

Members Present

Loreen Atallah – President
Gina Ahmadyar – VP of Internal Affairs
Elizabeth Tinoco – VP of Finance
Taryn Go – VP of External Affairs
Kevin Le – Pharmacy Representative
Joey Diel – Nursing Representative (proxy)
Sean Ganther – Basic Sciences Representative

Students Present

Lisa Schwartz - Nursing

Staff Present

Jennifer Rosko – Student Life

Members Absent

Engie Salama – VP of Diversity
Adam Catching – VP of External Affairs
Soren Jonzzon – Medicine Representative
Alexandra Rojeck – Medicine Representative
Janella Leano – PT Representative
Nicholas Gentry – Basic Sciences Representative
Nadia Gabriel – Dental Representative

I. WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS (5:30-5:39)

Meeting Began: 5:35pm

II. QUORUM CHECK / MINUTES APPROVAL (5:39-5:40)

Minutes approved by Sean, second by Taryn—all in favor.

III. NEW BUSINESS / ACTION (5:40-6:10)

- A. UC's Negotiations with Publisher Elsevier – Rich Schneider, Chris Shaffer, Diana Laird
- a. UC & Elsevier partnership—largest publisher of scholarly journals. UC researchers contribute content and conduct peer reviews for free, but then our university system pays a large price (over 10 million dollars) to gain subscription access to Elsevier journals. Many UC authors also spend money (over 1 million dollars) on top of subscriptions to make their articles open access but Elsevier does not discount this off of our subscription payments.
 - b. Current contract expired on December 31st Elsevier might shut off direct access to their journals.
 - i. UC goals in the negotiations are:
 1. To control costs and have an integrated contract that combines payments for reading and publishing.
 2. Open access for all UC authors and continued reading access for all Elsevier content. UC authors would retain copyright in their work and their work would become immediately and freely available to everyone around the world.
 - c. The new type of agreement with Elsevier would have open access publishing be the default, and UC authors could continue to publish in any Elsevier journal of their choice.
 - i. UC authors would not be told where to publish and UC authors could opt out of open access publishing if they wanted their work to be subscription only.
 - d. If Elsevier were to cut off access then UC would retain online access to approximately 86% of existing and historical Elsevier content (representing >95% usage) but could encounter delayed access to the remaining 14% of historical content as well as any non OA Elsevier content after January 2019.
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- i. If agreements are not made UC library is committed to giving everyone access to the content they need through ILL, reprint requests, social sharing, etc.
 - e. Question: Would we consider bringing this up on a congressional level? The government agencies that fund our research play a big role in this. If UC starts to push forward in this direction a lot of other institutions would join in. In Europe many similar efforts are being done to ensure any grant recipients work needs to be published as open access.
 - B. Parnassus Library Redesign Project – Kemi Amin
 - a. A lot of student don't feel safe at Parnassus library
 - b. Original plan was to limit public access to the library space
 - c. Looking at a plan to expand the physical access the public has to the space while still championing UCSF exclusive space.
 - i. Changes in plan have been delayed reconsidering increasing public space
 - ii. Construction likely to not start until 2020
 - d. Will not make the homeless leave but limiting access
 - i. Have been in conversation with SF city library and how they implement their social service program so that we can also potentially provide resources for the homeless.
 - ii. No plans on changing the hour of operation at all—we will still be providing the same amenities just restricting the locations they can have access to
 - e. Working with the UCSF staff
 - f. Question: is security being considered? Conversations are currently being held. Cost is limiting.
 - C. UCSF Wildfire Task Force – Mark Freiberg
 - a. New task force created in response to intense smoke exposure throughout the region
 - b. Many K-12 schools, childcares, UC Berkeley, and UC Davis decided to close
 - i. UC Davis and Berkley canceled classes and sporting events
 - c. UCSF felt they need to improve communication and take into account various perspectives on if classes and clinical rotations should continue
 - d. Grad and professional student perspective are important to the group
 - e. Task force consists of various people
 - i. Discuss what procedures should generally look like, establishing guidelines of what should happen, what communications should be queued up, and what are the processes for paying people who cannot come to work
 - f. Already some input from VC Elizabeth Watkins regarding NB fires this past fall.
 - i. Many students had exams and air filtration systems in Parnassus was felt to be poor
 - ii. There needs to be a distinction between classes and clinical rotations with classes being easier to reschedule
 - iii. Poor communication on where students can get N-95 masks and that many students didn't realize we had plenty supply at both student health offices.
 - iv. Students with children of their own had a hard time finding back up care for their children who had classes cancelled
 - v. Students exposed to smoke through their commute
 - g. Looking for other prospective that were not noted so they can take that into consideration.

