

ASUC SENATE MEETING

October 29, 2008

Tenth Week

This regular meeting of the ASUC Senate was called to order by Krystle Pasco at 7:12 p.m. in the ASUC Senate Chamber.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Ms. Pasco called for any changes to the minutes from the October 22 meeting. Ms. Flores said that on page 13 the minutes should state that the Gabriela Network was hosting “A Day of Filipina Women” to celebrate Filipina achievements and contributions.

Mr. Owens said that on the last page, no final no roll call for attendance was printed. It was noted that Mr. Tran was not present for the final roll call for attendance.

Ms. Shah said that on page 13 the minutes should read that she interns at the Arab Resources Organizing Center and that organization was doing an event at Malcolm X, a grassroots movement, bringing an event called “slingshot hip-hop.” Also, the name of the hip-hop group was “Dam.”

Seeing no further changes, Ms. Pasco said the Chair would entertain a motion to approve the minutes as amended. It was so moved and seconded by Ms. Shah and Ms. Ude. **THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 22, 2008 MEETING, AS AMENDED, PASSED WITH NO OBJECTION.**

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Pasco referred the following bills to committee:

SB 118, Congratulating Professor of Earth and Planetary Science Walter Alvarez, to the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee, and to the University and External Affairs Committee

SB 119, Congratulating Professor of Molecular and Cell Biology Robert Tjian, to the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee and to the University and External Affairs Committee

SB 120, Congratulating Professor of Bioengineering Sanjay Kumar, to the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee and to the University and External Affairs Committee

SB 121, In Support of Super Smash Bears (SSB), to the Finance Committee

SB 122, In Support of The Jade Ribbon Campaign by Pi Alpha Phi at Berkeley, to the Finance Committee

SB 123, In Support of Cal Copts, to the Finance Committee

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- SB 124, In Support of the Intro to Remedy Music Productions Concert, to the Finance Committee
- SB 125, In Support of Kappa Gamma Delta's Dodgeball Tournament, to the Finance Committee, to the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee
- SB 126, In Support of Replenishing the Contingency Fund, to the Finance Committee
- SB 127, In Support of "Make the New Vision of Hope Real at UC Berkeley: Increase Underrepresented Minority Student Enrollment" Event, to the Finance Committee, to the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee
- SB 128, In Support of the Berkeley Thai Temple and Cultural Center, to the Finance Committee, the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee, and to the University and External Affairs Committee
- SB 129, In Support of Sigma Pi Alpha Sorority's, Inc. (ΣΠΑ), to the Finance Committee
- SB 130, In Support of Harvest Moon, to the Finance Committee
- SB 131, In Support of The Berkeley Hebrew Collaborative, to the Finance Committee
- SB 132, In Support of Commemorating Professor of Statistics and Mathematics David Freedman, to the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee and to the University and External Affairs Committee

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (Nov. 5)

Ms. Pasco called for any changes to the agenda for next week. A motion to approve was made and seconded by Ms. Chen and Ms. Tran. **THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE NOVEMBER 5 MEETING PASSED WITH NO OBJECTION.**

Mr. Mairena moved to add a Special Order for the meeting that evening, from 8:00 to 8:20, for a presentation on disability accommodations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Owens and passed with no objection.

REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES TO THE ASUC

Report from the Faculty Representative

Prof. Lieu said Student Affairs Committee will meet the first week of next month. It seems the likely topic of discussion will be scheduling conflicts with final exams. He was sure some of them have experienced that already. Theoretically, every undergrad class taught at the University was supposed to have a final exam, although there were exceptions; and it was fairly easy to get an exception because some

classes are taught Pass/No Pass, and there are better means to evaluate students' performance. But by and large, all undergraduate classes at the University have a final exam, not to exceed three hours.

Prof. Lieu asked how many people there have had conflicts with final exam times before. He noted that none of them had, which was surprising. Apparently, there have been quite a few student opinions about having conflicts with final exams. That generally had to do with a final exam being moved to a time where it was not originally scheduled. Final exams are all done at the same time. For example, everybody with a Monday, Wednesday, Friday class will have the same exam times. Theoretically, if they didn't have any time conflicts in their classes, they should not have any time conflicts with their final exams. But this has turned out not to be the case. What happens sometimes is that final exams get moved into a time the instructor perceives to be more convenient for the majority of the students, or final exams get moved to times where they're not supposed to be held. For example, professors are not permitted to have exams during dead days, from the final day of instruction to the time exams begin. Apparently, some professors do that. Also, professors are not permitted to have exams during the last week of class. Apparently, some professors do that as well.

And then there are problems with students, who could have graduation days on the same day as a final exam, or who wanted to go home and purchased plane tickets that careful, or who competed on student teams and needed to be someplace else.

Prof. Lieu said this topic will be discussed at the next Student Affairs Committee meeting. If students had any stories to tell, or any complaints or conflicts about final exam schedules, he would like to hear them. He called for any questions.

Ms. Chen asked if the Committee will talk about exam locations as well. Prof. Lieu said that was another problem, and would thank her for bringing that up. Scheduling of rooms for final exams seems to be a big problem. Intercollegiate Athletics doesn't want its facilities at Haas Pavilion and other places being used for final exams. Classes don't actually use classrooms, so there were a lot of empty classrooms during the final exam period. But the scheduling of classes was actually a problem.

Ms. Ude asked if he's worked with Mike Weinberger, the Director of Rec Sports, about the use of facilities in the RSF for exams. Prof. Lieu said there hasn't been any further developments beyond what was scheduled at that time. The RSF Blue and Gold Gyms have not been used for final exams in the past because it was perceived that students needed that recreational space for stress relief during final exams. That's why Haas Pavilion was used. But Intercollegiate Athletics, at least for the Fall Semester, claims that space was needed for use by their teams for training. So some agreement was reached, he didn't know by whom, that those spaces at Haas Pavilion would not be used for final exams and would be used for training purposes for teams.

Ms. Chen said she's heard some exams will be moved into Pauley Ballroom. She asked if he's heard about that. Prof. Lieu said he thought that was the case. He didn't think that's actually happened yet, but he has heard Pauley Ballroom was on the schedule to be used for final exams. But he didn't know much more than that. Seeing no further questions, Ms. Pasco said she would like to thank him very much for the report.

Roll call was taken for attendance:

MEMBERS LEGALLY PRESENT:

Sheila Chen
 Sarah Cho
 Meghana Dhar
 Mary June Flores
 Saira Hussain
 Oscar Mairena
 John Moghtader

Eddie Nahabet
 Christina Oatfield
 Tommy Owens
 Tara Raffi
 Claudia Rodriguez
 Lyell Sakaue
 Kifah Shah

Will Smelko
 Lisa Tran
 Tu Tran
 Obiamaka Ude
 Stephanie Yang
 Yishi Zuo

Report from the Chancellor's Designee

Mr. Poullard said that most of what he had for them centered around the issue of Lower Sproul. They had a very good steering committee meeting on Lower Sproul. It includes Pres. Winston and Pres. Daal, to really look at this project. They got some conceptual designs about what it might look like, what it might do, and they're still in the very exploratory stages of design. On November 7, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., all of them were invited to the ecocharette, where they'll examine the sustainability for the Lower Sproul project. Right now they have 28 students who will be there. It's open to all students, and they want as many students there as possible. But people must commit to being there the entire time, 8 a.m. to 2:00. They'll have a walk through of the area. They currently have lots of staff, but only 28 students. The more students they have at the ecocharette, the better. So if they could attend, or find other people they know who might give up their time next Friday, he would ask them to please have those folks present. The ecocharette will be at the MCC, in Heller Lounge, and it will be for the entire time period.

Mr. Poullard said they thought they'd have to cancel a November 13 meeting around student liability issues that the campus was temporarily giving funding to that year. As they might have read in the Daily Cal, another \$34 million was cut out of the UC Berkeley budget for that year. So the Office of the President put a hold on all travel. But fortunately, they found the money. So on the 13th of November they'll have the Northern California meeting around liability issues for student organizations and student liability concerns. Several representatives from the Senate will be there, and Mr. Poullard said he will be there as well.

Mr. Poullard said he will be gone for the next two weeks and he won't be there next Wednesday or the following Wednesday. If he had any information to give, he'll forward it to his phenomenal liaison, Felby Chen, who will give the Senate updates while he was away.

While he was gone, Mr. Poullard said he hoped that people will practice controversy with civility. He had every confidence that they will do that admirably. And when he got back, there should not be any drama taking place in a negative way. He called for any questions.

Ms. Hussain asked if any new meetings have been established between Tikvah, SJP, and others. Mr. Poullard said there has not been. His goal was to meet with just Tikvah first, all members, and to have that be something that might spur a different kind of conversation following that. That will not take place until he got back. Actually, he was waiting for the dust to settle, specifically given what has gone on at the Jewish Student Union. So he wanted to let that transpire first before he talked with those students. Seeing no further questions, Ms. Pasco said she would like to thank him for his report.

Report from the UCPD Representative

Sgt. Tucker said he would first like to point out that there was one Crime Alert on the Web site, but it dealt with a robbery reported a week ago that day, at the ice cream shop across the way, 2516 Bancroft. The City investigated and determined it was a false report.

People may have noticed in the Sproul Plaza area that the police have increased bicycle dismount zone enforcement, the areas with the dashed lines around the Plaza, with signs indicating certain hours people weren't supposed to ride bicycles there, or other personal vehicles. They're stepping up the warnings, and that day they began to actually issue some additional citations. Senators may get questions about that from their constituents. The answer was to not ride their bicycles where they're not supposed to. They might get a citation if they do.

Sgt. Tucker said he was glad to say there were very few problems at the UCLA game, and they're hoping once again to have very few problems at the Oregon game on Saturday. But it was also Halloween, a time when folks can get a little out of hand. Additionally, Halloween is on a Friday that year, so that's always fun.

Sgt. Tucker said he wanted to remind people to use common sense, and make sure their friends and constituents take appropriate precautions and to not put themselves in vulnerable situations. He would recommend a couple of Halloween safety guides, which they'd see in the newspaper in the next few days. A couple he found that he thought were interesting was the LA Fire Department, which had a good one, lafd.org, with a link on their front page. Another good site was the Consumer Product Safety Commission, cpsc.org. And if they're hosting a party they might check out partysafe.berkeley.edu or madd.org which also has some party guidelines.

Finally, they're looking forward to the next Student Forum in two weeks, 4:00 to 6 p.m. in the Library upstairs, which he'll confirm. He called for any questions.

Ms. Oatfield asked what he thought about setting up bike lanes on Sproul Plaza by the dismount area. Sgt. Tucker said he believed that's been considered. It was definitely an intriguing idea. If they walk through other parts of campus they'll see the bicycle symbol and some arrows going in either direction indicating a path of travel. There's a dedicated committee that looks at solutions to conflicts between bicycles, pedestrians, and cars, and how to get everything on and around the campus in a safe and efficient manner. He was pretty sure they've looked at that, and that would be the appropriate party to take that up with.

Mr. Nahabet asked if he could clarify what UCPD's jurisdiction was off-campus, around the units and other types of University housing. Sgt. Tucker said the UCPD is authorized under the Penal and Educational Codes and is a State police agency, with authority Statewide. They don't have to ask anyone's permission to enforce laws anywhere in the State of California. Their focus, however, was on University properties and within a mile of those properties. It doesn't end at a mile, and that was just their focus. So conceivably, they could serve search warrants and conduct other activity anywhere in the State. They have an agreement with the City of Berkeley to share jurisdiction in the areas where they overlap. Their primary focus was on campus and off-campus, including satellite campus properties and areas where they know the campus community extends to.

Mr. Nahabet asked if Berkeley police communicate when they get a noise complaint to UCPD. Sgt. Tucker said they didn't, not necessarily. If a noise complaint was coming from University property, they would probably forward that to the UCPD. UCPD officers often monitor Berkeley radio and if it's in UCPD area, they might sometimes respond instead of UCPD, or to assist; and sometimes they have joint operations.

Ms. Chen asked if he could elaborate Owl Service as well as BearWalk and who the organizing body was in charge of them. Sgt. Tucker said they're both parts of the Police Department. Community Service Operatives, student employees who actually perform the BearWalk and Owl Service. The Owl Service itself was a van, he believed, that started at 2 a.m., an hour before it used to, in order to fill a gap. The best number to call for actual BearWalk or Owl Service was 642-WALK or 642-9255. The Program Director is Karen Alfano, and they could contact her at the main number, 642-6760. Seeing no further questions, Ms. Pasco said she would like to thank him for his report. 19:01

Report from the ASUC Store Operations Board

Mr. Spivey said Mr. Permaul couldn't be there that evening as he had a death in his family.

They're going to turn the heat on in Eshleman in the next couple of days. Heat in the building was either on or off. So it should warm up in a couple of days. They did a heating assessment in the Union and found out that because of not doing deferred maintenance to the Student Union heating system, it was running at about 30% capacity. It really didn't run in about two-thirds of the building. They've assessed this and done a report, and the bill came back at \$450,000. It would be a big project. They signed up for the Energy Partnership last year with the Office of the President to do an audit and to improve their electricity, band usage, and electrical usage in MLK. The OP actually agreed, and if the Regents approve this part of this program Statewide, the Union will be part of a \$481,000 project. PG&E will put in \$190,000 and the other \$239,000 the ASUC will pay over 15 years and will result in huge improvements in electrical usage due to fans, ventilation, and electrical power needed. So they'll do a whole bunch of electrical work in the building.

Mr. Spivey said what he was trying to do was to gather interest in this project and to weave in the heating project as well. So he was trying to assess how many therms were involved, the unit of measurement with steam generation. So they're trying to find a way to gain the attention of PG&E or an energy group to re-engineer their steam heat in the building. If so, they might be able to fold in some of this \$450,000 thousand into that project. The benefits of that would be rebates from PG&E due to potentially energy-matching money, and the having a system that would be more efficient in the future. Also, they could put it into a 15-year payback period. He'll report more about this after the Regents meet. It could be next semester when they finally get approval. But they're moving forward.

Secondly, Mr. Spivey said the solar panels on the roof have been repaired. He was pleased to report that they're generating 13% more power. Final certification was received. And this did not cost any more than having two inspections from the campus. So the Auxiliary save a lot of money. There was a warranty upgrade replacement, so the ASUC did quite well.

Finally, Mr. Spivey said he was working with the Follett Bookstore on Thursday to work on their our business continuity tool. If people have googlenetncampus, they'll see what that's about. When the campus ran into an emergency, whether an earthquake or a pandemic flu, the campus urges departments to create a business continuity tool to get back up in operation and back in school. If they could imagine a pandemic flu, people wouldn't be able to get together in a common place. So the Bookstore would have to find a way to get people their textbooks to students without everybody coming to one place. That was just one scenario. The other is an earthquake and the building couldn't be occupied, what do they do next. So it was basically part of emergency preparedness on campus. He'll finish that up with Follett on Thursday, and post it. It will be there for the future in case anything happens. He called for any questions.

Ms. Chen asked if he could elaborate on how much electricity they get from solar panels. Mr. Spivey said the King Union uses lots of energy. It's a large building. The electrical grid defrayed 80% of power, and last year defrayed 100,000 kilowatts. That was a lot. It generates about 65 kw. an hour when the sun was out. Power varied according to the solar cycle. But it generates 100,000 kw. And now they'll get 13% more.

Mr. Owens asked what other buildings campus had solar panels. Mr. Spivey said this was the only building on campus that has a solar grid. He's said at earlier meetings that they owe this to students. It was their forward thinking, in about 2002 that launched this. To his knowledge, other buildings don't have this.

Mr. Nahabet asked what company it was. Mr. Spivey said it's Sun Power.

Ms. Chen asked when seismic work will be done on MLK. Mr. Spivey said it will start the last week of May and will finish in stages. First they'll do the Bookstore and the businesses on Lower Sproul, and they'll be done in late August. They'll work up from the basement, the garage. So Pauley Ballroom and the 4th floor will probably not be available until November.

Ms. Chen asked if there might be an delays in construction. Mr. Spivey said there could be. They could have the 3rd and 4th floors done the end of next November, but he hoped not. A lot of time the campus has clauses in contracts that punish for not finishing on time, and work has been coming in more and more on time. He didn't expect any delays. People are usually rewarded for finishing early or on time.

Ms. Rodriguez asked what facilities students and organizations will be directed to when Pauley wasn't available. Mr. Spivey said they haven't completely found places, but right now the Student Union Director was working feverishly on securing locations. There was a tenant in MLK that needed to be relocated. They're working to try and find other sites on campus. Seeing no further questions, Ms. Pasco said she would like to thank him for his report.

