Meeting Minutes 11/12

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Fall 2024, Week 7 | November 12th, 2024

1. Call to Order

• The meeting to elect the Chair and Vice Chair of the University Centers Advisory Board was called to order at 2:04 pm on Tuesday, November 12th, 2024 in the Warren College Room.

2. In Attendance

Shreya Ngunuri, Jess Huang, John Payne, Xavier Lopez, Elijah Cheng, Vitasta Mahajan, Elyse Kuta, June Jung, Isabela Killian, Olivia Ghilardi, Pamela Fruge Camila Anaya, and Scott Strong

3. Public Input

- None
- 4. Approval of Minutes
 - Elijah Cheng Motions to approve meeting minutes
 - Vitasta Mahajan Seconds the motion
- 5. Special Presentation
 - None

6. Chair Report

- One-on-One meetings available Schedule to discuss suggestions or questions regarding UCAB Optional
- Quarterly dinner/lunch plans Open to any suggestions; off or on campus
- Course selection is happening this week, meetings will remain the same
- If there are any schedule changes that will get in between the meetings say something ASAP
- Check for stipends in UC path accounts, make sure it is happening and if there is any problems let Scott know
- New Board member Olivia Ghilardi, Eleanor Roosevelt College representative

7. Vice Chair Report

- Tech fee subsidies: Society of civil and structural engineers Approved for \$200, Intermission orchestra - Approved for \$500
- KOTX was NOT approved, 4 votes are needed to approve subsidies however KOTX only received 3

- Space allocation; One-on-One meetings if you want more information on a tech fee subsidy
- 8. Executive Director Report (Interim John Payne)
 - Outside of subway one piece of new signage package A sense of what's coming
 - Taco bell has signed and will be replacing Rubio's downstairs, the lease has been signed, will probably be done by Fall 2025
- 9. New Business
- New Price Center space Are there any ideas of what that space can be turned into?
- Xavier I have a couple questions, I know we wanted to do something with dishwashing, was that aimed towards reusable containers or restaurants supplies?
- John Both, it was to make everything reusable
- Elyse As a commuter, maybe we can think about adding more of commuter fridges and microwaves, perhaps making it a closed off lounge
- John Someone did mention perhaps more space for meditation
- Shreya Would it be a religious space or just a meditation space?
- John A religious space
- Jess Their space is always very full so if they were to get that available space, would they move out of the one up here or occupy both?
- John They would most likely occupy both
- Shreya We also have to think about their accommodations, if they were to move spaces the restrooms that are available for them wouldn't be downstairs
- John Students with disabilities are also looking for space, we can also discard the dishwashing idea because it is so expensive
- Shreya If it became a commuter space, would it have to be closed off from the rest of the dining area?
- Elyse It doesn't have to be closed off, however it is hard to find quiet spots in Price center
- Xavier Do we see the whole space being used or could it be divided into 2?
- John It depends on what the functions are
- Shreya Do students with disabilities have a space in the University Center?
- John No but they have wanted one for a very long time
- Shreya It is important to hear from representatives of the communities we are hearing about, what they would envision from the space
- John We should get more ideas about what kind of things are missing from the price center and student center, it is a big deal to allocate space

10. Old Business

- Tech fee subsidies:
- Shreya Why were the tech fee subsidies not approved?

- Jess They did not pass because of the lack of responses, I only got 3 and we need 4 approvals
- Tech fee subsidies should have more attention paid towards them, it is important to approve and ask questions if needed, can't just leave a club with no response nor money
- Shreya The voting is all anonymous, but i would love to hear your opinions, is there a way we can notify you better?
- Vitasta- Maybe email reminders being sent out can help as well
- Elyse I think Slack was working for me, maybe implementing both slack and email would be better, also setting up an exact time when these fees will be sent can be good
- Jess I make sure to send it right after meeting with a club/group and always try to not send it out after 5-6PM
- Isabel I think an extra reminder would be good

11. Member Reports

• Elijah - Orchestra invitation, invitation to the concerts, music, and movies played

12. Open Forum/ Announcements

- Public members of "Darkstar" org. It is an organization that has a space in the student center, Org that fosters an active connection between alumni and ucsd also serves as a library and sets up a lot of activities Have over 6,000 books
- Proposing the idea of getting more space and perhaps occupying the open space next to them, willing to collaborate with other clubs
- Isabela On average about how many people enter your space
- DarkStar representative 10-20 people on a daily basis and on game nights 20-30
- John DarkStar is very old and before covid it had to be reallocated to the student center, it is 1 of only 2 student centers that exist that have space dedicated space through university centers, the space they're talking about is adjacent to their room but there is going to be construction, UCAB will get to decide what goes in that adjacent space
- DarkStar Representative So does that mean there is another org that has that space or are you just renovating it?
- John It is an empty space and will be a meeting room but we have to figure out what is the best interest for student centers
- Xavier Curious about members of your org.
- DarkStar Representative We are a student org and we have a board where we all act as librarians. We also have 7 board members, soon to be 14, that are librarians but we are

an open space with 10-20 people a day, we are open at least 6 hours a day, anyone who is interested can come in

- John Has DarkStar thought about digitizing anything?
- DarkStar representative We don't have that ability right now, our current system does not allow for e-book but we also function as a library and as a museum, we don't have the capacity of digitizing them
- Elija I used to be a librarian myself and they did have technology so if you would want I can help you, also we have a space below that we were thinking about making it into a comic book store, would you be interested in that?
- DarkStar Representative We have some comics but not that big of a selection, however we'd be happy to consider it
- Elyse I was wondering if you were perhaps trying to do a book lending program, have you guys thought about partnering with another resource center org.?
- DarkStar Representative We have thought about it, we consider doing events, but DarkStar is also about the environment and how people come together in our space
- Shreya Regarding the space you would want to occupy, would you use it to expand books or would it be more for meetings and game nights?
- DarkStar Representative It would be both, with that additional space we would add book shelves and also have wide open space for clubs to do game nights, since DarkStar is a lounge and library, very much a community space, should we come back to your next meeting?
- Shreya Yes, you can come with a presentation and that would be helpful with more information and consideration!

13. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 2:49 PM on 11/12/24.
- Next meeting is set to be at 2PM on 11/26/2024.