

ASUC SENATE MEETING

April 1, 2008

Tenth Week

This regular meeting of the ASUC Senate was called to order by Krystle Pasco at 7:18 p.m. in the ASUC Senate Chamber. Ms. Pasco said she hoped people had a great Spring Break, as she did. Hopefully they weren't too tired from all the activities happening on campus at that time.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Ms. Pasco called for any changes to the minutes from the meeting of March 18. A motion to approve was made and seconded by Mr. Owens and Ms. Yang. **THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 18, 2009 MEETING PASSED WITH NO OBJECTION.**

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Pasco referred the following bills to committee: [Numbers in parentheses reflect bills as they were numbered in the agenda packet.]

SB (148) 156, In Support of Logging Sports, to the Finance Committee

SB (149) 157, In Support of Alpha KaapaPsi, Alpha Beta Chapter, and Their Professional Forum, to the Finance Committee

SB (150) 158, In Support of the Haas Business School Association, to the Finance Committee

SB (151) 159, In Support of the Berkeley Student Chapter of Ascend, to the Finance Committee

SB (152) 160, In Support of the Educational Studies Program at Berkeley, to the Finance Committee

SB (153) 161, In Support of the Italian International Student Association's CIAC, to the Finance Committee

SB (154) 162, In Support of Performance Groups, to the Finance Committee

SB (155) 163, In Support of Cal Band's Spring Showcase, to the Finance Committee

SB (156) 164, In Support of Conservation and Resource Studies Student Organization (CRSSO) Student Group, to the Finance Committee

SB (157) 165, In Support of 100 College Black Men at UC Berkeley, to the Finance Committee

SB (158) 166, In Support of the 2009 ASUC Publications Awards Banquet, to the Finance Committee

SB (159) 167, In Support of the Publication of *Timber*, A Yearbook for Forestry and Natural Resources Students, to the Finance Committee

SB (160) 168, In Support of the Egyptian Club, to the Finance Committee

SB (161) 169, In Support of the RMP's Mid-Semester and End-of-the-Year Concert, to the Finance Committee

SB (162) 170, In Support of the JSU Israeli Film Festival, to the Finance Committee

SB (163) 171, In Support of Alpha Delta Psi's 6th Annual Roozbrawl, to the Finance Committee

SB (164) 172, In Support of LiNK Outreach: Bay Area (LOBA), to the Finance Committee

SB (165) 173, In Support of Replenishing the Public Service Fund, to the Finance Committee

SB (166) 174, In Support of the Chican@/Latin@ Graduation Celebration, to the Finance Committee

SB (167) 175, In Support of the Unión Salvadoreña de Estudiantes Universitarios, to the Finance Committee

SB 176, To Remove Attorney General Michael Sinanian from Office, to the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee and to the Finance Committee [Added during the meeting.]

On a point of information, Ms. Hussain said that she believed Ms. Lemus included several bills because she had forgotten to add those bills at the last meeting. So she sent out multiple agenda packets.

Ms. Pasco called for any changes to New Business, and seeing none, said New Business was approved.

Roll call was taken for attendance.

MEMBERS LEGALLY PRESENT:

Sheila Chen	John Moghtader	Lyell Sakaue
Sarah Cho	Eddie Nahabet	Kifah Shah
Meghana Dhar	Christina Oatfield	Lisa Tran
Mary June Flores	Tommy Owens	Obiamaka Ude
Saira Hussain	Tara Raffi	Stephanie Yang
Oscar Mairena	Claudia Rodriguez	Yishi Zuo

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Will Smelko
Tu Tran

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (April 8)

Ms. Pasco called for any changes to the agenda for next week.

Ms. Flores moved to add a Special Order, from 8:00 to 8:30, for BAMN to talk about the California DREAM Act. The motion was seconded by Ms. Tran. THE MOTION TO APPROVE A SPECIAL

ORDER FROM 8:00 TO 8:30, FOR A PRESENTATION BY BAMN ON THE CALIFORNIA DREAM ACT, FROM 8:00 TO 8:30, PASSED WITH NO OBJECTION.

On a point of information, Mr. Mairena asked if the Senate usually met on the Wednesday of elections. Ms. Pasco said it was up to the Senate to decide if it wanted to meet or not.

Mr. Mairena moved to have a straw poll on who would want to cancel next week's meeting. The motion was seconded. After a straw poll was taken, Ms. Pasco said the result was 12-1-4 and the motion would fail, requiring 14 votes.

Mr. Nahabet moved to cancel next week's Senate meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Owens. THE MOTION TO CANCEL THE APRIL 8 SENATE MEETING PASSED WITH NO OBJECTION. Ms. Pasco said she would post the cancellation on the ASUC Web site so it was publicly noted.

Ms. Hussain asked if committees will still have to meet next week. Ms. Pasco said they would, because she was referring bills that evening. Mr. Mairena asked if committees could have the discretion to either meet that coming Monday or the following Monday. Ms. Pasco said they could.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guest Announcements

Ms. Pasco said the first Guest Announcement was from Chris Reid, regarding Bear's Lair vendors' RFP. Mr. Reid said he wanted to try and bring to the Senate's attention to some of the things that were being discussed about the RFP process for both the decision by the SOB to go to an RFP process for businesses located in the Bear's Lair and the decision to not go to an RFP process for the space Panda Express would use. He understood the Senate meeting really wasn't the venue for that, but he wanted to bring to the attention of the ASUC Senate that he thought there's been a lot of emphasis on Panda Express coming in, whether it's a good idea or not, and a little less interest in the community over what was happening with the businesses that were already there. He wanted to present what he saw as some problems with the process that has been undertaken so far.

First, Mr. Reid said he thought that in this process of deciding whether or not to go to RFP in order to fill the space Naia occupied with Panda, as well as the decision to out to an RFP on the smaller businesses there, that some stakeholders have been left out. He thought they all know the ASUC itself was a stakeholder, and the fact that the ASUC was dependent on revenues brought in by the commercial activities of the ASUC Auxiliary, and the need for that money. They need to figure out how to meet that financial crunch so they could fund programs in the ASUC. So that would be one stakeholder.

A second stakeholder that has come up, especially with regard to Panda Express, and also alluded to often by Sen. Oatfield, has been the Bear's Lair vendors, whether Panda or the Bear's Lair businesses. In speaking of those he meant Taqueria, the Coffee Spot, and Healthy Heavenly Foods. That would be

another interest group of stakeholders. Students who would like to see greener food, a greener system of distributing that food, greener materials used to serve the food, and so on and so forth. He thought they were an important stakeholder as well. He thought two stakeholders not really taken into consideration were the following. Ms. Pasco said speaking time had expired. A motion to extend by three minutes was made and seconded by Ms. Ude and Ms. Tran and passed with no objection.

Mr. Reid said the third stakeholder that he thought has been left out of this equation was the low-income student on campus. Students who come to campus are faced with a number of different options of where to shop to eat. They could go to any number of 50 or 100 different restaurants nearby, within walking distance. He would argue that the reason people come to the Bear's Lair, far above proximity of the location, was that these places have low prices, they're extremely low in comparison to any other business nearby, and that people can get to be served by owner-operated businesses. In other words, they're not just small businesses, and not just family-owned businesses, but businesses in which the owner was actually on the premises all the time. That was a key difference. That could be identified in terms of community relations, in terms of interactions among the student body and community, and in terms of students understanding and learning how businesses work in a small-business context. If people have some kind of complaint, like if they wanted to have a greener business, or a different type of coffee, they could ask the owner about that right there, and wouldn't have to talk with anybody else. The owner could be found and talked to, and told that if they make a change, e.g., more people would shop there.

Mr. Reid is the fourth stakeholder that he would argue that has been left out were the businesses themselves. He's heard arguments that the ASUC was not there to subsidize small businesses, even if they like the idea of having small businesses. That might be so, but these small businesses have been there longer than anyone in the room has been there. They've been there for more than a quarter of a century. He could understand if there was an issue of a monopoly, in other words, that these businesses were sort of entrenched in this space and weren't budging, and a new elected government comes in and wanted to find out what else they could put in the space instead of these businesses. And if the ASUC government was, in essence, subsidizing those businesses' rent, that might be an issue to bring up. And people might want to go to an RFP and figure out if they could maybe get a different business there. Perhaps a Brazil Café might be better for serving students than Healthy Heavenly Foods or any of the other businesses there.

And yet, he thought that given that these businesses have been there for 25 years, or 20 years, in different cases, they're stakeholders. They've been with past generations of students over decades. They know what the campus is like and they know what the needs of the student body are. They know students' likes and dislikes in terms of food, and they know how to serve the students there good food at a low price. Ms. Pasco said speaking time had expired. A motion to extend by three minutes was made and seconded by Mr. Owens and Ms. Ude and passed with no objection.

Mr. Reid said the ASUC and the SOB had to make decisions based on the best interests of the student body. One of the best ways to do that was to figure out what the best interests were as perceived by the Senate and the SOB, in particular. Those decisions shouldn't be held hostage to what these businesses want. Still, the idea that these businesses were sort of extraneous to interests of the campus, that they had no interest in this that people should pay attention to, was misguided. He would just cite the Daily Cal, which recently has had a lot of financial issues. He didn't think many people would argue that it's an institution that should be allowed to fall under just because it can't pay its rent. It's an important institution and provides good service to the campus community. And yet, the SOB has treated the Daily Cal as

a stakeholder based on the idea that it serves the campus' interest. And the campus couldn't just let them go, even though the paper was asking to slash its rent and not pay the ASUC \$42,000. That was a pretty bold decision on the part of the ASUC, to say it didn't need that money and was willing to forego that money because the Daily Cal was important for students.

Mr. Reid said he would submit the claim that he thought that low-cost food for low-income students was just as much an important stake there as having the Daily Cal, and that they ought to treat these businesses in some regard as stakeholders, if not exactly like the Daily Cal, but on some level. The RFP process, in general, has been kind of confusing. For those who are aware, Panda Express did not have an RFP process, and before that, there was talk of bring in a Starbucks to campus, which would also have been done without an RFP process. It's never been opened up to the community or to any other businesses to decide whether those businesses would come in to where Naia is, or where Follett is. The Scholar's Workstation came in an RFP process, and Panda Express was due to come in without an RFP process.

And all of this has been going on by getting through certain loopholes. Mr. Reid said he didn't want to say this was mischievous necessarily, but every loophole in the By-laws of the ASUC Senate, of the Commercial Activities Agreement, every loophole that could possibly be utilized in order to get around the RFP process, has been utilized. Ms. Pasco said speaking time had expired. A motion to extend by two minutes was made and seconded by Mr. Owens and Ms. Ude and passed with no objection. Mr. Reid said every opportunity has been taken by the Store Operations Board to circumvent certain clear guidelines for what was legitimate, as far as bringing in business, with respect to Panda Express.

Meanwhile, the Board has been very quick to jump towards an RFP process for the Bear's Lair vendors. Mr. Reid said he was curious as to why that was. He understood there were some financial issues at work there, and he believed quite possibly there were some communication gaps between the Auxiliary and these businesses that prevent them from working through a contract. He would remind the Senate that out of the 25 years that many of those businesses have been there, most of that time they were here without a contract, working month to month. The Coffee Spot hasn't had a contract since 1996. He would ask Senators to imagine a small business, with the owner coming in, working very hard to do his job, keeping prices low for students, never raising them, despite the fact that he wasn't paying very much rent and could easily raise them, and working all that time without a contract. Mr. Reid said he would ask if Panda Express or Tully's Coffee would do that, or CUBS or STA Travel or Naia. None of those businesses would work that long without a contract. None of them would have tolerated that and would have found that disrespectful and a bad business practice. They would have realized they couldn't invest money based on that setup. And he thought that's what Bear's Lair businesses were confronted with.

To summarize, Panda Express has been offered to come on with no RFP and not just that, but with no oversight from the ASUC Senate or the Chancellor. Meanwhile, businesses that have been there and proven themselves for decades, and have worked without a contract, have kept prices low, and have always paid their rent on time, were being put out to RFP. He was curious why that was. He called for any questions. Ms. Pasco said speaking time had expired. A motion to extend speaking time by three minutes was made and seconded by Ms. Hussain and Ms. Rodriguez and passed with no objection.

Mr. Reid said that at the last SOB meeting there was a question about the legality of whether the Auxiliary could bring Panda Express on to campus without getting an RFP and getting input of the Senate or the Chancellor. That question revolved around a phrase in the By-laws that states that the ASUC

Special Order of the Day -- Presentation on Presentation on Stress Management, by Dan Hess and Lillian Chaing, Counseling and Psychological Services

Auxiliary could only do that in cases of “minor” changes or improvements. He thought that was not actually the way this has been going. What’s really been happening, and the real legal question, was whether or not Naia had the right to sublet its space to Panda without any oversight of the Senate or an RFP. That was debated two years ago on the SOB repeatedly between Director Permaul, Chief Harrison, and Vice Chancellor Ron Coley. There was a lot of doubt on the part of some of those people about whether not having an RFP was legal. Mr. Reid said he didn't know how that was cleared up exactly, but now, the signing of Panda will come up in a week or two. He asked how they got to that point and how they have gone to every length to get around the RFP process for certain businesses and to bring down the RFP process for others, without any questions. He would like to encourage the Senate to consider this issue and get involved in this issue, and to consider their position vis-à-vis the SOB, and to talk with members of the SOB about how they could do this differently. One thing they could do is reopen negotiations with the storeowners. They could figure out a way to make sure the ASUC got all the rent it needed and figure out a way for everything to be green and fair-trade, with prices kept low for students. And at the same time, they would show respect for people who are seniors in every regard, who have worked hard for 25 years to build a business to live what they think is the American dream. In essence, these are immigrants, all of them, who have come here and worked hard. They don't stay away and let the business run without them, but are here every single day, for 25 years. Ms. Pasco said speaking time had expired.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY -- Presentation on Presentation on Stress Management, by Dan Hess and Lillian Chaing, Counseling and Psychological Services

Dan Hess introduced himself and his colleague, Lillian Chaing, and said they're counselors with Counseling and Psychological Services. He wanted to thank the Senate for having them and thank Sen. Yang, who invited them to be there to talk about stress management. They'll look at stress, what it is, common stresses based on a university campus, what affects stress, some things people could do to manage stress, and then the services that are offered at CPS and some special projects they work on.

Mr. Hess said there probably weren't a lot of places in the country that had more stress endemic than the Berkeley campus. Students, the population in the campus, probably carry a disproportionate burden of stress. So he'd talk about what stress is, so people could bring information to their constituents, and to also look at this for themselves.

He'd like to start with an old-school PowerPoint presentation. Stress is the body's response to changes and challenges in one's daily life, sometimes described as physical, mental, or emotional strain or tension. Often it results when demands exceed resources, such as time, money, sleep, or support.

Common university-student stressors include adjusting to campus/culture; financial pressure on self and on family; family health concerns; academic pressures; identity questions; time management; relationships/conflict; family expectations; picking major/career path; and after-graduation choices.

Mr. Hess asked if there were any particular stressors that were glaringly absent from the list that people wanted to add. Ms. Flores said they could add elections.

Mr. Hess asked to take 30 seconds to pair up and share two top sources of stress that people had to deal with in their day-to-day life as a student on the campus.

As for affects of stress, in the short-term, moderate doses, stress can energize. Common signs and affects of harmful stress include fatigue; physical complaints; cheerlessness; disrupted sleep; irritability/hostility; concentration/memory problems; feeling overwhelmed; anxiety; sexual dysfunction/lower interest; weight gain/loss; and compromised health and decreased concentration/memory.

Mr. Hess asked if any of that looked familiar to people.

Things to help manage stress include adequate sleep; exercise; healthful diet; time with loved ones; crafts; meditation; fun/humor; and a positive attitude.

Their Web site is bewelltodowell.uhs.berkeley/bewell.

Mr. Hess said these were not comprehensive lists and were just primers. There are ways people manage stress that could create more stress. Alcohol used in a moderate amount, in a social setting, could help people manage stress. But it was controversial.

Mr. Hess said CPS was at the Tang Center, but had multiple sites on campus. They have a new office that opened up that semester on Bowditch Ave., and have offices in the Grad Division, the Law School, Cesar Chavez, and Res Life.

Mr. Hess said he would invite them to join him in a brief relaxation exercise. There was nothing magical, mystical, or mysterious about this. It was just manipulating the parasympathetic nervous system, inducing it to slow down. They could say they were just going to “chill.” [A meditation exercise was held.]

Mr. Hess said that when they turn off the “noise machine” and start to notice their body, they start to notice a lot of stress points in their body, like the back and neck. A lot of times stress gets them out of their body, worrying about what happened, and they can't just for a moment be present in their body. That's where they can let stress go, and take micro-retreats, if they just stop and take four deep breaths. That could actually turn down the production of adrenalin and give they body a rest. There were 1001 different ways to do that.

They distributed a set of cards, one of which included a temperature stress test that could be used to see how relaxed people were. They also presented information about suicide prevention, and signs to look for, things to do if they were worried about somebody. They're also building the Be Well To Do Well program, to help students deal with the impossible load of stress they normally carry around. The Web site had all kinds of information, links, and literature, if they were interested in learning more. He would invite Senators to share this information with people who might benefit from hearing about this.

Ms. Chiang introduced herself and said she was a staff psychologist at the Tang Counseling Center. She would like to talk to them about the utilization of mental health services on campus for the Asian Pacific Islander population, she was sure she didn't have to tell them that the API population was quite a large student population on campus. Statistically, just to let them know, that all the API graduates and undergraduates on campus were about 36% overall of the student population, and only 20% really utilize

Counseling and Psychological Services. Given those numbers, and given what they know about students in general in terms of there being so many stressors, people might not even realize they had stress until it was pointed out. That's something they hear a lot from students. Students say there's so much going on that don't have time for that. So CPS would like to outreach to students, and in particular, to API students. They have a grant funded by the government that they were awarded. In the past year it was awarded for the general student population, but this year they just got awarded a three-year grant tailored towards the mental health of API students.

Ms. Chiang said they're working on some projects to really reach out particularly to API students about mental health. She hoped the Senate could help in passing this information to their organizations and constituents. One project they're working on was a short film they hope to produce to distribute to students, parents, faculty, and administrators, capturing the API student experience. It would introduce students to campus experiences, challenges and positive experiences, and how they deal with stress. They also hope to introduce this to faculty and administrators, so they're aware of what API students go through there. It would also highlight resources to suit, in particular, incoming students, and to get them on Web sites, such as the University Web site, or even Facebook, in terms of student organizations, to really get this information right away.

