

## Merrill Student Government Meeting April 6, 2017

Meeting called to order by Chair Kimberly Runyan at 7:32pm

### 1. Roll Call

- ✓ Karina (Treasurer)
- ✓ Maurice
- ✓ Erin (MAC)
- ✓ Amber
- ✓ Itai (Parliamentarian)
- ✓ Andrea
- ✓ Hector
- ✓ Lily Green (SUA)
- ✓ Hannah
- ✓ Amanda (Core Council)
- ✓ Diana (PR)
- ✓ Mayra (Presenter)
- ✓ Julio (Presenter)
- ✓ Kyle (Crown SCOC)
- ✓ Jay (SUA)
- ✓ Veronica (Advisor)
- ✓ Ire
- ✓ Jaime
- ✓ Erick (SUGB)
- ✓ Regina (1<sup>st</sup> meeting)
- ✓ Nicolas
- ✓ Rebecca (Academic Senate)
- ✓ Brian (Community Service)
- ✓ Patricia (Secretary)
- ✓ Kimberly (Chair)
- ✓ Yessi (RA liaison)
- ✓ Marin
- ✓ Morgan (SUA)

### 2. Funding Presentations

#### a. Alliance of Hispanic Serving Institution Educators Conference 7:45pm

-EOP- selected to attend conference held this weekend

-Conference: 4 days

-discussing innovative and efficient ways to retain people of color to the university

-work under "crossing the finish line" helps students finish up requirements

-learning other strategies that other institutions are doing to bring back students and help them finish

-Requesting: for registration fee, get \$100 of those \$175 back that we used to register

-Other Funding: No other funding, EOP is providing van, dinner and lunch

Q: The idea is to get idea on how to retain students?

A: see what is working and what isn't working. See the climate in California. Take into account cultural identity and background. Public and private institutions and improve our graduation rate.

Q: How many people from UCSC are going?

A: only four students and 6 (approximately in faculty)

#### **Discussion**

Erin: from what I understood they wanted us to pay them back for what they spent out of their pocket. But they would still be going.

Lily: They came to SUA. They do get money from the org to go anyway. But I think that we think we should consider the impact that we would have supporting them.

Erick: I think I feel weird about it. Don't know if I want to fund the full amount.

Karina: I think that we also have to take into account that they are students and they have other debts and they are taking money out of their own pocket to help out a lot of the merrillites.

Hector: The money is going towards the Merrill students.

Amber: I motion to fund

Erick: I second

Lily: I object. I understand that this will do a lot of good and whether or not we fund they are still going to do.

Hector: They are students. And I recently bought textbooks for that money go towards that.

**Vote in favor to fund**

**Yes 11**

**No 2**

**Abstentions 7**

**Motion passes to fund.**

**How Much?**

Lily: I motion to fund \$100

Erin: I second

Itai: I object. I feel like \$50 is better.

Rebecca: Since they did pay \$175 we want to show them that we support them because they are Merrillites and are doing something for the college I think \$100 is good.

Vote in Favor to fund \$100

Yes 12

No 5

Abstentions 3

**Motion passes to fund \$100 to Alliance Hispanic Educators Conference**

- b. EyeCandy Film Journal 8:00pm
- magazine of media and culture
  - requesting: \$200 for printing costs
  - Other Funded: SUA, \$500 all together from the other colleges
  - If funded: will be included in the sponsors page in the journal
  - Order in May 5<sup>th</sup> a week after is release
- Q: How many copies of the magazines
- A: reduced to 1,000
- Q: distribute?
- A: 2 weeks after receiving them
- Q: where?
- A: McHenry and the Quarry
- Q: Free to students?
- A: Yes.
- Q: How do you advertise for submissions?
- A: Flyers, and teasers in social media accounts.

**Discussion**

**Brian:** Personally, I'm really tired of seeing all these magazines ask for so much money. I am not a fan.

**Amber:** It seems way too expensive and it seems exclusive to who they allow to submit. Seems like the class has priority.

**Erick:** With the other magazines it seems more inclusive.

**Rebecca:** Looking at the magazine I actually liked it, this one had substance and articles. I don't think that the full amount is reasonable.

**Brian:** I motion to not fund

**Erick:** I second

**Lily:** I object. I think this is a different magazine and no other magazines to my knowledge does an analysis of media.

**Vote in favor of not funding**

**Yes 8**

**No 7**

**Abstentions 4**

**Motion Fails.**

**Lily:** I motion to fund.

**Brian:** I second.

**Karina:** I object.

**Vote in favor of funding**

**Yes 7**

**No 6**

**Abstentions 7**

**Motion fails. Not funding EyeCandy Magazine.**

c. Earth Week 7:45pm

-in two weeks April 17-22rd

-importance of social justice and sustainability

-Events: April 17<sup>th</sup> Eco Fest: (Various table from organizations), April 18<sup>th</sup> Cinema, April 19<sup>th</sup> art & action banquet (recycled art), April 22<sup>th</sup> Earth day festival (Rachel Carson Plaza take the bus to the event)

-Other funding: Campus Sustainability council, & other senates.

