

AGS Council Meeting Minutes
February 22, 2005

Chair: Fabio Leite, AGS President

Attendees:

Arts

Biological Sciences

College of Medicine

Asha Gupta - not present

Randy Wei - not present

Education

Holly Carter

Brian Kim

Engineering

Sam Danziger

Graduate School of Management

Olga Bezryadina

Harvey Shieh - not present

Brian Gibbs - not present

Vanita Pandey - not present

Henson Shinn - not present

Humanities (2/5 seats) +1 in 04

Jill Marrington

Melissa Matteau

Information and Computer Science (0/3 seats)

Kevin Wortman

Michael Shafae

Sameer Patil

Medical Academics (1/1 seat)

Physical Sciences (2/4 seats)

Mark Norman

Brett Goldsmith

Social Ecology (0/3 seats) +1 in 04

Hannah Aoyagi

Aaron Hipp

Michael Campbell

Guests:

Andreas Gal, GSHIP
Ralph McLaughlin, CPEC
Arun Kejariwal, Graduate Council

Officers:

Allison Fish, Legislative Liason

Social Sciences (3/3 seats)

- I. Call to Order - 5:38 PM
- ▼ II. Approve Agenda (5 minutes)
 - A. Sam Danziger motions to approve
 - B. Olga Bezryadina 2nds
 - C. Approved by general consensus
- III. Roll Call (5 minutes)
- ▼ IV. Approve Minutes From February 8, 2004 (5 minutes)
 - A. Olga Bezryadina motions
 - B. Michael Shafae 2nds
 - C. Approved by general consensus
- ▼ V. Resolution to Appoint Melissa Matteau to The Open School of Humanities Seat 05-04 (5 minutes)
 - ▼ A. Fabio Leite calls a vote
 - 1. 14 yea, 0 no, 0 abstentions
- ▼ VI. Resolution to Ratify Election of Henson Shinn to The Open AGS Seat For The Graduate School of Management - Resolution 05-05 (5 minutes)
 - A. Fabio Leite points out that we are ratifying election results held by the GSM Student Association.
 - B. 15 yea, 0 no, 0 abstentions
- ▼ VII. Resolution to Use AGS System Administrator Staff Budget to Pay for 3rd Party System Administration Service - Resolution 05-06 (5 minutes)
 - A. Fabio Leite: clarifies that NACS will not do all the jobs that our system administrator will do but will provide the bulk of the system administration service.
 - ▼ B. Olga Bezryadina: How will application programming be funded and done?
 - 1. by resolution
 - C. Michael Shafae points out that the resolution implies no termination date and that it will require a resolution by council to terminate the contract. The Executive committee will be responsible to oversee that the services are being provided as promised.
 - D. 16 yea, 0 no, 0 abstentions
- ▼ VIII. Resolution in Support of Living Wages at UC Irvine and Throughout The UC System - Resolution 05-07 (10 minutes)
 - A. Hannah Aoyagi: two guests to speak about the union they represent to tell us about their union
 - B. Roxanna Guevarra (Guest Speaker) - represent 17,000 employess state

wide 2,000 at UCI. We have about 500 service employees. fighting for a fair contract for us. There are a lot of minorities and its been a challenge for the union to get a fair contract. Contract has been under negotiations for 1 year so far. Last wage increase in 2002. University refuses to address the main issues: wage increase, promotional opportunities, and training. There is a lot of descretion in management on who gets disciplined and promoted. We want to change this in the contract. The contract is a state wide contract. We ask you for your support. They are considering going on strike and need your support. We have an action on 3/2 at noon at the flag poles. Maybe have a speaker to give a statement of support. Faculty are becoming more supportive. There was a study about wages and it was released last week. (Hannah will have a copy.) Workers need a better wage level in order to survive. The executives at UCI are getting huge bonuses Ralph Segan received \$57,900 for bonuses for one year when they claim they don't have money. The money is equivalent to 3 custodian salaries. The custodians can't afford to live here and they work two jobs. When they give out the bonuses like that its a slap in the face of the workers. We know there is money they don't give it to the workers.

- ▼ C. Fabio Leite: What is the living wage?
 - 1. \$13.47 is the living wage.
 - 2. Does this apply to university employees only or to contractors?
 - 3. No only applies to university employees - the union's strategy is to organize the dining services employees.
- D. Hannah Aoyagi: \$13.02 is the highest paid custodial job.
- ▼ E. Olga Bexryadina: What is the percentage increase when compared to 2002?
 - 1. There is no set percentage. The university always says 0. We don't have that number. Its difficult to establish a percentage because we have a majority at the bottom and a minority at the top.
- ▼ F. Mark Norman motion to add 5 minutes
 - 1. Michael Campbell 2nds
 - 2. Approved by general consensus
- ▼ G. Ralph McLaughlin: would a wage increase effect the ability of the university to hire more people?
 - 1. It could effect but the university hasn't been historically expanding staff to accommodate work load. Sometimes a new comer will also also get more money.
- ▼ H. Michael Campbell: If union employees guaranteed certain wages could they contract out and try to by pass the union?
 - 1. The union has language in the contract which protects the it from being undermined by outsourcing. The governor supports out sourcing. Outsourcing pushes the problem elsewhere and the union wants to protect the language in the contract.
- ▼ I. Michael Shafae motions to caucus for 5 minutes
 - 1. Mark norman 2nds
 - 2. Approved by general consensus
- ▼ J. Jill Marrington motion to table and review resolution and send

ammendments to Hannah Aoyagi and bring it back up at next meeting.

