

University of California Student Association
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Board of Directors Meeting
UC Berkeley
Saturday, September 6 and 7, 2014

Participants:

Present:

UCB AS, UCB GA, UCI AGS, UCLA USAC, UCM AS, UCM GSA, UCR AS, UCR GSA, UCSB AS, UCSC SUA, UCSC GSA, UCSD AS, UCSF GS

Absent:

UCSB GSA, UCSF PROF

Meeting starting and ending times: start at 10:24AM; end at 5:40pm

Meeting location or format: Anna Head Alumnae Hall, UC Berkeley

Facilitator(s): Kevin Sabo, Chair

Note taker: Marcy Straw to xxx10: 24am time (10:45am); David Santillan, SFO from 10:45am to 5:40pm

Roll Call:

Undergraduate Student Association		Graduate Student Association	
UC Santa Cruz AS	X	UC Santa Cruz GSA	X
UC Berkeley AS	X	UC Berkeley GSA	X
UC Merced AS	X	UC Merced GSA	X
UC Los Angeles AS	X		
		UC Irvine GSA	X
UC Santa Barbara AS	X	UC Santa Barbara GSA	-
UC Riverside AS	X	UC Riverside GSA	X
UC San Diego AS	X		
UC San Francisco GS	X	UC San Francisco Prof	-

Agenda Item	Notes	Action item(s)
Approval of agenda and Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to Approve Agenda. Passed • Motion to approve August Board Meeting Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passed. • Passed.
Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
Presidents Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spoke at Regents confirmation hearings in Sacramento to advocate for more diversity in Regent selection • Participation in the Grad Prof Hiring process; reviewing applications and hoping to move forward with interviews. • Participated in Executive Officer Training at Oakland office. • Thank you to UCB for hosting first meeting of the year. 	
Chair's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated MOU with SSCCC and CSSA for BOD review • Attended and testified at Senate Rules hearing on the confirmation of Regents Blum, Pattiz, Lozano, and Sherman. • Invited external vice presidents of member associations not in good standing to September Board meeting. • Participated in Executive Officer Training at Oakland office. • Worked on hiring for Graduate and Professional Student Advocacy Director. • Visited UCSA Office for meeting with the Berkeley Group on strategic planning consulting. • Hosted conference call on Regent reform. • Prepared and disseminated September 2014 Board agenda. • Authored resolution on waiving membership fees for former member associations. • FYI: UCSA board email address doesn't allow for public view. 	
Secretary Finance Officer's Report	None	
Committee Chair Reports	None	
Liaison Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labor Liaison, Rebecca (UCSC) met with AFSCME about ways students could support campaigns for the coming year; in contact with AFT re: UC Democracy campaign which will be a good fit with Beth Hwang from SLAP about banking campaign to decrease corporatization of campuses/predatory practices. 	

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USSA Liaison Report	<p>Legislative/ Action Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USSA Legislative Director Justin Habler attended a White House Big Table on the ongoing events transpiring in Ferguson, Missouri on 9/2/14 • Letter to the President regarding Ferguson (Check reference links) • USSA Letter on the Higher Education Affordability Act (Check attachment in email) <p>Board Retreat September 18-21 (Washington DC)</p> <p>Plans for Retreat:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning campaigns, meet with alumni at the Alumni Reception, BOD will receive intensive trainings on organizing, LegCon planning, all BOD members making backwards (BW) plans that they will present at board retreat (new practice for the BOD that I am implementing), and meeting with important DC people (Congress members, Department of Ed, national labor union leadership, CFPB, and other coalition partners). • Reflective of one on ones with board members. • LegCon Date and Location: Gallaudet University March 26-30th. It is a federally chartered private university for the education of the Deaf and hard of hearing located in Washington, D.C. <p>GPIT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spoke with Chair Art Motta, he is excited to get to work with UCSA and expand membership in our region. The following is the message he wanted me to report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our investment in the organization. Board representation: 16 board chairs, 12-14 vice chairs. • USSA and UCSA Goals coincide in regards to coalition building and membership. • Expansion (UCSA and the SSCCC). • UConsent and Sexual Assault/ Sexual Violence Campaign, National IGNITE • Clear asks and accountability. • Dialogue between USSA staff and UC EVPs. • Budget discussion regarding each individual campuses allocation to USSA and UCSA's allocation as well. • Reports from Berkeley and Merced (How are the campaigns being worked on at your campus?) <p>In Conclusion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting up free GROW training (Every member SSA gets one free per year) • Map how we plan to execute USSA's campaigns 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a list of goals as an organization (UCSA) and what we want to accomplish through our partnership with USSA. • EVP's email any questions, comments or concerns that your individual campus has regarding USSA to aja@usstudents.org • How would UCSA like to be involved with combating police brutality? 	
<p>Campus Reports amendments to UCSA Charter</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SF GSA: meeting next week • Riverside AS: professional staff trying to see if this can pass during summit powers, Senate convenes second week of school. Vote: partnering with MFV, Common cause, and CalPIRG Drafted a memorandum of housing services Planning actions around police brutality • Berkeley Grad: did not get charter amendment to board, will vote on it in Oct. Vote: registering 1000 grad students is going to be difficult, ahs registered 35 so far • SB AS: Vote - working with organizations and CALPIRG, Just began doing voter registration at freshmen dorms, during summer, have gotten a couple hundred. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urge Gov Brown to sign bill
<p>Staff Reports</p>	<p>Executive Director (Marcy Straw)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First of all thank staff for board and contributions for Congress • Workshops and clinics and presentations around campaigns were great • Staff has identified a potential new webmaster for updating website, to be responsive to updates and arrangement of functionality of web • UCOP ASK? Waiting on grant proposal, to underwrite a portion of the VR <p>For the Leg Director:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OP-EDS in favor of vote activity, email to all chancellors to support all campuses work on VOTE • Call in in support of the bills • Sean and Jefferson will head to DC, 54 meetings planned • Meeting with UCOP last week, regent lobby visit all together, more planning as UCOP goes through there meeting process • Fall, monthly lobby visits, pairing regents with the board. • 75% of regents live in Central/Southern ca. allows for more direct central lobbying. <p>For the Communications Director:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you for everything you did at congress. Carries system wide committee work until we hire a new Grad prof director. • Working on STAR applications • Working on Vote swag and marketing materials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

