# UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION **COUNCIL: SPECIAL MEETING** Thursday, April 26, 2012 417 Kerckhoff Hall 8:00 p.m. PRESENT: Emily Resnick, Kristina Sidrak, Daniel Soto, Jamie Yao, David Bocarsly, Andrea Hester, Raquel Saxe, Michael Starr, Dan Chikanov, Kinnery Shah, Ronald Arruejo, Patty Zimmerman, TamirSholklapper ABSENT: Joelle Gamble, Jason Smith, Dr. Deb Geller, Dr. Berky Nelson, Laureen Lazarovici, Bob Williams, Roy Champawat, GUESTS: Eena Singh, Kris Kaupalolo I. A. Call to Order

- Resnick called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm.

B. Signing of the Attendance Sheet

The attendance sheet was passed around.

### II. Approval of the Agenda

- -Bocarsly moved to add the approval of the amended referendum as an action item. Sholklapper seconded. With a vote of 8-0-0, the amended referendum was added to the agenda.
- Bocarsly moved and Soto seconded to approve the agenda, as amended.
- -- Resnick called for Acclamation. Resnick asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the agenda was approved, as amended.

### III. \*SWC Constitutional Amendment

- -Sholklapper moved to approve the SWC Constitutional Amendment. Sholklapper said that they made sure this was not biased. There is information about the SWC and why they are changing it.
- -Zimmerman said they could motion then read it out loud or the other way around.
- -Sholklapper read the SWC constitutional amendment out loud as follows:

Shall the Undergraduate Students Association Constitution amend the name of the Student

Welfare Commissioner to the Student Wellness Commissioner as follows in Article II

Section C Subsection 1 (m) and Article III Section A Subsection 11?

#### II. C. 1. m. Student Wellness Commissioner

## III. A. 11 The Student Wellness Commissioner

Shall address general student concerns as head of the Student Wellness

Commission and its representative to the USA Council. Specific duties shall be

those delineated in the Bylaws and other functions as delegated by the Council.

----YES

----NO

Supplemental Information

In 1919, the Secretary of Public Welfare was one of the original officers of the Undergraduate Students Association Council. This title was changed to the Commissioner of Welfare two years later, in 1921, and once again in 1922 to Commissioner of Public Welfare. After being removed from the council, the role was added, once again, in 1926 as the Welfare Board Representative. The role had been renamed and replaced multiple times until 1967 when the current name, Student Welfare Commissioner, was assigned.

Welfare is historically associated with a holistic approach to health. However, the current connotation of welfare is associated with initiatives created by the federal and state governments to support residents in need of monetary support. Wellness is a contemporary term describing overarching wellbeing and proactivity with regards to personal health. Accordingly, the use of wellness is intended to increase the recognition of the services offered to undergraduate students at the University of California Los Angeles campus by the commission, without changing the health-based programming goals.

To reflect the health-based programming supported by the Student Welfare Commissioner, a constitutional amendment is required to rename the position to Student Wellness Commissioner. This change is intended to keep the acronym of SWC while updating the title of the Undergraduate Students Association officer.

- -Bocarsly asked if the points mentioned on Tuesday were taken care of
- -Zimmerman said those are the three spots
- -Sholklapper said yes and that someone could double check the constitution
- -Arruejo asked to please pass the attendance sheet around.

- -Bocarsly asked if it was online
- -Zimmerman said it's on the USAC website under governing documents
- -Sholklapper said he sees three
- -Zimmerman said that's all she sees too
- -Bocarsly asked if it goes on the ballot right away
- -Zimmerman said yes since it's not a referendum
- -Kaupalolo said it's a courtesy to send it to the chancellor
- -Bocarsly said it could be a question, referendum, and advisory
- -Bocarsly called to question. Chikanov seconded. With a vote of 8-0-0, the SWC Constitutional Amendment was approved to add to the ballot
- -Zimmerman said they need ¾ votes
- -Sholklapper asked if they were good
- -Zimmerman double checked the constitution
- -Singh asked about the ballot. She asked if they would include the whole USAC constitution
- -Sholklapper said it's whether or not they can. If not, they would just show what would be changed
- -Singh said she would recommend that rather than the entire constitution on the ballot. She said they could include a link to the constitution if need. She said she is concerned about having the entire constitution
- -Sholklapper asked if this needed to be approved
- -Kaupalolo said they would have to approve supplemental language. He said this is their decision
- -Sholklapper asked if they would need to add it
- -Kaupalolo said it would be supplemental
- -Bocarsly asked what they would add
- -Sholklapper said it would include a broad spectrum of what would be changed
- -Saxe asked if they could talk about this outside of the council meeting
- -Zimmerman said they have to vote on it. She asked if they could vote for it on the next Tuesday meeting

- -Kaupalolo said this needs to be published on the Bruin on Monday
- -Zimmerman asked if they recommend a link instead
- -Singh said yes
- -Sidrak asked if they could do that
- -Singh said yes. She said they could put a PDF link. She said they could just add that
- -Sholklapper asked if they need to approve the link
- -Kaupalolo said yes, they need to approve the exact language
- -Zimmerman said when it's on the ballot, it could be a hyperlink word. For the ad they could write it out
- -Kaupalolo said they could figure it out
- -Zimmerman said they could vote on that one update.
- -Sholklapper moved to add a line to the USAC constitution with the link at the bottom. Bocarsly seconded. With a vote of 8-0-0, the addition of the link with the link at the bottom was approved.
- B. Referendum Language
- -Bocarsly moved to approve the amended referendum language. Saxe seconded.
- -Resnick said the addition was the word "the" before University of California Los Angeles
- -Bocarsly moved to add a title to the referendum. It would be Contingency USA/BOD Referendum Enactment (CURE). Saxe seconded.
- -Saxe called to question the amended referendum language. Sholklapper seconded.

With a vote of 8-0-0, the amended referendum language was amended.

IV. Signing of the attendance sheet.

The attendance sheet was passed around.

V. Adjournment

- Hester moved and Bocarsly seconded to adjourn the meeting.
- Resnick called for Acclamation. Resnick asked if there were any objections to approval by Acclamation. There being none, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm. by Acclamation.

XIV. Good and Welfare

Respectfully Submitted,

Katrina Dimacali

**USAC Minutes Taker** 

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