Ms. Chaing said the other piece they're also doing is a video they're implementing for the Counseling Center's Web site. It's for students who might have stigma coming into the Counseling Center. They could click on the Web site and actually view short, five-minute videos on how to deal with stress or to witness a mock counseling session, so students could feel comfortable and it wasn't as scary and intimidating. There was also information on how to help fellow stressed students. These were things they wanted to highlight. If people have input, they should feel free to let them know. They want to give Senators this information so they could reach out to students and share it. She wanted to thank them for their time. She'd pass out information on how students could make an appointment at the Counseling Center and the services they offer, ranging from individual counseling to group work, such as social skills, stress reduction, managing anxiety and depression. It's information to bring back to their fellow students. She wanted to thank them very much.

Mr. Hess said he would like to thank them, and to thank Ms. Yang for arranging this. Lastly, he would ask them to smile. He wanted to thank the Senate for having them. (Applause)

Mr. Owens yielded time to Mr. Permaul. Mr. Permaul asked if the Counseling Center has suggested referring people to the Art Studio. People constantly say that their lives have been saved by the Art Studio and give testimonials about it being a place that people where have a creative outlet. He asked if the Counseling Center referred people to the Art Studio, or if it's on the CPS Web site. Mr. Hess said it wasn't on their radar, and that was a new idea to them that he would bring back.

Mr. Permaul said the other thing was that the Auxiliary was approached as a location for a site where CPS could have a remote location. Nobody ever came back about that. And the ASUC was at the crossroads of the University, in the Student Union. They offer 450 student organizations a way to get to meet people and participate in student activities. Those were certainly options for positive mental health. Ms. Pasco said speaking time had expired.

Reports from Representatives to the ASUC

Report from the Chancellor's Designee

Felby Chen said she just wanted to inform the Senate about a Student Affairs Day that Dean Poullard and she were setting up. It will take place on April 13 in 102 Sproul from 6:00 to 8 p.m. It will basically give insight on what student affairs practitioners do day in and day out. They basically strive to educate and help students develop outside of academics. She would pass out fliers. She would ask Senators to please tell their constituencies about this, because not many people know about student affairs.

Report from the UCPD Liaison

Sgt. Tucker said he had a few points and some things he wanted to get into the minutes. First of all, people may have seen an article about UCPD Chief of Police Victoria Harrison stepping down in July of this year. They've sort of grown accustomed to her, and she's a bit of a campus fixture. It was really a momentous occasion. To try and put it in perspective for them, Ms. Harrison has been the Chief of Police for almost 20 years. That's probably older than some people in the room, or not too far away. She became Chief of Police the same year he started at Cal as a freshman. They shouldn't tell her he said that. She has 36 years of law enforcement experience; and that's how old he was. So she was a cop the year he was born. She is probably the second-longest Chief serving continuously in the State of California. If they go to the News Center at the UC Berkeley Web site, they'll see an article with the highlights of her career, running from the Unabomber case to the tree sitters.

Chief Harrison has created and leaves behind an extremely professional, well-trained, respected, diverse Department with really high service standards and expectations. One thing he wanted to point out is that a full 25% of their police officers are female. That's about twice what was typical for a police department, and twice the typical pool of candidates. Only about 12% who apply to become police officers are women.

Chief Harrison has made a name for herself and earned the title of Associate Vice Chancellor. She's the manager of a lot of different special projects over the years. She's been mentioned in relation to the ASUC Auxiliary. She was formerly the Executive Director of Public Safety, Parking and Transportation, and has had behind-the-scenes leadership in Athletics, rescuing and resurrecting all kinds of programs from the administrative division of the University. Her departure is really an occasion, and they'll miss her. He would encourage people to take a look at the News Center articles.

Sgt. Tucker said he wanted to talk to the Senate about the shooting death of the UC Berkeley student on early Saturday morning, in Oakland, on the 2700 block of Telegraph Ave. He didn't have any details and didn't know anything beyond what he read in the paper. The case was being investigated by the City of Oakland Police Department.

Finally, Sgt. Tucker said he wanted to tell the Senate something that was a little personal. The shooting of the four Oakland police officers has been in the news a lot lately. One of the officers was his friend, Dan Sakai. Sgt. Tucker said he first met Mr. Sakai in 1992. He had been a CSO for about nine months, a long time for the CSO, and Mr. Sakai was “the new guy,” a trainee. Mr. Sakai was kind of a scrawny, goofy guy, with big ears and a big smile. It didn't take too long to find out he had a really big heart and a big brain. Sgt. Tucker said he didn't know until recently that Mr. Sakai had been accepted to West Point, where he wanted to go originally. But he couldn't, due to a medical condition from an injury in an accident when he was a teenager. He acquired Type I diabetes as a result. That was the kind of guy he was, and he didn't let sad stories slow him down. He just always did the right thing and made the best of what he had. He had an amazing combination of humility and competence.

Sgt. Tucker said that people probably read some things about Mr. Sakai in the paper. He was President of Alpha Sigma Phi his senior year. He was a Forestry major and graduated in 1996. He was a former Eagle Scout; a hiker, bicyclist, climber, and skier. Sgt. Tucker said Mr. Sakai was the only guy he knew who could wear fleece on any occasion and get away with it. As a CSO, one of his favorite jobs was the hill patrol. In the summer, the CSOs do a fire watch patrol up on the hill behind campus, Strawberry Canyon, Grizzly Peak, all the way through Claremont Canyon, which was actually in the City of Oakland. Sgt. Tucker said he had and Mr. Sakai worked many shifts together on hill patrol. Like a lot of CSOs, Mr. Sakai found his job incredibly rewarding and decided to become a police officer. His diabetes was a problem but he persevered, and after several years, found a way to make it work. He ended up being the top graduate of his class in 2000; and that's where he also met his wife. His wife, Jenny, became an officer with the University of California Police Department and is still there. They were married a few years after they met. Sgt. Tucker said he had the pleasure of supervising Jenny on patrol and also the last three years she was his direct employee, in the Office of the Chief. She's a training coordinator for the Police Department.

Sgt. Tucker said Mr. Sakai was very busy with his commitment to the OPD. He was a canine officer, a patrol sergeant as of about a year ago, and obviously, a SWAT team member. Mr. Sakai would often come by the UCPD. Sgt. Tucker said their daughter was born about two months before his daughter was born.

Sgt. Tucker said the officers killed on March 21 was a tragedy for his profession, for his fellow four officer who died, his friend, his family, his wife, Sgt. Tucker's co-worker. The attention that this has gained, and the memorial service, were amazing. It was international news and it touched millions of people. Sgt. Tucker said he was very proud of his friend and his heroic commitment. But the loss was devastating. When the time is right, Sgt. Tucker said he'll probably come back to the ASUC and the City of Oakland to try and find a way to commemorate him Mr. Sakai. He just thought people should know about Mr. Sakai and what he gave up. He thought Mr. Sakai deserved to be recognized as one of those famous Berkeley graduates who made a difference in this world. Sgt. Tucker said he would like to thank them.

Ms. Flores moved to hear the Special Order from the Committee on Student Fees to 9:15. The motion was seconded by Ms. Tran and passed with no objection.

Report from the ASUC Store Operations Board

Mr. Permaul said he would like to thank Sgt. Tucker very much for his statement about Ofs. Sakai.

Regarding the student food co-op business proposal that he's mentioned to the Senate, Mr. Permaul said he submitted a proposal to the TGIF grant process for a proposed student food cooperative store. A letter of support was requested from the ASUC Auxiliary and Mr. Permaul said he has attached to his report the message they crafted for that. Mr. Permaul said he was called at 4 o'clock and was told the proposal was due at midnight, and was asked if the Auxiliary could help. Mr. Permaul said they managed to get it done by 5:00. Decisions about space allocation are the purview the ASUC Store Operations Board, but the Auxiliary agreed to work with him the student to advance the food co-op proposal for consideration.

Regarding Panda Express, Mr. Permaul said the Auxiliary received a copy of the proposed lease from Panda Express from the campus Real Estate office. Currently, lawyers from the University and Panda are reviewing the options. As long as neither side advances further substantive changes to the lease, it will be reviewed for a vote at the next meeting of the ASUC SOB, which is April 14. Beginning next week, the Auxiliary will establish times and procedures for those who wish to review the contract outside of the Board meeting. Contracts will also be available at the Board meeting, but because the contract was so long, a lot of people wanted to have time to look at it beforehand.

Regarding the Bear's Lair Food Court, Mr. Permaul said the RFP will be ready to present to the SOB for final approval in the near future. Campus Contracts has been scrutinizing the proposal carefully and the goals intended to be met by the process.

Mr. Permaul said he would diverge from his prepared report to respond to some of the comments that were made earlier by Chris Reid. Mr. Permaul said that Mr. Reid came to see him for an hour or two that day and Mr. Permaul said he wished Mr. Reid had asked some of the questions that he posed rhetorically to the Senate. There are answers to the questions Mr. Reid posed, and Mr. Permaul said he would give some of them.

There was a reason why Panda Express did not go to a Request for Proposal. This was written and sent to the SOB Chair to distribute to the Board a week ago. Originally Naia Gelateria, a small, local business, that the ASUC brought to the ASUC through the actions of the Senate, was struggling financially. Naia requested the Auxiliary to allow it to sublet its space. The Auxiliary said it couldn't because they were too small of a business to sublet its own space to another business. So the SOB voted to allow them to partner with Panda.

Naia went out and contacted one of the most respected real estate firms in the Bay Area, Terranomics, which reviewed 20 different businesses for the location. He's reported this to the Senate on numerous occasions. Those 20 businesses included large and small businesses. For a variety of criteria, Naia eventually selected Panda Express. Naia brought Panda to the SOB. Over the course of the past three years, three different student governments, three different SOBs, and three different Senates, have met with Panda Express and have reviewed its qualifications. Panda has been open to every suggestion that the ASUC has made. Currently, they're up for consideration. He didn't know how the Board will vote, but he did know that everything that the Board has done has been open, completely transparent, and fair. And to suggest otherwise would be, he thought, a disservice to the students who serve on the Board, to the administrators who are part of it and who actually vote, and to student governments who have come before.

Regarding the issue of the ASUC Bear's Lair Food Court, it was suggested earlier that, for example, that without an RFP, Starbucks was being considered for a location in the Cal Student Store, now occupied by The Scholar's Workstation. TSW didn't need to go to an RFP because that space isn't the Auxiliary's, and was currently under lease to the Cal Student Store. It's the Store's space and the Store negotiated with TSW to establish that space. They were willing to consider a Starbucks in that location, but Starbucks pulled itself out of the running because it was unwilling to meet the qualifications and the criteria that student government had set before them. Instead, Tully's Coffee did. And he would remind everybody that Tully's Coffee was the proposal of the current ASUC President, Ms. Winston. It was her suggestion that they bring Tully's to the ASUC. The SOB took that seriously. The Auxiliary investigated, and the contract that the SOB approved at its last meeting was a perfectly legitimate extension of new space in the Student Union, which had never been used for commercial services before, and could generate new revenue to the ASUC.

Mr. Permaul said he thought it was very important, as they've heard Dean Poullard say before, that they try and get information straight, and get their facts straight. Because otherwise, they walk out believing things that undermine not only their credibility, but the credibility of people working for them. He thought Mr. Reid was an honorable person and his presentation was excellent. Mr. Reid cared deeply about the constituencies he was talking about. Mr. Permaul said that otherwise he wouldn't have spent an hour with Mr. Reid, and nor would the Associate Director have spent two hours with him previously; and Mr. Reid has already made an appointment to see him again. Mr. Permaul said he had no problem with that. He wanted to make sure people ask questions and get the information straight.

Regarding Apple Computer, Mr. Permaul said Apple is discussing a proposed sponsorship program with the ASUC Auxiliary. Apple was concerned that in the past, sales of its products in Berkeley have lagged by almost 50% the sales at UCLA and Stanford. Apple believed that much of the lag was associated with two factors: an inconvenient and unattractive storefront down at University Hall and the lack of adequate marketing. Apple was very pleased with the new location of the Cal Student Store. Through the sponsorship with the Auxiliary, Apple was working with them to advance effective marketing. They believe sales at Berkeley could match those at Stanford and UCLA and were working to achieve that goal.

Regarding Collegiate Link, the Web-based student group management group, on Friday, April 17, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Senate lounge, they'll have the Webinar with Collegiate Link. This will be the last one held, as they're moving forward with implementation. So all of those who want to understand how the program works and the value added it will bring to student organizations, to please attend.

Regarding coming elections, Mr. Permaul said he mentioned to presidential candidates that he has almost finished crafting a message that he will send out to all of them outlining what he believed to be the appropriate expectations for the relationship between the ASUC Auxiliary and student government. Mr. Permaul said this was his third year with the ASUC Auxiliary, and he thought he had a better sense of what he thought was appropriate, and what he thought wasn't. And he certainly knew there were things going on in relationships between the Auxiliary and student government that were not appropriate. And they need to improve on them. So he'll outline to each of the presidential candidates some of the things the two parties need to do, not the least of which were to make early appointments of key officials to the ASUC and to make sure the students' business was debated in an appropriate manner. That would include people like the Finance Officer of the ASUC, the Elections Council Chair, and members of the Judicial Council. They have now gone for two years without replacing the ASUC's legal counsel. They can't go on doing things like that. They had to make sure that they get the students' business done in a timely and effective manner.

Mr. Permaul said another position he thought was absolutely crucial was the Web master for the ASUC. The ASUC's Web site has not been updated during the entire year, since it was first introduced. It has a wonderful system and it can be easily updated. But unfortunately, they're now in April and they still haven't done it.

Mr. Permaul said the other thing was a marketing position for the ASUC. It was absolutely important to communicate the students' business to the campus. He would strongly encourage them in that regard. These were some of the highlights he suggested to presidential candidates. Some of them in the room have taken advantage of the Auxiliary listserv. They have the ability to communicate with over 15,000 students on a regular basis, not once a month, that the campus allows student government, but on a daily basis. And yet, when they have had no person working to do that type of communication. Finally, now, during the Spring Semester, people were coming to them to work with the Auxiliary on using its communications resources. It's that kind of collaboration that there needed to be more of.

Regarding the 5th floor restroom and automatic doors for the Senate and MLK, Mr. Permaul said that over the break, he promised them that work on the 5th floor restroom partition would be done; and it has been. So that bathroom is now accessible. They're still working on getting the doors repaired for the Senate Chamber and for the Student Union.

Mr. Permaul said he mentioned to them some events coming to the Student Union that fall. They definitely want students to go out and participate in the annual Bears Hibernation Drive, a collaboration with the Coalition for Sustainability on campus. Their goal is to collect all the items that students abandon at the end of the year and make them available at the beginning of the year, at a giant sale to students, at low prices. Students would be able to furnish their apartment at reasonable cost with furniture, equipment, and supplies. Food they get that was canned or boxed, and was approved by the campus, will be turned over to the Alameda County Food Bank.

They're also going to run another food drive, and hope to fill an AC Transit bus with 10,000 pounds of food to donate to the Alameda County Food Bank. So these activities were coming up, and he would encourage the ASUC to keep them in mind.

Regarding Lower Sproul redevelopment, Mr. Permaul said the Lower Sproul finance subcommittee met on Tuesday to review the report by Jim Carruthers, of Brailsford & Dunlavey, consultants on the commercial development of the Student Union complex. Mr. Carruthers noted that MLK, Jr. has generated almost 50% less revenue in comparison to UCLA, UCSD, and UCI. The consultants estimate that without having any impact on the surrounding businesses on the Southside, the current commercial space in the Union could be expanded by 24-36,000 square feet. Their current anchor tenant, the Cal Student Store, was viewed as effective as a business and a service, and the addition of The Scholar's Workstation could generate up to \$4-5 million of gross new revenue to the Store, and appropriate commissions to the ASUC. The consultants also gave credit to the Bear's Lair Pub, which, parenthetically, was rated the #5 college student pub in the nation.

Brailsford & Dunlavey viewed the remainder of the businesses there as substandard or under performing. The consultants believe the Auxiliary could net as much as \$1.5-2.5 million in additional revenue with a focused and clear commercial strategy, without violating their core values. But there would have to be compromises to achieve those goals. Otherwise, the Student Union will continue to decline as an effective student center. Brailsford & Dunlavey is the group that students are working with to possibly run the

referendum. The consultants have run hundreds of referenda for various student unions around the country, so as an organization, it had a lot of credibility. As soon as he got the final report, he'll try to make sure it was online and available for view for people to read. Attending this meeting were the President of the GA, the SOB Chair Jordan Smith, member of the Board Nish Rajan, and members of the community, the Committee on Student Fees, and the GA.

Mr. Permaul said he also wanted to point out that Cal Day was in a few weeks. The graphic he was showing was done by the Art Director of SUPERB. He'd pass them out and ask Senators to please make sure they get distributed to student groups and posted around campus. Signs like this will be hung on the Student Union and around the local area. Bear's Lair Food Court vendors were invited, as they were last year, to come out and serve food on Cal Day. When they did this last year, it was the number one day of sales in the entire year. The vendors had never done it before and they're doing it again, on Upper and Lower Sproul Plaza. The sign he was holding will be posted in appropriate places all around the Student Union complex so people know about the various activities on Cal Day.

Mr. Permaul said this was all put together by the students themselves, from the Blue & Gold, from SUPERB, from a whole group of student programs, who did the art work. He'd pass the posters out and ask Senators to take them back to their student groups and distribute them to let students know this activity was going on.

Mr. Permaul said he had a copy of a booklet they're about to publish, the companion to the magazine the Auxiliary put out that past fall. It will be distributed on Cal Day and this coming fall. The number one question they received was what kinds of activities students could participate in at Cal. The magazine, that was edited by all of the advisors to ASUC student groups, tells about the activities, programs, and contact information for every ASUC sponsored group. It's the first time the ASUC has put out something like this. It will be available to all new students. It's a new edition to *Student Center(ed)*, the ASUC magazine. He called for any questions.

Ms. Ude asked if he could share how much Naia was being charged for the space it was leasing. Mr. Permaul said the lease that was negotiated by the ASUC before he arrived was aimed at letting Naia have a low rent. But unlike the Bear's Lair Food Court vendors, Naia was to also pay a commission on sales, as a way to generate higher revenues. Naia invested a substantial amount of money into upgrading that space. The problem was that it was not easily accessible, and a limited amount of foot traffic resulted from the loss of other businesses, like STA Travel, the Postal Annex, and the Photo Cell. So there simply was no foot traffic. And it's foot traffic that drives businesses. If they go to a large mall where there are lots of empty storefronts, what they usually see is a lack of foot traffic. What's done was to have a few anchors to drive foot traffic. One reason why they want Panda is because Panda will have between 900-1,000 separate transactions per day. That foot traffic meant potential overflow for them. That's one reason why they're looking to put the food cooperative right across from Panda, into the space that was once the Postal Annex. Not everybody eats at the same location every day. But people may come down, look at the location, and then make choices. So it will improve foot traffic and help all their businesses. That was one of the key elements in the commercial report by Brailsford & Dunlavy. It was all about trips to the location. And they know that the anchors are the key to driving that foot traffic. He didn't know off the top of his head what the rent was for Naia, but he'd be happy to bring that back to the next meeting.

