

GSA meeting 5/3/07

**Agenda:**

Approve minutes

New reps?

Elections – candidacy announcements

- President
- EVP
- IVP
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- CPB

UCSA Budget

Demonstration Response Team Report

- May 7<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm chat with Popo

Appeals Process Update

Announcements/Committee Reports

VOTE

Adjourn

**Minutes:**

Go over ballots and pass out ballots to voting council members. (presented by Berra)

Approve minutes (presented by Berra)

- **Minutes approved** by general consensus

New reps? (presented by Berra)

- **New chemistry rep.** Lucas Canton.

Elections – candidacy announcements (presented by Berra)

1. Each officer explains their position and council is invited to announce candidacy for this position.

- **President**
- External Vice President (**EVP**)
  - o Teresa Betts announces candidacy
- Internal Vice President (**IVP**)
  - o Nicholas Jon Reynolds announces candidacy
- **Secretary**
  - o Sarah Maxwell announces candidacy
- **Treasurer**
  - o Jess McGuire announces candidacy
- **CPB**
  - o Nick Addleman announces candidacy
  - o Sarah Smith announces candidacy

2. We took questions from the council to ask the candidates.

- Concern about the CPB rep and his advisor being on the committee together. Response: He has a good relationship with his advisor and he's not sure how long his advisor would be on CPB.
- Concern about the CPB rep also being a union rep. Response: As a union rep I represent grads and TAs so I don't currently represent only TAs. I think this is not a conflict on interest. I have tons of experience thinking about budget issues and equity. Could you take off your union hat? Yes. It's a broader interest and it would not be a problem for me to take that position.
- Concern about the listening skills and the consensus building skills of the EVP candidate. Response: My experience thus far has given me opportunities to learn about consensus building. Am I willing to work on it? Of course! My experiences thus far shows that I can do this but I will get better.

#### UCSA Budget (presented by Foaad)

1. Notice the **increase of dues** between the '06-'07 number and the '07-'08! These are the minimum dues for being on UCSA.

- '04-'05: \$1850
- '05-'06: \$1605
- '06-'07: \$1667
- **'07-'08: \$1821**

2. We will vote on whether to pay these new increased fees and remain a part of UCSA at the end of the meeting with the officer elections voting.

#### Demonstration Response Team Report (presented by Berra)

- May 7<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm **chat with Popo**
- Check it out! **Read this critically!** We sent the document out this last week. We'll send it out again. We need to get this to radgrads and other interested parties as well. Feel free to share this.

#### Appeals Process Update (presented by Berra)

- There are some **hitches in the progress** of the document.
- Alex, Suzy and Berra are going to look at the most recent appeals document as soon as possible.

#### Announcements/Committee Reports (presented by Berra)

- Chelsea Juarez, the Grad rep to the chancellor's search committee. She asks for some **feedback about what we want for a chancellor**. How to grow the program? Who will support our concerns? Be specific about what it is you want! Please provide criteria for an ideal candidate. Please email: [cjuarez@ucsc.edu](mailto:cjuarez@ucsc.edu).
- Sarah Smith, **Union pub night** at the Poet and the Patriot May tenth at 8pm. If you wear union paraphernalia (which you can buy at the door) you get happy hour prices all night. **Union is having an action on May 17<sup>th</sup>** at the Bay Tree plaza to send the message that we **don't want our healthcare to be cut** anymore and we want it to be increased. We are considering having testimonials for this action to speak about the importance of adequate health care. See [UAW-QUAD.org](http://UAW-QUAD.org) for

more info. Can we get an endorsement from GSA on this? Motion to endorse.  
Seconded. Pro: 14, Con: 0, Abstentions: 0.

- **Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs search Committee.** Get in touch with Suzy if you have any input about who we need for this position.  
salter@biology.ucsc.edu
- Foaad is going up for UC regent this weekend. **Go Foaad!**
- SFAC is meeting with **Kliger about the fact that he is taking over SFAC's role of advocating student fees.**
- The language program is having an **international playhouse** in the Cowell dining room next Thursday through Sunday.
- The voting committee is working on figuring out **enticements to encourage voting.** We are talking about getting money for this.
- **Networking event** last week went well. Thanks to everyone who helped!

VOTE (for officers and UCSA dues)

- **Give UCSA more money.** Pro: 12, Con: 0, Abstention: 0.
- Folks give me ballots and I will count them.

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Adjourn.

- Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Everyone left.