# University of California Student Association 385 Grand Ave Suite 302 Oakland CA 94610



# Board of Directors Meeting UC Merced October 11 and 12, 2014

Participants: Present:

Absent:

Meeting starting and ending times: 07:00pm to 11:45pm (Saturday), 02:00pm-3:00pm (Sunday)

Meeting location or format: UC Merced

Facilitator(s): Kevin Sabo, Chair

Note taker: David SFO

Roll Call:

Undergraduate Student Association		Graduate Student Association	
UC Santa Cruz AS	X	UC Santa Cruz GSA	X
UC Berkley AS	Χ	UC Berkley GSA	Χ
UC Merced AS	Χ	UC Merced GSA	Χ
UC Los Angeles AS	Χ		
		UC Irvine GSA	Χ
UC Santa Barbara AS	X	UC Santa Barbara GSA	X
UC Riverside AS	X	UC Riverside GSA	
UC San Diego AS	X		
UC San Francisco AS		UC San Francisco GSA	

Agenda Item	Notes	Action item(s)
Adoption	Rebecca:	Motion
of the	I move to postpone,	fails
Agenda	Objection noted,	
	Rebecca:	
	We have a present issue that pertains to all students, directly related to our job here as elected students to improve the accessibility and equality of the UC. To talk about contentious issues, this is not the right time. This is doing a disservice to all students. We cannot afford to lose this time we have now.	
	Breana:	
	<ul> <li>Object to table USSA update, since Vice- President from USSA is here at SOCC and is an organization that we are working with.</li> </ul>	
	Abraham:     If we postpone substantive issues on the agenda. It is a disservice; I think it is disrespectful	

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weight. Tuition and divestment. What better time to bring up this resolution than to bring it up at SOCC. Communities that have been historically marginalized. We gave time for both sides to come, just to make that clear. Support marginalized communities and students of color. I urge you all to take everything in this bill into account and vote to pass this.

# Negeen:

• UCLA, transfer student from UG council. Like my colleague, I don't this is appropriate to put aside, an issue when a community has worked for. 5 of 9 UC have passed this resolution. It goes without saying that many students feel affected by this resolution. I cannot fathom to allow not one more penny to go towards this oppression. We need to understand that some oppression we will never understand from sitting in these places. We the board can address.

# Unique:

 UCSB environmental justice chair. Not supporting divestment, our tuition money goes toward oppression. A person being discriminated against. This is an important issue similar to tuition. To not see that, is appalling. We are here to voice our concerns. You should be in favor of that.

# Sheryl:

 As children of a diaspora, oppression, the Filipino people have been impacted in damaging ways. It is driven by the same motivation of oppression. I stand in solidarity with this bill and urge UCSA to vote yes.

#### Rasheed:

Communications director for African coalition.
 Today I hosted a workshop. Primarily in the UC, black student's diminishing in the UC. Black students being denied to SOCC. There are a lot of black students that were denied access to the SOCC. It is really concerning that this accusation has been made, that people denied them. What makes this organization different from the University denying us from entering this institution? I would like stats on who is allowed to attend these meetings.

#### Abire:

• Student from UC Davis. As someone who has witnessed the atrocities form this government that support this oppression. Palestine voice is always being heard. As UC students we are choosing not to be complicit with this. By not passing this, you are continuing to validate this issue. To silence their voices. Take that into consideration and pass this resolution.

#### Azka:

 3<sup>rd</sup> year at UC Davis. Thankful for you all listening to me. Vote in favor of this resolution. Extremely important to students at UC Davis. As a senator I represent all Palestinian issues. If this is a Muslim issue this is not a real issue. (Quote form admin at UC Davis) this community is marginalized, and cannot be represented if we don't speak out on this issue.

#### Anumita:

• UCSA votes yes on this resolution. That we are on the right side of history. This past Summer, 2000 lives were lost. Is this not a pressing issue? As our UC representative, are we not truly being representative. There are many students here urging you all to pass this. Take action now and vote yes on this resolution.

#### Patrick Chen:

 Recently graduated from UCI UG. Our school passed this resolution. I think it's important that you all pass this. We also passed legislation against investments in to the prison system. And fossil fuel. We cannot continue these things with student's dollars.

#### Leilani:

 If you are a board member on a computer please get off and be respectful. Justice is not selective. That is marginalization if it is. What do we take from the SOCC? This is the action. Demanding that this passes. This is blood money. This is murder. We want justice now. This is a humanitarian issue. Neutrality. Taking the side of the oppressor. Be human.

#### Edan:

 I support immediate divestment. My tuition money is being used for apartheid. To have people over there being deprived of most human rights such as health care, how can you ask me for my money to go over there?

# Gema:

• I am in support of divestment. I urge you all to pass this resolution.

# Khwaja:

 Hear this rhetoric of marginalization. Only recently, Africa was freed from apartheid. How can we stand by and not stand up for those who can't speak for themselves. For us to not act on this is some form of hypocrisy.

# Yahya:

I just wanted to explain a few things that this
issue pertaining to people of color, Filipino
workers are also being exploited. The
infrastructure that is being torn down by my UC
funding is bad.

#### Safia:

• I am one of three general representatives as UCLA. I am appalled that you all considered tabling this issue. This is more than just a religious issue; it is a human rights issue. I never thought my money would go towards oppression of human rights as a UC student. If you do not pass this resolution, everything you have said about

equality, you no longer support students such as myself.

#### Tina:

• 4th year at UCR: the reason why you need to vote on this now is because we cannot wait on this. This has been talked about in different campuses. And passed as well. I support divestment because; this issue is about basic human rights. This issue on only affects Palestinians, but all students of color. We had the support of social justice orgs on campus. Over 70%) you want to talk about lowering tuition, but let's talk about the tuition money being used now. My voice has been silenced for too long. Please pass this resolution.

# Sophia:

 Thank you for all being here and work, and commitment for student issues. This is not justice. You're doing basic things. If you sit here, and do not pass this resolution. The thing you are saying is that you are affirming this issue. You will be affirming blood money.

#### Kevin:

• Ironically the fire department is here. If you need guidance for the auditorium, Charlene can assist you.

# Pasrhan:

 You all have made your decisions before we even came here. I'm going to ask, that you forget you pre-existing decisions and think about the people that came here to support this resolution.

#### Allyson:

 Can we swap out the speakers from auditorium? I don't think is human to see my constituents speak to me through a screen.

#### Kevin:

 We cannot fit everyone here. If you can send all speakers to the Meeting room, and 7 people exit the room. Let's hold tight for a few minutes to allow speakers to get to this room.

#### Bianca:

UCM: I just want to remind you all how angry we
were this morning during our action that is the
same exact feeling I'm feeling now. There are
many of us here voicing our concerns. If our
voices aren't being heard, you're playing the
role of the regents.

#### Maricho:

 I voted yes at UC San Diego when this passed at UC SD. This is a timely issue. It is a huge statement for UCSA to pass it. It carries the same weight in Jan that it does not. Every UC except Merced to pass this bill. Pass this resolution. Also people are here now, not everyone will be able to make it to UC Santa Cruz board meeting.

#### Sina:

UC Davis, I am a humanitarian. Their

government is blatantly oppressing Palestinian people. There is an obvious wrong. I am on the right side of history.

#### Armando:

 UC David president. I look forward to signing it one day, this resolution. I am being lobbied to table this. You are delegitimizing our work. This is not a divisive issue. The activism happening now shouldn't be acknowledged. Why are we afraid to see this at SOCC? Do not make it harder for these students who have made it here to see this bill.