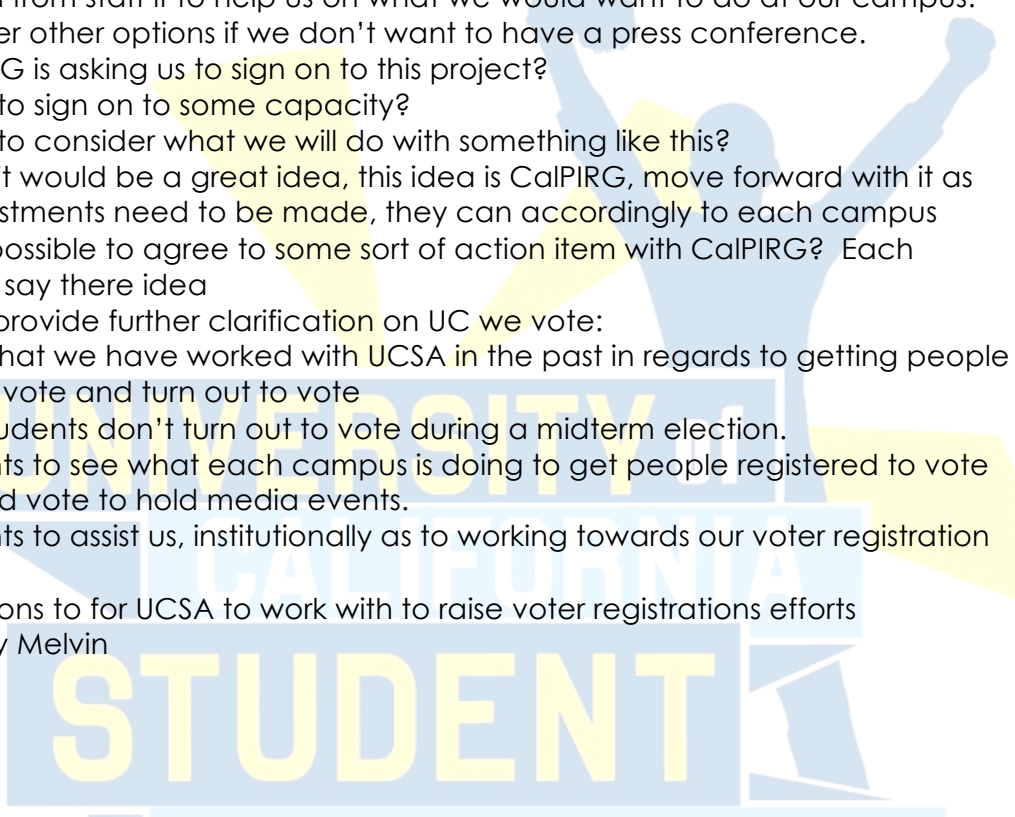
<p>Student Regent report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Field and media requests specifically as new board transitions • Secured SLC hotel for 2015, signed sealed and delivered <p>For the Undergrad Directors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Julian and Patty working on Vote reaching out to campuses, setting up calls, setting up strategies, on campus trainings, reaching vote goals, making sure that data entry consolidation is solid <p>Will be sharing more during undergrad breakout space.</p> <p>Chief of staff: Briana Molan reporting.</p> <p>Last few weeks have been busy, task force for sexual assault, Regent meeting in 2 weeks.</p> <p>Avi and I met with President Napolitano. Conduct a survey on how they are surveying community college students.</p> <p>Discussed fossil free initiative and met with CEO of FFUC.</p> <p>Create a new fund UC ventures to fund FFC.</p> <p>Pres. said discussion around increase in tuition will be in November regent meeting.</p> <p>Think about lobby efforts to talk about lobby points.</p>	
<p>Council on Student Fees</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>Council of Presidents</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to report, did not meet quorum, • Will meet with us at the next board meeting in UC San Diego. Direct all questions to Kevin in regards to council report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>Office of the President</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did not pass along report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>ASFCME</p>	<p>Mary Virginia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASFCME 3299 largest UC union representing 22,000 workers custodians, people who serve us the students • Reached out to all EVPs via email in regards to any questions about labor and union on campus. • At Congress a goal is to build coalition with students • Support student campaigns, • Arranged ASFCME to hold presentations with staff and AS • Have student interns at every campus • Reminder: upcoming student labor conference, last year it was a lot of fun and successful. This year Oct, (date) • New campus that the UC is building in Richmond, 3/4 the size of Berkeley, estimate traffic flow of 10k people. Students and faculty mostly researchers, will employ about 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

