

Executive Committee

September 28th, 2022 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm T-152

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Minute

I. Call to order

Meeting was called to order at 2:03 pm.

II. Roll Call

Karina Zamora, President – Excused
Iese Esera, Chief of Staff (Chair) – Present
Harsh Patel, VP of Internal Affairs – Present
Jeel Kankotiya, VP of External Affairs – Present
Mea Montanez, VP of Finance – Present
Arojit Das, VP of Social Justice & Equity – Present
Ersa Rao, VP of Facilities & Operations – Present
Mohit Malik, VP of Academic Affairs – Present
Priyam Mavani, Chief Justice – Present
Jamillah Moore, VP SAEM – Excused
Tonee Sherill, Executive Director – Present

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda for September 28th, 2022 Moved by Jeel Kankotiya (VP of External Affairs), Seconded by Priyam Mavani (Chief Justice) Yes: 8 No: None Abstain: None

Motion is Approved.

IV. Approval of Minutes (09/14/22 and 09/28/22)

Motion to approve the minutes for 08/31/22 Moved by Arojit Das (VP of Social Justice & Equity), Seconded by Jeel Kankotiya (VP of External Affairs) Yes: 8 No: None Abstain: None Motion is Approved.

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V. Open Forum

None.

VI. Discussion Item

a. Designation of iNoodle Vendor Space for Gator Groceries (Iese Esera - Chief of Staff)

The Committee will discuss the designation of the iNoodle space in the CCSC to the Gator Groceries.

Iese Esera, Chief of Staff said that AS staff got in touch with him regarding the iNoodle space being empty currently. He wanted this committee to be aware of the need to look into the potential usage by Gator Groceries as well as the financial situation of the space. Tonee Sherill, Executive Director stated that before the pandemic, AS was in very excellent financial shape, but that after the epidemic, due to decline in enrollment, AS costs far outweighed revenue. Prior to the pandemic, iNoodle Space was paying AS the rent to keep the space, he continued. When the pandemic struck, it was decided that the vendors would no longer be required to pay AS, he added. Now AS has two seats on the UCorp Board in order to have a voice at the table about how those vendor spaces will benefit AS. He continued by saying that several others have offered proposals for using the iNoodle space in their own unique ways. According to him, AS is now operating without a deficit and according to plan, which makes it difficult to give up a revenue generating space and take on a cost event space. After much conversation, he claimed, iNoodle notified them that they needed the space, and AS only had to figure out how to fund it. They have also previously bargained for the bookstore and kitchen area in order to expand AS inside the student center. In the epidemic, he asserted that his methods were different from those of his coworkers since he intended to pay specialists to do the task, but there are currently certain problems that he is experiencing that his coworkers aren't. He stated that Jason is considering restoring the Student Center to student responsibility. As he is unsure of what the student wants, he doesn't want AS to fall deeper into the pit without the knowledge. He claims that once AS commits to a place, AS is then obligated to pay for that space. According to Veronica Castillo, AED of Finance, AS charges students a \$54 membership fee to be a part of this organization. She further mentioned that AS charges \$82 to join the Student Union. However, she pointed out that the \$82 charge is merely a percentage that is only collected in a fiscal year, depending on the costs, as there is a bond or build to pay for the building's terrace level. She also claimed that AS must pay for the space they use from the percentage collected, which is approximately 54% of space, with the remaining 76% is paid by UCorp. The 77% that AS anticipates collecting this year must go to the designated 54% space that they occupy.



However, if AS decides to raise the square footage, they will need to think about how those \$82 will be spent even more thinly. The remaining \$82 of the charge is used to cover the cost of the assets that AS inherited when AS and Student Union merged a few years ago. So her question is how AS will pay for the square footage with their charge being so low. She stated that everyone is invited to attend the upcoming finance committee meeting where she would be discussing AS's budget in order to understand more about the costs and how they are allocated. According to Jamillah Moore, VP SAEM, many of the decisions that the BOD makes in this room will affect the incoming students in the same way that decisions made three to four years ago are affecting current students. She believes that in order to ensure that the board and students understand that it is not just the space that is an issue, but also how much money they currently have and what they are currently paying for? How AS will go over the next five to six months or year is the question on her mind since that will offer the board a greater understanding to inquire about this space that they are currently paying for. Tonee Sherill, Executive Director said that some current programs receive a lot of funding. Some early projects have had the same funding since they began, while others that began before that have risen over time, he explained. He proceeded by saying that when the pandemic struck, the budgets for all the programs were cut in order to survive and maintain the workforce. Now that they are open, they want funds to carry out their goal. Christine Amador, LDC emphasized that it's important to look beyond the box if the board wants to occupy that area. For instance, there can be inventive methods for the AS to collaborate with the university, which might result in funding at some time, she added. Gator Groceries just satisfies a very unique need on this campus, and AS has the data to back it up, she claimed. There are several methods to approach this problem, it simply has to be a matter of investigating them, making sure they fit the organization needs and the financial situation. Alejandro Rios continued, saying he didn't want the board to leave here feeling helpless and dejected. Start this subject under Facilities & Operations or Internal Affairs and explore your choices inside AS, he advised.

Motion to table action a. Designation of iNoodle Vendor Space for Gator Groceries and refer the Gator Groceries issue to Internal Affairs Committee also refer the space allocation issue to Facilities & Operations Committee Moved by Jeel Kankotiya (VP of External Affairs), Seconded by Harsh Patel (VP of Internal Affairs)

Yes: 8 No: None Abstain: None Motion is Approved.

VII. Action Items.

a. AS Committee Assignments (Christine Amador - Leadership Development Coordinator)

The Committee will take action on AS committee assignments.

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Motion to approve Steven Lee for Social Justice & Equity Committee for AS and Strategic Issues Committee for University

Motion to approve Pari Masarani for Academic Affairs Committee, Finance Committee for AS and Basic Needs Committee for University

Moved by Priyam Mavani (Chief Justice), Seconded by Mohit Malik (VP of Academic Affairs)

Yes: 8 No: None Abstain: None

Motion is Approved.

VIII. Announcements

Christine Amador, LDC announces about the upcoming meeting with Dr. Cornel West and asked the board for mandatory RSVP in order to enter the room.

Jamillah Moore, VP SAEM makes an announcement about the Gator Mascot Committee and desires to remain on AS's radar. With the joint efforts of Alumni Relations, On Campus Recreation, Athletics, and New Student & Family Programs, the Gator Mascot Committee was established in 2019 and has been customizing a brand-new mascot. They would soon be bringing the information forward, but she wanted to make sure that they were keeping AS informed and that they would eventually have some information to give on how the Committee could participate in helping to rebrand the new Alli–the Gator Mascot.

IX. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 3:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Pragati Makani

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Approved by: Karina Zamora, President

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