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- h. Questions
 - i. Wildfires are prominent in our area, are there ventilation systems in these buildings and is that on the to-do list for potential improvement?
 - 1. AQI can measure the amount of particulate in air and they begin doing particle counts outdoor and inside the building—got information for about a dozen buildings.
 - 2. Want numbers that reflect indoors are better than outdoors.
 - ii. Want to have enough N-95 masks available and a handout on how to ensure that they are properly fitted.
 - iii. Will there be a measure of how to properly wear a mask? The website will go live if they hit AQI level of 100 which is before it gets really bad
 - iv. Make sure masks are offered earlier rather than later

IV. OFFICER REPORTS (≤3 minutes each)

- A. President – Loreen Atallah
 - a. COLS is for students living in the Bay Area and in a meeting with Dean Watkins we discussed how a lot of students are sent to outside sites for rotations and if the COLS can be eligible to them. They will be eligible for some form of the stipend. May scale it down for other locations where cost of living is not as high.
 - b. Will re-evaluate need based
- B. VP of Internal Affairs – Gina Ahmadyar
 - a. Formal Update: 891 tickets sold and 815 students attended
 - i. Improve set up for check in
- C. VP of Finance – Elizabeth Tinoco
 - a. Finance Report given
 - b. GPSA officer travel is strictly to be used for GPSA related travel.
- D. VP of Diversity Affairs – Engie Salama
 - a. Not present
- E. VP of External Affairs – Taryn Go & Adam Catching
 - a. Adam went to UCGPC meeting
 - b. Campus Climate Conference if Feb 23rd
 - i. Still waiting for RSVP link to be live
 - c. Met with President Napolitano
 - i. Basic needs: housing concerns, getting another student on the board of regents
 - ii. Housing initiative: quality control on housing.
- F. Medicine Representative – Soren Jonzzon & Alexandra Rojek
 - a. Not present
- G. Pharmacy Representative – Kevin Le
 - a. Preparing for leadership transitions
 - b. Election interviews within the next 2-week period
- H. Dentistry Representative – Nadia Gabriel (Sean provided update)
 - a. Impressions conference coming up this month—Feb 24th
 - b. School of dentistry diversion and inclusion meeting—discuss barriers that come into retention to African American students and lack of mentorship
 - c. Ensure that students are getting important information at the beginning of their time at UCSF which can be a problem
 - i. Committee is committed to putting funding into school wide program for all students in all programs targeting minority students
- I. Nursing Representative – Joey Tripet-Diel (Lisa provided updated)

- a. Working with dean on proactive documents to put in all the syllabus of all classes that can be accessible to all guest lecturers.
- b. Issues with student accommodations are not being enacted
- J. Physical Therapy Representative – Janella Leano
 - a. Not present
- K. Basic Sciences Representative – Sean Ganther & Nicholas Gentry
 - a. Little to no branding with self-identification
 - b. ASGD \$100 increase to RCOs to make a new logo, and help with branding so students feel that they are a part of something
 - c. Choose your thesis lab workshop that would allow students who are rotating to get information from a panel that can ask questions
- L. Social Sciences Representative – OPEN

