

General AGS meeting on 6/03/08

I. Call to Order

5:10 pm

II. Circulate Attendance Sheet ( Roll Call )

Quorum reached.

Item added to officer reports.

III. Approve Agenda (2 minutes)

Agenda approved.

IV. Approve Minutes from May 27th, 2008 (5 minutes)

Minute problems:

Rory Huhm (Instead of Laurie)

Two II's (Fix general numbering)

VI. D. 1. Student Regent needs to be added

IX. Laurien Jasny instead of Suzanne Kaasa

Motion to approve as amended. Passed unanimously.

V. Officer Reports

Addition to Officer Report:

UCI library will have a new search system.

- We currently have the following:
  - o Antpac
  - o Melvyl
  - o ARL (Association of Research Libraries) - OCLC
- A new system will integrate all three of these systems into one big website.
- This will be an expensive system. They are doing a test run in late May or June.
- During the six month test period, they will be soliciting feed back. Please provide your feedback.

Eden Epstein:

Dean Voight was at the GSHIP committee meeting to discuss some issues and changes regarding the insurance plan. This change is endorsed by the chancellor but not an approved plan. We will have insurance but are currently in a negotiation period. More information is to come. There are problems with price, etc. so discussions are still happening. The speed of the changes are the main issue at hand. Beth has worked out a lot of the Health Insurance problems.

A. President Melissa Bruninga-Matteau (20 minutes)

President's Report:

The authorities have apprehended those involved in the tax fraud issue. United 1172 will provide free credit monitoring for 3 years. Those who were affected by the crime should

ask for life lock. They should push for more (e.g. threaten that if United does do this for you, you will not sue them). Pacific Care: Only people who were on the deductible. FBI/ UCI PD... in Dallas. Issuing search arrest warrants for 22 people.

AGS Elections are coming up.

AGS Party still scheduled for this Friday.

Email about the party will go out soon. Let people know.

7:00 pm.

Laker's game 5:00 p.m.

\$10 worth of tickets for each graduate student.

Beer specials. Happy Hour all night.

Full menu kitchen.

Paperwork involved for Registrar's office to MAX for elections.

Encourage people to vote. We want a good turnout.

Comment: It is discouraging that people don't have information about the candidates.

We will be getting a gift for Beth Leham in appreciation for her work. The insurance broker will be matching this gift so her gift will be totaling \$400. It is a gift certificate for a day at the spa.

Fee update: Regents approve budget. 7.4% increase.

Doc 2A situation: Town hall for humanities. Problems, associate dean... 9 quarters passed advancement. English, Poli Sci, etc. 6 – 8 years. 1<sup>st</sup> three years, given first exam. Chem /History (4 years before not in good standing). Associate Dean didn't know how students were funded. Highly recommend that you ask for the same thing. Francis Leslie will come to any townhall for any school. Concerned b/c students in chem can't get grant money that their advisors have already gotten for them. Let Melissa know. She will help out with town hall setup or meeting with Francis Leslie.

B. VP Financial Affairs Sam Danziger (5 minutes)

Not Available

C. VP External Affairs Glen Porter-Watt (5 minutes)

Not Available

D. VP Internal Affairs Adam Bondy (5 minutes)

VP Internal Affairs Report:

There was a mistake in the New U about the amount of fee increase. The 19% was an incorrect number. It is actually a 7.4% increase.

VI. Academic Senate Councils - Melissa Bruninga-Matteau ( 5 minutes )

Glen: Legislative Liaison UCSA budget needs to be approved in next meeting (for next year) Not asking for more money it looks. Kyle

VII. New Business

Jessie: Uci.edu fraudulent email. NACS to make some changes.

Melissa: Chancellor is moving on things without undergrad/grad input.

Council next year needs to push hard to be at the table when things are decided about AGS. Feasibility studies will affect AGS directly. This will be ongoing for about one month. Directly affects all graduate students, not our concern until they feel it is feasible. They are not asking for student input so we encourage everyone next year to get involved somehow and get on the academic senate committees. Demand to be heard and have a voice. We may have votes if we site on the Academic Senate. Graduate Council is important. What goes in the catalogue for housing will be decided. Please email Melissa for a current catalogue if needed. The older catalogues are online in pdf form if you need to check for housing for normative time.

Next meeting is last meeting. New faces next time. ☺

Email your constituent lists about the party on Saturday. \$10 in FREE food and beverages. Please bring your State ID + grad ID for this event.

5:37 meeting adjourned.