

Committee on Oversight

Senate of the Associated Students

Minutes for Wednesday, October 5th at 4:00 P.M.

Presidents Conference Room, 3rd Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Speaker Teixeira called the committee meeting on Oversight to order at 4:00 pm in the President's Conference Room, 3rd Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union. Presiding secretary, Andrea Godoy.

2. ROLL CALL

Speaker Teixeira, Senator Blair, Senator Bradley, Senator Eshenbaugh, Senator Feng, Senator Green, Senator H. Jackson, Senator Henderson, and Senator Jordan were present.

A quorum was present.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Associate Justice Chahal said that the Judicial Council is having event October 13th. Chief Justice Bruketta said they will have a speaker coming from Nevada bar. If interested in the bar, it would be a great opportunity to come. She asked them to notify Chief Justice if interested in attending and they can invite anyone they would like. It is a professionally dressed.

Speaker Teixeira asked where it would be.

Associate Justice Chahal did not know but would let them know when she found out.

4. MINUTES

- a. The minutes from September 14th, 2016
- b. The Minutes from September 21st, 2016

Senator Bradley moved to approve items A and B by unanimous consent.

There was no dissent; motion carried.

5. REPORTS

- a. Secretary of the Senate
Secretary Godoy said the SAS had finally been updated.
- b. Speaker Pro-Tempore-Senator H. Jackson
Senator H. Jackson said that as of now, she finished interviews. Dr. Beattie did grade checks and will pass the applications to Chief of Staff Atienza and he will give them back to her to do the rest of interviews.
- c. Chair, Committee on Academics-Senator Henderson
Senator Henderson said the major and research fair is on Tuesday from 11-3 and they had great presenters and students. Senator Blair will present research. She asked them to come

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and support the event and to share the event on Facebook pages. After that ends, they will be open up for other projects.

Speaker Teixeira asked if she had a list of people who would be going to the fair.

Senator Henderson said yes.

Speaker Teixeira asked how it was going.

Senator Henderson said she just got it from Scott Mencing and that was a great bonus addition to her list. She already got some responses from the list; the list was different from hers but it was good to have variety of people. There is also a nice journalism teacher as well who is attending so it isn't just two colleges, the research is for everyone.

- d. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance-Senator Feng
Feng said had financial reviews for programming and BLF last Friday. This week will do financial reviews again.
- e. Chair, Committee on Civic Engagement-Senator Green
Senator Green said they are looking for volunteers for an event he cannot make because of football, but if some senators can go it would be great. It will be a huge amount of diversified groups they don't see. It would be great to see officers there. The event is from 9-4 pm with multiple shifts available. They need about 140 volunteers. He also talked to Director Koeckes and they are looking for people to help the surrounding neighborhood. That is listed on GivePulse. He asked them to check GivePulse for projects. They are still having people join the 100 hour challenge and even got the Joe to join. He got letter drafted and will be giving it to Dr. Ellis soon. The nonprofit recognition comes out on October 18th.

Senator Blair asked if they should wear their polo's if they volunteer.

Senator Green said if they do sign up, they should see Directors Koeckes or Partridge. They are trying to get people to wear the 100 hour challenge shirts to get lots of pictures to put up on the website. Director Long is still in the lead and Senator Duvall is in close fourth.

Speaker Teixeira said Senator Green presented to the Joe last night.

Senator Green gave out 30 flyers and got a lot back, like 21 signed.

Speaker Texiera said they got a great response at the Joe so hopefully they will be in it and they can blow them out of the water.

Senator Green said it will mostly be between ASUN and the Joe. Director Rodriguez was expecting some from career center but they have the most people. He hoped that more people would join once Dr. Ellis sent out the letter he is drafting right now.

Dr. Beattie said the Wolf Shop and Lombardi had several student employs as well.

Senator Bradley asked if they were splitting ASUN up between the Center for Student Engagement and ASUN officers.

Senator Green said they could but when it comes to that, he didn't know how big the officers' side is and if they did do it, they would not be in the lead since they are smaller.

Senator Bradley didn't think they were that small, they had the 22 senators and the officers from exec; but Campus Escort had about 40 employees.

Dr. Beattie said Campus Escort had about 120 and ASUN had about 60. He saw putting them together since ASUN funds the Center for Student Engagement.

Senator Eshenbaugh said they can track it with the percentage of those who participate so that smaller groups don't have a disadvantage.

Green said that they talked about that since not all student services are as big as Joe. If Pennington joined, it would be all the Pennington including all the tutoring services.

Speaker Teixeira liked that idea a lot.

- f. Chair, Committee on Government Operations-Senator Jordan
Senator Jordan said they are doing good job meeting with their assignments. He has not checked in yet with a couple of them but will before senate.
- g. Chair, Committee on Public Affairs-Senator Eshenbaugh
Senator Eshenbaugh said that for veterans' breakfast, there is a flag retirement ceremony the same day as the luncheon from veterans' services. They will meet with Ms. Cook to work on the partnership.
- h. Chair, Committee on University Affairs-Senator Bradley
Senator Bradley said the committee will be doing It's on Us in the next couple of weeks. They are on track to have a week's worth of events and are looking into partnering with different community members. They will talk with the Holland project to do a poetry slam. The central focus of the slam will be domestic violence, healthy relationships, and sexual assault in order to reach a different audience. She is talking with Chief of Staff Atienza about adding green dot training and having a panel or forum in the week. A final event schedule will be coming out in the next couple weeks; she was really excited for it. She wants to have a goal of 1000 pledges done by the university. It was easily attainable and if they break that goal, it would be amazing. She will have more updates throughout the week. Liaisons are going well and people are talking to their liaison. She talked to RHA about a GivePulse competition and they liked the idea.

