



University of California, San Diego
Graduate Student Association

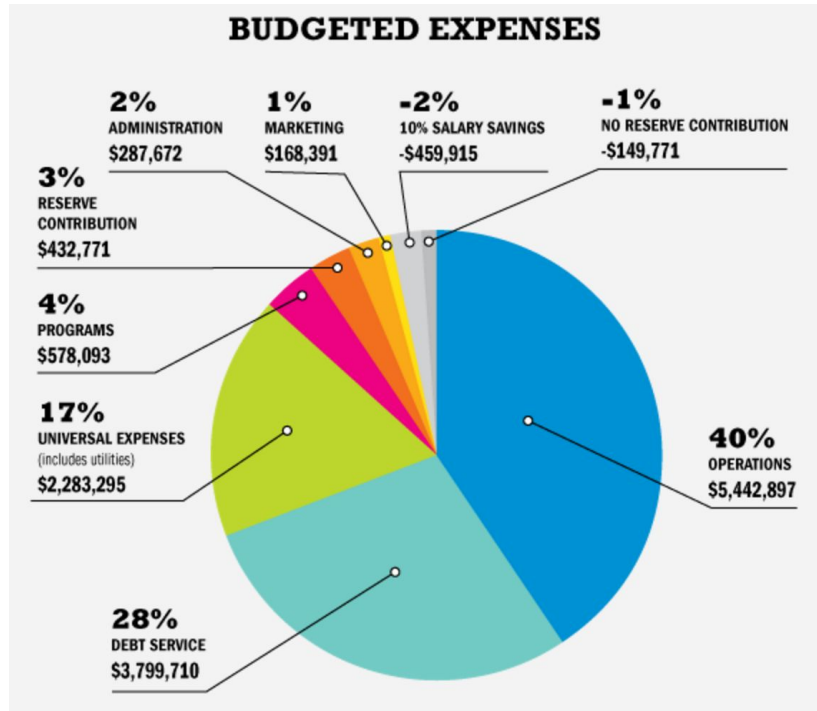
Council Meeting #4
Monday, November 16, 2015
6:00 pm, Price Center Forum

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Council meeting started at **6:05pm** by chair, President [Lindsay Freeman]
- II. Approval of CM #3 (2015) Minutes
 - A. ***Move to amend “presented by Troy Kokinis” in item X to state “presented by Cory Stevenson” (Sophia, Nathan)***
 1. ***Motion passes***
 - B. ***Move to approve CM#3, second***
 1. ***Motion passes***
- III. Approval of Agenda
 - A. ***Move to amend agenda by adding “Vote on Finance Bills and updated GSA Budgets” (Mukanth, Sophia)***
 1. ***Motion passes***
 - B. ***Move to amend appointments for Library Committee to include Jasmine Roberts & Maya Sapiurka (Maya, Dan)***
 1. ***Motion passes***
 - C. ***Move to approve agenda for CM#4 (Bryan, Mukanth)***
 1. ***Motion passes***
- IV. Public Comments and Announcements [5 minutes]
 - A. Lindsay - L& L in the future, sorry for not having it tonight
 - B. Dan - campus meeting will happen this week, look out for email
 - C. Sophia
 1. It's International Education Week. Events throughout the week. Check them out. Tomorrow's event is the Triton World Tournament from 2pm-5pm at RIMAC Field
 2. Hellenic Student Association is having a Greek Night this Friday - food from Satorini, free Greek dance lessons
- V. Guest Presentation - Ombuds
 - A. John Armijo [10 minutes]
 - B. Ombuds - handles conflict resolution for the university (authorship issue,

TA issue)