	<p>700 workers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Richmond is a community of color; need to make sure that this campus is built in a way that is helpful to the community She will have more in this next month UCI Grad, do you have an expected date for opening? Money from Dept. of Energy, looking for public private partnerships sticky area, excuse that they are using third party contact to cut back on labor All of the planning is being set right now 	
Student Org updates CSU/SACK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have been in constant communication CSAA signed own letter, board, and 23 co-signers urging him to sign AB 1426 into law. SSCCC: Kevin and Omar chatted on legislative issues Conrad: USSA, have specific asks for what USSA wants to focus on Kevin: linked the USSA report to agenda 	•
MOU with CSSA/SSCCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Names changed at the bottom, as leadership changed, 	•
MOU with CA Public Higher Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strike former UCSA board chair, update; update to Jefferson as president signatory Add Lyssa Leg Com. onto MOU 	• Adopted as amended
Fund the UC Campaign update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fund the UC came about that the UC needs to always be funded, became a permanent campaign that focus on prop 13 reform, oil severance tax than not, campaign focuses on how we can reform prop 13, have UC receive stable funding. Fund the UC most active on UCLA and UC Berkeley campuses. Last year UCB did a postcard campaign, total numbers are unknown, lots of cards signed in support for prop 13 support and sent to the Gov. PPIC stated threat there is a lot of support for prop 13 reform. Option to the board that that this is a permanent campaign and we will be working on it year after year. Deana UCLA, tuition roll back instead of tuition freeze. Attended city hall and council voted on Prop 13 reform. Passed 14-1. Go to other city councils and ask for resolution. 	• UCLA resolution proposed at council
Congress Debrief	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bridget facilitated the debrief Basic critique, more food, more variety. Open bids for campuses, how do you feel about the space and location where the conference was held, and booking a hotel for next year? Lyssa (UCSD): general comment, that campuses do need to pay for parking, charter bus around 150 dollars a day. Louise (UCSC): liked the hotel, logistics were fine, think we should open it up to campuses and keep a hotel options as a back up. 	•

- Deana (UCLA): campaign planning was done well.
- Making sure that we are having these conversation around campaigns to the very end
- Melvin (UCSB): confusion around first round of voting, propose were at the protest, emphasize the idea that everyone came with different campaigns and should be there to look at everything
- Iman (UCB): no formal introduction to the grad campaign
- Allyson (UCSD) hotel was a better choice. This congress ran smoothly; smart to have UCSA work on this. As a board and not relaying the work to a campus because of what happened in UCSC.
- Deana (UCLA): revisit registration costs and making sure that there is an incentive for non membership campuses and have them recognize the benefits of becoming a member
- Lewis (UCR): location was awesome, a lot of food options nearby, consider location for future years, saves on cost. Location matters.
- Louise (UCSC): wants more workshop sessions. Difficult to choose, more sessions o people font have to pick and choose
- Allyson UCSD): workshops were great, enjoyed seeing diverse presenters and seeing students attend workshops.
- Morris (UCLA): a lot of people were going from one campaign to another, delegating more time to campaign planning session after voting has happened to allow student to develop campaigns in one space and not take away from conference
- Appreciated stories at the action, did make an impression on him, putting a face on a problem we as students face, we need to have a conversation around how productive the action was.
- Do more work around protesting our target
- Aurea (UCM): we are a small campus, but rewarding to have seen a small delegation, learned so much from this conference, students become aware of the problems in the UC, students teaching students, interacting with other students, great for UC Merced, liked the location,
- Humanizing the problem
- Phil gave his story at action, students were moved by his story
- Abraham (UCR): planning action went well how it all played out
- We can do a lot more in how the power of actions work
- We shouldn't be afraid to do more
- It could've have been disempowering because we didn't do enough with that action. Should've gone into the building, UCOP was not listening to us during our