Elected Official Announcements

Ms. Hussain said she's been talking about Peace Not Prejudice Week, November 17-21. The theme was "Shattering the Stereotype," which she thought resonated with events that have happened that past

semester. It was time to really have a unifying event across campus. They'll have a poetry slam and a dialogue among a bunch of different scholars and speakers who will express their dealings with prejudice and how to overcome it. They'll end the Week with a peace rally. If people were interested there's a planning committee meeting on Thursday at 6 p.m. in 54 Barrows. She would encourage people to come out and to send this information on to their student communities. She'd send an e-mail.

Ms. Chen she wanted to give an update on Project Michelle. Right now they're on Plan D. Michelle found a donor, but it wasn't the most ideal situation. She's getting a transplant from donated umbilical cord blood stem cells, not from a regular donor. There were risks of her body rejecting it, as there was with any transplant. Also, Think Pink came through Fi-Comm on Monday and asked to have an announcement made about their Think Pink for the Cure Benefit on November 6. They got a lot of stuff donated and will have really cool goody bags. More importantly, they'll have a lot of speakers and will try to make the event really informational and spread awareness of breast cancer, as well as try to raise money for it. Tickets are \$3, and if anybody was, Ms. Chen said they could let her know and she'd pick them tickets for them.

Mr. Nahabet said he submitted a bill for Kappa Gamma Delta's dodge ball tournament. All the money will be donated to a charity. He thought it would be really cool if the ASUC Senate entered a team. They need a minimum of six players. He asked if people would be interested. It will be on Sunday, November 6, from 1:00 to 5:00. He played last year and it was really fun.

Mr. Owens said he had nine comments and seven ideas from the Meeting Length Working Group. He read the following:

Begin Meeting Length Working Group minutes

Meeting Length Working Group

October 28, 2008 9-10:30 PM

June Jordan Room

Present: EVP Pasco, AG Sinanian, Senators Owens, Cho, & Tu Tran

Comments:

Stop the snowball! Long meetings tend to spiral out of hand.

Communicate more on Tuesdays, especially on controversial bills.

Budget your time: don't use Senate as an avenue to do HW or other stuff.

Discuss things in committee more. Recent Senate debates have turned into 2 or 3 people, who sit on the same committee, bickering about a bill

Monday – talk about \$, Wednesday, the content

When we FIB [Fill in the Blank]. Discuss numbers, the budget – not the group.

Use temperature check more often, informal straw poll. Senator Oatfield has done this, and it's worked

Meeting Length Working Group minutes (cont'd)

Controversial bill? Email Senate for opinions. Worked with SB2 (Lyell)

Debate about issues, not personalities

Begin discussions earlier, not on Wednesday night on the floor

Ideas:

Vice Chair comments on the repetitiveness of debate

Courtesy of Senator Tu Tran. EECS major to build us a loop-lan connection, pagers with a keyboard

Enforce Robert's Rules on debate. (10 minutes per speaker per bill) and/or Bylaws (30 mins maximum discussion per bill).

Webcast meetings (more accountable)

Allow time for Mr. Litwak to comment on the proceedings

Student Action-CalSERVE caucus: two parties resolve their bickering on controversial issues

No laptops during IC. People need to pay more attention and do other things less.

End Meeting Length Working Group Minutes

Ms. Flores said the Queer Pin@y Conference will be held on Saturday, November 1. The Senate funded the group \$700. So if Senators want to see the fruit of that allocation, they should attend this amazing Conference. It will be held all day and there will be 30 workshops, extending from issues that deal with queer activism, women warrior issues, and a community roundtable. They'll have a workshop on queerness in Islam and one that addresses queer professionals. It will be very educational. Also, on Thursday, the Pilipino-American Alliance will have its general meeting at 7 p.m. in 200 Wheeler. They're going to spoken word at noon on Thursday on Sproul to show a glimpse of what happened at Filipino Cultural Night last spring and what they might look forward to for that coming spring.

Ms. Rodriguez said she wanted to give an update for a funding workshop on Tuesday, November 18, probably for two hours. She'll probably put in a bill next week to make it an ASUC-sponsored event. There's also an event certification workshop that day. They'll have a planning meeting on Tuesday and delegate some tasks. People could invite their interns. Also the Raza Recruitment and Retention Center will host the 31st Raza Day Conference at UC Berkeley, in Pauley Ballroom. They expect 800 middle school and high school students. It will be in Pauley Ballroom. There will be a lot of workshops and guest speakers, as well as some performances. It will be held Sunday, November 2, from 8:00 to 2:30. Also, the Chicana/Latina Teen Program is having a celebration for Dia do los Muertos, which is Saturday, November 1. It will be held in the Lipman Room from 5:00 to 8:00. She'll send out an e-mail about that.

Ms. Oatfield said that Dean Poullard was nice enough to initiate a meeting between her, Pres. Winston, Matthew Taylor, and Emily Marthinsen, who works in Capital Projects, to discuss a tabled bill of the Senate's, the land use and capital projects bill. They had a really great discussion and decided that they

should continue talking about the issue, because they basically talked with Ms. Marthinsen about how Capital Projects worked and how decisions regarding major projects were made on the campus. They decided another meeting would be appropriate to get Ms. Marthinsen's thoughts about how to incorporate students and community members more into that process. More information will be forthcoming. Ms. Oatfield said people could talk to her if they wanted to know more details about what happened at the last meeting.

Committee Reports

Reporting for the Finance Committee, Mr. Sakaue said the Vice Chair would send out the minutes to the Fi-Comm meeting. Fi-Comm approved SBs 95, as amended; 96, as amended; 97; 98, as amended; 99, as amended; 100, as amended; 101, as amended; 102, as amended; 109, as amended; 111; 113, as amended; 114, as amended; 115, as amended; and 116, as amended.

Begin written report from the Finance Committee

ASUC Standing Committee on Finance
Fall 2008 Session – week 9
Monday, October 27, 2008
9:00 pm, Senate Chambers, Eshleman Hall

Chair: Senator John Moghtader | Vice Chair: Senator Meghana Dhar
Voting Members: Senators Chen, Cho, Dhar, Flores, Moghtader, Rodriguez, and Sakaue
Non-Voting Members: President Winston, EVP Pasco, Finance Officer Chaney

- I. Roll Call
 - a. All present but EVP Pasco, Pres Winston, and Financial Officer Chaney
- II. Approval of the Minutes from October 20, 2008
 - a. Approved
- III. Approval of the Agenda for October 27, 2008
 - a. Approved
- IV. Appointments
 - a. Finance Officer
 - b. APPROVED
- V. New Business
 - a. Waivers
 - i. Old
 1. REACH - AMENDED to \$200

 Written report from the Finance Committee (cont'd)

- 2. Queer Pilipino Conference - AMENDED to \$425
- ii. Chicano and Latinos in Health Education - \$200
 - 1. PASSED
- iii. Labor Coach - \$325 drinks and food
 - 1. PASSED
- iv. OP - \$44.37 Ice Cream Social (retroactive)
 - 1. PASSED
- v. AAVP - \$65.05 - Food (Retroactive)
 - 1. PASSED
- vi. AAVP - \$125 (food)
 - 1. Passed
- vii. AAA
 - 1. Pauley Ballroom \$625
 - 2. PASSED
- viii. Voter Reg - \$25.05
 - 1. PASSED
- ix. FSBC -
 - 1. Pauley Ballroom \$625
 - 2. PASSED
- b. Bills
 - i. SB114 - A Bill in Support of BUSA (150)
 - 1. Amended: Senator Flores , Shah as cosponsors
 - 2. PASSED
 - ii. SB111 - A Bill in Support of Golden Bears Bridge Club (150)
 - 1. PASSED
 - iii. SB115 - A Bill in Support of CAPS (200)
 - 1. AMENDMENT: \$200
 - 2. AMENDMENT: Add Senator Shah, Flores, Raffi, Hussain, Yang as cosponsors
 - 3. PASSED
 - iv. SB97 - A Bill in Support of API Education and Languages Now! (200)
 - 1. PASSED
 - v. SB116 - A Bill in Support of Democratize the Regents (200)

 Written report from the Finance Committee (cont'd)

1. AMENDED: 150
 2. PASSED
- vi. SB100 - A Bill in Support of Sigma Alpha Mu (255)
1. AMENDMENT: add senator Chen, Moghtader as cosponsors
 2. AMENDMENT: \$205
 3. PASSED
- vii. SB99 - A Bill in Support of "South Asians and Politics) (275)
1. AMENDMENT: Add Senators Cho, Chen, Flores, Sakaue, Rodriguez as cosponsors
 2. AMENDMENT: Struck second to last let it be further resolved clause
 3. PASSED
- viii. SB102 - A Bill in Support of Think Pink (500)
1. AMENDMENT: total budget amount to \$303
 2. Amendment: Add Senators Cho, Flores, Dhar, Hussain, Moghtader, Yang Pres Winston as Cosponsors
 3. Amendment: \$215
 4. PASSED
- ix. SB95 - A Bill in Support of Ensorcelled Magazine (700)
1. Amendment: change magazine everywhere to "75 page anthology"
 2. AMENDMENT: add Dhar, Cho, Chen as cosponsors
 3. Amendment: \$600
 4. PASSED
- x. SB101 - A Bill in Support of SSAa (800)
1. Amendment: \$400
 2. Amendment: Shah, Nahabet
 3. PASSED
- xi. SB98 - A Bill in Support of UFA-UMCGa (950)
1. Amendment; \$500
 2. PASSED
- xii. SB113 - A Bill in Support of Medical Outreach (1000)
1. Amendment: Add Dhar, Chen, Cho as a cosponsor
 2. PASSED
- xiii. SB112 - A Bill in Support of Leadership Symposium (1430.06)
1. TABLED
- xiv. SB105 - A Bill in Support of Cal Literary Arts magazine (1,450)
1. TABLED

Written report from the Finance Committee (cont'd)

- xv. SB96 - A Bill in Support of Israel Liberation Week (1500)
 - 1. AMENDED: Include as second to last clause:
 - 2. Therefore be it resolved that the ASUC recognize "Israel Liberation Week" as an ASUC sponsored event; and
 - 3. AMENDED: \$1100
 - 4. PASSED
- xvi. SB109 - A Bill in Support of Perspective Magazine (1,500)
 - 1. AMENDED: \$700
 - 2. Amendment: Flores, Cho as cosponsors
 - 3. PASSED

- VI. Adjournment
 - a. Roll Call
 - i. All Present but EVP Pasco, Pres Winston, and F.O. Chaney
 - b. Meeting Adjourned at 1:05am

End written report from the Finance Committee

Ms. Pasco asked to have committee meeting minutes sent out ahead of the Senate meeting.

Reporting for the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee, Mr. Nahabet said SB 99 passed as amended; 103 passed as amended; 104 passed as amended; 106 was tabled; 107 failed; SB 108 failed; SB 110 failed; SB 117 was tabled. All members were present.

Begin written report from the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee

ASUC Standing Committee on Constitutional and Procedural Review
Fall 2008 Session – week 9
Monday, October 27 2008
9:00 pm, Senate Lounge, Eshleman Hall

Chair: Senator Eddie Nahabet| Vice Chair: Senator Christina Oatfield
Voting Members: Senators Mairena, Nahabet, Oatfield, Owens, Shah, Smelko, T. Tran
Meeting called to order at 9:04PM

- I. Approval of the Minutes from October 20, 2008
approved
- II. Old Business
space allocations approved

Written report from the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee (cont'd)

III. New Business

a. SB 99

amendment to remove the second to last amendment about the Daily Cal ad
it passes

SB 99 passes

b. SB 103

President Winston spoke about the problem of high turnover in ASUC and need to trust predecessors and build off of their initiatives

amendment to appear as President Winston's revised version of the bill so that the two final teams would appear in the whereas clauses and the resolved clauses, BUT, that the second resolved clause states that the committee is only "highly recommended" to choose between the two finalist teams from last year and added as co-sponsors Senators Shah, Ude and Flores

c. SB 104

amendment to strike the clause that holds a special order about Cal Football
amendment passes

SB 104

passes

d. SB 106

tabled

e. SB 107

roll call:

Mairena: nay

Shah: nay

Smelko: aye

Oatfield: nay

Owens: abstain

Tu Tran: aye

Nahabet: aye

f. SB 108

SB 108 fails

g. SB 110

roll call:

Mairena: nay

Shah: nay

Smelko: aye

Oatfield: abstain

Owens: nay

Tu Tran: aye

Written report from the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee (cont'd)

- h. SB 117
SB 117 tabled

Motion to take SB 106 from the table failed

- IV. Adjournment
 - a. Roll CallAll members present

End written report from the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee

Reporting for the University and External Affairs Committee, Ms. Hussain said that SB 104 passed; SB 108 passed as amended. All Senators were present.

Ms. Shah moved to recess until the discretion of the Chair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Zuo and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY -- Presentation on Disability Accommodation

Back in session, Mr. Mairena said the Senate has been talking about what it meant to accommodate disabled folks, so present that evening were Danny Kodmur and Derrick Coates to do a presentation to educate Senators on what the ASUC should be doing in order to be accommodating.

Mr. Coates introduced himself and said he was the Disability Resolution Officer. That meant when students are entitled to accommodation, like extra time on exams, or captioning services, the University is obligated to provide them with sources, as a result of Americans with Disabilities Act ADA Section 504. There are protocols and procedures by which those services are disseminated to students. If it's determined by the Disabled Students Program that a student was entitled to certain academic accommodations, then those are to be implemented.

Mr. Coates said his job was created as a result of the Gustafson lawsuit, settled four years ago. What happened was that there wasn't anybody designated to handle all the complaints that took place, so they created his position. At the time he was a post-doc there in Disability Studies.

Mr. Coates said his job required him to field complaints and, in a sense, act like a trouble-shooter, to quickly monitor the smoke level before something became a fire. And a "fire" meant a student hadn't been accommodated, went through trying to complain, got no response, and finally decided to go to an

outside agency, like the Office of Civil Rights and file a complaint. The Office of Civil Rights would investigate, and they might file a lawsuit if they wanted to. The purpose of his position was to serve as a sort of stopgap in order to allow the University to police itself and make sure it did what it was supposed to do.

Mr. Kodmur said that as a result of the lawsuit, and an additional lawsuit, positions were also created to give any people with disabilities who wanted to attend an event sponsored by the campus to request a disability accommodation for that event. That includes events sponsored by the University and events sponsored by the ASUC.

Mr. Kodmur said there are mobility accommodations and communications accommodations. "Mobility accommodations" basically mean that things had to be held in an accessible location. That's why it says "ASUC wheelchair accessible." If student groups have transportation to a sponsored event, that transportation had to be wheelchair accessible. If something was being held in a wheelchair-inaccessible location, they had to figure out a way to move that event. If somebody with a disability could not access the event, and says they want to attend, and it was in an inaccessible location, that was the mobility piece.

The communications piece was that anybody who was deaf can request sign language interpreting or captioning for a student group meeting or activity. Communications accessibility costs money, as did mobility accessibility. But the major source of expense in providing accommodation was sign language interpreting and captioning. That's why the Accommodation Fund exists. It's a real problem when access costs money, because on one hand, they want to keep the money so it can get used by people who need it. But on the other hand, they ought to be very proud that people were using the Fund and spending the money, because that meant that people were getting access to the things they were entitled to get. That meant the ASUC and the student groups affiliated with the ASUC, were providing that access.

The problem was not thinking about how much things cost, but also keeping in mind that costs had to be no object, because it was all about the legal and the moral obligation to provide accessibility at sponsored events. That's why people were trying to get a guaranteed minimum written into the rules for the Accessibility Fund. That is not a student group fund, but a fund that was available to all student groups. So it had to be bigger than funding for any one student group. Mr. Kodmur said he wasn't sure that was made clear in the debate over the bill.

Mr. Kodmur said that as an extreme example, a deaf student who wanted to go to ten student group meetings or events in a semester could end up blowing through about \$5,000 worth of the Accessibility Fund all by themselves. And that could be one deaf student, in one student group, for one semester. That didn't mean that the student was taking up too many resources, and it just meant that the person was getting the access they need, even if it meant the Senate needed to appropriate more money for the second semester.

Mr. Kodmur called for any questions. That's why they were there, to get a dialogue going and reduce people's confusion, discomfort, or anxiety around any of these issues.