#### Mauro:

I strongly support divesting from Israel. This is an issue that affects everyone. And is time sensitive. People are being oppressed. It is imperative that this as addressed at this meeting. You have the Palestinian people who don't even have water to drink. Added on to the bombings and trouble that they are going.

#### Priscilla:

 I want to reemphasize the historic nature of this issue what is truly historic is the apartheid that Palestinians have faced. This summer alone, people have died, Israel bombed them, will be denied electricity. It is upon all of humanity to stand up and say no. Time will tell.

#### Marcelle:

 As a Palestinian American, it is appalling that my money is being used for their oppression.
 Currently putting together a similar bill at my campus.

#### Starr Bacon:

You all here to make an important decision. This isn't going to change you all but this symbolic nature of what will be done means so much. You are here to make these types of decisions. It would be brought before you if it weren't important. You need to understand the significance of this bill and what it means to not divest. If one of us is hurting, than we are all hurting. Forget about the pressure that you may be having, at the end of the day, you have to make the right decision.

# Ryan:

• I would like to encourage you all to support this. Regents have sat on previous boards of financial committees. They were chosen solely because they contributed a lot of money to the governor's campaign. 5 of our campuses have passed this legislation. Let's send a message to the regents loud and clear.

#### Kevin:

• That concludes public comment.

#### Caitlyn:

Is there a link for people to see the meeting?

Kevin:

 Is it in the desire of the board to vote on the resolution? Those of you who would like to go into the voting procedure please raise your hand.

5 to 4, we will go onto the resolution.

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**Sponsor(s):** Caitlin Quinn (UC Berkeley, Associated Students)

Whereas, the student body of the University of California has a long and proud history of activism for social justice,

Whereas, the student body of the University of California has used divestment to promote equality and human rights in a variety of contexts throughout its history, most notably in the case of South Africa,

Whereas, the student body of the University of California is currently engaged in activism aimed at divesting from the private prison and fossil fuel industries.

Whereas five of nine undergraduate campuses of the University of California have voted to support divestment from corporations that enable and profit from violations of Palestinian human rights,

Whereas, the UC Regents have not implemented socially responsible investment practices that eschew involvement in systems of mass incarceration, global climate change, or systematic human rights violations,

Whereas, the actions of the corporations in which the UC Regents invest are actions which the University implicitly condones,

Let it be resolved that the University of California Student Association applauds principled activism in support of human rights by students across the University of California,

Let it be resolved that the University of California Student Association respects and will amplify the student call for divestment from corporations which violate Palestinian human rights,

Let it be resolved that the University of California Student Association will support student divestment activism.

Let it furthermore be resolved that the University of California Student Association calls upon the UC Regents to respect the call for divestment from corporations which violate Palestinian human rights,

Let it furthermore be resolved that the University of California Student Association calls upon the UC Regents to also respect student calls for divestment from the private prison and fossil fuel industries,

And let it finally be resolved that the University of California Student Association calls upon the UC Regents to implement socially responsible investment guidelines that uphold rather than denigrate the principles of equality and human rights widely embraced by the students of the University of California.

#### Kevin:

• That is the text of the resolution

#### Conrad:

 I am voting yes on this resolution. We always talk about issues to make sure to differentiate between politics and personal. This issue is personal to me. There are Filipino workers being exploited form this oppression right now.

#### Abe:

I am voting yes on this resolution. It would be a
huge disservice to vote against this resolution. I
was previously undocumented and understand
the borders here and in Palestinian. It would be
unjust for me to vote against this. UCR is one of
the most diverse campuses.

#### Aurea:

• I personally support divestment, but at the same time I do want to let you all know that if we were to pass this resolution at another time does not mean that I don't care about it. I do not want our money going towards this oppression. I stand in solidarity with you all. Don't take this personal as if this didn't matter.

# Kevin:

We need a two thirds vote to pass this;

# Huber:

• Thank members of the public who came out to speak. We need to take a stance in this oppression. I would like to have heard both sides of the story. That does not mean that I do not stand in solidarity. We are at a crucial point where we are facing tuition increase and it should be our number one topic. I represent my campus. I am keeping my campus in mind. My campus hasn't said much regarding this issue.

#### Adam:

Which campuses have passed this?

#### Kevin:

- Berkley
- Riverside
- San Diego

Irvine

# Allyson:

What does eh, mean?

#### Louise:

• Didn't pass by two thirds of majority. Passed only when by laws were suspended.

#### Kevin:

- As a reminder you do not all have to speak Rebecca:
  - My thoughts on this issue are ambivalent. What ever is going on in Jerusalem is a mess. I do not support the violation of human rights. This is a vague resolution. It doesn't say what we are trying to pressure. I feel like this is vague and open in me not knowing who is going to answer these questions. We accept DARPA money. I don't understand what side this resolution is on in terms of its role. We are not getting a lot of voices. I am disappointed in people's behavior in the name of human rights. I do not like to be put in this resolution. Governments on the ends are failing their people and one another. This is a complicated issue. I do not know if I can make that call.

#### Moshin:

 Think back to great movements of history, the time is always right do whatever is right. For us to say that now is the wrong time, what we have been doing wring is that we are not doing anything. Only way to push forward it to push forward together. I am not a voting member, but can recommend to the board-voting members to think consciously of this issue.

# Morris:

• I do acknowledge that this issue is complex in nature. You have millennia that go into play of this issue. This resolution and divestment in general is to make sure that our hands are not bloody. We have no idea as to what would be the results. On that basis, I would appreciate it if members of the board can hear me; my point is if you do have or if you struggle to understand how this struggle came to be. Bombing schools is not the way is not the solution to the problem. I hope, it is obvious, how I stand in this issue, I ask you to think of the moral consequences that this issue has.

#### Allyson:

• As UA chair, I see how crucial it is for us to be working on years' worth of information that we have to relay in one week. I would also pushed it back is because technically this is a stance we're taking. We would be taking it as a stance as an entire UC and our STARS would have to speak on this issue. The next regents meeting are about tuition. We will not have time to address our points on this issue. It is symbolic. It all goes

back to the regents. I think the reason why I would want for use to push it back, since it's a symbol, the constituency on my campus that speaks on the other side; I was elected by an entire campus that I haven't yet heard from. I would like for us to hear the other side. We are not hearing the entire constituency of the entire UC. I do want to address the fact that as the UCSA board we address and represent the entire UC student body. We still haven't given the other side to speak to us. It is not fair. If it is symbolic we can pass it on January. If it gets voted on it will pass.

#### Yanira:

As part of the board, I do not represent myself. I represent the graduate student at UCSB. I haven't heard from my constituency. I represent them, not myself. I share with everyone's sentiments. I don't feel comfortable voting on this until I hear everyone's voice heard. I want to go back to my campus and let them know what is being voted on. When you talk about democracy, representation. You don't only represent student of color. I have to be sensitive to that, to everyone's ideas and thoughts. It is not a personal choice, when you listen to everyone's voices. There is a huge section of students who were not here to voice their concerns. I cannot take a stance on this right now because there are many students at my campus that do not know what is being voted on. I want to be able to go back to my next GSA meeting and ask them where they stand. If they support this or not.

# Jiba:

 This is my first time hearing this issue. I am not truly representing my students if I am not hearing the concerns of my constituents.

# Violet:

• It is imperative that we don't waste any more time.

# Tim:

 If we vote, we are voting on the words in the resolution. I had a brief conversation with Sadia, our student regent. Corporations like apple, has connections with beats and they have ties with HP.