	<p>action, they were there and didn't acknowledge, it didn't accurately capture what our purpose there was. Didn't get any sense of us reaching them other than students outside rallying</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guillermo (UCLA): asked for this conversation around the protect • Allyson (UCSD): keep in mind that during action a lot of community members wanted to engage in action. Keep in mind how certain communities are going to be affected. They were asking local orgs how can we help • Morris (UCLA): he felt a striking problem, is the gentrification going on in the community of color. • Agrees with Allyson that community was interested in our case and what we were doing. • Suggest, having a local force behind us as well. 	
<p>SOCC update Jefferson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have workshop application online • Send out to students to apply • Dues? \$30 per student from membership associations \$60 from non members, \$45 from high schoolers • Capacity at UC Merced 999 in one room • If weather permits, go up to 2000 • Main goal is to keep it at 900 students • Hotels blocked, will sent out info once contracts are signed • Reached out to a few speakers along with chancellor, forming steering committee next week to look at speakers. Workshops will be due Oct. 10 • Hotel costs range form 60-100 dollars • Numbers review from each campus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Berkeley AS hoping for 100 ○ GA- will have to check budget? ○ UCI G 4 ○ LA U 100 ○ UCM U 100 ○ UCR U 75 ○ UCR G 2 ○ SB 100-130 U ○ UCSC U 100-130 ○ UCSC G around 10 ○ UCSD U 114 ○ UCSF? Send email next week follow up • Sending out registration by the end of next week also due Oct. 10 • Campus, cut checks, or pays university directly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshops be pushed back because quarter system commences on ox 2 • Adam (UCSB): registration push back as well • Louise (UCSC): Oct. 10 final numbers due or names of registered delegates. • Action at SOCC, central valley at a prison. In terms of transportation and what action would entail, would it be productive, going through local businesses • How to productively hold an action around a prison 20-30 min distance • Bussing students would costs a significant amount, looking into coalition members/allies • Allyson (UCSD): agree of action but remind that conference come and go. Usually campus doesn't get involved as much. 	
<p>Website Update Bridget</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridget: campaign pages have UC consent web page up by next week 10/13 • Campaign portion of site is not as interactive, would like to add photos, videos, etc. • Legislation page under our work • Capital track feature • Overall design clean up under tool bar menu, going to make it that much more simple to navigate pages • Start new log feature, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>Vote Presentation Julian</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UC we Vote reminders/Updates • Will receive vote materials latest Sept. 19 • Staff trainings offered contact Julian or patty • Backward planning sessions • Call county elections for VRC's • Review of scanning criteria • UCSA will pay for initial supply, if campuses requesting more, reach out to Julian/Patty • Proposed press conference • Suggested dates: • QUARTER Oct 6th or 8th • SEMESTER: Sept 23rd • Media, youth voting is extremely low, idea of this press conf. is to change that dialogue • Event at UC Berkeley on Sept 23rd • Centered around national voter registration day • Cobrand event with CSSA/SSCCC and CalPIRG • Allyson: press conference stuff, do they have more details on what they ideally want from the external affairs report? • Bridget: we want to give you all the tools to work with what you all have planned for vote. Be putting together a toolkit for all campuses. You all work with CalPIRG on 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review scanning criteria, making sure that its in black and white, high quality setting, • Do dates work for campuses? • What is your capacity during your time period? • If this doesn't sound right, how would you like to change the proposal? • Some type of



	<p>Solution. Treat this as a title 2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FCC taking open comment. Endorse net neutrality and send a letter to them. • Iman: if Internet becomes title 2, is there any fear that there could be censorship on the Internet? • Title 2 would simply make it that they would be under the same laws. Cant slow down speeds, doesn't have to do with censorship of websites • Board can handle this as a directive • USSA already passed this resolution • Strike the third resolved that states we would direct our liaison to introduce t <p>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of California Student Association Board of Directors direct its Liaison to the United States Student Association introduce a resolution to the Board of Directors expressing the same; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • • Iman) curious to questions asked around this becoming a campaign? Ideas for further actions • Kevin: in conversation had, it was about how viable, something that can be accomplished. It doesn't require a mass mobilization of students. Sending a letter to net neutrality that UCSA supports this. <p>BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the University of California Student Association Board of Directors expresses that should the United States Student Association Board of Directors adopt a resolution articulating the same sentiments as expressed herein that a letter be composed directed to Tom Wheeler (FCC Chairman), Mignon Clyburn (FCC Commissioner), Jessica Rosenworcel (FCC Commissioner), Ajit Pai (FCC Commissioner), and Michael O'Rielly (FCC Commissioner) stating the United States Students-University of California Student Association's support for net neutrality and the reclassification of the internet under Title II and also submit this letter to FCC.gov/comments before September 15th.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adam moves • Huber seconds • Recess BOD until 6:45 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vote: resolution carries as amended unanimously
<p>Grad Chair report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guest, Claudia Agono, Prof. in Dept of Social Welfare <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ She posed the question what are we as a board? ◦ What is our and strengths. • Campaign update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Having a graduate on the committee with voting privileges. ○ Hiring and retention committees when hiring committees 	
Undergrad Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates on each campaign <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Past victories/history of each campaigns • IGNITE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Incorporated prop 47 in campaign ○ Talked more about how to implement other ideas such as mass deportation and police brutality ○ Sub committee for IGNITE and UConsent ○ Calendar will be added to the UCSA calendar • UConsent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Developed short term goals ○ Photo campaigns ○ Resolutions ○ Awareness action event • Minor fund the UC planning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Prop 13 reform ○ Action in Sept. ○ Regents talking about increasing tuition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abe will send out calendar of events
FFUC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name of individuals who presented • Matthew from Cal • Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3 regents on FFUC task force ○ 4 hours of conf. call talk ○ Financial analysis from top 200 companies would do ○ Climate skeptic on the committee ○ Recommendations that came: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ESG framework ▪ 1 billion dollars over 5 years in sustainable investments ▪ Extension of task force to look into utility of divestment • Recommendation was changed behind close doors, wouldn't include extension to look in to utility divestment • Sept 17 regents will vote • Action taken place on the 17th, want to get as many people to attend in support • Matthew, FFUC student at UCB wrote a letter that says what was expressed when UCSA chose to approve to divest back in 2013. • Marcy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hoping UCSA will send t a letter to regents