- 1. Michael Shafae opposes on the grounds that if there are any amendments which should discuss them now because their rally is before our next meeting and the language of the proposed resolution is straightforward.
- 2. Call for a vote 2 yea, 9 no, 5 abstention
- ▼ K. Michael Shafae motions to read resolution for 5 minutes and 5 minutes for ammendments
 - 1. Olga Bezryadina 2nds
 - 2. Approved by general consensus
- ▼ L. Mark Norman motions to ammend by removing 'affordable education' and in motion two final paragraphs of the first page strike big and hefty from it.
 - 1. Sameer Patl 2nds first
 - 2. Olga Bezryadina opposes 2nd ammendment
 - ▼ 3. Jill Marrington motions to strike last paragraph
 - a) Kevin Wortman opposes
 - 4. Jill Marrington retracts motion and asks for a friendly ammendment
 - ▼ 5. Michael Shafae motions to vote
 - a) Kevin Wortman 2nds
 - 6. 13 yea, 0 no, 3 abstentions
- ▼ IX. Resolution in Opposition of State Senate Bill No. 5 - Resolution 05-08 (10 minutes)
 - ▼ A. Sameer Patil motions to table the resolution
 - 1. Mark Norman 2nds
 - 2. Hannah Aoyagi asks for ammendments and comments via email or after the meeting.
- ▼ X. Information About Funding UCSA (10 minutes)
 - A. Hannah Aoyagi: This is food for thought about ways we can change the way we fund UCSA. Its suggesting ways to permently fund UCSA or to raise our minimum funding.
 - B. Brett Goldsmith: We can pass a referendum to raise the money directly from the students.
 - C. Fabio Leite: We have to contact the university first to make sure that the money gets to where it needs to go.
- ▼ XI. Housing Strategic Plan (5 minutes)
 - A. <http://www.ics.uci.edu/~mshafae/tmp/campus_housing_strategic_plan.pdf>
 - B. Fabio Leite: Open forum is for tomorrow. Its an semi-open forum. We will be sending the response letter later tonight.
- ▼ XII. AGS Committee Reports
 - ▼ A. Internal (5 minutes)
 - 1. Jill Marrington: The internal committee is a virtual committee engaged in several affairs: housing strategy plan, cable TV, and the 40th anniversary celebration,
 - ▼ B. External (5 minutes)

- 1. Hannah Aoyagi: Today we found at that Bill Parker is coming to speak at the SS, Hum., S. Ec. event. We're still working on the ICS & Eng event. The DC trip went well. Going to try to introduce legislation to fix student visa problem.
- ▼ C. Business & Social (5 minutes)
 - 1. Mark Norman: Problems with administration will manifest themselves in a year to year and a half. Liz from SS is running the sub committee. Proposing a faculty party which will be a PR event. total cost under \$550.
 - ▼ 2. Michael Campbell: motion to \$450 for beer \$100 for advertisement
 - a) Aaron Hipp 2nds
 - ▼ b) Michael Shafae offers a freindly amendment for \$50 for advertisement
 - (1) rejected
 - c) 13 yea, 0 no, 0 abstention
- ▼ D. GSHIP (15 minutes)
 - 1. Andreas Gal: The GSHIP meetings are public and the information he gives is public but its not final. He recommends against broadcasting the information as final. Vision - stable for the past 7 years but we're bumping up the premium by \$1. General trend of 4.3% of increase in vision benefit increases. increase from to \$20 for glasses and \$5 co pay. premium increase by \$1. Pacific care asked for 12% increase This is slightly below the medical trend. its an acceptable increase. the plan is running fairly smooth. No reason to justify changing providers. We're recommending to continue with pacific care. The drug benefit is problematic. Its a managed formulary where they want you to use generics. People don't tell me about problems. Dental western dental is our current provider. We have problems with western dental on 17th in costa mesa. They committed to providing better service. Student health is expensive for dental but its capped. 140 enrolled, 3000 paying for it. Mixed PPO HMO plan. You get the HMO plan but then can pay more if you want PPO. Doesn't work with the union contract. Its a slippery slopes since the university may screw us over by giving us a really crappy hmo. Pacific care gives a discount if you get two lines of coverage. If we go with them we would have to drop Student health. Western dental will drop the cost by 25% if we drop student health. Gal says the current dental situation isn't good. we can't have 3K people paying for 140 student health customers.
- ▼ XIII. Academic Senate Committees
 - ▼ A. Comittee on Research, Computing and Libraries - Brett Goldsmith (5 minutes)
 - 1. Brett Goldsmith moves to table
 - 2. Jill Marrington 2nds
 - 3. Approved by general consensus
- ▼ XIV. Administrative Committees (5 minutes each)
 - ▼ A. Bren Events Center Board
 - 1. Aaron Hipp: meets at fridays on 4pm. every other friday. 1hour meeting.

- ▼ 2. Michael Shafae motion to appoint Andreas Gal
 - a) Jill Marrington 2nds
 - b) 11 yea, 0 no, 0 abstentions
- B. Student Initiated Academic Preparation Advisory Committee - Micah Lundberg not present
- C. Student Fee Advisory Committee - Kevin Olsen not present
- ▼ XV. Executive, Legislative Liason and Campus Communicatin Director Reports (15 minutes)
 - ▼ A. Legislative Liason - Allison Fish
 - 1. planing of indistrict visits with the legislators.
 - ▼ B. VP Admin - Michael Shafae
 - 1. Working on an acceptable use policy for the server as well as the NACS move.
 - ▼ C. VP Internal - Jill Marrington
 - 1. School of Education organizing an event. The response back from the Dept. of Ed. surveys was that the students were concerned with the job market not fee increases or what not.
- XVI. New Business (5 minutes)
- XVII. Adjournment - 7:40 PM.