

Date: March 1, 2014
Participants:
Meeting starting and ending times: 9:00 AM Start; 7:00 PM End
Meeting location or format: UC Irvine
Facilitator(s):
Note taker: Lewis Luartz

Agenda Item Notes	Action item(s)
Roll Call San Diego AS (a) GSA (p) Irvine AS (p) GSA (p) UCLA (p) Riverside AS (a) GSA (p) Santa Barbara AS (p) GSA (a) Merced	10 Present



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Agenda	Agenda Changes; motion?	Approved
Approval	Motion	
	Ash: question on clarification	
	 Tony: question: grad/leg/breakout switch possible? 	
	 Safeena: changed that way 	
	 Any other questions? No. 	
	 All those in favor of approving agenda? 	
Minutes from	Any questions?	•
Last Meeting	 Motion to approve. Seconded. No Objections 	
Reports	President: meetings with Napolitano last month;	•
	receptive to bill of rights; excited to deal with several	
	issues; saying they've done a lot on mental health; claims	
	they haven't done enough; talking about tuition models,	
	several of which will be discussed at UA; UC Mexico	
	project up; Jen mentions there is a website up for UC	



Mexico City; discussed letter on grad issues; has discussed allocations of money; as of Spring Irvine undergraduates will be pulling out of the association. Any questions? None. Also recalled: AFSCME settled contract with service workers; people calling in now; and Santa Barbara sexual assault issue being reviewed. Board Chair: sick, so did not attend Napolitano meetings; 2nd round of interviews with Staff this Tuesday; campus visit from President Napolitano happened; had a press conference for a reintroduction of a type of CMED bill into Sacramento: Jen: Question on number of candidates moving forward: 4 moving forward. Secretary Finance Officer: Participated in Hiring Committee; spread the word about AFSCME contract; encourage everyone to spread the word as well. Executive Director: UCR: Hundred Student March on campus; got about 30-40 students to go Jen: where can I find the pictures? Aja: Facebook Tony: meeting for fossil free UC; meeting with them to pass resolution; week of action in the coming week tabling, getting postcards signed, etc. In last month had



seven lobby visits.
 Maryssa: week of action on week 7; very successful.
President met with governor Brown and held his own; Aja
was there too, and John asked the hard questions; 12
hour long council meeting to discuss divestment on 5
companies to divest, but it failed; the DA will not touch
cases involving alcohol and sexual assault, so trying to
get that changed and updated
Santa Barbara: a few students experienced violent sexual
assaults this last weekend. One of the responses was to
ask chancellor and vice chancellor for a formal
response; liked that the response was timely; motion
beforehand, but there was a resolution passed about
trigger warnings and a move to get faculty and TAs to let
those out early; trigger warnings are regarding sexual
assault.
 Merced: voted in solidarity for Santa Barbara; had a
meeting with Chancellor regarding referendums;
apparently they cannot pass fee resolutions; trying to get
Fund the UC shirts right now.
Berkeley: Safeena: biggest update are Fund the UC
postcards, ended up endorsing efforts regarding Prop 13;
as far as sexual assault policies, having students fill out
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survey to go to the audit; a big push to ensure students are filling out any information they had and/or wanted to convey; also had Chancellor send out an email on resources available on campus- these include resource centers; campus passed a bill encouraging stronger repercussions on sexual assault.

- Vanessa: had a fund the UC week of action; about 250 postcards signed; trying to plan for SLC and getting delegations planned; another one planned for next week; starting on doing a week of action around fossil free UC as they have established Earth Week; incorporating a Fossil Free UC campaign event and maybe a photo session to get publicity; talking about doing a week of campaign issues like Fund the UC postcards and legalization of Cannabis; there is a big push on sexual assault information proliferation
- Executive Director: staff reports sent out the other night; Julian is coming back though, until then Louise, Bridget and Paul will continue supporting the position until he is good.
- Bridget: sent out a newsletter; call for information will be coming out at the end of each board meeting; sending out campus specific stuff will require obtaining specific



information from campuses, so they'd appreciate that
soon after the meetings
 UC Regents: just finished UC Regent application
recruitment; had a tuition models meeting with Nathan;
different options students are looking at were discussed;
stability on whatever actions are moving forward
discussed; met with Jerlena and David on new policies
regarding sexual assault; a big issue for students now is
when they report sexual assault, there isn't necessarily a
formal investigation; trying to get more UC engagement
at the federal level as well; hoping to launch UC Caucus
at LegCon; reaching out to students to participate in UC
Caucus; meeting with the task force during next regents
meeting
 Kareem: Clarification – on UC Caucus, a mandate will
come out stating that we need to take a closer look at
federal issues.
Cynthia: important for us to lobby the Provost to ensure
the task force form the last meeting will return; something
that needs to be done ASAP since April is only a month
away; would recommend someone in leadership from
last year, who is also a professional student