#### Kevin:

 At any point in this time you can add any amendments.

#### Sara:

 I have been receiving emails from students at Irvine. We should hear concerns of other students from those who are not here. It is important to truly represent our constituency.

#### Denea:

 A lot of the conversations have been towards the prioritization of fund the UC. I think it's important that we have this discussion on where our money is going and not about next year's money. With that, I must add that no one should question the legitimacy of the decisions that will be made. It is important that nobody has anything negative to say no matter the outcome of the board's vote. We should let it be heard in its entirety.

# Caitlyn:

Everyone on my campus knows my stance.
People aren't going to be checking the UCSA
website. I just know that the author of this is
open to add things to make this pass. The
intention of this bill is to recognize the activism of
students. This is a good way to affirm the work
the campuses have made in regards to this
resolution. We were all elected to be here.

#### Iman:

• Apologize for being tardy. Especially with graduate students there is no consensus on this issue. Personally I support this.

# Jessica:

 When people vote you into office, they trust you. They know that they cannot be at the table. They trust in your judgment. This is not going to divide the vote on tuition. We are still all united.

#### Louise:

 The only caveat that I have towards this vote, I should reach out to more people on my campus.

#### Guillermo:

• In the point of transparency I voted no on my campus when it was put forth on my campus, but it was different than it is now. I would only feel right going back to my campus had I talked to my constituents back at my campus. When I voted no on this resolution, people came to me and said thank you for voting this way. If I can do that to all students, the better.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> round speakers:

Conrad; I am going to move a lot.

WHEREAS, Boeing, Caterpillar, Cement Roadstone
Holdings, Cemex, General Dynamics, General Electric,
Hewlett-Packard, Lockheed Martin, Northrop
Grumman, Raytheon, and United Technologies have
violated the universal right "to life, liberty, and security
of person;" "to education;" to "privacy, family [and]
home;" "to own property, and ...[not to] be arbitrarily
deprived of property";

3. WHEREAS, Caterpillar has violated these rights by continually providing engineering tools and bulldozers routinely used in the demolition of Palestinian homes, refugee camps, water cisterns, and agricultural fields in the West Bank and Gaza-, and by providing bulldozers used to expand settlements and construct the

- Separation Wall and checkpoints throughout the West Bank7, which have been ruled to be in violation of international law in the International Court of Justice's 2004 Advisory Opinion;
- 4. WHEREAS, by providing cement and other building materials, Cement Roadstone Holdings (CRH) has contributed to the construction of military checkpoints, the Separation Wall, and settlements within the occupied Palestinian territory;
- 5. WHEREAS, Cemex also owns and operates manufacturing plants in West Bank settlements, exploiting Palestinian natural resources in violation of international law;
- 6. WHEREAS, CRH and Cemex have supplied building materials used to build illegal settlements, the Separation Wall, and checkpoints within the occupied Palestinian territory;
- 7. WHEREAS, Hewlett-Packard Company (HP) has provided biometric identification systems used at Israeli military checkpoints, which restrict the freedom of movement of Palestinians, facilitate discrimination against Palestinians, and reinforce a stratification of citizenship;
- 8. WHEREAS, HP profits from global mass incarceration and provides prisoner data systems for the Department of Homeland Security's Immigration and Customs (ICE) Law Enforcement Support Center;

Morris Motions and Seconded by Abe

#### 6 to 0, amendment carries.

#### Allyson:

 I still don't feel like am representing my constituency. This was sent to us Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>, the day before the Election Day. We were supposed to have a Prop 47 info. on Monday. From when this was sent to me, I have not had time to talk to my constituency.

# Abraham:

• I think that deferring the vote is deferring your responsibility. You were elected to do that. Yet I still had time to reach out to my constituents. In terms of representation and hearing, I received emails from one argument and no one from who is pro. As a senator last year, I voted in favor if this last year. It's just a tactic of postponing it that is commonly used all the time. I would feel incredibly irresponsible to table this. I cannot in any way morally stand by and let for this stand by because people are being impacted every single moment.

# Huber:

 we need to go back to our campus and talk to them about this issue. There is no question about us divesting, simply just discussing this with members of our constituents at our campuses. Don't take that away from them. For those of you who have a need to talk to your constituents, than do so. Give us that opportunity to do so.

#### Yanira:

 We are talking about silencing voices, we want to make an informed decision, take this back to our student body and come back saying this is where I stand. What we are asking is to give us time for these of us who have not had the chance to seek to our constituents. Can we have a full discussion at the next meeting? So we have time to reach to our students and see what they want to do. I dot behave like a politician.

#### Caitlyn:

• I have a lot of feelings about everything going on. We have already taken a side by allowing for this to happen. This is simply getting us to a stance of neutrality. This is just about the UC investing in corporations. I don't have money to bring all those people to a meeting. This is where bunches of students are and come together and talk about these issues. That being said, I want to make this resolution tasked. I want to talk about what will make you vote yes.

#### Tim:

 What is keeping me from voting yes is that I've received many emails.

# Violet:

 For me what is important to consider while we have heard from one side tonight that made the time to get here. It is important that we use our abilities to decide on the issue now. We can't wait around until next month.

# Melvin:

 In terms of my association, the other people who couldn't make it here had their reason. I pledged 100 people to get here yet another commission did not fully get as many of them to come here to SOCC.

# Yanira:

 I am already receiving text message that we may need to pull out of UCSA. We need that feedback from our constituents. This could force associations from pulling out.

# Abe:

- Is the floor open for motions;
- I move to pass this resolution:

#### Kevin:

 We are voting to close debate and move to vote.

Motion to end debate and vote on it: 3 Oppose debate and moving to vote- 6 Motion fails

#### Melvin:

 Motion to postpone until next board meeting in January

#### Kevin:

No discussion.
 Favor in postponing: 7
 Oppose: 4
 Motion to postpone carries.

It has been moved to January. Board take a recess, for 5 minutes

# Reports

# President:

Chair: Toni is hired. Grad Prof Director. Fully staffed.
 Attend meeting with Napolitano. Tuition plan is for it to increase. Been in regular contact with labor organizations, ASFME 3299, will be attending SSCCC congress. Sean will be there to teach students on how to lobby.

Resting on prop 13 and Fund the UC and see how they can tailor it to the SSCCC. Will be sending out an evaluation form to evaluate our self, and executives.

# Committee Chair reports:

CAC, Jessica: Had a meeting, did not have a lot of support given all the work that we have been working on.

# Leg Committee, Lyssa:

- Prop 47 passed. Great victory for UCSA.
- Propositions, 1 and 2 were voted in.
- 48 failed. (Get results of other propositions)

# University Affairs: Allyson

#### UG:

 Heard from CAC and LEG and UA, had subcommittee call for IGNITE. Trying to get the ball rolling for this campaign. Today we should further flesh out that discussion.

#### Grad Prof, Iman:

• In the data gathering for our campaign. What the faculty hiring process looks like.

#### President: Jefferson

- Most part, Allyson and I have been working on the tuition proposal.
- Did have our meeting this week. Met with vice chancellor of student affairs to follow up with him in regards to potential tuition increase.
- Magic number, 98 million dollars in addition to what UCOP expects for legislature to give us. Been meeting with council of presidents on how we can move forward. Hope you are all having a great time here at the UC Merced SOCC.