Speaker Texiera asked if they were doing a video for It's on Us.

Senator Bradley said yes and was talking with inkblot about it. They want a videographer for the week's events. They are also doing a video like Baylor's with a list of notable students

that include more than just ASUN. They want to include sororities, fraternities, athletes, and clubs leaders.

Speaker Teixeira said the office of Greek Life was looking into doing a video; if they wanted to hit the 5000 mark, they should reach out to her. They want video like that can easily get them in contact with all the right people. Since Kaepernick has been doing things lately to shed light on issues, they can talk to athletics to see if they can get him in the video.

Senator Bradley said they talked about having an IFC versus Panhellenic competition where the winning team gets free rush shirts. She asked if she should bring it up when she talks with Megan Pepper.

Speaker Teixeira said they are discussing that now since Panhellenic has way more people than IFC so they are working their way through that.

i. Chair, Committee on Safety, Sustainability and Wellness-Senator Blair

Senator Blair said their wellness project going well. She went to SEAB and they approved it; they still need confirmation from the counseling center to get dogs. They are reaching out to Paws for Love. Health center needs to confirm if they can do the portable flu shot clinic; they can't confirm that until next week. They got a few clubs confirmed and it is looking like they will have a lot of people. Tonight they will be looking at prices for the packs, around \$200 total. They want to make about 100. They are discussing having a fall safety project and working with other organizations for a safe driving module. Dr. Beattie brought it up where people simulated what texting and driving looked like so they are looking into how they can get that on campus and how much it would cost. She will have more updates next week.

Speaker Teixeira asked if they were looking into putting in cereal bars or things like that.

Senator Blair said they were looking into hand sanitizer and cough drops and tissues since they were thinking flu packs but they can look into nutrition bars.

Speaker Teixeira looked into The Cool Campus Challenge put on by UC Schools. The school with the best sustainability idea gets an award from all the UC schools. The campus that won last year switched the campus's garbage cans to compost, trash, and recycle bins. They could look into that but they should sign up for that challenge and have her committee come up with an idea. They could also work alongside the SNIF program.

Senator Bradley said that was part of her platform and asked for the name of the school.

Speaker Teixeira did not remember the name
Senator Blair asked if the challenge was for UC schools only.

Teixeira said anyone can sign up but it was actually run by the University of California, not UC Schools. He can send the link later.

- j. Chair, Committee on Oversight-Speaker Teixeira
Speaker Teixeira did not have a lot to report. He is looking into ideas he can get started on. He was going to work on the project with Senator Blair. They just hired two more secretaries but are looking into hiring two more for the stuff they are behind on. He is in contact with the new dean for the College of Liberal Arts and Stacey Muse on the 19th and 12th respectively. They will be coming to Senate. Ms. Muse will come in to will come and talk about civic engagement and learning as a whole. Director Rodriguez showed him a map that made him decide they should shift emphasis for people that come in. Mark Walker will come in later to talk about civic engagement and learning since they need to find more opportunities for civic learning.

6. OLD BUSINESS

There is no old business at this time.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Nomination of Kyle Sharp to be Assistant Director for the Department of Legislative Affairs.
Director Charles said Mr. Sharp could not be here until 4:45. He asked if they wanted to recess until then.

Senator Jordan moved to recess until 4:45 pm

Senator Bradley seconded.

Motion carried; the committee will recess until 4:45 pm.

Speaker Teixeira called the committee on oversight back to order at 4:54 pm in the President's Conference Room, 3rd floor of the JCSU. Presiding secretary, Andrea Godoy. Roll Call: Speaker Teixeira, Senator Blair, Senator Bradley, Senator Eshenbaugh, Senator Feng, Senator Green, Senator H. Jackson, Senator Henderson, and Senator Jordan were present. A quorum was present.

Mr. Sharp said he was late because he did not know he had to be here, only that he had to go to Senate at 5:30 pm. He wanted to be the assistant director because he eventually wanted to be director of Legislative Affairs and this was a great chance to move up. As far as his plans, he wanted to rewrite the interns program. He wanted the interns to plan and coordinate their own events and shadow one member of the department. Interns will be placed based on the positions they would like to hold in the future. He wanted interns to also go to the legislature when they start lobbying. As assistant director, he would oversee everything that goes on within the department. He has already worked as projects director so he knows what the job consists of and what is needed from him. He will also be able to facilitate the transition for whoever takes over the vacant projects director position. All he will do is oversee the people he already knows and help them all so that they don't have to go to Director Charles. He also wants to continue planning the Wolf Pack Smart Talks for the students.

There were no questions for the candidate at this time.

Senator Bradley moved to recommend favorably to senate the nomination of Kyle Sharp to be Assistant Director for the Department of Legislative Affairs.

Senator Henderson seconded.

Senator Bradley asked what his previous position was.

Speaker Teixeira said he was the projects coordinator.

Senator Henderson asked if Director Charles had anything she wanted to say. She can't come to meetings because of class but Senator Henderson would love to hear any of her opinions.

Speaker Teixeira said that when he talked to her, she said he was her best employee. He set up the Wolf Pack Smart Talks and has been doing that for a year. He was also the president for the Young Dems and also applied for this position last year but was not given it. He has always expressed a lot of interest.

Senator Eshenbaugh said she had attended to a lot of the events that Legislative Affairs had put on and he was always there and very active. She thought he would be a good fit.

Motion carried unanimously; Kyle Sharp was recommended favorably to be Assistant Director for the Department of Legislative Affairs.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at this time.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Speaker Teixeira adjourned the meeting at 5:00 pm.