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Regents are going to discuss the motion on the 17th at 1pm ○ Committee on investments hold telecom at 130 pm ○ If you go to Regents website, page with committee on investments you will see how to call in to and lodge public comment • Tim (UCI): what are the asks? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pulling investments from the top 200 with the largest carbon reserves within 5 years ○ Divestment has been on the table and been taken off. ○ Language, reinvest and find solutions 	
<p>USSA Breana and Louise 11:00am</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students not reading/ doing their part on the board • BOD lack of communication with and to staff • Each board member will have a backwards plan on what they wish to accomplish for the year • USSA active in White House meetings • Movement in AA and AR's <p><u>USSA Asks</u></p> <p>USSA Structural Improvement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct Member Campuses have guaranteed board member representation • An Executive Director position should be adopted by USSA to ensure staff accountability and organizational stability considering the rate of board/staff transition and turnover • USSA Board of Directors should add further constitutional and bylaw amendments to improve the structure of the organization for the purposes increased effectiveness, transparency, and accountability. <p>Campus Visits</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each UCSA dues paying member campus will receive 2 field visits each year direct member campuses should receive additional visits, but this is up to the discretion of those campuses • Field Organizer/Visiting staff should create and present a list of resources (workshops, trainings, materials, etc.) that can be available for the visit <p>GPIT Field Organizer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the region composed of the majority of current USSA membership, it is appropriate that a field organizer be assigned to help support the region and to provide more resources • Proposed timeline for this would within the next 2-3 years <p>Communication</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jefferson and Breana relay UCSA asks to USSA • Newsletter from USSA should be institutional • Vote: motion carries with majority

- A USSA staff representative should attend at least every other UCSA Board Meeting to ensure communication, provide support, and to ensure collaboration between USSA and UCSA campaigns.
- Monthly reports should also be given to USSA members/stakeholders regarding the work and progress of the organization. These reports should be accessible to the public.

Campaign Accountability

- Each Board Member/Chair should have a designated staff member for support in completing the goals/expectations of their respective spaces.
- Staff Reports should be presented at each UCSA board meeting detailing the progress of each campaign and the status of relevant administrative resolutions.
- USSA should focus the majority of its efforts and resources on completing action agendas and administrative resolution while deferring membership recruitment to regional chairs and outreach officers with the assistance of the USSA President.

Action:

Louise motions to adopt this as the official UCSA asks of USSA
 Seconded by Conrad Contreras

Legislative updates
 Sean 11:40

- We did very well with bills we sent to Gov. Brown
- We have several that are pending signatures
 - Pending Signature
 - Priority 1: AB 420, AB 609, AB 1476, AB 2350, SB 967, SB 1210
 - Priority 2: AB 1014, AB 1433, AB 1927, AB 1976, AB 2160, AB 2377
 - Priority 3: AB 2247, SB 113, SB 174, SB 798
 - Signed and Chaptered
 - SB 845, SB 852 (Budget), SB 860 (Budget)
 - Veto
 - None.

SB 1210

- If the bill dies this year, it will be brought up next year with a new bill number.

AB 420

- Compromise was found with Gov., changes were made, speculate on whether the Gov will sign the bill or not

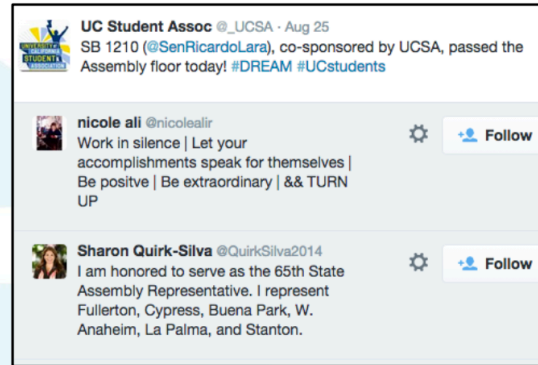
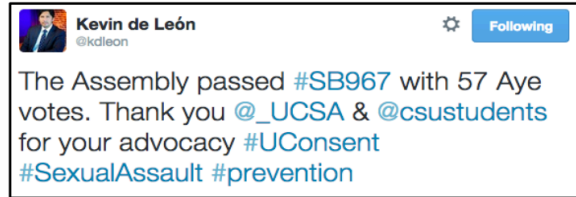
Recap of end of session:

- Wild time in Sacramento
- We lost no bills on the floor, huge victory on the floor,
- 18 bills pending before the government

Social Media:

- Social media provides UCSA with a direct link to members of the legislature
- Senator de Leon shout out to UCSA for support and advocacy effort in legislation

Social Media



Legislative Fellowship

- This item was placed on the agenda to see if they are willing to explore this program
- Marcy this is part of the UCCS program.
- Part of the curriculum is placed in a variety of non profit organizations
- Sean and Marcy will meet with
- We can access the cohort of all students when looking for students to testify or to bring to the capital

Institutionalize this action and make it official

CalPIRG 11:50

- Rob Hollan statewide board chair
- Maran, CalPIRG state board secretary
- History and priorities for this year
- UCSA and CalPIRG have worked together in previous year
- CalPIRG in the statewide non profit org that work to mobilize students to work around student causes
- CalPIRG advocates for students as citizens; operates at 8 UCs
- 15 full staff directors
- USPIRG similar to USSA

LA and Berkeley vote training

- Long history of talking global warming issues
- Ocean inclusion, statewide ban, Santa Cruz Davis, Alameda, Santa Barbara, bill is on Gov's desk
- Historically funded through tuition fee until 1995.

Current Funding

- Collect pledges to maintain threshold for funding
- Student board has voted to prioritize running votes to restore a calPIRG fee for each campus

Voter Registration

- Goal is to register 20,000 students and get 50,000 GOTV contacts
- Join events for press conference, to get students to register and GOTV
- Sept 20th Vote training
- Environmental year
- City go solar and water watch
 - Have city make use of solar panels
 - Goal to pass resolutions in cities
 - Reduce water usage by 20 percent in all UC's

IMAN (UCB): concern with getting water usage down in agriculture rather than schools.