• Jen: is the committee then a shell committee that does



not necessarily function within the campuses?	
Cynthia: Many people like academic senate members sit	
on the committee, and all are expected to convey	
information to the academic senate; uncertain what a	
shell committee is.	
Justin: has list of members here and can send out to the	
board if that is ok	
CSF: Clara's fight was cancelled, so Louise will update.	
Louise: item on agenda later today to update the ED	
and CSF job descriptions in regard to their work on CSF,	
which is cleaning up really and info on what to do if UA	
director is cut; if any specific questions, feel free to email	
Clara	
Council of Presidents: Justin: graduate students in Council	
and some from Grad/Prof met with Napolitano, including	
issues on PTSD to which we got a reply yesterday,	
brought up graduate funding issues, climate issues,	
nonresidential tuition, and professional development; the	
response was fairly positive; Napolitano had Aimee Dorr	
attend the meeting since it's her purview; minutes are	
available for anyone who wants them; Council of	
Presidents as a whole will be meeting this coming	
Tuesday (including Kareem).	
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Eric (UCOP): as heard, lot of student meetings with	
Napolitano; asks to be very sharp with agenda and	
specific with requests as Napolitano has followed up with	
many of them; met up with undocumented students	
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undocumented students; focusing on getting staff	
trainings together to train and raise awareness of allies;	
also working on undocumented student services and	
after review can provide comments on those; been	
looking at a lot of policies on sexual assault and	
harassment now; the policy focuses on following new	
federal law now and aware of state issues as well;	
looking forward to future revision and feedback from	
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they're voted on, so feel free to approach UCOP if want	
any assistance or help in reviewing referenda.	
Bridget: meeting with UCOP to organize advocacy days.	•
• May 13-14: UCOP will be paying with travel and hotels, so	
the sooner you have the groups settled the better so they	
can book travel	
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potentially have more	
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Louise: within the next month to book travel	
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reg. fees are \$155 (member) and \$175 (non-member)	
If any questions, please ask.	
• Sean: keynote confirmed as Speaker Perez, confirmed for	
rally Monday; in steering committee expect agenda out	
shortly	
See Presentation in Agenda	Resolution Passed
See Resolution as Amended	
Jen: Motion to amend final clause.	
Ash: question on clarification.	
 Ivan: objection; should say "UCSA board supports a tax 	
credit"	
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possible	
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	Vote. No one supports.	
	 Amendment proposed. Failed. 	
	 Sean: tying it to a specific assembly member may upset 	
	them.	
	All in favor of amendment? Vote.	
	All in favor of passing resolution? Passed	
CMED Update	Sean presentation on CMED	•
	 See CMED presentation on Agenda. 	
	 Tony: for the first point on student appointed issue, will 	
	there be a process for that?	
	• Sean: the bill doesn't outline a process, but we'll look into	
	it	
	 Tony: at a rate set, is it a sliding scale? 	
	Sean: no it's not a sliding scale	
	The more coauthors we get the better.	
	• Ash: in presentation, more than 50% of the money in bill is	
	going to higher education; is that a high number?	
	• Sean: it's always revolved around education, so we want	
	to include education as the focus, although it was	
	divided up among other public services	
	Any questions? None. End Presentation.	
Governing	The CSF update is cleaning up really.	Passed Updates
Documents	 ED job description only anticipates the cutting of the UA 	 Passed Updates on CSF
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Update*	director.	Responsibilities to UCSA ED in the
ED, UA/	Any questions?	case of not rehiring a UA Director.
CSF/ CBP Job	Safeena: intent here was talking to Clara to make sure	
Description	they agreed with the changes.	
Update	 Motion to approve or questions/amendments? 	
	Motion to approve. Seconded. No objections. Vote.	
	• Louise: another motion: in the case that the UA director is	
	not rehired, the UCSA Executive Director automatically	
	gets CSF responsibilities. Is everyone fine with that?	
	Motion to approve this. Passed.	
Recess for 5	Motion Passed. Recess until 10:37	Passed Recess.
minutes		
Higher	Meet again at 10:37	•
Education	 Tim: Grad/prof campaign from last year reintroduced; 	
Report Card	idea presented at SLC last year but report card was	
	presented at May regent lobby visit; this year though,	
	there's a team of computer scientists helping and now 2	
	months ahead of schedule; can bring these up now;	
	taken old bills and updated the report cards; will be	
	distributed to leg committee later, and that information	
	will be made available to everyone shortly	
	Ash: yields time.	
	How is weight determined?	



