



University of California, San Diego  
Graduate Student Association

Council Meeting #2  
Monday, October 19, 2015  
6:00 pm, Price Center Forum

- I. Call to Order 6:06pm
- II. Approval of [CM#1 \(2015\) Minutes](#)
  - A. **Move to approve, second (Dan, Mukanth)**
- III. Approval of Agenda
  - A. **Move to amend agenda** - add suggestion, correct Paul's name in agenda, add members to finance committee, correct Finance Bill for event title from "Breakfast with Industry" to "R Users Group Meetings" (**Mukanth, second**)
- IV. Public Comments and Announcements [5 minutes]
  - A. Roaming Social Hour sponsored by ECE
  - B. Look for survey on academic resources coming out the middle of next week from VP Academic
  - C. Lobby Core meeting on the 2nd Thursday in November at 6pm
  - D. Coffee & Bagels October 28th hosted by Financial Affairs
  - E. Cory, Tara and Troy met with Gary Randcliffe about the craft center
  - F. Thursday is the kickoff to the 25th anniversary of Ethnic Studies 8pm PC West
  - G. GSA Halloween Free for All October 30th - costume contest, pizza, and beer
  - H. Brainstorming session about policing matters on campus, get in contact with Sophia or Tara
  - I. Tara - working on a town hall for graduate students who are parents
- V. Presentation - University of California Student Association (UCSA) [20 minutes]
  - A. [Toni Gomez](#), Graduate and Professional Student Advocacy Director
  - B. Sean Connolly, Government Graduate Student Director
  - C. [Grad Student Agenda](#)
    1. shared issues across your campuses
    2. things that need to be fixed in Graduate Student Education
    3. see all graduate students assurance that they have funding until

- they complete their education
- 4. food security - inconsistency between policies about whether or not grad students can access the food banks on campus
- 5. healthy graduate student & advisor relationships
  - a) preventative measures on cultural humility
  - b) mediating the relationship between graduate students & their advisor
- 6. affordable student graduate housing - housing distribution on campus drastically different
- 7. Questions:
  - a) How can you make an influence on the university level?
    - (1) sharing agenda with grad dean
  - b) Where are you housed?
    - (1) main offices in Oakland
    - (2) board made of undergraduate and graduate students
- 8. Staff
  - a) director, chair, Vice Chair, treasurer
  - b) information on website
- D. UCSD GSA not part of UCSA
- E. student conference happening in November being held at UCB, hope you can be engaged in our conferences in the future
- F. Questions
  - 1. If UCSD GSA were to join, what specific changes would we see? - Sophia
    - a) seat at our table, help participate in conversations that help make outcomes happen
    - b) staff participation when you need support on campus
    - c) larger changes whether that be on state level that is run by a student-led board
    - d) working with VPE who are familiar with the agenda, coach student and develop a depth of knowledge on each agenda item
  - 2. Do we get the value that we pay into it? - Nathan
    - a) hard thing to quantify
    - b) seating at the table and making those decisions
    - c) want you at the table to help guide those decisions
    - d) sharing policies and best practices
    - e) collective effort

**G. Move to extend time by 5 minutes, second**

- H. Grad Student Agenda, we have hard numbers ourselves, what is it that we are paying for? Where is money being spent? - Cory
  - 1. elevate grad student conversation statewide
- I. What does it look like if we join again? Is there weekly correspondence, VP External role?
  - 1. meet once a month at a UC campus that alternate
  - 2. VPE have vote, sit at table, 3 students from each organization
  - 3. travel covered
- J. How much does it cost?
  - 1. \$7,938.91 per year
  - 2. experiences been able to facilitate for grad students and feel like they have a voice is important
  - 3. educate legislative makers what it is like to be a grad student
- K. Follow up questions for Toni please email her
- VI. Presentation - UAW 2865 Teaching Assistant Union [20 minutes]
  - A. [Malathi Iyengar](#), Unit Chair of UAW 2865 San Diego Chapter
  - B. represents all TAs
  - C. 2 different groups between the UAW and GSA
  - D. represent 14,500 graduate students across UCs
  - E. [UAW 2865 contract](#) to discuss with the professor you are TAing for → to ensure your protection that you are entitled to are being given to you
  - F. several union activists in the room right now who can help you
  - G. Workload Grievances
    - 1. working more hours than what you are suppose to be every week or for the quarter
    - 2. start logging your hours and contact UAW 2865 about this
    - 3. everything you are doing for the class you are TAing for counts as work
  - H. Duties Description Form
  - I. Childcare
    - 1. new contract \$900/quarter for children through age 12
    - 2. concerns about this child subsidy being taxed
  - J. Childbearing Leave
    - 1. new contract: 6 weeks of paid leave
  - K. Lactation Support
    - 1. lactation stations must be made available within reasonable proximity to work location
  - L. Parental Leave (apart from childbearing)
    - 1. new contract: 4 weeks paid leave, plus a possible unpaid extension