# Liaisons: Breana Ross

# **USSA** Liaison:

- LLs look into bills USSA is endorsing.
- I am writing to share all of the updates and projects that USSA is currently working on. As an association that is a member of USSA we have a duty to be invested in these campaigns and progressively moving them forward. Much to our advantage that the USSA Campaigns: State of Emergency: Recruitment and Retention of Students of Color, Ending Sexual Violence on Our Campuses and

Higher Education Act directly intersect with our UCSA Campaigns IGNITE, UCONSENT and FundTheUC. Let utilize this to expand the student movement and build coalitions on a national level.

#### Legislative/ Action Updates

- October Legislative Update attached (Benefit for member campuses)
- Committee Calls for State of Emergency and ending Sexual Violence Campaigns
  - Committees outreaching to local high schools improving access and creating a community dialogue about the state of emergency of the education system.
- State of Emergency Federal Legislative Agenda
  - Voting Empowerment Act: (HR 12) Restores a number of protections to the Voting Rights Act that were struck down by a Supreme Court decision last year. It would also allow anyone with a criminal record to vote, superseding state laws that disenfranchise on that basis.
  - o End Racial Profiling Act: (SB1038) Prohibits any law enforcement agent or agency from engaging in racial profiling. Grants the United States or an individual injured by racial profiling the right to obtain declaratory or injunctive relief. Requires federal law enforcement agencies to maintain adequate policies and procedures to eliminate racial profiling and to cease existing practices that permit racial profiling.

#### Koch Bros

- Own the second largest private company in America and has provided a large source of funding to the tea party and wants to repeal the Affordable Health Care Act
- FSU is under attack by the Koch Bros and are facing a presidential appointment similar to that of Janet Napolitano (corrupt contracts and curricular control)
- Presidential Candidate John Thrasher has supported legislation that defunds education and supports the school to prison pipeline
- Submission of FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) Request on our campuses.
- UC Riverside and UCLA have both received funding from the Koch Brothers
- Black Friday Action (November 28th)
  - o In conjunction with OUR Walmart
  - o Working with Rebecca our Labor Liaison
  - Call THIS Sunday 11/9 at 6 PM (Call Information: (218) 895-0287, 20036#)
- Negotiated Rule-Making and Department of Education Hearings
- "Neg-reg" as it is often called, is short for negotiated

rule making. It's a process that the Department of Education holds; other agencies do this as well. When a law is passed it changes the statutes, or the law, but the Department and other agencies oftentimes are given a lot of leeway in terms of how they actually implement it. So for the Department of Education the process brings stakeholders into the room to talk about those changes. If the stakeholders all come to consensus at the end of the process than the rules or regulations as they are called are implemented as is. If not, the Department has the authority to write them as they please, but they say they generally take the stakeholder testimony into account. Maxwell Love, the USSA President, and Kalwis Lo, the former Legislative Director, were representing student interests in this process for the last year. It is a pretty big deal that they were a part of it as you have to be nominated and then selected to partake, and USSA was the sole voice representing students in the space, often in opposition to banks and for-profit colleges.

- o After this process they often do a few public comment sessions (like the ones that just happened in DC and Anaheim). Justin, the new USSA Legislative Director, testified at the larger of the two in DC. The student board deprioritized the one in Anaheim as it wasn't as significant and overlapped with student organizing on Election Day, November 4th.
- Letter for Department of Education Request of Clarification for Civil Rights Guidance on Gender-Based Violence to Better Address Economic Issues
- This letter to the Department of Education is with Know Your IX in regards to economic impacts on survivors of sexual assault/violence and their education. Letter is attached below.
- Demos Proposal Sign On
  - Demos is a public policy organization working for an America where we all have an equal say in our democracy and an equal chance in our economy. USSA has worked closely with Demos in the past as an organization that has provided us high-level research and partnership in student endeavors. Demos works to reduce both political and economic inequality, deploying original research, advocacy, litigation, and strategic communication.
  - They created an intensive proposal from their research analysis that they proposed formally to the board who signed onto the proposal that would look into how this proposal could one day by implemented into an organizing campaign and research we can use to support our current work.
  - A folder is attached that includes the proposal and a number of other documents

- produced by Demos in regards to higher education and economic inequality.
- Currently USSA is discussing to create a national webinar for USSA member students on these issues, research and possible solutions.
- · Hands Up United
  - o The group that formed in Ferguson after the horrific incident of the Michael Brown murder has been working with USSA and asked USSA to write a letter to the National Governor Associations to apply pressure to Governor Nixon to intervene in the prosecution of Michael Brown's murderer as numerous concerns have been raised in the prosecution. USSA Board voted to sign on and the letter is attached.

# **Current Projects**

- California Campus Tours from the USSA Vice President and West Coast Field Associate
- Campus Banking Policy Call with Will Sealy from the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
  - o Call Information (218) 895-0287, 20036#
- November Board Meeting (21-23) @ Rowan University
- November State of Emergency Teach-in/ Informational
- Collaborating with other statewide student association as the new SSAC (Statewide & System wide Student Association Chair), seeing how we can collaborate and function more efficiently.
  - Opportunity to expand our base and impact on a national level
  - National Affairs Representatives Committee
  - The board has voted to create a national committee with all the students in membership that hold "National Affairs Director" type position with their SGA. The committee will serve as a place to support people that are hired under their SGAs and who hold a particular set of responsibilities on their campus to be the primary USSA liaison between their campus/SGA and USSA.
  - This space has the potential to become institutionalized within USSA's structure and even have its own board member if such a constitutional change is presented and passed at the upcoming National Student Congress.
  - I am currently working on a UC specific branch
    of this system wide, in an effort to ensure that
    campaigns are being worked on, and create a
    pipeline for non-board member. To ensure the
    progression of USSA campaigns and maintaining
    accountability on our respective campuses.

#### In Conclusion

How are we going to run these campaigns as an

association?

- Accountability, Effort and Asks
- Submit National Affairs Information
- Campus Check-ins regarding campus progress
- Leg Con Registration has begun! (Leg Con Dates:

Rates: Early: Member: \$175 **SSA**: **\$200** Non Member: \$250

Regular: Member \$200 Late: Member: \$250 MSI: Member: \$125 SSA: \$250 Non-Member: \$275 SSA: \$300 Non-Member: \$325 SSA: \$150 Non-Member: \$175

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Environmental Sustainability Liaison: Caitlyn

 Prop 1 and 2 passed. Prop 1 is not so great for the environment. Measures around fracking passed.

Labor Liaison: Rebecca

• Worked with Mary Virginia in drafting resolution.

# Campus reports:

UCR:

Status in how you have been reaching out to

groups working around sexual assault. Police brutality action, GOTV, registering students.

#### UCM:

 Able to register about 700 students to vote, big push to get them to vote, polling location on campus. UConsent, met with another senator and gave a presentation on its on us campaign. Adhoc committee was formed

# UCSC GSA:

 Power and privilege training next weekend, required for all exec members.

#### UCSB UG:

 IGNITE common ground activity, UConsent, working with take back the night association.
 On Wednesday having a round table with members of the legislature. President and I have been working on a press release in regards to tuition increase.

#### UCSB GSA:

 Stronger graduate presence, in Isla Vista, graduate students went to party, halloclean, helped clean up Isla Vista, doing our best to foster more work with UG.

#### UCSD UG:

 Met with sexual assault resource center, trying to change the name on campus. If they do change the name, it's going to make it confusing for members of the student body.
 1474 people registered. Working on campaigns.

#### UCM GSA:

Working on sexual assault campaign.

# **UCI GSA**

- New student fee referendum for student fee
- Sara and I were in Texas for a national conf.

# UCB UG

Registered around 2600 students.