V. UPDATES (6:40-6:50)

- A. GPSA Reserve Funding Proposals – Elizabeth Tinoco
 - a. Finals breakfast: Monday March 18th on Parnassus to have breakfast available
 - i. Similar event for MB would be better to do around 10-12
 - ii. OrgSync: last year that we will be with OrgSync. \$43,000 at the most for a 3-year contract and the proposal is if GPSA would spend their reserves
 - 1. Current company offering OrgSync has been bought out
 - 2. RCO funding has had surplus in the past and that is how it was covered the first few times
 - 3. After three years, funding options would have to be reassessed
 - iii. Bring ideas and proposals to the next meeting
 - a.
- B. Committee Representatives – Gina Ahmadyar

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

 - i. Committee Updates
 - i. Alumni Association
 - 1. Alumni weekend April 12-13th: will rent out the Exploratorium after Dark around 50 tickets available to students at discounted rates
 - 2. Working on student Alumni committee
 - ii. Campus Climate, Culture, and Inclusion
 - iii. Campus Community Advisory Committee
 - iv. CCRT of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence and Misconduct
 - v. Center for Community Engagement
 - vi. Chancellor's Campus Council
 - 1. Gender inclusive restroom proposals
 - a. Plans for MB, MT. Zion and Parnassus
 - 2. Feedback and input due back by April 30th
 - 3. First impressions Projects—submit re-design projects to help improve campus appearance (Nursing Mezzanine)
 - a. March 19th Deadline
 - 4. Tidelands Student housing to open up
 - vii. Council on Student Fees
 - 1. Meeting at MB last weekend was a success a few of the council members went to UCOP
 - a. A lot of discussion of campus specific issues which are not specific to our campus

- b. Trying to go to UCOP to change guidelines for what minimum voting quorum is
 - c. Mental health fee and how it affects the various campuses
 - d. Campuses are reaching to a point that there is not a lot of room to fund more units
- viii. Housing Advisory Committee
- ix. Library & Scholarly Communication
- x. Student Health Advisory Committee
 - 1. Large reserve and want to benefit the students
 - 2. Buy down—decrease premium by \$91 one time
 - 3. Want to do something else to benefit the students—get subscription to apps like calm and headspace
 - 4. Psycho educational testing benefit
 - a. Non-compliant on how we offer our benefit currently
 - i. Put students on the hook for unknown balance charge.
 - 5. Infertility services
 - a. Would increase every student's premium by 5%—decided against it
 - 6. Dental insurance
 - a. Considering self-insuring with dental, difference is 0.4% increase which allows us to control benefits and what is offered
- xi. UCSF Advisory Committee on Sustainability
- xii. UCSF Wellbeing Committee
 - 1. Meeting Feb 21st
- j. Seeking Student Representation
 - i. Student Regent Screening & Interview Committee
 - 1. Collecting names

VI. PLANNING (6:50-7:00)

- A. Llama Event – Loreen Atallah
 - a. Planning to get it in March 11th, 14th, 21st, 22nd—all before finals week. March 11th or 14th may be the best
 - b. New name
 - c. Resource Fair—invite other departments that do student success orientations
- B. Trivia Night – Gina Ahmadyar
 - a. Feb 20th 6pm-8pm at Oda Mission Bay
- C. Wellness Massage Event – Gina Ahmadyar
 - a. March 6, 10am-4pm in MU conference center
- D. GPSA Election Calendar – Gina Ahmadyar
 - a. March 31 - Applications Due
 - b. April 8-21 – Campaigning and online voting
- E. Last Lecture – Gina Ahmadyar
 - a. February 25-March 5 – Voting
 - b. April 17- Last Lecture
- F. Cultural Night – Engie Salama
 - a. Not present

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS (≤2 minutes each)

- A. Upcoming Meetings – Loreen Atallah

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- a. Monday, March 4 at 5:30 p.m. GPSA Monthly Meeting at Mission Bay
 - b. Monday, April 1 at 5:30 p.m. GPSA Monthly Meeting at Parnassus
 - c. Monday, May 6 at 5:30 p.m. GPSA Monthly Meeting at Parnassus
- B. Upcoming Events