•	Tim: takes the results, value of 1-3 on breadth, 1-3 on	
	students, multiply together; but except for issues central	
	to student	
•	Jen: there should be a breakdown of how they are	
	scored if not already	
•	Bridget: putting weight back up on website since it was	
	down on the site; it will look a look better soon.	
•	Ivan: minor details: what was the reasoning behind	
	including correct vote?	
•	Time: correct vote is how they should have voted.	
•	Jen: more of why correct vote was included on the	
	report card, since it can be problematic.	
	Ivan: symbolic meaning to the word correct so it may be	
	good to discuss.	
•	Vanessa: going into a meeting last year, some allies were	
	offended because they were only getting a B for	
	example, when they are some of the biggest supporters.	
	Tim: true, and it is heavily student tailored for students by	
	students; up to leg committee to decide however	
•	Sean: report cards are done by many associations;	
	suggests utilizing budget bills to soften if it is not what we	
	want it to be through budget trailer bills.	
•	Justin: people may be tired of hearing about HERC and	



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	report cards, but in responding to Ivan's point may be	
	good to write "UCSA's Position/Vote"; HERC is a	
	collected manifestation of what UCSA looks at and	
	supports, with one example being that the graduate	
	dean at Irvine goes to lobby, but report cards do impact	
	legislator votes; the budget itself is causing tuition and	
	services to go up directly, so it doesn't need softening;	
	being "forced to vote" for the budget is a cop out used	
	since they could get involved in the budget earlier.	
	We need to continue challenging them and moving	
	forward with our plans to make positive change.	
	Ivan: they still need to backup whatever they vote for,	
	but they need to represent the constituents; not take it	
	personally.	
	Maryssa: more for it as an incentive than pushing them,	
	so that they want to vote that way; also as UCSA is saying	
	this, it is not just the board but also the entire UC system	
	and thus the entire UC system is saying they do not agree	
	with how they voted.	
	• Tim: look forward to the next report card.	
Systemwide	Alex: gave some background in campus report, and	•
Response to	wanted to bring topic here to see what the committees	
Sexual	are doing; would also want a more in depth discussion	



Assaults	and feedback on what UCOP is doing policy-wise;	
	campuses need to educate their students on binge	
	drinking; thinking that by putting up a piece of legislation	
	similar to that of the alcohol legislation, we can have	
	similar programs implemented on UC campuses, as well	
	as have that spread across public institutions.	
	Safeena: floor is open.	
	Tony: fortunately no reported incidents on campus this	
	year, but last year in February there were 3-4 instances;	
	uncertain if they happened, but they were reported and	
	administration did speak about the importance of being	
	safe and being with other person; campus police have	
	taken to patrolling during critical hours, and campus	
	trying to bring more lights to campus	
	Kareem: we are doing a press release as UCSA; as for	
	UCR, the committee on sexual harassment and violence	
	was inactive and now being re-started.	
	Amber: open letter to Chancellor Yang; some of the	
	concerns have been with police, including brutality and	
	violence by police; also idea of having a center for	
	survivors; maybe also have more preventative measures	
	to change the culture on campuses; especially since	
	minority women are more likely to be assaulted; in	



addition, a wanted poster on campus that has created a backlash on campus based on racial grounds. Ivan: administration offered a lot of resources for sexual assault, but none of these involved the issues in changing the culture of sexual harassment on campus; although there are more police on campus now, it is now internalizing fear in students; it's something to keep in mind: what resources do we have and what cultures can we disassociate while having less regulatory practices implemented (i.e., inside out rather than bringing in something from the outside to fix these problems). Amber: having more escorts puts the pressure on women and survivors rather than taking up the issue of changing culture. Safeena: way ASUC has been dividing the work is that the office of the president has taken the lead on campus and cultural programming; fostering a lot of media attention for positive campaigns; it's spread a lot of the conversation outwards; UC Berkeley students have filed suits with the university due to their mishandling of the situations; one other thing is support circles and spaces, both of which have been positive; as far as the external,