Ms. Ude asked if he could elaborate on the function of the Collegiate Link program, and what it entailed. Mr. Permaul said Collegiate Link is a, Web-based database program, that allows student organizations to

transact their businesses online. He first saw the program three years ago at a national conference in Atlanta. ASUC student groups are uniquely independent and managed their own finances. When he interviewed the company, the problem the program had at the inability to uplink financial data, run it through the University system, which they must do, and then return it to students to manage on their own. For two years, Mr. Permaul said he kept giving Collegiate Link input on the need for student groups to see their financial reports and to know what their current finances were. CL finally got the message from other campuses as well, and the program they brought back was sent in the form of a Webinar, which Auxiliary staff reviewed. The Finance Officer said it would dramatically reduce the redundancy of data entry that was currently done. And it would give students much more functionality and direct 24-hour access to their group's information. And they could even have one-stop shopping for signing up at CLL and at the Auxiliary. The program has been exposed to a greater number of folks and now they want to make sure that everybody sees it, because it's something that will be a dramatic technological change for the ASUC.

Ms. Ude asked who would manage, this and if it would give more power to students to be able to look at their finances and check on their spending. In terms of oversight, she asked if that responsibility would be turned over to an individual. Mr. Permaul said the program would be overseen by Student Affairs, Ms. Crowder and the three advisors there. They're looking to do a realignment based on what they'd have to do with the budget that year. He was looking to strengthen Student Affairs, with people who appreciate Web technology. That's where the program would be housed, and student groups will be able to handle their affairs directly online. There will be appropriate permissions, and certain people will be granted the privilege of managing it for a group. And everybody will see a check authorization. Once they have those permissions in place, it will be a Web-based process.

Ms. Ude asked if he could elaborate on what he mentioned earlier regarding inappropriate interactions between candidates and Auxiliary members. Mr. Permaul said it wasn't candidates. Over the past three years there has not been enough synergy between the ASUC Auxiliary and student government. The Auxiliary was the ASUC's operations. There should be constant and regular contact between ASUC student government and the Auxiliary. For all three years, all three governments he's had experience with have had a variety of different approaches. He could tell them that with the Graduate Assembly President, he not only meets with him on a regular basis, but they have written agendas that they go through step-by-step. It's been that way with the GA, but not with the ASUC. Mr. Permaul said he considered it partly his fault. He was new perhaps at his job and felt tentative about making his expectations felt to student governments. He's always respected the fact that student government at Berkeley has been independent and made its own choices. He and the Dean have talked about this extensively. He thought that in some ways, he's bent over backwards, and laissez-faire, just let things go in whatever way they would. He didn't think that was appropriate, and thought there came a point where they had to kind of, as student leaders, and as their operations, say to each other, frankly, what they expect from each other. He didn't mind students saying that to him, but he also needed to be able to say it to student government.

Ms. Flores asked if any of the literature the Auxiliary published or printed out were printed on recycled paper. Mr. Permaul said they use recycled paper. A lot of paper inside the department is recycled. They're planning with Sen. Oatfield and Lisa McNeal a proposal to collect once-used paper and produce pads to sell at the Cal Student Store. They're trying to find ways to improve the greening of their facilities and operations.

Ms. Yang asked if the booklet will be available. Mr. Permaul said it will be, and will be reprinted for Fall Welcome Week. As soon as he got copies, he'd make sure they're in people's boxes.

Ms. Flores said he mentioned a lot about the commercial activities on several other campuses, and how they were able to generate revenue. Seeing that Berkeley was a very different campus, with a very different culture and different demographics, she asked if he was proposing, not personally, but the future redevelopment of Sproul would somehow reflect those campuses in a way that was very much corporatized and in favor of big businesses to generate revenue. Mr. Permaul said that was a very good question and perfectly appropriate. They had to make some decisions. If the ASUC wanted to continue to be an independent student organization funding its own operations, it had to come up with a way to do that. It cannot continue to run a debt. It is now in technical violation of the agreement it signed with the Chancellor ten years ago. And in theory, the Chancellor could step in and take over the commercial operations of the ASUC from the students, precisely because they're in violation. That hasn't happened yet, but if the ASUC continues to demonstrate the inability to handle their own commercial operations, they'd run into that buzz saw. So to get around that, they had to find a way to match up their long-term investment strategies with their core values. So if they want to have a highly successful cooperative food store at the ASUC, that's something they need years to plan for, not something that they rush to at the last moment because they don't like the options they've left the SOB with. The SOB were the people who had to look over the long term, not the short term. They don't get to remake their decisions every year because of the changes in student government. They had to look at all financial prescriptions. He thought that nationally, the President has been telling them that they have to be long term. The notion that they could simply ignore the need for commercial development was in and of itself unsustainable. So now they had to find ways to bring the kinds of businesses that they think are appropriate to their location with the ability to generate the kind of revenue that continues to provide them with sustainable financial resources.

As for their options for having sustainable financial resources, they could raise the student fee. If the Senate and the ASUC wanted to raise student fees for the last ten years, the mandatory student fee, it could have done so. But it didn't. He thought mostly that was because every single student government felt that wasn't what it wanted to have a vote for. The other thing was to raise more money from fundraising. They could decide not to use all of the funds on account at the Boston Trust for one purpose, but to spread that out over areas of operation. But they haven't done that. In fact, up until two years ago, when he arrived, the ASUC wasn't even reinvesting the principle. He found that they were spending all of the interest every year. It was his recommendation to government at that time that they set up a financial model to reinvest a portion of the principle so that it would grow and could generate more revenue. They tried at the 120th Anniversary celebration to begin a process of fundraising. If they go to the Auxiliary Web site, they have now opened a new fundraising site. They're going to start actively pursuing some of the graduates of the ASUC to get them to give money. So those three things, fundraising, increasing the mandatory fee, and commercial operations, which the ASUC has been running since the 19th Century, that's been the principle way the ASUC has funded itself and maintained its independent. Since they get no Registration Fees from the campus, unlike all the other campuses.

Mr. Permaul said that when he says to the Senate, as he does on a regular basis, that they had to make some hard decisions, and they had to start looking at a long-term model, that's what he meant. They couldn't have it both ways. They couldn't have it where the ASUC doesn't commercialize and they keep nothing but small businesses. In fact the reason they have Follett there is because the company paid off the ASUC's \$6 million debt, the ASUC had to the campus. The ASUC couldn't have it both ways.

Ms. Flores said that in terms of commercial development, she asked if the hard choice was to have commercial activities reflect that of other campuses. Mr. Permaul said that wasn't necessarily the case. They certainly don't want to be nothing but fast food, national brand name restaurants. The goal the Auxiliary

has been advancing for the past three years was a balanced model, with small businesses sustained by large businesses. They need to have a balance of anchor tenants who could generate new revenue so that the ASUC could afford to have some of these other small businesses that meet the values, interests, and sentiments of their campus. But to have only small businesses would be impossible. It's not financially sustainable or feasible. He reported on one business that came there to look at Auxiliary space. They wanted to come there very badly. They just wanted to know who was going to renovate the space they were interested in, at a cost of \$75-150,000. When the Auxiliary told them that the business would have to make that investment, the company said it simply didn't have the capital for that. So the Auxiliary had to find a way to balance those large and small businesses. Like it or not, Panda has been willing to relocate CUBS, relocate STA Travel, fix up the mall, expand the space and fix it up for the Gelateria, and was willing to offer businesses in the ASUC Food Court recycled utensils, because the Bear's Lair vendors can't afford to purchase them. It's those kinds of shared and balanced activities that were needed.

Ms. Ude said it was mentioned earlier in the year and brought up during Guest Announcements by Chris Reid that they were subsidizing the Daily Cal and the space it occupied. She asked if he could elaborate on the status of the lease as well as Daily Cal's position as a stakeholder on the campus or in the ASUC. Mr. Permaul said he would like to thank her for asking that question, because he needed to clarify what Mr. Reid said. The Daily Cal is not in leased space in the same way that the commercial Food Court and those others spaces were leased. The paper was in what the campus calls "office or administrative space." The campus will not allow the Auxiliary to lease that space to anybody else because Eshleman was considered seismically unsafe. So they either maintain the Daily Cal or they have a vacant floor upstairs. Or, they could put the ASUC's own programs there. But then they'd lose the revenue.

This wasn't the Auxiliary's decision, as he actually made a different proposal through the SOB, which the SOB Chair could elaborate on. The students on the SOB recognized what they thought was the historic value of a student press on the campus, and they have been negotiating with the Daily Cal directly, with the Editor-in-Chief, not even the Business Manager, to come up with an agreement on how to let the Daily Cal continue. Mr. Permaul said he wasn't involved in those discussions, so he couldn't report on them. He asked the Chair of the SOB about this, and he promised to give an update at the next meeting. He thought that was really in the hands of student leadership. He asked Ms. Pasco if his statement was correct. Ms. Pasco said it was. Mr. Permaul said he trusted them doing the negotiations, and they'll bring a proposal back to the SOB. The Board felt that the \$40,000 that the Daily Cal owed the Auxiliary was not nearly as important as the function campus-wide that the Daily Cal provides, by providing news to the campus. Ms. Pasco said that seeing no further questions, she would like to thank him for his report.

Ms. Oatfield moved to go to Guest Announcements. The motion was seconded by Ms. Flores and passed with no objection.

Guest Announcements (cont'd)

Ms. Pasco said the next guest announcement was from Darin Ranahan, regarding the recall election. Mr. Ranahan introduced himself and said he filed a charge in this matter. He just wanted to speak to the

Senate to express his disappointment in the way this whole matter has been handled. He found out about the incident at the heart of the recall last November, and thought it was outrageous. The process of the recall election began shortly thereafter, late last November; and Sen. Moghtader was still sitting there, after four months after the incident at the heart of the recall; and over a month after the results of the recall have come out. Throughout the whole process, Sen. Moghtader and Attorney General Sinanian have used delay tactics to the point where now there's only a month left in the school year; and Mr. Moghtader was still there.

Mr. Ranahan said he just wanted to speak on behalf of himself and the other people who voted for the recall, that despite the fact that 72% of the people voted yes, AG Sinanian continues to try to delay the results of the recall coming into effect. He thought that showed contempt for the democratic process and thought it was inappropriate for an ASUC official. He called for any questions. Seeing no questions, Ms. Pasco said she would like to thank him very much.

Ms. Pasco said the next speaker was Camille Pannu. Ms. Pannu said she wanted to thank the ASUC for letting the people there speak. Law students don't come there very often, so this was kind of a new experience for her and for the other Law students there. Ms. Pannu said she's a first-year Law student at Boalt Law and like Mr. Ranahan, voted yes on the recall. But that wasn't why she came to talk to the Senate. She came that evening because she thought, and she felt she spoke very strongly on behalf of a lot of Law students and a lot of other people who voted yes on the recall, that their student government should represent the highest standards of moral conduct and should be open to all students. She thought that there's been a breakdown in what's been going on. And the breakdown has largely centered, in their opinion, on the Attorney General.

Ms. Pannu said they feel that the role of the Attorney General is to enforce the rules of the ASUC and to make sure this was a body that really stuck to its Constitution, By-laws, and Judicial Rules. They also feel that the AG position was to represent the ASUC, the Senate, the President, and the Executive Officers. This was not to say that they don't think the AG is a good person. They think he's a really nice guy and all their interactions have been very good. It was just that they can't seem to understand how someone who violated the ASUC Constitution by failing to do his job, by failing to do what he's been told to do in the By-laws, by denying their students their right to vote, under the Bill of Rights of the ASUC Constitution, has failed to represent the student union and its best interests, and has put the ASUC in the position of legal liability in a real court, was doing an appropriate job. So they came to the Senate that evening to say that they don't trust the judgment of the Attorney General. They feel that he's been using tactics that are inappropriate for his office, are abusive to students, did not represent the interests of the ASUC, and were not representing the Senate well, to be honest, in light of the student body's personal opinion, on the street. They think it's dangerous.

Ms. Pannu said the students there thought the AG was doing things without thinking them through, and they did not trust his judgment. The AG said in testimony that he hasn't been going by the rules and has been going by his gut feeling. Unfortunately, that would be fine if it was anybody else, but as the Attorney General, Mr. Sinanian held a lot of power in that office, and his gut feeling wasn't good enough. His job was to be the main guy in charge of the laws.

Ms. Pannu said that what the group she was with was asking the Senate to do that evening was to make a motion to remove Mr. Sinanian from office. They think that what he's done was really dangerous to the

ASUC and to its credibility as the organization. They think it's very dangerous to students and at the heart of it, Mr. Sinanian was disenfranchising a lot of students from their votes. Whether or not the background facts of the recall were up for debate, and what actually happened, and what didn't, there was a fair and free election. It was highly contested and was litigated through the Judicial Council early on, and for a really long time. To sit there and week after week, after his window of opportunity, to review the elections, and to keep going back and stalling, denied all of them a right to vote, as yes voters and no voters. He's saying an election was not important, that the ASUC Constitution meant nothing to him, and that the By-laws were just there to think about but not to enforce. Ms. Pasco said speaking time had expired. A motion to extend by three minutes was made and seconded by Ms. Ude and Ms. Flores and passed with no objection.

Ms. Pannu said they came there that evening to encourage the Senate, and beg them, to please make a motion that evening to remove the Attorney General from office. They think it's essential for the health of the Association and for the sake of moving forward. She called for any questions.

Ms. Flores said it was mentioned that the ASUC could potentially face a charge in real court, and asked if she could elaborate on that. Ms. Pannu said she didn't know if people were around for the Gabriel lawsuit that happened a couple of years ago. What the courts found was that the Judicial Council and ASUC Officers were required to follow their own rules first, meaning the Constitution, By-laws, and JRPs, in going through things. The kinds of things that the AG has been doing in litigation for the last couple of weeks, including the lawsuit he get rid of the against Nathan Shaffer last week and Dina Omar this week, tends to parallel the Gabriel case. She wasn't trying to make a threat, but thought it was pretty reasonable to say a similar legal obligation fell on the ASUC. To an outside court, Mr. Sinanian has committed acts that could arguably go up to a jury and be abuse of power and process, and what the ASUC considered sanctions and crimes are considered sanctions and crimes were considered outside the ASUC. That's what they're referring to.

Ms. Yang asked what the communication level was between people on campus and the Attorney General. Ms. Pannu said she wasn't the best person to speak about that since she wasn't a party to the current lawsuit. Most of the Law students that she knew who have been interested in this have been talking with Law students actively involved in this, and reviewing documents.

Ms. Raffi asked if she suggesting that Mr. Sinanian was wrong in pursuing the case against proponents regarding the recall. Ms. Pannu said she was suggesting that the way he's pursued it was wrong. Not necessarily that bringing suit was the wrong action for the AG, because that's a normal part of his powers and responsibilities. But he brought suit without full evidence, without following the rules of judicial procedure, and without deference to or a thorough understanding of the By-laws. It's become fairly clear in the actual proceedings, at least from what she's heard, that he didn't have a strong grasp of the By-laws as one would hope from the AG.

Ms. Raffi asked if it was also clear in the hearing that the J-Council made mistakes with the By-laws. For all students at Berkeley, who have never experienced anything like this, she asked Ms. Pannu what she thought the AG should do if a recall election was presented with new information that, for example, a Voter's Guide may have been falsified, and that there were final deadlines. Ms. Pannu said she thought it was a case-by-case question, but the Elections By-laws, from what she understood, have a good faith period for filing for a reason. If that wasn't the situation, cases could be brought up after people were in office, at any time. Also, the quote "evidence" in question, from what she understood, wasn't like it had

been missing and was newly discovered. The evidence was there all the time and the AG just didn't know about it. From what she heard, that video has been available to someone since around November. So she thought there were also questions about that, with someone sitting on information. People are supposed to report to the Attorney General in order to bring up charges, and if that didn't happen, the By-laws have a provision for cases to be closed because they don't want things to go on forever. She agreed that this was new territory, but Mr. Sinanian made a lot of terrible decisions. She didn't think he was a bad guy, or had an evil agenda, but just thought he wasn't exercising good judgment. And she thought that opened the ASUC up to real problems when it came to addressing these issues. Ms. Pasco said speaking time had expired. A motion to extend by five minutes was made and seconded by Ms. Hussain and Ms. Flores and passed with no objection.

Ms. Raffi asked if she disagreed that there might be a reason why the AG is given the power to file suit after the good faith filing deadline in the event that there's a large error or extenuating circumstances, so that before elections are resolved and validated, that this kind of suit can still make its weight felt and have an impact on the election. Ms. Pannu said Ms. Raffi might not think this was an answer to her question, but Ms. Pannu said she thought it was on a case-by-case basis; and if that was the case, the Senate should amend the By-laws because the Senate doesn't say that's what they do. The AG was supposed to enforce the current By-laws. It wasn't a position of deciding when the By-laws don't apply or to waive them and decide on something after the fact. That was their authority as Senators, and a decision for the Senate to make. She was a little confused, because if this was a real concern, there should be a re-visit of the By-laws. But she didn't think it was appropriate for the AG to dictate from his office what he thought the By-laws should be, and then change them.

Ms. Raffi said that to clarify, she asked if Ms. Pannu was saying that it wasn't forbidden to the AG in the By-laws. Ms. Pannu said the election had to be certified within a fair period. The Judicial Council certified the results, and then the Attorney General brought suit. So there are two issues. But in theory, there's no limit on the AG's authority. That raises issues of public policy. In theory, that should never happen because the J-Council had an opportunity and should have said the election results were closed,

Ms. Oatfield said she had a main motion to consider, and moved to remove Attorney General Sinanian from office. Ms. Pasco said she would recommend that Ms. Oatfield write a bill, to be included in the April 15 agenda packet. Ms. Oatfield asked if there was no way for this to be a main motion, to be posted that evening. Ms. Pasco said there wasn't, not on a motion like this.

Mr. Nahabet moved to recess for two minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Raffi and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed.

Back in session, Ms. Chen moved to go to Guest Announcements. The motion was seconded by Ms. Flores and passed with no objection.

