



University of California, San Diego  
Graduate Student Association

Council Meeting #2  
Monday, October 27th, 2014  
6:00pm, Price Center Forum

- I. Call to Order [6:09pm]
  - A. Announcements:
    1. Rep Training on November 6th
    2. Robert's Rule - set of rules intended to facilitate decision-making in large groups & make sure everyone understands what has been decided
      - a) every thing should be acknowledged through the chair even speaking
      - b) things moved through motions, voice vote, & raise of hand votes
      - c) refer to the back of the placard for more information
- II. Approval of [CM1 Minutes](#)
  - A. **Motion to approve Council Meeting Minutes #1, seconded**
- III. Approval of Agenda
  - A. **Motion to approve agenda with amendment to Article X to include Finance Bill (APRF 03), seconded**
  - B. **Motion to add call of appointments to the agenda, seconded**
  - C. **Motion to change**
  - D. **Motion to add several appointments for Campus & Finance Committees, seconded**
  - E. **Motion to strike Article V about the Chancellor presentation, seconded**
    1. cancelled due to scheduling conflict
  - F. **Motion to amend agenda with Article VIII to add second council resolution, seconded (voice vote)**
  - G. **Motion to approve amended agenda, seconded**
- IV. Public Comments and Announcements [5 minutes]
  - A. Executives - Garrett, Dan, Lindsay, Jon
    1. sharing best practices of how GSA is run with SAGE
    2. national advocacies, share report in the future
    3. UCSD GSA ahead of the game
  - B. Health Care Initiatives - Jon
    1. task force to review all options of care as well as alternatives for students

- C. GSA Halloween Party - Lindsay
  - 1. Thursday, Graduate students
- D. Lobby Core - Timia
  - 1. November 6, talking to councilmen/women about concerns of legislations that affect GSA
  - 2. prepping for lobbying training the following month
  - 3. gone to lobby visits this
  - 4. "we are here and we are not going to run away"
- E. 30th of October
  - 1. last day to spend DPC
  - 2. at 4pm unspent money will be taken out, new money will be sent in
- F. Election Viewing Party - Nov 4th with Lindsay
  - 1. watch the election with Nathan Fletcher
- G. Cultural Events - plays: Grinch and Nutcracker, UCI Brewery Tour
  - 1. tickets to be sold soon
- V. Special Visits: Helen Kagan [15 minutes]
  - A. [Craft Center Revival](#)
  - B. Closed because building in bad condition, hazard but regardless, people really enjoyed it
  - C. Improve the campus life through creativity that can be learned by anyone and applies to all aspects of life
  - D. Diverse group of people doing projects in a unique way
  - E. Sprinkle in more personality in UCSD campus life while maintaining the beauty of La Jolla
  - F. people met through the craft center that have benefited from it
  - G. Creativity is contagious → developing ideas, disciplines
  - H. Art is important to relieve stress
  - I. Successful Programs
    - 1. Florida State University - Paint a Pot Program
      - a) buy already made pottery and just paint a design, staff member fire a guild
      - b) \$100,000 a year which is enough money to fund other arts & crafts programs
    - 2. Empty Bowls - Charity that Feeds the Homeless
      - a) buy a bowl and stand n line to get soup from a restaurant, all proceeds go to charity
    - 3. Focusing on One Main Activity or a Small Handful to avoid spreading too thin (center got a bit to advantage)
      - a) Yale Loom Room
      - b) MIT Glass Lamp/Orchestra
      - c) North Carolina has emphasis on glass arts
      - d) UCB
        - (1) 2011 inherited a deficiet of \$80,000 and a small time she was abble to make a \$30,000 profit by cutting less profitable programs

