

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Time: 2:00 - 3:30 pm

Meeting Date: Fall 25, Week 8, 11/18/25

Meeting Location: Warren College Room

In Attendance

Jess Huang, Holly Menninger, John Payne, Scott Strong, Camila Anaya, Gabriella Ayala, Julianna Ybarra, Britney Nguyen-Bui, Tianlai Huang, Vanessa Baba, Aditi Parthan, Nitin Pramath, Elijah Cheng, Carter Imrie, Maansi Kensani, Vicky Huang

I. Call To Order

- The meeting to elect the Chair and Vice Chair of the University Centers Advisory Board was called to order at 2:05 pm on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, in the Warren College Room.

II. Approval Of Minutes

- Britney Nguyen-Bui - Motions to approve meeting minutes
- Gabriella Ayala - Seconds the motion

III. Public Input

- N/A

IV. Special Presentation

- N/A

V. REPORTS

A. Chair Report

- Welcome new members that are here, quick introduction
- Vicky Huang - Thurgood Marshall rep
- Carter Imrie, Eren representing him for this meeting
- Reminder to complete UC training it's mandatory
- Tech fee subsidies, Holly has been doing a good job on reminding everyone but keep an eye out and vote whenever you can
- Week 10 meeting, right after thanksgiving, it won't be a long meeting

B. Vice Chair Report

- Keep up with the Slack channel
- M.E.M.O Big/Little + Fam Reveal - approved for \$120.00
- M.E.M.O Fall Banquet - Approved for \$120.00
- SSA Fall Showcase - Approved for \$180.00
- MMA Christmas Market - Approved for \$120.00

C. Executive Director Report (Interim John Payne)

- Welcome Lucky's hair design, grand opening was on Thursday, they have hair care and also skin care
- Jesse Sanchez, owner and operator, make sure to support Lucky's
- Taco Bell talked to inspector want to get final inspections on Friday, can get occupancy if they pass
- Was with the Taco Bell manager they just need the store to open, they're already ready, might open Monday, 11/24?
- Rain caused significant damage in Sun God lounge, rain pipe separated, nothing but rain water pouring into Sun God, team has been working to dry it up and some of it back up tomorrow
- Room above taco villa, it has been in plan review finally got cost, half million dollars to build out space, will have to pause that because budget is not ready for that right now until 26-27
- Been working with the Hub and others they have done two Fridays and 2 more left, food distribution on Friday 11/21- muir college room and Friday 12/5 town square, time is 12-4

D. Member Reports

- N/A

VI. BUSINESS

A. Old Business

- AS contemplation lounge
- Contemplation lounge expansion presentation by AS and UCAB subcommittee:
- Our student population since 2008 has almost doubled yet capacity stays the same
- Want to support cultural and religious community
- AS resolution that was passed, college council letter in support
- Endorsement list of student organizations and religious groups

- AVP of student organizations, personally endorsing this moment on behalf of student orgs, spent countless hour on topics of what and advocacy that orgs need
- Growth has not been matched by space we have on campus, specifically our spiritual orgs
- Spaces have not grown with member base, advocating on half of contemplation lounge, directly impact students, for people to practice what they want to practice
- Asking a formal recommendation, just supporting the movement no further action being asked from University centers
- Britney - there was nothing specific everyone agreed to support this resolution, rallying with it
- Motion to move into close session - Julianna Ybarra
- Seconds it - Tianlai Huang
- Motion to start the vote - careful with how we word it
- Motion to vote that UCAB formally recommends that University Centers, Office of Student Affairs, and other applicable parties create a new, larger contemplation lounge - Julianna Ybarra
- Seconds it - Vanessa Baba
- Yes - 10
- No - 0
- Abstain - 1
- Unanimous decision to say yes to the vote
- We need $\frac{2}{3}$ in order to pass it - that was met

B. New Business

- Taco Villa - whenever vendors leases come up they come to us and ask us if we want them to stay or if we want a new vendor to come and replace them
- John - Start reaching out to get feedback on Taco Villa as an establishment, do you like it or not?
- Their 10 year mark, all new vendors get 5 years and they choose to renew afterwards, lease renewal period after 10 years that is how a vendor moves forward after their initial 10 year period with us
- Tianlai - Do we have new vendors that we could bring if we decide to not renew taco Villa?
- John - Yes and no it depends, so it starts with whether or not we want to continue with Taco Villa, if we don't want Taco Villa then what do we want? Do

we continue with the Mexican concept? Do we switch it up? We have to remember that it is an 18 month process to get a new vendor

- Tianlai - Would it end this year or next year, with Taco Villa if we decided not to renew their lease?
- John - Around summer 2026
Jess - Do students still feel like taco villa is super necessary or if there brand of Mexican food is very palpable
- John - In April, Camino Farms will open next to amphitheater, part of that is a Mexican taco area, some action stations, as well as its a Mexican market but I know it is not in a very convenient part of campus

Open Forum / Announcements

- Last meeting should be week 10 not ideal but please come anyways, it will not be a long meeting!

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm on 11/18/2025. The next meeting is scheduled to be at 2pm on 12/02/2025.