

UCSB GSA Meeting Minutes

Jan. 12, 2016

Agenda

Community Agreements
Presentations
Advisor/GradDiv/S.A. Reports
Exec Committee Reports
Action items
Discussion

Community Agreements

- Respect the speaker
- cell phones
- be engaged
- step up/step back
- others?

Presentations

Green Dot

- Campus-wide Initiative supported by Chancellor's Office
- Bystander Intervention Training
 - o Be proactive when seeing sexual assault, stalking, violence
- Goal: Replace Red Dots on campus with proactive green dots
- Plan: To change culture
 - o Awareness
 - Start to see posters on campus, campaigns "What is Your Green Dot"
 - So when people come here, they know violence is not accepted on our campus
 - o Education
 - Need to educate more faculty and staff about Green Dot.
 - If you need a one-hour talk for your department, a green dot team member can do an overview talk for the department.
- More Info: On Jan. 20, Green Dot having an overview talk in MPR in SRB.
- Training: Starting Feb. 6 and Feb. 20, students can do Bystander Intervention training.

Daily Nexus

- Emile, Editor-in-chief of Daily Nexus
- Dual Purpose:
 - o Write for Nexus: Opportunity to write for Nexus (ranked in top 10 nationally); been primarily for undergrads, but welcoming grads to be on staff.

- Approve Fee for Spring Ballot:
 - \$2 fee for Nexus and \$.83 for admin for each quarter to continue Nexus function as an independent news source.
 - There has been a decrease in ad money.
 - Fee makes up deficit with support from students. (They have already student salaries, cut staff, cut costs. No more cuts possible.)
 - UCOP has a policy that no program can run with a deficit. They have been running a deficit for 3 years, so need to stop.
 - Fee increase will last 4 years. This fee should also support paper for 4 years as they transition to online content.
 - Nexus will also ask for fee increase from undergraduates also.

UAW 2865

- Research Assistant Campaign
 - In 2012, legislation was vetoed by Gov. Brown.
 - Trying to find sympathetic faculty and deans. Previous UCSB Deans have signed letters to pass legislation.
 - Looking to pass legislation in 2017
 - There is an Email List and a Petition.
- Outreach Campaigns and meeting dates
 - For students to meet reps and students to learn about union and voice concerns; also free lunch
 - Tuesday, Jan. 19 in GSA Lounge (various depts.), headed by Cody Stevens
 - Wed, Jan. 20, 11:45, South Hall, (Depts in South Hall), headed by Leah Fry
 - Wed, Jan 20, 11:30, SSMS, (Depts in SS)
 - Thu, Jan 21, noon, GSA Lounge (STEM and Professional Schools)
- UAW Bowling Night (Friday, Feb. 19)
 - They pay for lanes. Members pay for their own drinks.
- Multimembership Meetings every Tuesday of the month (First Tuesday every month at 4pm in GSA Lounge)
- Contact us for more information

C.L.A.S.

- Free tutorial service
 - CLAS does individual consultations for anything going on in academic life
 - TAs tell your students about services
- SURVEY
 - Will do survey for Grad Student needs. CLAS will get a link and grads should fill it out.

Staff Reports

- Don Lubach,
 - o Consider being an officer for GSA
 - o Current GSA officers are awesome
- Robert:
 - o Events: Look at GradPost for all events
 - o Upcoming Workshops:
 - Careers in and outside of Academia
 - Cover Letters
 - Lunch and Learn in library sunrise room, noon-1:30
 - Manage your Digital Portfolio
 - Research Statements
 - Presentations with an Actors Flair
 - o Graduate Writer's Room M-R; Sats now also