4. Partnerships with Industry
  - a) Cal State Fullerton
    - (1) partnerships with Sony, Disney
    - (2) received state bonds to improve art
  - b) UCSD - Qualcomm Institute
    - (1) rent nanoengineering lab for \$800 an hour
    - (2) donations is how programs stay alive
    - (3) group of donors who want to support the Craft Center
    - (4) working with Chancellor Kholsa to create a written plan of Craft Center
5. Offer a Class that Attracts People From All Over the Campus
  - a) MIT - How to Build almost anything
    - (1) FAB Lab
6. *Motion to extend time by 10 minutes, seconded*
7. Digital Fabrication Revolution
  - a) 3d printers becoming cheaper and more accessible
8. Questions
  - a) What will the craft center provide?
    - (1) Currently being decided, choose the most popular things in the old craft center; like to see a FAB Lab added to it
  - b) What do you want from GSA?
    - (1) Committee of Graduate Students before
    - (2) open to more help
    - (3) Help - putting together a report for potential donors
  - c) One of the reasons that Craft Center was low student enrollment?
    - (1) a class that attracts students from all over the campus
    - (2) Multi-Use building to attract
    - (3) lack of advertisement previously
  - d) Lack of artwork around UCSD would the craft center enhance that?
    - (1) Future potential for displaying student work in PC or some of the art galleries
  - e) GSA can potential co-found a program such as art therapy

VI. Special Visits: Maria Beaupre - UCSD Toast Masters [5 minutes]

- A. push for professional development through public speaking
- B. Maria - funds manager in the Bioengineering Department on Campus
- C. 2 clubs on campus - Revelle meet in dining hall & engineering building atikson hall on 5th floor
- D. books have different times depending on the chapter
- E. organization that helps in public speaking, done at your place
- F. book with 10 chapters, each chapter is like a lego block
- G. 5 reasons: better speaker, listener, leadership skills, improve interview skills, improve English as a second language, expand networks

- H. can bring a speech planning to do as one of your exercises, give positive feedback, good critique
  - I. meeting roles: toastmaster who mcs, timer, critique, table talker master which is the impromptu section
  - J. guest as long as you like until you decide to join, everything is very voluntery
  - K. network - district events to meet people from various industries and organizations, widen network that can lead to various relationships
  - L. Revelle - Friday at 9am
  - M. Warren - Thursdays at noon Jacobs School of Engineering
- VII. Presentation of [Council Resolution 01](#) [10 minutes]
- A. Troy Kokinis and members of the CHE Cafe Collective
  - B. Troy been going to this space since 16 years old, in a dire situation with the hopes that GSA can help
  - C. Ariana Padilla - 3rd year in SE
    1. from LA: lot of music and art that wasn't found at UCSD
    2. when i found the CHE it's been my way away from home, community that i have been apart of that i feel blessed
    3. to see it be taken away from people is a problem
    4. Administration responsibility to the 34 history, UCSD, San Diego community
  - D. 1st year, from SD
    1. point of contact from the university
    2. supporting a dispute resolution from university and CHE Collective
    3. 14,000 people around california to show the weight that this space carries with it
    4. support CHE has
    5. supporting conflict resolution would be supporting a voice that the university failed to communicate with the collective
    6. university failed to address issues that have been overlooked
    7. supporting conflict resolution means supporting a relationship between the university and CHE cafe
  - E. Lee - CSE student
    1. member of Co-Op union
    2. student life and community life problem
    3. concept of social death at school → ways to resolve is people being involved in the student life should be making the decision making
    4. what it means for people to have self-determination in their own student life
    5. in-depth talk about creating sustainable solution that is a consensus about everyone's concerns
  - F. Don - Che has a right to stay in its space as a campus
    1. main concern about resolution 01 without really evaluating moving forward all the details that have occurred
    2. personally, frustrated with the management & how the university

backed us into this room to have this conversation

3. Lee - don't have an alternative model to dispute

**G. Motion to extend by 5 minutes, seconded**

**H. Brandon - good to put faces to names**

1. GSA made actions on the fate of Che Cafe - last year's vote didn't have the opportunity for the collective to come in
2. Aware collective is still hosting events - how can you continue on with planning?
  - a) maintain right to space, waiting for certain document to be signed by a judge and then have 5 days from when we receive document → we will carry events
  - b) have space until some further action is taken
  - c) currently getting office space in university center

**I. Timia - event space agreement need to have non-profit status, is there safety in the space, is there opposition of becoming a student org and meeting somewhere else?**

1. certain safety concerns but fire marshall said its not unsafe
2. alternative spaces, Che Cafe is unique, the other spaces don't fit our needs
3. lost 503(c) from federal government due to not being informed of the proper documentation to maintain status