they are pretty divided from the internal office; they are



however trying to get more funding and measures for additional lighting, as well as escort services (Bearwalk) that help students get from point A to point B. Alex: agrees with Amber about changing culture, especially on SB campus; most of the assaults done on Isla Vista; the reports are low because they include only the ones reported on campus, which is wrong because they do not necessarily all get reported; if people do formal complaints against police officers, that goes on their police records, which is a big deal; however, there have been instances in which officers have not taken students seriously or been harassed by them, so they're taking steps to resolve these problems; they're working on getting more lightning on campus too; also working with county and they're doing a lighting phase in Isla Vista as well; however, these things have happened in the most lit places on Isla Vista, so more lightning may not help; as often this stuff happens with people you know (not stranger danger), this can be difficult; working on student run/led courses on training Jen: unclear about policy, but if you report and access resource on the campus, are they required to report it to

the police?



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Eric (UCOP): not always; it depends on the resource; by
contacting x, it will put in certain resources into action,
and by contacting y it will put other certain resources
into action.
 Jen: the first place I would think of contacting is the
campus health resources center, so it would be definitely
good to promote those resources that do what you want
them to do.
 Jefferson: only 2 incidents ever reported at Merced; they
have increased the services for rape prevention and
harassment prevention training; looking into feasibility of
paying for additional resources.
 Maryssa: UCLA been talking about this a lot this last year;
they don't want to put the blame on the survivor, but
make it a campus accountability issue; about 7 thousand
students have take up the issue; spoken with Los Angeles
police, campus escorts, services in the evenings, and
because it affects so many communities, it's not
necessarily housed in one student office; there's a
consent team as well where students from a wide range
of organizations come together; they are looking to have
8 different resources, including hotlines and resource
centers in a centralized way so students have access to



	this information; like 'alcohol.edu', they're working on	
	'consent.edu' in order to be proactive at this point.	
	 Safeena: any others? Best practices? What can UCSA 	
	do?	
	Alex: meeting on legislation regarding sexual harassment	
	tomorrow, so maybe leg committee may want to take	
	this on and work on it.	
	• Safeena: for now let us discuss this over the list-serv, and	
	then next board meeting we can check in and see if	
	there is any additional development.	
UCSA	UC Riverside is looking into making a bid for Congress	Agenda Amendment to move
Congress Bid	 Motion to move that discussion to tomorrow. No 	"Congress Location Options" to
and Agenda	objections	tomorrow at 10:30
Updates	 Ash: move Culture in the Board to right now? 	•
	• Safeena: that can be later today.	
	Motion to move the Discussion and Resolution in Support	
	of Asian Pacific Coalition at UCLA to right now.	
	Motioned. No Objections. Passed	
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Discussion	Resolution asking UCSA to be in solidarity with	Resolution Approved.
and Resolution in	communities at UCLA and USC that was essentially a	
Support of	hate flier.	
Asian Pacific Coalition at UCLA*	It was misogynistic and racist; as UCLA is the one campus	



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without a diversity requirement, hoping to get an	
endorsement at UCLA and so it spread	
Kareem: lot of work on this topic	
Safeena: modified this a bit to be UCSA specific (based	
on Berkeley resolution)	
 Jen: any idea who sent this out? 	
Maryssa: no, but last year there was a similar letter	
posted; there seems to be a hate crime every year at	
UCLA, so they want to be proactive	
Jen: mind-boggling document	
 Safeena: they react and respond to such events, and 	
hope to create a positive campus culture – and	
especially in this body, we want to be proactive by	
creating dialogue on these issues; hate crimes have	
happened at Berkeley every year as well, and it is absurd	
 A lot of times, these documents seem to be for the 	
purposes of making students frustrated; UCSD is looking to	
inform as many communities on campus, especially since	
some communities do not understand how this affects	
communities	
Ivan: has there been conversation with faculty on	
campus? Clarify missing diversity requirement?	
Maryssa: Yes in courses/classes.	



