

Merrill Student Government Minutes

Merrill called to order at 7:01pm by Victor Garcia

Roll Call

- ✓ Brian
- ✓ Jason
- ✓ Morgan
- ✓ Eddie (designated alternate)
- ✓ Veronica (Advisor)
- ✓ Emma (SCOC)
- ✓ Mario (Academic Senate rep)
- ✓ Kimberly (PR)
- ✓ Victor (Chair)
- ✓ Itai (election commissioner)
- ✓ Kartik (SUA)
- ✓ Michael (RA Liaison)
- ✓ Alexandra (SUA)

Provost

Victor: She's going to ask MSG to participate during alumni events

Match Box

Christina: **Moving into the publication of 9th edition. Poetry, Fiction, art.** We need to print out book and send out to all the other campuses **we need to cover up the shipping costs.** We wanted to do something different and special. Merrill community important for collaborative community. **Encouraging students to publish their work.**

Victor: Asking for \$200. Facilitate printing and shipping.

Katrik: Motion to fund

Itai: I second

Motion passes

Katrik: Motion to fund \$150

Eddie: I second

Morgan: I object. Wide spread and maybe \$125 would be better.

2 yes, 6 no, 3 abstentions

Eddie: Motion to fund \$120

Katrik: I second

Motion passes funded \$120

Athletics Referendum

Gabby: Merrill student. Third year senior. Cliff and her to ask funding for intercollegiate athletics. \$117 fee per student per quarter. Travel, uniforms. Pay for professional coaches, 2 additional sport medicine staff. NCAA UCSC doesn't have a lot of West coast teams to play against. AS a result division 3 slugs need to travel all over the place such as Wisconsin and Texas and UCSC doesn't have the money to do this. 4 people to a room during trips compete with teams with higher budgets than UCSC. **\$117 per student per quarter.** 5.3 million Annually and some will return to the students who receive financial aid. Free admission to all athletic events as long as the students are enrolled. **We are asking for sponsoring for the petition.**

Cliff: **A total of \$350 a year per student.** We are going to cut down this year. Run a deficit and another way to come up with money some other way. This place was designed not to have athletics and that is why there is such big jump to catch up. **76% have 3.0 GPA and better.** **Not sporting people on sport scholarships they are competing and representing the university.** And might not have athletics at all which is one of the issues. **If referendum isn't passed then the athletics program will be dropped.** **We figured out what we had to have to be a competitive program and build a budget based on what the people we compete have and divided that number up.**

Deciding to Sponsor on Ballot

Alex: SUA sponsored them with the stipulation that they take the costs off. That is why they are going around the colleges.

Veronica: Not going through extra step for transparent budget

Itai: Still too much and the inflationary cost is unsettling.

Eddie: Large I don't see a problem with putting it on the budget I think that the campus should decide.

Kartik: It is unfair to students who are not interested in sports.

Michael: Our job is to decide if it is something Merrill population should have a chance to look at.

Kimberly: don't sponsor. Change this inflation?

Alex: go on the budget without the inflationary costs.

Victor: 10 of the colleges?

Alex: 7

Michael: Other student governments will probably let the students decide.

Alex: I agree that Michael but feel the inflationary costs are sneaky. Could keep going for forever.

Itai: we will actually be paying more.

Itai: I motion to sponsor proposal they get rid of inflation

Eddie: I second

Michael: I motion to table

Mario: I second

Michael: I motion to put the subject back on the table

Mario: I second

Mario: I motion to not sponsor them

Alex: I second

Eddie: I object

7 yes, 2 no, 2 abstentions

Not sponsoring

Learning Support Services 7:45pm

Victor: didn't show up again

Access for All

Victor: we already decided to sponsor it so it just needs to be signed

Deciding to Hear

- a. Camp Kesem- 5 merrill students involved. Children's camp for students whose parents have been effected by cancer. Cost of attendance \$500. Reaching out to school and hospitals and fundraisers on campus. Facebook, Instagram and twitter accounts. Targeted to all students and colleges. Embodies Merrill ethos to bring students together from all different backgrounds. June 15-20th Camp Jack Hazard

Eddie: \$500?

Victor: Free week long summer camp for students

Hannah: Free for all attendees, but there is a cost associated with the camp.

Mario: I motion to hear them

Eddie: I second

Motion passes

Union Salvadorense de Estudiantes Universitarios

Unmar-Sales funding committee, everyone welcomed, salvador's culture. Workshop to learn debate

Ingrid-encourage community service. Build houses and clean rivers in El Salvador. College 8,9,10 stevenson , crown, SUA

Rodrigo- April 18 8am-6pm and 19th 8am-2pm. Salvadorian culture and politics, political identity understanding, 150 plus students expected. Also, awareness of issues affecting the world. Posting posters around campus, and facebook. It is free.

Alex: I motion to fund

Kartik: I second

Motion passes by consensus

Alex: I think we should fully fund

Hannah: At our Cultural center big impact for us, nailed it down in their presentation. They are well organized

Morgan: Free food for students and learn about another country's culture.

Mario: I motion to fully fund plus 200 from sponsorship account

Patty: I second

Motion passes

Officer Reports

- a. **Academic Senate- nothing**
- b. **Core Council- nothing**
- c. **Public Relations-**Signed up for relay for life May 30-31st, Facebook likes go up almost at 100, snap chat competition and start it now. If other people put in their submissions I would feel better about it.
- d. **Student Committees on Committees-C4** it was good. SFAC, Taps, Uhip: Access for all, Cowell/Stevenson open mic or taco night
- e. **Student Union Governance Board**-final day breakfast March 16th 10am-12pm SUA building
- f. **Student Union Assembly-** presentation from colligate recovery committee (drug and alcohol), funding request from campus cleanup day on April 25th at 10 am down at the quarry clean up the campus and funded 2,500, discussed high way 17 and it did pass, bylaws updated
- g. **Student Fee Advisory Committee-**Going to hear from the Seismic retrofitting again, planning to have a town hall before elections start talking about student fees and referendum and want to do it outside the library, presentation from unions and SFAC, new referendum policy that CSF adopted and are in discussions about it we passed most of it but made recommendation to update UCSC conditions for referendum
- h. **Merrill Activities Council**-last meeting Monday and a lot of new things coming up, program submission Mac's digital submission suggestion box, Mondays 7-8pm
- i. **Community Service Rep-** nothing
- j. **RA Liaison-** Baobob Weekly RA meetings an hour later, Study break: rock wall, incredible cultural center, pi an RA in the face, get smashed Mario Brothers in Baobob, Baseball game trip, Merrill History class (6) students
- k. **Secretary**
- l. **Treasurer**
- m. **Vice-Chair**
- n. **Chair-** thanks for those who voted in the email that I sent out. Enjoyed this quarter with you all
- o. **Advisor-**700 down to 500, programs office going to take care of the d-dorm kitchen, Reslife working with Merrill Pottery co-op to come up with a design for benches, Mural and hung up

in the Baobob lounge, moat flushed, both started for festivities for moat day possibly, spring quarter: April 22 college night 25th alumni weekend, week after that glitter ball may 6th,

Announcements

Michael: if Victor shows up and is chair next quarter longest chair since 2010

Adjournment

Mario: I motion to adjourn

Katrik: I second

Motion adjourned 9:15pm