Mr. Mairena asked if he could expound on the legal implications that require the ASUC, not just from court cases, but in terms of legislation that has been passed, that requires the ASUC to provide these accessibility funds. Mr. Coates said that according to the ADA, if University funds are used by any student organization or student group or entity, then that student group or entity was also required to adhere

to the ADA. The ADA guarantees access. He said that Mr. Kodmur defined it as “mobility access,” but it was actually program access and physical access. The University was obligated by law, based on the ADA, to provide physical access and program access.

Ms. Ude asked about the average number of cases concerning lack of access they have throughout the year, and if any were due to student organization carelessness. Mr. Coates said he probably has about 150 cases a year, and over a year, those types of cases were probably 10% of the cases, so maybe 15 cases a year. The critical thing to point out was that the lack of providing captioning was very different than the lack of providing an event in an accessible location. It was bad to schedule an event in an inaccessible room because. When he does an investigation and finds out that something was inaccessible, the remedy was relatively simple, and they just make sure they educate the people who sponsored the event and make sure there's a way to educate people that come after them to schedule things better. And the office could provide access to resources.

Captioning was a whole different thing. There's been significant litigation on this campus about providing captioning and interpreting. DRA Legal, the organization that usually sues the University, was very, very good. They're the ones that beat the University in the Gustafson lawsuit. He wasn't sure if they represented people for captioning and sign language interpreting, but captioning was a bigger deal.

Ms. Ude asked if he could elaborate on what captioning was. Mr. Kodmur said captioning provides real-time transcription for someone with a hearing impairment. It's basically verbatim transcription on a laptop so that somebody with a hearing impairment who doesn't know sign language can still hear what was being said at a student group meeting, or other University activities. It's used by a lot more of their hearing-impaired students than interpreting because they find they have a lot more students with hearing impairments who may not know American Sign Language and were more comfortable using captioning. If somebody wanted to go to a student group meeting and wanted captioning or interpreting, Mr. Kodmur said they should talk to him.

Mr. Nahabet asked if he could clarify about if this involved any money used by student groups given by the University. Mr. Coates said it was confusing. If an organization uses campus facilities and was subsidized in any way by campus funds, it would be very difficult to go before a judge and argue that there was no relationship there. That's different when they talk about the I-House, which had a specific status that made it able to say it was separate from the University. If a group uses University facilities and was also being subsidized in any way by University funds, and if the organization did not provide access, the University was then placed at risk. One outcome of that was that the University could cut its ties from the source of risk. That would take a whole lot of political clout and mandate, but that was one of the outcomes that could happen.

Mr. Nahabet said the ASUC was a non-profit that was independent of the University. Mr. Mairena said they're funded by student fees, so therefore they have to accommodate.

Ms. Hussain asked if accommodation for captioning or interpretation was the responsibility of the student organization or of the student who wanted to attend an event. Mr. Kodmur said it was the responsibility of whoever was sponsoring the event, whether it's the Chancellor's office or an academic department or the ASUC or the GA registered student groups. He would recognize that student groups may not know very much how to do this, but that's why he existed, to answer questions and help set up interpreting or captioning. If you get a request from somebody who was deaf, wanted to come to an event, and it didn't

have to be a student, because he knew there were student groups who have public lectures, workshops, and activities. So anybody with a hearing or mobility impairment could make an accessibility request, even if they weren't students.

In all the publicity for events by student groups, the disability accommodation language should say that requests should be made with as much advance notice as possible. In the old days, they asked for three to five days or seven to ten days in advance. They can't get pinned down to that any more because if he had a disability and he saw a flier from a student group that says "Please make your disability request five days in advance," and the event was in four days, the reader might not get in touch with the student group and make that request because he might think it was too late, when the truth is, getting in touch with a group four days in advance, they might still be able to do it. So hardcore timelines and deadlines on publicity for the accommodation process didn't really work. That made it more difficult for an academic department or student group that was trying to arrange the accommodation, but that was part of his job, and why had had more gray hair than he had when he started the job three years ago.

Ms. Pasco said the time for the Special Order had expired. Mr. Mairena moved to extend by five minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tran and passed with no objection.

Mr. Mairena asked what other accommodations were common for people with hidden disabilities compared to those with learning disabilities or chronic illnesses that were not so obvious. Mr. Kodmur said that if somebody had a learning disability, say dyslexia, they might request conference material in an alternate format that worked better for them. That might mean a tape recorded or MP3 format. If somebody has a chronic illness where they could only eat certain things, and it was a day-long conference, there were various options, and a meal option could be a disability accommodation in that kind of situation. There are non-visible disability situations where accommodations can come into play and where it was important to have a way for people who participate in events to contact a representative of a student group to get the accommodation started as early as possible. Mr. Coates said DSP has a support unit at the University for all departments and units, that's who people call. His office, Academic Compliance, was the compliance piece of that. So departments and units call his department.

Ms. Cho said it was mentioned that one person had the potential to cost \$5,000 in accommodation costs. Because the need was so high and available funds weren't, she asked how they would accommodate people who apply later in the year. Mr. Kodmur said they can't ration out the money with the view of saving money for later in the semester. They might just need to be ready to do a supplemental appropriation. Because of the legal and moral obligations involved, he thought the Accommodation Fund may be one of the few cases where people should be happy when they ran out of money in that Fund. That would mean the money was getting used and that access was being provided. He knew that people diss the ASUC for a variety of reasons, and that happened when he was a Senator as well. But the Accommodation Fund, a centralized mechanism to pay for disability accommodation costs, was something the ASUC had that the main campus did not have. Departments have to pay for much of these things all by themselves.

Mr. Coates said that what the campus does, then, was to stop admitting deaf students, which was unacceptable. Mr. Kodmur said the ASUC could feel good about having this money and should feel good about running out of it, even if meant they had to make a supplemental appropriation. That would mean that access was being provided. Ms. Pasco said the time for the Special Order had expired. Ms. Shah moved to extend by three minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Owens and passed with no objection.

Ms. Yang asked what the next steps were that should be taken to make this happen better. Mr. Kodmur said that Sen. Mairena helped in taking the Accommodation Fund and trying to put it into the foreground, and associating it with a position held by a student. Whoever held that student position can have a key role in educating student group leaders, Senators, and Executive Officers about accessibility requirements for student group events. Doing that was part of his job as well, so he will be happy to collaborate in working with whoever was chosen for that position. And he'd be happy to collaborate and help choose whoever was selected for that position. Seeing no further questions, Ms. Pasco said she would like to thank them for the Special Order. (Applause)

Mr. Mairena moved to go back to Elected Official Announcements. The motion was seconded by Ms. Tran and passed with no objection.

Elected Official Announcements (cont'd)

Mr. Mairena said the subject of the presentation was really dear to his heart. Something happened at Monday night's Fi-Comm meeting that really upset him. There was hesitancy to allow students with disabilities to go at an earlier time than other student groups. That was extremely problematic. Those students needed to get public transportation to go home. A lot of students do, but this was a different case. He found that to be very disrespectful. He hoped people there could respect each other. He would like to see respect from all sides of the table and said they all deserve to be respected as individuals.

Ms. Shah said Friday was Halloween, and she was sad to see that nobody dressed up. On Thursday night there will be Junkyard Ghost Revival, the Spirit of Halloween. There will be a spoken word event at 8 p.m. in Wheeler Auditorium. It's \$5 to enter. They usually don't charge, but they have an amazing lineup. This is an alternative way to do Halloween. She'd pass fliers around.

Ms. Ude said she wanted to remind everyone that not only was October Breast Cancer Awareness Month, but it was also Domestic Violence Month. She wanted to share a couple of statistics and facts with them. In the State of California, law enforcement received 176,299 domestic violence-related calls in 2006. Of the calls, 80,946 involved weapons, including firearms and knives. There were 43,911 people who were arrested for domestic violence offenses in 2006. Of that, 80% were men and 20% were women. There were 134 homicides that resulted from intimate partner violence in 2006. Of those, 110 of the victims were women, and 24 were men. Ms. Ude said those were just some of the facts. She had information she could pass around. The numbers were just what were reported. If people are in a situation with a partner and find themselves in a situation where they're a victim of domestic abuse, she would encourage them to seek support. More information about this could be found at the Gender Equity Center in the Student Learning Center.

Mr. Tran said that as people heard, textbook adoption was around 40%. That was pretty good when compared to before. He wanted to say "thank you" to every Senator who attended meetings, went out to communities and talked to their student groups and to their professors and organized and really advocated for students. If they want to get involved in the follow-up, with thank you cards, they should let him know. He called for any questions.

Ms. Chen said she wanted to thank Mr. Tran for pushing this forward and putting so much effort into this. Adoption was up to 47% and it was saving students thousands of dollars.

Ms. Shah said that on Friday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., there will be a rally, with people from all over the Bay Area, going to protest at the ICE offices, Immigration and Custom Enforcement. Over 270,000 US residents have been supported in 2007 alone. This affects all communities, especially immigrant communities.

Standing Committee Reports (cont'd)

Reporting for the Advocacy Agenda Committee on Student Health and Mental and Spiritual Well Being, Ms. Shah said they met on Monday at 6 p.m. in the June Jordan Room. They'll meet every other week. All members were present, except for Sen. Sakaue. Tang Center Awareness Week will happen the first week of February. Sen. Ude has spoken to somebody Kim LaPean, who works at the Tang Center who will help them out with that. On December 7 the Undergraduate Public Health Coalition will set up a Health Fair. Michael Gold is the President of the Undergraduate Public Health Coalition, and they're planning this with a team of other people. They hope to get a lot of student groups to help with this, including health-related groups. The Committee recommended that they talk to SHAC and the Residence Hall Assembly. They expect about 100 people. Hopefully they'll be coming to the Senate as well.

Regarding prayer space, Ms. Shah said there's been a little bit of a complication with the prayer space granted in Dwinelle. It's inaccessible and it wasn't really solidified as a prayer space because lots of other groups come in there and do dance or exercise in that space. She and Sen. Hussain will work with EVP Pasco and Pres. Winston on getting a more appropriate prayer space for students on campus.

Reporting for the Advocacy Agenda Committee on Academic Resources, Improvement, and Employment Security, Ms. Cho said they met on Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the June Jordan Room. All members were present except for Sen. Owens. They'll set up a meeting with AAVP De la Cruz to discuss Lecture Notes. They would like to expand classes that provide lecture notes and provide more resources besides notes, and to prioritize classes by paying attention to what students want, using Tele-BEARS, and improving communication in terms of security of employment. She's been working on that with Sen. Flores, who had meeting about it that week. They'll talk about how to become a tenured professor and the differences between the hiring processes of visiting scholars, lecturers.

Ms. Cho said there will be a meeting about API languages. One member has made an attempt to communicate with AAVP De la Cruz to participate on the Academic Senate. They had a meeting with the Chair of East Asian Languages and Cultures that day about fundraising, the budget, endowments, and security of employment. In terms of Tele-BEARS, Sen. Zuo met with Dean Poullard about a steering committee working on technology systems. In Bears Breaking Boundaries, which is at \$6,500. They're working with administrators to help students with BearFACTS and Tele-BEARS. For study rooms, Mr. Tran and Ms. Chen are meeting with interns interested in this. They're trying to get study rooms around campus by having student group leaders sign up for certain classrooms. The next phase will be an online

form for room availability and to see if student leaders could staff the rooms. They also want to provide free services, and find other groups that help students. In terms of a 24-hour library, research was still going on and Sen. Raffi will hear back from Heller Library. Eshleman Library will be open for 24-hours starting next week. They also discussed earthquake safety education on campus. They plan on having e-mails circulate to the campus with an attachment for information.

 Begin written report from the Advocacy Committee on Short- and Long-Range Academic Resources Improvement and Security of Employment

Advocacy Committee #2: Short and Long Range Academic Resources Improvement & Security of Employment – Minutes
 Tuesday October 28, 2008
 Fall Session 2008 – Week 10
 7:00PM June Jordan

Meeting Call to Order: 7:10PM

I. Approval of Agenda

II. Committee Business

III. New Business

- a. Lecture Notes (Smelko & Owens)
 - i. Setting up meetings with Carlo
 - ii. Expanding on classes that provide lecture notes & providing more resources; prioritizing classes that get lecture notes and paying attention to student demand; using Telebears to implement communication with students
- b. Security of Employment (Flores and Cho)
 - i. Meeting with Professor Zeus Leonardo this week (Prof. of graduate school or education) – he went through a job talk (speaker events and evaluation of the professor) to be a tenured professor; ask him about the process to becoming different types of professors – difference between hiring processes of visiting scholars, tenured faculty and lecturers
 - ii. API Education and Languages bill passed with meetings coming up in the next week; attempt to participate on the academic senate – talk with Carlo; meeting with Alan Tansman about fundraising, budget, endowments, and Temporary Academic Staffing (TAS) and Security of Employment (SOE)
- c. Telebears (Zuo)
 - i. Met with Dean Poullard about a student committee for technology systems; group that participates in Bears Breaking Boundaries (\$6,500) working together with administration officials to design student systems such as BearFACTS and TeleBEARS
- d. Study Space (Tu Tran and Chen)

Written report from the Advocacy Committee on Short- and Long-Range Academic Resources
Improvement and Security of Employment (cont'd)

- i. Doodle online; meeting with interns who are interested in study space and representative on Academic Senate
 - 1. She has educational pamphlets
 - ii. Tara Raffi is waiting to hear back from Moffitt head librarian
 - iii. Research on other universities with 24-hour libraries
 - iv. Study rooms – meetings with Registrar and student groups
 - 1. Next phase – to from an online subpage to look at availability of rooms; interactive interface to indicate whether student leaders can staff the room
 - 2. With early advertisement and student group coordination it will be more successful; hopefully open for 7 days; on days without finals it will open from morning to 10:30PM
 - 3. Free services such as Scantrons, bluebooks, etc.
 - 4. Brainstorming how to integrate other services that would help the groups
 - a. SLC, GSI involvement
 - 5. Space limitations; relief in volume since funding is not sufficient for security for places like Dwinelle
 - v. Eshleman is open for 24-hours starting next week
 - vi. Idea – allow people to be signatories for random students groups so that they can rent out rooms to lead study groups
- e. Earthquake Safety Education
- i. Circulate email to campus with attachment of basic information
 - 1. Earthquake safety kit
 - 2. Professor teach-ins
 - a. Geology courses – EPS 24
 - 3. Marketing – CalTV
 - ii. Safety Walks with City department to canvass the Berkeley area and write street names so that the community can improve

IV. Adjourn

a. Roll Call

- i. Senators Cho, Chen, Flores, Owens (absent), Smelko, Tu Tran, Zuo

Adjournment: 7:45PM

End written report from the Advocacy Committee on Short- and Long-Range Academic Resources
Improvement and Security of Employment

CONSENT CALENDAR

The following bills and waivers were up for consideration that evening under the Consent Calendar: SBs 95, as amended; 96, as amended; 97, as amended; 98, as amended; 99; 100, as amended; 101, as amended; 102, as amended; 109, as amended; 111; 113; 114; 115, as amended; 116, as amended; 103, as amended; 104, as amended; and 104, as amended.

Ms. Pasco said the Chair would entertain a motion for a two-minute recess. It was so moved and seconded by Mr. Owens and Ms. Tran and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed. Back in session, Ms. Chen moved to extend the recess by five minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Tran and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed.

Back in session, SBs 96A and 104A were removed from the Consent Calendar.

The following bills remained under the Consent Calendar: SBs 95, as amended; 97, as amended; 98, as amended; 99; 100, as amended; 101, as amended; 102, as amended; 103, as amended; 109, as amended; 111; 113; 114; 115, as amended; and SB 116, as amended.

A motion to approve the Consent Calendar was made and seconded by Ms. Hussain and Ms. Tran. THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR PASSED WITH NO OBJECTION: SB 95, AS AMENDED; SB 96, AS AMENDED; SB 97, AS AMENDED; SB 98, AS AMENDED; SB 99; SB 100, AS AMENDED; SB 101, AS AMENDED; SB 102, AS AMENDED; SB 103, AS AMENDED; SB 109, AS AMENDED; SB 111; SB 113; SB 114; SB 115, AS AMENDED; AND SB 116, AS AMENDED.