Doreen Bloch introduced herself and said she was the founding editor of *The Bare*. A bunch of staff were there and they would love to pass out magazines to Senators, to thank them for their support that year and also to share the magazine, if they haven't seen it. Hopefully, the magazine has brought great honor to the ASUC by being in *The New York Times*. Their fourth issue came out in February and their next one will

come out hopefully in the next three or four weeks. She wanted to thank them very much. (Applause)
She called for any questions.

Ms. Ude asked if she'll attend the ASUC Publications Awards Banquet, and asked if they were hopeful of winning any specific award. Doreen said they applied for a bunch of awards. They hope the magazine will win Best Publication of the Year. It's an amazing quality, and there were so many students who were involved, over 108 students, including models and photographers, business people, writers. Winning that would be a huge honor, and the staff would be so on proud to accept such an award.

Ms. Flores said that Sen. Ude wanted her to ask if people had to be over 5'10" to be a model. Ms. Bloch said there was no requirement at all. They have people of all looks and sizes, and they wanted to show the diversity of Cal through the magazine. That was a big goal of theirs.

Ms. Chen said she would like to thank people from the magazine for coming in and making the announcement.

Ms. Yang moved to go back to Reports from ASUC Representatives. The motion was seconded by Ms. Flores and passed with no objection.

Report from the Graduate Assembly Representative

Mr. Daal said he had a couple of announcements. The GA will meet on Thursday, and Vice Chancellor Basri will address the Delegates, talking about the equity and inclusion plan. Mr. Daal said he would ask Senators to please attend if they're interested in that subject, or if they'd like to hang out with grads.

Mr. Daal said that regarding Lower Sproul, he asked if everybody has taken the Lower Sproul survey, and noted that most people indicated they had. The survey got 7,600 responses, which was 20% of the population, really good. They learned some interesting things, like 61% of people enter campus from the south; and 70% of those surveyed passed through Lower Sproul at least once a week. He thought those were interesting facts.

Mr. Daal said he would like to reiterate an announcement he made last time about two Lower Sproul pre-programming workshops that were coming up. One will be on April 21 and the other will be on May 8. It's a chance for student groups to articulate their needs for Lower Sproul, such as perhaps wanting a dance studio with hardwood floors, or a kitchen, or something like that. He would ask them to please get it touch with him or Ms. Pasco if they were interested in sending some student group representatives to the pre-programming workshop.

Mr. Daal said that regarding the revenue sharing bill, he wanted to express his support for the bill, SB 146, which was coming up. It would create a committee to consider and to evolve the bills that he distributed, but has not yet submitted formally, to make it easy to change them around if people would like. He would like to encourage that committee to be swift and effective in making its recommendations.

Lastly, Mr. Daal said he was intrigued by Mr. Permaul's comments about fundraising for the Senate. Mr. Daal said he just wanted to share with the Senate some information that he would ask to be off the record, since he wasn't sure he could share it or not. [Discussion was held off the record.] Ms. Pasco called for any questions.

Ms. Hussain said that if people give, if the money would go to the ASUC or to the Auxiliary. Mr. Daal said people could decide where money would go. They just want to make sure the opportunity was clear, and people could check whether money would go to the Auxiliary or to an ASUC trust.

Ms. Hussain said that with this information, she asked what the next step was in seeing if people would be willing to give to the ASUC. Mr. Daal said people work at the University whose job was to do that all day, development officers. It's a lot of work. But if people wanted to do this themselves, what they'd start to do was to re-establish connections with their alumni. He wasn't sure to what extent this was done already. He asked if the ASUC had a newsletter that went out to their alums every so often. That's how they could start. Mr. Daal said he went to Brown as an undergrad and from the day he left campus, every two months he receives a request for funds. That's how other schools cultivate alumni donating and giving bases. They just get people in the habit of giving. They call him up, and he tells them he's a grad student and doesn't make any money, and still, they keep on asking. They ask him if, since he gave \$25 last year, if he could give \$26 this year. So the ASUC would need to re-establish its connections either through newsletters, calling, or hiring its own development officer.

Ms. Ude asked if he was aware or had any suggestions as to how the ASUC could work with the Cal Annual Fund to do that. She actually worked with the Annual Fund, and the difficulty with that is that it's an issue with generation alumni were from when they were students at Cal, in terms of the experiences they had at Cal as having the reputation of being the number 1 public institution, but at the same time, it being a public institution and not having the same benefits as one of the Ivy League institutions would have. That makes it a bit more difficult for the school, as a public school, to generate and maintain alumni satisfaction to the level that a degree from Brown or the having a degree from Brown would have in terms of the return and network connections and experiences. She didn't think Cal had that. Mr. Daal said he's been told that the people who were able to give money, who were kind of older, remember Berkeley as being a tough academic place, and the money they want to give would go to academics. Or, they remember Berkeley as being a place that was adequately supported by the State, raising the question as to why they should give. That was something that needed to be worked on. That was a very difficult hurdle. But if the ASUC wanted money, that's what they would have to do.

Ms. Flores asked if he could share the data he received from the 7,000 survey responses, and also asked if the survey was ongoing. Mr. Daal asked if Ms. Pasco could send the survey to everybody. Ms. Pasco said she would. As for the schedule, Mr. Daal said the survey will conclude on Friday, after which they'll give out the seven gift certificates for people who responded.

Ms. Flores said that with regard to the donating capacity of the alumni, she asked how he would gauge the giving capacity. Mr. Daal said he believed it was done by home income. Ms. Flores asked if he knew what percentage they could donate, what the minimum was. Mr. Daal said he didn't know the relationship between how much people make and how much they think they could give. But they had some way of assessing donating capacity.

Ms. Shah moved to go to the Special Order. The motion was seconded by Ms. Flores and passed with no objection.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY -- Presentation by the Committee on Student Fees

A speaker said they'd go through what they're doing. The Committee on Student Fees is the accounting firm on campus run entirely by students. In 1972 the students on campus and at other UC campuses decided that students should have a voice in where Registration Fees should go. So they created the Committee on Student Fees on every UC campus. Over the past 35 years it's fluctuated in terms of the charges the Committee had.

Currently, there are four main charges. The first was that they will look at all the budgets that go through the different control units on the campus with regard to Registration Fees. That means the budgets that Vice Chancellor Padilla and the Vice Chancellor and Provost get. They give the Committee those budgets and the Committee evaluates them and gives the student voice on they feel their priorities are in terms of Reg Fees should be allocated towards.

Their second charge was to give two reports every year. They audit different UC Berkeley student services, from the KALX radio station, to the RSF, CLL, whatever units get Registration Fees. The Committee on Student Fees makes sure units properly allocate the fees, and that the services they offer are up to par.

The third charge is that they also sit on all committees regarding referendums. So they sit on the Health Fee Advisory Board, on the TGIF Board, the Class Pass Committee, Course Materials, a number of different committees on campus who receive Reg Fees. The CSF has reps who sit as voting members of these committees.

Lastly, they'll soon be able to evaluate miscellaneous fees. These are fees that every department has, such as printing fees, fees for architecture classes, buying supplies. Any fee that didn't fit under a course materials fee was a miscellaneous student fee. If a unit wants a fee they will send the proposal to the Budget Office, which will send it to the CSF, which sends it back to the Business Office in order to finalize the report. Those were the four main things the CSF does. He said he would pass speaking time to Christina, the other director.

Christina said the Committee on Student Fees is a non-biased student group, which means they don't associate themselves with any type of student organization. In terms of who they report to, they fall directly under Executive Vice Chancellor Breslauer. In terms of their organization, as a whole, there are ten members. There are two Directors, she and Mr. Chaney. There are two Project Leaders, and six Budget Analysts. The main responsibilities she and Mr. Chaney had were are the leadership of the club. They work directly with a lot of the Vice Chancellors and kind of come up with the vision for the year, and direct the club as needed. The Project Managers prepare unit reports each year. Budget Analysts do the research and go to additional committee meetings. They have only undergraduate members this year, and there's only been undergraduate members for a while now. But they were interested in expanding that and offering positions to graduate students. They would like to have a more realistic group of students to provide recommendations.

The speaker said they have a document to pass around, for people to go over what they just reported. If people have any questions, they'd be happy to answer them.

Ms. Ude asked what their professional opinions were on the proposed increase to the health fee, with the current budget cuts. The Chair of the Student Health Advisory Committee sits on that Committee as well. She asked if they could speak to that. The speaker said they get research information the first semester of every year, on what physicians were saying, what Mental Health was saying. The Committee recommended to increase that amount to keep the appointments the same. The central funds of the health fee, if they don't increase FTEs, they wouldn't be able to sustain their job functions. By having a minimum increase, as minimum as possible, it would make sure those job actions were still in service, because they want those services offered. They're integral to what students need, based on research they have. A report should be filed online.

Ms. Ude said that there was a presentation given to the Senate by Mr. Permaul a couple of weeks ago about the CSF considering the issue of funds the ASUC might possibly be owed or entitled to from Zellerbach, or revenue Zellerbach receives. The speaker said this was kind of a sensitive issue. The idea was that the ASUC got its own funding. The Senate was there to look at the fees it got. What Mr. Permaul was discussing was certain services on campus that don't tailor their services directly to students and yet receive a substantial amount of Registration Fees. When they look at the allocations and why they get the fees, they don't know why. The speaker said their goal, hopefully in the next couple of years, was to try to figure out whether do they want a performance center, or a museum on Bancroft, what they did want, and to use that information to take back to control units that house Zellerbach and the Museum and services that may not tailor those services to students and ask if maybe they shouldn't be given Reg Fees. In a nutshell, there are questions that arise as to why certain services get Registration Fees. Mr. Permaul might have been alluding to those.

Ms. Flores asked how a student could get involved in the CSF. Christine said they have a recruitment process they do at the beginning of each academic year. They're thinking of starting a bit earlier, at the end of the academic year, for the coming year. They post the job on Cal Jobs and send a posting out to a lot of club listservs. It deals with a lot of word of mouth. They expanded their application pool a lot from previous years. The speaker said they also set e-mails to ASUC and GA Executives, asking for their recommendations and references. The only problem is that people who are selected can't be as affiliated with their student government bodies.

Ms. Flores asked how many students are on the Committee on Student Fees. Christine said there are ten.

Ms. Flores said that with regard to Lower Sproul redevelopment, she asked if the Committee has communication with the GA and with the Lower Sproul Student Council for the proposed upcoming student fee increase. The speaker said they have one student who works with that group and sits on a committee. So they do know what's going on. Christine said that was something the Committee has taken very seriously, and they put a member on the Committee. It's something they have sought out.

Ms. Shah asked if it would be best to use Registration Fees as leverage to get more access to facilities Reg Fees go to, such as Zellerbach, or to transfer that funding to something students want. The speaker asked if they should go to student services and ask them to please allocate more time towards students, as opposed to actually taking the funding away. He asked if that was the question. Ms. Shah said that Zellerbach was really expensive for students to use. The speaker said that Zellerbach give students a

discount. Ms. Shah said it was expensive to rent. The speaker said at that point he'd guess it could be up to the students, or whoever else was interested, to go to those services and asked them to allocate more to students. The Committee on Student Fees did have someone who sits on the Performances Board. It seemed kind of difficult at this point because there's only one student. So it was difficult for them to convey those messages on how Zellerbach runs its business. That's definitely a way they could pursue things in the short run. But in the long run, they need some quantitative information to use. They could ask what percentage students should get as Reg Fees rather than saying Zellerbach already got money ten or 20 years ago, and try and figure out a way to say students should still get a certain percent. And they should double check that with what students want. In the short run, they should say people should talk to them about allocating more resources to student services.

Ms. Yang asked when CSF meetings are held, and asked if they're open to general students. Christine said they have meetings every Wednesday night at 6 o'clock. They're opening up those meetings to general people who would like to attend. They recently starting publicizing it on their Web site. For the rest of the year, they'll have two meetings that are closed because of what they'll discuss. But all other meetings are open. Ms. Yang asked where they're held. Christine said they have an office on the 2nd floor. The Web site is csf.berkeley.edu. Ms. Pasco said that seeing no further questions, she would like to thank them very much.

Ms. Hussain moved to go to Committee Reports. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mairena and passed with no objection.

Committee Reports

Reporting for the Finance Committee, Ms. Hussain said the meeting started at 9:14 p.m. At roll call, all were present besides Pres. Winston and EVP Pasco. They approved all waivers except for FAST and AAA, which were tabled. In Old Business, SB 118 was tabled for the third time; so it died in committee. SB 103 was tabled; 106 was tabled; 116 was tabled; 124 was amended and approved; 116 was tabled; 137 was tabled; 139 was amended and approved. In New Business, SB 150 was amended and approved; 151 was approved; 144 was amended and tabled; 149 was amended and approved; 152 was amended and approved; 148 was amended and approved; 155 was amended and approved; 145 was amended and approved; 141 was amended and approved. All were present at the final roll call beside Ms. Winston and Ms. Pasco and Finance Officer Batac. The meeting adjourned at 1:10 a.m.

Begin written report from the Finance Committee

ASUC Standing Committee on Finance
Spring 2009 Session – week 10
Monday, March 30, 2009
9:00 pm, Senate Lounge, Eshleman Hall

Chair: Senator Saira Hussain | Vice Chair: Senator Kifah Shah

Written report from the Finance Committee (cont'd)

Voting Members: Senators Dhar, Flores, Hussain, Nahabet, Rodriguez, Shah, Zuo

Non-Voting Members: President Winston, EVP Pasco, Finance Officer Batac

- I. Meeting Called to order at 9:14PM
- II. Approval of Minutes from March 16, 2009
 - a. Approved
- III. Approval of the Agenda for March 30, 2009
 - a. Approved
- IV. Roll Call 9:20PM
 - a. All present but President Winston, EVP Pasco
- V. Approval of the Agenda for March 2, 2009
 - a. Approved
- VI. Waivers
 - a. AAA tabled again
 - b. FAST tabled again
 - c. All Approved
- VII. Committee Business
 - a. The dedicated Finance Officer Batac and Financial Committee Chair Hussain worked diligently on spring budgeting a total of 48 hours
 - b. Because of our spending, our registration will remain flat, so we are working off the revenue we had last year, whereas in previous years people worked off extra revenue from Registration Fees; we're getting zero from commercial revenues and zero from fees
 - c. We added many new programs as well into the spring budget, the Lower Sproul Referendum, attorney fees, Bears Breaking Boundaries
 - d. They are thinking about cutting student group funding next year, but so many have already been cut; they factored their decisions based on infractions in completing the spring budgeting applications; they worked 4-5 days, 14 hour days, nit-picking every single line item on the budgets proposed; there was no room for bias because they felt there was no money to give at all; late applications are also expected, and they are expected to be cut
 - e. If you had \$1,000+ in your application, you could only get a 50% increase; because both the Finance Officer and Financial Committee Chair were working on this, there is increased accountability
 - f. They still need \$30,000 for the spring budgeting process, which will need to come from Carry Forward, which will leave only \$10,000

Written report from the Finance Committee (cont'd)

- g. At the rate that we are going in Senate, it is possible to dip below \$100,000, which is not at all recommended by the Finance Chair
 - h. Bottom line: Be Fiscally Responsible!!
- VIII. Old Business
- a. SB 118
 - i. Killed
 - b. SB 103
 - i. Tabled
 - c. SB 106
 - i. Tabled
 - d. SB 116
 - i. Tabled
 - e. SB 124a
 - i. Amended to read \$420
 - ii. Amended to add Senators Zuo, Hussain, Rodriguez, Flores as co-sponsors
 - f. SB 116
 - i. Tabled
 - g. SB 137
 - i. Tabled
 - h. SB 139a
 - i. Amended to add Senators Shah, Zuo, Flores, Hussain as co-sponsors
 - ii. Approved
- IX. New Business
- a. Appointments
 - i. None
 - b. SB 150a
 - i. Amended to add Senators Dhar, Nahabet, Flores, Rodriguez, and Shah as co-sponsors
 - ii. Approved
 - c. SB 151
 - i. Approved
 - d. SB 144a
 - i. Tabled
 - e. SB 149a
 - i. Amended to add Senators Flores, Chen, Nahabet, Rodriguez, Shah as co-sponsors
 - ii. Approved
 - f. SB 152a
 - i. Adopted amended version

- ii. Approved

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- g. SB 148a
 - i. Adopted amended version
 - ii. Amended to add Senators Shah, Nahabet, Zuo, Flores as cosponsors
 - iii. Approved
- h. SB 155a
 - i. Amended to add Senators Shah, Nahabet, Rodriguez, and Flores as co-sponsors
 - ii. Approved
- i. SB 145a
 - i. Adopted amended version
 - ii. Approved
- j. SB 141a
 - i. Adopted amended version
 - ii. Approved for \$950

X. Adjournment

- a. Roll Call
- b. All Present but President Winston, EVP Pasco, Finance Officer Batac
- c. Meeting Adjourned at 1:10AM

End written report from the Finance Committee

Reporting for the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee, Mr. Mairena said the meeting was called to order at 9:04 p.m. All Senators were Legally Present, except for Mr. Smelko. SB 135, which was Old Business, was approved, as submitted. It will be pulled from the Consent Calendar that evening and discussed. In New Business, SB 132 passed; 133 was approved as amended; 136 passed; and 147 passed. They'll meet again not that coming Monday, but the Monday after.

Begin written report from the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee

ASUC Standing Committee on Constitutional and Procedural Review
Spring 2009 Session – Week 10
Monday, March 30, 2009
9:00 p.m., Senate Lounge

Chair: Mairena | Vice Chair: Sakaue

Voting Members: Senators Chen, Cho, Mairena, Oatfield, Sakaue, Smelko, T. Tran

I. Call to order: 9:04 pm

- A. Roll Call: Senators Chen, Cho, Mairena, Oatfield, Sakaue, T. Tran Were Present
- B. Senator Smelko Was Absent.

II. Approval of the Minutes from March 16, 2009

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

A. Approved

III. Approval of the Agenda for March 30, 2009

A. Approved

IV. Old Business

A. Need to vote this Wednesday In Senate on Sumeet Ajmani

B. SB 135

- i. Passed with the expectation of further information from Vinit Sukhija at the Wednesday Senate meeting
- ii. Some expressed concerns about the idea that the email only include the voting information since the Executive offices are still holding programming during the month of Aril, which is usually publicized in the campus-wide email.