**J. Motion to extend by 1 minute, seconded**

1. Renee - 2013 began re-applying for non-profit status and because the tax code change and don't have knowledge of it is why we lost the status; we have direct contact with IRS to get the status

**VIII. Draft Council Resolutions**

**A. Motion to close session, seconded [16-31-0]**

1. Don - dialogue to stay with representatives, things said not made public, make people feel safer
2. GSA duty to represent ideas of fellow constituents, allows GSA to focus on how to approach problem, Troy is a part of the group and can be speak on their behalf
3. GSA has widespread effect on the campus and the student opinion
4. everyone been getting emails about the Che Cafe, people don't feel comfortable, representatives can't speak
5. a lot of new council who might feel intimidated to ask questions from, not want to say theres no support if we close it
6. don't need to shut them out, Troy can yield to a representative if he doesn't know
7. insinuating that guest speakers are intimidating
8. Executives receive every single time there is an open letter, feel frustrated that will be called out, don't feel safe, execs don't have a vote

**B. Draft Council Resolution 02 - Don**

1. seen over and over again, see this as an internal issue

2. past resolution voted 3 times, last time decertified
3. takes resolution, current one and future resolutions and refers to a committee to create a GSA move forward
4. get to root of problem, why is it we can't keep space open & what can we do to keep it open, what is the truth → seeing contradiction and worried that i may have been told something other than the truth
5. want us to seek answers out the fastest way possible is by chairing a committee
6. Amelia - through the committee, would be the best way for a collaboration between GSA and Che Collective to help clarify what is going on in the past, state of understandings, plan to working with collective
7. Kevin - felt confident based on the information given at the time, confusing what the real information is, grievances on the collective may have been misinformation from administration
8. Daniel - idea intriguing, how would committee be established
  - a) Don - committee bylaws, President has privilege to establish committee, President assign a designee and nominate an executive nominee, committee will before council meeting happens
9. Prevent from Che Cafe from being shut down
  - a) Natural Space Agreement - make it come back to council to decide whether it will be demolished, decertified collective but not the space
  - b) committee can produce something that reverses decertification
  - c) committee has no power on its own, not advising university, creating reports that are publicly available
10. Master Share Agreement, GSA will be funding space
  - a) GSA has made no decision about Che Cafe at all
  - b) committee will create
11. Joe - time is of the essence for collective, will have the opportunity to put this committee forward but making
  - a) Space Agreement of 2006 - don't
12. Lauren - possible alternative to committee
  - a) it will go straight to committee for any concerns
13. Don - 6 members other than the chair
  - a) 6 people in the next 2 weeks, if any executives chair will be able to move very quickly
- 14. Motion to amend resolution VIII, seconded**
- 15. Motion to amend resolution**
  - a) immediate resolve add review reasons GSA decertifying Che Collective & inquiring into the decisions made by UCAB concerning the Che Cafe

16. Timia - misconception that no one wants to get rid of Che Cafe or collective, we as a body have things that need to happen to rectify it, committee is a great point of contact to

17. Troy - put a part about GSA supporting Che Cafe

**18. Call to question, seconded [35-6-0]**

**19. Motion to accepting document as written [38-2-1]**

20. Nominating Don Jon as Chair Committee (Jon)

21. Nominate Amelia, Travis Chamberlain, Vladimir Jovanovic, Troy K, Kyle Blair, Nathan Cohen, Daniel Gutierrez, Paolo Gabriel

22. *Move to vote by ballot, seconded (withdrew)*

**23. Motion to reconsider resolution, seconded**

**24. Motion to amend change members to 8, seconded**

25. *Motion to amend resolution "be it further resolved, GSA UCSD supports both the Che Cafe Collective and the Che Cafe Space", seconded [not passed]*

a) tying our hands

b) doesn't fit in with resolution

c) nothing has to do with the committee, has more to do with making a statement of GSA council

d) keeping committee neutral, originally intent to be a fact checker

e) can't make a statement like this yet until

f) call to question, seconded

**26. Motion approve resolution with amendments**

**27. Motion to do appointment as a slate, seconded**

**28. Motion to approve slate, seconded**

C. Draft Council Resolution 01

1. go to committee

IX. Council Resolution 01

X. Finance Bills

A. APRF 03

1. Appropriate \$700 for Kevin Aguilar from RAZA Graduate Student Association for their Chris Crass, "Towards Collective Liberation: Anti-Racist Organizing, Feminist Praxis, and Movement Building Strategy". The requestor is expecting 100 graduate students and the funding will be used towards the speaker's honorium.