 Ivan: maybe administration can sent out a letter on what
is occurring on campus; often faculty do not realize what
is going on and it would be good to see where they
stand on it.
 Maryssa: they have tried but it has continuously failed,
especially in the hard science and social sciences, as
they push back on it.
Ash: yield time to Timia: this has been an issue on many
campuses and needs to be addressed, but it may be
good to add a clause at the end for diversity of all
groups if it is deemed appropriate.
• Alex: yield.
 Ivan: agrees that it should be that we stand with it, but it
should also be for this particular issue; does not want it to
lose the focus on what is going on; probably not what
they're going for, but it is important.
Maryssa: should keep the clause on the community
specifically, but perhaps "Therefore be it resolved that
UCSA stands in solidarity with all communities." And
maybe something in addition about women.
 Jefferson: agrees, and believes we should edit the
document so that it includes all ethnicities.
Move to amend document with clause "THEREFORE BE IT



	RESOLVED, that UCSA stands in solidarity with womyn,	
	and other marginalized communities at UCLA and all UC	
	campuses and all college campuses in promoting a safe	
	learning environment"	
	Motion to approve resolution.	
Agenda	Motion to move California State Budget Update up to	Approved
Update	now.	
California	See State Budget Update Presentation.	•
State Budget	Sean: feel free to go on leg-info to track budget as it	
Update	changes. For student testimony, contact Sean if you can	
	go; likely 9 am on March 27 for first committee hearing;	
	they will be discussing identical budgets that day	
	 Ivan: comment/concern/thank you; uncertain where 	
	else to bring it up, but some students are involved in the	
	funding granted to the Santa Cruz campus, but the	
	question is whether the board can revisit some of the	
	programs connecting schools to the prison system, and	
	maybe look at that again (as we do the IGNITE fighting	
	the prison pipeline)	
	• Sean: the budget has been moving slow, but they'll be	
	moving quicker overnight as we get closer to the	
	deadline	
	 Tony: what did you say about the LAO? 	



	Sean: LAO disagrees with governor agreement on tuition	
	freeze; at the end of the freeze, will likely see slow tuition	
	increase; proposing revenue streams to prevent this; LAO	
	recommended do not freeze tuition, but increase 2% to	
	keep up with inflation.	
	 Tony: we can get everything we need from surplus 	
	• Sean: this has not been reported officially.	
	 Tony: what about the Middle Class Scholarship? 	
	Sean: LAO wants program run, but there are more	
	qualified students than those originally budgeted for the	
	Middle Class Scholarship (i.e., amount of awards will	
	surpass the allocated amount)	
	 Jen: does state need to vote on these bills individually? 	
	• Sean: yes. LAO says here's the money they get, this is	
	how you spend it all; one vote for each trailer bill	
	Sean: anymore questions? There was talk about the oil	
	severance tax to be put on the trailer bill, and is hesitant	
	with this occurring because the budget trailer bill fights	
	can be messy; not a big fan for advocating putting	
	anything in a trailer bill because you don't know who	
	can mess with you and get rid of your bill.	
Recess	Suggest Recess until lunch.	Pass Recess
	• Right now, we keep lunch, then Irvine and budget, then	
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	breakouts and we are finished. We should be able to	
	adjourn at 6:15.	
Lunch	• 12:05	• Lunch
Withdrawal of	Discussion on UCSA and its connection to its constituents	Motion to limit speakers to 1 minute
ASUCI from	 Open speaker's list 	fails.
UCSA	Melissa: EVP at UCI, a lot of discussions on campus where	 Motion passes to limit general
	students have felt like withdrawing from UCSA due to	discussion to 10 minutes total
	decisions being made at UCSA; not necessarily what	Motion to extend time for 20
	students agree with on campus or systemwide according	minutes carries
	to ASUCI; as EVP, would like to hear whether the belief is	 Motion to end debate and move
	that UCSA is effective or ineffective	into possible next moves passes
	Newspaper article points	 Motion to break out passes.
	Maryssa: some are easier to address than others; is it fine	
	to address the tangible ones	
	1. Inaction on appointment of UC President	
	 Tony: what does that mean? 	
	 Specifically, not taking a stance on it. 	
	 When president Napolitano was appointed, we 	
	welcomed her and then later the letter was removed in	
	August; it took months before another statement was	
	made; what was finally done was taken a stance on the	
	appointment process, but not on Napolitano herself.	
	Amber: has everyone read the official response from the	



