

MINUTES

Tuesday, March 9, 2004

Present: Cyrus Khaledy, Randy Wei, Maria Cruz Villa Uriol, Joel Martinez, Mbugua Karanja, Tania Shershin, Kane Shieh, Justin Erenkrantz, Loyda Mendez, Ben Murray, Armando Rivera, Shelly Brown, Amber Rinderknecht, Mark Sellick, Sandrine Zerbib, Yvonne Braun, Brandy Griffin, John Billimek, Sarah Hine, Matthew Cardinale, and Garrett Asay.

- I. Call to Order - 5:45pm
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. February 10, 2004 - approved
 - B. February 24, 2004 - approved
- III. Resolution 04-14: Matthew Cardinale to the open Social Science seat. Approved.
- IV. Resolution 04-15: GSM Special Projects Funding Proposal. Sarah Hine from GSM came to discuss the event. The proposal was approved for \$200.00
- V. Resolution 04-11: UCSA budget - tabled until we can see the 2002-2003 actuals.
- VI. Resolution 04-16: Trailer Park - Matthew Cardinale, John Billimek, Amber, and Garrett Asay all take turns discussing the importance of the trailer park. Matthew passed around an OC Register article about a recent trailer park protest. Residents feel they have not been given "just cause" for its closure. Amber argues that the park is an asset to UCI -- it attracts diversity. Garrett argues that the parking vs. housing divide is not necessary. Drilling was to start last week, but a rally postponed the drilling. Yvonne adds that no individual administrators want to take responsibility for this. This is a critical time for housing and we need to take a stance. Shelly agrees, but adds that it is unclear who decided to close it and who would then make the decision to keep it open. Ben states that he has changed his position on the issue and now supports it (whereas he did not last summer). He does, however, have reservations on how it is written. He thinks it should not be framed in terms of affordability. Council has a discussion about the wording of the resolution and then approves an amended version with no opposition provided that IMW let AGS know what their future plans are.
- VII. Officer Reports
 - A. VP Finance -- 1) an internal audit is in process. It does not pose any real worries, but is time consuming. 2) AGS is currently well under budget.
 - B. VP External -- 1) UCSA lawsuit denied by CA Supreme Court. They will not continue as the point has been made to Schwarzenegger. Outreach cuts have yet to be approved. 2) A new idea is circulating about undergrad return to fee monies being transferred to grad students in order to reduce the grad student

fee increase. 3) There is a Board Mtg at UC Merced next week. 4) Monday, he and Sandrine are going to have dinner with the president at Berkeley. 5) Next week some UCOP reps will be here to discuss sustainability.

- C. VP Admin -- 1) Loyda and Brandy are working with Josh of GC on Rules and Regulations. 2) Brandy is working on library archives.
- D. VP Internal -- 1) Sandrine is joining Armando in Berkeley on Monday for dinner with the President. 2) GSHIP has voted and they are currently writing the final report for Chancellor approval. 3) Now that GSHIP is over, Sandrine will turn her full attention to housing.
- E. President -- committees need help! There will be definitely be one housing committee to develop alternatives to the 3-year time limit. There also needs to be a brainstorming session to develop other committees as needed.

VIII. Committee Reports

- A. Business and Social: 1) another pool tournament is in the works. 2) Karaoke on 3/17. 3) Pub party on 4/9.
- B. Internal: see above
- C. External: see above

IX. Announcements -- Next meeting is Tuesday, April 6, 2004. Food volunteer is Randy Wei.

X. Adjournment