

November 4, 2014
Assembly Meeting

- I. Welcome
 - a. President Zach Rentz begins the assembly meeting at 6:18.
 - b. The motion pass the agenda is approved and passed at 6:19.

GRAD DIV/STUDENT AFFAIRS

- II. GradDiv/Student Affairs Presentation by Christian Villasenor and Don Lubach at 6:19.
 - a. Updates the graduate student body about taking the sexual harassment training online module or attending the training course by the end of the fall quarter.
 - b. Don Lubach introduces Kevin Haggdorn (?) ton student body. Kevin explains that he is a resource for anyone interested in veteran affairs. He has a deep knowledge of military service and veteran's benefits.

VP OF COMMITTEES AND PLANNING

- III. Vice President of Committees and Planning Special Election
 - a. President Zach Rentz explains the process by which a new vice president will be elected.
 - b. Matt Sayball is nominated by Shari Sanders. No one else is nominated.
 - c. Matt explains to the student body why he should be elected to the committee.
 - d. A vote is taken via ballot.
 - e. Matt is elected by thirty votes, and there were three write-ins.

VP OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

- IV. Halloween
 - a. Vice President Emma Levine talks about the increased use of the graduate student lounge.
- V. New Assembly Representative Training
 - a. Sasha Coles will be hosting a training session for new representatives on Sunday November 9.
 - b. Travel grants applications are still being distributed to the student body. A new system is in place.
 - c. A new budget is in the works. There is roll-over money in previous years from GSA fees.

VP OF COMMUNICATIONS AND RECORDS

- VI. Assembly Petitions
 - a. Vice President Quintarrius Shakir notifies the student body that they can still submit their assembly forms to become an elected member of the assembly.

VP OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

- VII. VP Academic Affairs
- a. The academic senate supports the NRST, which is the non-resident tuition fund. Non-resident students can be charged resident tuition only after 1 year. The academic senate has decided to move forward with this plan.
 - b. There will be more program reviews on the way, including biomolecular science and engineering, theater, and dance.
 - c. There will be upcoming brown bags and socials.
 - d. Alex opens up for questions. International students will still have to pay their non-resident supplemental tuition for their first year but this is not totally eliminating the expenses.
 - e. "If this policy is approved, will it begin in 2015?" The campus could implement it sooner if they decide to approve it.

VP OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

- VIII. VP Student Affairs
- a. The health insurance committee has not met yet, and Vice President Jason Hopkins will be available at the first meeting that they have.
 - b. There are five undergraduate programs are under external review. If there are any major findings from the external review then he would report them

VP of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

- IX. External Affairs
- a. Vice President Yanira Pineda updates the student body on the major developments at the UCSA meeting.
 - b. There will be an increase in the fees for mental health services.
 - c. The regents have proposed a possible tuition increase in 2015/2016 but UCOP is still evaluating all the proposals.
 - d. HalloClean went well and was a pretty fun event. There were about one hundred or more students. This might be an on-and-off event.
 - e. The 26th annual UCSA Student of Color Conference will be hsted on November 7-9 at UC Merced.
 - f. The Isla Vista Town Hall meeting will be on November 20 at 5:30 PKM.

PRESIDENT

- X. President's Report
- a. Carol Genetti is working on block grants. When a department wants to recruit someone coming in, they can offer someone a fellowship. If someone turns down the offer, the money is not returned to the department. The money returns to a larger pool of money.
 - b. The alumni association is now allowing graduate students to use the top floor of the Mosher house to host happy hours. We are 75% of the way to getting the university to allow us to purchase alcohol with our funds. Also, the GSA is interested in starting a graduate student speaker's bureau.

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- c. UCSB received a \$62 million gift and donated the money to start building KITP, which is a hotel for visiting theoretical physicists. The library is ahead of schedule.
- d. There are committees open, and people can check the GSA website to get involved.

CO-SPONSORSHIPS

XI. Co-Sponsorships

- a. Vice President Sasha Coles introduces Cindy from the Hypatian Seminar. They are applying for funding for events happening this quarter and next quarter.
- b. The Hypatian Seminar is asking for \$300 to fund their event.
- c. A motion to vote is made and seconded at 7:18 PM. The motion to approve the funding is approved by 33 and opposed by 0 and abstained by 0.

XII. Union Presentation

- a. Aviva Milner informs everyone about UAW's progress and the campus climate. Two years ago, GSA worked with GSACC to get a rent freeze. There is a housing planning meeting on November 13, 2014. An invitation is extended to GSA members.
- b. A letter has been drafted with community concerns asking Chancellor Yang to request three positions on the Chancellor's coordinating committee to actual Isla Vista Community Members,

XIII. Stigma Free UCSB

- a. Alex Hill is here to inform the student body that they should be adequately represented in deciding what types of safe spaces are provided to students. There will be an open forum held at Storke Plaza, and it will be a TEDTalk.

XIV. Isla Vista

- a. Vice Presidents Yanira Pineda and Jason Hopkins are available to address all concerns dealing with Isla Vista.
- b. Shari Sanders gives a presentation about different ways people can be involved in changing the community climate of Isla Vista. You can "like" *IV Communities Organizing* on Facebook. Here is an event on November 8th where graduate students will walk into Isla Vista and tour it.
- c. President Zach Rentz issues a report from the chancellor's committee on Isla Vista. The trustee's recommendation is coming out any day this month. There was a huge messaging effort made by UCSB's public affairs office about keeping Halloween celebration to locals. The county has approved fences on the bluffs. A special legislative district will be proposed in CA Assembly in December by Das Williams. All stakeholders will be consulted. This committee will reach out to every single constituency in the community and the campus. The university is trying to increase the level of academic achievement in the Isla Vista community by moving trailers into Isla Vista. You will get a private office in a trailer. NextDoor for IV – This is a social network for your neighborhood community.
- d. Shari Sanders says that she is concerned with the legislative district being decided before the stakeholders are consulted.

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- e. Aviva asks President Rentz if the concerns about IV were addressed in the most recent trustees board meeting. President Rentz said that these issues were brought up and that police officers operate under a community building model.
- XV. Vox Populi
- a. Travis Sifeman, a representative for the history department, announces that UAW is having a vote on if the UAW will take a stance on the Israeli meeting.