# UCB GSA

 Registered 100 voters, have 2 events associated with GOTV. Hosting a diversity town hall. Prepare for a conference that they will be having in the spring. Create a manifesto for the 21st century

#### UCSC UG

Hired a legislative liaison, safe center at our campus, have been receptive to us opening the doors for the External office. Planning meeting on what they are doing and what we are doing to work together and make progressive change. Organize together. Working towards getting Lacy Green, blogger, on the campus. UCPB, chair of committee did not appoint UG and GSA on time. Patrick Lenz meeting, students were left out. Half of the agenda, was an executive session, students were excluded.

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	<ul> <li>ASFME 3299 Mary Virginia</li> <li>Congratulate you all on prop 47; another measure that we won was measure T, a civil rights voting right act. That will guarantee that people of color will get proper representation.</li> <li>Pissed about tuition increases. We want to continue to work with students. It affects our workers families. Workers bring their children tow work and ask when am I going to be able to go to a UC. We have a robust research department.</li> <li>Researching contracting out issue, across the state has been subcontracting work, comes back to students on safety and how well things are being maintained. The UC is wasting money on this, it costs more, working around more dangerous working conditions. UC is stealing money from UC and giving it to cronies who own the companies being hired on. We found that UC Davis has spent 1 million dollars more than if they had they not subcontracted workers. Mismanagement of funds.</li> <li>We will help funds buses to regents meetings and highlight these issues. Our POV, regents are holding students hostage; turn focus off their mismanagement off their hands and onto the state. Chancellors are given raises. Lt. Governor Newsom has come out against the tuition increase.</li> </ul>	
USSA Report	<ul> <li>Having their congress next weekend</li> <li>Vice president Alexandra Flores-Quilty:</li> <li>A lot of the updates are detailed in the newsletter. Highlight a couple things; have spent the last month having campus visits.</li> <li>Sexual assault campaign, BOD voted to sign a letter with know your 9. Letter directed to Dept. of Ed. asking for clarity in economic impacts of students who are sexually assaulted.</li> <li>Working with carry the weight campaign. Signed on to campaign, have built a strong partnership.</li> <li>Their priorities, to appeal Obama care, and rep version of HERC.</li> <li>Right now, elections in other states were not so well.</li> <li>Gearing up for 2016 election.</li> <li>Oregon broke a record of registering 55,000 students.</li> <li>How to institutionalize voter access on your campuses.</li> <li>November board meeting, Nov 21-23.</li> <li>Board meeting calls every other Sunday. Leg con, registration has opened up. Nov. board meeting a lot of planning for that. National people of color summit to be had before Congress.</li> </ul>	
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<b>Bay Campus</b>
Development

# Community Benefits Agreement for the Richmond Bay **Campus Development**

WHEREAS, Richmond, California, is a low-income

community of over 100,000 people; and

WHEREAS, more than 83 percent of Richmond

residents are people of color;

the median household income of WHEREAS,

Richmond is at least \$6,000 below the

state average; and

WHEREAS. the poverty rate in Richmond is 17.9

percent, which is 2.9 percent higher than

the state average; and

WHEREAS. the California state minimum wage is only \$9 an hour; and

WHEREAS, the unemployment rate in Richmond is

approximately 10 percent, which is

higher than both the state and national

averages; and

WHEREAS, Richmond has 36,093 occupied housing

units, of which over 48.3 percent

are occupied by renters; and

WHEREAS, renters are most vulnerable to rising rents

and displacement from

gentrification; and

WHEREAS. the Chevron oil refinery, formerly of

Standard Oil, has operated

since 1901 and is currently the largest employer in the city, employing over 2,191 people, despite a long history of pollution and exploitation; and

the people of Richmond have a long WHEREAS.

history of resisting corporate

exploitation and challenging institutional racism, including systematic housing and employment discrimination, police violence, environmental racism, and political disenfranchisement; and

WHEREAS, the University of California (UC) at

Berkeley is founded on the mission of

teaching, research, and public service;

and

WHEREAS. the Principles of Community at UC

Berkeley include "a deep commitment

to contributing to a better world," and

the statement: "We believe that active participation and leadership in addressing the most pressing issues facing our local and global communities are central to our educational mission"; and

**WHEREAS,** UC Berkeley, the UC Office of the President (UCOP), and the Lawrence

Berkeley National Lab (LBNL) announced plans in January 2012 to establish a new research campus, the Richmond Bay Campus (RBC), on university property at the Richmond Field Station in Richmond, California; and

**WHEREAS,** on April 25, 2012, the Richmond City Council approved the General Plan

2030 to guide the city toward "sustainable growth and development," concluding an extensive, five-year "community visioning and planning process"; and

**WHEREAS**, in June 2012, Richmond received a Priority Development Area (PDA)

Planning Grant from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) to develop the Richmond South Shoreline Specific Plan (SSSP) and Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) in order to further develop their General Plan and "integrate the proposed LBNL development with the surrounding community and, where appropriate, encourage more intense development patterns"; and

**WHEREAS,** on January 15, 2013 the Richmond City Council directed the Richmond City

Manager to partner with Social Sector Solutions (S³), which is part of the Center for Nonprofit and Public Leadership at the Haas School of Business at UC Berkeley, in order to develop a strategic business plan to secure economic benefits from the RBC for the community; and

WHEREAS, the Richmond City Council reaffirmed its view that the RBC "project is a transformative opportunity for the Richmond community and can be a local and regional economic catalyst, accelerating scientific innovation, leading to technology transfer and commercialization, and creating new jobs"; and

**WHEREAS**, the city's development of the SSSP and

PEIR have included multiple community meetings and will conclude in the spring of 2015; and

WHEREAS, at public meetings, the community of Richmond has consistently expressed their desire for community-centered economic development from the project, especially in regard to supporting local businesses and providing job training and job opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, UC Berkeley Chancellor Nicholas Dirks established an executive steering committee for the Richmond Bay Campus in January 2014, after overcoming funding issues and other hurdles that delayed the project; and

WHEREAS, Chancellor Dirks and LBNL Director, Paul Alivisatos, signed a "JointStatement of Commitment to Strengthen Community Partnerships Between UC Berkeley, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, and the Richmond Community," in April 2014, thereby establishing a "Working Group" designed to engage community members in regard to: education, local employment, procurement, and workforce training; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Statement established a "Richmond community partnership Working Group," which is charged with developing "recommendations and proposals for inclusion in a Richmond Partnership Commitment within the defined scope of education, local employment, procurement and workforce training"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Joint Statement affirmed UC Berkeley's position as a "member of the Richmond community" and as a "significant employer"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Joint Statement affirmed UC Berkeley and LBNL as "active partners and stakeholders," with Richmond; and

whereas, the Joint Statement acknowledges that a two-year public engagement process demonstrated the community's desire to "strengthen partnerships and expand community programs in the areas of education, local employment, procurement and workforce training"; and

**WHEREAS**, a Partnership Commitment is not a Community Benefits Agreement (CBA); and

**WHEREAS**, "CBAs are legally binding and enforceable contracts stipulating community benefits provided by a developer in conjunction with a development they are pursuing"; and

WHEREAS, CBAs are traditionally "negotiated

between three parties: local government, the private developer, and a coalition of community organizations and organized residents"; and

**WHEREAS**, "The goal of a CBA-like agreement for the RBC development is to insure that the RBC partners continue to be committed to supporting economic development in Richmond far into the future"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Richmond Bay Campus Report, prepared by S³, explains that the city of Richmond is in a disadvantaged position in terms of negotiating a CBAbecause the city lacks significant leverage to unilaterally secure commitments that UC Berkeley and LBNL will find "costly or even inconvenient" without withholding permits or opposing the project altogether; and