-Q: What are you going to do if you get extra money?

A: Doing a lot of give aways & tables for eco-fest

**Discussion**

**Hannah:** Earth week is super important. It would be great if we supported it to make UC more sustainable and shows we care about the environment.

**Hannah:** I motion to fund

**Lily:** I second.

**No objections. Motion passes to fund Earth Week.**

**Rebecca:** Seeing that they are closer to their goal, \$50 would be a good amount.

**Hannah:** I think that we should fund closer to the \$200 because they just found out that they have to pay for the tables and for incentives.

**Erick:** I think it would be safe to go for \$100 because they still have most of the college senates to ask for funding but still show our support without going all out.

**Rebecca:** I feel like \$50 is a good amount and they are still going to other colleges. I don't think what we fund them will be a factor in them to invite us.

**Erick:** I don't think that we should fund them the full amount

**Brian:** I motion to fund \$50.

**Rebecca:** I second.

**Hannah:** I object. You can't isolate the earth.

**Nicolas:** I think that \$100 is good because it is about global consciousness

**Vote in favor of funding \$50**

**Yes 6**

**No 8**

#### Abstentions 4

Motion fails.

Maurice: I motion to fund \$100

Jaime: I second.

**No objections. Motion passes to fund \$100 to earth week.**

### 3. Officer Reports

- a. Student Union Assembly
  - Announcements: candidacy Packet online and available. Elected Rep for Merrill and other positions
  - Kresge Parliament starting to plan PRIDE
  - Education for Sustainability Program: Food Waste, GMOs (Pass/no pass)
  - OPERS Referendum: Partnering with EOP, some of the funds from the Fees programs to increase retention rates
  - 2 funding Request: relay for life & CAPs (spring to Wellness)
  - Next Week title 9 rep come in with questions
  - Questions:
    1. What are something that UCs are doing to hold faculty responsible for their actions?
    2. What is the process for suspending a faculty for a violation of title 9?
    3. How does legal protections work?
- b. Student Fee Advisory Committee
  - i. Applications Open
    - 2 years and a quarter, if you want to apply or want more information, \$500 a quarter [sua.ucsc.edu/scoc/how-to-apply.html](http://sua.ucsc.edu/scoc/how-to-apply.html)
    - Very urgent. Send in application next week.
- c. Academic Senate
  - Team Drive: form for your professors that you are close with to get their support to lower tuition hikes
  - [rrmu@ucsc.edu](mailto:rrmu@ucsc.edu) (email to make the form specific to your professor)
  - Right now we have 20 forms and would like more
  - Starting Task Forces: Book Drive (old textbooks that you don't sell or want to get rid of)
- d. Core Council
  - funded over 30 organizations so expect to see a lot of events this Spring, ~ \$16, 990.56 cents to these organizations
- e. Student Committees on Committees
  - i. Nominations Open
    - SCOC Meets: Wed. 8pm in McHenry
    - Paid position, meetings run an Hour
    - email Kimberly Runyan if interested**
- f. Student Union Governance Board
  - nothing to report
- g. Community Service Rep
  - recently the theme: Cartoons
  - relay for life Volunteer Sheet (Can locate on the TEAM DRIVE)
- h. RA Liaison
  - New RA in A Building Jesus Velasquez
  - Pogo Nit has been having fires, be mindful to clean up after yourself
  - Kresge Presents Pride sat. May 15<sup>th</sup> 2-5pm
  - Housing Selection: April 17<sup>th</sup>- 24<sup>th</sup> priority, ask Yessi for more information and dates
- i. Public Relations
  - posting flyer for "take back the Night"

- j. MAC
  - first meeting of the quarter on Monday
  - Lip Sync battle 5-7pm on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> (Performance by on campus lip sync group)
  - Mondays, 7pm in the Art Room B Building
- k. Secretary
- l. Treasurer
  - \$100 to earth week.**
  - \$100 to Alliance Hispanic Educators Conference**
- m. Vice-Chair
  - Rethinking retreat date
- n. Chair
  - Office Hours: Thursday 2-3pm most likely outside of vivas or CASA
  - senate Mixer 5/18, Kresge Town Hall 7-9pm
  - class conflicts, please let Kimberly know ASAP
  - SUA Rep for the next year, they run in the spring, candidates don't have to be in the space, they just need to be interested
- o. Advisor
  - Dear World is finally here
  - VIP shoot: let Veronica know
  - Orientation leaders, PAs, Historian Application go live on Monday, and applications will close Monday 24<sup>th</sup>
- 4. Announcements
  - May 13<sup>th</sup> Mis Quince Anos. Exhibits so if you have any Quince things let Karina Know.
  - Art department: Open drawing sessions, Studio E in the Art and Media Center
  - Hockey team won
- 5. Adjournment
  - Brian: I motion to adjourn
  - Karina: I second.
  - No objections. Motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 9:22pm.**