments met at the James West Alumni Center. Several students spoke during the public comment period, including members of the Darfur Action Committee on the UC’s investments in Sudan; GSA officers and Public Policy students spoke about the increase in professional school fees; Tommy Tseng spoke on funding for the UC Labor Centers; and Jenny Wood and Jeannie spoke on increasing institutional financial aid. Each of these individuals/groups also plan to address the Regents again during the meeting of the full Board at UC San Francisco next week.
- UCSA’s campaign to restore Return to Aid to 33% is gaining support from legislators across the state. Speaker of the Assembly, Fabian Nuñez, has signed a letter of support for an amendment to the UC budget that would put \$6 million dollars into the financial aid pool. Each UC campus has also met with their local legislators and UCSA has secured letters of support from several of them. We are continuing to follow-up with legislators and should have additional letters of support by the end of the week. The May Revise was released by the Governor on Friday, May 13th. There are no changes from the January proposal with respect to student fees, institutional financial aid, enrollment growth, academic preparation programs, and Labor Centers. The only significant augmentations are \$750,000 for the UC to establish the first phase of the new Science and Math Teacher Initiative, and \$15.7 million associated with revised estimates of the number of Cal Grant Entitlement awards.

National Affairs

- USSA will be holding the bi-monthly meeting of their Board of Directors at UC Berkeley this coming weekend. Kian Boloori will be representing UCLA. The agenda for the meeting includes planning of the annual National Student Congress, legislative updates and mobilization plan, as well as discussion of the 2005-2006 budget.

Upcoming Travel

- May 24-26: Lawrence Farry and I will be attending the UCLA Government and Community Relations office annual Washington, DC trip. The focus of our lobbying this year will be on research funding to the University by the Federal Government.
- May 24-26: Representatives from the EVP office, as well as other student organizations, will be attending the UC Regents meeting at UC San Francisco.

Internal Vice President – Kristina Doan

- Doan said that the Unofficial Guide was progressing very well, with drafts of many chapters already being submitted. She said that she was looking for a new head editor, since she could no longer do the job. Doan said that she would be meeting with the Communications Board periodically about the Unofficial Guide because it is a sensitive project. She said that the website would hopefully be up by Fall Quarter. Doan said that OCHC wanted to continue to have joint meetings with USAC and, as soon as they had their meeting, OCHC's President would be in touch about good times to do this. Doan also said that several groups had contacted her about how to get Base Budget funding, and told council that Student Government Accounting has information about all this for the people that had contacted her.

President – Jenny Wood

From Jenny Wood's Weekly Report to Council:

- 1) UC Regents Investment Committee Meeting
 - a. Attended this meeting yesterday
 - b. Spoke to Regents regarding Return to Aid Campaign and encouraged them to restore \$6 million to financial aid, its traditional value of 33% as opposed to 25% for student union.
- 2) Summer in the Union
 - a. Student Organization Tabling Fair and BBQ
 - i. USAC will be highlighted along with UCLA Media and other ASUCLA entities at a special table
 - ii. New postcard handout, with letter from USAC encouraging students to get involved in their offices and in the USAC President's Internship Program.
 - iii. We're looking to put on performances throughout the BBQ, CAC has already volunteered. Anyone else interested?
 - iv. We will also be making short presentations about USAC throughout the BBQ and giving out free drawing prizes (free t-shirts, coupons, Macintosh discounts, etc)
 - v. There will be a computer at the table so that students who are interested in getting involved with USAC can sign up to indicate their interest.
 - vi. Offices are still welcome to table independently at these fairs as well, but each office must turn in an application.
 - b. Karen Noh will look into having CEC movie sneaks worked into the Orientation agenda .
 - c. Orientation Tours
 - i. Will include stop in Kerckhoff Art Gallery with displays from each office and opportunity to sign up to get involved or take applications
 - ii. ASUCLA Student Union Ops are hiring Tour Guides. Applications available if interested. Pays \$8.25 an hour!
- 3) Programming Workshops will be held in conjunction with ASUCLA during 0 week, beginning of the year
 - a. Building off of idea of Comprehensive Programming Workshop to help students with programming basics at the beginning of the year. Past topics have included funding options, corporate sponsorship, ASUCLA and UCLA Event Services, outstanding publicity, etc.
 - b. If you have any ideas about new helpful topics, please contact me
- 4) Chancellor's Reception at Chancellor's Residence
 - a. This Thursday 4-6pm
 - b. Everyone is invited and your invitations are in your mailboxes
- 5) Gen Rep's Office Presents the 2004-2005 USAC Banquet
 - a. 7pm on Wednesday, June 1st in Kerckhoff Grand Salon
 - b. This will be a celebration of this year's USAC victories and a time to recognize staff members

- c. You will be receiving an invitation at the next USAC meeting
- d. Please mark your calendars! ☺
- 6) Presidential Appointment applications will be available tomorrow outside the President's Office
 - a. Please encourage folks to apply! I will email the application out with descriptions of the committees
 - b. Applications are due June 1st by 5:00pm
 - c. First round of appointments will occur at the June 7th meeting – hopefully the ARC can review the applications in time to meet this schedule.
- Vardner asked how many appointments Wood wanted to have made by June 7th.
- Wood said that she would forward appointments as she got them.
- Hawkins asked if there would be any ads to let students know about the appointments
- Wood said that there would be/
- Pham asked when “Summer in the Union” would be held.
- Wood said that there were 17 different dates, and that she would email them to everyone.
- Doan asked if the Kerckhoff tours required someone to be present at the Kerckhoff Art Gallery to speak.
- Wood said that there did not need to be, but that it would certainly be nice.