WHEREAS, UC Board of Regents approved the Long-Range Development Plan (LRDP) and Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the RBC, in May 2014, thereby endorsing the project and ensuring its advancement; and

WHEREAS, in remarks prior to the Regents' vote, Chancellor Dirks stated, "We have a welcoming partner in the City of Richmond. [Both the campus and the Lab] have shown our commitment to work in partnership with the community to ensure all we do will benefit not research on campus and in the labs, but also will benefit Richmond itself and the larger East Bay,"; and

WHEREAS, in an executive summary outlining the LRDP and its EIR before the Regents vote, UCOP officially recognized that both the community of Richmond and the city of Richmond want the RBC to address the following issues: education, workforce development and training, local hire, local procurement, equity and gentrification, and infrastructure coordination and proportional allocation; and

**WHEREAS**, the LRDP "communicates a vision of the Richmond Bay Campus as physically attractive open site where sensitive natural resources are preserved and the local communities are enriched by the research and development enterprise,"; and

**WHEREAS,** in presentations to the Richmond community, UC Berkeley was clear that the LRDP "does not address issues of community benefits or economic development"; and

**WHEREAS,** the LRDP states that the project will include "up to 5.4 million gross square feet of research, education, and support space

capacity and related utility and transportation infrastructure," on approximately 133 acres; and

**WHEREAS**, the LRDP states that the "average daily population at the campus is projected to grow from 300 in 2013 to 10,000 by 2050," thereby eventually becoming the largest employer in Richmond; and

**WHEREAS,** LBNL operations at the RBC are expected to bring over \$76 million indirect procurement each year alone; and

**WHEREAS**, the LRDP states that one of its goals is to: "advance LBNL and UC Berkeley's tradition of world class science by expanding their strong partnership to the cooperative development of the new campus, in order to augment accomplishments and contributions of both institutions in the fields of human health, the economy, energy, and the environment"; and

**WHEREAS,** the human health, economy, energy, and environment of the Richmond community should not be separated from those academic fields;

WHEREAS, the LRDP states that another one of its goals is to: "catalyze new discoveries, economic revitalization, and community vibrancy by facilitating inspiration along the full spectrum of the research and development enterprise and fostering connectivity with the surrounding community"; and

**WHEREAS**, the goal of the LRDP to promote economic revitalization and community vibrancy in the surrounding community necessitates community engagement and intentional community-driven initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the minimum wage for UC workers protected by union contracts is greater than the minimum wage. Moreover, these workers enjoy medical benefits that are invaluable in a community suffering high rates of asthma and other illnesses correlated with pollution and poverty; and

**WHEREAS**, the LRDP does not include explicit labor protections or a CBA.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the University of California Student Association calls on UC Berkeley, LBNL, and UCOP to sign a legally-binding CBA with the Richmond community that includes, but is not limited to, the following protections:

 Investment in an anti-displacement fund to subsidize the development of affordable housing units and protect low income tenants;

- Investment in training programs to ensure that local and disadvantaged workers develop skills for professions on the RBC;
- The establishment of a living wage policy to lift all workers out of poverty;
- 4. The establishment of a Project Labor Agreement that ensures union representation and includes local hire language;
- 5. The establishment of protections to ensure that jobs similarly performed at the UC Berkeley campus covered by collective bargaining agreements remain UC jobs at the new campus;
- 6. Investment in and enhance opportunities for local small businesses:
- 7. Investment in a Youth Opportunity and Education Fund for K-12 and community college students to help build career pathways; and

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the UCSA recognizes the potential positive impact of the RBC for the community of Richmond so long as certain community protections are established and guaranteed; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the UCSA affirms its belief that the public mission of UC Berkeley, its Principles of Community, and the vision and goals for the RBC project, as stated in the LRDP, require a legally-binding CBA in order to fulfill the university's mission and ensure that the people of Richmond actually benefit from the development; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the UCSA affirms its belief that, without a CBA, the RBC development will likely advance gentrification, displacement, and the exploitation of the Richmond community because the city of Richmond is not well-positioned to negotiate for a formal agreement and the histories of Richmond and similar vulnerable communities have shown that without legal protections, these communities are invariably neglected and exploited by both private industry and public institutions; and

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the UCSA commits to educating student associations about the RBC through board members' external affairs offices; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, within ten days of this bill's passage, the UCSA President and Chair will write a letter to both Chancellor Dirks and President Napolitano requesting that they publicly commit to establishing a formal CBA with the city of Richmond and that they direct the RBC Executive Steering Committee and Richmond community partnership Working Group to begin proceeding with a formal CBA process; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the UCSA President

	and Chair request that Chancellor Dirks and President Napolitano provide a public justification for not supporting the establishment of a CBA for the RBC development, in the event that they do not both publicly support a CBA and initiate action toward drafting a CBA with Richmond; and  THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the UCSA supports the people of Richmond in their on-going efforts to secure community-centered economic development and a formal CBA from the RBC development.  Rebecca, motion to ass this by Rebecca, seconded by Caitlyn.  Motion passes, carries unanimously.	
UCSA Congress bids	Consider another location or a campus based conf. Keep congress bids open past the deadline. If by Feb no campus wants to make a bid, we move forward and plan for a hotel.	Extend deadline past deadline until Feb, does not pass Feb, move forward with hotel.
Budget	Cash flow document, designed to give you a clear picture of how were doing month to month. Projected total, everything for the 12 months. Total is in blue. Green approved budget. Yellow column is difference between the two. Highlights, we are going to end up with considerably more than we budgeted because of collection of 2013 dues. One time thing. We saw a significant overage in that line item. We landed right where we thought we would in most items. We underachieved for our congress registration revenues. Overachieved for SLC. Council of Student Fees, they pay their fees once a year, already collected for this year in fall of 2013, same will probably be true by the end of this year.  Top line is board expense.  Overspent our budget on Congress.  Discussion of re-establishing mandated reserve as per our by-laws.	
	Motion; to adopt the 2015 budget with designated reserve to be moved from checking to a money market account at our bank, (Rebecca) and seconded by Louise.  Motion carries without objection.  Mid-year budget review.	
	Motion to meet tomorrow during 11:30am-12:45 and 2:10pm-3:15pm	
UConsent	Savannah: Had many questions, wasn't at last board meeting. How do you get Consent started? What information is available in reaards to sexual violence? Everythina is in	

	this toolkit. Idea behind it, broken down in actions, graphics. Consent walk or week. Policy recommendations federally, and UC task force, and CA auditors. Current legislation on a federal level, basics everything you need to know to get started. Do with it what you want, yours for the taking, just so you know, let them know exactly who is going to be reading this information. Basics for activism from know your 9. Anything you want to know, what is title 9, Cleary act, what is Campus Safe Act, FERPA privacy act. Look into each of these folders. It's the board's job to utilize this toolkit and begin working around this campaign. Teach-ins. Stickers don't have today, want them to look nice, will be done. Tasked the board to make a committee, create an application. Important dates, Nov 14-19th heteronormative general campaign, hosts an open forum, Feb 24-25, National Conf at UC Berkeley.	
Sunday 11:30		
Fund the UC	Kevin:  Talked about how there are a lot of myths in the UC, chancellor salary increase. Napolitano agreed to create a communications task force. Council of Presidents will also be assigning to people to sit on that committee. Talked about fighting those myths with the legislature. Regents are meeting the 18t. 19th. and 20th. We need to develop a strategy going into the Regents meetings.  Allyson:  Entire board has a discussion on what the boards wants to do and have UA follow through on ideas. I would recommend for every EVP, have anyone working around Fund the UC to sit in on board meeting.  Guillermo:  This was a political move on UCOP's end. They know what reaction will come from legislature. We are caught in the middle. Either we fight with legislature against UCOP, or we fight with UCOP with the stipulation that there is no tuition increase. How much does the state need to contribute?  Rebecca:  We are being used as a pawn. Has a lot to do with power. I was brainstorming this morning, and as it was mentioned, if we can go before the state and say we need the money and also agree with how it's being spent. A thought is to rebrand the UC. To fund us! Ways to talk about where growth should happen and where it shouldn't happen. For a long time we have been unequal partners with this body, we have been playing ball and negotiating for money. Let's talk directly and give us the money.	