M. All-Gender Bathrooms

1. student workers must have access to all-gender bathrooms within a reasonable distance of work location

N. Undocumented Student Rights

1. New contract: sideletter creating a committee for equalizing professional and educational opportunities for undocumented students, including those who do not qualify for DACA
2. state wide committee that is aiming to put this in place

O. Class Size

1. new contract: 2 labor-management meetings per quarter

P. Trying to grow the contract the way we want it to

Q. contract is a living thing that is constantly changing

R. Question: Class sizes. Just to clear want a concession to have bargaining rights on it?

1. file a HERB case about class size is a mandatory subject of bargaining

VII. Vote on Finance Bills [10 minutes]

**A. Motion to remove GRF02, second (Sophia, John)**

**B. Motion to approve as a slate, second (Sophia, Sara)**

**C. Motion to approve, second (Steve, Maya)**

VIII. [Presentation](#) and Vote on [DCR 01](#) [20 minutes]

A. [Andrew Richards](#), [Maya Sapiurka](#), [Daniel Jacobsen](#)

B. UCSD is in the bottom 3 for consultation for grad students

C. MIOUs have worked in the past, practically by saying we only want you to use this money on a month to month basis and can track the money as it goes

D. Open workshop, full and open to explain what dangers signs are for mental health

E. valuable as a grad rep is the decision to see where our money goes, hiring committee, bargain to get 1-2 slots on a say who gets hired, student voice on committees

1. CAPS extended that invitation to us, can include on MOU language

F. only having one grad psychologist, grad students who had great and awful experiences

1. relationship between the student and psychologist is very fluctuating
2. hope having this person, you can go to this person who understands grad student advisor relationship

G. reason option c

1. sets off their liability, don't have to stick to one

**H. Move to extend time by 10 minutes, second**

- I. Option D, 1 person full time and 1 person half possibility
  1. option D would give them all the money they want just hire a grad psychologist
  2. Option C reflects best

J. Resolution

1. Cory - If we said "Be it resolved, a psychologist 1 year and additional .5 to get someone else up front."
2. Christina - Can we clarify the language because we have been switching between psychologists and psychiatrists
  - a) 3 psychiatrists 2.83 on campus

**K. Move to extend time by 5 minutes, second**

L. Whereas clause, don't see a definition for that acronym

**1. Move to amend SHW to Student Health Wellness, second**

M. Put language in about spot in committee, put in MOU

**N. Move to include to define MOU, second**

**O. Move to approve, second [41-1-0]**

IX. Vote on [UCSD Library Graduate Advisory Committee \(UCSD LGAC\) Charge](#) [10 minutes]

- A. Maya Sapiurka, Teresa Zimmerman-Liu, Daniel Jacobsen
- B. 4 representatives to encompass the areas of campus to discuss how the library can be used
- C. GSA reps to serve on committee
- D. increase number times to represent from once a year to once a quarter
- E. Move to include GSA rep, second, object, withdrawn**
  1. GSA reps be hard to serve on committees, be open in absence of a GSA rep
  2. don't think the addition of that language is necessary

**F. Move to say Chair has to be a GSA rep, second**

**G. Move to vote as a slate, second**

**H. Move to approve, second (Cory, Nate)**

**I. Move to approve document, second**

X. Vote on Special Committee [Campus Events Planning Committee](#) Charge [10 minutes]

- A. Daniel Jacobsen
- B. "The VP of Student and Campus Affairs will bring forward this committee charge for renewal at the final Council meeting of the year. Otherwise, the committee is dissolved."