VIII. Old Business

There was no Old Business this week.

IX. New Business

A. Discussion of Plans for USAC Installation Ceremony

- Wood said that, after speaking with other Council Members, most of the requests for the Installation Ceremony date were for Saturday June 4th, so that would be when the event would be held. She said that some members of the Outgoing Council had requested that the program begin around 10:00 a.m. Wood said that it should last for a couple of hours, with a luncheon reception held immediately following the ceremony.
- McLaren said that the length of the program would be dependent on how long the outgoing Council Members speak.
- Zai said that her family could come only on June 12th. Based on that, she said she recommended sticking with June 4th.
- McLaren asked if the suggested time of 10:00am affected people's availability.
- Wood then asked if more people could be able to attend if it were held in the afternoon or the evening.
- Zai said that she could come if it were held in the evening.
- Pham said that she couldn't come in the evening.
- Wood asked about the 11th or 12th, in the evening or in the morning.
- Several Council members indicated that those options didn't work either.*
- Wood said that, based on this discussion, she was deciding to stick with Saturday, June 4th, at 10:00 a.m., in the Kerckhoff Grand Salon.
- Kaminsky asked if there would be a follow-up email about this.
- Wood said that there would be.

B. Discussion of Date and Place for USAC Retreat

- Wood said that, last year, council had set up a committee to find a location for the USAC retreat.
- Hawkins said that he would like to help on that committee.
- Doan said that she would also like to be on the planning committee.
- Wood said that it looked like many Council Members would be gone in July, and that two people would be gone in August. She said that she was still waiting for some other

information, and she suggested that Council not decide on a Retreat date until after she received that information.

- Vardner said that July was probably full and August was bad, and thus suggested that the decision be made to have the retreat sooner rather than later; perhaps in late June rather than in September.
- Wood said that she agreed that the sooner the better.
- Zai said that Summer Session Finals would be given the first week in August.

C. Discussion of Student Advisory Council (SAC)

- Wood said that there had been a lot of discussion on improving representation on USAC. She said that one idea she and Tseng had discussed was to create a Student Advisory Council (SAC). Wood said that she wanted to get feedback on this idea from everyone on Council within the next two weeks. She said that the SAC would be comprised of one person from every organization on campus that was officially registered with CSP. Wood said that, as long as an organization remained active, they could maintain a representative on the SAC. She read off the 7 purposes and objectives of the Student Advisory Council, and then outlined the 5 requirements concerning the composition of the SAC and eligibility to sit on the SAC. Wood said that the USAC President would chair the SAC, aided by an elected chair from the council of representatives. She also outlined the 4 requirements that needed to be met in order to hold a meeting.
- Nelson said that, given the number of registered student organizations, there was the possibility that the Student Advisory Council could be as large as 800 representatives.
- Wood said she realized that. She then directed Council's attention to a Representation Enhancement Amendment proposed to Article III of the USAC Bylaws. Wood explained that a good deal of text would be added in the Bylaws under Article III, Section A. 3. She read aloud the proposed changes and then showed Council a proposed agenda for the SAC meetings. Wood said that the Agenda would include Approval of the Agenda, Approval of Previous Policy Recommendations, USAC Officer Reports, a Presentation of Breakout Topics, Issue-Specific Breakout Discussions, Policy Recommendation Reports, Student Organization and USAC Collective Calendar, the Agenda for the next meeting, and Announcements. Wood said that the meetings would be fairly lengthy, but also very important.
- Doan said she knew that, even with substantive policy issues such as ECP, the Task Force had problems recruiting student organizations. She asked how Wood intended to get groups interested.
- Wood said that they would have to gauge interest.
- Doan also said that the requirement for a 2/3 quorum might be high, because many groups might sign up and then not come to the meetings.
- Tuttle asked who would set the Agenda.
- Wood said that the agenda for each upcoming meeting would be set by the representatives at the close of each meeting.
- Neesby said that, looking beyond Section B to the duties of the IVP, it seemed that she was responsible for relations to student groups. He suggested extending the Bylaw changes to incorporating the IVP. Neesby also said that, since this would be an advisory body there might not be need for quorum.
- Wood said she thought that quorum was important if recommendations were to come from this body.
- Vardner said that the Bylaws had a lot of references to the responsibilities of the IVP, and recommended that they look at the Bylaws more closely. Vardner said that this was another reason why it would be good to appoint the members of the Constitutional Review Committee sooner rather than later.
- Nelson advised caution in use of the word "Quorum." He said that the number of registered groups was increasing every day. Nelson said that the SAC might start out with 500 groups, but could increase to 600 in no time at all. He said that this would change the number for Quorum constantly.