 We should be advocating for ourselves. The state is not funding us. The UC is not spending the money where it needs to go. We should acknowledge this publicly. ASM stone is thinking about introducing tuition to limit out of state students. We need to pick and choose both sides and see what they are doing wrong, and move on from there,

#### Abe:

• I like Rebecca's idea on the messaging. In terms of strategy, we need to be focused in what we are asking and what we are asking at different levels. If indeed this passes, then we can shift the conversation. I don't know if they can put don stipulations on earmarked money.

#### Kevin:

• I think that there is a short-term goal and long-term goal. Short-term goal is a short crisis that we need to address now. In working with the leg and GOV. we need to commit to a longer solution and that is regent reform. The GOV. and leg. Would have an easier time buying if they had support from the state. Chancellor salary, UC Venture Fund, investment fund, Amend the state constitution to address this difficulty. Consider taking tuition setting and giving it away to the legislature. In short term coordinate efforts to advocacy in getting money and inner goals in regental reform.

#### Conrad:

 We can really coalition build with CSU and CC. we have two targets and goals. One is to get funding and money. We should create strategies to counter act that. One of the things that I have talked about to students, have a direct action at our campuses with the chancellors.

#### Allyson:

 We have a meeting on Friday with UCOP. The regents meeting are important, what campuses can attend?

#### Kevin:

 ASFME did reach out and say that they can provide buses for certain campuses.

#### Breana:

 Student Regents, how are they going to take place, are we going to get concrete goals, commitments from them.

#### Adam:

• We should use student regent to represent us. Member of the Public 1:

 After Thursday news, I began organizing around this. Discussions that have come up is to invite campuses and discuss actions. We need to do something at every campus to voice our concerns/opinions. One of the big things we discussed is that need to stay focused on the goal. There are many issue that can be dealt with afterwards but right now it's about tuition.

#### Kevin:

• Staff weigh in on this conversation Sean Leg Director

• I think UCSA would be wise to separate itself from UCOP. This is not how public policy is made. It is not how things are done. You ask for things. We have to go out and make our case as to why we deserve it. Statements form legislature is that they are upset about this tactic. Ex officio members have come out against this. Of course we understand we need the money, we're going to do it in the right way and how you how it should be spent. Friends with the legislature and Gov. and ask for things. Attach strings to the money being given to the UC.

# Bridget:

- We have legislative allies. Pres. Napolitano,
   "...the language in our statement is
   unfortunate" we are supported by some
   members of the legislature. Lobby the state on
   behalf of us, as students.
- Do the Fund US in terms of graphics, keep campaign the same. Make the messaging in terms of right now. We have been trying to work with the UC, regents and UCOP but things haven't been working well.

#### Sean:

UCOP wants students to hold their hands and lobby together

# Bridget:

 We have something now in the regents meeting, but we have to act on it now. Let's plan short term and long term. Let's hit a mark.

# Toni:

 In the next 2 weeks we need to round up our coalitions. And begin activating them. It's not just tuition that matters but also the cost of living that continues to rise.

# Conrad:

• I think it's great that we are throwing out ideas; we should create a strategy chart.

# Louise:

- How many voting members do we have on the board of regents? And how many are in support of us.
- Atkins, Newsom, Sadia, voting no.

# Strategy Chart:

#### Short Term Goals:

- One day of action, occupy chancellor's house/office. Have both presidents send out an email to all constituents to their student body. Write op-eds to your media about what this is.
- Consistent day of action, Nov 18<sup>th</sup>
- Media: working with AS/GSA, press releases on details of action. AS EVP we should inform our

constituents.

#### Melvin:

 Possibilities of having live stream on our computers on what students are doing back at the campuses.

#### Abe:

• If we were to send out a campus email, are you certain it goes through to everyone.

#### Rebecca:

 In terms of our short-term goal, should we add in an ask. Love the idea of campus coordinating actions.

#### Kevin:

- Which campuses are planning on attending?
   Caitlyn:
  - ASFCME will get us a bus.

#### lman:

 We should strategize silent actions for each round of students when entering and leaving the room.

#### Julian:

 We will not be the only people trying to go into the meeting.

#### Denea:

• In the past, other campuses have done sit-ins and block the freeway.

#### Abe:

- Can we get a map of UCSF up on the screen?
   Guillermo:
  - Echo what Rebecca and Conrad had been saying, depending on the vote, we should hold rallies. Then a general walk out. Occupation of student service building. General strike.

#### Rebecca:

 Alumni hold signs with what they actually spent in the 4-6 years it took them to get the degree.

#### Allyson:

- Can we review what we are going to be doing for the action?
  - Kevin: Let's go over suggestions
- Implement robe idea for alumni, wear black for everyone else, holding fake diplomas saying the how much the paid for their degree. Timeline by increasing the cost.

#### Breana:

 Great idea to have tape over our mouths. ("Pawn" on the tape)

#### Priscilla:

· Alumni show price of their tuition,

#### Abe:

• Rode block around the vicinity.

#### Melvin:

 Is our target to change the UC votes or show them how angry we are?

#### Guillermo:

Doing both at the same time.

#### Breana:

• Get an idea of what we want the action to look

like? Do we want people to get arrested? Do something different, where come off in an passive aggressive way.

#### Abe:

- We are not assuming that we are not taking one tactic. We can definitely utilize our concerns.
   We are not all going to be out there and be disruptive.
- I will express my concerns in a diplomatic way and not assume that we are only using on tactic.

#### Rebecca:

 Multiple tactics is our way to go so long as it is coordinated. People who do speak should not yell. Inside should be direct and on point and respectful.

#### Denea:

Have alumni come in solidarity. Create
messaging that we are not yelling at these
individuals but telling them how this will impact
us directly. Have our stars be nice and vocal.

#### Louise:

 Like the idea of bringing books and laptops to show them what is going on outside, back at the comments.

#### Guillermo:

• Are we coordinating for only Wednesday?

#### lman:

 We should plan specifically for Wednesday but Tuesday is also critical. Think about separation of space. Alumni could be the day before.

#### Adam:

 Is the voting on the budget going to happen on Wednesday?

#### Marcy:

Yes

# Adam:

 It would be strong if we had people speaking during public comment.

#### Melvin:

 One long speech, for next speaker to take on and continue after their allotted time has collapsed.

# Jessica:

 Don't know how feasible it is to take students for 3 days. I need to know the timeline from day one to day 3.

#### Louise:

 Wednesday is the day we will mobilize on our campuses. Have alumni be on the public comment for Tuesday.

# Rebecca:

 How many alumni people do we have who will be speaking.

#### Bridget:

 We names for about 1000 names, but don't have addresses. Reach out to Matt Haney to tap into that network.