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Resolution Suspending Article IV, Section F of the UCSA Charter: Temporarily Waiving Membership Dues for Member Associations Not in Good Standing

Kevin: 31% of inactive campuses, roughly a third of our students are not sitting in the around 75,000 students; UCSA BOD. Why?

- Some school have left for various reasons
- Wrote resolution in regards to a lot of conversations that were have

Summary:

Whereas, Article IV, Section F, Subsection 1 of the UCSA Charter states the following in regards to member associations maintaining good standing:

In order to maintain membership in good standing, a member association must submit at least one

Third of its annual minimum membership fee by November 1 of any year, the second one third by January of the following calendar year, and the remaining one third by the following April 20. In the event funds are not available for allocation on these dates, an association may maintain its membership in good standing by submitting

Postponed until next meeting.
Refer to sensitivity training.
Documentation on UCI as to why they pulled out?
MOU for pulling out from UCSA? (process)
List of demands to why UCI pulled out, page 26.
Resolution postponed

to UCSA an authorized, legally binding instrument committing the association to payment of its fees as soon as fee revenues are received and available for disbursement.

Whereas, Article IV, Section F, Subsection 3 of the UCSA Charter states the following in regards to the loss of good standing status for member associations:

Failure to maintain membership in good standing shall result in the suspension of the association's voting privileges on the Board of Directors and UCSA Councils.

Whereas, The undergraduate student associations at Davis and Irvine and the graduate/professional associations at Davis, Irvine, and San Diego have not paid membership dues to date and are thusly considered member associations not in good standing;

Whereas, Article IV, Section F, Subsection 2 of the UCSA Charter states the following in regards to waiving membership fees for member associations:

Payment of membership fees for a member association may be waived in whole or in part for good cause by a majority vote of the voting members in good standing.

Whereas, Article IV, Section F, Subsection 4 of the UCSA Charter states the following in regards to regaining good standing for member associations.

Membership in good standing may be reestablished through payment in full of all current year fees owed. Prior to November 1, membership in good standing may be reestablished by submitting to UCSA an authorized, legally binding instrument, which commits the association to payment of its fees on or before November 1 of that year.

Whereas, Temporarily waiving the payment of membership fees for the aforementioned student associations would automatically grant good standing status to those student associations with all the rights and privileges afforded members in good standing;

Whereas, While recognizing the incontrovertible need for the Board of Directors to serve as responsible fiscal stewards of UCSA including the consistent and full payment of membership fees by member associations, a system of 'pay to play', wherein participation is only afforded insofar as one's financial capacity to contribute is antithetical to accessibility and inclusion and that no association with a genuine willingness to fully

to Oct Board Meeting
Abe suggested the board review the * reasons why UCI pulled out.
Action items noted from sensitivity training at UCI BOD meetings last year

- Motion carries, postponed until October Board of Directors Meeting.

participate should be disenfranchised;

Whereas, A temporary waiver of fees would allow associations presently not in good standing the time to guarantee full payment of fees in the next year while still allowing the aforementioned associations the opportunity to participate in UCSA programs and operations during a probationary period.

Therefore be it resolved, That the Board of Directors of the University of California Student Association invokes Article IV, Section F, Subsection 2 of its Charter and hereby waives membership fees of the undergraduate student associations at Davis and Irvine and the graduate/professional associations at Davis, Irvine, and San Diego for the 2014-2015 fiscal year so as to confer good standing to aforementioned associations for the period stated herein;

Be it further resolved, That the Board of Directors of the University of California Student Association establish that this waiver be conditional upon a commitment by members not in good standing to rejoin the association with full payment of dues for the next fiscal year;

Be it further resolved, That the Board of Directors of the University of California Student Association stipulate that this waiver not be made available for any of the aforementioned student associations not in good standing who fail to commit to rejoining the association with full payment of dues for the next fiscal year;

Be it further resolved, That the Board of Directors of the University of California Student Association direct the Chair upon passage of this resolution to formally invite the external vice presidents, or their equivalents, of the aforementioned student associations not in good standing to attend the remaining meetings of the 2014-2015 term as full members of the Board of Directors and its subsidiary and affiliated bodies;

Be it finally resolved, That the Board of Directors of the University of California Student Association order that the provisions of this resolution shall expire in May 2015 at which point the aforementioned student associations not having committed to payment for the 2015-2016 year shall be redesignated as members not in good standing.

Give the full member status, where you don't pay dues for this year, zero sum game, we don't lose anything, we will work with them to find it in their budget, organize referendum, Spring term, you go to inactive status, we tried recruitment didn't work out.

Rebecca: Concern, non-members come on board and push for what they want and then

not join at the end. When we vote we are theoretically responded because we have to follow through with what we voted on its dangerous to have someone to be able to vote when they don't show up to certain meetings.

Basic difference is voting rights; anyone can come in and sit in the space so long as we are not in closed session.

Kevin: Listen to recording.

Iman: you just addressed in your last comment, organizations might leave if they feel that they are not meeting their end,

Deena: It's worthy of being tried, it is our responsibility to ensure that we are representative of all UCs. It's frustrating to see that non-members leave the room. It's a trial period and no one can say that there is a lack of transparency when we gave them a chance to join in.

Justin: Had a question about conference and membership. Will these campuses pay membership dues or non-membership dues?

Kevin: as its written, they would get the membership discount.

Justin UCSC: why aren't UCLA graduates involved?