board and the ASUCI statement? And then how does
everyone feel about that?
 Tony: What you just explained is more than just one issue;
in regards to the statement, uncertain about the logistics;
as for the topic, it is a large issue that required a lot of
discussion; about 300 people responded to a UCSA
survey; it was a topic that had to be heard from all
perspectives before taking an official stance
 Problem: to go back to the students after knowing where
they stand, since the decision was already made with
the constituents, means it was an unnecessary amount of
time.
 Ivan: never saw a negative decision from students not
saying no to Napolitano; outreach and constituents
resulted in more negative opinions towards Napolitano
than those for Napolitano; it seemed very flaky and pick-
and-choose in the sense that picking and choosing to
listen is dangerous; there is some other aspect that we're
not talking about when we discussed this conversation;
we had about 312 responses and we saw that students
did not want Napolitano to be our president, and it was
something that is very popular, but the board decided
not to talk about it; it seems like the ED's or even the



President's responsibility to look over the decisions we made and why we made, as a board. Maryssa: UCLA concerns; a lot of the constituency was a large part of the group that came to the action at Congress; expressed repeatedly that we need to take a stance; it goes to show that we need to determine where our priorities are, regardless of how we individually felt about Napolitano; the way she became president was something we all believed was an issue, because it was not very transparent at all and had no student input; essentially, whose voices are we willing to listen to? There were many students who did protest against Napolitano; survey bias is also an issue; just because someone does not necessarily say they oppose someone, does not mean they agree support someone; so is the issue that we care about how we look? We represent students at all our campuses and it should not necessarily be about how we look to the public eye. Ash: point of view presented, and not necessarily one I ٠ agree with; different views/perspectives are not necessarily a bad thing; I disagreed with the final

decision, but I appreciated the time and debate that we had because democracy isn't fast, but well thought out;



it would have been a premature response to speak out against someone before they start doing their job; we know the problems, so let's propose solutions about the problems we have to discuss or are we airing out grievances?

- Tony: what were the expectations of UCI on this topic?
- Melissa: ASUCI just wanted to take a stance on the issue and solved what the students were asking for; so to take a stance at all.
- Safeena: not necessarily good to rehash the discussion on taking a stance.
- Ivan: one of the points brought up was having an overrepresentation of graduate students, and so by having both opinions voiced it may be better; an active voice and active listening is important on controversial issues, so perhaps voicing all opinions is important
- Kareem: the issue of having graduates and undergrads is not necessarily productive since the votes during the last year have not been partisan (all undergraduates and all graduates on opposing sides); so it may be productive to have ASUCI talk about their issues, and where these problems began/were predated.
- Motion for 1 minute per speaker. Objections? Yes. Vote



fails.

- Motion to limit discussion for 10 minutes in general. Vote, passes.
- Andrea: former EVP from UCI; believes in the power of UCSA; something conflicting is the reason why many board members are here, which is for many a means of building the resume; often some people act bored or act in a very political manner; some people take a lot of things personally in the space and ASUCI has already made their decision, so it would be more productive to address how we can now address student needs – this is coming from a place of understanding that this is a place where students need to represent student needs.
- Patrick: legislation pretty clear about the issues; the influence of the professional staff over decisions made by UCSA is a major issues; the UCSA has not necessarily suited the needs of students; with declining support of IGNITE this year in comparison to FIRE last year
- Alex: worked on the IGNITE campaign; several people responsible for working on the UCSA campaign, and all our success is mostly based on the work outside the board space, but we have currently not worked up to that potential.



Kareem: 5 minutes left; any additional speakers?	
From UC Santa Cruz: my opinion may not matter that	
much in this conversation, but UCSA has been a great	
organization for me; as a student you never know what	
you may run into; I wanted to work on an internship tax	
credit and because of UCSA I was able to do that; I think	
staying connected to UCSA is an important way to do	
that; there can always be reforms, and problems can be	
resolved; I think things can be worked out.	
 Alex: I agree with some of that; we have the potential; 	
we have in past, and we may in the future, but we are	
not doing that now; a lot of the great things I've gained	
from organizing within the community, have shown that	
you can get a lot of things done outside UCSA as well.	
 I see UCSA as a potential for student organizing, but it's 	
not right now; but you didn't do anything this year;	
workers came to you, you did nothing; undocumented	
students came, and you did nothing; Napolitano came	
into power and you did nothing; the workers got their	
contract and UCSA didn't have to do anything; since the	
board did not decide on anything, and if you represent	
the voice of constituents, think about that next time (i.e.,	
they, the students and workers, got what they needed	



without UCSA).