**2. Motion to approve finance bill, seconded**

XI. Call for Committee Vacancies:

A. GSA Diversity Committee: 1 vacancy

B. Sports Facilities Advisory Board (SFAB): 2 vacancies

C. Strategic Residential Living and Learning Work Group: 1 vacancy

XII. Appointments

A. Whitney Russell, GSA Diversity Committee

B. Dan Jacobsen, Transportation Policy Committee

C. Vice President of Student and Campus Affairs

1. Andrew Richards to WCSAB
  2. Haydee Smith to ARCHAC
  3. Brandon Stephens to ARCHAC
  4. Gautum Akiwate to ARCHAC
  5. Ruichen Sun to ARCHAC
  6. Sophia Hirakis to ARCHAC
  7. Handa Yang to UCAB
  8. Bryan Arias to UCAB
  9. Nikola Bulajic to SFAB
- D. Vice President of Finance
1. Betty Ramirez to GSA Finance Committee
  2. Jeanelle Horcasitas to GSA Finance Committee
- E. Motion to approve appointments as a slate, seconded***
- XIII. Adjourn [8:15pm]

# GSAUCSD Constitution

Red = proposed amendments by members of bylaws committee membership

## ARTICLE I: NAME AND MEMBERSHIP

### Section I: Name

The name of this organization shall be the Graduate Student Association of the University of California, San Diego, herein called the GSAUCSD.

### Section II: Membership

Any person duly registered as a graduate or professional student at the University of California, San Diego (herein referred to as UCSD), and paying the graduate student activity fee, shall be a full member of the GSAUCSD. Subject to applicable



qualifications, all members shall be eligible to hold office in the GSAUCSD or in any one of its subordinate organizations.

## ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

The objective of the GSAUCSD shall be to represent and advance the interests and objectives of graduate and professional students of UCSD.

## ARTICLE III: STATUS

The GSAUCSD is an unincorporated association of graduate and professional students at UCSD. The GSAUCSD Council (herein referred to as the Council) is the duly constituted representative assembly of GSAUCSD. The Council's mandate is to act on behalf of the members of the GSAUCSD and is derived directly from the graduate and professional student body of UCSD. The GSAUCSD is constituted as such according to the provisions of the United States Constitution on freedom of speech and association. The GSAUCSD is an "Authorized Student Government" at UCSD.

## ARTICLE IV: GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

This Constitution shall serve as the primary governing document for the GSAUCSD. The GSAUCSD shall additionally adopt Bylaws to govern its internal organization. In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between the Constitution and Bylaws, the Constitution shall take precedence. Amendments to the Bylaws shall require a two-thirds vote of Council representatives present and be presented in written form one meeting in advance of the vote. The Bylaws may be suspended by a two-thirds vote of Council representatives present at any meeting where a quorum exists. Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the GSAUCSD in all cases to which they may apply, and in which they are not inconsistent with this Constitution or the Bylaws.

## ARTICLE V: COUNCIL

### Section I: Powers and Responsibilities

All legislative and administrative authorities of the GSAUCSD are vested in the Council and are exercised according to this Constitution and Bylaws. The Council is the sole and final authority of the GSAUCSD regarding matters including, but not limited to, delegation of authority within the GSAUCSD and expenditure of GSAUCSD funds. The general powers and responsibilities of the Council shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- a. The safeguarding of the rights of students to vote in UCSD campus-based referenda, to be granted representation to UCSD governing bodies, to participate in all GSAUCSD sponsored activities, and to receive a fair hearing on the grievances before any agency of the GSAUCSD.
- b. The safeguarding of the rights of students in their dealings with UCSD and its agents regarding:
  1. Academic Regulations.