**C. Move to approve, second**

D. **Member Composition and Appointment** - The following are *Ex-Officio* members of the CEPC:

1. Move to approve, second

E. no vote because in the end coordinators

F. if it isn't voting committee, what is going to get done with the say of the vp campus affairs

1. motion to impeach him

2. job to listen to VP campus

3. trial run

4. committee doesn't control any funding that has to go to the finance committee

5. charge not working out, a charge can be redone or obliterated by 50% of campus

**G. Move to approve charter, second [33-0-0]**

XI. Presentation - Student Fee Advisory Committee (SFAC): Paul Tchir [15 minutes]

**A. Move to table, second**

XII. Presentation - Student Advocates for Graduate Education (SAGE)

Conference Recap [5 minutes]

A. Garrett Bredell, VP External Affairs and Mark Derdzinski, Legislative Liaison of National Affairs

B. "Cracker Jack good time," questions please ask him, send email about white papers

XIII. Call for Nominations for [Election Committee](#)

A. wrote charter and approved last year

B. election committee will oversee it

C. nominate until council 3 now or via email

D. Nominate Jasmine Roberts by Betty, Nate, Steve Rees, Cory by Steve, Tatania by Betty

XIV. Appointments

A. Vice President of Academic Affairs

1. Academic and Judicial Committee - Amelia Ray, Madhura Som

B. Vice President of Financial Affairs

1. Student Fee Advisory Board (SFAB) - Petia Yanchulova

C. Vice President of Student and Campus Affairs

1. Associated Residential Community Housing Advisory Committee

(ARCHAC) - William Valdez, Tatiana Zavodny

2. University Centers Advisory Board (UCAB) - Mignon Chu

**D. Move to approve as a slate, second**

**E. Move to approve, second**

XV. Adjourn [8:02pm]

**A. Move to approve, second**

## VII. Finance Bills

Fund	Budget Funds	Funds Remaining	Funds under Request	Funds remaining if requests approved
Early Request Fund	\$2500	\$60	\$0	\$60
General Request Fund	\$ 10000	\$ 10000	\$ 1950	\$8050
Academic and Professional Request Fund	\$ 10000	\$ 9090	\$475	\$8615
Lounge Improvement Fund	\$ 3500	\$ 3500	\$700	\$2800
Diversity Request Fund	\$ 5000	\$ 5000	\$150	\$4850
Service Request Fund	\$ 1500	\$ 1500	\$1500	\$1500
Family Friendly Fund	\$ 2500	\$ 2500	\$2500	\$2500

### Finance Bills:

**APRF03:** Appropriate \$100 for the event "Career Night with NMFS/IATTC/NOAA" which is organized by Scripps Institution of Oceanography on October 22nd at Surfside. Approximately 25 graduate students are expected

to attend this event.

**APRF04:** Appropriate \$375 for the event "R Users Group Meeting" which is organized by the R-Users Group. This event will happen once a week for 25 weeks, beginning in December until spring.

**GRF01:** Appropriate \$1250 for the event "AIGS-ISA Diwali 2015" which is organized by the Association of Indian Graduate Students on November 7th at MPR/Matthews Quad. Approximately 250 graduate students are expected to attend this event.

**GRF02:** Appropriate \$200 for the event "Understanding Wholeness: D.I.Y. Health Herbs, Mind and Body" which is organized by the Department of Ethnic Studies on January 9th at Che Cafe. Approximately 25 graduate students are expected to attend this event.

**DRF01:** Appropriate \$150 for the event "Women in Science Seminar" which is on November 20th at Surfside. Approximately 40 graduate students are expected to attend this event.

**LIF01:** Appropriate \$700 for the Psychology grad student lounge improvement. Approximately 52 graduate students use this lounge.