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I. Call to Order
   a. Jesse Qin, President, calls meeting to order at 6:32PM

II. Roll Call
   a. Voting Present: Jesse Qin, Akinchita Kumar, Audrey Fox, Ankit Vyas, Marissa DeFalco, Nishat Khuda, Jesslyn Myers, Akshay Tangutur, Bisma Ajaz, Jordan Viernes, Lorna Liu, Amarachi Metu, Adam Kapasi, Akshata Rohra
   b. Voting Absent (Excused): Joey Giltner
   c. Voting Absent (Unexcused):
   d. Members Present: Michael Chuang, Andrew Salemi, Nicole Farrales, Jeffrey Lee, Ryan Huyler, Jennifer Kan, Andrew Thai, Mili Parikh, Christian Walker, Edward Lin, Andrew Liou, Jenna Lawrence, Adam Johnson, Nishi Parikh, Lilian Fong, Gurunath Nesarajah, Daniel Valdez, Alyssa Aquino, Reva Nanda, Jonathan Young, Medha Begur, Jack Durkee, Rohith Voora, Erika Sasaki, Prashila Amatya, Natalie Koe, Travonte Delzeith, Andrew Huang, Jocelyn Sanchez, Emily Goble
   e. Members Absent (Excused): Karen Tran, Anthony Malpartida, Andrew Trinh, Megan Von Duhn

III. Approval of Agenda
   a. Move to approve: Akinchita Kumar
   b. Seconds: Jennifer Kan
   c. Objects: Akshay Tangutur
   d. Move to enter into Open Forum Amendments to the ASUCSD Election Code: Akshay Tangutur
   e. Seconds: Marissa DeFalco
   f. Passes 9-0-2

IV. Approval of Minutes from 1/29/15
   a. Move to approve: Guru Nasarajah
   b. Seconds: Akshay Tangutur
   c. No objections: PBC

V. Moment of Rowdiness
   a. Mili: Giving first tour Saturday.
   b. Marissa: Natalie is PanHellenic Woman of the Week.

VI. Public Input

VII. Special Presentations
   a. Provost Visit – Ivan Evans
      i. 5 years after earthquake in Haiti. Support has waned over the years but the need is very great. Symposium to remind the UC that it was once heavily involved but has also waned. First speaker is a prof from Berkeley, will talk about the structural engineering programs that have tried to help rebuild Haiti. Still a vibrant culture in Haiti. Wednesday, 2/18, 12-5pm, hoping to have food at the end. Trying to bring Haitian art to UCLA or UCSD.
      ii. Black History Month events.
      iii. Hope to see WCSC at the events!
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iv. Akshay: Is there anything else we can do as a council to spread the word? Trying to talk to professors and colleagues to come, Rachel Gregg is making great efforts. Looking pretty impressive.

b. Student Foundation – Sam, Kyle, and Andrew
   i. Raises money for scholarships for students. If you donate $25 to become a Society 60 member you get a t-shirt, $25 coupon to Bookstore, free Bluebooks and Scantrons, barbecue every quarter, cut the line for AS Pancake Breakfast, and can also apply for the scholarships.

VIII. Unfinished Business

IX. New Business
   a. Council Member of the Week
      i. Aku for her event!
   b. Kudos
      i. Lorna: To Anthony, Chita, Andrew for helping with event.
      ii. Nishat: To Andrew for saving us last night with our tech crisis.
      iii. Chita: To everyone flyering for semiformal.
      iv. Adam: To Travonte and Daniel for being the three-man team for All-Council Dodgeball.
      v. Jordan: To WTCC this year for their hard work and support.
   c. Budget Requests Sponsored by Finance Committee
      i. Warren Live – Backfunding Account $5000
         1. Jeffrey: Is there a breakdown of the budget?
         2. Finance decided to fund in full.
         3. Luke: What would happen to any unused funds? Currently it rolls over to next year, but trying to see if we can save remaining funds for WCFC.
         4. Daniel: Can you explain why they didn’t ask for $10,000 straight off the bat? First request was to make up the $5,000 WCFC tried to save last year, this $5,000 is to account for all the attention Warren Live is getting, want a great headliner.
         5. Jeffrey: Is this coming from the backfunding? We talked about using it for a permanent thing for Warren, why are we using it for this? No one else has taken an initiative to use the backfunding account, the straw poll showed that council also wanted the backfunding to go to a big event.
      ii. Hot Tub Time Machine by Amarachi Metu– Warren Account $60
         1. SAC 6-7pm on Feb 17th. For lowerclassmen to talk to upperclassmen and get advice.
         2. Finance Committee Funded in full.
         3. Audrey: Why is it called “Hot Tub Time Machine”? It’s catchy. Also plays off the movie.
         4. Jenna: Who are the upperclassmen? Asked peer mentors and people from campus.
         5. Ryan: Suggests Hot Cocoa Time Machine. Last week there was a concern about this being the third event involving hot cocoa.
   d. AS Constitutional Amendments – Akshay & Jesslyn
      i. Transition Stability Act. Passed in AS. The elected membership will term in week 10 of Spring Quarter if this passes. Reasoning behind the amendment is because the Summer Budget is really difficult to pass especially with no transition. There’s no retreat beforehand. Most UCs have their elected members term in at the end of
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Spring. UCLA is also trying to change their timeline to match most other UCs. The mandatory transition period can be written in.