2. UCSD employment and workloads in accordance with the laws governing employment in the State of California.
  3. Social and cultural opportunities.
  4. Housing and other UCSD services.
- c. The official representation of the GSAUCSD to the University of California system-wide organizations, committees, and the University of California Office of the President.
  - d. The maintenance of a positive working relationship with other student governments and student organizations within UCSD, the University of California, and other universities.
  - e. The development, review, and approval of an annual budget for the GSAUCSD.
  - f. The sponsorship, organization, and promotion of programming for GSAUCSD as it deems appropriate.
  - g. Supervision and direction of conduct, affairs, policies, and properties under the jurisdiction of the GSAUCSD.
  - h. Sponsorship, support, and aid to student organizations who are concerned with the GSAUCSD according to its Financial Bylaws.

## Section II: Council Representatives

### A. Composition

For the purposes of this Constitution, the term "Department" shall encompass all officially recognized UCSD academic departments and programs that serve as a primary academic home for graduate or professional students, as defined by UCSD's Registrar Fall Quarter third-week enrollment statistics. The Council shall consist of two graduate student representatives from each participating Department. Departments with at least 100 (but less than 200) students shall have three representatives. Departments with 200 or more students shall have four representatives. All of these representatives shall have the right to vote at Council meetings. Departments are encouraged to provide a designated alternate. In the absence of a certified representative at a meeting of the Council, a designated alternate from the same Department may be considered a certified representative for the purposes of that meeting so long as the absent representative has not delegated his or her vote to someone other than the alternate.

### B. Selection

Council representatives shall be registered graduate or professional students who represent their respective Departments. Interdisciplinary students may represent any Department for which they are registered, but no individual may represent more than one Department. Council representatives shall be elected by their respective Department using a process to be determined in writing, and submitted to the GSAUCSD by each Department. Guidelines for elections shall be set forth in the Election Bylaws. The graduate or professional students within individual Departments shall have autonomy regarding procedures for the election of their respective Council representatives, provided that these procedures are not in conflict with the guidelines in the Election Bylaws. The term of office for Council representatives shall be for one

year, beginning and ending on the first day of classes in Fall Quarter. One representative from the Associated Student of UCSD, appointed by the Associated Students of UCSD Council, shall serve as a non-voting member of the Council. One representative from the Office of Graduate Studies, appointed by the Dean of Graduate Studies, shall serve as a non-voting member of the Council.

#### C. Certification

Council representatives may be identified by a letter of certification sent from their Department to the GSAUCSD President and ~~Vice President of Academic Affairs~~ ~~the Chief of Staff~~. The GSAUCSD President will establish the validity of the certification and will grant immediate recognition to new representatives that are properly certified. If the validity of the election of a Council representative is contested by a member of the representative's Department, the Council shall examine the evidence presented by both parties and settle the dispute by a majority vote. The Council has the authority to call for a second election if it deems it necessary.

#### D. Proxy Voting

Each certified representative shall be allowed one vote at Council meetings. In the case of absence from a Council meeting, representatives may delegate another certified representative from their Department as a voting proxy. Delegation of proxy must be done for each meeting and presented to the Council Chair in writing. The Chair cannot serve as a proxy.

#### E. Removal of Council Representatives

Representatives may be recalled by a majority vote of their Department under the same rules stated in Article V, Section II(B).

### Section III: Council Meetings

#### A. Regular Council Meetings

The Council must convene at a minimum of fifteen times per academic year.

#### B. Special Council Meetings

Special meetings of the Council may be called by the GSAUCSD President or when requested by Council representatives from three different Departments. Departmental requests for a special meeting should be routed through the GSAUCSD office. The GSAUCSD President must call the special meeting within three working days of the request, or at a later time agreed upon by the Departments requesting the meeting.

#### C. Quorum

A meeting must be attended by one or more representatives from at least one-third of the Departments with certified representatives for a quorum to be present, and for the actions taken at that meeting to be binding on the GSAUCSD.

#### D. Council Chair

The Council Chair shall preside over Council meetings, and ensure all Council representatives are afforded a fair opportunity to participate in the deliberative processes of the Council. The GSAUCSD President shall serve as the Council Chair, or designate any member of the GSAUCSD to act in this capacity. If the Council Chair is also a voting representative of the Council, he or she shall be allowed to vote only in the case of a tie.

