University Centers Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
Winter 2021, Week 3
January 18, 2022

Opening

The regular meeting of the University Centers Advisory Board was called to order at 4:05pm on January 18, 2022 by Casey Lee via Zoom.

Attendees

1. Casey Lee (UCAB Chair)
2. Gopika Yallapragada (UCAB Vice Chair, Warren College Representative)
3. Sharon Van Bruggen (Executive Director) - ad hoc, non-voting
4. Claudia Mendoza (Administrative Assistant)- non-voting
5. Samir Noami (Muir College Representative)
6. Clarissa Elbo (Sixth College Representative)
7. Alex Morgan
8. Pamela Fruge (Alumni Representative)
9. Yan Zhe (Leo) Liu
10. Skye Zhang

Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve minutes from week 2 of winter quarter: Clarissa, second by Gopika

Chair Report (Casey)

- Subcommittee Sign-Up sheet: Hope to have completed by end of this week!
  - Int’l Student Experience Adhoc Committee
  - Selection Committee
  - Antiracism Workshop
  - Space allocation Committee (will not be held this quarter)
  - Budget Committee
  - Charter Committee- Will commence meetings soon
- AS and Patty Mahaffey, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Life, have approved of the stipends for UCAB members
  - GPSA has not approved of the stipend but have communicated that they should be approving this coming Monday 1/24, they will be discussing in their meeting
  - Once the approvals are in UCAB members will go through the hiring process with HR
- Chair sent out doodle last week to conduct 1 on 1’s with UCAB members and check on how everyone is doing
  - Looking to have 1 on 1’s held on a quarterly basis

Vice Chair Report (Gopika)

- None.

Director Report (Sharon)

- None.
New Business

- None.

Old Business

- Covid Site Renewal: Did not reach quorum. Need 11 UCAB voting members in order to have Quorum.
  - Chair may call emergency meeting, possibly Saturday when more students can make it to vote take place
  - Vice Chair sent out email during the meeting to try and reach quorum before adjourning
- Arcade
  - Samir: Ran Straw Poll in the senate where he asked- Is there any interest in having an arcade potentially in the Exchange space?
    - 21-support, 0- opposed, 2-neutral
    - Some people missed Arcade machines
    - May not always be utilized but could be a good form of recreation offered to students
  - Skye:
    - Everyone she spoke with has either been generally supportive or enthusiastic for an arcade
    - Concerns brought up: Not a priority for the foreseeable future, wouldn’t imagine people would be using at the moment due to the state of the pandemic being still of a high concern
    - Should have a sanitizing station nearby due to the nature of playing arcade games
  - Alex: Everyone he has spoken with is generally supportive
    - If we do go through with putting an arcade in the exchange, there will need to be advertising done in order to inform individuals of its existence
  - Sharon: A suggestion for the best route would be, if the board decides that there is enough interest to move forward, then the arcade idea would need to be put in the budget committee discussions for next year
    - Would be a costly endeavor and likely need to be prioritized among the rest of the board’s ideas for next year.

Member Reports

- None.

Open forum

- Pamela: Wanted to give an update on what is in the works for Black History Month
  - The Black History Month Scholarship Brunch typically held on a Saturday will take place remotely this year, because of the new variants. Will be held on Friday, February 25:
    - Save the date messaging will be sent out soon
    - Still finalizing key note speaker
    - There are submissions from around campus for other events happening over the course of the month
    - February 3: Screening of the movie *Good Hair* with Chris Rock and Nelson George at 3:30pm
    - February 10: AAASRC has a panel on *The Body and Performance in Africa and the African Diaspora* at 3:30pm
    - February 17: Lecture by visiting scholar, *Ideology in Social Policy in South Africa* at 3:30pm
    - February 24: *Traditional Afro Caribbean Dance and Drumming* with Jean Perry at 3:30pm
    - Calendar should be up online by next Monday 1/24 on the website
    - If anyone has any ideas be sure to reach out to Pamela
    - Sharon: We’ll make sure once the calendar is up on the website to have it posted on the Virtual Student Union for promotion of these events and activities
- Will there be a contribution or ticket price for the scholarship Brunch? Usually University Centers buys a table. Even though we are not in person we would still like to contribute to this scholarship.
- Pamela: There is still an opportunity to contribute and I can share that information with you all.
  - We will not be selling tickets since there will not be the in-person component.
- This year is a special year as the 20th Anniversary of Black History Month on campus
- Theme this year is Health and Wellness in the Black Community
- Celebrating both medical and scientific healers and our community healers like our families, aunties, shaman’s
  - What language would you like to learn?

Announcements

- Chair may hold emergency meeting Saturday 1/22, for vote to take place regarding Covid Site Renewal

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00pm by Casey Lee. The next general meeting will be held at 4:00pm on January 25, 2022 via Zoom.