ii. Summer budget would happen before new council terms in. The elected members would suggest legislation and the outgoing exec would pass it-- still working on this.

iii. College senators would have voting power week 6 meeting. College councils could also change timeline in the future.

iv. Jeffrey: Shouldn’t we vote on it after everything else is added into place? The other language will be an amendment to this, will be proposed after. Easier to pass this change first, then debate the supporting bylaws.

v. Audrey: Isn’t the transition period the main reason for this change? Meeting with UCOP, UCSD AS President was the only one coming in not outgoing, couldn’t push UCSD agenda. For the transition, this way will be easier so that they can be transitioned before they are in office.

vi. Jennifer: During the terming in/out process, what will the terming-in people be doing? That’s when all the transitioning, retreat, and mock-council meetings will happen, and AVPs working on summer budget.

vii. Chita: How does this affect everyone’s stipend? Created from current budget every year. Because the current AS is from this year, they would still get paid from pre-existing budget. Generally stipend amounts don’t change.

viii. Joey: What incentive do AVPs and elects have to work if not getting a stipend? They just got elected/chosen, typically more motivated in the beginning.

ix. Andrew: Not doing anything, no motion was made.

x. Move to Approve AS Constitutional Amendments: Akinchita Kumar

xi. Seconds: Ankit Vyas

xii. Objects: Aku Rohra

xiii. Jennifer: Most people that come into office with the stipend being a side thing, not the main reason to run.

xiv. Jesslyn: Try to exert your opinion because we’re on a motion

1. Straw poll:
   a. In favor of amendments: 37
   b. Not in favor: 2
   c. Abstain: 5

xv. Call the question: Joey Giltner

xvi. Seconds: Akinchita Kumar

xvii. Passes 13-0-1

xviii. AS Constitutional Amendment Passes: 10-1-3

X. Open Forum

a. AS Office of External Affairs Representative – Audrey Fox

   i. No direct link with councils, want to disseminate info. VP Externals are external with council, but internal with UCSD. Possibly create new position to be External Affairs liaison or add it to another position. The office of external affairs stresses that they are a non-partisan group but kind of went back and forth on that.

   ii. Jesslyn: VP External office is insane. A representative would be helpful in linking the campus to this office. Hard to relay info. As far as political concern goes, the lobbying is usually on behalf of the students and what the students want.

   iii. Christian: What would the time requirements be if we added this to SOVAC? Discussed weekly or bi monthly meeting.

   iv. Bisma: Would they be working in the office or just reporting back? Reporting back but they can also take part in what is happening in the office.
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v. Huang: Is it only CA politics or what other UC AS councils are doing?
vi. Jesslyn: Beneficial to look into combining positions.
vii. Christian: Maybe make a proviso
viii. Andrew: Don’t have to put language in for external reps.
ix. Jennifer: Would this position start immediately? Likely start in Spring
x. Ryan: Benefit to having a position like this. You could probably get the important
stuff from the office from AS senators. Personally hasn’t done much as a SOVAC
Rep. SOVAC is under external office.
xi. Jesslyn: How would this be appointed?
xii. Jennifer: Great idea because a lot of the things that the External Office brings up is
student lobbying. Aren’t aware of issues as a council.
xiii. Straw Poll:
   1. No: 2
   2. Yes, I want a rep solely for External Office: 22
   3. Yes, I want a rep hybrid position: 18
b. Amendments to the ASUCSD Election Code — Akshay Tangutur and Jesslyn Myers
i. Election code changes currently don’t have to get ratified by the colleges because it is
   in the standing rules, wanted to talk about moving the election code into the
   Constitution so that amendments require ratification by college councils. Concern
   for AS slates pushing an agenda, having a check.
ii. Current changes have included pushing back the filing period, and clarification on
    GPA requirement checks.
iii. Chita: Good idea because it’s a little iffy during elections. Some people do have
     alternative agendas.
iv. Ryan: Does the Election Code affect the college council elections code? Not so
    much our rules, but it affects all students. We have our one election code.
v. Joey: It would be like AS coming to us and saying that we have to get our
    legislation passed by AS.
vi. Huang: Do you know how much it would slow things down? ERC takes two weeks,
    we try to push ours the same week. Right now a lot coming right before elections.
    Huge concern that all these changes are coming right before elections.
    1. Nothing can be changed to this current election after two weeks before
       filing.
    
    viii. Christian: Do you have a hypothetical situation of changes drastically impacting
         elections? Students being able to donate money to slates’ total funds. Slates could
         raise thousands of dollars.
ix. Joey: Do college council slates have funding? Yes, but there is a cap.
x. Ryan: Doesn’t like the idea that AS has to get our approval, they should be able to
   decide how they run their own election.
xi. Audrey: Understand the gridlock issue, but AS is working to reach out to the
   students and the councils represent the students.
   
xii. Jennifer: Sometimes the inconsistencies are because we are able to change our
   bylaws without consent from AS.
xiii. Huang: As of now, is there a way for college councils to overturn AS passing
     something? Anyone can sponsor an amendment to AS.
xiv. Akinchita:
    1. Straw Poll:
       a. Want colleges to ratify: 14
       b. No we don’t want them to ratify: 16
       c. Abstain: 6
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Ryan: Maybe have a simple majority to ratify, and then go into effect the next year.