Kevin: does any graduate student want to speak to that?

-Kevin spoke to Andres, UCLA Grad EVP, and he said that it wasn't in their budget for the year. Some of the graduate students felt that UCSA is predominantly an undergrad space, so when that decision was made a few years ago, before the structural changes were made, it was partially true, graduate campaigns and to compete with undergraduate campaigns.

Motion to change David to Davis and Irvine to UCLA in resolution doc?

Abraham UCR EVP:

Have clarifying questions.

- Ask if there is any type of requirement that proves that finances are obstacles when deciding if they will be joining or not? I don't know exactly what that would look like. It seems that is would we would have to have faith in the associations.
- I'm concerned that some associations will rejoin because of this and will take this as a free year where they wont have to pay dues when they could be paying dues but that they left for other reasons that aren't financial reasons and those associations would not fall in line with the principle of this resolution that I support.

Another concern regarding this resolution

- I know that it says if at the end of the year they don't rejoin, they will lose their membership, at this point we have already given that a full year of membership benefits so I would wonder if there would be any actual contract with those

associations that would establish that they would either have to rejoin or payback the dues for that year that they received those membership benefits.

- I don't see what stops an association from joining and taking advantage benefits and then leaving at the ends of the year and not having any commitments in paying the dues.

Kevin:

Responding to Abrahams first question on demonstrating financial hardship.

- I think that it is a gamble that we would take, the most important thing we would take from this resolution is the way that the charter is structured is that is at the judgment of the board. We could ask them to provide their budget... and I don't how they would proof financial hardship. It's kind of difficult because they are operating at such a large institution. We would have to take their word for it that it's not a budget thing that we could commit to now.
- -We are already looking at the dues contract for the larger board, since that it is something that we did a few years ago and is suggested in the by-laws,

Responding to Abraham's second question:

- At the end of the year we lose out because they just leave and we gave them membership privileges and they just leave, that is just a risk that we would have to take, I don't know if we would lose anything at the end of the year, at least anything that we don't have right now.

Literally we are starting as ground level, which is not having this associations here, we can move up where they see the benefits, and then they establish buy in for the association and then they work with us to commit b/c they have a legitimate interest in re-joining UCSA. At the end of the year, we have progressed from ground zero, to having 1, 2 ideally all 5 coming back. We lose nothing, even if it's just in for that one year. We should look at it in the context of 1 year or the next but in the overall arching of UCSA.

Harvey (Davis):

- This is all great. Drama between 2006 and 2009 resulted in a constitutional amendment to the ASUCD constitution prohibiting ASUCD from passing a fee referendum to fund any external organization. This would require 2 election cycles from UC Davis to possibly approve of this.
- I want to be back here but for this to happen we would need to see many concrete opportunities for ASUCD to benefit materially from this year, ASUCD to benefit from UCSA this year.
- It can't just be attending meetings, a lot of collaboration, proving to everyone that this is worth campaigning for. This can't be done as a partisan issue.

Rebecca (UCSC GSA):

- We can look at it as though we lose nothing and also look at it as that's \$50,000+ that we would be waiving for the year, we are losing b/c we are trying to cater others desires, needs, and wants and not having enough funding for everyone including those who are non direct members.
- To have each some of the association prove tangibly how UCSA is helping us right now is not actually possible, we are a system wide association b/c we believe we have to help one another and sometimes we all give and we all take. Further, more it is possible to establish financial needs. Maybe instead of waiving all fees' for all non-members maybe we want to establish a scholarship for a year.

Breana (UCR UG):

- We aren't thinking long term, all of us aren't involved, we aren't function to our fullest potential, there are many reasons for every association pulling out whether it be issues, dues, with the association, we need to have documentation for that and the process to pull out is very easy, possibly setting a MOU for a process of pulling out. Documentation that we aren't getting support from administration or referendum didn't pass. Student turn over is something important.

Allyson (UCSD EVP UG):

- I just want to hear on where every campus stands...

Kevin:

- Spoke to last years EVP about withdrawing from UCSA, UCSD GRAD said pulling out from UCSA was about funding, they have money but it wasn't put into the budget and so they cant shift the budget because of technicalities, UCD graduates will probably come back in, last years didn't like UCSA. Current graduate is trying to see how she can find money in the budget to re-join.
- When we are not getting any money from the associations now, them coming back and potentially re-joining by seeing benefits by being at the table, is literally zero + what ever we can get.

Saana (UCI EVP UG):

- Last year, Saana was on BOD and they decided to pull out for a variety of reasons: llack of organizing, unwilling of BOD to take on stances, it was not financial in nature, budget is passed in May for the upcoming year.

Kevin (Board Chair):

- Even if it isn't financial, that some of the issues in terms of organizing we now have a southern organizer, boards change with different people. Even if its not financial it still is financial b/c the budgets are passed. Irvine as a case study, if it was for reasons that we give the, temporary membership, then they can be parts of the solution rather than us trying to find solutions amongst ourselves when the people affected by it are outside this space.

Harvey (UCD):

- Short-term benefits shortly to work with electoral and legislative process that would be required. If they were to do this, they would have a new crop of senators, who have no clue about what UCSA is, suddenly have to vote to put this on the ballot and to amend the constitution, and then in the budget, you would have more, new senators who weren't apart of the discussion to amend the constitution.

