



**SENATE MEETING #8**  
**Agenda**  
**Wednesday, May 31st, 2023**  
**7:00 PM - ASUCR Senate Chambers**

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- I. Call to Order**
  - II. Roll Call**
  - III. Approval of Agenda**
  - IV. [Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes](#)**
  - V. Public Forum** (3 min per person)
  - VI. Ex- Officio Reports** (3 mins per person)
    - A. State of the Association**
  - VII. New Business**
    - A. Associated Students Program Board (ASPB)**
      - 1. [SB-S23-001 ASPB Constitution Updates](#)**
    - B. STEM Ed Center**
      - 1. [STEM Ed Center Update Presentation](#)**
  - VIII. Committee Reports**
    - A. Finance**
      - 1. Finance Hearing Minutes #8**
        - a) [Revision II - 2023-24 ASUCR Budgets Proposed](#)**
    - B. LRC**
      - 1. [SB-S23-006 Chapter 24: Eligibility Standards Amendments](#)**
      - 2. [SB-S23-008 Amending Vice President of Finance: Outreach Coordinator](#)**
      - 3. [SB-S23-009 Outreach Director Stipend](#)**
  - IX. Public Comment** (3 min per person)
    - I. Senator Reports** (3 min per person)
  - X. Roundtable and Announcements**
  - XI. Adjournment**
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**Myra Usmani**

*Executive Vice President*

**I. Call to Order**

A. Call to order at 7:16pm

**II. Roll Call**

Senators Present/Absent		
1. President Pro Tempore	Richardson	E
2. CHASS Senator	Mido	E
3. CHASS Senator	Greene	P
4. CHASS Senator	Barman	P
5. CHASS Senator	Bui	E
6. CHASS Senator	Huang	P
7. CHASS Senator	Hari	P
8. CHASS Senator	Yang	UE
9. CHASS Senator	Lu	E
10. CNAS Senator	Shah	P
11. CNAS Senator	Choy	P
12. CNAS Senator	Cheng	E
13. CNAS Senator	Mohamed	P
14. CNAS Senator	Patel	P
15. BCOE Senator	Au	E
16. BCOE Senator	Hunt	P
17. SOE Senator	Elkatat	P
18. SPP Senator	Nguyen	P

ECAB Present/Absent		
1. President	Assaf	E
2. Executive Vice President	Usmani	P
3. VP of Finance	Aguirre	P
4. VP of Campus Internal Affairs	Nassar	E
5. VP of External Affairs	Hearns	E
6. VP of Sustainability	Martinez	P
7. Marketing and Promotions Director	Nguyen	P
8. Transfer Student Director	(vacant)	
9. Non-Traditional Student Director	(vacant)	
10. Personnel Director	Ahluwalia	P
11. First Time Student Director	Nguyen	P
12. Elections Director	Trinh	E
13. International Student Director	Nguyen	E

### III. Approval of Agenda

- A. Motion to approve the agenda (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Elkatat), motion passes 11-0-0

### IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- A. Motion to approve Senate Meeting Minutes #7 (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Huang)
- B. Motion passes 11-0-0

### V. Public Forum

(3 min per person)

- A. Michael mkhva001@ucr.edu
  - 1. Speaks about the electrical disparities of different buildings on campus. The older buildings on campus such as Sproull, Watkins, Olmstead, and others, should be installed with light dimmers and sensors to help cut back on usage of electricity
  - 2. VP of Sustainability lets Michael know ways in which she will be reaching out to him
- B. Victoria Nguyen
  - 1. Announces that she will be the new EVP for the following year
- C. Angel (VPEA Office)

*The Associated Students of the University of California, Riverside (ASUCR) is the officially recognized student voice at UCR to the campus administration, faculty, and outside community. We aim to serve the UCR community through advocacy, education, and empowerment and work to enrich the undergraduate experience by bringing relevant issues and programs to the student body.*