V. New Business

A. Bills

i. SB 142

a. Passed

ii. SB 143

a. Amended to the Version Sent Out By Senator T. Tran

b. SB 143a Passed With Expectation of A More Detailed Description of Bylaw Changes By Wednesday

iii. SB 146

a. Passed [amended version sent out]

iv. SB 147

a. Passed

VI. Committee Business

A. None

VII. Adjournment 9:23 Pm

A. Roll Call: Senators Cho, Chen, Mairena, Oatfield, Sakaue, T. Tran Were Present

B. Senator Smelko Was Absent

End written report from the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee

Reporting for the University and External Affairs Committee, Ms. Tran said their meeting began at 9:05 p.m. SB 142 passed. All Senators were present but Mr. Moghtader. They adjourned at 9:08. They won't meet this coming week, but will meet the following week. She send out an e-mail on that.

Begin written report from the University and External Affairs Committee

Written report from the University and External Affairs Committee (cont'd)

March 30, 2009

Meeting Begins @ 9:05

Minutes from Last Meeting (March 16) APPROVED

Agenda for March 30 APPROVED

No Old Business

New Business
SB 142: A Bill in Condemnation of Researcher Intimidation
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Adjourn @ 9:08

Present: Senators Raffi, Ude, Owens, Yang, Lisa Tran

End written report from the University and External Affairs Committee

Ms. Pasco said the Standing Committee on the Advocacy Agenda did not meet last week due to Spring Break. They'll meet on Thursday from 5:00 to 6:00 in her office.

Ms. Shah said the Advocacy Agenda Committee on Student Health and Mental and Spiritual Well Being didn't meet last week because of Spring Break, but they'll meet next week on Monday at 8 p.m.

Ms. Cho said the Advocacy Agenda Committee on Academic Resources Improvement and Employment Security hasn't met, and will meet that week.

Ms. Oatfield said the Advocacy Agenda Committee on Fiscal, Environmental, and Socially Responsible Businesses for Lower Sproul did not meet that week as they only meet the first and third weeks of the month.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The following bills were up for consideration that evening: SBs 124, as amended; 139, as amended; 150, as amended; 151; 149, as amended; 152, as amended; 148, as amended; 155, as amended; 145, as amended; 141, as amended; 135, as amended; 143; 146, as amended; 147, and 142.

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Ms. Pasco said the Chair would entertain a motion for a five-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. Flores moved to go to Appointed Official Reports. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hussain and passed with no objection.

Ms. Flores moved to go to the report from the Judicial Council, to have more people there when Ms. Batac reported. The motion was seconded and passed with no objection.

Report from the Judicial Council

Ms. Johal said she quite a lot for them. First, she wanted to give an update on Sinanian v. the Israeli Action Committee. The hearing was held before they left for Spring Break and the decision was released that morning. The Judicial Council ruled that the IAC was in violation of Title II of the By-laws, which states that no student group shall endorse or take action on campaigns in ASUC elections. Accordingly, the J-Council issued a ruling for their sponsorship to be revoked. Ms. Johal said she'd give the updates she had, and if there were any questions regarding the cases, she'd take them at the end.

With regard to the Sinanian v. the Recall case, heard on Monday evening, there were two developments. The first was that the J-Council that evening issued a Severance of Party. So a separate hearing will be established for Dina Omar, and that has yet to be scheduled. The J-Council was working diligently to get that scheduled as soon as possible. As for the development of the case in that proceeding, there was an issue with the videotape evidence that came into question because it was not provided beforehand. The J-Council established guidelines for Attorney General Sinanian to submit that videotape as evidence by 10 p.m. Tuesday evening. No copies of that videotape were received by 10 p.m., so given that the J-Council felt the lack of those tapes would be a violation of the defendant's right to a fair hearing, the J-Council issued a default judgment in favor of the defense. So at this point, that case was closed. Ms. Johal said that was an update on all the cases, and she would answer any questions.

Ms. Hussain asked if there is a less harsh punishment other than revoking ASUC sponsorship for a group that violated an elections violation. Ms. Johal said that in Title II of the By-laws, the only consequence that's brought up is revocation of sponsorship.

Mr. Mairena asked if there was any way that the Senate could potentially overrule a decision of the J-Council. Ms. Johal said she would actually advise the them to consult with Attorney General Sinanian about that, because that's what his role was, to advise the Senate. The Judicial Council issues its decision and that's where the J-Council stands. So in terms of anything people wanted to scrutinize about this, they should ask the AG.

Ms. Flores said that to prevent this from happening to any other student organization, she asked if Ms. Johal would recommend that individuals in an endorsement state that any support of theirs in elections was to put “titles for identification purposes only,” or if, even with that label, that would hinder a student

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organization’s ASUC sponsorship. Ms. Johal said the Council stated that had the individual placed “title for identification purposes only,” it would have been a distinction between what he was representing as an individual versus representing the organization as a whole, and making a statement on behalf of that organization.

Ms. Hussain asked if the results of the recall election could not be validated before the pending Sinanian v. Omar case. Ms. Johal said that was correct, because there was still pending litigation. Ms. Hussain asked if it made a difference that the case was filed after the good faith filing deadline. Ms. Johal said the Charge Sheet for the Sinanian v. Omar case was the same as the Charge Sheet for the Sinanian v. Recall Election. So that whole process of accepting the Charge Sheet was already taken care of by the J-Council prior to Spring Break. So all qualifications for that were met.

Ms. Shah asked how the case for the JSU was handled, and why the IAC case was not handled in the same manner. Ms. Johal said the procedure for a settlement is an agreement between the two parties, and the two parties reported to the J-Council. The J-Council was approached with a settlement from Mr. Sinanian and the JSU. But the J-Council was not approached with a settlement between the IAC and Mr. Sinanian. If those parties wanted to reach a settlement and present that to the J-Council, it could have been considered. But no settlement was received.

Ms. Shah asked if she knew whether a settlement was offered. Ms. Johal said that was a question she should direct towards the AG.

Ms. Raffi asked if both parties had to come to an agreement in order to enter into a settlement agreement. Ms. Johal said they did. Ms. Pasco said that seeing no further questions, she would like to thank her very much.

Mr. Nahabet moved to recess for two minutes. The motion was seconded and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed.

Back in session, Ms. Pasco noted that New Business that evening started with SB 156, not SB 149.

Report from the Finance Officer

Ms. Batac said she had very important updates on the ASUC’s fiscal situation. She was really glad Mr. Permaul made the presentation that evening about the current state of their finances, from the Auxiliary’s perspective. She would now give an update on spring budgeting. She would ask Senators to please keep in mind what Mr. Permaul said, because it certainly related to what she would speak to, about the ASUC’s finances.

It was a very busy and exciting time for ASUC finances because spring budget applications have all been turned in. She would give some information about the process. Anybody who turned in an application at

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that time was now considered late. She will consider late applications only until that Friday. If any Senators' groups give a late application past Friday, they officially will not be considered in next year's budget. There will be no exceptions whatsoever. So she would ask Senators to get groups to e-mail their application to springbudget2009@gmail.com.

Ms. Batac said they made infractions for groups that missed constitutions, a registration form, a working budget, or had severe formatting issues, such as not knowing how to add correctly, or not following the application format. Such groups were penalized on different levels.

The actual process itself was for her and Ms. Hussain to spend 14-hour days during Spring Break reviewing over 300+ applications, plus another day where her interns recorded all the information she and Ms. Hussain gathered.

They considered several factors when it came to their decisions. They looked at the overall content of the application itself and calculated every single expenditure the group made, to make sure it was something the ASUC could actually fund. They did that for almost every single application. They also considered other factors, such as fiscal need, other sources of revenue, and formal restrictions, like groups receiving a certain amount of money couldn't get more than a certain percentage from the previous year's allocation. So there was a lot of accountability and almost no room for bias for this year, particularly because they're very strapped for funds.

Ms. Batac said that based on the general overview of their unfinalized results, since she hasn't accounted for all of the late applications and other things that were still coming in, she still had more than enough reason to warn the ASUC of an impending fiscal emergency, if not this year, than in years sooner than they thought. After staying up until 6 a.m., trying to balance their funds, their expenses met their revenues. They still found themselves \$30,000 in the hole. Therefore, many groups could expect to get cut next year. The reason is because the recession has finally hit the ASUC. Unlike the last three years, when the ASUC received tens of thousands of dollars in increases in Registration Fees, next year, they expect Registration Fees to stay flat because of the budget cuts the University was expecting. So therefore, no new revenue was coming in to the ASUC, and the Senate will have the same amount it had last year. This was especially problematic because of the new expenditures they had to fund that year, and the increase in the number of new student groups the ASUC has to fund.

Ms. Batac said she's been telling the Senate for quite sometime about these expected expenditures. This will affect student group funding. She's been telling the Senate this all year long. Unfortunately, no one seemed to heed her warning. They have to fund over \$50,000 in government programs and operations, such as allocating money to hire a new ASUC lawyer and for additional line items, such as Bears Breaking Boundaries, the Lower Sproul referendum, the Dance Marathon, the Executive Leadership Institute, and other funds that weren't considered last year. If they put the math together, they have a \$50,000 increase in expenditures, with no new revenue coming in. So they had no option but to start making massive cuts in response to a huge increase in expenditures. They had to cut student funds, such as and government operations and programs such as the Academic Opportunity Fund, SUPERB, the Intellectual Fund, etc., by thousands and thousands of dollars. For example, the AOF got a \$13,000 cut. And other funds got thousands of dollars in cuts. However, cuts only went to cover a percentage of the ASUC's

new expenditures. But the ASUC was still lacking \$30,000. They have no other option whatsoever but to start directly cutting student groups by a straight-line percentage. She didn't know if Senators grasp what this really meant, so she did some math. Just to balance the budget they need to need to cut groups by a straight-line percentage of 5%. That does not take into account the massive cuts that were made before.

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Ms. Batac said this proposal would mean that the largest groups on campus would be affected the most. So Senators should expect the RCCs, the Rally Committee, or any other group receiving over \$5,000, or even \$10,000, to get cut hundreds of dollars, if not by thousands. The RCCs would get cut by over \$2,000. Ms. Batac said she hated to do that, but she asked where else they would find the money. Even if groups appeal she would ask where the ASUC would get the money. That was why she was turning to the 2008-09 Senators just to remind them that they had \$420,000 in carryforward that year. And she wanted them to grasp the essential function of the carryforward fund. The essential definition of "carry-forward" was to cover any extra and unforeseen expenditures that the ASUC experiences throughout the year. For example, when she talked to Jan Crowder, she was told this would go towards things such as fires that might occur, maintenance, technical functions, or in this case, a recall election and a current economic recession.

Ms. Batac said that as far as where their carryforward went, almost \$300,000 in current expenditures was spent. Where did they go? They had to replenish the Senate Contingency Fund by \$65,000, and they need to start replenishing it once more before the semester ends.

Ms. Batac said this year's Senate spent double of what was spent last year. They're still five to six more weeks to go that year. They've already spent \$90,000, along with increased expenditures in student funds and programs the Senate funded. Ms. Batac said she knew the Senate helped many, many groups that semester, and she would congratulate them for going after these groups. However, she kept on saying, over and over again, that the ASUC has limited funding. They could spend as much as they want, if they only had more money to give. There was no worse time for the ASUC Senate to increase its expenditures by over double, during a year when they're experiencing a recession. She didn't understand it. She didn't know if some of them have taken business courses, but certainly, spending more money will not jump start the ASUC fiscal shortage. National economics will not work for the ASUC. The money they're spending was not coming back next year. It wasn't coming back as income and was just being spent on group activities.

The ASUC will only have one source of funding next year, coming from Registration Fees. That's why she told the Senate to keep in mind what Mr. Permaul was saying that evening. The ASUC will receive zero money from its commercial revenues that year because of the decreased revenues the ASUC was getting from its commercial activities. So she would ask how the Senate could expect to fund any new increases in the future. And she would ask what will happen to next year's Senate, since they'll have a smaller carryforward fund, with zero money from commercial activities and less money dedicated to the spring budgeting to help offset flat revenues or even if the recession worsens, a cut in Registration Fees. Like she's said at the beginning of the semester, she wanted the Senate to start to begin to save for the recession. The recession will end, but they've acted like the ASUC was a bubble, unaffected by the larger economic downturn that they're experiencing. And they've spent unwisely. If they had a larger carryforward, they could have dedicated thousands of dollars for the spring budget process so they wouldn't have to cut groups. However, the Senate only has \$140,000 left, and they still need to replenish the Senate Contingency Fund, since there's only \$7,000 left, with five or six more weeks left in the semester. Ms. Batac said they will not reach their goal of keeping the carryforward at \$100,000 by the end of the semester. Senators should also realize they have the liberty to spend or to leave a smaller amount than \$100,000 for next year. But for reasons already mentioned, this would leave the ASUC financially trou-

bled next year. If the Senate wanted to extend definition of “fiscal responsibility” beyond this year, and to expand it to future years, her answer was that this year’s Senate has clearly been fiscally irresponsible.

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As to what that meant, the ASUC was the most autonomous student body in the nation. If they become fiscally irresponsible, the independence they cherish, and what sets them apart from any other university in the nation, would quickly disappear. It was like what Mr. Permaul mentioned earlier that evening.

Ms. Batac said she would give the Senate her plan. They would neither have the carryforward fund, or cut the groups by a percent. Instead, Ms. Batac said she will turn in a bill for \$20,000 going to the spring budget process, with only an additional 2% straight-line cuts. This will alleviate some of the big cuts that groups will experience, and \$20,000 to the Senate Contingency Fund. These actions will leave their carryforward at exactly \$100,000. So Senators, she would ask them to please, once and for all, to keep to this budget. She didn't want to replenish the Contingency Fund any more that year, so she would ask the Senate to please work closely with her and to take her advice seriously, so they could make it through the rest of the semester. She called for any questions.

Ms. Flores said that to clarify, Ms. Batac was advising the Senate to not replenish any more funds, either grants, the Contingency Fund, or the Greek Opportunity Fund for the semester. Ms. Batac said she would advise them to replenish the Contingency Fund once more with \$20,000. She didn't recommend spending any more for the GOF or from the carryforward fund. So the Senate had to make some decisions. Ms. Flores asked if the maximum the Senate should replenish the Contingency Fund was for \$20,000, and not have another \$10,000 come out of carryforward. Ms. Batac said that was correct.

Ms. Hussain said they have a lot of money left over in Senate Only. She asked if it was possible to write a bill to take money out of that fund and put it in the Contingency Fund or in spring budgeting. Ms. Batac said that would be possible.

Mr. Zuo asked if she had data from last year of the amount of money each club had left over from spring budgeting. Ms. Batac said she had that. Mr. Zuo asked if that information was used in the spring budget for that year, and asked if that information could be made available. Ms. Batac said she worked on what Nathaniel Cheney did last year. She basically used some of the same structure he used in decisions he made, and she had information from funding from previous years.

Mr. Zuo said his question was whether groups could use money they didn't spend and subtract that amount. If a group was allocated \$1,000 in spring budgeting but only spent \$600, while based on precedent the group should get \$1,000. But if they only spent \$600, he asked if their next allocation could only be \$600. Ms. Batac said they didn't use that method. Mr. Zuo said he thought they should use that. Ms. Batac said she would need to go to the Auxiliary for that kind of information. She would imagine getting that information would be difficult.

Ms. Flores said that with regard to Ms. Hussain’s question about putting Senate Only funds into the Contingency Fund, she asked if that would be advisable to do. And if there were any left over money from grants, she asked if that could be done as well. Ms. Batac said that if there's any left over money from anywhere, the Senate could write a bill to use those resources. Seeing no further questions, Ms. Pasco said she would like to thank her for her report.

Ms. Liedblad submitted the following:

Begin written report from the Elections Council Chair

Election Council Report 4/1/09

Submitted by: Emily Liedblad, 2009 Election Council Chair

Hey Everyone! Elections are NEXT WEEK, so here are a few updates for you all:

Official Voting Locations and Times:

The ASUC Elections voting period occurs on the following three days:

- Tuesday, April 07; Wednesday, April 08; Thursday, April 09

Polling Locations:

Campus Polls (Open 9:00 am to 4:10 pm)

1. Upper Sproul Plaza
2. Dwinelle Plaza
3. Kroeber Hall, East Entrance
4. Evans Hall, East Entrance
5. Genetics and Plant Biology Building, South Plaza
6. Etcheverry/Soda Walkway

Extended Hours Polls (Open 9:00 am – 10:00 pm)

1. Moffitt Undergraduate Library, South Entrance
2. Recreational Sports Facility (RSF)

Residence Hall Polls

1. Crossroads Dining Facility
(Open 4:50 pm to 9:30 pm)
2. Unit III Residence Hall Dining Commons
(Open 4:50 pm to 9:30 pm)
3. Clark Kerr Campus Residence Hall Dining Commons
(Open 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm)
4. Foothill Residence Hall Dining Commons
(Open 4:50 pm to 8:30 pm)
5. International House
(Open 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm)

Vote tabulation:

Election result tabulation is tentatively set for Friday, April 17th in the afternoon. More details to come.

As usual, please email me at electioncouncil2009@gmail.com if you have any questions.

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Ms. Pasco said the Chair would entertain a motion to move back to New Business. It was so moved and seconded by Ms. Tran and Ms. Ude and passed with no objection.

NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

Ms. Pasco said that just to clarify, the Chair would like to refer the following bills to committee:

SB 149, to the Finance Committee
SB 156, to the Finance Committee
SB 157, to the Finance Committee

Ms. Pasco called for any other changes to New Business, and hearing none, said New Business was approved.

Ms. Pasco said the Chair would entertain a motion to move into the Consent Calendar. It was so moved and seconded by Mr. Nahabet and Ms. Rodriguez and passed with no objection.

Ms. Pasco said the Chair would entertain a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. It was so moved and seconded by Mr. Nahabet and Ms. Rodriguez and passed with no objection.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The following bills were up for consideration that evening: SBs 124, as amended; 139, as amended; 150, as amended; 151; 149, as amended; 152, as amended; 148, as amended; 155, as amended; 145, as amended; 141, as amended; 135, as amended; 143; 146, as amended; 147, and 142.

The following bills were removed from the Consent Calendar: SBs 135A, 143, and 146A.

The following bills remained under the Consent Calendar: SBs 124, as amended; 139, as amended; as amended; 141; 142; 145, as amended; 147; 148, as amended; 149, as amended; 150, as amended; 151; 152, as amended; and 155, as amended.

A motion to approve the Consent Calendar was made and seconded by Mr. Mairena and Ms. Tran.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR PASSED WITH NO OBJECTION: SB 124, AS AMENDED; SB 139, AS AMENDED; SB 141; SB 142; SB 145, AS AMENDED; 147; 148, AS AMENDED; 149, AS AMENDED; 150, AS AMENDED; 151; 152, AS AMENDED; AND 155, AS AMENDED.

