

**University Centers Advisory Board**  
Meeting Minutes – AMENDED  
Fall 2019, Week 6  
November 5, 2019

**Opening**

The regular meeting of the University Centers Advisory Board was called to order at 2:03 pm on November 5, 2019 by Joey Mendoza in Warren College Room.

**Attendees**

1. Joey Mendoza (UCAB Chair)
2. Pamela Fruge (Alumni Representative)
3. Sherry Yin (Marshall College Representative)
4. Aditya Arora (Warren College Representative)
5. Wendy Tam (Warren College Shadow)
6. Reilly Cannon (Revelle College Representative)
7. Ilmaa Haque (Roosevelt College Representative- proxy)
8. William Ebro (Roosevelt College Representative)
9. Clarissa Elbo (Interim Sixth Representative)
10. Sharon Van Bruggen (Executive Director) – ad hoc, non-voting
11. Achol Chowdhury (Muir College Representative)
12. Shubham Kulkarni (AS Representative)
13. Emily Trask (Staff Association Representative)

**Public Input**

- None.

**Approval of Minutes**

- Motion to approve minutes from Week 5 of Fall Quarter as amended: Aditya
  - Seconded by: Reilly

**Special Presentations**

- Greeks Gone Green Art Installation Solar Walkway Project (Samantha)
  - Mission: Demonstrating renewable energy and making students involved.
    - Components: Solar panel tiles for walkways, charging stations, LED screens, and spreading social awareness in students.
  - Considered different companies and currently looking at Platío, a Hungary-based company that utilizes user-friendly tiles and are quite sustainable. Furthermore, these solar panels are affordable, compared to others.
  - Tiles do not need any maintenance or rewiring for decades.
  - Several social awareness components:
    - Outdoor Display Screens: Student organizations can now put their announcements on these screens and gradually eliminate paper waste.

- Citylight poster: LED lights used to illuminate the poster. A different way to incorporate renewable and sustainable options on campus.
  - New charging stations that are interactive to increase social awareness
- Possible Locations
  - Loft Entrance
  - Next to existing tables
  - Patio setting outside Tapioca Express
- Achol: When you talk about the tiles, Platio has two different costs listed. Can you explain this difference?
  - Samantha: Platio sells packages of tiles and these can be priced differently.
- Reilly: Essentially, you're not asking for funding, just asking for the approval of location?
  - Samantha: That's correct.
- Emily: What are the dimensions? How big is it?
  - Samantha: They are quite small, so you'll need quite a bit to power things.
- Sharon: What are the differentiating factors in your research regarding the price differences for the tiles and the digital display? How many tiles are needed? Lighting is a big concern, especially at night. Can this potentially light up the pathways at night?
  - Samantha: Through our research, solar tiles are different sizes and sold in different ways by different companies. However, Platio is designed more for individuals. Digital displays need a lot more tiles than walkways. Lighting at night is possible and doable. For instance, the solar walkway could power the lights that are planned for the patio outside of Tapioca Express.
- Move to extend presentation by 10 minutes: *Approved.*
- Aditya: A potential problem for the tv screen is that it could be hard to connect to the WIFI outdoors.
  - Samantha: Yes, there is a potential problem there. We might need to be connected directly to the hardware.
  - Reilly: Charging stations are a good idea. But the tv is unnecessary because we have a marquee for students to advertise their organizations.
- Emily: Are the tiled slippery?
  - Samantha: The tiles are not slippery.
  - Joey: It's a great idea, but people might be afraid to step on these tiles.
  - Sharon: Yes, agreed. Are there other applications for these tiles other than for walkways? Maybe have them angled and in other locations?
  - Samantha: There are.
  - Joey: However, you want to stick to the walkway to spread social awareness, correct?
  - Samantha: Yes. These panels can also be patterned so people aren't scared to step on them.

### Chair Report (Joey)

- New Representatives
  - William Ebro (ERC Representative, beginning Winter 2020)
  - Sherry Yin (Marshall Representative)

- Wendy Tam (Warren College Representative)
- Clarissa Elbo (Interim Sixth Representative)
- Positions for Transfer, Commuter, and General At-Large are still open.
- Selection Committee is meeting soon and a UCAB Vice-Chair will be selected.
- A Doodle was sent out for the Retreat. Retreat will cover many important discussions. Please respond to the Doodle as possible.

### **Vice Chair Report**

- None.