Exec Reports

President

Aaron

- Transitions: 2 student and 2 faculty deaths
- GSA Town Hall Meeting for Solidarity
 - o Hard Copies will be passed around
 - o Met with Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs about "wsu." Aware of what's going on and administration is acting in a responsible way, working with student leadership.
- GGSE Dean Search Committee Update
 - o 4 Candidates coming to campus.
 - o All candidates are strong
- Office of Judicial Affairs Search Committee Update
 - o Second candidate coming to campus.
 - o New candidates are strong
- Council of Presidents
 - o Student Regent Selection Process
 - First Step, do a review of applicants. Then forward to UC. Then UCSA look at it...
 - o Overlapping Finals
 - Some campuses don't have a dead week with no exams before finals
 - Aaron provided info to them on our method here.
 - o Student Advisor Proposal Update on Campus Intolerance/Campus Survey
 - Assembly approved Student Advisor
 - Campus Survey going out about what we would like to see in that statement
- Library Grand Opening/UCSB Reads
 - o Wed, Jan. 13
- Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Student Housing
 - o Options being considered

- The San Clemente swap with undergrad housing is scrapped
- A subsidy is now being considered, but that would affect grad's financial aid package.
- They can't just lower the rent because of the debt service owed on the buildings.
- Campus Regulations Committee Meeting
 - Regulations under review
 - Will be opportunity for campus feedback
- CCCIV –Extending University, Jurisdiction in IV
 - Talked about ways to extend jurisdiction in IV
- UCen Governance Board
 - Starbucks being approved to replace Nicoletti's coffee shop
 - Renovation from 500,000-750,000
 - 3rd Floor Renovation
 - Admin wants to move offices up there
 - Need to do massive renovation
 - Survey forthcoming
- SRB Governance Board
 - Approved initiative to name building after Michael Young
- UCSB Campus Story Meeting
 - Consulting firm to do branding for campus story. Meetings to get campus story of community members
- SAGE Proposal Update
 - Ratified and to be ready for March Regents Meeting
 - Idea: for UCSA system-wide fee

Internal Affairs

Samantha

- GSA Lounge
 - Meeting Place: a place to convene and mingle with grads. Not a quiet place.
 - Studying: If you want to study quietly, go to the library
- Meetings
 - Open all day for small meetings: Any graduate students who want to have a meeting, 10 people or less, can have a meeting with everyone there
- Reservations: You can reserve before or after normal business hours.
 - GSA has standing reservation for GSA Assemblies
 - First come, first served. Done on a quarterly basis
 - Open to all groups (undergrad and others)
- Bring Back Mugs!!!

External Affairs

Yanira

- January UCSA Board Meeting at UCSD
 - Student Advisor Proposal is on agenda
 - Student regents will be at UCSB on Jan. 26, 2016

- Joint-lobbying with UCOP and UC Board of Regents
- UC Enrollment Plans (Resolution) and Governor Brown's 2016-2017 Budget
 - Plan to enroll 5,000 students in 2016-2017 across UCs, and 2,500 for next year, and 2,500 year after that
 - UCSB requested funding for additional students
 - UCs asked for 6 million dollars for 600 graduate student enrollment, but it was not on the proposed Brown budget
 - UCSA drafting a resolution for the enrollment plan and the proposed budget
- US Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Deportation Raids Resolution
 - Asking for support for campus. Statement being drafted.
- Campus Syria Consortium
 - Invitation for GSA to sponsor Syrian students (and provide funding)
- Action against Islamophobia
 - Planning an action day, tentatively in March
 - Contact Priscilla Ibrahim if you're interested in participating
- Preparation for upcoming Regents meetings and quarterly meeting with President Napolitano
 - Going to talk about enrollment plans, sexual assault, and other current campaigns
- UCSA Graduate Policy Journal
 - Submit to publication. Publish opinions and research.
 - Peer Editors: You can \$175 stipend!!!
- Food Security Group
 - Information and events going to be posted