Waivers considered under the Consent Calendar:

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-- SB 124, In Support of the Poetry for the People Publishing Committee

Waivers (cont'd)

AAA tabled again
FAST tabled again
All Approved

The following Resolution, SB 124, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Ms. Shah and Natasha Arora and was co-sponsored by Ms. Flores, Mr. Mairena, Mr. Zuo, Ms. Hussain, and Ms. Rodriguez:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE POETRY FOR THE PEOPLE PUBLISHING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Poetry for the People Publishing Committee (P4PPC) is seeking funding to publish their annual class anthology; and

WHEREAS, the anthology was previously funded by the Department of African American Studies, but will not be this year due to budget cuts; and

WHEREAS, Poetry for the People (P4P) is the only creative writing workshop on campus that is open to the entire campus community, regardless of major or school year; and

WHEREAS, this year, the class also includes students from the greater Berkeley community through Oakland's I GO! Program, thus building bridges between the campus and greater Bay Area community; and

WHEREAS, P4P's anthologies provide voice to often-silenced communities, including communities of color, the queer community, and emphasizes the need to tell personal stories through poetry; and

WHEREAS, the anthologies are a useful tool within P4P's high school and community outreach programs at schools such as Berkeley Tech and Berkeley High; and

WHEREAS, P4P performs all throughout the campus community and greater Bay Area community to demonstrate how people have voice through poetry and poetry is for the people; and

WHEREAS, The line item budget of anticipated expenses as of September 22, 2008 is: Total, \$1,500 USD;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$420 for the items listed above from the Senate Contingency Fund to Poetry for the People Publishing Committee, a first year publica-

tion group (PUB).

Consent Calendar -- SB 139, In Support of Delta Gamma's Anchor Slam 2009
-- SB 141, In Support of Intake Equation

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The following Resolution, SB 139, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Ms. Raffi and was co-sponsored by Ms. Chen, Ms. Dhar, Mr. Smelko, Mr. Tran, Ms. Shah, Mr. Zuo, Ms. Flores, and Ms. Hussain:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF DELTA GAMMA'S ANCHOR SLAM 2009

WHEREAS, the Delta Gamma Fraternity is devoted to scholarship, leadership, and service; and

WHEREAS, Delta Gamma's members boast the highest sorority GPA on campus and are very active in campus organizations, clubs, and service groups; and

WHEREAS, UC Berkeley's Delta Gamma chapter is firmly committed to philanthropy and many members donate their time at local elementary schools and Chaparral House, a nursing home, and for community service projects like Relay for Life and the Berkeley Project; and

WHEREAS, Anchor Slam is Delta Gamma's largest annual philanthropic event drawing participation from the Greek community, sports teams, and other campus organizations; and

WHEREAS, proceeds from Anchor Slam, as well as other Delta Gamma fund-raising projects like their semi-annual Designer Jean Sale, are donated to Service for Sight, an organization that helps the visually impaired gain access to needed and specialized skills and also invests in vision research; and

WHEREAS, the Anchor Slam main event is a 3-on-3 basketball tournament consisting of 10 minute, half court basketball games; and

WHEREAS, the budget for Anchor Slam 2008 is as follows: Total, \$1,940.37

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC Senate allocate \$461.37 (four hundred and sixty-one dollars and thirty-seven cents) from the Greek Opportunity Fund to Delta Gamma's Anchor Slam.

The following Resolution, SB 141, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Diep Nguyen and Ms. Chen and was co-sponsored by Mr. Tran, Ms. Dhar, Mr. Nahabet, and Mr. Smelko:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF INTAKE EQUATION

WHEREAS, Pi Alpha Phi and Sigma Omicron Pi will be sponsoring this event for the Greek community;
and

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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF INTAKE EQUATION (cont'd)

WHEREAS, the overall mission of our two organizations is for academic excellence and to build future leaders; and

WHEREAS, the Intake Equation is a workshop hosted by Sigma Omicron Pi (a Multi-Cultural Greek Chapter on campus) and Pi Alpha Phi (part of the Inter-Fraternity Council); and

WHEREAS, these chapters are working in collaboration with Campuspeak (a professional organization that works with Greek chapters nationwide to put on various leadership workshops for Greeks); and

WHEREAS, this workshop in particular will cover topics ranging from hazing, recruitment, to other challenges that student leaders face; and

WHEREAS, this event, which will be held in Barrows Hall on Sunday, April 5, 2009, is an open event to everyone and there will be an open RSVP list; and

WHEREAS, this is designed for about 70 people and involves two hired speakers from Campuspeak; and

WHEREAS, we hope the attendees will leave the workshop with a new perspective on how to run their respective organizations and to hopefully bring in some new and positive ideas about the new member process; and

WHEREAS, our main goal is to educate ourselves and other attendees about hazing and the negative impacts that it has on the organization and the new members; and

WHEREAS, this workshop will give other Greeks an opportunity to better their leadership development, to learn new recruitment methods, and to re-evaluate their pledging processes; and

WHEREAS, there are very few programs and workshops that deal specifically with multicultural Greeks and we believe this will be a valuable experience to the students on our campus; and

WHEREAS, with the continually changing time and the needed changes in tradition, this workshop will give more insights on the new member process and the prevention of hazing; and

WHEREAS, hazing is also a common issue in the Greek community and we hope this workshop will open up a needed dialogue about current and past practices; and

WHEREAS, this workshop will raise awareness of this important issue and the attendees will hopefully have a better understanding of the effect of hazing afterwards; and

WHEREAS, it will address issues, provide alternative solutions, and provoke new ideas that we wouldn't find in other programs. Total, \$3,000;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognizes the InTake Equation to be an first-year ASUC sponsored event.

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-- SB 142, In Condemnation of Researcher Intimidation
-- SB 145, In Support of the UC Berkeley/City of Berkeley Sweatshop Worker Tour
on April 7, 2009

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$950 from the Greek Opportunity Fund to InTake Equation.

The following Resolution, SB 142, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Mr. Owens:

RESOLUTION IN CONDEMNATION OF RESEARCHER INTIMIDATION

WHEREAS, in February 2009 four animal rights activists were arrested for allegedly threatening the personal safety of UC researchers; and

WHEREAS, UC spokesman Dan Mogulof, quoted in the February 27 Daily Californian article "Activists Charged with Threats to Researchers Appear in Court," stated that there were 160 incidents of threats toward UC Berkeley campus researchers in the last 18 months; and

WHEREAS, the ASUC has made a point, at least since the November 13 Eshleman incident, to aid in the mediation of conflicts both on and off the Berkeley campus; and

WHEREAS, in August 2008 a small group of animal rights activists firebombed the residence and automobile of a UC Santa Cruz researcher; and

WHEREAS, the researcher's family escaped from their burning home by means of a fire ladder from their second story window; and

WHEREAS, the ASUC calls for only nonviolent means to remedy this researcher-activist conflict;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC strongly condemn any act of violence, perpetrated or threatened, against any member of the UC community on account of his or her profession or political or ethical beliefs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC also calls for transparency and openness with respect to the extent of animal research that occurs on the campus of UC Berkeley.

The following Resolution, SB 145, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Progressive Jewish Alliance Member Avital Aboody, City of Berkeley Commission on Labor Chair Igor Tregub, and Ms. Raffi, and was co-sponsored by Ms. Shah:

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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE UC BERKELEY/CITY OF BERKELEY SWEATSHOP WORKER TOUR ON APRIL 7, 2009

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley spends millions of dollars per year in public funds on goods, including garments, uniforms, materials and other equipment, and supplies and services provided by private vendors and manufacturers; and

WHEREAS, both UC Berkeley students and Berkeley residents recognize a public interest in the City of Berkeley's need to avoid payments to vendors and contractors who maintain sweatshop working conditions, including below-subsistence wages, excessively long working hours, unhealthy and unsafe working environments, child, indentured, and prison labor, disregard for local and international labor laws and workplace regulations; disregard for fundamental women's rights, and repression of workers' rights to assemble and bargain collectively; and

WHEREAS, the passage of a strong, effective, and enforceable Sweatshop-Free Ordinance by the Berkeley City Council is the best way to ensure that the City of Berkeley makes its purchasing decisions in an ethical manner; and

WHEREAS, the passage of a strong, effective, and enforceable Sweatshop-Free Ordinance by the Berkeley City Council is the best way to ensure that the City of Berkeley makes its purchasing decisions in an ethical manner; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the UC Berkeley/City of Berkeley Sweatshop-Free Tour are to (1) promote awareness about sweatshop conditions in the global supply chain of goods and services; (2) educate students and members of the public on current steps that are being taken to combat the funding of sweatshop labor and on actions that they can take to maintain their awareness; and (3) garner support for passage of the Berkeley Sweatshop-Free Ordinance through the Berkeley City Council; and

WHEREAS, the inaugural event on the UC Berkeley campus will feature presentations by two former workers in the sweatshops of Puerto Rico and Honduras; discussions with two organizers from Sweatfree Communities, a nationwide sweatshop-free research and public advocacy group, on the context of the economic crisis and its effect on workers; a keynote by renowned labor and immigrations rights author David Bacon; and a musical interlude by the Berkeley Labor Chorus; and

WHEREAS, the staging of a portion of the National Sweatshop Workers Tour on the UC Berkeley campus underscores the emphasis that students and young people can play in ending taxpayer support for sweatshops on the local and university level; and

WHEREAS, this event is expected to draw a minimum of 100 students and members of the public through targeted outreach to dozens of UC Berkeley student groups (including but not limited to Students for Social Change, Students Organizing for Justice in the Americas, and the Jewish Student Union) and over 30 Bay Area organizations, labor unions, and Berkeley City Council offices; and

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-- SB 147, To Create a Temporary Committee on the Selection of Student Representatives to the Store Operations Board

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE UC BERKELEY/CITY OF BERKELEY SWEATSHOP WORKER TOUR ON APRIL 7, 2009 (cont'd)

WHEREAS, while event organizers are taking steps to seek additional contributions from ASUC grants and through public and private donations, the ability to raise a minimum of \$1,000 on a zero-cost model or a minimum of \$1,500 factoring in publicity and supplies will ensure that admission ticket costs are minimized or altogether eliminated

WHEREAS, the budget of the First Annual Alpha Epsilon Pi Greek Family Feud stands as follows: Total financial need, \$1,525; Total requested from the ASUC, \$650;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognize the UC Berkeley/City of Berkeley Sweatshop Worker Tour as an ASUC-sponsored event.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$650 towards the UC Berkeley/City of Berkeley Sweatshop Worker Tour from the Senate Contingency Fund

The following Resolution, SB 147, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Executive Vice President Pasco:

RESOLUTION TO CREATE A TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ON THE SELECTION OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE STORE OPERATIONS BOARD

WHEREAS, two undergraduate representatives shall serve on the Store Operations Board in overlapping, two-year terms; and

WHEREAS, these undergraduate representatives must be enrolled students at the University of California, Berkeley at all times throughout their terms; and

WHEREAS, both of the current undergraduate student representatives to the Store Operations Board will be graduating this semester; and

WHEREAS, the voice of students shall continue to have a strong voting presence on the Store Operations Board; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the “Temporary Committee on the Selection of Student Representatives to the Store Operations Board” be created; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the “Temporary Committee on the Selection of Student Representatives to the Store Operations Board” consist of the ASUC President, ASUC Executive Vice President, one (1) current undergraduate member of the Board (the outgoing member, if

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-- SB 148, In Support of Logging Sports

RESOLUTION TO CREATE A TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ON THE SELECTION OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE STORE OPERATIONS BOARD (cont'd)

available) and two (2) ASUC Senators, nominated and approved by a two-thirds vote of the entire Senate, and who shall be non-voting members of the committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee publicize the openings by placing an ad in the ASUC’s weekly ad space in the Daily Californian for at least two (2) consecutive days; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this committee shall select and forward two (2) undergraduate nominations to the full Senate for approval by a two-thirds vote of the entire Senate.

The following Resolution, SB 148, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Melissa Chun and Ms. Hussain and was co-sponsored by Ms. Hussain and Mr. De la Cruz, Ms. Shah, Mr. Nahabet, Mr. Zuo, and Ms. Flores:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LOGGING SPORTS

WHEREAS, the Forestry Department at Cal aims to engage a variety of students in maintaining a sustainable ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, Logging Sports has been an under-recognized institution at Cal for the past 40-50 years; and

WHEREAS, the organization is intended to teach and allow students to practice both old-fashioned and new methods of logging; and

WHEREAS, Logging Sports is a sustainable group that only cuts down invasive species of eucalyptus; and

WHEREAS, the student group is currently aiding in the restoration process of the Berkeley Hills and Grizzly Peak by cutting down invasive species of trees and removing invasive vegetation; and

WHEREAS, Logging Sports and the Forestry Club partake in Redwood Restoration, a project to plant redwood trees, which are indigenous to California; and

WHEREAS, the organization annually competes in a logging competition, in which they are able to practice their logging skills, as well as learn from and network with professionals already involved in the forestry industry; and

WHEREAS, this year's competition took place during the weekend of March 18-20 in Humboldt and ten students participated; and

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-- SB 149, In Support of Alpha Kappa Psi, Alpha Beta Chapter and Their Professional Forum

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LOGGING SPORTS (cont'd)

WHEREAS, Logging Sports was unable to find viable sources of funding and have thus turned to donations from their own families. Due to financial hardship, many competitors were unable to pay for themselves; and

WHEREAS, the budget for the event is as follows: Total, \$810.38;

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the ASUC Senate recognize Logging Sports as a first-year Student Activity Group (SAG).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC Senate allocate \$150 from the Senate Contingency Fund to Logging Sports; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the ASUC Senate allocate \$630 (six hundred thirty dollars) from the Senate Contingency Fund to Logging Sports' Annual Logging Competition.

The following Resolution, SB 149, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Sallie Jian and Mr. Zuo and was co-sponsored by Ms. Flores, Ms. Chen, Mr. Nahabet, Ms. Rodriguez, and Ms. Shah:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ALPHA KAPPA PSI, ALPHA BETA CHAPTER AND THEIR PROFESSIONAL FORUM

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

WHEREAS, Alpha Kappa Psi (AKPsi) was established at UC Berkeley on April 3, 1999 and has been verified by the Office of Student Life; and

WHEREAS, AKPsi activities focus three major aspects: professional, social, and community service, giving UC Berkeley students the tools they need to succeed in the business world ; and

WHEREAS, the 51 active brothers in AKPsi and six guest speakers incorporate registered UC Berkeley students that come from a variety of different age groups, academic classes, and backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, AKPsi's Professional Forum event will take place on April 8, 2009 in 2060 Valley Life Sciences Building; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the event was to discuss business applications to technology; and

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-- SB 150, In Support of the Haas Business School Association

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ALPHA KAPPA PSI, ALPHA BETA CHAPTER AND THEIR PROFESSIONAL FORUM (cont'd)

WHEREAS, the events itemized budget is below: Net Tech in Business: \$1,350.00;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognize Alpha Kappa Psi, Alpha Beta Chapter as a first-year ASUC-sponsored Student Activity Group (SAG).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC shall allocate \$350 from the Senate Contingency fund to sponsor Alpha Kappa Psi, Alpha Beta Chapter and its Professional Forum.

The following Resolution, SB 150, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Rosetta Guinn and was co-sponsored by Mr. Zuo, Ms. Dhar, Mr. Nahabet, Ms. Flores, Ms. Rodriguez, and Ms. Shah:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE HAAS BUSINESS SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, the purpose and mission statement of the Haas Business School Association (HBSA) is the undergraduate student government of the Haas School of Business. It works closely with the faculty and undergraduate staff to enhance the undergraduate experience and meet the needs of the student body. It reports to and is under the direct support and guidance of the Haas Undergraduate Program Office, serving as an advisory body and representing all students enrolled in the Haas Undergraduate Program. Its goal is to promote activities that benefit the Haas community, students, faculty and staff. In doing so, it develops leaders and friendships amongst its members; and

WHEREAS, achievement of this mission includes but is not limited to:

- Promoting programs that enrich the education offered to undergraduates by the Haas School of Business.
- Planning and implementing activities which aid the development of undergraduates' professional, communicative and leadership skills.
- Directing and supervising undergraduate student organizations to best meet the needs of the undergraduate student body.

- Promoting social activities which create and maintain a sense of community amongst the undergraduates, faculty, student organizations, and administration.
- Representing undergraduate student interests as the link between undergraduates and the Haas Undergraduate Program Office.

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- Maintaining a close relationship between undergraduates and alumni of the Haas School of Business; and

WHEREAS, the HBSA formed over ten years ago in response to support the Haas students and welcome sophomores and freshmen Business intended majors to learn more ways to make Haas better. Membership is open to all undergraduate students currently registered as undergraduate business administration majors at the Haas School of Business; and

WHEREAS, the organization shall hold general meetings once a week. The President shall determine the call the General meetings. The day of the week, time, and location shall be determined by the President at the beginning of each semester, and shall remain uniform for the rest of the year.

All Vice Presidents with committees shall hold committee meetings two to four times every month at their discretion to accomplish committee goals in a timely manner.

Meetings consist of TownHall meetings open to all of the student body wanting to express opinions, comments, concerns, action steps about the Haas program to either improve, keep or add new ideas or policies. In addition, other meetings consist of guest speakers on diversity, leadership, professional development; Cal Career Center workshops, Alumni networking and various others in support the Haas students; and

WHEREAS, the HBSA currently has 13 officers and members ranges to 40-50 students per semester. Each student is required to attend two-thirds of the meetings and participate in a committee lead by an elected Officer; and

WHEREAS, our future goals include to finish up our new Web site, establish a standard anti-cheating policy and rules the faculty are required to follow when administering exams, implement more diverse elective classes, receive six new computers for the Haas UG Lounge, and work more closely with MBA Student Government and Dean Lyons of Haas; and

WHEREAS, our plans for the rest of the semester include but are not limited to, pairing up with other student organizations, for example, Ascend, to host an "International Student Résumé Workshop," for students interested in applying abroad, and LBSA for students interested in applying to MBA program at Stanford, with transportation and Stanford professors to hold workshops on the GMAT and academic style; and

WHEREAS, the line-item budget for this event is as follows: Total, \$150.00

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognizes the Haas Business School Association (HBSA) as a first-year Student Activities Group (SAG).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$150 from the Senate Contingency Fund to the Haas Business School Association (HBSA).