- Safeena: one thought about moving forward is what can be done to restructure UCSA at this moment.
- Maryssa: it may be a good use of time, but it may not be productive if solely comprised of board members; not necessarily UCSA vs. UCI, but work together; how do we make it so the committee, if it was formed, would meet some, or all, of the concerns ASUCI has.
- Ash: a single university does not dictate the direction of the entire UC system; it's a slow process, so please bring the issues up and we can work on them; if your agenda wasn't met, then that just means we did not do what you wanted as a campus; we are not always supposed to agree, but we can compromise.
- Melissa: doesn't want it to make it a person issue, but sometimes there are students who are unable to be represented; those who are undocumented, those who are arrested, those who fight back; we talked to those students who work hard and have concerns we need to address.
- Maryssa: we should not marginalize students; we come to the space as UCSA; we come to the space only here for one reason, but there is a difference between campus-



specific constituents and campus-wide constituents; frustrating that we shut people out. Safeena: Motion to extend time? Ash: can we close the speaker's list? Safeena: we will need to close it after we finish it. Kareem: motion to extend time 20 minutes. Vote. Justin: Will keep comments brief; orthogonal observations: crystal ball prediction, this will be unproductive and we will not come up with a different opinion, and all opinions or action items devised are not going to be followed up; sitting down in smaller groups would be more useful; we spend a lot of time talking about conclusions that are not necessarily actionable; the product of UCSA is mostly done by the staff and executive of UCSA; but how much product has come from groups of people here doing works as groups as a collective? Not much; people are not doing this well enough as a team; maybe it's time to make the board a bit fast; perhaps a radical reconfiguration of the board; should we have times where we have undergraduates/graduates are in conversations on graduate/undergraduate issues? Perhaps not. Perhaps separation in groups would be productive; and perhaps



we should use the rest of the time to do something.		
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we decide what to do.		
• Ivan: point of clarification, would that end the first part of		
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Kareem: motion is to end debate and move towards		
talking about a committee. Vote. Passes		
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people who are committed to seeing that task filled		
could be part of that committee; may be the best way		
to go about doing this; maybe we can then discuss ways		
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to re-organize UCSA; for example, diversity training	
sounds like a great idea, especially since this was not	
brought up previously	
Max: we should make a committee, and then formulate	
a response to ASUCI	
Justin: agree there needs to be a response, but a	
committee as we usually make one will not necessarily	
solve this problem; proposing we leave this square box of	
a room and make ideas together; we should spend an	
hour an a half doing that.	
Move to recess for an hour an hour and a half to do that	
Maryssa: we need to have sincere conversations on what	
to do next	
 Ivan: we are losing a member school, so it's weird and 	
we should really have a conversation on this	
Maryssa: ASUCI has not said they will be coming in during	
the fall, and I don't want to speak on behalf of ASUCI,	
but we should work on ways to make sure people want	
to stay and, on the other end, make them want to come	
back.	
UC Davis left why?	
 Louise: they thought the board was too liberal. 	
Motion to break out into groups to alleviate these	



	concerns? Vote.	
Debrief from	Going to present in groups, possibly with time limits, and	•
Group	go from there.	
Sessions	Group 1: all problems thought of and emphasize space	
	as student led; more organizing space; give ideas to new	
	organizing director; when staff input is leadership-only it's	
	not as effective as within a dialogue; knowing past issues	
	from Congress, how campaigns went and certain	
	problems were would be good; organizing docs have	
	priority; rigidity of the space; possibly experimenting with	
	Robert's Rules; more breakout and informal time when	
	Robert's Rules are not necessary; example: more	
	undergraduate and graduate spaces; campaign	
	committees; less structured spaces, dividing time by	
	issues, allowed to experiment with the space;	
	understanding some of the suggestions may or may not	
	work and trying out approaches and not specifically	
	looking at one particular way; having CAC/Leg join	
	together since it's counterproductive to not come back	
	together after breakouts; campaigns in terms of salary	
	and budget, it's a burden to not have more than 1 field	
	organizer readily accessible or accountable; keep	
	groups accountable for debriefing, as this will help with	



communication between graduates and undergraduates; diversity is important as well (i.e., system of addressing issues with certain people), also caucuses that can be at Congress, SLC, or when board members see fit; also addressing diversity and accessibility and not just affordability; also want to more than meeting just once a month, so literally sitting down and going back to grassroots.