1. Asks for a friendly amendment (civic engagement director) from 9 month to 12 months on the budget

**VI. Ex- Officio Reports**

**(5 min per person)**

**A. State of the Association**

1. Pres. Assaf
  - a) Presented by chief of staff Cooper
  - b) R’Gear distribution successful, collab with End Overdose was also successful, working on hosting an alumni panel, just hosted a CHASS alumni panel, working on housing Senior BBQ at the Barn with free sweatshirt and food for seniors as a sendoff, working on a financial literacy workshop
2. EVP Usmani
  - a) One-on-ones and recaps with senators have been conducted, senator banquet planned for the next upcoming weeks, saving Senator of the Month in the next week
3. VP of Finance Aguirre
  - a) No report
4. VPCIA Nassar
  - a) No report
5. VPEA Hearn
  - a) Has met with legislators to speak on behalf of affordable housing and disability justice, spoke with politicians to advocate and speak about the importance of student voting, has been completing the transition of powers
6. VP of Sustainability Martinez
  - a) Passed one large scale initiative and multiple green grants, marketing team had last tabling event today, all events completed, this upcoming wednesday giving away coffee for study-goers (must bring own mug/cup), working on transitioning Ellen
7. Marketing & Promo Director Nguyen
  - a) R’Gear distribution, was able to giveaways, last giveaway will be tote bags, stress balls near finals for students
8. Personnel Director Ahluwalia
  - a) Chatted with athletics director in attempts to improve communication, menstrual Product Resolution was passed, End of the Year Memos for an easy transition for upcoming leaders
9. First Time Student Director Nguyen
  - a) Point-to-point shuttle program (5-11pm M-F, every half hour, in front of Winston Chung Hall, driven by UCR students), driven by students for students; catered for students who live off campus in the 30 minute radius. Committee holding a goodie bag event with stress relievers for finals, first hour for first years, June 9.
10. Elections Director Trinh
  - a) Will be working PPT in regards to legislation, sharing and posting application for elections director soon

11. International Student Director Nguyen
  - a) Keeping contact with her committee, planning the next transition
12. PPT Richardson
  - a) Held 9 LRC meetings since the start of the quarter, the third wave of AAP have been enacted, will be accessing the status of the review in this week's meeting

**B. Judicial Updates**

1. Arnav
  - a) Last meeting next week, results for the new positions will be released during next week's meeting, VPDEI applications will be open soon, (asks Senate if the VPDEI bylaws are ready to be released to the public)
  - b) Sen. Shah clarifies on who has the oversight for it

**VII. New Business**

**A. Associated Students Program Board (ASPB)**

**1. SB-S23-001 ASPB Constitution Updates**

- a) ASPB Chairperson and Vice Chairperson presents the new name changes to the ASPB Constitution
- b) Motion to approve SB-S23-001 ASPB Constitution Updates (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Hari)
- c) Motion passes 11-0-0

**B. STEM Ed Center**

**1. STEM Ed Center Update Presentation**

- a) Vice Chancellor Bomotti here to present the STEM Education Center project
- b) EVP: Considering that this project is moving along, curious about how ASUCR comes into play with the re-engagement campaign?
- c) VC clarifies that they have not talked about this project since March of 2020, after the 2 year hiatus wanted to reintroduce it to campus
- d) Personnel Director: Would this center on campus, replace or be an addition to the already existing STEM program on campus
- e) VC states this will be adding a separate high school and redevelop and improve the current facility in the middle school
- f) Sen. Nguyen: Based on your presentation, is the enrollment for this based on the lottery system?
- g) VC: yes
- h) Sen. Nguyen: Are you open to have certain seats reserved for those who live around campus since it affects those who live nearby
- i) VC: this is an ongoing discussion so people voice their want to him, further speaks on how students have to be a part of the RUSD to attend
- j) Angel points out that this idea is good in theory, but when students right now need affordable and accessible housing as well as

parking, this is disheartening to put UCR students on the backburner. Believes that the 6 acres of land could be used better especially when the first year admissions have been growing exponentially with each year.

- k) VC states that in 2015 the campus thought it was reasonable to have this partnership with the nearby schools with the land
- l) Angel states that that was 2015, and that was 8 years ago. The campus has drastically changed since then, would love to engage in further discourse on how that land is to be used
- m) Sen. Shah: How will the STEM Center benefit the students of UCR. Feel like this is more for the UCR facility's relationship building with the community.
- n) VC: Hard to make an argument. More for students who take part in this program and find attraction in attending UCR as a result.
- o) Sen. Elkatat: Looking over the FAQ, you mentioned that the students can use the center at the after hours, does that follow through with the, being able to use our other facilities and buildings
- p) VC: we are not anticipating a large increase in students from the STEM Academy coming on campus
- q) Sen. Elkatat: worried about the traffic situation on campus, as a commuter herself, UCR handed out more parking permits than there are parking spaces and sees the land a better use for either housing or more parking.
- r) VC: hard to believe there will not be an increase in traffic due to it being another activity
- s) Sen. Nguyen: Riverside STEM academy does allow students outside of the district to attend, and thinks it should be focused more for the youths of the area. I think it's wrong for the seats to not be for those who live in the Riverside community.
- t) EVP asks about who will be prioritized.
- u) VC: Lottery system run through the district, university just takes in 10 slots a year
- v) EVP brings the attention to student parents and adds they could be pt on priority
- w) Sen. Hunt: Is there any financial benefit to the university
- x) VC: No. Do not receive any direct or indirect financial benefits.
- y) Sen. Hunt: Do you have an idea why RUSD does not use their own land. Riverside does not have a shortage of land, why do they want to be so close to the campus.
- z) VC: It is their belief that there is a synergy there between UCR, and sees in beneficial to have a close location with the campus
- aa) Sen. Hunt: In the future, if there is another one of these, I would love to see tangible data of how many students who attend these schools and end up going to UCR.