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-- SB 152, In Support of the Educational Studies Program at Berkeley

The following Resolution, SB 151, was approved under the Consent Calendar, and was authored by Andrew Yi and was sponsored by Mr. Zuo:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE BERKELEY STUDENT CHAPTER OF ASCEND

WHEREAS, the purpose of Ascend is to provide an environment committed to fostering the professional growth and development of its members; and

WHEREAS, we also want to build a community that includes students and faculty of all majors to inspire, build, and expand on interests in leadership and business; and

WHEREAS, we are a group of Berkeley students, and we formed this club approximately two years ago. Our goal is to spread awareness of our organization, and to create an environment on campus where we can continue to help our members succeed in the pursuit of internships and job opportunities; and

WHEREAS, we have weekly meetings where we hold a variety of events including those that help members sharpen their professional skills and those that provide an opportunity to network with professionals from different industries and firms; and

WHEREAS, our club is in the process of expanding and we strive to obtain 45 active members that will work in groups and help coordinate and plan weekly events; and

WHEREAS, it is important to everyone that this club be accessible not only to business majors, but to students of all majors that have even a passing interest in business or in developing their professional skills; and

WHEREAS, our future goals include planning events that allow members to network more closely with professionals in different industries and holding events more oriented towards the finance industry. One event we hope to hold is a banking industry panel where we plan to have round table discussions with professionals from different service lines within the banking industry; and

WHEREAS, the line-item budget for the banking industry panel is as follows: Total, \$170;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognizes the Berkeley Student Chapter of Ascend as a first-year Student Activities Group.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$150 from the Senate Contingency Fund to Ascend.

The following Resolution, SB 152, as amended in committee, was authored by Vivien Tsao and was sponsored by Mr. Zuo:

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-- SB 155, In Support of Calband's Spring Showcase

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL STUDIES PROGRAM AT BERKELEY

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Educational Studies Program at Berkeley is to provide events at which UC Berkeley students can take on the role of educators for high school students; and

WHEREAS, we also want to build a community that includes students of all majors to inspire, build, and expand their interests and experience in education; and

WHEREAS, we are a group of students who enjoy teaching, and we became an active student organization two days ago (Sunday, March 15th, 2009). Our goal is to encourage university and secondary students alike to seek knowledge and to create an environment on campus where we can continue to engage in education; and

WHEREAS, we hold weekly meetings during which we update our members on upcoming events and activities and plan for future events; and

WHEREAS, ideally, our club should have around 30 dedicated administrators and 150 teachers for our events, and we are also working to organize committee meetings; and

WHEREAS, it is important to everyone that this club be accessible not only to Education majors, but to students of all majors that have even a modicum of interest in teaching; and

WHEREAS, our future goals include planning Jolt (April 2009), an event at which university students teach high school students a class or more of his or her own interest, holding teacher training workshops, and hosting publicity events; and

WHEREAS, the line item budget for this event is as follows: Total: \$800 (without programmer)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognizes the Educational Studies Program at Berkeley as a first-year student Student-Initiated Service Group.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$200 from the Senate Contingency Fund to the Educational Studies Program at Berkeley.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the ASUC allocate \$400 from the Senate Contingency Fund to JOLT.

The following Resolution, SB 155, as amended in committee, was approved under the Consent Calendar and was authored by Cindy Wu, Malia McPherson, Mr. Tran, and Mr. Smelko, and was co-sponsored by Ms. Shah, Mr. Nahabet, and Ms. Rodriguez, and Ms. Flores:

Consent Calendar -- SB 155, In Support of Calband's Spring Showcase (cont'd) - 50 -
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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CALBAND'S SPRING SHOWCASE

WHEREAS, the Cal Band is one of the oldest college marching bands in the West Coast, with over 100 years of tradition. Over the years, the Cal Band members have attended over 150 consecutive Cal football games. The current Band has a membership of over 200 and is one of the few bands in the nation and in the Pac-10 conference that still marches the traditional and demanding high-step form; and

WHEREAS, the Cal Band's income for this year has decreased significantly from the University and donation sources; and

WHEREAS, after nearly a decade, the members of Cal Band are bringing back the Spring Showcase, featuring the Band and a variety of acts from rock bands to dances to comedy skits; and

WHEREAS, the Cal Band's Spring Show will be held on April 3, 2009 in the Haas Pavilion; and

WHEREAS, the event's budget, as of March 16, 2009, is as follows: Total expense, \$4,500;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the ASUC recognizes the Cal Band's Spring Show as an ASUC-sponsored event.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that \$500 (five hundred USD) shall be allocated from the Senate Contingency Fund to the Cal Band's Spring Show to help cover print materials and the PA system rental.

ITEMS FOR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION

Mr. Mairena moved to table SB 135, To Modify the ASUC Web master Position's Term. The motion was seconded by Ms. Ude. THE MOTION TO TABLE SB 135 PASSED WITH NO OBJECTION.

Ms. Chen said she would like to make a quick comment about SB 135. Just to clarify what's going on, basically the updated version was sent to the wrong address, and people will get it soon.

The following Resolution, SB 143, as amended by e-mail by the sponsor, was authored by the ASUC Elections Council and was sponsored by Mr. Nahabet:

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A CAMPUS-WIDE EMAIL DURING ASUC ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, on average only approximately 30% of students on this campus vote during the ASUC Elections; and

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WHEREAS, significantly more students should vote because ASUC elected officials represent the entire student body; and

WHEREAS, the ASUC President, Roxanne Winston, is allowed one campus-wide email per month;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President of the ASUC, Roxanne Winston, be required to reserve her April e-mail for the following.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the ASUC, Roxanne Winston, be required to send out a campus-wide email on the first day of elections.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the body of the email read:

Subject Line:

Vote This Week in the ASUC General Election!

Body:

Dear Students,

The ASUC General Election is taking place this Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Don't forget to cast your vote today!

You can vote online at <http://election.asuc.org> using your CalNet ID and password, or at a campus polling location.

Online voting will begin Tuesday, April 7th at 9:00 a.m. and end Thursday, April 9th at 11:59 p.m. Please note that online voting is not allowed through AirBears and any ASUC and Graduate Assembly-controlled properties, including Anthony Hall, Eshleman Hall, and the MLK Student Union. All registered UC Berkeley students, including graduate students, are eligible to vote in the ASUC Elections.

The locations and hours for the on-campus polling stations are as follows:

Campus Polls (9:00am – 4:10pm)

Upper Sproul Plaza

Dwinelle Plaza
Kroeber Hall, East Entrance
Evans Hall, East Entrance
Etcheverry/Soda Walkway
Genetics and Plant Biology Building, South Plaza

Extended Hours Polls (9:00am – 10:00pm)

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Moffitt Library, South Entrance
Recreational Sports Facility (RSF)
Residence Hall Polls
Crossroads Dining Facility (4:50pm – 9:30pm)
Unit III Dining Commons (4:50pm – 9:30pm)
Clark Kerr Campus Dining Commons (5:00 pm – 8:30 pm)
Foothill Residence Hall Dining Commons (4:50 pm – 8:30 pm)
International House (5:00 pm – 8:30 pm)

We encourage you to cast an informed vote by learning about the candidates, propositions, and the single transferable vote system. This information is available in the General Election Voter's Guide, which can be found online at <http://election.asuc.org/Documents/votersguide.pdf>.

Voters will also receive a discount coupon for the Cal Student Store. Thank you in advance for your participation!

Sincerely,
The ASUC Elections Council

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this e-mail will only be sent from President Winston in the case of the Elections Council not being able to attain their own separate email.

A motion to approve the amendment that was sent out was made and seconded by Mr. Mairena and Mr. Nahabet. THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO SB 143 PASSED WITH NO OBJECTION.

Mr. Nahabet moved to go to SB 146A. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mairena and passed with no objection.

The following Resolution, SB 146, as amended by the version Mr. Nahabet sent out, was authored by Ms. Pasco and was co-sponsored by Mr. Zuo:

RESOLUTION TO CREATE A TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ON THE REVENUE AND EXPENSE SHARING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ASUC AND THE GA

WHEREAS, graduate and undergraduate students comprise approximately one-third and two-thirds of the student population on the UC Berkeley campus, respectively; and

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RESOLUTION TO CREATE A TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ON THE REVENUE AND EXPENSE SHARING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ASUC AND THE GA

WHEREAS, the ASUC and the Graduate Assembly (GA) are the student government bodies on campus that serve their respective students' needs; and

WHEREAS, the ASUC commercial activities revenue has been relatively flat for the past ten years; and

WHEREAS, the residual commercial activities revenue returned to the ASUC student government was \$0 for fiscal year 2007-2008 and is projected to be \$0 for fiscal year 2008-2009; and

WHEREAS, it would bring about fiscal equity and financial responsibility for commercial activities revenue to be shared as equally and as fairly as student fees currently are; and

WHEREAS, the GA recognizes that a fair and equitable commercial activities revenue sharing agreement implies a responsibility to the fair and equal sharing of the fiscal burden from goods and services that mutually benefit the GA and the ASUC; and

WHEREAS, the sharing of expenses implies an equal distribution of authority and ownership over those expenses; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the "Temporary Committee on the Revenue and Expense Sharing Agreement Between the ASUC and the GA" be created.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the "Temporary Committee on the Revenue and Expense Sharing Agreement Between the ASUC and the GA" consist of the ASUC President, ASUC Executive Vice President, four (4) ASUC Senators nominated and approved by a two-thirds vote of the entire Senate, the GA President, one (1) other GA Representative, to be appointed by the Graduate Assembly and one (1) Student Representative to the Store Operations Board, to be appointed by the Store Operations Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the ASUC Finance Officer and the ASUC Auxiliary Director sit on the temporary committee as non-voting members.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee is required to meet within 18 days and come to a consensus after this bill is passed in Senate.

Ms. Hussain asked why it was 18 days in which a decision would be made. Mr. Nahabet said he met with Mr. Daal and they talked about what a good time period would be. They were stuck between two and three weeks: two weeks because they wanted the question to be covered, and they felt three weeks would be too much time. So they agreed to 18 days. They thought 18 days would be good because there would still be time to introduce a bill and it wouldn't be too early to interfere with other Senators' schedules. He thought 18 days was enough time.

A motion to call the question was made and seconded by Mr. Nahabet and Ms. Cho.

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Mr. Mairena moved to recess for five minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Tran and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed.

Back in session, Mr. Nahabet moved to enter into discussion. The motion was seconded by Ms. Flores and passed with no objection.

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

Ms. Pasco said she would call for a roll-call vote.

Roll call was taken on the motion to approve SB 146, as amended:

YES

Sheila Chen	John Moghtader	Lyell Sakaue
Sarah Cho	Eddie Nahabet	Kifah Shah
Meghana Dhar	Christina Oatfield	Lisa Tran
Mary June Flores	Tommy Owens	Obiamaka Ude
Saira Hussain	Tara Raffi	Stephanie Yang
Oscar Mairena	Claudia Rodriguez	

THE MOTION TO APPROVE SB 146, AS AMENDED, PASSED 18-0-0, RESOLUTION TO CREATE A TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ON THE REVENUE AND EXPENSE SHARING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ASUC AND THE GA.

Ms. Pasco said they were back under consideration of SB 143, In Support of a Campus-Wide E-mail During ASUC Elections.

Mr. Sukhija, Publicity Coordinator, Elections Council, said he hoped people had a good Spring Break. He spent his break designing the Voter's Guide, which he just finished. He'll make sure people get a copy after he checked it for typos. Before he talked about the bill in question, he wanted to say that he's been working with all of them in the ASUC for three months, and he just had to say that what he has seen them do every day was absolutely incredible. All the work they do, the service people give to the school, was

insane. He was so thankful that he had student representatives who truly cared about the welfare of the school. He just wanted to say that.

Regarding SB 143, Ms. Sukhija said he knew there's been some underground talk about it. He supported the bill because he wanted to make sure it was completely from the Elections Council. He knew it was going through the Office of the President, and it was really Ms. Winston's prerogative to include whatever she wanted in the e-mail, but at the same time, she thought the bill was definitely going to have a positive impact on the turnout of the elections.

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Mr. Sukhija said the letter would be for students who may not even walk through Sproul, such as Engineering students who might have all their classes by Soda Hall and don't go through Sproul Plaza and don't see people campaigning. People who might not have Facebook might not know about the election. So sending an e-mail out to every student was absolutely critical in making sure turnout is increased. He wanted to make sure they have an informed turnout. That's why the amended version he e-mailed to Senators, an updated version, would link directly to the Voter's Guide. It would include a list of all polling stations, where people could and could not vote. He wanted to make sure students make an informed decision. Putting out this e-mail to every student would do that. He called for any questions.

Mr. Mairena asked if there was an issue with other Executive Offices attaching something else to the e-mail, and not just having elections material as the only text of the e-mail. Mr. Sukhija asked if the question was whether he had a problem with other Executives adding things. Mr. Mairena said that when these e-mails are usually sent, one e-mail is shared among Executive Officers and the GA. He asked if there was an issue having the text of that e-mail include what the Elections Council sent out, and at the bottom, potentially having space for whatever Executives would normally send out for the month of April. Mr. Sukhija said that ultimately, Execs had their prerogative to do that and had the power to do that, as Executives. But personally, he didn't want this to be a Cal-SERVE or Student Action issue because it wasn't. Personally, he would like it if the e-mail just included what the Elections Council was putting out.

Mr. Mairena asked if he could elaborate on how this e-mail could become political. He hadn't seen it in the political context that was mentioned until Mr. Sukhija mentioned it. Mr. Sukhija asked if he meant Cal-SERVE and Student Action. Mr. Mairena said he did. Mr. Sukhija said some people might have thought this proposal he was making was like snubbing Cal-SERVE in a way. Some people might have thought that. He just wanted to make categorically clear that this was not a partisan issue at all.

Mr. Mairena said he didn't know if anybody expressed concern about that and didn't see how the e-mail could be a partisan issue. He asked how Mr. Sukhija thought it could become a partisan issue. Mr. Sukhija said he saw it that way. If he told Ms. Winston to put the Elections Council message in and not anything else, she wouldn't be able to express in that e-mail what she had been doing for the past month. That's how he thought it could be construed as a partisan issue, and he wanted to make it specifically clear it wasn't at all.

Ms. Yang said the campus-wide e-mail was a good idea.

Ms. Cho asked if he could clarify that the Elections Council letter would be the only message in the President's e-mail. Mr. Sukhija said it would be. Ms. Cho said Executive Officers have one e-mail per month, and the only reason that nothing else would be put in the e-mail aside from the Elections Council message was because the ASUC actually had to pay money to send an e-mail. So there could be a need to

put everything into one e-mail. She asked if he was aware of that. Mr. Sukhija said he wasn't aware of that. Now he felt bad that only wanted elections material included.

Ms. Ude asked if he felt the content of monthly e-mails in the past has been a partisan issue because the e-mails cost the ASUC, and it was important not only to the people who are Executives and people in their offices, but also to staff. So it's not just important to Officers, but to staffmembers and members in the offices working on individual projects in the offices who put on a lot of programs that students needed to

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hear about as well. Mr. Sukhija said it wasn't about content, but telling the President that she could only include the Elections Council. That message might be construed as partisan, not the content of what she puts out every month.

Ms. Ude asked if he was in favor of putting in that message in addition to whatever the offices have to put in. Mr. Sukhija said he was in support of having only the elections message as the e-mail, and nothing else.

Ms. Ude said that e-mails in the past that Executive Officers sent out were more about programming and news in the offices, and it was important to detail to the entire student body what the offices are doing for the sake of accountability for the student body. So she didn't necessarily think it would be a partisan issue if what they put in the e-mail was consistent along the lines of what was going on in the offices.

Ms. Pasco said people could always speak to the Publicity Chair off the floor if they'd like.

Mr. Sakaue asked if he was aware that if the bill passes, Ms. Winston was bound by the bill to only include elections material. Mr. Sukhija said that's why he ultimately supported it. But everything people have brought up about how offices try to put a lot of information in one e-mail because it costs money to do that made him iffy about the subject. He hadn't known that before.

Mr. Sakaue asked if he could investigate with the Elections Council whether or not they'd be willing to purchase another campus-wide e-mail for the purposes of elections, and then reserve the regular campus e-mail for Execs. Mr. Sukhija said he would be interested in that. He thought that would take away the whole issue of making it go through the OP. But he thought the primary issue now was time. They wanted to put out an e-mail the first day of elections.

Ms. Chen asked if anybody knew how much such an e-mail costs. Ms. Pasco said she had no idea. Ms. Chen asked if people would be interested if a bill was submitted to Fi-Comm.

Ms. Hussain said on March 2 and March 30, from the Lower Sproul and ga.berkeley.edu there were e-mails sent by Pres. Winston and about getting people to fill out the Lower Sproul survey, so an extra e-mail purchased. Ms. Pasco said there was no purchase, and that was an error on the system. It was long and complicated story. It wasn't supposed to be sent out by Ms. Winston in that format, but by the Committee, and was an error.

Mr. Nahabet asked if that restricted Ms. Winston from sending out another e-mail. Ms. Pasco said it didn't.

Mr. Mairena moved to enter into discussion on the bill. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nahabet and passed with no objection.

Mr. Nahabet said he wrote the bill because they have been talking about ways to reach out to get a bigger voter turnout. Mr. Sukhija sent him the bill and he put it in the proper format. But he also agreed with what Mr. Sukhija was saying. The e-mail should be only about elections. He understood offices need to send out updates. He was curious whether in the past year the Executive Offices have gone a month without sending an e-mail.

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Mr. Sakaue said he was in support of the concept of the bill and thought it was an important announcement to increase engagement and voter turnout. He wanted to make an amendment in Con-Review that they did a straw poll on, and it would have failed, changing the word in the third Resolved Clause, from "read" to "include," so that the body of the e-mail would be required to include that text, but it wouldn't have to be silly. As amended, the Resolved Clause would read, "Further Resolved, that the body of the e-mail include:" He would rather not support the bill in its current form, but he would support an amended form that changed that one word, so there could be other messages in the e-mail.

Mr. Nahabet asked what he thought of the argument he made. Mr. Sakaue said he agreed that this was important, but he disagreed that the e-mail needed to be sent separately from an announcement by Executive Offices. He thought it would be hard to say that it would be a problem letting students know about the programs that have been put on by the office they elected. It was important to allow the Executive Offices to do their jobs while the ASUC held elections. It should be clear that the ASUC does not stop functioning because they hold elections.

Mr. Nahabet moved to recess for one minute. The motion was seconded and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed.

Back in session, Mr. Nahabet's motion to amend was seconded by Mr. Tran.

Mr. Zuo moved to amend, to include at the top of the e-mail the elections information, and everything else that was sent to be after the election information. He asked to rescind the motion.

