

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Date: June 30, 2009
Student Union Building, Meeting Room C - 211

ASG BOD Members

Present: President Amanda Alva, VP of Equality and Pluralism Yunita Oesman, Club and Programs Representative Dominic Lee, Emerging Technology and Entrepreneurial Representative Burke Colquhoun, Marketing and Public Relations Representative Champman Chung, Chief Justice John Peppe, Associate Justice of External Affairs Bernard Ellouk and Associate Justice of Internal Affairs Ramish Ahmad

Absent: VP of Finance and Communication Vicki Ma and Environmental and Social Responsibility Representative Carolyn Dewitt

Advisor: Faisal Jaswal

Others Present: Joseph Root, Andres Munt, Luis Sanchez, Janet Bai and Vanessa Pantley

Proceedings

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by President Amanda Alva
2. Roll Call
 - Members of the Board of Directors and the Judicial Board introduced themselves
 - Guests introduced themselves
3. Approval of minutes
 - Approval of the minutes from the June 09th Board of Directors Meeting
 - No objections Minutes Approved
4. VPFC Budget Report – Vicki Ma – VP of Finance and Communication
 - Alva informed the Board the budget report is not available
5. ASG Legislative Affairs transfer of funds – Director of the Legislative Committee - Vanessa Pantley

Lee motioned to approve the transfer of \$325.00 from the (1984) ASG Reserve Account to the Legislative Committee to be used as a stipend for the committee's volunteers
Oesman Seconded

- The Committee is asking for funds that were previously allocated to them to use on an interior design contest and were not used, the committee would like those funds transferred so they can use them for a \$150.00 stipend for their two volunteers
- Director of Legislative Committee Vanessa Pantley informed the Board the committee has had two volunteers that have helped with various activities and attended events and the committee feels that a small stipend would be appropriate as a thank you
- Chung asked why didn't the original allocation for the funds happen
- Pantley replied they were really busy and decided to not focus on that
- Jaswal stated we don't have to do this but we do this to appreciate our volunteers
- Lee questioned \$325.00 or \$300.00
- Pantley stated \$300.00 for an even \$150.00 stipend each
- Colquhoun stated I'm for this and it sounds like the volunteers spent a lot of time

Lee motioned to amend the funding request from \$325.00 to \$300.00 from the (1984) ASG Reserve Account
Chapman Seconded

Colquhoun called the question
Amendment Passes

Vote: 4 – 0 – 0

Colquhoun called the question

Vote: 4 – 0 – 0

Transfer of funds approved of \$300.00 for the Legislative Committee from the (1984) ASG Reserve Account

6. ASG Legislative Affairs Training Stipend – Director of the Legislative Committee - Vanessa Pantley

Oesman motioned to adopt Bill #2009-03
Chung Seconded

- Bill #2009-03 stated:
 - To appropriate salary compensation for the outgoing ASG Legislative Director to train the incoming ASG Legislative Committee Members
 - Whereas: The Board of Directors finds that this compensation is necessary for the program's success.
 - That funds are hereby approved in the dollar amount of \$600.00 for the Legislative Committee from ASG Reserves account # 1984.
- Alva informed the Board both the director and assistant director positions were elected position but as no one ran these positions were opened for the hiring process so the applicants will not have time to be trained
- Pantley stated the training will be \$10 per hour for 15 hours for four weeks
- Pantley added this will be a great benefit for next years committee
- Jaswal questioned about training during the secessions
- Pantley agressed secessions are crucial
- Lee asked Pantley if she has a schedule or timeline for the training
- Pantley stated there is no schedule, we left it open so it can be done in the summer, in September or in January during the secessions
- Jaswal stated his concern if that much training time would be enough
- Oesman asked what if training in a month isn't enough
- Pantley stated it's important for the Board to decided she stated she will be here and feels a solid month of training should be fine
- Colquhoun stated he doesn't think the Board has a clear cut view of how much training they need and thinks this should be for next years ASG to decide

Colquhoun motioned to lay the question on the table

Vote: 3 – 1 – 0

7. WSA Fees – Director of the Legislative Committee - Vanessa Pantley

Lee motioned to adopt Bill # 2009-04
Chung Seconded

- Bill #2009-04 stated:
 - Appropriate funds for WSA membership dues for the year 2009-2010
 - WHEREAS: The Board of Directors finds that representation provided by the membership in the WSA is beneficial to the student bod
 - That funds are hereby approved in the amount of \$7753.50 from the ASG Reserves account # 1984
- Pantley stated WSA is the new name for WSL and it has been tradition for the outgoing ASG to renew the membership fees for WSA
- Pantley informed the Board the WSA has supported us in our agenda issues and general issues

Vote: 4 – 0 – 0

8. Recommendations from ASG Legislative Screening Committee - Vanessa Pantley

- Pantley informed the Board the Screening Committee recommended Marcus Sweetser for Director of Legislative Committee and Jessica Darmawan as Assistant Director for the Legislative Committee

Chung motioned to approve the Recommendations from ASG Legislative Screening Committee

Oesman Seconded

- Alva stated her concerns with the Recommendation for the Director as Marcus Sweetser for the Legislative Committee
- Alva stated currently as the Assistant Director of the Legislative Committee Sweetser has had problems with transparency of hours actually worked and hours logged in as well as advocacy day soliciting students and she stated at the last political platform he left right before the platform took place
- Colquhoun questioned so you don't like him
- Alva stated no I believe the board should be informed of this
- Pantley stated this was the seconded committee there was a committee before this but problems came up with biases
- Pantley asked if she could speak as a co-worker of Sweetser
- Pantley stated Sweetser was active during the by-law changes and on May 28th the day of the political platform Sweetser talked to me and he said he would stay back but I told him to go as he had been preparing for this trial for two years with his father
- Oesman asked if she could ask the Screening Committee members
- Joseph Root stated the Committee looked at applications and interviews of all the applicants
- Root stated he felt Sweetser's experience outweighed any of the other candidates' and stated this was the general consensus
- Chung asked what would happen if the motioned failed
- Alva stated it would go back to the Legislative Committee to do a new screening process

- Colquhoun stated this is a last minute decision and I know a lot of work has been done but I don't think we should vote this down he stated perhaps the Board should really make a decision if they should make a decision
- Oesman stated she thinks the Board should make a decision and provide a guidance
- Colquhoun stated he really thinks this Board should not be making this decision and added the Board should let the incoming ASG have the opportunity to make this decision

Colquhoun motioned to lay the question on the table

- Joseph Root stated he thinks it would make sense for the incoming ASG to make a decision

Lee motioned to table indefinitely

Colquhoun Seconded

Vote: 2 – 2 – 0

As the vote was a tie the Chair voted in the opposition

Vote: 2 – 3 – 0

- Colquhoun asked the incoming ASG what there opinions were
- Chung stated it has been a long process and four people have already voted on this and I vote for this too
- Ellouk stated as the incoming Chief Justice I have no strong opinion one way or the other
- Oesman stated Sweetser has the drive, passion but we have always had to push the Legislative Committee

Oesman called the question

- Root stated to the Board has three options

Chung called the question

Vote: 2 – 2 – 0

As the vote was a tie the Chair Alva voted in the opposition stating the next Board will convene a hiring committee

Vote: 2 – 3 – 0

9. Public Comments:

- No Public Comments

10. Advisor Comments:

- Jaswal stated he appreciated everyone coming in and the new ASG for coming in and learning from this

11. Oesman motioned to adjourn the meeting

Lee Seconded

Vote: 4 – 0 – 0

The meeting was adjourned at 3:16 pm by President Amanda Alva