### **Director Report (Sharon)**

- Hammocks:
  - Are not hanging because the grass is being reseeded. The grass is getting a lot more activity than it's used to. We are thinking about getting harder grass to accommodate more people. The hammocks will be gone for another week, but we will be installing additional hammocks soon.
- Southeast Patio:
  - Continuing to wait for furniture to arrive.
- Microwaves:
  - Working on getting more microwaves. However, there's an electrical capacity, which is why we don't have a lot of microwaves even though there's space for them.
- Nook seating:
  - Any small nooks and spaces you think are unused, bring them to UCAB.
    - Example: Small nook in PC West. Chairs were put up, along with a display.
- Reilly: Is there an update on the schedule for Dirty Birds?
  - Sharon: When the patio was removed, we ran into some utility issues; had to redesign the outdoor space and this caused a delay in the project. However, they are making good progress now.
- Joey: On a side note, has the student union ever thought of replacing the grass? It is resource and cost dependent.
  - Sharon: They have come up in UCAB meetings in the past. Some areas were changed from grass to turf, but there's been no recent discussion.

### **New Business**

#### Tech Fee Subsidy

- The Intermission Orchestra
  - Official Criteria Count:
    - Educational? – No.
    - Gathering for more than 3 hours? – No. 7-9:00pm.
    - During off hours – Yes.
    - At original student center? – No.
    - Alumni involved? – Yes. (Special Invites)
    - Open to the public? – Yes.

- Open to all UCSD students? - Yes.
    - Sought funding from other sources- Yes. (Parent Fund)
    - Is it a fundraiser? – No.
    - Is it free? – Yes.
  - Motion to approve: Set in motion by Reilly. Seconded by Achol.
  - Amount Approved: \$400.
- Business Council.
  - Official Criteria Count:
    - Educational? – No.
    - Gathering for more than 3 hours? – Yes. 5-8:00pm.
    - During off hours – Yes.
    - At original student center? – No.
    - Alumni involved? – Yes. (Special Invites)
    - Open to the public? – No.
    - Open to all UCSD students? - Yes.
    - Sought funding from other sources- Yes. (Parent Fund)
    - Is it a fundraiser? – No.
    - Is it free? – Yes.
  - Motion to approve: Set in motion by Ilmaa. Seconded by Shubham.
  - Amount Approved: \$162.50

#### UCAB Special Project Fund

- Every year, UCAB has a \$5000 project fund available.
  - Previous projects: hammocks, lockers for the food pantry.
- Achol: Using solar powered or LED tiles could be a good direction for the lighting project.
  - Reilly: Using solar for this project would be too expensive.
  - Aditya: Agreed, it would work, but it would be more than the money that we have.
  - Joey: Keep in mind that we don't have to have traditional lighting, it does not have to just be lamp posts.
- Reilly: We should first identify the areas we want to have this because this affects what we install.
  - Joey: Yes. Also, we are planning to invite in Brook to talk more about this. Everyone should think about whether we move forward with this, and if we do so as a group or as a committee.
  - Motion to table this issue till next week: *Approved.*

#### Member Reports

- Ilmaa: It's difficult to walk through Price Center during peak hours. We should consider different solutions, like a line system. Table sharing is a good idea, because it can be frustrating how one person takes up a large table for themselves. Also, breakfast options for Bombay Coast are still popular because there aren't many breakfast options in PC.
  - Sharon: For the table sharing, we have discussed a campaign in the past, but it won't get much traction without student support. It started out as a test in Burger King. We put in

large 9 person tables and people were more inclined to share than if it were a 3-person table.

- Joey: We talked about establishing bar tables. Is there any new information?
- Sharon: Yes, I will get an ETA. Our team has been working on designs, but it is unclear when the project is going to begin.
- Reilly: Back to Dirty Birds, people liked the idea of moving Kaplan to a different office. Also, some people seemed to like the later hours initiatives because there's limited options for late-night food.
- Wendy: Side question, are there any water stations at the old student center?
  - Sharon: Yes, they are located throughout the area. It was talked about when redesigning the student center. But the most accessible would be in Blue Pepper lounge.

### **Old Business**

None.

### **Open Forum**

- Joey: How can I help facilitate conversation to make it easier for everyone to bring information back to their student councils?
  - Shubham: Providing the presentation slides is enough.
  - Reilly: Big topics can be sent out, but we can write our own notes.
  - Ilmaa: The Tech Fee Subsidies are useful. It's good to know who's being funded.
    - Reilly: True, however most student organizations are not relevant to college councils. Revelle doesn't really fund outside groups.
- Joey: Would it be beneficial if there was an email regarding the Tech Fee Subsidies that could be forwarded to your college council financial officers?
  - Ilmaa: It's not a problem for us to report back to our councils.
  - Aditya: Email seems unnecessary.
  - Joey: Noted. Please let me know if there are any other feedback or suggestions.
- William: Is the lighting initiative just for PC?
  - Sharon: UCAB fund must be utilized in university centers.

### **Announcements**

- Joey: Next Vice Chancellor Student Affairs Student Luncheon on Civic Engagement 11/13.

### **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 3:15pm by Joey Mendoza. The next general meeting will be held at 2:00pm on November 12, 2019 in the Warren College Room.