Student Affairs

Kathy

- UCSB Community Housing Office
 - Safety and Security Lease Addendum for I.V. Housing
 - Pushed by Housing office and property managers and UC Police Department:
 - Trying to create lease addendum for property managers so that students can't have parties
 - UC Police Department patrols allowed to go into apartments by property managers
- Immigration (U.S. Customs and Border Control at upcoming career fair)
 - Kathy has seen ICE and U.S. Customs have a negative impact; people deported from SB with no proper paperwork
 - If UCSB is a Hispanic serving institute, we should stick by Latino students

Academic Affairs

John

- CCCIV Committee: I.V. Jurisdiction
 - o Certain ways jurisdiction can be extended by UCSB (chronic drug and alcohol use)
 - o Meaning if you commit a violent act while intoxicated in IV, you could be disciplined by university and police (two disciplinary actions for one act)
 - o This is in the student code of conduct, so it would affect grads and undergrads
- Teaching Award
 - o Nomination Form now online
 - o Serve on Excellence in Teaching Award Committee
 - You get paid!!
 - It also has a positive effect on your teaching (read what the best of the best do)
- Lunch and Learn Event
 - o Friday, Jan. 15
- Amendment to Excellence in Teaching Award Bylaw
 - o Number: Increase number of awards from 4 to 16
 - o Amount: Decrease the honorarium amount attached to each award from \$1000 to \$250
 - o Dinner: Include honoring the award winners during the Spring Social event
 - o Advertising: Change advertising from Daily Nexus to just being awarded on campus. Sorry Nexus!
 - o Other: Some details still to be worked out, including award categories

Budget

Greg

- Department Rep Rebates
 - o Hilary and Greg working on processing rebates
 - o Also processing committee rep rebates
- Child Care Grant
 - o Going to redo wording to include more people in the grant
- Co-Sponsorships (4)
 - o Political Science Graduate Student Association: Graduate Student Speaker Series
 - Open to other departments
 - Requesting money for honorarium to invite speaker
 - o EEMB – 12th Annual 2016 EEMB Graduate Student Symposium
 - One Day Conference
 - For grads in EEMB to get experience presenting
 - Open to entire UCSB community: advertise online
 - Informal Recruitment Weekend
 - Need funding for dinner. Charge \$10 for dinner but costs not covered. Asking for \$300 to subsidize.

- History GSA – Graduate Student Conference on Pre-Modern Japan
 - Inviting students from SoCal, US, Japan, and England
 - Free for students from campus to attend conference
 - \$300 for food
- Family Student Housing – Lunar New Year Celebration
 - \$300 for food
 - Feb. 6
 - 200 people expected

Committees and Planning

Timothy

- Happy Hour 2016 Winter and Spring
 - Time: Monday and Friday of each month
 - Location:
 - Mondays at Woodstock's
 - Fridays at Sandbar
 - Next Dates: Jan. 25 and Jan 29
- UCSB GSA Survey
 - Had 195 responses. Want 525 students to complete survey.
 - 3 students who do survey will be picked at random for \$50 gift card
- Committee Rep Payments
 - They are underway. Should be disbursed in 30 days.
- Governing Documents Revisions
 - Committee Stipend Payments
 - Increase in payments
 - (Ask for table)

Action Items

GSA Formal Statement of Solidarity

- Students read statement quietly
- Discussion
 - Question: Is university investigating?
 - Answer: Has been more efforts to investigate since letter written.
- First Motion: For Editing MLK day reference
 - To Keep as Written with MLK Day – 8 votes
 - To remove MLK day from statement – 14 votes
 - Passed
 - Motion approved to remove MLK reference from statement
- Second Motion: To approve revised statement
 - Seconded
 - Passed (no votes against, no abstentions)

January 19th Silent March of Black Student Union and MultiCultural Center

- Motion to support GSA to sponsor the silent march. GSA endorses it.
- Seconded
- Passed (no objections, no abstentions)

Co-Sponsorships

- Motion: Bundle to approve all 4 requests
 - o Seconded
 - o Passed (1 abstention, no objections)

8:22 Meeting End