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November 21, 2021

Officer	Position	Present/Absent
Katherine Esther Almendarez	President	Present
Sam Harrison	Executive Vice President	Present
Cindy Lay	Chief Ethics and Procedural Officer	Present
Chris LaRovere & Daniel Hayon	Interim Vice President of Student Activities	Present
Jon Joey Telebrico	Vice President of Campus Organizations	Present
Desmond Mantle	Chief Financial Officer	Present
Nisha Singh	Interim D&I Chair	Present
Peyton Ogasawara	Comptroller	Present
Caroline Bullock	Chief Operating Officer	Present
Addison Reddinger	Class of 2025 President	Absent
Zane Yamamoto	Class of 2024 President	Present
Amari Huang	Class of 2023 President	Present
Sobechukwu Uwajeh	Class of 2022 President	Present
Christina Campbell	Dormitory Affairs Chair	Present
Josh Nagra	Presidential Advisor on Mental Health	Present
Peter Dien	Presidential Advisor on Divestment	Absent
Adamaris Sanchez	Presidential Advisor on Low Income Student Advocacy	Absent



Anna Green	RA Liaison	Absent
Eric Warmoth	RA Liaison	Present

Senate Chairs Attendance

Senate Officer	Position	Present/Absent
Michael Gadinis	AAA Committee Chair	Present
Nicole Jonassen	Environmental Affairs Committee Chair	Present
Sam Bogen	Academic Affairs Chair	Present
Kirby Kimball	Community Service Chair	Present
Tyler Craigwell	Student Life Chair	Absent

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Approve 11/7 Minutes
3. Updates
4. Swear-in New Officers
5. Monte Carlo & Fundraiser Debrief
6. Events Update
7. Budget Committee Update
8. Open Forum
9. Closed Minutes: Racist Incident on Campus and Retreat Conversation

I. Welcome

Call the meeting to order at 7:05 pm Pacific Time.

II. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes have been approved.



III. Executive Officer Updates

Katherine: Does anyone have any updates?

President: Katherine Esther Almendarez	
EVP: Sam Harrison	
CEPO: Cindy Lay	
VPSA:	
CFO: Desmond Mantle	
D&I:	
VPCO: Jon Joey Telebrico	
Comptroller: Peyton Ogasawara	
COO (VOO): Caroline Bullock	
Class of 2024 President: Zane Yamamoto	
Class of 2023 President : Amari Huang	
Class of 2022 President: Sobechukwu Uwajeh	
Class of 2025 President: Addison Reddinger	
Presidential Advisor on Mental Health: Josh Nagra	
Presidential Advisor on Campus Reopening &	



Culture & Interim D&I Chair: Nisha Singh	
Presidential Advisor on Low Income Student Advocacy: Adamaris Sanchez	
AAA Committee Chair: Michael Gadinis	
Environmental Affairs Committee Chair: Nicole Jonassen	
Academic Affairs Chair: Sam Bogen	
Community Service Chair: Kirby Kimball	
Student Life Chair: Tyler Craigwell	
RA Liaison: Anna Green and Eric Warmoth	
DAC Chair: Christinia Campbell	
Presidential Adviser on Divestment: Peter Dien	

IV. Swear-In New Officers

Katherine: Swearing in Club Liaisons (Johnathan Ke, Dorismar Cuevas, Anahitha Chandra Gopikumar)

Co-VPSAs (Chris and Daniel) Chris and Daniel will be working together. Chris has the voting power. Details will be sorted out at a further time.

V. Monte Carlo & Fundraiser Debrief

Katherine: Let's start with the Events team.

Chris: I think Monte Carlo was a success. We got lots of positive feedback. We had 0 transports which



was good. All the catering and everything occurred as planned. Some things we need to plan for the future, the food and drinks were great but the system of distribution was faulty. We had some lighting issues and short circuits. We can avoid those by better communication. Fundraiser was awesome. Over \$8000 in total. We probably raised more than that. We could have had better planning and coordination on the fundraising aspect, but we can navigate those issues better in the future. We did raise a lot of money.

Katherine: It ends up being a little over \$9000 including the Pomona and Scripps events.

Cindy: I thought it went super great. One thing she saw was dangerous moshing, one girl ended up with bruises.

Sam Bogen: In terms of planning for the events, we need to be better at planning financially. I am out about \$1000 dollars personally right now. I had to purchase alcohol for the main event and the pre games.

Desmond: Only Chris's discretionary can be used for alcohol, or senior class president. I assume we will be asking Chris for that money.

Jon Joey: Or the younger presidents can reconcile the purchases with Sobe.

Sam Bogen: I think a lot of the pushback came against ticketing. I think the fundraiser appeared to be ticketing while not trying to look like we are ticketing. In the future we should just ticket and say the funds are going to said charities.

Katherine: In regards to the budget, we can handle that as an agenda item. I appreciate everyone's concern. We are one credit card short, and Jon Joey was not present this weekend.

Jon Joey: Getting input and feedback from student advocacy groups and stakeholders would be helpful in terms of ticketing issues. We are operating off of principles from a board multiple years ago. We should revisit the question and figure out how to communicate the issue with other students and voices present.

Nisha: I think having a flat fee would have been disincentivizing. We still could have adapted. We also need to evaluate how to collect feedback from our events, there must be a way to get feedback from the students. From a D&I standpoint, lots of students who previously felt ostracized felt as though they belonged. Great job to everyone!!

Cindy: Shout out to class presidents! Pre-Games were awesome!

Zane: On the point of getting feedback and introducing Chris and Daniel, we could do a town hall



event.