The following Resolution, SB 95, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Vicky Chen and Alice Chen and was co-sponsored by Ms. Rodriguez, Ms. Shah, Ms. Dhar, Ms. Cho, and Ms. Chen:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ENSORCELLED MAGAZINE

WHEREAS, the ASUC exists to serve the needs of students, and one way to fulfill this duty is by providing sponsorship for student organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Ensorcelled was founded in May, 2008 and is CLL-sponsored; and

WHEREAS, the Ensorcelled is dedicated to the online and print publication of works of fantasy and science fiction; and

WHEREAS, the 75-page anthology's primary goal is to make it their mission to prove that these works are just as worthwhile as any "literary" piece, as well as to provide a source of clean entertainment; and

WHEREAS, the Ensorcelled has about 10 active members, all of whom run the 75-page anthology by themselves. They are responsible for recruiting writers and illustrators, designing layout, and printing, folding, stapling, and distributing the paper for the spring of 2009; and

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ENSORCELLED MAGAZINE (cont'd)

WHEREAS, the 75-page anthology will be distributed on campus for free and will be available online via OCF support, and hopes to print advertisements to bring in revenues; and

WHEREAS, Ensorcelled staff members volunteer of their time each in order to design, edit, print, publish, and distribute the 75-page anthology; and

WHEREAS, the working budget of the Ensorcelled is as follows: Total, \$2,610;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognize Ensorcelled as a first-year ASUC Publication (PUB).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC shall allocate \$600 (six hundred dollars) from the Senate Contingency fund to sponsor Ensorcelled.

The following Resolution, SB 97, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Christine Hong, Michael Ishimoto, Andrew Leong, Jeff Shieh, Ms. Flores, and Ms. Cho, and was co-sponsored by Ms. Dhar, Ms. Chen, Mr. Nahabet, Mr. Sakaue, Mr. Owens, Mr. Smelko, Ms. Tran, and Ms. Hussain:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF API EDUCATION AND LANGUAGES NOW!

WHEREAS, Asian Pacific Islander Education and Languages NOW! exists to promote access to, education in, and development of API languages and education on the UC Berkeley campus by:

Establishing job security for API language and education instructors;

Promoting University recognition of API languages as lived local languages both on and off campus within the State of California;

Pushing for the creation of minors, majors, and programs in API languages and area studies;

Prioritizing hiring initiatives in API languages and area studies instruction;

Upholding non-heritage access to API languages and area studies regardless of disciplinary or school affiliation;

Holding UC Berkeley accountable to its “reputation as a world-class center for the study of Asian languages and cultures”;

Advocating for a system of transparency and student inclusion in hiring and curriculum decisions in API languages and area studies;

Promoting an API curriculum that reflects the diversity and changing demographics of the UC Berkeley student body; and

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF API EDUCATION AND LANGUAGES NOW! (cont'd)

WHEREAS, API Education and Languages NOW! was initially a collaboration of various interest groups, faculty, staff members, students, and community members in response to drastic and uneven University-level budget cuts, announced late Spring Semester 2008, to certain departments -- particularly those pertaining to Asian Pacific Islander languages; and

WHEREAS, through student activism and community involvement, funding for the East Asian Languages and Cultures Department was almost fully restored for the 2008-2009 academic year, contrary to the initially proposed cuts, and partially restored to other language departments such as South and South East Asian Studies, whose needs were also voiced by concerned students to the University; and

WHEREAS, the problem extends beyond insufficient allocation of funding of API languages to issues of labor equity, diversity, and inclusion, in which the Temporary Academic Staffing budget -- which provides salaries for non-tenured instructors, an essential body of contributors to student education -- is imperiled at times of budget crisis despite their crucial role in education at this first-rate University; and

WHEREAS, API Education and Languages NOW! has outreached and organized all over California, from the Bay Area to Southern California, educating, spreading awareness, promoting advocacy work, and working with API communities towards issues of labor equity, diversity, and inclusion; and

WHEREAS, student members have raised approximately \$25,000 since May 2008 from individuals and businesses within local communities to support retention and development of API language programs on campus; and

WHEREAS, API Education and Languages NOW! seeks ASUC recognition for and collaboration in its efforts to stabilize API language programs and area studies on campus, as promoted by Issue #2 on the advocacy agenda, which states ASUC's commitment to short- and long-range academic resources improvement and security of employment; and

WHEREAS, the group's budget for operational expenses is as follows: Total, \$200; and

WHEREAS, API Education and Languages NOW! is recognized by Campus Life and Leadership as a student group on campus as of the Fall 2008 Semester;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognize API Education and Languages NOW! as a first-year Student-Initiated Service Group (SISG).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC shall allocate \$200 from the Senate Contingency Fund to API Education and Languages NOW!

The following Resolution, SB 98, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Matthew Estes and Ms. Dhar and was co-sponsored by Mr. Zuo:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE UFA-UMCG

WHEREAS, the ASUC exists to serve the needs of students, and one way to fulfill this duty is by providing sponsorship for student organizations; and

WHEREAS, the UFA-UMCG (Undergraduate Finance Association-Undergraduate Management Consulting Group) has been on campus since 1985, but has never received ASUC sponsorship; and

WHEREAS, UFA-UMCG is the premier finance and consulting group on campus that incorporates students from all majors and backgrounds who share a common interest in finance and consulting; and

WHEREAS, the UFA-UMCG strives to bridge the gap between students and industry, putting on some of the largest recruiting and informational events on campus, and allowing students with an interest in finance and consulting to network and meet with top firms; and

WHEREAS, the UFA-UMCG puts on the Investment Banking Forum and the Management Consulting Forum, where they bring in the top employers in these industries to meet with students. The Banking Forum averages about 20 firms per year, and the Consulting Forum averages about 16 firms per year; and

WHEREAS, the UFA-UMCG also hosts Finance Interview Workshops and Case Interview Workshops to aid students in the interview process, and is open to the entire Cal campus; and

WHEREAS, in the past, UFA-UMCG has never had to come to the ASUC to fund its events or programming. This year, due to the tumbling economy and the Career Center's expansion of its own career fair and forums, UFA-UMCG has faced incredible competition to meet the standards it requires to continue its mission statement; and

WHEREAS, the organization has traditionally adhered to finance and consulting forums and workshops, but this year, hopes to expand its presence in the community by spearheading a philanthropy project; and

WHEREAS, the project is to teach personal finance to local middle- and high-school students twice a week throughout the year through a strategic partnership with a YMCA afterschool program; and

WHEREAS, the group hopes to entrust the younger generation with their personal finances, especially at a time of economic downturn, in order to build grassroots change for personal finance management; and

WHEREAS, the budget for the event is as follows: Total, \$1,050;

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE UFA-UMCG (cont'd)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognize the (Undergraduate Finance Association-Undergraduate Management Consulting Group as a first year Student Activity Group (SAG); and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC shall allocate \$500 (five hundred dollars) from the Senate Contingency fund to sponsor the Undergraduate Finance Association-Undergraduate Management Consulting Group.

The following Resolution, SB 99, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Jyothsna Talkad, Nikhil Arora, Farhana Ali, and Ms. Dhar, and was co-sponsored by Mr. Owens, Mr. Nahabet, Mr. Tran, Ms. Hussain, Ms. Cho, Ms. Chen, Ms. Flores, Mr. Sakaue, and Ms. Rodriguez

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE "SOUTH ASIANS AND POLITICS - GETTING INVOLVED IN THE POLITICAL PROCESS"

WHEREAS, the ASUC exists to serve the needs of students, and one way to fulfill this duty is by providing sponsorship for student-initiated campus events; and

WHEREAS, "South Asians and Politics - Getting Involved in the Political Process", presented by Indus, Alpha Epsilon Zeta Fraternity, Inc., and the Association for South Asian Political Activists, is an event held during South Asian Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, South Asian Awareness Week is a week-long event hosted by Indus that consists of daily performances by various groups on Upper Sproul, and evening events and workshops aimed at educating the campus community about South Asian culture as well as bringing together the South Asian community; and

WHEREAS, Indus is the largest South Asian organization on campus that aims to spread South Asian culture on campus, build ties to the greater South Asian community on and off-campus, and develop a network of South Asian college students across America through performances and competitions; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Epsilon Zeta Fraternity, Inc., is the West Coast's premier South Asian Professional Fraternity that values the characteristics professionalism, unity, tradition, culture, and high moral values. AEZ Inc., focuses on excelling academically and professionally, while involving its members in community service and cultural appreciation; and

WHEREAS, the Association of South Asian Political Activists (ASAPA) is focused on creating a means for students to discuss political issues facing the South Asian community in the United States and abroad. ASAPA also acts as a forum to initiative activity concerning social, political, and economic issues facing the South Asian Community; and

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-- SB 100, In Support of Sigma Alpha Mu

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE “SOUTH ASIANS AND POLITICS - GETTING INVOLVED IN THE POLITICAL PROCESS” (cont'd)

WHEREAS, the event “South Asians and Politics - Getting Involved in the Political Process,” will be held on Tuesday, October 28th; and

WHEREAS, this is the first of its type, and the event demonstrates an effort towards mobilizing and bringing together the South Asian community on campus as well as spreading awareness about its history and future to the general campus; and

WHEREAS, the event will consist of a panel, consisting of professors, local politicians, and businessmen discussing South Asia and South Asians in current and future US politics; and

WHEREAS, the projected budget for the event is as follows: Total, \$775;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognize South Asian Awareness Week (SAAW) as an ASUC-sponsored event.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognize the “South Asians and Politics - Getting Involved in the Political Process” as an ASUC-sponsored event.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$275 to an account titled “South Asians and Politics” for the event.

The following Resolution, SB 100, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Ajay Patel and Ms. Dhar, and was co-sponsored by Mr. Smelko, Ms. Chen, and Mr. Moghtader :

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SIGMA ALPHA MU

WHEREAS, Sigma Alpha Mu, is a national fraternity geared toward guiding each undergraduate member towards more meaningful activities through community service and development; and

WHEREAS, Sigma Alpha Mu strives to prepare members for responsible fraternity and community involvement, and to create social and service opportunities for its network of alumni; and

WHEREAS, the Sigma Alpha Mu chapter at Berkeley has been trying to expand towards contributing to the local community and national philanthropy causes; and

WHEREAS, SAM has never asked for any ASUC funding for previous service events; and

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SIGMA ALPHA MU (cont'd)

WHEREAS, its next service event is called "Trick-or-Greek," aimed at encouraging local elementary and middle school children to be safe on Halloween and to help develop community in Berkeley; and

WHEREAS, Sigma Alpha Mu earns no prize or benefits from participating in this service, besides providing an enjoyable and safe Halloween alternative for local children; and

WHEREAS, the budget for planned workshop is as follows: Total, \$250.00;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognize Sigma Alpha Mu's Trick-or-Greek as an ASUC-sponsored event; and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$205.00 from the Greek Opportunity Fund to support Sigma Alpha Mu's Trick-or-Greek.

The following Resolution, SB 101, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Dilraj Bhadare and Ms. Dhar and was co-sponsored by Ms. Shah and Mr. Nahabet:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE SIKH STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, the Sikh Students Association (SSA) was founded 12 years ago and is a second-year ASUC-sponsored Student Activity Group (SAG) with a spring budget (2008-2009) of \$284.67; and

WHEREAS, the SSA exists to provide a forum for the discussion and advancement of the Sikh faith and Sikh ideals and also serve the purpose of engaging non-Sikhs (both at UC Berkeley and in the broader Bay Area) in an ongoing educational dialogue as part of a campaign to promote tolerance and diversity; and

WHEREAS, the organization has approximately 70 active members and recently held a documentary screening that had a campus-wide attendance of about 110 students; and

WHEREAS, Cal SSA partakes in activities geared upon the Sikh belief in "*sewa*", or selfless service, and also strives to bring awareness to issues facing the Sikh community and making positive connections with students and community members; and

WHEREAS, the SSA is attempting to get more involved in the Sikh community at large, and has thereby planned an event to celebrate Guru Gaddi Divas, the coronation day of the Sikh scripture; and

WHEREAS, the SSA will be hosting an event on campus for the holiday as well as participating in local parade; and

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE SIKH STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (cont'd)

WHEREAS, historically, the SSA represents the entire UC Berkeley campus in this parade and displays the Campanile as well as Sather Gate on its float; and

WHEREAS, in the past, funds have been derived from the Sikh community or from SSA members' personal accounts, as they were not aware of the ASUC resources available to them; and

WHEREAS, the projected budget for the event is as follows: Total, \$1,205; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$400 to the Sikh Students Association.

The following Resolution, SB 102, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Nhunhu Nguyen and Ms. Chen and was co-sponsored by Ms. Cho, Ms. Flores, Ms. Dhar, Ms. Hussain, Mr. Moghtader, Ms. Yang, and Ms. Winston:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ASIAN AMERICANS REACHING OUT TO THE COMMUNITY'S
THINK PINK FOR THE CURE BENEFIT

WHEREAS, the Associated Students of University of California strives to serve students' best interests by supporting, among other things, student groups that promote or sponsor community service, as well as encourage an awareness and understanding of the ideas, customs, arts, languages, and social contributions of specific cultures; and

WHEREAS, the Asian Americans Reaching Out to the Community (AAROC) is a 1st year Student Activities Group (SAG) at UC Berkeley; and

WHEREAS, AAROC is organizing the Think Pink for the Cure Benefit, an event to promote breast cancer awareness by educating participants on the cancer, as well as, empowering individuals to join the race for a cure; and

WHEREAS, the Think Pink for the Cure Benefit will allow students from all backgrounds to come listen to guest speakers about their cancer experiences, learn about the cancer and the importance of early detection, as well as, watch student group performances; and

WHEREAS, this is also a venue for many performing groups on campus to engage and interact with other groups when performing their talents for a good cause; and

WHEREAS, this event hosted by AAROC will take place on November 6, 2008 in the Tilden Room in MLK; and

WHEREAS, Think Pink for the Cure benefit has the following goals:

1. To establish a yearly touchstone event for the advancement of breast cancer awareness.

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-- SB 103, To Select a New ASUC Lawyer
-- SB 109, In Support of Perspective Magazine

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ASIAN AMERICANS REACHING OUT TO THE COMMUNITY'S THINK PINK FOR THE CURE BENEFIT (cont'd)

2. To raise funds to support the Susan G. Koman Foundation.
3. To promote and raise awareness for Breast Cancer awareness and the student performing arts culture at Berkeley, and

WHEREAS, Think Pink for the Cure Benefit will have performances and inspirational speakers; and

WHEREAS, Think Pink for the Cure Benefit will be highly publicized on campus and is an open event for anyone and everyone to attend; and

WHEREAS, Think Pink for the Cure Benefit charges \$3 per admission ticket; and

WHEREAS, all proceeds will go to a charity, the Susan G. Koman Foundation, which is a nationwide foundation in support of breast cancer research; and

WHEREAS, the line-item budget is as follows: \$303;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that \$215 (two hundred and fifteen USD) be transferred from the Senate Contingency Fund to AAROC.

SB 103, as amended by the authors, was approved under the Consent Calendar, Resolution to Select a New ASUC Lawyer. The amended version was unavailable at the time the minutes were distributed.

The following Resolution, SB 109, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Sahar Maali, Ms. Raffi, and Mr. Nahabet, and was co-sponsored by Ms. Hussain, Ms. Dhar, Ms. Flores, and Ms. Cho:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PERSPECTIVE MAGAZINE

WHEREAS, Perspective Magazine, an Iranian student-run non-profit publication at UC Berkeley, is affiliated with the Iranian Student Cultural Organization (ISCO); and

WHEREAS, the mission of this magazine is to provide an outlet for the exchange of dialogue pertaining to Iranian cultural matters and to preserve and teach others about Iranian heritage by creating a safe setting for discussion of cultural, social, and apolitical matters important to the Iranian and greater community; and

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PERSPECTIVE MAGAZINE (cont'd)

WHEREAS, Perspective Magazine is a bi-annual magazine which extends its circulation to not only UC Berkeley students and ISCO members, but also to the homes of many Iranian businesses and families in the Bay Area, and at local Iranian community events such as charity functions and fundraisers; and

WHEREAS, Perspective Magazine is entirely student-run, and all financial support comes through advertisements, sponsorships, and some fundraising, and will be solely used for the cost of printing purposes; and

WHEREAS, The fall 2008 edition will require the following budget: Printing, \$3,850 (1,000 copies);

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognizes Perspective Magazine as a fourth-year ASUC sponsored publication group (PUB).

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the ASUC Senate allocates \$700 (seven hundred dollars) to Perspective Magazine from the Senate Contingency Fund.