- bb) Michael questions why RUSD chooses to have a partnership with UCR when there is a facility in 1 mile distance to have an existing partnership
- cc) Michael asks who will be in charge of the bussing
- dd) VC: it would be RUSD, we would have nothing to do with
- ee) Naia: You briefly mentioned the funding would come from the district, will this affect in terms of current students fees since they will be using our libraries and parking spaces
- ff) VC does not anticipate any increase in fees
- gg) Sen. Patel: How is UCR lending this land to RUSD, is this a lease?
- hh) VC: Yes, strictly for a STEM high school
- ii) Sen. Patel: How much money will be made for this lease, and what will the money be used for
- jj) VC: \$1 a year lease
- kk) Sen. Patel: Wouldn't this be possible with any location not so close to campus, where UCR could endorse them from afar instead of giving up our land
- ll) VC: Has been brought up, could be possible
- mm) Sen. Patel echoes the statements made by other Senators about the traffic and parking problems that this will cause, asks how UCR will mitigate this
- nn) VC: Has thought about it, that is why have thought of making this a bussing
- oo) Sen. Choy points out the center is located next to lot 26, which is a gold lot, a parking permit that many students use.
- pp) VC: the school district will not be able to purchase any parking permits, they will have to bus within the east corner of that lot
- qq) Sen. Choy: The traffic increase on Canyon Crest, UCPD is in that corner as first responders, and it has a historically delayed response, have you thought about how this affects those in need of a first responder. And are there any safe guards in mind to protect the high schoolers from potential predators?
- rr) VC: There will be security to make sure students leave and there are no problems in the night. They have indicated they will have their own security guards.
- ss) Sen. Mohammed: the pdf I found states students will be allowed to use the UCR faculty, I want to see how this will work out (students trying to get in contact with CNAS faculty)
- tt) VC: does not anticipate that

## **VIII. Committee Reports**

### **A. Finance**

#### **1. [Finance Hearing Minutes #8](#)**

- a) [Revision II - 2023-24 ASUCR Budgets Proposed](#)
- b) Motion to open Finance Hearing Minutes #8 and Revision II ASUCR Budgets Proposed (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Choy)

- c) Sen. Hunt: These are the projected numbers?
- d) VP of Finance: Yes
- e) Motion to approve the proposed operating budget (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Patel)
- f) Motion passes 8-0-2
- g) Motion to approve the proposed budget for Non-Traditional Student Director (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Greene)
- h) Motion passes 8-0-2
- i) Motion to approve proposed budget for elections director (Greene), seconded (Sen. Huang)
- j) Motion passes 8-0-2
- k) Motion to approve proposed budget for vp of finance (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Greene)
- l) Motion passes 8-0-2
- m) Motion to approve proposed budget for 2023-2024 President (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Patel)
- n) Motion passes 8-0-2
- o) Sen. Hunt: For the outreach for 9 months, there is a stipend?
- p) Sen. Huang: There is a senate bill for this in the agenda
- q) Motion to approve proposed budget for Personnel Director (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Huang)
- r) Motion passes 8-0-2
- s) Motion to approve proposed budget for First Time College Student Director (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Huang)
- t) Motion passes 8-0-2
- u) Motion to approve proposed budget for EVP (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Choy)
- v) Motion passes 8-0-2
- w) Motion to approve proposed budget for Transfer Student Director (Sen. Elkatat), seconded (Sen. Huang)
- x) Motion passes 8-0-2
- y) Motion to approve proposed budget for Student Voice Committee (Sen. Elkatat), seconded (Sen. Hunt)
- z) Motion passes 8-0-2
- aa) Motion to approve proposed budget for VP of Sustainability (Sen. Barman), seconded (Sen. Huang)
- bb) Motion passes 8-0-2
- cc) Motion to approve proposed budget for PPT (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Choy)
- dd) Motion passes 8-0-2
- ee) Sen. Hunt: Will we see a stipend bylaw for the pending?
- ff) Sen. Greene: It's because it was finalized and submitted last week when it was pending
- gg) Motion to approve proposed budget for Judicial (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Elkatat)