Sobe: Maybe Senates after major parties we give feedback for the first 20 minutes. Making this a structural part of the senate might help.

Cindy: Is there any documentation for events?

Daniel: There are folders from each event that get passed down, I have access to some of them. In terms of feedback, I don't think we have any system. Maybe we should add it to part of the party inform or hold office hours.

Katherine: I highly encourage office hours, for everyone.

Nicole: I think Monte Carlo went beautifully. The fundraiser should have been better publicized and possibly made into a bigger event. Maybe quiet music, making it more of a draw, tiers of donation, I think a lot of people donated their money just for the incentives. We could have made it more impactful.

Amari: I know there were some issues with some of the events, we should have let people know about the alternative earlier. Instead of ticketing, it could have been an event where some people just have to pay for it. Like some activity where people have to pay for it. I think we should have publicized the Bull sooner and making it more clear and fun.

Desmond: Procedurally, I have some concerns about how Monte Carlo and the fundraiser got merged. To my knowledge, the majority of these decisions occurred at a retreat that happened without quorum. A lot of the students felt like their voice was not heard.

Katherine: I heard about concerns about why Monte Carlo was a fundraiser. This has been discussed for 4-5 weeks. I came to exec stating that I wanted a fundraiser for this issue. My initial idea was to have a 5c party, Amadeo believed that Monte Carlo would be the best party to turn into a fundraiser. The retreat was not the final decision, but it was the one time we came together to get things done. It was very late, and I take full responsibility for that. Logistically things continued to get delayed, due to things Sam and I had and the transfer of power within the events team. I will definitely take the feedback, if we were to do another fundraiser next semester, we need to make it much more thorough.

Sam Bogen: On the mechanical bull it was a real missed opportunity. It was essentially a sub-cost because we did not incentivize additional donations. Maybe we could have made the bull an extra \$1.



Jon Joey: We are getting to the point in the year where the funding and financials are a little ambiguous and murky. We need to be more procedural about how we do those things. It would be nice if all of these purchases were approved and checked in beforehand. Identifying at all times where the money is coming from and voted on. We can't just spend whatever on these credit cards. One misstep jeopardizes other clubs as well.

Katherine: This is definitely an issue. Desmond, Cindy, and others we will have a separate meeting for this.

Cindy: If you purchase anything over \$1,000 you need approval from Desmond. Anything over \$2,000 you need approval from Exec.

Peyton: One thing that I noticed was Storyhouse was agitated with the fast pace of the work orders, we need to be cognizant of their time. They have jobs too. The work orders for the mechanical bull specifically was too much.

Sobe: For the pregame, the table notice was 5 days, was that too short?

Peyton: I don't think so, it was mainly the mechanical bull that was problematic.

Katherine: Thank you to the events team, Amari and the junior class, Kirby for her work on the Fundraiser, and for everyone. Through the obstacles, we were successful in the fundraiser and we were able to change someone's life. Our events team and diversity work are no longer segregated.

VI. Events Update (Class Presidents)

Katherine: Class President Updates!

Sobe: Zane and I had our pregame, very last minute and not very ideal for seniors in the cabinet. The purpose was not how to teach younger students how to drink, the food was more central. We had more alcohol. It was cool, but unsure of if we would do it again. The seniors like to use the apartments more.

Zane: Definitely a lot of stress. Canes pick up was an issue, and it went fast. Not something we could have controlled. One thing, I know we have an infrastructure budget, I wanted to use a wagon.

Chris: We have some! One of the dollies broke this weekend.



Amari: I think our event went well, lots of people showed up. I am a little upset, while I was dealing with actual Monte Carlo stuff, 15 bottles of Champagne were stolen. I don't know how it happened. We did run out of drinks because of that. I don't know if we taught them how to drink responsibly, I did try to portion champagne responsibly.

Katherine: I know that this was not ideal, but I really appreciate all the work you guys did.

VII. Budget Committee Update

Desmond: Because of officer turnover, we had the stipend evaluation meeting late. Thankfully a lot of folks turned in self evaluations! It went fairly smoothly, it was 1.5 hours long. We did decide issues of stipend, those should be paid out ASAP! Michael should finally get paid for his work as FYCP. We didn't deal with any fund issues, we should sort those fund reallocation meetings later in december or after the break.

Jon Joey: Thank you Desmond for being so flexible, but on that note, I think we should be more clear about the messaging, we took time out of the meeting to read the self-reflections instead of having been planned out in advance.

Desmond: I am trying to plan in advance and be a bit more flexible with students. Moving forward, we shouldn't have this level of turn over so it should help with timing of the stipends.

Katherine: For the foreseeable future, the stipend for the president is now coming out of ASCMC instead of DOS. We are handling that for this year, but moving forward we need to make this very clear for the next president and the executive board. We should be more clear that you cannot depend on the timeliness of our stipend money.

Desmond: That gets transmitted through transmission guides! Work on your guides and pass them down to the next offices. Start a transmission guide and add things you learn and know so students know their guidelines of office at the beginning of the term.

Jon Joey: While we are on the note of transitions, if we could have some sort of board turnover where we take a day to help the next board. Maybe read the constitution together.

Cindy: There is a transition dinner typically! They should also have individual meetings.

Katherine: I am leaning to overlap the boards' tenure a little bit so that we can impart historical knowledge.

VIII. Closed Minutes: Racist Incidents on Campus and Retreat Discussions

Motion to go into Closed Minutes: Katherine

Seconded: Jon Joey

IX. Open Forum

Katherine: Any motions?

Motion to adjourn: Desmond

Seconded: Zane Y

Time ended: 8:31 pm PDT