#### E. Agendas

Council representatives and their Departments must be sent a written announcement and/or agenda of all meetings of the Council at least two days in advance.

#### F. Closed Meetings

Meetings of the Council shall be open to the public unless the Council shall go into closed executive session, such as to handle matters relating to personnel, discipline, or contracts.

#### G. Open Roll Call Voting

An open roll call vote may be initiated by one-third of the Council representatives present at a meeting where a quorum exists. The motion for an open roll call vote shall specify a time limit for voting. If no ending time is specified, the roll shall close immediately prior to the next meeting of the Council. Open roll call votes may be tendered by voice at the Council meeting, or in person at the GSAUCSD office, or by signed document delivered to the GSAUCSD office prior to the close of voting. The GSAUCSD Vice President of Academic Affairs shall notify all representatives of any open roll call votes by the same means utilized to distribute agendas for Council meetings.

### ARTICLE VI: OFFICERS

All officers of the GSAUCSD have their authority to act as such delegated by the Council, and shall be ex-officio non-voting members of the Council. An officer may also serve in the capacity as a Council representative if they are elected by their Department in the process stated in Article V, Section II(B), and in such case they shall be allowed to vote in their capacity as a Council representative. The officers shall be graduate or professional students in good academic standing as defined by the Office of Graduate Studies. Officers who during their tenure become ineligible to serve shall be required to step down. The duties and responsibilities of officers are defined in the Elected and Appointed Officer Bylaws. The stipends of officers of the GSAUCSD shall be determined when the proposed fiscal budget is approved according to Article V, Section I of the Financial Bylaws. Stipends shall be paid in twelve equal monthly installments. If an officer does not serve a full one calendar year term, payments shall be pro-rated based on time served.

#### Section I: Elected Officers

The elected officers of the GSAUCSD shall be the President, Vice President of Academic Affairs, Vice President of Financial Affairs, Vice President of External Affairs, Vice President of Student and Campus Affairs, and Vice President of Diversity, **Service Equity and Inclusion** Affairs. The GSAUCSD President shall oversee the direction of GSAUCSD and ensure the execution of GSAUCSD responsibilities and commitments. He or she shall interact with UCSD graduate and professional students, faculty, and staff in order to keep lines of communication open, and to ensure that issues of significant concern to graduate and professional students are brought to the attention of the GSAUCSD and other appropriate organizations or individuals. The procedure for

electing officers, including rules for the order of election and nomination for multiple offices, shall be set forth in the Election Bylaws. The term of elected officers shall end at the adjournment of the last regularly scheduled Council meeting of the academic year, at which time newly elected officers shall be installed. In the event of removal or resignation of an elected officer, the position shall be filled by special election for the remainder of the original term. In exceptional cases, if the Council so decides by a majority vote prior to opening nominations, the position may be filled for a specific shorter term and another special election scheduled at the end of that term.

#### Section II: Appointed Officers

The Council may choose to appoint officers to other positions, as set forth in the Elected and Appointed Officer Bylaws. When a nomination for an appointed officer is presented to the Council, the Council shall consider the question, "Will the Council confirm this nomination?" The Council may, by a majority vote, determine that a particular nomination shall be considered in closed executive session. In the event of removal or resignation of an appointed officer, the position shall be filled by the appointment process specified the Elected and Appointed Officer Bylaws.

#### Section III: Executive Committee

The GSAUCSD Executive Committee shall consist of all elected and appointed officers of the GSAUCSD. The Executive Committee shall be chaired by the GSAUCSD President, or his or her designee. The meetings of the GSAUCSD Executive Committee shall be held at least once between the regular meetings of the Council.

#### Section IV: Discipline of Officers

Officers guilty of misconduct or neglect of duty in office are subject to the following disciplinary actions by the Council: censure or removal from office. A fair disciplinary process, as described by the GSAUCSD's parliamentary authority, shall be required.

### ARTICLE VII: BALLOTING AND CAMPUS-BASED STUDENT FEES

The graduate and professional student body shall be polled by electronic ballot using the UCSD online student-records system (or a comparable electronic alternative) or by mail ballot (at the discretion of the Executive Committee) regarding matters having an impact on the graduate student activity fee or other campus-based student fees.