The following Resolution, SB 111, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Barry Ko and Mr. Trần:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF GOLDEN BEARS BRIDGE CLUB

WHEREAS, the ASUC supports a diverse array of interests, activities, and free exchange of knowledge at the University of California, Berkeley; and

WHEREAS, the Golden Bears Bridge Club (GBBC) was founded in 2004 and currently exists to 1) sponsor recreational bridge playing to provide an environment in which people interested in this activity may interact and 2) to provide tables, books and advice for members planning to engage in such activities; and

WHEREAS, GBBC currently hosts bridge-playing sessions two days per week, where members continually fine-tune their skills in preparation for a national tournament, in which GBBC has historically won 1st place in national competitions; and

WHEREAS, GBBC is open to any student at UC Berkeley and proactively seeks new members to provide a learning opportunity; in the spring of 2009, GBBC plans to launch a DE-Cal in order to expand and open the game of bridge and the competitions to more students at UC Berkeley; and

WHEREAS, GBBC's current operational budget, as of October 19, 2008, is as follows: Total, \$150;

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF GOLDEN BEARS BRIDGE CLUB (cont'd)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC shall recognize Golden Bears Bridge Club as a first-year student activity group (SAG).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that \$150 (one hundred and fifty USD) be allocated from the ASUC Senate Contingency Fund to the Golden Bears Bridge Club.

The following Resolution, SB 113, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Norris Tran Duc , Y-Nhy Duong, Ms. Yang, Mr. Tran, and Ms. Ude, and was co-sponsored by Mr. Sakaue, Ms. Tran, Ms. Flores, Mr. Nahabet, Ms. Dhar, Ms. Chen, and Ms. Cho:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF VOLUNTEERS FOR MEDICAL OUTREACH

WHEREAS, Volunteers for Medical Outreach (VMO) is a completely student-run, student-initiated program that started in October 2007, under the name Vietnam Medical Outreach, by a group of 20 UC Berkeley students; and

WHEREAS, the rationale for the name change reflects VMO's intentions to launch medical missions into other countries in the future; and

WHEREAS, VMO aims to unite students on campus through education of public health issues concerning dispossessed populations in developing nations; the medium would potentially be a DE-Cal with awareness efforts; and

WHEREAS, the goals of Volunteers for Medical Outreach are as follows:

Organize and outreach an international service trip that gives members a chance to interact and assist people in need.

Provide leadership opportunities while networking with campus and international organizations

Educate and motivate the UC Berkeley population on public health advocacy, targeting for an understanding of issues that affect developing nations: underrepresented communities that suffer from treatable social, economical, environmental, or health problems.

Aim to provide medical service and physical aid to areas in the global community that are in need.

Establish and maintain a friendly and networking relationship with global communities that we have assisted in the past and with those that we want to continue to serve in the future; and

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF VOLUNTEERS FOR MEDICAL OUTREACH (cont'd)

WHEREAS, VMO has successfully launched its inaugural medical mission in the summer of 2008; the team disbursed medical supplies and pharmaceuticals to over 400 patients in Sài Gòn (TPHC) and treated nearly 400 patients in the city of Buôn Ma Thuột (Central Highlands); and

WHEREAS, Việt Nam's healthcare system cannot provide for the multitudes of citizens suffering from rising disease mortality rates, low hospital capacity (15 beds per 10,000 people), limited government spending (5.5% of 2004 GDP, at most and very rarely 20% subsidy for health-care costs on government health insurance); and

WHEREAS, 70% of Việt Nam's 86 million people live in rural areas (2004 statistics); the nation's poorest region is the Central Highland which is also home to many ethnic minority groups; and

WHEREAS, amidst this national context of poor health conditions, limited healthcare provision, and poor sanitation, the VMO team of students will travel with several physicians and nurses to Hue, Việt Nam once again in the summer of 2009 for two weeks, providing primary care and medical supplies to patients in need; and

WHEREAS, VMO will integrate medical research into the 2009 medical mission by collaborating with the Saving Mothers Research Team, also a UC Berkeley student-organization, in order to address the long-term health care needs of the people of Việt Nam; and

WHEREAS, VMO's volunteer efforts reach general hospitals, orphanages, and rural areas; moreover, the costs of western medical supplies, resources, and equipment are far too expensive for clinics and people in general to afford; and

WHEREAS, VMO offers UC Berkeley students a peculiar opportunity to travel abroad to learn valuable, once-in-a-lifetime experiences while organizing the trip entirely from the bottom-up; and

WHEREAS, VMO is not restricted to only Vietnamese students; VMO is open to the whole UC Berkeley campus community of all majors and backgrounds who have passion for public health and want to expand their experience with philanthropy; and

WHEREAS, the budget for VMO's 2nd Annual Medical Mission, as of October 20, 2008, is as follows:
Total, \$3-4,000 per unit, with approximately four to five units;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognizes Volunteers for Medical Outreach as a sustainable, ASUC-sponsored 2nd-year Student-Initiated Service Group (SISG).

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the ASUC Senate allocates \$1000 (one thousand dollars) from the Senate Contingency Fund to Volunteers for Medical Outreach.

The following Resolution, SB 114, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Kevin Torres Franco, Kira Olson Tapp and Mr. Mairena, and was co-sponsored by Ms. Rodriguez, Ms. Flores, and Ms. Shah:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE BERKELEY UNDERGRADUATE SOCIOLOGY ASSOCIATION (BUSA)

WHEREAS, Berkeley Undergraduate Sociology Association, BUSA, is an organization of students interested in the field of sociology; and

WHEREAS, BUSA was established to organize valuable academic and social events for undergraduates; and

WHEREAS, the goal of BUSA is to provide opportunities for sociology students to explore academic interests in a social setting while enriching their undergraduate experience; and

WHEREAS, BUSA will facilitate interaction between undergraduates, graduate students, and faculty by organizing study groups, community outreach, as well as research, and internships; and

WHEREAS, BUSA will host a Tele-BEARS info session every semester, three times a year, in order to guide undergraduates towards fulfilling their pre-requisites and upper division courses for their Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology; and

WHEREAS, BUSA will host info sessions on graduate school, the Senior Honors Thesis Program, and Alpha Kappa Delta; and

WHEREAS, BUSA will compile information regarding scholarships and grants as well as research, internship and career opportunities; and make it available to all undergraduates studying in the Sociology Department, not just members; and

WHEREAS, the budget for BUSA is as follows: Total, \$150;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognize the Berkeley Undergraduate Sociology Association (BUSA) as a first year Student Activity Group.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$150 (one hundred and fifty dollars) to the Berkeley Undergraduate Sociology Association.

The following Resolution, SB 115, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Gonzalo Balarezo and Mr. Mairena and was co-sponsored by Ms. Rodriguez, Ms. Shah, Ms. Flores, Ms. Raffi, Ms. Hussain, and Ms. Yang:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CULTURAL ASSOCIATION OF PERUVIAN STUDENTS AT BERKELEY (CAPS)

WHEREAS, the Cultural Association of Peruvian Students at Berkeley seeks to promote an environment that celebrates Peruvian culture by organizing events where people from all academic and professional backgrounds come together and participate; and

WHEREAS, their members strive to facilitate the transition of Peruvian scholars who are new in this University and create a fostering environment for rapid cultural adjustment; and

WHEREAS, this organization also serves as a gathering mechanism for Peruvian students interested in discussing ways to collaborate with the development process of Peru, politically, economically and in all other aspects; and

WHEREAS, they seek to share their traditions with the local community and enhance the overall cultural diversity; and

WHEREAS, CAPS is comprised of both graduate and undergraduate students, and

WHEREAS, this organization has already planned a series of events for their first year which includes a seminar series on public health, economics, and literature; a series of Film Screenings of *Los Andes no Crean en Dios*, *Paloma de Papel*, and *Mariposa Negra*; a music performance by "La Peña" group; a dance performance by the San Francisco Dance Company; and a cooking demonstration; and

WHEREAS, the following line item budgets enumerate the costs of this organization for the rest of the year: \$Total, \$1,570;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognize the Cultural Association of Peruvian Students at Berkeley as a first-year Student Activity Group (SAG).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognize CAPS' series of events as ASUC-sponsored events.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$200 (two hundred dollars) to the Cultural Association of Peruvian Students.

The following Resolution, SB 116, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Lakshmi Santhosh and was co-sponsored by Ms. Oatfield:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE DEMOCRATIZE THE REGENTS! STUDENT GROUP

WHEREAS, the Democratize the Regents! student group advocates increasing student representation and input into University actions; and

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE DEMOCRATIZE THE REGENTS! STUDENT GROUP (cont'd)

WHEREAS, the Democratize the Regents! student group works to bring greater accountability of University decision makers; and

WHEREAS, the Democratize the Regents! student group champions student causes such as reducing tuition; and

WHEREAS, Democratize the Regents! is a new student group in need of funds: Total, \$425;

THEREFORE BE IT REVOLVED THAT, the ASUC Senate recognizes Democratize the Regents! as a first-year Student Activity Group (SAG).

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the ASUC Senate allocates \$150.00 to Democratize the Regents! from the ASUC Senate Contingency Fund.

The following waivers were approved under the Consent Calendar:

REACH -- amended to \$200

Queer Pilipino Conference -- amended to \$425

Chicano and Latinos in Health Education -- \$200

Labor Coach -- \$325 drinks and food

OP -- \$44.37 Ice Cream Social (retroactive)

AAVP -- \$65.05 - Food (Retroactive)

AAVP -- \$125 (food)

AAA -- Pauley Ballroom \$625

Voter Reg -- \$25.05

FSBC -- Pauley Ballroom \$625

APPOINTED OFFICIAL REPORTS

Report from the Senate Aide

Ms. Vir-Banks said she and David Velasquez wanted to report on the first intern meeting. Mr. Velasquez said they had a really good turnout, with about 22 interns. They played “Jeopardy” with ASUC-related questions. If people have any suggestions on things they'd like interns to learn about, they should send them an e-mail.

Ms. Chen said a lot of her interns got the e-mail about the meeting the day of and couldn't change their plans for the day. Ms. Vir-Banks said a lot of people have their own interns, but they're not "ASUC" interns unless an intern applied to part of the office. They should apply if they want to be recognized as official ASUC interns. Ms. Pasco said the notice for the meeting was sent out a week and a half before the meeting, with just the location to be determined. And they posted signs as to where the location was.

Ms. Chen asked when the next intern meeting will be. Mr. Velasquez said it will be on Tuesday, 5:00 to 6:00, in the Senate lounge.

Ms. Flores asked if interns have said anything about their experiences. Ms. Vir-Banks said a lot of them said they were having a great time being in Senate space.

Ms. Chen asked if anybody who applied to be somebody's intern was still an ASUC intern. Ms. Vir-Banks said if they filled out an ASUC application, then they were ASUC interns. But if they're just someone a Senator met and they just wanted to be involved, they wouldn't be recognized as an ASUC intern by the EVP. Ms. Pasco said "ASUC interns" are defined as interns who submitted an application for the ASUC internship program. It includes interns for the Senate and Officers.

Ms. Chen said that in previous years, when Senators recruited interns on a personal basis they were considered ASUC interns. So she didn't understand the difference. Ms. Vir-Banks said she didn't know about previous years. ASUC interns had to write an essay about their involvement.

Mr. Owens asked about interns who couldn't attend the intern meeting coming up. Ms. Vir-Banks said she could have a personal meeting with them.

Ms. Shah asked if this year's internship program was different and an improvement on last year's program. Ms. Vir-Banks said it was, and they've implemented accountability this year.

Ms. Cho asked if intern meetings will take place every week. Ms. Vir-Banks said they would.

Ms. Oatfield asked if the Senate had to confirm Senate interns and other interns. Mr. Nahabet asked if they had to approve them in order for them to be "ASUC interns," according to Title 1 of the Constitution. Ms. Vir-Banks said she, Mr. Velasquez, and Jeremy, run the intern program for the EVP and the Senate. Ms. Pasco said there really was nowhere in the Constitution or By-laws that talked about the Senate internship program, and this was something the ASUC was taking on. They had an application that year to create a system of accountability. No one was rejected and people could request working for any Senator. The internship program was still open and they were taking rolling applications. They've been advertising it every week in the Daily Cal. If students were working with a Senator and wanted to be recognized as an ASUC intern, all they had to do was submit an application. They decided to have an application that year for accountability.

Ms. Raffi said no intern was any more official than any other intern because none of them were made official the way the By-laws require. Ms. Vir-Banks said they weren't trying to make some interns more or less official, and this process was just to have things on file.

Mr. Nahabet moved to go to Elected Official Announcements. The motion was seconded by Ms. Chen and passed with no objection.

Elected Official Announcements (cont'd)

Mr. Nahabet said he wrote a bill to have a Halloween meeting and he was saddened that they didn't pass it in committee. The opposition was that some people don't celebrate Halloween. For everyone who did celebrate Halloween, he brought some candy, so people who wanted could celebrate Halloween some way that evening.

Mr. Zuo moved to go to Old Business. The motion was seconded and passed with no objection.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Zuo moved to go to SB 70A.

The following Resolution, SB 70, as amended by the author, was authored by Mr. Zuo and was co-sponsored by Ms. Yang, Ms. Hussain, Mr. Tran, and Ms. Jirachaikitti:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MAINTAINING STUDENT SAFETY AND STUDENT EXPERIENCE AT CALIFORNIA MEMORIAL STADIUM

WHEREAS, California Memorial Stadium has been an integral part of UC Berkeley's student culture since its inception in 1923; and

WHEREAS, Memorial Stadium sits astride the Hayward Fault, and is bisected by the fault line; and

WHEREAS, seismic experts say that the Hayward Fault is the most dangerous fault in the state of California, and that there is a 65% chance that a 7.0 or greater earthquake will occur on the Hayward Fault in the next 30 years; and

WHEREAS, over the years, the condition of Memorial stadium has steadily deteriorated and that the current condition of Memorial Stadium poses grave danger to tens of thousands of students and spectators in the event of a major earthquake; and

WHEREAS, the University of California has announced plans to begin an extensive renovation and retrofit project of California Memorial Stadium, slated to finish by 2012 and estimated to cost approximately \$250 million;

WHEREAS, the entirety of this cost is funded through private donations and ticket sales, and zero percent of this cost is derived from student fees and taxes; and

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MAINTAINING STUDENT SAFETY AND STUDENT EXPERIENCE AT CALIFORNIA MEMORIAL STADIUM (cont'd)

WHEREAS, UC has stated that if a major earthquake strikes after the project is completed, its current plan to retrofit the Stadium assumes that the Stadium will break into three pieces; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Geological Survey recently reported that “a 7.0 quake [on the Hayward Fault] will very likely happen soon; between 2 and 4 million people will be in the impact zone; the quake could kill about 4,500 people and cause \$210 billion in economic damage, more than any natural disaster in recent memory, including Hurricane Katrina”; and

WHEREAS, Professor Emeritus Garniss H. Curtis of the UC Berkeley Dept. of Earth and Planetary Science and the Berkeley Geochronology Center has opposed the Memorial Stadium Retrofit Project based on the possibility of a significant landslide; and

WHEREAS, the Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Act is a State law which forbids the construction of new buildings across active fault lines; for existing buildings on top of a fault the law says that some modifications can be done, but the cost of those modifications cannot exceed 50% of the value of the existing structure; and

WHEREAS, structures built on fault lines are inherently more dangerous than structures built on other locations; and

WHEREAS, one of the goals of Alquist-Priolo is to assure that safety upgrades can be made to previously-existing structures situated on top of fault lines, but that the amount of funds that is spent is not so exorbitant in comparison to a new structure that could be built away from the fault line; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Alquist-Priolo law, legislated 36 years ago, neither takes into consideration modern technological advances nor current pressing safety concerns, and nor is it supported by an abundance of specific case law; and

WHEREAS, if the University is sued on the grounds of the aforementioned act, it may seek an exemption from the law from the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, special interest groups will still likely sue the University of California for potential violation of the aforementioned law in an attempt to block the Memorial Stadium retrofit plans; and

WHEREAS, these special interest groups do not act in the general mood and interests of the UC Berkeley student body and whose actions will likely cost the University millions of dollars in legal fees which can otherwise be used to benefit the students; and

WHEREAS, it would be possible for UC to spend the \$250 million dollars on an alternative plan that would be safe and structurally sound, would not break into three pieces, be buried in a landslide, or require significant repairs in the event of an earthquake on the Hayward Fault, and

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MAINTAINING STUDENT SAFETY AND STUDENT EXPERIENCE AT CALIFORNIA MEMORIAL STADIUM (cont'd)

WHEREAS, Memorial Stadium has been listed on The National Register of Historic Places since November 27th, 2006; and

WHEREAS, a permanent change of venue for the football games that have been hosted at Memorial Stadium for the past 85 years would cause irreparable harm to UC Berkeley's culture, tradition and student experience; and

WHEREAS, the University of California has consulted highly qualified seismologists and engineers and have concluded that with modern engineering techniques, it is feasible to seismically retrofit Memorial Stadium so that the structure will maintain sufficient integrity so as to protect the safety of spectators; and

WHEREAS, if Memorial Stadium is left in its current state, a major earthquake will inflict catastrophic structural damage far greater than what a major earthquake would inflict upon a seismically retrofitted Stadium; and

WHEREAS, future generations of students have to deal with the consequences of the University's major decisions long after the current generation of students have left Berkeley; and

WHEREAS, in the event that a future earthquake would damage the stadium, no student fees would be used to pay for repair costs; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC request that the University of California prioritize student safety and student experience in regards to the Memorial Stadium Seismic Retrofit project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC requests that the University of California open up a dialogue with local community groups so that their opinions may be heard, while at the same time placing special priority upon the voice of the Berkeley student body.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC, through the public release of this bill, implores special interest groups to refrain from suing the University of California in an act that will cost the University millions of dollars and cause outrage and unrest within a large portion of the student body.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC expresses its support for the University's plans to seismically retrofit Memorial Stadium so that it will protect the safety of the students while maintaining Berkeley's unique student culture; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that upon passage of this bill, the External Affairs Vice President shall immediately forward this Resolution, signed on behalf of the ASUC, to the Berkeley City Council, the Panoramic Hills Association, the California Athletics Department, The Daily

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MAINTAINING STUDENT SAFETY AND STUDENT EXPERIENCE AT CALIFORNIA MEMORIAL STADIUM (cont'd)

Californian, The SF Chronicle, the Berkeley Daily Planet, the Regents of the University of California, the UC Berkeley Chancellor, the UC Berkeley Vice Chancellor of Administration, the Chair of the UC Board of Regents, and the members of the UC Regents Grounds and Buildings Committee.