Group 2 (Justin speaking): some people think this was a waste of time, but it was an opportunity to get a mandate for this group moving forward; had a small group discussing some things, but we spend too much time deciding things and not enough doing thing; we may talk about organizing, deciding things but we need to spend more time doing things; there should be, as one example, the way ASUC and GSA at Berkeley decide things; undergrad and grad should decide things on their own, and unless both groups agree on something, that one particular group only speaks about one particular group; example is having roll and then breaking out in the agenda, then coming together and discussing the decisions; this empowers smaller groups to get more done as it is hard to get things done in large groups; we



can have extra time this way to get more things done; for
campaigns, it would be great to have a standing
committee, and while working on these campaigns on
their own, and making decisions on their own, getting
campaigns done and moving things forward; from my
perspective, grad-prof already acts in this way, and it
works as we get things done in that small way.

Group 3: Ivan: the external/EVPs write about certain issues, and more of a blog or communication things; the Supreme Court was a way of doing that, a database of resolutions made available to students across the system, a transition agenda so that we can pass on issues to future boards; more phone calls as well, more communication in general; also a two year staggered campaign so that if we decide to make it 4 year we can do that later on; UCSA should have full ownership of all campaigns so decisions can be made on the board; increasing staff lobbying levels; (Alex) from what been heaving from Louise is that we would be having a new ED for fundraising, which would give us money to lobby legally; (Ivan): creating a table for what satisfies an issue for what is being satisfied through that campaign; at SOCC, people talked about what budget issues could



be improved upon so that when it does happen, the board knows what's going on; also caucus committees, such as finance and other issues they want to tackle; also means of voting for students online so that we know where the support for or against an issue is—this was talked about through UC Voice; having SLC legislator's held accountable in a sense to streamline the conversation more from SLC; UG Grad experience too some are disconnected from this discussion, since as holders of positions on this board, maybe there are reasons why students aren't talking to us (i.e., because we are a bureaucratic organization); report back campus politics; regional meetings as well; congress and SLC have high positions as campaigning and elections are not necessarily a bit issue; at least we will have attempted more students in our conversations on campaigns; evaluations on EDs and EVPs would also be good.

- Safeena: several ideas on what we can do next; we can collect the ideas now.
- Maryssa: discussion on having full on discussion item on the agenda to revamp the mission of the organization; also talked about having a transitioning of information in



May to pass on to our successors; can we have a more concrete timeline? We have a crunch of (1) we are only going to be in these positions so much longer, and (2) if we want to make this organization more appealing to future boards, then we need to move fast. Safeena: We can definitely move fast on this; we can discuss this soon. Ivan: timeline of conversation for the issues we discussed? Maybe also include a mini-timeline for how long they think this will take. Darcie: new ED is coming in so we need to get this mission statement completed by next board meeting; otherwise our message to the new ED will be very polarized and confusing. Safeena: much of this may have to happen outside of ٠ the board space over the phone or by email. Bridget: we can make a Google doc to form groups and discuss this. Safeena: if there is an idea that got you excited about ٠ UCSA during the breakouts, please bring them forward so we can discuss them. Motion to do 30 minutes (UG/Grad), one hour (CAC/Leg), then 30 minutes (UG/Grad), Passed.



Reconvene at 5:30 to redistribute rooms.	
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Date: March 2, 2014
Participants:
Meeting starting and ending times: 9:00 AM Start; 10:45 AM End
Meeting location or format: UC Irvine
Facilitator(s):
Note taker: Kareem Aref

Agenda Item	Notes	Action item(s)
9:00 AM	UC has finally settled with service workers	
Contract	 Still working on patient care contract 	
Update from	We can win this!	
AFSCME		
Mary Virginia		
Watson		



0:20 414		
9:30 AM	 Adopt all stances at the recommendation of leg 	
Legislative Bill	committee.	
Stances	Reference Legislative committee minutes	
	 Task leg with further reviewing bills to be approved 	
	before SLC over conference call	
10:15 AM	Closed Session	
Budget		
Update		
10:30 AM	UC Riverside will be withdrawing their bid in order to	
Congress	pursue a bid for the Student of Color Conference	
Location	Potentially host in Northern California as most	
Options	conferences have been in the south the past several	
	years	
	Staff will look into hotels with the capacity to host the	
	event	
	 Monterey? San Jose? San Francisco? 	
10:45 AM		
Adjourn		