XI. Reports
a. Dean of Student Affairs: Kafele Khalfani
b. President: Jesse Qin
   i. Next week is open meeting in SAC.
c. Events Board Chair: Nishat Khuda
   i. Semiformal is next Friday! Thank you for flyering. Shifts still up.
d. Senators: Jesslyn Myers and Akshay Tangutur
   i. 4,000 attendance for Spirit Night. Had a lot of people go to game the day after.
   ii. GPA check change passed. If you don't have the 2.5 at first check, you get a warning.
   iii. Food Pantry had grand opening, potentially college reps.
e. Committees
   i. Scholarship: Made $90 at Spirit Night
   ii. Finance: Needs one more voting member.
   iii. WCFC: Thank you for supporting Warren Live.
f. Members of Council
   i. Lilian: If you plan on going to semiformal, please tell me which bus you want to be on.
   ii. Akinchita: Giving presentation on elections next meeting.
   iii. Akinchita: VPI, in charge of Rules Committee, Appointments, and bonding council.
   iv. Nishat: Events Board Chair, in charge of events board and events.
   v. Audrey: VP External, Scholarship, Tech Committee, external reps.
   vi. Michael: Judicial Board chair, J Board Cases.
   vii. Ankif: Treasurer, makes budget.
   viii. Marissa: Secretary, writes down everything you say, keeps track of attendance.
   ix. Andrew: Parliamentarian.
   x. Jesse: President, principal representative of WCSC, logistical based job, neutral, can't talk or vote usually, meets with a lot of people, meets with other college council presidents.
xi. Adam: Why are we doing this? From survey feedback.
xii. Jeffrey: Met with dining. Trying to create restaurant at south end of campus. Fruit going to be cut now. Weigh chicken fingers now. Fixed sauce at noodle station.
xiii. Andrew: SCSG. Section 17 of conduct code. Roughly 40 appeals every year. Creating two new sections, clarifying appeal or sanction reduction. AVP Student Life will deal with student org appeals. All students will be notified by office of Student Conduct of appeal or sanction reduction. Discussing university property usage next meeting.
xv. Eddy: Sun God Task Force met. Stay With Me campaign will come week 1 Spring quarter. No re-entry policy now. Increasing bus and shuttles. Proposing no wristbands to save ASCE $30,000. You can be barred from entering festival if you have an egregious violation the week of. Sun God website releasing info soon.
xvi. Mili: You at The Loft tomorrow. 2/12 Valentine's Day Dance. 3 Open Forums for Sun God. Dumbfoundead sold out.
xviii. Bisma: Next week's meeting WCSC Eat and Greet, in SAC. Please help make posters tomorrow.
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xix. Akshay: Pushing for another senator project, working with ASCE and Graphic Studios with film screening and panel afterwards. 4/20 in PC Theater.
xx. Jesslyn: Seraphin confirmed headliner for Sun God.
xxi. Ankit: Bulletin board idea, by SAC, with updates from WCSC. Needs help.
xxii. Joey: Luncheon talking about consent and rape culture.

XII. Announcements
a. Jordan: Provost’s office is working on getting new furniture for this room.
c. Joey: Sponsored legislation in AS.
d. Mili: RFL coming up soon. Interest in Warren Council team?
i. Straw Poll:
   1. Warren College Team: 28
   2. All-Council Team: 1

e. Huang: UCSD Guardian holding info session.
g. Aku: Dance Sport west coast comp 3/7
h. Andrew: CleRHCs doing Valentine’s Day Grams, they are free, tabling in CV. If you have been SAC trained this year, let me know.

XIII. Final Roll Call
a. Voting Present: Jesse Qin, Akinchita Kumar, Audrey Fox, Ankit Vyas, Marissa DeFalco, Nishat Khuda, Jesslyn Myers, Akshay Tangutur, Bisma Ajaz, Jordan Viernes, Joey Giltnner, Lorna Liu, Amarachi Metu, Adam Kapasi, Akshata Rohra
b. Voting Absent (Excused):
c. Voting Absent (Unexcused):
e. Members Absent (Excused): Karen Tran, Edward Lin, Daniel Valdez, Andrew Trinh,
f. Members Absent (Unexcused): Rachel Novotny, Matthew Sapien, Jennifer Kan, Andrew Thai, Andrew Liou, Megan Von Duhn

XIV. Adjournment
a. Move to approve: Akinchita Kumar
b. Seconds: Jack Durkee
c. No objections: PBC
d. Jesse Qin, President, adjourns meeting at 8:36 PM