Mr. Zuo said he could talk about the bill, but in interests of time, he thought the Senate has heard enough about this through many hours during the past few meetings. So he didn't see a need to talk about this. He moved to call the question. Ms. Oatfield asked which version they were considering, and said she sent out a past amendment. Mr. Zuo it was the final bill he sent out, on October 22, with his and Ms. Oatfield's amendments.

Ms. Oatfield said that over the past couple of weeks the Senate has heard a lot of serious concerns about the plan to retrofit the Stadium. Some Senators have said that they felt it was such a complicated issue that the Senate shouldn't take any stance on Stadium retrofit plans whatsoever. She really respected that, and if people felt they weren't educated enough on this issue and had major hesitations, she would respect anybody who abstained from this bill, or any bill related to the Stadium.

With that said, Ms. Oatfield said she wanted to explain why she opposed that most recent amended version of the bill that Mr. Zuo sent out. She thought he had a positive intent, but she was just concerned about giving the University the right to go ahead with its plans after the Senate heard so many legitimate concerns. She would hope that if they did pass any sort of bill in support of University plans that the Senate would also have some sort of Resolved Clause requesting that the University get outside, neutral opinions. As they've discussed, on issues like this, it could sometimes be very hard to find a neutral third-party opinion, but she thought they should aspire to that any way. The issue was complicated, so blithely telling the University that what it was doing sounded good, and to go ahead, wasn't very responsible.

Ms. Raffi said a lot of people have agreed that essentially, the University was going to go ahead with its plans to retrofit the Stadium, and it was just a matter how fast that happened and how many times it got sued. She thought the Senate's consideration really was student safety. The Senate has heard from all sides. The Hayward Fault was due for an earthquake. It's been 140 years since the last one; and it averaged an earthquake every 140 years. So the longer the retrofit of the Stadium was prolonged, the more they'd put students in a safety hazard. They might not agree with the University, but perhaps they should keep the students in mind and hold their safety to the highest degree.

Mr. Mairena said that if the Senate really wanted to take a stance for safety, he didn't think the Stadium should be built on a fault line in general. There should be alternatives. If their goal was student safety, the Stadium and the entire campus was built in the wrong place.

Mr. Tran said that since the bill was focused on student safety, there was a legislative reality. He didn't feel at this point that football games will be moved to any other place on campus. He thought the University will go ahead and do this whether or not the Senate gave them the green light. They should probably promote getting more outside opinion to consult on this and make sure it will be safe. In an ideal world,

the entire campus should be moved off the fault line; but that's not going to happen, and buildings needed to be renovated.

Ms. Oatfield said she and Matthew Taylor sent out a lot of information. She realized not every Senator has been able to read through it all, but she had a letter from Dr. Lucile Jones, Chief Scientist Chief Scientist
Multi Hazards Demonstration Project for Southern California, of the US Geological Survey.

Ms. Oatfield read the following:

Begin letter from Dr. Jones, USGS

Forwarded Message ‘
From: Lucile Jones <jones@usgs.gov>
To: hank gehman <hankgehman@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 3, 2008 6:25:08 PM
Subject: Re: request to speak with Sen Alquist UC Berkeley stadium project

Dear Mr. Gehman-

The Seismic Safety Commission is not the responsible agency for the Alquist-Priolo Act. The California Geological Survey has the responsibility for the execution of the Act.

I don't know how the legal requirements will work out. UC is nominally required to follow building codes but they provide their own inspection and compliance procedures. Every other entity in the State has some other agency to monitor their compliance (all private buildings, including private schools are inspected by local building departments, and K-14 schools are inspected by the Division of State Architect). As a result UC and CSU buildings have suffered significantly more damage in earthquakes. For instance, of the three colleges in the highest level of shaking in Northridge (Intensity IX) shaking, the two community colleges (that are inspected by the DSA) had \$5 million and \$0 damages, while CSU Northridge had \$405 million in damage.

I personally would not be willing to use a stadium constructed over the Hayward fault, but this is only one of many seismic problems at UC Berkeley. It would seem to me that a lawsuit by the City of Berkeley is one of the few approaches to the problems that might succeed. If they wish to engage other groups for support, I would recommend contacting the California Geological Survey and/or some of the geologists at the US Geological Survey that study the Hayward fault, such as David Schwartz or Tom Brocher.

Sincerely,
Dr. Lucile Jones
Chief Scientist
Multi Hazards Demonstration Project for Southern California
U.s. Geological Survey

End letter from Dr. Jones, USGS

Appointments

Mr. Nahabet said they've had experts on both sides come in and talk. He moved to call the question. The motion to end debate was seconded by Mr. Zuo and passed with no objection.

A roll call vote was requested.

Roll call was taken on the motion to approve SB 70, as amended:

YES	NO
Sheila Chen	Mary June Flores
Sarah Cho	Oscar Mairena
Meghana Dhar	Christina Oatfield
Saira Hussain	Tommy Owens
John Moghtader	Claudia Rodriguez
Eddie Nahabet	Lyell Sakaue
Tara Raffi	Kifah Shah
Will Smelko	Lisa Tran
Tu Tran	Obiamaka Ude
Yishi Zuo	Stephanie Yang

A motion to close the rolls was made and seconded by Ms. Ude and Ms. Yang and passed with no objection.

The motion to approve SB 70, as amended by the author, failed 10-10-0, In Support of Maintaining Student Safety and Student Experience at California Memorial Stadium. Voting comments were heard.

Ms. Hussain moved to go to Appointments. The motion was seconded by Ms. Shah and passed with no objection.

APPOINTMENTS

Ms. Pasco said the first appointment was of Madeline Batac, for ASUC Finance Officer, with a stipend of \$1,000.

Ms. Batac said she was very excited to be there. She was there to be approved as ASUC Finance Officer, with a stipend of \$1,000. She introduced herself and said she was a third-year Business Administration student at the Haas School of Business, with a focus on accounting and finance auditing. She's taken Financial Accounting with Prof. Brooks and she planned to take seven other accounting classes in the future. She was interested in the Finance Officer position because it would allow her to use her finance skills to help serve Cal's diverse student body. She had a strong work ethic and knew how to prioritize her time. She was very dedicated to serve the ASUC, the community, and Senators. She initially heard about the position through the ASUC Web site and contacted Pres. Winston, asking her if there were openings available.

Ms. Batac said she had various financial and accounting experience. She was the Vice President of Outreach in the Haas Business Student Association, the official student government at Haas. She works directly with the Dean of Admissions for services provided to freshmen and sophomores who were interested in business to gain funding for events they held. She has to prepare well-written budgets to present to the Undergraduate Office at Haas. She has also participated in the Goldman Sachs Case Competition, where she had to prepare recommendations for an initial public offering and the post-IPO capital structure. She was extremely proud of that experience because she had no previous finance experience and yet learned everything she needed to know for the case in five days. During the summer she held an internship at convalescent center. She calculated the cost of care for 80 patients and evaluated the amount of money needed to supply for their expected expenditures. Furthermore, she was trained in billing to receive funding from the government. She also overlooked the center's financial statements and made recommendations for its capital structure. Lastly, she participated in community service and worked with KPMG, one of the big-four accounting firms, to provide pro bono tax services, helping low-income families and helping them to save \$24,000 in income taxes. She has attended Excel workshops provided by Haas. She was very diligent in meeting deadlines. She was confident that Finance Officer Chaney will transition her well in time for spring budgeting. She called for any questions.

Ms. Chen said that in deciding allocations for student groups, she asked Ms. Batac how she would balance between big groups that reach lots of individuals and small groups that provide representation. Ms. Batac said the Senate had the sole authority to fund the groups. It was her role to hold Senators accountable to that. She'd do that by making sure Senators knew their budget constraints.

Ms. Chen said the Finance Officer presents a preliminary allocation for the spring budget, so she wanted to get an idea of how Ms. Batac would balance allocations between big and small groups. Ms. Batac said she would give an unbiased opinion. She'd try and make some kind of cost-benefit analysis. If a big group gave a great service to a large number of people, it should get the amount of money that would help them provide those services. For small groups, they have to consider the merits of the service they give to the campus.

Ms. Cho asked if she's talked things over with last year's Finance Officer. Ms. Batac said he interviewed her, and asked her very technical questions.

Mr. Mairena moved to call the question. The motion to end debate was seconded by Mr. Tran and passed with no objection.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE MADELINE BATAK AS FINANCE OFFICER, WITH A STIPEND OF \$1,000, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE-VOTE. Ms. Pasco said she would like to congratulate Ms. Batac.

Mr. Owens moved to reconsider SB 70. He voted on the prevailing side and voted incorrectly. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nahabet. THE MOTION TO RECONSIDER SB 70A PASSED WITH NO OBJECTION.

OLD BUSINESS (cont'd)

Mr. Owens moved to call the question on SB 70A. The motion was seconded by Mr. Zuo and passed with no objection.

Roll call was taken on the motion to approve SB 70, as amended by the author and as reconsidered:

YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Sheila Chen	Mary June Flores	Obiamaka Ude
Sarah Cho	Oscar Mairena	Stephanie Yang
Meghana Dhar	Christina Oatfield	
Saira Hussain	Claudia Rodriguez	
John Moghtader	Lyell Sakaue	
Eddie Nahabet	Kifah Shah	
Tommy Owens	Lisa Tran	
Tara Raffi		
Will Smelko		
Tu Tran		
Yishi Zuo		

A motion to close the rolls was made and seconded by Ms. Ude and Ms. Yang and passed with no objection.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE SB 70, AS AMENDED BY THE AUTHOR AND RECONSIDERED BY THE SENATE, PASSED 11-7-2, RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MAINTAINING STUDENT SAFETY AND STUDENT EXPERIENCE AT CALIFORNIA MEMORIAL STADIUM. Voting comments were heard.

APPOINTMENTS (cont'd)

Ms. Pasco said the next appointment to consider was of Champe Nash, for Greek Affairs Officer. Mr. Nash said he would like to thank the Senate for its time. Greek life was very important to him. His older brother was very big in the Greek community at UCLA. Mr. Nash said he joined Sigma Alpha Epsilon in his freshman year and was considered one of the top brothers in the house. He would love to expand outside the house. He's made efforts to work with philanthropy, bringing the Greek community in line with that. He was a leader last year with the Berkeley Project, which was actually started by one of his brothers three years ago, and it's been a great event. He's also been pushing for involvement with philanthropy in general. For the past two springs he's been involved in making sure they had a great Greek presence at the Relay for Life, a fundraiser for cancer research.

In terms of his experience within the Greek System, last semester he was the House Manager in his fraternity and was on the President's Office Executive Council. His house was on probation and he and his brothers made a great effort to bring their house off probation. They worked with the Berkeley Fire

Department to set up disaster preparedness programs, and the house was actually a cache site, a go-to location if the Big One hits. He thought that was a great way to unite the community and provide support.

Mr. Nash said that one of the efforts he discussed during his interview was that a lot of houses were in trouble at that time. He thought that was a shame. The Greek System was only about 10% of the campus, however it was a very essential part, considering its proportion. It was actually very well represented in the ASUC and he would like to continue that and expand its influence throughout the campus. He called for any questions.

Ms. Chen asked how many hours and how dedicated he was to this position. Mr. Nash said that it would be four to eight per week. That would fluctuate. He loved to plan events that would unite all four Councils, and one way he wanted to do that was to let everyone know that each Council existed and to help them recognize each other. He thought that was currently a problem. People assume that Greeks just involved people living in houses, and it was a much bigger community.

Ms. Flores said he mentioned that Greek houses were in trouble, and asked what he meant by that. Mr. Nash said there are certain houses that go on prohibition and there are also various issues. If a chapter has a house, it needs to be up to fire code and have communication with the campus and the community. That was a very big issue. What he's emphasized is that the Greek community has been great with philanthropy and community service work. He would love to continue to help change the face of the Greek System on the campus and in the entire community.

Ms. Ude asked about community service projects he represented or participated in. Mr. Nash said he mentioned the Berkeley Project, which was coming up on November 15. It's a fantastic way to do something and was something the Greek community has always been a big part of. And he mentioned the Relay for Life. Each house had to maintain a quota of certain projects. Every sorority had a fundraiser for a charity of their choice. He would like to make community service something people want to do, as opposed to something they had to do.

Ms. Pasco said that with no other speakers the question was automatically called. THE MOTION TO APPROVE CHAMPE NASH AS THE GREEK AFFAIRS OFFICER PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE-VOTE.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

Ms. Pasco said Ms. Winston would e-mail her report at a later time.

Report from the Executive Vice President

With Ms. Vir-Banks chairing the meeting, Ms. Pasco said that Ms. Lemus had some concerns with bills that were being submitted. There was a process to submit them. Senators had to submit bills in hard

copy and to also send Ms. Lemus a copy. Ms. Lemus will also strictly enforce the Tuesday morning 9 a.m. deadline. She's been getting a lot of bills that were late. Ms. Lemus had to put the agenda packet together, and getting bills late made that more difficult. People should also make sure the bills they submit were readable, and that the entire bill was included. People should do the follow-up necessary after they submit bills. If people have questions Ms. Pasco said they could talk to her or refer to Title I, Article 4, Section 1 of the By-laws. She could also help people develop bills.

Regarding intern meetings, as Ms. Vir-Banks and Mr. Velasquez mentioned, the first intern meeting was on Tuesday. She attended and thought it was really good. They had a good turnout, 22 or 23 people. They did really good activities that promoted community building and getting to know people and their activities. They played ASUC Jeopardy. There will be a few new interns in the program.

Ms. Pasco said the Office of the President sent out a monthly e-mail to the student body and talked about what the different offices were doing. There was a lot of response from that, and Ms. Pasco said she had about 10 different students interested in interning in the ASUC, for Senators and Officers. They'll transition those folks in as soon as possible.

Also through the OP e-mail, Advocacy Committees were publicized, and some students expressed an interest in being on those committees. So Senators will hopefully be seeing new faces at their meetings. She'll conduct interviews to make sure students were committed and genuinely interested in issues the Senate was working on that year.

The Lower Sproul Student Council meeting happened on Tuesday. It was really good to see interns there, and she wanted to thank Mr. Tran for taking his interns. It was good to see new energy being brought to the conversation about Lower Sproul, considering that she, Pres. Winston, and other people who consistently go to those meetings will be graduating. The next meeting will take place in two weeks, from 6:00 to 7:00, in Anthony Hall. A lot of Senators have said they were available for that meeting time but weren't showing up. She wouldn't mention names. They've moved the meeting time twice to accommodate people who said they wanted to be there, yet people were still not showing up. It was almost hindering things and causing their meetings to be inefficient. She asked people to please be in communication if they couldn't attend, so they don't end up waiting for people.

