

Members Present:

Matthew Cummings – President
Polina Pulyanina – VP of Diversity Affairs
Betsy Martin - VP of External Affairs (Grad)
Kate Mitchell - VP of External Affairs (Prof)
Niki Arab - VP of Internal Affairs
Amin Abdallah - Dentistry Rep
Sidney Le - Medicine Co-Rep
Chelsea Young - Medicine Co-Rep
Cate Flanagan - Nursing Rep
Erin Carlson - Physical Therapy Rep
Meredith Van Natta-Social Sciences Rep

Students Present:

Michael Le –ASGD President
Leslie Lai – Pharmacy
Kara Kang – Pharmacy
Bryne Ulmschneider – Tetrad
Aaron Dolor – PSPG
Hannan Braun – Medicine
David Ramirez – Medicine
Lauren Frisch – Dentistry
Tomas Tesfusilassre - Medicine

Members Absent:

Cameron Walsh - VP of Finance
Esther Yi - Pharmacy Co-Rep
Leann McDowell - Pharmacy Co-Rep
Clint Cario - Basic Sciences Rep

I. WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS (5:30-5:45)

Meeting began 5:37 p.m.

- A. Student Regent Presentation - Sadia Saifuddin & Avi Oved
Sadia and Avi are our current student regents who gave an introduction to what student regents do. Student regents are advocates for the students and share student perspective across all the UCs. Sadia and Avi spoke about the application process; A 2-5 month process to apply with a personal statement Due Feb 22nd.
The student regents gave advice for applications: Interview practice, start early, proofreading statement, choose good references.
Issues facing UC: UC Tuition increase, out of state students cost cutting measures via governor brown, Food security, Increase student representation, sexual assault and mental health.
Benefits for UC regents: Tuition remission for two year, on campus office, parking pass, and travel reimbursements.
Students can email with any questions: saif.sadia10@gmail.com
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II. QUORUM CHECK / MINUTES APPROVAL (5:45-5:50)

Minutes Approval:

Approve: 12 Deny: 0 Abstain: 0

III. NEW BUSINESS / ACTION (5:50-6:15)

- A. VP of External Affairs Nomination & Vote - Matthew Cummings
Vote for Betsy as VP of External Affairs:
Approve: 11 Deny: 0 Abstain: 0
- B. Funding Request: 2015 LGBTQI Health Forum
David And Hannan came to talk about LGBTQI health Forum for funding request.
This forum is meant to increase awareness and acceptance of LGBTQI in health care.
Break out sessions with panel speakers and other sessions will take place and other schools can also attend the forum on 20th and 21st of February.
Vote on funding request:
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Approve:11 Deny:0 Abstain:0

- C. Last Lecture Nominations – Niki Arab
Pharmacy nominations:
Marcus Ferrone
Tracy Fulton
All other schools will follow up with nominations by the end of the week.
- D. Election Preparation – Niki Arab
Niki and Matt spoke about elections coming out soon and for every to please encourage people to apply.
- E. UCSA Lobby Day – Kate Mitchell
Kate spoke about lobby day which will take place April 18th- 20th in Sacramento California.
More info: ucsa.org/conferences

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

- A. Team Building – Matthew Cummings
Matt spoke about the team building event at 5 p.m. in C-130 on Monday February 9th.
- B. Formal – Niki Arab
Niki spoke about formal this past weekend and how GPSA was able to break even on the budget for formal.
- C. Committee Meeting Updates
 - a. Campus Community Centers Advisory Council-None Present
 - b. Committee on Libraries and Scholarly Communication-None Present
 - c. Housing Advisory Committee- Bryne Ulmschneider
Bryne spoke about how the housing committee is trying to prioritize new students for housing. For those over three years who moved in prior to the two year housing policy may have a one time rent increase in order to increase turn over.
 - d. Library Advisory Committee-None Present
 - e. Public Safety & Emergency Management Advisory Group-None Present
 - f. Sexual Violence Task Force- None Present
 - g. Status of Women- None Present
 - h. Student Health Advisory Committee-None Present
 - i. Student Regent Interviews-None Present
 - j. Transportation Advisory Committee-None Present

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

- A. Valentine's Day Event – Niki Arab
Niki Spoke about Valentines Day event taking place on Thursday Feb 12th. We will be handing out pins and taking pictures with the pet therapy dog. We need GPSA members to volunteer.
Board suggests purchasing cupcakes or cookies.
- B. Trivia Night – Niki Arab
Niki spoke about a Trivia night in Mission Bay. ASGD would like to collaborate on this event. Board believes Gravity can still be shown only if there is also a game and food given during the event.
- C. Casino Night – Niki Arab
Niki spoke about the date of Casino night. Board agreed taking place on April 16th.
- D. Last Lecture – Niki Arab

Board also agreed Wednesday April 22nd is a good date to have the last lecture event. Nominations will be sent by the end of the week.

VII. OFFICER REPORTS (≤3 minutes each)

- A. President – Matthew Cummings-No comment
- B. VP of Internal Affairs – Niki Arab-No comment
- C. VP of Finance – Cameron Walsh-absent
- D. VP of Diversity Affairs – Polina Pulyania
Polina is working on raising diversity outreach through a multi-cultural event with all the cultural orgs. Polina is trying to get orgs to respond to having a meeting for such an event.
- E. VP of External Affairs – Kate Mitchell & Betsy Martin
Betsy spoke about divestment for ASUC against Palestinian and pro- human rights: ASUC wants to get UC to stop investment in these companies that go against human rights. GPSA board feels like they need for info on the divestments before voting on this topic. Besty will send an email to GPSA to providing divestment information from UCSA in order to receive feedback from GPSA.
Another issue brought up is Governor Brown not trusted to leading UC: GPSA doesn't want to vote no confidence in Governor Brown.
Betsy will send an email for any comments before Sunday at noon to VP of external affairs on this issue as well.
- F. Medicine Representative – Chelsea Young & Sidney Le
Chelsea mentioned that the Pre-Formal event was a success.
- G. Pharmacy Representative – Leann McDowell & Esther Yi
- H. Dentistry Representative – Amin Abdallah
Amin spoke about construction still in dental clinic and still the School of Denistry is still undergoing curriculum reform.
- I. Nursing Representative – Cate Flanagan
Cate spoke about a health insurance info session in Wednesday 5-6p.m. N 417 by the school of Nursing.
- J. Physical Therapy Representative – Erin Carlson
Erin mentioned that physical therapy accepted their class of 2018
- K. Social Sciences Representative – Meredith Vannatta--No updates
- L. Basic Sciences Representative – Clint Cario- absent
- M. Synapse Representative- Bryne Ulmschneider- Byne encourage everyone to fill out survey for synapse. Synapse is also looking for photographers for Human of UCSF project. Synapse is also looking for two students from every program every year to fill out the like of a particular student. If anyone is interested they Can contact Bryn ear bryne.ulms@gmail.com
Survey is located at: Tinnyurl.com/synapsesurvey2015

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS (≤2 minutes each)

- A. Mission Hall Student Services – Jennifer Rosko-Absent