

Members Present:

Matthew Cummings – President
Polina Pulyanina – VP of Diversity Affairs
Cameron Walsh - VP of Finance
Niki Arab - VP of Internal Affairs
Amin Abdallah - Dentistry Rep
Chelsea Young - Medicine Co-Rep
Sidney Le - Medicine Co-Rep
Leann McDowell - Pharmacy Co-Rep
Cate Flanagan - Nursing Rep
Meredith Van Natta-Social Sciences Rep

Students Present:

Sam Lee- Nursing
Ben Barsi-Rhyne- Tetrad
Michael Le –ASGD President

Members Absent:

Kate Mitchell - VP of External Affairs (Prof)
Esther Yi - Pharmacy Co-Rep
Erin Carlson - Physical Therapy Rep
Clint Cario - Basic Sciences Rep

Others Present:

Leeane Jensen- CLS Wellness
Jennifer Rosko–Student Life

I. WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS (5:30-5:35)

Meeting Began: 5:32 p.m.

II. QUORUM CHECK / MINUTES APPROVAL (5:35-5:40)

Approve: 10 Abstain:0 Deny:0

III. NEW BUSINESS / ACTION (5:40-6:15)

A. Sweetened Beverages Sale - Leeane Jensen

Wellness committee and faculty at UCSF are proposing an elimination of sugar containing beverages on campus. This idea was proposed during the UCSF 2025 game ideas to focus on healthy food on campus. Other universities have also purposed a ban on sugar sweetened beverages. This group would also add an educational campaign on healthy drinking in addition to the ban.

For more information: <http://www.sugarscience.org/>

UCSF Mount Zion hospital already doesn't sell sugar-sweetened beverages except for in their vending machines—we need more feedback.

If this ban passes Millbery Union will be affected. If patients can request a soda then it will still give it them, but it just won't be sold to everyone. GPSA board also recommends the ban on diet sodas.

GPSA's Vote on the ban of sugar-sweetened beverages:

Approve: 10 Abstain: 1 Deny: 0

B. Communication between Students & Administration - Matthew Cummings

Matt spoke regarding a possible universal UCSF calendar for the whole university so that all the various schools at UCSF know all the events and electives on campus.

C. Ebola Resolution - Matthew Cummings

A student group showed need to remove barriers for our clinician when they are needed for this Ebola outbreak. Task force has developed a method to remove any barriers. <http://www.ucsf.edu/ebola>

D. Community Service Efforts - Matthew Cummings

Matt spoke about creating a Interschool community outreach group so that all the school can do health fairs together. GPSA board favors the idea of getting all the

school together, but in order to form this group we would need a representative from each class.

E. Interprofessional Education - Matthew Cummings

Matt spoke about creating a more interprofessional curriculum at UCSF. Class schedules should line up for all the schools making electives and other courses easier to develop and enroll of all students.

The students also want more collaborative learning—courses that allow students from other school to work together to solve problems. Matt mentioned we can have Pharmacy students, medical student, et al teach or TA a topic in an other program.

F. Committee Representatives – Niki Arab

please note members of the academic council must sit on two committees throughout the academic year

o Student Services Fee Advisory Committee-

Niki mentioned that we have enrolled 12 people on this committee.

Jennifer mentioned if there are students who did not get this position there are other possible committees they can serve on.

o Transportation Advisory Committee-

This committee is looking for two students to sit on committee, which will meet three times in the winter quarter.

IV. UPDATES (6:15-6:30)

A. GPSA Budget Update – Cameron Walsh

B. Committee Meeting Updates

a. Housing—Sam Lee

Sam mentioned that the housing committee may start limiting housing to a 1 year term limit. If this occurs approximately 1,500 people will move out and there are about 1000 students entering UCSF per year. This can guarantee housing to new students.

Board recommendations:

Housing should provide an exemption to families.

b. Student Health—Update will be emailed.

c. Chancellor's Council—Matthew Cummings

Approximately 2 weeks ago Chancellor Hawgood met with GPSA board to discuss the tuition increase proposal. Hawgood mentioned an effort to try to increase scholarships given to UCSF students.

d. Library committee-Ben Barsi-Rhyne

Ben mentioned that the library needs money to buy journal articles. Usually the library has donations from alumni, but they are looking for other ideas to raise money. Due to low budget, some textbooks may not be available to students and students will be notified ahead of time.

V. PLANNING (6:30-6:35)

A. Team Building – Matthew Cummings

Matt mentioned that the team building activity for student leaders will be on Feb 9th at approximately 5:30 p.m.

B. Formal – Niki Arab

Niki mentioned that formal will take place on Jan 31st and that all student leaders should inform their class about it.

- C. Casino Night – Niki Arab
GPSA has the budget to do a casino night, another big interschool event in addition to UCSF formal. Email will be sent to gauge the best date for all schools.
- D. Last Lecture – Niki Arab
The last lecture can either take place April 16th or 23rd an email will also be sent for nominations from each school.
- E. Gravity Screening – Niki Arab
A screening of gravity may take place in February or April and is open to all schools.

VII. OFFICER REPORTS (≤3 minutes each)

- A. President – Matthew Cummings- no comments
- B. VP of Internal Affairs – Niki Arab-no comments
- C. VP of Finance – Cameron Walsh- no comments
- D. VP of Diversity Affairs – Polina Pulyania
Polina mentioned working one Multicultural Diversity Night at UCSF
Polina is also the Synapse liaison; thus she will be inviting people to join committees via synapse.
- E. VP of External Affairs – Kate Mitchell Absent
Kate mentioned Ryan VP of external affairs for graduate division is no longer able to complete duties. GPSA will be looking for a new external affairs.
- F. Medicine Representative – Chelsea Young & Sidney Le
Sidney mentioned encryption privacy issues where addressed in the school of medicine.
- G. Pharmacy Representative – Leann McDowell & Esther Yi--Absent
- H. Dentistry Representative – Amin Abdallah
Dentistry building construction will be complete in April then clinic will be opening so students can only work only 2 shifts due to added evening clinics.
Curriculum revisions are also taking place in the School of Dentistry.
- I. Nursing Representative – Cate Flanagan
Cate mention Nursing took part in Alumni series events. Additionally, there will be changes in policy in the masters entry program.
- J. Physical Therapy Representative – Erin Carlson—Absent
- K. Social Sciences Representative – Meredith Van Natta—no comment
- L. Basic Sciences Representative – Clint Cario—Absent.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS (≤2 minutes each)

- A. Student Resource Fair – Jennifer Rosko
Jennifer mentioned that there will be a student resource event January 27th 9-10:30 a.m. in mission bay for mission bay students and RCOs.