Mr. Sakaue moved to amend his previous amendment, to have the third Resolved Clause read as follows:

"Further Resolved, that the by the body of the e-mail include, at the beginning of the e-mail:"

THE MOTION TO AMEND THE AMENDMENT PASSED WITH NO OBJECTION.

Ms. Hussain asked for a straw poll on adding a Resolved Clause that would state that if possible, the Elections Council would purchase its own e-mail if there was a time constraint. She thought that should be up to the Judicial Council. The request for a straw poll was seconded. A straw poll was taken. After the straw poll, Ms. Pasco said the amendment would pass.

Ms. Hussain moved to recess for two minutes while she drafted the wording. The motion was seconded by Ms. Flores and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed. Back in session,

Back in session, Ms. Hussain moved to amend SB 143 by adding the following Resolved Clause:

"Resolved, that this e-mail will only be sent from President Winston in the case of the Elections Council not being able to attain their own separate e-mail."

The motion to amend was seconded by Mr. Mairena. THE MOTION TO APPROVE MS. HUSSAIN'S AMENDMENT, ADDING A RESOLVED CLAUSE, PASSED WITH NO OBJECTION.

On a point of information, Mr. Nahabet asked how many votes it took the close the rolls. Ms. Pasco said it took a majority of the members present.

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Ms. Pasco said that seeing no further speakers, the question was automatically called.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE SB 143, AS AMENDED IN COMMITTEE AND ON THE FLOOR, PASSED BY HAND-VOTE 14-0-0, RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A CAMPUS-WIDE E-MAIL DURING ASUC ELECTIONS.

APPOINTMENTS

Ms. Pasco said they would create the temporary committees they just approved that evening.

The first committee was from SB 146, which created the Temporary Committee on the Revenue and Expense Sharing Agreement between the ASUC and the GA. The Committee is comprised of the ASUC President, the EVP, four ASUC Senators, the GA President, one other GA representative, to be appointed by the GA, and one student rep from the SOB; and the ASUC Finance Officer and the Auxiliary Director are non-voting members.

Ms. Hussain said they need people with diverse views, people who were not in the middle, but at the extremes.

Mr. Nahabet said he talked to Mr. Daal, who wanted four Senators who were absolutely opposed to the bill. But Ms. Hussain was saying she wanted to make the Committee as diverse as possible, to make sure the bill got passed when it came to the floor.

Ms. Pasco called for nominations for the Temporary Committee.

Mr. Nahabet nominated Mr. Zuo. Ms. Hussain nominated Mr. Nahabet. Ms. Cho nominated Ms. Hussain. Mr. Mairena nominated himself. Ms. Cho nominated Ms. Raffi. Ms. Hussain nominated Mr. Owens, who respectfully declined. Ms. Raffi asked to have her name removed from nomination. Ms. Hussain nominated Ms. Chen, who respectfully declined.

Mr. Mairena move to close nominations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Owens. Objections were raised. Mr. Mairena asked to rescind the motion.

Ms. Hussain asked if they could nominate people who weren't present at that time. Ms. Pasco said the Chair would entertain a motion for a five-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. Pasco said they were in consideration of Senators to sit on the Temporary Committee.

Ms. Hussain said that Mr. Tran accepted his nomination.

Mr. Nahabet asked to remove his name from nomination.

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Mr. Mairena move to close nominations. The motion was seconded and passed with no objection.

Ms. Pasco said the Chair would like to consider all four Senators together for the Committee. It was so moved by Ms. Hussain and was seconded and passed with no objection.

THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE TEMPORARY COMMITTEE ON THE REVENUE AND EXPENSE SHARING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ASUC AND THE GA PASSED BY HAND-VOTE 15-0-0.

MR. ZUO, MS. HUSSAIN, MR. MAIRENA, AND MR. TRAN.

Ms. Pasco said they would next consider nominations to the Selection Committee for the undergraduate student representatives to the Store Operations Board. They needed to appoint two Senators. She called for nominations.

Mr. Nahabet nominated Ms. Chen. Ms. Ude nominated Ms. Oatfield. Ms. Flores nominated Ms. Shah, who respectfully declined. Mr. Nahabet nominated Ms. Dhar. Ms. Ude nominated Ms. Tran, who respectfully declined. Ms. Flores nominated Ms. Hussain. Mr. Nahabet nominated Mr. Zuo, who respectfully declined. Ms. Chen nominated Ms. Raffi. Ms. Shah nominated Ms. Flores. Ms. Raffi asked to have her name removed. Mr. Nahabet nominated himself.

Ms. Pasco said seeing no further nominations, they would go to votes.

The motion to approve Ms. Chen to the Selection Committee for the undergraduate SOB representatives failed by hand-vote 7-0-10.

The motion to approve Ms. Oatfield to the Selection Committee failed by hand-vote 10-0-6.

Ms. Flores asked when Senators had to meet by. Ms. Pasco said it would be whenever their schedules allowed. Ms. Flores asked by when the undergrad SOB reps should be chosen by. Ms. Pasco said it should be by the end of the semester. Ms. Flores asked if that could be at the end of the last Senate meeting. Ms. Pasco said that wouldn't leave time to approve the appointment.

The motion to approve Ms. Dhar to the Selection Committee failed by hand-vote 6-5-5.

On a point of information, Mr. Nahabet asked what bill this was formed from. Ms. Pasco said it was from 147, To Create a Temporary Committee on the Selection of Student Representatives to the Store Operations Board.

The motion to approve Ms. Hussain to the Selection Committee failed by hand-vote 11-0-3.

Mr. Nahabet moved to recess for two minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Flores and passed with no objection. This meeting was recessed.

Back in session, Mr. Sakaue move to close nominations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Owens and passed with no objection.

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Ms. Pasco said the Chair would entertain a motion to consider the last two nominations together. It was so moved by Ms. Flores and was seconded and passed with no objection.

A motion to approve the two nominations, Ms. Flores and Mr. Nahabet. The motion was seconded. THE MOTION TO APPROVE MS. FLORES AND MR. NAHABET TO THE TEMPORARY SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE UNDERGRADUATE REPRESENTATIVES ON THE STORE OPERATIONS BOARD PASSED BY HAND-VOTE 17-0-0.

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

Elected Official Announcements (cont'd)

Mr. Owens said that people got an e-mail he sent about something he got in the mail, from "R. Sarnoff," NY, NY. He didn't understand it. Three Senators have received it. If any others receive it, he would ask them to please let him know. If they get any threatening things in their mail box, or things that were anti-Semitic, he would ask them to please let him know. These things needed to stop. He didn't want to be associated with it and didn't want any Senator to be associated with it. He called for any questions.

Ms. Raffi asked if he could share the nature of the mail. Mr. Owens said it's a list of Jewish people who have done quote "bad things." It included prominent world figures in politics, finance, and industry. The e-mail was very strange, and was like a black list of 27 people. It was ridiculous and he didn't want to be associated with it or to receive it.

Mr. Mairena asked if he Googled "Sarnoff's" name. Mr. Owens said he did, but found nothing substantive. Mr. Mairena said he was asking if Mr. Owens Googled his own name, and said he's seen his name on an anti-immigration Web site because of his stance on the DREAM Act, as a result of what was in the minutes and in the Daily Cal. These things were really public, so they had to be careful of their decisions as Senators.

Ms. Tran said she wanted to pass around fliers about the Vietnamese Student Association Culture Show and how the monsoon was coming. She would ask them to please spread the word around. It will be on April 19. Pre-sale tickets are \$12. She had to sell 20, so she would ask them to please help support it. Tickets are \$15 at the door and they're also selling reserved tickets for \$20.

Ms. Yang said she wanted to thank those who were present to see the Special Order from Counseling and Psychological Services. On behalf of the Advocacy Agenda Committee on Health, she thought it was important for them to come in to talk to the Senate, especially at this time, when everybody was going through a lot of stress with midterms, the bad economy, and elections. For those who were there, she hoped it helped. Despite what was going on, people's health should be there number one priority. Also, her friend was an intern for Cal Corps and that weekend there's a retreat, "Soul Food for the Activist."

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There will be cool workshops and guest speakers. The professor who created the Peace and Conflict Studies major will be there. It's free and was open to all Berkeley students. She would ask Senators to tell their constituents and organizations. It will be a great event. People have put a lot of work into it. Also, Ms. Yang said she's a political intern for REACH, the Asian Pacific Islander Recruitment and Retention Center, which works with bridges. Next week is the annual Politics Awareness Week, and they'll touch on APIs and education, will they'll evaluate their educational experience, and think about education at all levels and reflect on their education.

Mr. Nahabet said he would like to nominate Matt Warren to the Judicial Council.

On a point of information, Mr. Mairena asked what other nominations have been made besides Mr. Nahabet's and Ms. Hussain's. Ms. Pasco said those were the only two. She said it was just Mr. Nahabet's nomination.

Ms. Cho said she wanted to thank wish people good luck on campaigning and to ask people to prioritize their health. She thought they were getting lazy at Senate meetings, and slow and inefficient. She hoped they could try and be more efficient. She had fliers for The Backyard Abolitionist Tour. There's a schedule on the back. There are two workshops about what they would do and talk about it.

Mr. Mairena said he wanted to encourage everyone, regarding the elections, to talk to people about the safety of people campaigning. There's been threatening phone calls made to people on certain sides. It was important to bring it back to the ASUC elections being important and not make it an issue where people had to feel unsafe. Campaigning on one side should not mean being at risk and not feeling safe on their own campus. Just in walking around, he's heard comments that were very negative, and even threatening at points. He would ask to please talk to their volunteers and make them realize that threats were not a joke, especially with the increase in crime around campus.

Ms. Flores said that Pilipino Cultural Night will be April 11 at 2 p.m. in Zellerbach. There will be a pre-show at 2:00 in Zellerbach and a community organization dinner after the show at 6 p.m. in the MCC. It's free, and tickets for PCN were on a sliding scale, from \$12 to \$20, for reserved seating. The theme of the show is "Redefining." Also, next week, the PSA and the VSA will work together to promote their culture shows at noon every day next week, so she would ask them to please check out authentic dancing and other activities. Also, Perspectives will be on Friday, April 10, in Wheeler. She'll also send out YouTubes for PCN. She would ask people to please be good to one another during elections and during

voting days. Ms. Flores said she'll be optimistic, hopefully, and open minded to everyone during these next few days. Senators had the capacity to be good to each other and to see each other as human beings. People should let her know if they need any support.

Ms. Cho said she came across a late-night delivery service, from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m., phomenow.com.

Ms. Hussain said the Afghan culture show will be April 26 from 4:00 to 6 p.m. in Pauley Ballroom. It should be really cool. They have some amazing things planned out, and she would ask Senators to please think of attending.

Ms. Oatfield said that for the record, she e-mailed a more formal version of her main motion to remove the Attorney General from office.

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Ms. Rodriguez said that admissions decisions have gone out to a lot of high school students. Students have also been denied admission. So students will work on appealing those decisions. There are organizations on campus that are getting ready for a great weekend, Senior bridges Weekend. People in the room are participating and will work to introduce people to the campus who were admitted to the University. It was important to know such programs exist. Some students find it difficult to go from high school to college. She hoped people get a chance to outreach for a day. Also, she was really excited about people who were anxious to be part of the Senate next year and were really qualified. Hopefully, the Senate could support them coming into student government. She would also ask everybody to take care of themselves.

Ms. Shah that an MP, Member of Parliament, George Galloway, will speak in Santa Clara on Sunday, April 5. Being an MP, this was a pretty big deal. Also, the Hunger and Homelessness Conference is happening on April 9 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. in Pauley Ballroom. It will be hosted by CALPIRG, the Suitcase Clinic, and Cal Habitat for Humanity.

Ms. Tran moved to go back to Committee Reports. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mairena and passed with no objection.

Committee Reports (cont'd)

Reporting for the Constitutional and Procedural Review Committee, Mr. Mairena said he had a change to what he said earlier. Con-Review will not meet again until April 20 at 9 p.m. in the Senate lounge. Also SB 135 was actually 135A and SB 146 was not amended in committee.

Reporting for the University and External Affairs Committee, Ms. Tran said no bills were referred to the Committee so they won't meet until April 20 at 9 p.m.

Mr. Mairena said that SB 143 was not amended.

Ms. Cho said that the Advocacy Agenda Committee on Academic Resources and Improvement was not meeting this Thursday, but will meet next Thursday.

Mr. Mairena asked if Ms. Oatfield's main motion had to be sent to committee or if that could be submitted on the floor. Ms. Pasco said that if the Senate decided to include it in the next meeting's agenda packet, it would have to be sent to committee.

Ms. Hussain said Fi-Comm won't meet next Monday, and will meet April 13.

Mr. Mairena moved to go back to New Business. The motion was seconded by Ms. Flores. ‘

NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

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Mr. Mairena moved to include the bill sent out by Sen. Ms. Oatfield in New Business. The motion was seconded by Ms. Oatfield. The motion passed by hand-vote 10-6-0. Ms. Chen asked if a majority vote was required or a two-thirds vote to amend the agenda. Ms. Pasco said it was.

Ms. Pasco said the bill would be numbered SB 168, To Remove Attorney General Michael Sinanian from Office. Ms. Pasco said she would refer it to Con-Review.

Mr. Nahabet asked if the bill would also be sent to Fi-Comm, due to Mr. Sinanian's stipend. Ms. Pasco said the point was well taken, so she would refer the bill to Fi-Comm as well.

Mr. Mairena moved to go back to Committee Reports. The motion was seconded by Ms. Tran and passed with no objection.

Committee Reports

Mr. Mairena said that Con-Review will meet on April 13, since they now have a bill.

Ms. Pasco said the Chair would entertain a motion to move to Executive Officer Reports. It was so moved and seconded by Mr. Mairena and Ms. Tran and passed with no objection.

Report from the Executive Vice President

With Ms. Vir-Banks chairing the meeting, Ms. Pasco said she hasn't given a report for the past couple of meetings. She wanted to do a communications check, and asked Senators to around the room and give a number on the level of communications they thought they had. Numbers Senators gave were 4, 4, 4, 5, 5, 4, 3, 4, 7, 5, 7, 4, 3, 7, 10, 4. Ms. Pasco said that's as she expected, and she felt communication was poor that evening. She didn't know if everyone was just tired. She would like to emphasize something a Senator said that evening, that just because elections were going on didn't mean the ASUC doesn't func-

tion. Hopefully, people think about their current role as ASUC elected officials. For new committees created that evening, she'll send e-mails out about them, especially the Temporary Committee on Expense and Revenue Sharing for the ASUC and the GA. They have 18 days to come to a consensus about that decision.

Regarding the Chancellor's dinner, she hoped people had a great time, for those who went. It was informal and really nice to schmooze with the Chancellor. She'll buy a thank you card for people to sign to give to the Chancellor and to Mary Catherine for having them at their place.

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Regarding academics, the last day to change grades from a letter grade to pass/not pass is Friday by 5:00. If people had issues with paying for that, she would ask them to please let her or Mr. Mairena know. They might be able to get them a waiver.

Lastly, Ms. Pasco said she wanted to talk about her Spring Break outreach experience. She was given the opportunity to go on Spring Break outreach for Pilipino Academic Student Services, an R&RC on campus. She wanted to highlight some of the amazing work that ASUC-sponsored organizations are doing on the campus. For all Spring Break, they outreached to different community colleges and high schools, over 40 schools. They went to places like San Diego, Los Angeles, and Oxnard, Miramar College, Mesa, Morris High School, her high school, the Channel Islands, a bunch of different places. It was five days, and over 40 different high schools and community colleges. They talked to thousands and thousands of students. It made her appreciate her opportunity to be in higher education. Some students she outreached to didn't even know what APG requirements were. In the LA area, academic performance indexes of 1, 2, or 3 don't have those classes. A lot of times she would pose a question to students as to what it meant for them to be in high school knowing that they didn't have the classes they needed to take in order to be eligible for college. She reflected a lot on that and on what it meant to be there, and for all of them to be there, not only as students, but as elected officials and leaders on the campus. She wanted people to appreciate that, and to not ever forget where they came from. She wanted to challenge them all to think about that and go back to their high school or community college, or wherever they came from before Berkeley, and tell people about their experience and motivate them and inspire them to pursue higher education. The way their society was now, higher education was people's gateway to everything, and without it, people had very limited possibilities and opportunities for their lives. That was her takeaway from her Spring Break. This was her fourth trip for Spring Break outreach. She was very excited she couldn't go out any more as an undergrad. This would be the only way she would ever spend her Spring Break in college. It was really good experience for her and an opportunity for her to come full circle with the college experience. She hoped people take the time to talk to their family or people at their old high school and talk about their experience at Berkeley, because it really was unique.

Report from the Academic Affairs Vice President

With Ms. Pasco chairing the meeting, Mr. De la Cruz said the Grants Department will close April 13. Any event after April 13 during the summer that they want funding for needed an application by April 13.

Applications will still be reviewed, but if they want funding for an event in May, they had to apply now, whether a student group or individual. Mr. De la Cruz said he was volunteering abroad that summer, in the Philippines, and had to apply for an Academic Opportunity Fund Grant. Also, he sent out an e-mail about the number of Bears Breaking Boundaries applicants. It increased that year, and they have 140. It's good they increased the number of competitions and applications. He wanted to thank the people who helped by word of mouth and by encouraging their peers to apply. There's over \$85,000 in prize money for these projects. The ceremony for the competition will be in late April or early May. Also, the Office held the first International and Area Studies Town Hall, with over 250 in attendance. He would apologize that it overlapped with the Chancellor's dinner, but it had to coordinate with Ananya Roy's schedule. They discussed the elimination of the deanship for IAS as that meant there would be less representation in

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terms of advocating for resources. The Town Hall was held in conjunction with a petition that was being signed, which was already at almost 4,000 signatures, even though it's a little less than a week old and people were coming back from Spring Break. If people felt this was a decision their peers should be aware of, he would ask them to please forward the petition out. He called for any questions.

Ms. Flores moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Yang and passed with no objection.

Roll call was taken for attendance. Members present were:

Sheila Chen	John Moghtader	Lyell Sakaue
Sarah Cho	Eddie Nahabet	Kifah Shah
Meghana Dhar	Christina Oatfield	Lisa Tran
Mary June Flores	Tommy Owens	Obiamaka Ude
Saira Hussain	Tara Raffi	Stephanie Yang
Oscar Mairena	Claudia Rodriguez	Yishi Zuo

This meeting adjourned at 1:05 a.m.

These minutes respectfully submitted by,

Steven I. Litwak
Recording Secretary