Graduate & Professional **Student Association**

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) Cameron Walsh - VP of Finance Niki Arab - VP of Internal Affairs Sidney Le - Medicine Co-Rep Leann McDowell - Pharmacy Co-Rep Erin Carlson - Physical Therapy Rep Meredith Van Natta-Social Sciences Rep

Members Absent:

Amin Abdallah - Dentistry Rep Chelsea Young - Medicine Co-Rep Cate Flanagan - Nursing Rep Esther Yi - Pharmacy Co-Rep Clint Cario - Basic Sciences Rep

Students Present:

Michael Le –ASGD President Aaron Dolor – PSPG Lisa Stern – Grad Div Kevin Hartman – Grad Div Bryne Ulmschneider – Tetrad Nicolas Strauli – BMS Lisa Keyan – Physical Therapy Melissa Danesh – Medicine Micah Ahazie - Pharmacy

Staff Present:

Jennifer Rosko

- I. WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS (5:30-5:35) Meeting began 5:36 p.m.
- II. QUORUM CHECK / MINUTES APPROVAL (5:35-5:40) Minutes Approval: Approve: 11 abstain: 0 object: 0

III. NEW BUSINESS / ACTION (5:40-6:00)

A. Housing Recommendations – Matthew Cummings Matt spoke about the recent a message that went out stating the rent for UCSF students have been in housing for more than 2 years would go up more than 30% next year. The rent increase was halted by campus leadership and the housing committee is still exploring ways to make housing available to as many students as possible. Bryne mentioned that the actual increase would be 4% next year. Another solution the housing committee may on work on is a master lease for off campus housing which would be subsidized for students.

Jennifer mentioned GPSA could write a letter to the campus leadership emphasizing student housing needs. GPSA suggested redefining students as individuals that pay to go to UCSF. Byrne mentioned that they should weigh students more but not to pick one group over the other because postdocs don't get paid much more than grad students. Jennifer mentioned that postdocs are unionized employees of the University. Kate mentioned that GPSA is here to represent students and some students take out more than \$50,000 dollars in loans per year to pay for the cost of living.

B. Alcohol Policy Update – Jennifer Rosko

Jennifer mentioned that recently risk management implemented a policy that a faculty or staff member must be present during student on-campus events serving alcohol. That faculty or staff member can possibly be a resident or a postdoc since they are considered staff, but that hasn't been finalized. Off campus events are not included. Sidney mentioned we are studious students who don't abuse alcohol and only have it at events that are appropriate. We are also lucky to be at a University that allows alcohol. Sidney then praised Jennifer in her efforts to help students organize events in the medical school following the new alcohol policy. Jennifer mentioned her office will meet or speak with any student who wishes to serve alcohol their event to make sure the policy is met while meeting the students desires.

- C. Election Applications Niki Arab Niki mentioned that elections for GPSA positions are coming out on Monday and board members should encourage classmates to apply. Niki also encouraged the Executive Council to talk to reach out to students who they think would be good in their position or might be interested in their position. One on one recruitment is recommended.
- D. Transition preparation-Matt Cummings

Matt mentioned a possible document to help transition future students leaders in GPSA. Polina suggested a summary of all the events throughout the year. Jennifer will create a template for all the officers to fill out for future officers.

Vote to fill out template of officer reports by May 1:

Approve: 10 Abstain: 0 Deny: 0

E. Sexual violence task force- Jennifer Rosko

The sexual violence task force is looking for UCSF reps as well as comments or questions about the recent draft of policy changes. They are currently working in creating a new UC system wide policy. Melissa mentioned so far there has been one conference call every 3 or 4 weeks with an in person meeting coming up this week. Now, with the implementation of the task force, each campus is going to have a sexual assault advocate. Lastly, students can get involved with this task force even if they can't attend all the meetings.

IV. UPDATES (6:00-6:30)

- A. GPSA Budget Cameron Walsh Cameron presented an update of the current GPSA budget.
- B. Student Services Fee Process Cameron Walsh Cameron also mentioned that student services fee advisory committee will be making their final recommendations in the next couple weeks.
- C. GPSA & ASSP Referendum Jennifer Rosko Jennifer announced that the students approved the GPSA &ASSP referendum, and now we are just waiting for presidential approval.
- D. UCSA Hosted Meeting Kate Mitchell & Betsy Martin Kate mentioned UCSA meeting will be held in Mission Bay on Sunday May 3rd--GPSA members can attend. Betsy mentioned that an issue UCSA is currently looking at is the tuition increases, which will be discussed in Santa Barbra this week; they still have room for one more student to attend this meeting if they are interest.
- E. Committee Meeting Updates
 - a. Campus Community Centers Advisory Council No one present
 - b. Committee on Libraries and Scholarly Communication Leann mentioned that there is a new music room in the library, and that the library is opening a coffee shop in the main level.
 - c. Housing Advisory Committee already discussed
 - d. Library Advisory Committee Cameron mentioned current library issues and the need to increase the number of places that are student specific in the library. Currently, the committee is thinking about making the 24 hour section of the library only available to students throughout the day and possibly excluding the public from specific areas in the library after certain hours.