In terms of the office, Ms. Pasco said space allocations were finalized on Monday in Con-Review. She'll work with the Space Director in the EVP's office to help with the transition of getting student groups into, or out of, their offices and/or cages. People should look out for cage clean-up day, which will be happening soon.

Regarding the issue with space for the Attorney General and the Elections Council Chair, it was decided to just re-allocate them that space, since they don't yet know who the Elections Council Chair will be. For people on Selection Committees, they need to nominate individuals. The ECC Selection Committee was comprised of Sens. Cho, Yang, Nahabet, Yang, and Owens. She would ask them to please get the applications out and to start interviewing people. The ASUC needs these positions to be filled as soon as possible. Also with this room, 300 Eshleman, there's actually no identifiable light switches in the room. So the lights were on 24/7. It seems that a wall was added, and they'll look into this.

Ms. Pasco said that Friday was the deadline for students to change their grade option from a letter grade to Pass/Not Pass. She called for any questions.

Ms. Chen asked what was happening with their business cards and portfolios. Ms. Pasco said the business cards were still at the printer. She didn't know what to say. For portfolios, they haven't talked about them since the beginning of the semester. They were thinking of pushing them back to next semester, and making them a gift. They're still considering that. As for lockers, Ms. Pasco said that wasn't her responsibility, and was under the Secretariat. She's been in contact with Ms. Lemus since the beginning of the semester. She believed they're still looking forward the codes from last year. Ms. Chen said that maybe they could get a timeline of when the business cards will be ready. Ms. Pasco said she'd do that.

Ms. Tran said that Ms. Lemus said they've been trying to look for the keys that were assigned to the previous Secretariat in the summer. But he lost them, and they don't know where they are. Ms. Tran said she suggested getting a master key, which was how the res halls would handle this situation, and Ms. Lemus said she would get back on that.

Mr. Owens asked if it was possible to keep track of Senators' absences for Senate and committee meetings. Ms. Pasco said they could do that, and she could work with the Vice Chair, and perhaps post it on the Web site for transparency. She'll also work with the Web master on that.

Report from the External Affairs Vice President

Ms. Jirachaikitti said that for Halloween, she wanted to remind people that this could be a very dangerous weekend. So people should make sure their cautious and that they have costumes that were respectable and didn't mock other people's cultures. She saw some stuff on Sproul that day that made her kind of upset or offended. They should have fun, but shouldn't make others feel bad.

Ms. Jirachaikitti said that if people didn't know where their polling place was, they could go to smart-voter.org and type in their address. She also had non-partisan information on all the propositions, and their fiscal impacts, and yes and no arguments.

Ms. Jirachaikitti said She wrote a bill that week for the Berkeley Thai temple. If people had any questions about it, they should talk to her. Also, the person who signs their voter registration cards, the Debra Bowen, Secretary of State, was on campus that day at 5:00, which was kind of cool.

Next week the office will have voter education events, in 2040 VLSB, from 7:00 to 9 p.m. They're having an event, "WTF Are We Voting On?" They'll have City Council members talk about their campaigns, and about City measures. People from the Rent Board will be there, including Igor Tregub, who used to be an ASUC Senator and graduated last year. There will be free food catered by Sufficient Grounds. They're also giving out \$1 off coupons for Sufficient Grounds on Sproul that people could pick up. On Friday, one of their interns, Melissa, will go to a meeting with the Chancellor with Mr. De la Cruz to talk about an e-mail to go out on November 4 to remind students to vote.

Ms. Jirachaikitti said they might have noticed an old man with a hat on Sproul. That was Mayor Tom Bates. In addition, people from the Measure FF and GG campaigns, for Libraries and for fire fighters, have all been on campus fliering and talking to students. It really amazed her that people from the City

were actually recognizing that students there were going to vote. Ms. Jirachaikitti said the person tabling for Measure FF said they had heard how many students were registered, and they knew students would be a big force in the elections that year. Hopefully the students will get out to vote and be educated on what to vote for.

For GOTV, Ms. Jirachaikitti said they're going to call everybody on November 4 who registered with them and give them a phone number to remind them to vote. The office will also work with CALPIRG to send text messages on November 3 to remind people to vote and where they could find their polling location. In addition, the office will do poll checks at the MLK polling station, and go through a list of please who haven't voted yet, and remind them to vote. They'll also put non-partisan fliers in dorm mailboxes, something they're working on with the RHA.

Ms. Jirachaikitti said that on Tuesday they'll have an event to view the election results in the Bear's Lair Food Court and the Pub. People could go to the Pub to drink, but couldn't bring drinks to the other side. It will be 6 p.m. to 12 a.m. There will be a raffle, and somebody from the office was working on getting Jet Blue tickets. They'll have 20 large pizzas from the Bear's Lair, egg rolls from Healthy Heavenly Foods, nachos from the Taqueria, and Ben & Jerry's ice cream. This was being co-sponsored by the OP and the AAVP.

Ms. Jirachaikitti said the Students of Color Conference happens every year, put on by the UCSA. This year it will happen the week before Thanksgiving. She called for any questions.

Report from the Academic Affairs Vice President

Mr. De la Cruz said he would apologize for not being present last week, but he was finishing a midterm. This Friday was the last day to change a class grad from letter grad to Pass/Not Pass. After Friday, they'd need a waiver for the change. People could take a course on a Pass/Not Pass basis if they're in good academic standing, i.e. not on academic probation. They could receive up to one-third of their graduating credits with P/NP, and there was no limit for how many classes could be taken P/NP per semester. Courses in one's major must be taken for a letter grade, as well as courses in reading comprehension, foreign languages, and quantitative reasoning.

Mr. De la Cruz said he's been meeting with various administrators that week, discussing issues ranging from use of the Blue and Gold Gyms to the academic calendar.

In the past Haas Pavilion has been used for finals for very large classes. But Cal Athletics teams protested, saying they wanted to use that spaces to practice during finals. Last year was the first year finals were moved from Haas Pavilion to the Blue and Gold Gyms in the RSF. As they knew, those Gyms were paid for by students, and therefore the students should have the priority to use them. A lot of students and faculty have complained about the location.

Mr. De la Cruz said that in conversations with the GA's Campus Affairs VP and with George Breslauer, finals will no longer be held in the RSF. They're actually looking at other locations, such as Pauley

Ballroom or Heller Lounge. Mr. De la Cruz said that would represent a possible displacement of student activities during finals. A lot of student groups use those spaces for a lot of important events, such as bridges, the multicultural coalition, and the five R&RCs, which use Heller Lounge to hold a study week, where they provide food, caffeine, study space, blue books, and Scantrons. He would appreciate Senators connected to a student group letting him know if the groups will do important programming during finals week and would use those rooms, or the Tan Oak Room or the Lipman Room. If they keep him abreast of that information, he could communicate that to the Administration.

Mr. De la Cruz said the Consortium on Funding Higher Education, he sent an e-mail out that has COFHE's document, a statement that was being forwarded and supported by the elite privates, mostly Stanford, Harvard, Yale, Brown, Princeton, and the like. It basically says they're committed to higher education and its assessment and accessibility, and they do not support standardized testing as a way to assess a student's ability or a want to measure the value added to a student's education.

This is something Chancellor Birgeneau has also spoken out against, and he's said he supports COFHE. The new UC President, Mark Yudof, does not. He comes from Minnesota and Texas, where they have standardized testing as a way to assess the value added to undergraduate education.

Mr. De la Cruz he was proposing a bill next week that would have the ASUC support COFHE, and to not endorse standardized testing. He wasn't necessarily talking about the SAT I or SAT II, but also about a new test that's come out, the CLA, the Collegiate Learning Assessment test. Some universities, including CSUs, have signed on to it. It takes a sample of freshmen and seniors and tests both groups the same test. It then compares those tests to SAT scores, trying to assess what they should have scored. Freshmen scores are subtracted from those of seniors and that difference was the quote "value added" to students' education.

The CLA is good for CSUs because they only have a 28% matriculation rate, meaning only 28% of freshmen make it to their senior year. The seniors who do make it were usually the ones who had drive and could compete in a quantitative reasoning test. Their scores have usually really gone up. But at a place like UC Berkeley, both freshmen and seniors will tend to do well on this test, meaning that there's a ceiling effect. So with a prestigious education from UC Berkeley, there's no value added to it. It was really important that the UC System, and UC Berkeley, as a public institution, oppose the CLA, because there were a lot of problems with it. Christina Maslach has said that it wasn't a measure of value added to their education, but a measure of political expediency. COFHE believes assessment should be done at the local level.

Mr. De la Cruz said that one reason he's proposing the bill was because even though Chancellor Birgeneau supports COFHE, the other nine UCs have not yet supported it. There was possibility Mr. Yudof could actually come out in support of the CLA, which would be a really dangerous sentiment. He called for any questions.

Ms. Oatfield asked if COFHE took any stance on the SAT. Mr. De la Cruz said it took a very general stance, and doesn't deem standardized testing as a way to assess students' ability, acknowledging that a liberal arts education not only includes student ability for quantitative and qualitative reasoning, but also their past experiences, experiences in school, and other factors. COFHE supports a holistic process towards education, and not necessarily just teaching for the test, which is what is a big problem.

Ms. Flores asked if COFHE began that year. Mr. De la Cruz said it's circulated for a year or two and just came to UC that year.

Mr. De la Cruz said the past UC President, Pres. Dynes, actually came out with a letter with support of all of the ten UCs saying they oppose the CLA.

Ms. Flores asked if all of the institutions listed implemented COFHE in terms of not requiring future applicants to base their admission on standardized tests. Mr. De la Cruz said it was really just a statement that they don't support tests like CLA. It had less of an effect on standardized testing for entering college and more of an effect on tests proposed for undergraduates and graduating seniors. Colleges that sign on to COFHE do not require the CLA. Some schools require every student to take it, and at some schools, only some students take the CLA.

Ms. Jirachakitti asked if he's talked to the UCSA about this and if he'd be willing to submit a bill to the UCSA. Mr. De la Cruz said Academic Affairs VPs at other UCs were also against the CLA and in support of COFHE. He would be willing to submit a bill.

Ms. Chen asked if student groups might still be able to use facilities during finals. Mr. De la Cruz they might. If he knew groups will definitely use those spaces, he would let the Administration know and hopefully there could be alternative venues. With no objection, speaking time was extended by two minutes.

Mr. Zuo asked what the benefits were of the CLA. Mr. De la Cruz the idea was to assess the quality of higher education at compare different schools across America, in a quantified manner, and determine the value added by a UC Berkeley education, e.g. Another argument was really political. CSUs support it because it shows there is a value added and they get money. With no objection, speaking time was extended by one minute.

Ms. Cho asked if there's an application process for students interested in Academic Senate committees and if he sent out an e-mail. Mr. De la Cruz said that due to an unprecedented number of new student positions on committees that opened up that year, including task forces on finals and textbooks, they sent out a campus-wide e-mail. He's received over 20 e-mails in response so far and forwarded them to his Directors, who are arranging a selection process. There's no timeline for the process, which was less formal than the process that happened at the beginning of the year. With no objection, speaking time was extended by one minute.

Ms. Chen asked if, in his next report, he could report on what people have been working on in his office, to give the Senate a better idea of what was going on. Also, she asked if people on Academic Senate committees were actually involved, and if there was a system of accountability. Mr. De la Cruz said that was really difficult, because rather than dealing with the AAVP, students communicate directly with their committees. The office urges the University to cc the office, but it's difficult. It's difficult to have accountability because of the system the University has set up. Every student has been contacted about when their committee meets and has attended to the best of their ability. There are over 75 student reps, so there might be some exceptions; but the office was doing its best.

Mr. De la Cruz said he had a poster for grants that will be put up in all major department and at Financial Aid. They have a lot of applications coming in.

Special Committee Reports

Reporting for the Selection Committee for the Services Board Director, Mr. Tran said they have selected a candidate, Eusebius Wong. They'll invite him to come to the Senate next Wednesday.

Reports from ASUC Representatives

Reporting as the ASUC representative to the Engineer's Joint Council, Mr. Tran said the EJC started its own grant system to fund academic travel and travel to conferences and competitions. They managed to get some more funding from the College of Engineering and they're investing it in student organizations, especially competition teams and conferences. That was the newest development.

Mr. Nahabet asked if the events were limited to engineering groups. Mr. Tran said they were. Mr. Nahabet asked about non-engineering groups going to engineering conferences. Mr. Tran said they could consider that.

Reporting as the ASUC representative to the Grants Committee, Ms. Hussain said that both the Intellectual Community Fund and the Educational Enhancement Fund allocated quite a bit of money. She and Mr. Tran might put in a bill to replenish the EEF. She believed it had the minimum amount required by the By-laws and they have many applications and some really great events that couldn't be funded to the maximum amount.

Ms. Chen asked if the ICF and the EEF were recently replenished. Ms. Hussain said she believed that was the Public Service Fund and the Educational Enhancement Fund, but not ICF.

Ms. Hussain moved to recess for ten minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tran and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed. Back in session, Mr. Nahabet moved to extend the recess by five minutes. The motion was seconded and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed.

ITEMS FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION

Back in session, Mr. Owens moved to go to SB 96A. He asked to rescind the motion.

Ms. Chen moved to go to SB 104A. Ms. Cho asked if they were going to close their laptops. Ms. Pasco said they would.

The following Resolution, SB 104, as amended in committee, was authored by Mr. Nahabet and was co-sponsored by Mr. Smelko, Ms. Hussain, Ms. Ro, Mr. Moghtader, and Ms. Dhar:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CAL FOOTBALL TEAM

WHEREAS, UC Berkeley currently has the greatest football team in recent campus history; and

WHEREAS, the California Golden Bears record thus far is 4 wins and 2 loss; and

WHEREAS, the California Golden Bears will continue to defeat their opponents, including the UCLA this weekend; and

WHEREAS, the ASUC has a responsibility to support its athletic teams on behalf of the student body; and

WHEREAS, the ASUC also has a responsibility to present an example of responsibility and sportsmanship; and

WHEREAS, GO BEARS!

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC Senate shout "GO BEARS!" upon approval of this bill in the general Senate meeting.

Ms. Oatfield said she pulled the bill from the Consent Calendar. She read the following:

Begin Statement by Ms. Oatfield

I'm afraid that many of you will be more skeptical of me as a politician and as a person after I make this statement, but I feel like the words I'm about to speak are words that haven't been spoken other than in hushed whispers behind closed doors. But I think they very much need to be said out loud, and publicly.

Before I came to Berkeley I saw images of the Free Speech Movement; I watched a documentary entitled "Berkeley in the 60's" and saw masses of students actively engaging in pressing political issues of the day.

Now that I'm at Berkeley, I see masses of students passively walk to class everyday and I see masses of students and community members attending football games at the Stadium down the street from my house on Saturdays during the fall.

On game days, rowdy drunk people flood the streets near my home and the streets are littered with plastic red cups for days afterwards. I often wish that we could channel all the energy that students put into attending football games and cheering at them into standing up for civil rights and community service.

My mother grew up in Europe where sports teams and universities are very separate entities, and the culture of college football is still to this day a very strange concept for her, though she's been living in America for nearly 30 years now. Though I was born in the US, this culture of college football is strange to me as well; I don't understand why sports take on such a high level of priority in the academic world here. As a good friend of mine pointed out, the California Golden Bear was practically driven extinct by

Statement by Ms. Oatfield (cont'd)

Europeans who slaughtered them. At the same time, the Europeans slaughtered and committed genocide against the indigenous peoples of this land; the mascot of an extinct bear is similar in tone and cultural content to mascots such as the Cleveland "Indians" and Washington "Redskins".

The football stadium itself reminds me all too much of a Roman coliseum. These aggressive and disrespectful elements of Cal football culture distress me. I'm proud to be a UC Berkeley student not because of our football team but because of our outstanding academic programs and our legacy of promoting civil rights and environmental justice.

This bill calls for the ASUC Senate to shout Go Bears! I do not believe in shouting this statement. If the bill passes, I will not comply with it in a peaceful act of civil disobedience, with all due respect to the sponsors of this bill and their positive intent.

End statement by Ms. Oatfield

Ms. Hussain said that with all due respect to previous speakers, she was a huge supporter of Cal football and a huge civil rights activism in her own right. She didn't think the two were mutually exclusive. She understood people might be perplexed about why college football was the way it was in general, but it served not only as a wonderful pastime for those who enjoy the game, but also allowed people to show pride. The University can be known as a great academic institution as well as a great sports institution.

A motion to call the question was made and seconded by Ms. Raffi and Mr. Tran and passed with no objection.