Justin (UCSC UG):

- I feel that we pay for a lot of different things, including the benefits of having a staff and what not, and that non paying member campuses would be getting these benefits when they aren't paying into them. With that being said, I would like to see a trial period. A trial membership where they don't get full benefits but where they do get some benefits would be ideal. This is a long-term obligation, its not just paying membership dues but also board travel and conference dues. A contract would be more appropriate to ensure that campuses stay in the association.

Kevin (Board Chair):

- There are no benefits currently, as they are treated as members of the public.
- So you are saying we should have full membership, probation membership that has XYZ, and then no membership.

Morris (UCLA LL UG):

- Going back to what Saana had said in regards to UC Irvine's reasons for pulling out, I found the resolution online as to why they pulled out.
 - The inaction on the official stance of the appointment of the new UC President
 - Disregard to the undocumented students demands surrounding the appointment of President Napolitano
 - Overrepresentation of graduate students voices
 - Over influence of the past executive director and current interim executive director (not the 2014-2015 Executive director)
 - Inadequate for student campaigns
 - Lack of staff and board cultural competency
 - Insufficient support for students of color
 - Dismissal of UC workers outreached to UCSA

We need to check ourselves, in that this has not always been a safe space for everybody, some people have been marginalized here; the issue with finance is we will always finance our foremost priority, because it is our foremost priority, the thing is their budget is designated and allocated in a way to have their top priority get the funding they deserve. UC Irvine felt that this space, UCSA, wasn't a priority.

Abraham (UCR EVP UG):

- There should be some sort of binding contract in the commitment UCSA makes with a non-membership campus when thinking about re-joining, to make sure that we will get something out of this. I understand the board chairs perspective that we don't lose much from doing this, but the reality is that there is opportunity for us to lose, we may not be losing per se, I understand in principle and concept that we should be excluding organizations.
- What makes this this a little different for me is that we have a lot of problems with USSA, I was a member who suggested we do a probationary membership funding period, but the precise reason we chose not to leave fully from USSA, is because we had a responsibility to engage and making sure that the organization is getting fixed because it's a larger, national component of student organizing.
- When you decided to leave and stop funding, that is your decision, and if you wanted to be a part of this still and want to make it work, you would've tried, talking about USSA.
- If they come back, they are essentially saying that it's a safe enough space for them to be a part of it, but not a safe enough space for them to pay. It doesn't make sense to me.
- I'm concerned about making those associations a priority to us if those associations are not going to make us a priority to them.

Allyson (UCSD EVP UG):

- *Motion to postpone until next board meeting*
- *Seconded by Rebecca*

Allyson: testing year, should know what its going to like in each year, its more than just inviting them over to vote, do they have the money to attend the meetings

Abe: We should have actual agenda items to have discussion on what these association told us. In next BOD, have an actual discussion around those 8 items, reasons for leaving UCI,

Jefferson: previous board wrote down action items during sensitivity training last year.

Funding Guarantees for Normative Time of Completion for PhD Students (Rebecca)

Rebecca (UCSC EVP GSA):

- Currently most PhD student in the system are accepted in to programs that take 5-6 years. Funding usually in the form of GSA or GSR ships. Sometimes they get the letter they have a GA ship after the quarter starts after having already taken out loans or took a year off after making arrangements because they couldn't afford school.
- Not asking everyone to get a full funding package, we're asking for guarantees. Guarantees don't cost much; many departments just say we don't give guarantees because we just don't know and what if. This is inconsistent throughout the system. In

Rebecca and Kevin will work together to on figuring out who is responsible for what as far as moving forward.

Move to adopt this

	<p>order to improve quality of life all PhD students. UCI has adopted a policy where all students are guaranteed a normative time of completion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It would mean that the Office of the President have a pool of money that department, if they accept more students than they can actually fund which would hopefully be reduced through this because you wouldn't accept a million of students if you don't have much money. They can apply for funding through GSR's to be able to continue with their programs. <p><u>Asking for a Board Directive, for connections with students at UCI to talk about what's going there to research normative time of completion and acceptance letters that students are receiving and form a coalition with Council of the Presidents and ultimately with the Office of the President.</u></p> <p>Important note: asks along with this to add guarantees for students who are already in the middle of their program. Fear that new students coming in with guarantees would push existing students out of the things that they have been verbally guaranteed already. In order to not push people out in favor of in the future.</p> <p>Kevin (Board Chair): Asking the board for a board directive that UCSA would support this research and work with Council of Presidents.</p>	<p>directive</p>
<p>Accreditation of City College of San Francisco</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kevin: Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, in order for your institution to be a legit institution, what makes the UC system different than University of Phoenix is regional accreditation. The dept. of education delegates authority to the council on higher education accreditation, and they delegate authority down to regional accreditation. Here we have WASC. And they break down k-12, community and junior colleges. Reaffirmed accreditation, where you have things that need to be fixed, or you will be shut down and degrees will be worthless. Community College system, you are not governed by a state body like we are with the regents in a UC system. A local board of trustees governs each college. ACCJC stripped San Francisco of its accreditation. There is huge backlash. The legislature came in and a lot of protest going on. Rebecca and I are bringing this to the board because is that what happens with community colleges, impacts us. When you have an institution with 90 thousand students that feeds into the UC system, is an issue that interest us. • Judge just recently granted an injunction stopping ACCJC from revoking their accreditation. • Historically community colleges do best in bad economies because everyone is looking for work or job skills to become more competitive. 	<p>Move to adopt directive passes.</p>

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn.
5:40pm

Meeting adjourned

