

University Centers Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes May 13, 2014
Warren College Room

Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 2:12 pm
- Called back to order at 2:45 pm
- Present: Jehoan Espinoza, Louie Wang, Claire Maniti, Justin Dewaele, Elyssa Droge (Vice Chair), Jason Thornton, Sammy Chang (Chair), Sharon Van Bruggen (Director), Colin King, Christy Alballero, Daniel Jacobsen, Ellen Kim, Emily Marx, Yahya Hafez, Jeremy, Ted Stinson, Tiffany Miao

Public Input

- *Indonesian Graduation banquet*
- Free
- Next Saturday
- Inviting alumni, celebrate graduation of assisting members
- Other funds from previous budget
- Tech Fee: 112.50
- Jeremy: How many people?
- ~50 but allowing 75 people max
- Jeremy: Where and when?
- MPR in Marshall, 6-10 pm
- Ellen: How have you been advertising?
- Word of mouth, FB, and whatsapp
- Justin: Move to change to a new venue
- Seconded by Yahya
- Objection by Elyssa: No rooms available
- Yahya: Can we move to a public space
- Louie: Highly advise against it, noise
- Ellen: Different situation, we couldn't table it
- Justin: Revelle plaza? Open space
- Yahya: Warren Mall or Geisel? Is Vera Cruz room taken?
- Ted: Amendment of motion to allow all members of public to speak to cycle in?
- Justin: No
- Jeremy: Takes time to move, so we shouldn't
- Ted: Move to call the question
- Yes-7
- No-2
- Abstain-5
- Vote: to move rooms
- Yes-3
- No-11
- Abstain-0

- Justin: This is the first time in months that the fire marshal capacity has been enforced

CHE PUBLIC INPUT:

- Put petition online 4 days ago, we have gathered 7000 signatures
- Need a place for their community
- It's a bridging force that brings people together, Historic space
- Disregarding 34 years of hard work and
- Have not received a single piece of documentation about budget information cannot make informed decision

- Ted: Move to limit to 2 minutes
- Move to move to PC Forum
- Seconded by Christy

- Advisor of Rogers Community garden
- Persistent attack on collective of UCSD
- Long term and it doesn't make sense
- When not able to get any of the information, can't make a decision
- Not make it a line item, there is a huge potential in that corner of campus, not only to renovate Che Café, but to also make it an amazing sustainability part of campus
- Community garden was there for many years before students revived it, and Che Café is part of that complex
- Recommend renovation of Che Café so that it can be the jewel it always has been
- Should not be taken for granted
- Knowledge is limited but expression is limitless
- Oldest buildings on campus, deterioration of integral part of UCSD identity
- Che Café is truly a historic site and should not be ignored
- We can accomplish a lot if we invest in its worth

- Renee: Core Member

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- tinue change every time
- Want documentation
- Much beauty that can't be appreciated if you haven't visited
- Can't move it to a bar and an office

- Che Café was a reason to come to UCSD
- PC: Looks like shopping mall and is alienating
- Need other places to congregate

- Lee: Alumni
- Coop Union Rep
- Negotiator for Master Space agreement

- Most important space on campus
- Married at Che Café
- Numbers and facts and information that has been presented to you are wrong

- Not consistent with their own numbers
 - Was originally part of Camp Matthews military space, was first dining hall then became Che Café
 - Not a reasonable comparison, purposes are different
 - Art program which has cost no money
 - Has had an enormous impact on American culture
 - Future of our culture to maintain spaces like Che Café
 - Sober space of having fun without having to chemical substances
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- Elyssa: Move to extend time by 25 minutes
 - Seconded by Ellen
 - Ted: Objection
 - Board has business to conduct today
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- Ellen: Motion to table decision until next week
 - Elyssa: Seconded
 - Dan: Objection
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- Ellen: If we table, we can limit public input next week
 - Louie: Same and bring content back to college councils
 - Yahya: There are a lot of discrepancies in what we have been told. Can't make informed decision right now
 - Dan: We are going to keep pushing back until summer and then we will have problems next year with budget and other business
 - Yahya: We should not rush to make a decision because it affects a lot of people
 - Ellen: Call the question
 - Yes (Ready to vote) -15
 - No (not ready)-0
 - Abstain-0
 - Vote: whether or not to table motion to next meeting
 - Yes (table)-12
 - No (not to table)-2
 - Abstain-1
 - Elyssa: Motion to extend public input by 17 minutes
 - Seconded by Ellen
 - Motion to call for special meeting
 - Seconded by Elyssa
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- Kevin Aguilar: Masters in Latin Studies
 - Major reasons to stay here over Cornell is Che Café
 - Kept coming to Che Café here for 10 years
 - Cheap to come unlike other music venues

- If we take away a space that has been here for so long, we are doing a disservice to university

- Maria (Ethnic Studies PhD)
 - Che Café stood out and wanted to check out space
 - Building community
 - Known for bringing people from all over San Diego which is community
 - Difficult to meet people outside of campus, Che Café is a good way to bring people to campus
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- Andrea M Carter (attorney)
 - Asking for simple documents
 - Given budgets that had discrepancies in them, and a lot of these questions weren't answered
 - Certain plans going on that these designs have already been made
 - Odd that there are already plans being made without voting on the fate of the facility yet
 - Che is different from other facilities because all coops are under master space agreement, and in essence it's a lease
 - Have obligations to make these repairs, are under existing obligations to repair
 - These expenditures make us think why are we the ones to be chosen?
 - Survey which was done by Facilities department, sent to 8000
 - Only 1500 filled out
 - Put up petition on Sunday and already received over 7000 signatures
 - Decision based on support of survey whether community on campus supports Che Café
 - Survey mentions that Che Facility and its options rank in priority, could be because they never visited it
 - Should not be on chopping block based on 1000 people answering a survey
 - Still an important cultural diversity
 - As an institution that respect different lifestyles and political beliefs and cultures
 - Budget: 10 million dollar budget
 - No cuts are easy but its hard to believe that for a couple years you have run on deficit
 - Budget gone up by 1.18%
 - Spent on maintenance of facilities
 - Over 2 million dollars spent on computer and furnishings
 - 800,000 or 400,000 we don't know only estimates
 - Can't give breakdowns
 - Could have spent money last year and this year
 - Issues as to whether repairs are even really necessary or critical
 - Sprinkler system was highly recommended, not mandatory
 - Lots of little things that could add up to what we need for the repairs
 - More concerning issues but I don't know why Che Café has been put on chopping block
 - What it means to students in the community
 - Loft and Gameroom operates at a loss, Che café doesn't operate at loss
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- Jehoan: Motion to receive minutes by Friday
 - Seconded by Yahya

- Motion to adjourn
- Seconded by Daniel

- Objection by Justin
- Yahya: continue meeting and discuss contacting Che
- Elyssa: Have to be out by 3:30
- Ellen: Don't see the point of discussing now if we are going to discuss it later
- Call the question
- Yes-13
- No-0
- Abstain-1
- Vote to adjourn:
- Yes-12
- No-1
- Abstain-2

Chair Report, Samuel Chang

Vice Chair Report, Elyssa Droge

Director Report, Sharon Van Bruggen

New Business

Indonesian Graduation Banquet

- Elyssa: Move to fund for 0 dollars since its being held in MPR
- Seconded by Daniel
- Elyssa: Move to go back to Public Input
- Seconded by Jeremy

Old Business

Member Reports

Announcements

Open Forum

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:36 pm