A roll call vote was requested.

Roll call was taken on the motion to approve SB 104, as amended in committee:

YES		NO
Sheila Chen	Tara Raffi	Christina Oatfield
Sarah Cho	Claudia Rodriguez	
Meghana Dhar	Lyell Sakaue	ABSTAIN
Mary June Flores	Kifah Shah	Oscar Mairena
Saira Hussain	Will Smelko	
John Moghtader	Lisa Tran	
Eddie Nahabet	Tu Tran	
Tommy Owens	Obiamaka Ude	

A motion to close the rolls was made by Ms. Shah and was seconded and passed with no objection.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE SB 104, AS AMENDED IN COMMITTEE, PASSED 16-1-1, RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CAL FOOTBALL TEAM. Voting comments were heard. The Senate did a "Go Bears!"

On a point of order, Mr. Owens asked what happened if somebody missed one roll-call vote for the meeting. Ms. Pasco said they'd be absent if they weren't present for 60% of the roll-call votes. There have only been three such votes so far. Mr. Tran moved to suspend the rules and re-open the roll call vote. The motion was seconded by Mr. Owens and passed with no objection. A motion to close the rolls was made and seconded and passed with no objection. The motion to approve SB 104 PASSED 16-1-1, Resolution In Support of the Cal Football Team. The Senate did another "Go Bears!"

Mr. Sakaue moved to go to Old Business. The motion was seconded by Ms. Tran and passed with no objection. Ms. Shah moved to go to Appointments. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hussain and passed by hand-vote 15-1-0.

APPOINTMENTS

Ms. Pasco said they were under consideration of two appointments from Ms. Winston for From All Perspectives Directors, Rahul Patel and Nicole Louie. Ms. Chen asked if the nominees would be Co-Directors. Ms. Pasco said they would be.

Mr. Mairena moved to call the question. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tran and passed with no objection.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE FROM ALL PERSPECTIVES CO-DIRECTORS PASSED BY HAND-VOTE 17-0-0: RAHUL PATEL AND NICOLE LOUIE.

Mr. Nahabet moved to go to consideration of SB 96A. The motion was seconded by Ms. Yang and passed with no objection.

The following Resolution, SB 96, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Yoni Weinberg and Jessica Felber and was co-sponsored by Mr. Moghtader:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ISRAEL LIBERATION WEEK

WHEREAS, the mission of Israel Liberation Week is to rally against Western imperialism that threatens to wrestle control of the Land of Israel away from the Jewish people; and

WHEREAS, it will take place November 10-13, 2008 at UC Berkeley; and

WHEREAS, Israel Liberation Week is being organized by a dedicated group of Berkeley student activists; and

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ISRAEL LIBERATION WEEK (cont'd)

WHEREAS, Israel Liberation Week will feature the “Triumph on the Gallows” exhibit, in which the Jews who were hung by the British for resisting foreign rule and British imperialism will be highlighted; and

WHEREAS, Israel Liberation Week will also promote the message that the State of Israel ought to become an independent country by ending dependency on US foreign aid; and

WHEREAS, Israel Liberation Week will feature a concert by Shi 360; and

WHEREAS, the budget for Israel Liberation Week is as follows: Total, \$4,050;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognize “Israel Liberation Week” as an ASUC-sponsored event.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$1,100 to Israel Liberation Week from the Senate Contingency Fund.

Mr. Moghtader said he wanted to be clear that discussion of this bill, or any bill for that matter, should be content neutral, as stated in the Constitution. At Fi-Comm questions were asked about the content of the event, and that shouldn't be a factor in the decision-making process. Fi-Comm passed the bill at \$1,100. The rationale was to have \$450 for the “Triumph on the Gallows” exhibit, a key part of the event for four days; \$500 for posters and other publicity material; and the rest for part of the performer’s fee Fi-Comm agreed to fund. This is a weeklong series of events and was campus-wide. Among the publicity costs was \$150-200 for banners. The hallmark part of the event was the concert. Organizers were forking out a lot of money to get a well-known hip-hop artist, Pat Love. EVP Pasco was familiar with his work. A big part of the publicity was for the concert, and the organizers hope to draw hundreds of students. They also need to publicize the other events of that week. It was important not to shortchange the event by cutting publicity. Some organizers, as well as an author of the bill, Mr. Weinberg, were nice enough to attend the Senate meeting that evening, so people could ask them questions.

Ms. Cho asked if they could break the costs down for “The Triumph of the Gallows” exhibit. Mr. Weiner said the exhibit requires easels placed around for passers by to see. Another cost was printing large, high-quality images on good material, since they'll be using it for four days. Mr. Moghtader said the entire budget for the Week is \$4-5,000. Organizers will approach grants and have been aggressively getting outside funding, and have been successful to some degree. They came to the Senate with a reasonable proposal.

Ms. Cho asked how many easels will be purchased and if the photographs will be changed every day. Mr. Weinberg said he could look that up. The images will be the same. There will be guides people could buy to explain the photographs. Mr. Moghtader said “The Triumph on the Gallows” will be a full-fledged exhibit. That, plus the concert, pretty much made up the Week.

Ms. Hussain asked which grants and outside funding they've applied for. Mr. Moghtader said the organizers told him they'll apply for the PSF and they've been able to get private donations totaling about \$1,000. All they had left were grants and the Contingency Fund.

Ms. Yang asked if organizers were from a specific organizations on campus or from different organizations. Also, she asked where the exhibit would be located. Mr. Moghtader said some of the organizers were present. They're students who care about this issue and this cause. It wasn't a particular student group doing it. The event will be co-sponsored by Tikvah: Students for Israel. But the actual event is being organized by a group of committed students who weren't affiliated with a particular ASUC student group. A motion to extend speaking time by five minutes passed with no objection.

Ms. Rodriguez asked what content will be on the posters they plan to show. Mr. Weinberg said that Mr. Moghtader talked about having content neutral approval, and said this will be an historic exhibit about people who fought for a certain cause, highlighting certain heroic figures, their stories, and what they did.

Ms. Flores said she thought content should be taken into consideration. SB 96 had an added Resolved Clause making this an ASUC-sponsored event, so she thought the ASUC should know the content of the event and the programming that will take place. She asked what would happen throughout the week. She wanted to make sure they fund something that would embody the ASUC in a respectable way.

Mr. Weinberg said the plan for Monday was primarily tabling and the exhibit. On Wednesday they'll continue that from 11:00 to 2:00. At noon on Savio Steps they'll have a teach-in with a fellow who was flying in from Jerusalem to discuss moral dilemmas facing the State of Israel. That will be an interactive conversation with people who wish to attend. On Wednesday evening there will be a film festival, featuring films on the history of liberation of the State of Israel and its creation. On Thursday they'll continue with "Triumph of the Gallows" exhibit, and Thursday evening there will be a hip-hop concert for anybody to attend. The artist and his lyrics were in line with the themes they were trying to present. The exhibit will continue on Friday.

Ms. Flores asked about the overall theme. Mr. Moghtader said he wasn't quite sure if that was in order to talk about as a point of discussion on the floor in considering the bill, exactly what the message was. Ms. Pasco said Mr. Moghtader mentioned earlier about the discussion being content neutral. There were no motions to discuss any funding amounts, and they were currently in a Q&A discussion. If they wanted to talk about numbers, they could move into debate.

Ms. Flores asked if her question was in order. Mr. Weinberg said the Week was entitled "Israel Liberation Week." It takes an innovative approach to bringing attention to some history of a region and to events that a lot of people didn't know about. A lot of the history that will be talked about was about freedom fighters for and against the British colonizers, in the State of Israel, and before, in the '20s and '30s. A lot of films will be about that struggle, and the interactions between people fighting for their land against an imperialist force. "The Triumph of the Gallows" brings attention to individuals who had very interesting stories. Another part of the general theme was the right of an indigenous people to its land. The teach-in will encourage discussion for people who have questions about that, or wish to challenge that, and also for people who wanted to learn more. The concert brings everything together in music and speaks to people at what the general idea was. Mr. Weinberg said they're looking at using many different mediums to reach the campus at-large and educate them on new perspectives that haven't been had before, in issues that were very important to many people on campus. A motion to extend speaking time by five minutes passed with no objection.

Ms. Hussain said she believed the event was teaming up with JSU and asked if they were providing financial support for this. Mr. Weinberg said they are a grassroots non-profit organization that hasn't

been active very long and don't have their own funding. But they've talked to other, local organizations that ended up giving funding. Their main contribution was leadership and guidance, and people flying over to help with this.

Ms. Shah asked what other ASUC-sponsored groups they've outreached to. Mr. Weinberg said the organizers have taken it upon themselves to put on this event. Mr. Moghtader said before the organizers actively tried to reach out to other student groups, they wanted to be sure the event could take place in a way they'd want, and to make sure they had funding to put the Week on so as to reach out to as wide a base as possible. It's a grassroots effort. Once they knew they had the funding, he was sure they'd reach out to student groups as well.

Ms. Shah asked how many people they estimate will attend each event. Mr. Weinberg said that depends on how well they advertise. They hope people walking on campus will stop and look, and he didn't know if they could give a number. For the teach-in, it depended on how well they inform the student body. For the film festival, 20 to 40 people would be great, and for the concert, maybe 200 people would attend.

Ms. Yang asked if this event has been put on in previous years, and if there will be a fee for the concert. Mr. Weinberg said it was put on by another school in New York, Hofstra University, and was successful. They hope to have the concert free, but that depended on how much funding they had from different resources to pay the performer. A motion to extend speaking time by three minutes passed with no objection.

Ms. Ude asked if they've looked into alternative forms of advertising besides fliers and posters. Mr. Weinberg said there was the Internet and Facebook. Unless there was another method he wasn't aware of, posters and flyering was the other option. Ms. Ude asked if they've looked into funds given by the Academic Affairs VP's office. Mr. Moghtader said they'll pursue all the grants relevant to the event.

Ms. Flores asked if they've sought the Ethnic Studies Fifth Account. Mr. Weinberg said he wasn't aware of that, and they'd take any advice Senators could give them.

Ms. Shah said that part of the Web site states that they advocate violence. He asked if they knew about that, especially given the current climate on campus. On a point of order, Mr. Moghtader said this was dilatory as Ms. Shah asked the same question on Monday, and they already answered. Ms. Pasco said the purpose of Immediate Consideration was to bring these issues before the entire Senate. Mr. Moghtader said that what Ms. Shah said about this group and what it advocated for wasn't true. He wanted that to be clear.

Ms. Shah asked how members planning the event felt about making sure people felt safe and comfortable on campus. Mr. Weinberg said they were definitely not a group that would bring in people who advocated violence. This was an educational event. He wasn't sure about the group advocating violence. Students in the community there were trying to make a positive effort. He wasn't sure what she was getting at. A motion to extend speaking time by two minutes passed with no objection. Ms. Shah said she read a quote on Monday.

Mr. Zuo moved to go to Elected Official Announcements. The motion was seconded by Ms. Shah and failed by hand-vote 13-4-2.

On a point of personal privilege, Ms. Shah asked if she could read something to the Senate. Mr. Moghtader said that was out of order and said the Chair already ruled on that. Ms. Hussain asked if the Senator could read a statement in the form of a question. Ms. Pasco said that was manipulating the rules. If people wanted to say something, she would ask them to please use the right avenue in which to do that. She wasn't trying to hinder anyone from saying anything, but to encourage people to do things at the right time and in the right space.

Ms. Oatfield moved to go into debate. The motion was seconded by Ms. Raffi and passed with no objection.

Ms. Shah said she would like to quote what the Web site said. Under "Stop the Wall," under "Action," it said: "Rather than build concrete walls and fortresses, ZFA encourages our government and army to eliminate those who threaten the Jewish people." That's what she read on Monday, and that's what she was referring to.

Mr. Mairena moved to draw a blank. The motion was seconded by Ms. Shah.

Ms. Cho said she would like people to only throw out numbers that people would really consider.

Ms. Flores asked if Sen. Shah's question be answered. Ms. Pasco said they were in debate and there was now a motion to draw a blank.

Ms. Pasco called for proposed amounts. Mr. Owens suggested \$1,200. Mr. Sakaue suggested \$450; Mr. Tran suggested \$950; Ms. Shah suggested \$200; Mr. Zuo suggested \$650; Ms. Flores suggested \$500; Mr. Owens suggested \$1,100; Ms. Cho suggested \$800; Ms. Ude suggested \$450; Mr. Smelko suggested \$1,000; Mr. Moghtader suggested \$900; Mr. Moghtader suggested \$750. Mr. Tran requested increments of \$100. Mr. Zuo rescinded \$650. Ms. Ude rescinded \$450. Mr. Moghtader asked to change \$750 to \$700.

Ms. Pasco said they were in consideration of amending SB 96 to \$1,200.

Ms. Oatfield said she had a great desire to see cooperation, compassion, and dialogue to reach peace and understanding in the student body and in humanity as a whole; and the desire to see that happen was much stronger than any desire she had to uphold the ASUC Constitution. With that said, she thought the timing of this event was out of place given the current tensions in the student body over political issues in the Middle East. On a point of order, Mr. Moghtader said he believed Ms. Oatfield's comments were out of order as she was taking into account the content of the event, and not debating a specific number. Ms. Pasco said the point of order was well taken. She would ask Senators during this part of their conversation to please talk about numbers. It was 11:30, as a time check. If people wanted to talk about content, she would ask them to please do so off the floor. That was her recommendation.

On a point of personal privilege, Mr. Mairena said he would request that they not approve any amendment without a two-thirds vote, as the bill would need a two-thirds vote for approval. If they don't do that, they'd be acting dilatorily, as they've done in the past.

Ms. Raffi said she thought points of personal privilege have been out of order, according to Robert's Rules. Ms. Pasco said Mr. Mairena was making a request, so his point of personal privilege was in order.

Ms. Pasco called for debate on \$1,250.

Mr. Sakaue said he's on Fi-Comm and they haven't allocated any event over \$1,000. That wasn't to say they never should, but given the high volume of bills, they face problems, and it wouldn't be fiscally responsible to fund the bill at \$1,250, or anything in that range. They haven't funded any group in its entirety for all publicity costs.

Mr. Mairena moved to call the question. The motion to end debate was seconded and passed with no objection.

The motion to approve SB 96A, as amended to \$1,250, failed by hand-vote 3-11-3.

Ms. Pasco said they were in consideration of \$1,200 for SB 96A. The question was called and debate closed. The motion to approve \$1,200 failed by hand-vote 3-11-3.

Ms. Pasco said they were in consideration of \$1,100 for SB 96A. The question was called and debate closed. The motion to approve \$1,100 failed by hand-vote 4-9-3.

Ms. Pasco said they were in consideration of \$1,000 for SB 96A.

Ms. Dhar moved to recess for two minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moghtader and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed. Back in session, Ms. Tran moved to extend the recess until the discretion of the Chair. The motion was seconded and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed.

Back in session, Ms. Rodriguez moved to amend SB 96A to \$750. The motion was seconded and passed with no objection.

Roll call was taken on SB 96, as amended in committee and on the floor:

YES

Sheila Chen
Sarah Cho
Meghana Dhar
Mary June Flores
Saira Hussain
John Moghtader
Eddie Nahabet

Tommy Owens
Tara Raffi
Claudia Rodriguez
Lyell Sakaue
Kifah Shah
Will Smelko
Lisa Tran

Tu Tran
Obiamaka Ude
Stephanie Yang
Yishi Zuo
NO
Christina Oatfield
ABSTAIN
Oscar Mairena

A motion to close the rolls was made and seconded by Mr. Mairena and Ms. Tran and passed with no objection.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE SB 96, AS AMENDED IN COMMITTEE AND ON THE FLOOR, AT \$750, PASSED 18-1-1, RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ISRAEL LIBERATION WEEK. Voting comments were heard.

Ms. Pasco said the Chair would entertain a motion to adjourn. It was so moved and seconded by Mr. Mairena and Ms. Yang and passed with no objection.

Roll call was taken for attendance. Members present were:

Sheila Chen
Sarah Cho
Meghana Dhar
Mary June Flores
Saira Hussain
Oscar Mairena
John Moghtader

Eddie Nahabet
Christina Oatfield
Tommy Owens
Tara Raffi
Claudia Rodriguez
Lyell Sakaue
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Will Smelko
Lisa Tran
Tu Tran
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Stephanie Yang
Yishi Zuo

This meeting adjourned at 1:44 a.m.

These minutes respectfully submitted by,

Steven I. Litwak
Recording Secretary