#### Conrad:

- Can we decide that on the 18<sup>th</sup>, have a campus wide action.
- On the 18<sup>th</sup> be the day where each campus has an action to get media attention and the 19<sup>th</sup> mobilize to get campuses to go to the event.

#### Abe:

18<sup>th</sup>, have campus actions.

#### Denea:

• I like the visual effect of it. Need to have individuals to stand there. We don't need it to actually be alumni.

#### Kevin:

 Pockets inside out, tape over mouths, roadblock.

#### Abe:

What are we doing: blocking access?

#### Kevin:

• Pick a fight with UCP or SFPD.

#### Allyson:

 I do believe that we need to have a direct action. A lot of communities are impacted on what we will do. Also go back to what Melvin said; regents are only receptive to certain things. Really like the idea of the books, laptops,

#### Kevin:

You're suggesting we don't do roadblocks

#### Moshin:

 Can we know beforehand who is going to get arrested prior to the day of action?

#### Kevin:

Identify parts people will play.

#### Yanira:

Raise your hand if you're down to get arrested?

# Abe:

- Want to make sure that we have an idea on what we are going to do. Does everyone agree with a roadblock?
- We can be considerate in regards to person's different abilities to engage in this action, ex those who do not want to get arrested or to have their faces shown. Wear layers of clothes. Think ahead of what may happen. Now that we decided what is going to happen, can we move forward?

# Kevin:

• In terms of who is going to be doing what, coordinate that at the campus level.

#### Rebecca:

 I think that we should go back to our campuses and coordinate it. List of dates and events to be put on the website. Police officers don't respond well to cops.

#### Jessica:

 I don't know if it makes it difference in who is going and who is not. We still haven't established a timeline.

#### Kevin:

- Raise your hand if your campus plans to go
- UCSC UG, UCLA UG, UCM UG, UCR, UG UCSD UG,

#### Kevin:

• Will reach out to non-membership campuses.

#### Morris:

 I think it's very important for us to think that we put together some legal clinic prior to the event.
 Know your rights. Video cameras to record and police brutality. We need lawyers on call.

#### Kevin:

Will put together staff resources.

# Bridget:

• Looking bay area legal aides

#### Brad:

 What are people going to be arrested for? Because of what?

#### Kevin:

 The disruptive part of what they may be doing may result in them getting arrested. Recognizing that it is a very likely to happen

#### Adam:

Public comment during 8:30am. For 20 minutes.

#### Abe:

We should get there at 7am.

#### Marcy:

 STARS will be meeting at 7:30, private meeting with UCOP.

#### Kevin:

• Vote is on 10:15am Wednesday.

#### Allyson:

- How many people is each campus bringing?
  - o UCB UG 50
  - UCB GSA 7
  - o UCLA UG 15
  - o UCM UG 40
  - o UCR UG 9
  - o UCSB UG 50
  - o UCSB GSA 12
  - UCSC UG 100 UCSC GSA
  - o UCSD 0

#### Kevin:

 Mary Virginia is talking to Guillermo about bus lodging from ASFME.

# Julian:

- Have you all established where you're all going to block and how are we ending the action?
- Ending: I'm still not sure about the rules, can we scream I quit or FAIL. No confidence.
- Fail, withdraw, no confidence, dropout

#### Kevin:

- Are we banking on them getting an "F" we need to designate that everything is spelled correctly.
- Breana will coordinate the sign.

#### Kevin:

• Staff will look at what will be the optimal way to

carry out this roadblock.

#### Allyson:

 STARS will be having lunch with regents after their vote. Have STARS with their laptops to show regents what campuses are doing.

#### Breana:

What are we doing the day after?

#### Kevin:

Wrap up end result.

#### Caitlyn:

• Chant peacefully, have a die-in outside

#### Abe;

 We need to do something active; this is the time when they are going to raise tuition for 5 years.
 And for us to put up signs and then take them down. I am not so sure if the die in.

#### Kevin:

Die-ins are done in protest of something.

# Adam:

 What are we going to say during public comment?

#### Kevin:

 Let's finalize the topic on the floor before moving on to discuss what we will say.

#### Breana:

 Have a combination of both. Purpose is to agitate regents.

#### Iman:

• Throw out paper money.

#### Denea:

• Call it on Rain on the Regents.

# Member of the public:

 Not environmentally friendly to throw money and make a mess.

# Abe:

 Need to have a good balance in seeing how we can make I work with the paper idea.
 Followed by an organizing circle and chalking after. Does everybody agree with that?

#### Aurea:

• Take out whole paper money idea. We need to be eco-friendly of this action.

Motion to move it with money idea, motion carries.

# Kevin:

- What are we chalking? Anyone can write down what they want.
- if you would like to use paper money as proposed? 4 yes, 1 oppose, 1 abstention.

# Motion carries.

#### Abe:

• I do want to be considerate of the janitor. Communicate with labor union.

#### Kevin:

 Increase labor on custodians to find out if they would be responsible in cleaning up? Wouldn't mind?

#### Wednesdays:

Student speaks out via mega phone.

#### Thursday:

• There is no vote, but on their agenda it starts at 830-10am, closed session, public let in 12-2.

#### Guillermo:

What are everyone's thoughts in doing something on campus rather than at SF since it is mostly closed session?

#### Marcy:

Appointed STARS, open session there will be open discussion.

# Allyson:

STARS should take it upon themselves and be responsible for Thursday to continue to address our concerns. Thurs, and Fri. to inform our student bodies.

# Long term planning: Reform regents

Rebranding the UC

Strings attached to money

# Member of the public:

- In terms of stretching out the camping, whatever we do has to last until June, idea of building momentum over time. System wide action. It shows solidarity in terms of UC stuff. Organizing a mass walk out from class. Or sit outside the classroom and study there, we/re trying to study but you aren't letting us in.
- Occupy buildings, would depend from campus to campus.
- General strike

# lman:

Tuesday is alumni: wearing robes and having diplomas wearing cost of living. Studiers on Wednesday.

#### Wednesday:

Arrive 6am; 300 students arriving, road block (staff will work to point out area) students will go inside and study, wear black, read long script and alter process, take paper money, starts will clean up, empty pockets. Silenced students on Wednesday with tape on their mouth.

# Thursday:

left for StARs to organize,

# Next steps:

- Reach out to auditor of the UC, draft bill language for regent reform.
- Lobby legislature for more funding for the UC.

#### Allyson:

Now that we have they days planed out, let's pan out the days leading up to the action? Social media, etc. sending out campus wide emails?

#### Conrad:

- First we launch an online campaign.
- Can we get on the same page as to what we

can say the media and campus newspapers?

#### Kevin:

 Response to Conrad: UA Chair should we draft something.

# Bridget:

- Work on publishing campus events.
- I would recommend sending an embargo to social media outlets.
- To keep regents actions in the wraps prior to meeting.
- Petition, 2500 signatures., Lets amplify on this.

#### Conrad:

 Recommendations since petition is doing well, we should continue to make that a cover photo to get more people to participate in petition.

#### Abe:

• We didn't finish with the order of everything playing out. President draft out letter with request, getting an audit etc. put together a list on how regents should be reformed. Are we going to ask legislature to conduct an audit, to introduce a bill to reform regents a certain way. Something ready to go for our demands. Back this up with an action/rally.

#### Jefferson:

 Discussion is going into a circle for past hour; suggest work on plan is set. UA work on messaging let's move forward while CAC work son plan of the full action. CAC get on a call, UA, get on a call sometime by tomorrow as well.

Motion to adjourn by Rebecca seconded by Guillermo; Motion passes

Adjourn: 3:00PM.