- C. 3 person office
 - D. Ombuds originated in Sweden (Steven gets chocolate)
 - E. Independent, neutral “third party”
 - F. assists faculty, staff and students
 - G. works to resolve issues on campus
 - H. Confidential
 - 1. no records kept
 - 2. all identities & information discussed are kept confidential
 - 3. not an “office of notice” to the university
 - I. Kim - How are you funded? How do you show statistics/value without having records kept?
 - 1. Out of the Chancellor unit
 - 2. Gather demographics
 - J. Move to extend time by 5 minutes (Valerie, second)**
 - K. Neutral
 - 1. not take sides on a conflict
 - 2. consider the interests of all
 - L. Informal
 - 1. opportunity for informal dispute resolution
 - 2. does not formally investigate
 - M. Independent
 - N. Common Issues
 - 1. questions regarding policies & procedures
 - 2. communication issues
 - 3. grade and/or academic disputes
 - 4. harassment/discrimination
 - 5. ethical considerations
 - 6. research data/authorship disputes
 - O. Move to extend time by 3 minutes (Steven, second)**
 - P. Tara - Difference from your office and the office of the professional
 - 1. dealing with shock
 - 2. lead people to the correct resources on campus
 - Q. Lindsay - great resource to recommend to people with conflict issues
- VI. Presentation - University Centers Advisory Board (UCAB) [15 minutes]
- A. Bryan Arias and Megan Chu
 - B. UCAN in charge of UCEN (Price Center, Original Student Center, Pub, Che Cafe)
 - C. UCAB meets every Tuesday from 2pm-3:30pm in Warren College Room

1. you are welcome to join
 2. minutes posted online to know what is going on
- D. UCAB - advisory board which means make
1. mostly comprised of students: 6 undergraduates, 1 AS, 2 GSA, 2 at large, 1 faculty, 1 staff and 1 alumni
 2. oversee budgets and vendor approved facilities
- E. UCEN Expenses
1. budget breakdown available on website



- F. 2014-2015 Overview
1. drafted & presented the UCEN Referendum
 2. voted to continue reduced rents for co-ops
 3. extended lease to both Round Table Pizza & Shogun
 - a) unanimously voted to not renew Porter's Pub lease
 4. allocated spaces to student groups including BRC
 5. added new, single seating at PC West
- G. 2015-2016 Completed Goals
1. restored hours to certain places at UCEN
 2. opened two new vendors: Lemongrass and Starbucks
 3. Added benches
- H. 2015-2016 Goals
1. renovate Porter's Pub space and select vendor to occupy
 - a) Tara - talk about the process for Pub Space

- (1) things want to fix up
 - (2) renovate outside area to drink outside
 - b) Mukanth - want to renovate space and then show to vendors
b/c they showed the space before it was renovated to vendors and they didn't get a reply
 - c) fix up kitchen, bar, stage area, prevent flooding at front entrance
 - d) talking to UCAB about how much want to spend on this
 - e) \$2M on renovation
 - f) **Move to extend time by 10 minutes (Sophia, second)**
(1) Motion passes
 - g) Kim - Why spending so much money on this place?
 - (1) hasn't been updated for a really long time
 - (2) construction on campus costs a lot of money
 - h) Kim - Is there a transparent place for people to see this process?
 - (1) minutes are online and available for you all to see
 - (2) public comments first 20 minutes of the meeting
 - 2. Open Taco Villa
 - a) Sophia - When is the taco shop opening up?
 - (1) We are aiming to have it soon
 - 3. Draft and pass a new Master Space Agreement between UCEN & Co-ops
 - 4. Decide UCAB wants to renew some current vendors
 - 5. UCAB plans to continue keeping the Graffiti Art Space
 - I. More Information
 - 1. Visit UniversityCenters.ucsd.edu
 - 2. Contact me (bharias@ucsd.edu) or Megan Chu (mchu@ucsd.edu) if you have any questions, concerns, complaints or compliments
 - 3. Special thanks to Sharon Van Bruggen and Claire Maniti for information
 - 4. And none for Dan Jacobsen
 - J. Paolo - Is my student fees paying for Starbucks to be here?
 - 1. No. They are paying a lease to be here.
- VII. Presentation - Academic Resource Survey [5 minutes]
- A. Teresa Zimmerman-Liu
 - B. good amount of grad students from all departments
 - C. read for yourself what the survey said → it will be on the website
 - D. What other academic resources would you like