- hh) Motion passes 8-0-2
- ii) Motion to approve proposed budget for VP of Marketing (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Huang)
- jj) Motion passes 8-0-2
- kk) Motion to approve proposed budget for VPCIA (Sen. Elkatat), seconded (Sen. Huang)
- ll) Motion passes 8-0-2
- mm) Motion to approve proposed budget for International Student Director (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Choy)
- nn) Motion passes 8-0-2
- oo) Motion to make a friendly amendment to change line item 25 to reflect 12 months and the stipend to \$1,980 (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Elkatat)
- pp) Recess until 9:31pm
- qq) Sen. Au enters meeting 9:37pm
- rr) Motion to approve proposed budget for VP Externals (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Elkatat)
- ss) Motion passes 8-0-3
- tt) Motion to approve proposed budget for VPDEI (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Elkatat)
- uu) Motion passes 8-0-3
- vv) Motion to approve proposed budget for Bears Den (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Choy)
- ww) Motion passes 7-0-4
- xx) Motion to approve proposed budget for organizations (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Choy)
- yy) Motion passes 9-0-2
- zz) Motion to make a friendly amendment to rename Marketing and Promo Director to VP of Marketing and Promotions (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Choy), motion passes 11-0-0
- aaa) Motion to make another friendly amendment to line n to change Marketing and Promo director to VP of Marketing and Promo (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Choy)
- bbb) Motion to approve Revision II ASUCR Budget for 2023-2024 (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Greene)
- ccc) Motion passes 9-0-2
- ddd) Motion to approve Finance Hearing Minutes #8 (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Green), 10-0-1

## **B. LRC**

### **1. [SB-S23-006 Chapter 24: Eligibility Standards Amendments](#)**

- a) Motion to open SB-S23-006 (Sen. Elkatat), seconded (Sen. Choyi)
- b) Vice Chair Barman: brought up in previous senate meeting
- c) Ortiz: developed a new appeal process after feedback from Senate
- d) IED OBrien appreciates the probationary period, but has confusions on the appeal process, this one seems subject to

interpretation, is still in favor of it being a cumulative gpa rather than quarterly due to reasons listed in previous meetings

- e) Ortiz: When it comes to addressing if there are biases, that is why we added the facilitation of the Executive Director. Believes a quarterly gpa is most reflective of how well a student can handle this additional commitment
- f) Cooper and speakers discuss further on the existing language used in the legislation
- g) Sen. Nguyen agrees with Cooper, section C is catered towards appointed members of the Exec branch, should include the others as well
- h) Cooper lists more concerns on the change in gpa for this legislation, ways the appeal process may be abused, and more
- i) Angel rementions that the intention of this was to introduce more students into the space and make ASUCR more accessible
- j) VPEA Hearn's statement delivered by EVP
- k) Motion to table SB-S23-006 to next week (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Huang)
- l) Motion passes 11-0-0

2. **SB-S23-008 Amending Vice President of Finance: Outreach Coordinator**

- a) Motion to open SB-S23-008 (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Elkatat)
- b) Vice Chair Barman: removing the position of Outreach Coordinator
- c) Sen. Huang: the funding we do receive is becoming too large to handle for ASUCR so we are giving this to another department
- d) Sen. Nguyen: Giving this power to another on campus department, do those departments have boxes to check off?
- e) IED OBrien: Yes.
- f) Motion to approve SB-S23-008 (Sen. Elkatat), seconded (Sen. Nguyen)
- g) Motion passes 10-0-1

3. **SB-S23-009 Outreach Director Stipend**

- a) Motion to open SB-S23-009 (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Greene)
- b) Vice Chair Barman: removing the stipend for the outreach director
- c) Motion to approve SB-S23-009 (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Mohammed)
- d) Motion passes 10-0-1

**IX. Public Comment**

**(3 min per person)**

- A. No comments

**X. Senator Reports**

- A. Motion to table Senator Reports (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Choy)
- B. Motion passes 10-1-0

**XI. Roundtable Announcements**

- A. Sen. Nguyen

1. Fall quarter passed legislation to call for UCR to support peer academic advisors campus wide, they were awarded \$30,000 to use in the upcoming fall

B. Sen. Barman

1. This friday is last LRC meeting, submit legislation before 9am

**XII. Adjournment**

- A. Motion to adjourn the meeting (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Greene) at 10:48pm