

## GSA Minutes 08/30/2011

### **Attendance**

Chelsea Carey  
Beth Hernandez-Jason  
Joshua Phillips  
Julie Phillips  
Erin Stacey  
Kristynn Sullivan  
Janelle Szary

### **Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 9:08am

Meeting minutes approved...

Kristynn

- Student Advisory Board
  - Mary Miller would like someone to server
  - Mondays – starts Sept. 10
  - Advisory board to administration
- Chancellor's Lunch for Faculty/Staff
  - Discussion on asking about representation
  - Maybe we need to contact them first?
  - Maybe we need to go first time and ask?
  - Need to focus on staff roles, not academic issues

Chelsea

No report for now...

Janelle

- UCSA
  - Dream Act
    - Was tabled before
    - Now it's not anymore
  - Campaigns
    - Undergraduate
    - Graduate

- Adding student Regents
  - Usually a grad but can be under/grad
  - Push for both to spread the voice for the undergrads as well
- Put UCSA's name on the oil severance tax
  - Not currently done in California
  - Would aid California education
- Next meeting Sept. 9 in Berkeley
- UCSA rally on the Capital steps
  - Sept. 12

Beth

- CAPRA
  - First meeting Sept. 6
  - Committee stuff later

Erin

- Going to talk to Beth about administrative interfacing
- ES/QSB seminar for more social cross-talk between groups

Julie

- UCSA sent us a bill
  - Requires many more signatures
  - OSL is trying to work it out, but seems to be having a little trouble with it
- Budget
  - Appropriated \$4196.45 for this year
    - Are we getting taxed? Should be about \$5200
    - Return to aid? Need to talk to someone to see what happened...
  - Last travel grant was awarded \$400, but they got \$500
    - What's up with that?

Josh

- New site
  - Discussion on google site updates
  - Need to ask Gyami to make the email address correct
  - Probably move to new ucmerced.edu site in the future

Kristynn

- Need to meet with Rachael
  - Maybe once a month or so...

- Need to find a time to do this
- Try a doodle poll and have a coffee-break or something...
- Committee Reports
  - No new ones since last meeting
  - All posted online
  - Maybe get a link to UCSA minutes if they are posted online somewhere
- Coffee-snack break tomorrow
  - Everything ready
  - Kirstynn will be a little late (15 mins)
  - Bring name tags!!!
  - Try to recruit additional UCSA rep?

#### Beth

- Committee Rally
  - WASC – maybe we need this still?
  - Building Advisory Committee
    - Thought it was about space planning... but
    - It's actually one for each building
    - Rec Center 2, SE2, COB2
  - Sept. 7
  - Lots of yummy appetizers
  - Maybe need to get coffee and/or tea as well?
  - Gluten-free options?
  - Need the forms from last year (Julie has them)
  - Vice-Chancellor to Administration Advisory Board
    - Need to fill this
  - Budget Committee (filled by GSA) and SFAC (filled for this year)
  - Discussion on other committee seats and availability (final list will be posted before Rally)

#### Janelle

- Field organizer for UCSA visiting on Sept. 6 or 7
  - Show to the Committee Rally as a resource would be good.

#### Kristynn

- Table Ethics and Ex-officio

#### Julie

- Travel grant changes, not anything major

- If we don't use all of the money, do we need to do partial funding
  - Logistical concerns?
    - Don't remember, but it seemed complicated
  - Maybe fund people who aren't presenting?
  - Matching... maybe need to get it to happen?
  - Options
    - Partial funding
    - Non-presenters
    - More than one per year (once per cycle)
    - Increase amount of awards?
  - Try to utilize a signature page instead of full letter from advisor?
  - Learning towards non-presenters being eligible

#### Kristynn

- Start of semester BBQ
  - Dinner somewhere?
- Leadership Workshops
  - Invite John Johnson?
  - Maybe the administrative ladder talk?
  - How others made things better?
  - Again, the organization of the administration was proposed as useful
- Delegate Assembly
  - Should it be mentioned at the Committee Rally?
    - No, since it is a voted-in position
  - Need to talk about the way this needs to go down

Meeting adjourned at 11:30am.

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#### Business for next meeting:

- Anonymous voting over UCMCrops – Josh
- Travel Award application updates – Julie
- Budget Committee representation – Kristynn
- Internal Vice President responsibilities and tasks – Everyone
- Code of Ethics – Kristynn
- Ex-officio – Kristynn