- E. Writing Center Graduate Writing Consultants - 143B Mandeville
 - 1. help with publishable papers, dissertation chapters, CVs, resumes/cover letters, EFL writing/conversation
 - 2. Dissertation writing workshop in January
 - F. Sara - It's hard getting to main campus from SIO in the middle of the day. If they could change the workshop time that could fit
 - G. Vlad - Can you watch the workshop online
- VIII. Vote on Finance Bills [10 minutes]
- A. *Move to approve DRF03 (Vlad, Steven)***
 - 1. *Motion passes***
- IX. Presentation of [Election Bylaws](#) [10 minutes]
- A. Election Committee (Jeanelle Horcasitas, Steven Rees, Nathaniel Wood-Cohan)
 - B. Election was run by the exec board → conflict of interest
 - C. Present bylaws
 - 1. constitution → present one meeting and vote next meeting
 - 2. officer and exec bylaws can't be changed in winter quarter
 - 3. can make amendments up to election, just need to be in the same spirit as the ones they were written in
 - D. Sophia - Procedural question. How does the recount work? What is to stop someone from
 - E. Vlad - "GSA materials" change to GSA materials and resources to keep it consistent. Mention quorum. Keep track of how many ballots are sent out for how many GSA reps are there. Hesitant about 10 minutes for conversation.
 - 1. times can be lengthen or shorten
 - F. Sara - renumber it to be in order
 - G. Sophia - Are the people who are on the election committee are elected by GSA?
 - 1. Yes
 - H. *Move to extend time by 1 minute (Vlad, second)***
 - I. Sophia - Is there an outside person to be on the fly on the wall?
 - 1. Point of the election committee is to be an unbiased role
 - J. Make sure comment on the doc. Be voting on the bylaw changes in CM#5.
- X. Presentation of [Elected and Appointed Officer Bylaws](#) [10 minutes]
- A. Governing Documents Maintenance Committee (Matthew Cohen and Cory Stevenson)
 - B. Thematic Changes to Bylaws
 - 1. New officers must have a source of funding

2. Corrections to names/titles/etc
 3. Created a bylaw section for all officers
 - a) reduces repetition individual officer's bylaws
 - b) eliminates inconsistencies between several officers' bylaws
 4. Additional VP Finance bylaws, moved from Financial bylaws
 5. Professional Development Coordinator Bylaws
- C. Edit II: Bylaws for All Officers
1. Eliminates redundancy in individual officer bylaws, as well as differences between individual officers
 2. All Officers must:
 - a) maintain budgets of discretionary funds
 - b) Appoint representatives to committees
 - c) Oversee duties and budgets of officers
- D. Sophia - Who get the discretionary funds?
1. Done by Finance Committee, approved by council
 2. Decided in spring quarter for next year
- E. Eric - slot available for the governing committee. Email chief@gsa.ucsd.edu if you want that final slot.
- F. Move to extend time by 5 minutes, second (Sophia, Mukanth)**
- G. Nathan - Just elected officers will read this to know what they know
- H. Sophia - Isn't this ground for impeachment if they don't know where my money is going towards?
- I. Vlad - There are some fees they have no control over but the language makes it sound like they should.
- J. Kim - The minimum of what you can do is to know about the finances. Curious about the student code of conduct
- K. Tara - Include with the process of the Ombuds with the EDI position. Officers should be knowledgeable about the GSA student conduct
- L. Need to be voted on before the spring election
- M. Sara - Reword finance knowledge to just know where the money is going rather than how the fees work. VP EDI item 4 → shouldn't facilitate undergraduate mentoring
- N. Mukanth - can't fund event that predominantly supports undergraduates
- O. Tara - working with community outreach coordinator
- P. Move to strike item 4 under VP EDI (Maya, second)**
1. Motion passes
- Q. Sophia - if there isn't a clause about officers be knowledge about code of conduct
- R. Teresa - UCSD code of conduct covers all students & orgs anyways

S. Move to extend time by 5 minutes (Teresa, Sophia)

1. Motion passes

T. Nathan - put the words “generally” in item 12 under VP Finance

U. Eric - goals was looking down the line 5 years they would still make sense

XI. Appointments

A. Council

1. Library Graduate Advisory Committee (LGAC) - Jeanelle Horcasitas, Jasmine Roberts, and Maya Sapiurka

2. Move to approve as a slate (Steven, Sophia)

a) Motion passes

3. Move to approve appointments for Library graduate Advisory Committee (Dan, Sophia)

a) Motion passes

XII. Call for CM #5 Agenda Items

A. VC of Student Affairs will be presenting

XIII. Adjourn

A. Move to adjourn at 7:46pm (Dan, Sophia)

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:

DRF 03: Appropriate \$300 for the event "Greek Taverna Dance Night" which is organized for November 20th at the International Center. Approximately 40 graduate students are expected to attend this event.