Ballots will normally be sent to students through campus mail. Any student has the right to have his/her ballot mailed to his/her place of residence, upon request.

In the case of mail ballots, students should request registration forms for "absentee" ballots from their Department graduate coordinator, their Council representatives or the GSAUCSD office. The lists of eligible graduate and professional students shall be provided by the Student Affairs Offices of the respective Departments or the Office of Graduate Studies. To establish, increase, reduce, or eliminate any campus-based graduate and professional student fee through the process of a student fee referendum, the Council must, by a majority vote, place a fee referendum on a ballot for graduate and professional students to vote on. If the change in the campus-based

student fee would affect both undergraduate and graduate students, the Council, by a two-thirds vote of representatives present, and the Associated Students must both agree to place a fee referendum on a ballot for undergraduate, graduate, and professional students to vote on. Before placing a facility-fee referendum on the ballot, the involved student government(s) must approve a facility board charter conforming to the following requirements:

- The sole purpose of the facility board must be to oversee the facility, with jurisdiction including annual review and approval of the operating budget, space allocation, rent
- assessments, custodial standards, capital improvements, maintenance and renovation, purchase of equipment, and hours of operation.
- Students as a proportion of facility board voting members must be no less than student fees as a proportion of total facility funding, excluding generated revenue.
- If more than half of facility funding (excluding generated revenue) will come from student fees, then the facility board must be chaired by a student, and the student members of the facility board shall be involved in the selection and regular review of key administrative personnel for the facility.

If a facility board already exists for the facility, it must be reconstituted to conform to the above requirements. For a referendum that establishes or increases a campus-based student fee, the following information must be included in the ballot language:

- The purpose of the fee. For facility fees, the services and amenities that will be provided in the new facility must be listed, as well as the planned location and approximate gross square footage of the facility. For activity fees, the type(s) of activities supported by the fee must be listed as specifically as possible, as well as which campus department(s) will receive and allocate the funds.
- The body that will oversee the fee. For facility fees, a facility board (described earlier) must be designated, and a reference to the facility board charter included. For activity fees, the involved student government(s) shall have oversight of the fee, and must annually review and approve the operating budget.
- For facility fees, the dollar amount per quarter for debt repayment, and the dollar amount per quarter for maintenance and operation. The debt-retirement period must be specified in years or months.
- The total dollar amount per quarter of the fee. For facility fees, this is equal to the sum of the amounts described above for debt repayment and for maintenance and operation.
- When the fee will begin to be collected.

For a referendum that establishes or increases a campus-based student fee, the following sentences must appear in the ballot language:

- “This fee will be included in the determination of financial aid.”

- “Annual budget reports will be made public and provided to all UCSD student governments.”
- “Modifications to this fee may not be made without a subsequent student referendum held in accordance with the appropriate student governmental and University policies,
- unless other means are explicitly provided in this ballot language.”

For a referendum that establishes or increases a facility fee, the following sentences must appear in the ballot language:

- “No additional debt may be levied against this fee, nor may an increase of the debt- retirement period be made, without a subsequent student referendum held in accordance with the appropriate student governmental and University policies.”
- “After the debt-retirement period specified herein, the debt-repayment portion of the fee, also specified herein, shall not be collected.”
- “A Building Advisory Committee (BAC) shall oversee the planning, design, and construction of the facility, shall have students as a proportion of voting members no less
- than student fees as a proportion of total facility funding, and shall have a student co- chair elected by the student membership of the BAC.”
- “Other funds that become available after the referendum may be applied to the reduction of this fee by decision of the facility board.”

For any fee referendum to be approved, a majority of votes cast in the fee referendum must approve the change in the campus-based student fee.

Additionally, the number of students casting ballots must equal or exceed 20% of the registered students affected by the fee at the time the election is held.

Counting of ballots shall be supervised by a committee comprised of the Assistant Dean of the Office of Graduate Studies, or their appointee; and four members of the GSAUCSD selected by the Council. Graduate or professional students who are currently running for an office cannot be appointed to the committee.

#### ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of Council representatives present at two consecutive Council meetings provided that all Council representatives have been sent the text of the proposed amendment at least five working days prior to the first meeting.