Kate mentioned that the majority of people don't cause the problem; thus, we don't want to exclude all non-UCSF individuals based on specific issues. Sidney mentioned possibility of helping people with information to resources, because some people who visit the library really do need shelter.

- e. Public Safety & Emergency Management Advisory Group- No one present
- f. Sexual Violence Task Force already presented
- g. Status of Women-No one present
- h. Student Health Advisory Committee Bryne said that SHAC is considering a 4th tear for specialty drug coverage, and they are open to hearing feedback from the students on how these medications can be covered. She also stated that SHAC is working on making dependents' premium closer to that of students' health insurance pricing because dependents' currently pay much more; this would be done by increasing the cost of student UCSHIP. Kate mentioned USHIP is discussing the possibility of becoming medical sponsored health insurance.
- i. Student Regent Interviews-No one Present
- j. Transportation Advisory Committee-No one Present

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

A. Casino Night - Niki Arab

Niki mentioned that casino night will be held on April 16th form 5-8 p.m. in MU. This event will need people to RSVP on eventbrite so we do not go over the maximum amount of people is that space and so we know how much food and drink to buy. Many games will be available at the event and people can win tickets for raffle prizes—the more raffle tickets the better chance of winning prizes. GPSA board members did find it appropriate to have alcohol there; two drink tickets will be give ensuring students can't have more than two.

B. Last Lecture – Niki Arab

Niki mentioned Last Lecture ballots are out and we already had 750 votes with voting ending this Friday. It is a close race so people should encourage classmate to vote. Jennifer mentioned that the votes are weighted by the number of students in each school.

C. Trivia Night – Niki Arab

Niki mentioned that she is working on the first trivia night with Aaron from ASGD on a tentative date of April 2nd.

VII. OFFICER REPORTS (≤3 minutes each)

A. President – Matthew Cummings

Matt mentioned he is working on UCSHIP and out of pocket costs for students compared to Covered California. Matt also stated that he is floating the idea of replacing Panda Express in MU with a healthier option. The board does not believe this will be a popular decision. However Matt mentioned though most students might not want this, this doesn't mean this isn't the best decision.

B. VP of Internal Affairs - Niki Arab

Niki mentioned that recently there was a talk regarding UC employing IMPEC workers who barely make minimum wage and can't stand up for themselves since many of them do not speak English. Kate elaborated on the issue stating that IMPEC workers can't go to UCSF for healthcare and UC workers are being replaced by IMPEC workers because they are cheaper hires. Kate mentioned that they don't have health

care and we should hire them and UCSF employees because they do the same duties for far less the pay.

Please email for more info and to sign the petition visit this link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1tc7tMolzGInWfKaUpeurJmIm5mSJVidhfpibvdb9N Yg/viewform?c=0&w=1

- C. VP of Finance Cameron Walsh
- D. VP of Diversity Affairs Polina Pulyania Polina mentioned she is working on having a diversity night but is waiting on student organizations input. Polina mentioned SHAC wanted to eliminate coverage of travel immunizations. Bryne mentioned that she believes that SHAC decided to keep them.
- E. VP of External Affairs Kate Mitchell & Betsy Martin Betsy is working on collecting information to see if students are part of the hiring process of UCSF tenure faculty. This is part of Grad/Prof campaign to increase diversity of faculty. GPSA believes this is a great idea; getting students involved will bring a new perspective to the faculty hiring committee.
- F. Medicine Representative Chelsea Young & Sidney Le-No Updates
- G. Pharmacy Representative Leann McDowell & Esther Yi Leann mentioned that there is a new President-elect for ASSP.
- H. Dentistry Representative Amin Abdallah Not Present
- I. Nursing Representative Cate Flanagan Not Present
- J. Physical Therapy Representative Erin Carlson-No updates
- K. Social Sciences Representative Meredith Vannatt Not Present
- L. Basic Sciences Representative Clint Cario Not Present

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS (≤2 minutes each)

- A. Mission Hall Student Services Jennifer Rosko Jennifer informed students that a new Student Services Office opened in Mission Bay Campus recently.
- B. Student Veteran Community Reception Jennifer Rosko Jennifer informed everyone that next Wednesday night student veterans are having a committee reception.