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
  - Be proactive when seeing sexual assault, stalking, violence
- Goal: Replace Red Dots on campus with proactive green dots
- Plan: To change culture
  - 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
  - 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:
  - 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
  - Certain ways jurisdiction can be extended by UCSB (chronic drug and alcohol use)
  - 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)
  - This is in the student code of conduct, so it would affect grads and undergrads

- Teaching Award
  - Nomination Form now online
  - 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
  - Friday, Jan. 15

- Amendment to Excellence in Teaching Award Bylaw
  - Number: Increase number of awards from 4 to 16
  - Amount: Decrease the honorarium amount attached to each award from $1000 to $250
  - Dinner: Include honoring the award winners during the Spring Social event
  - Advertising: Change advertising from Daily Nexus to just being awarded on campus. Sorry Nexus!
  - Other: Some details still to be worked out, including award categories

Budget

Greg

- Department Rep Rebates
  - Hilary and Greg working on processing rebates
  - Also processing committee rep rebates

- Child Care Grant
  - Going to redo wording to include more people in the grant

- Co-Sponsorships (4)
  - Political Science Graduate Student Association: Graduate Student Speaker Series
    - Open to other departments
    - Requesting money for honorarium to invite speaker
  - 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