- Biniek said that she liked this idea because of how hard it was to disseminate information from USAC down to the student groups on campus. She said that this would also allow students to give input to council and influence their actions here on campus.
- Vardner said that he was also curious how representative this would be of student groups, since so many groups were made up of less than 5 people. He said that it might be hard for groups this small to send representatives to the SAC.
- Wood said that she understood that, but said she thought groups might appreciate the opportunity to participate in a Student Advisory Council.
- Sargent said that they might consider setting up a pilot program. He said that if this started out too big, it might be hard to keep it all in order.
- Wood said that, two years ago, the Student Advocacy Collective had been both effective and highly attended. She said that body had been similar to the one she was recommending now.
- Sargent said he thought it might be a good idea to phase this in, especially since this format had not been followed in the last two years.
- Neesby agreed with Wood's recommendation that it should begin all at once. He said he was concerned that setting up a pilot program might exclude too many student groups from representation. He suggested a marriage of the two ideas.
- Tuttle said that one factor to consider was the Supreme Court's Ruling on religious based organizations. He said that, however this was done, Council needed to be very careful to balance in such a way that the courts were kept in mind.
- Biniek said that one thing they should think about in the next two weeks was the fact that the Student Advocacy Collective had been very successful.
- Wood said that further dialogue on the issue should be sent to her by email in the form of official suggestions and recommendations.
- Vardner asked when the email transitions would take place.
- McLaren said that she would initiate the changes as soon as everyone on Council lets her know what email address they want their "generic" office account to be forwarded to. She strongly recommended that they not use their personal accounts because they would be flooded with Council-related messages. She said that, in the past, Council Members have set up a special account which they can use specifically for USAC related communications.

D. Discussion of USAC Welcome Week

- Hawkins said that Welcome Week meetings had already been taking place. He said that they wanted to keep students off the streets on Black Sunday. Hawkins said that there was a carnival and resource fair scheduled for Sunday from 2:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., and they would be looking to other USAC members to help put that on. Hawkins said that from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. there would be a concert with a major headliner, followed by a dance from 10:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. He said that there would also be an alternative to the dance if people weren't interested in that. Hawkins said that Kaminsky would be working on getting a Sneak Preview for that night.
 - Kaminsky said that they had been working on this a lot already. He said that there would be a meeting tomorrow, and said that he would like to see a USAC presence at that Welcome Week planning meeting. Kaminsky said that it was possible to expand this to include more of the student groups, with people overseeing the inflation of the balloons. He asked council if anyone was interested.
- Wood, Malik, Vardner, Doan, Pham, and Neesby all said that they would be available.*
- Kaminsky said that he would let people know about the volunteering opportunities.
 - Wood said that some of the other things included the USAC Open House. She said that they wanted to expand that to include entertainment in Meyerhoff Park and also in Kerckhoff Coffee House. Wood said that this could be coordinated and hopefully executed on Wednesday before instruction begins. She said that, last year, there had also been a Governance Day sponsored by UCLA's Student Affairs Division which brought USAC, GSA, and members of the Administration together. Wood said that

this would be happening around the same time as last year. Wood lastly said that the UCLA Administration would probably be paying for half of the cost of Welcome Week due to the success of last year's events.

- Kaminsky said that a proposal had been submitted and the Administration was reviewing it right now.
- Wood suggested that council create a USAC subcommittee to oversee the coordination of Welcome Week. She asked Hawkins or Kaminsky to please oversee the creation of this subcommittee.

X. Announcements

- Steven Ly, Chairperson of the Election Board's Logistics Committee said that the E-Board would be reviewing the Election Code and considering possible amendments to certain parts of the elections process. Ly assured Council that the Daily Bruin had not pressured them into taking this action. He said that Roy Samaan and Nathan Lam would be working on this together, in addition to other students who had been involved with the Election Board in the past. Ly said that the meetings to review the Election Code would begin next week.
- Wood asked if she could email suggestions to Lam.
- Ly said that anyone could.
- Vardner said he thought that the Elections Board Advisor from CSP should participate in these meetings about amending the E-Code, and that someone from the Office of Residential Life should also participate.
- Ly said that he and Lam both agreed with Vardner's suggestions. He said that one thing that would be discussed was the banning of campaigning on the hill.
- Vardner said that it might also be good to get an Editor from the Daily Bruin to participate in the meetings.
- Ly said that he would pass everyone's suggestions on to Lam.

XI. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

Corella passed around the attendance sheet.

XII. Adjournment

- Kaminsky moved and Vardner seconded to adjourn.
- Malik called for Acclamation. Wood asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 12:59 p.m. by Acclamation.

Michael Keesler
USAC Minutes