

# SENATE MEETING #5 Minutes Wednesday, April 27th, 2022

6:30 PM - ASUCR Senate Chambers/Zoom

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.	New Business	
	A. Pell and Student Debt Letter (Nationwide)	
	B. ASUCR Supporting Botanic Gardens Student Workers	
VII.	Ex- Officio Reports	(3 min per person)
	A. Ethnic and Gender Program Liaison	
VIII.	Committee Reports	
	A. GCAP-	
	1. Green Grant 49	
IX.	Public Comment	(3 min per person)
X.	Senator Reports	(2 min per person)
XI.	Roundtable and Announcements	
XII.	Adjournment	
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**Mufida Assaf** 

Executive Vice President

### A. Roll Call

1. Call to order at 6:28 PM

Senators Present/Absent		
1. President Pro Tempore	Cabalo	P
2. CHASS Senator	Richardson	P
3. CHASS Senator	Torres	P
4. CHASS Senator	Nguyen	P
5. CHASS Senator	Alba	P
6. CHASS Senator	Garcia	P
7. CHASS Senator	Kent	P
8. CHASS Senator	Martinez	Е
9. CHASS Senator	Vu	P
10. CNAS Senator	Usmani	P
11. CNAS Senator	La	Е
12. CNAS Senator	Akel	P
13. CNAS Senator	Patel	P
14. CNAS Senator	Paredes	A
15. BCOE Senator	Do	P
16. BCOE Senator	Kiroloss	Е
17. SOE Senator	Doronila	P
18. SPP Senator	(vacant)	

# II. Approval of Agenda

- A. Motion to add two letters by PPT Cabalo seconded by Sen Richardson
- **B.** Motion to add Green Grant by Sen Kent seconded by Sen Do
- C. Motion to approve the agenda by Sen Nguyen seconded by Sen Richardson motion passes
  - 1. Motion passes

# **III.** Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

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.

- **A.** Motion to open up previous meeting minutes by Sen Richardson seconded by Sen Nguyen
  - 1. Motion passes
- **B.** Motion to add approve previous meeting minutes by Sen Richardson seconded by Sen Patel
  - 1. Motion passes 14-0-0

Sen Paredes at 6:35 PM

#### IV. Public Forum

### V. New Business

- A. Pell and Student Debt Letter (PPT Cabalo)
  - 1. Working with student governments and student association from other universities
  - 2. Refers to a letter writing campaigning to send to the government
  - 3. Support double the pell and pushing for student debt cancellation
  - 4. Shows student governments from other universities support this letter
  - 5. Student leader representing 1.2 million students submitted a similar student
  - 6. If we approve tonight ASUCR Senate is supporting doubling the pell grant and canceling student debt
  - 7. Questions:
    - a) EVP Assaf: Is this a statement we release to the public?
      - (1) If you want to publish or inform the public?
  - 8. Motion to approve by Sen Richardson seconded Sen Doronila
  - 9. Motion passes 14-0-0
- B. ASUCR Supporting Botanic Gardens Workers
  - 1. Sent a letter to Botanic Gardens administration and HR
  - 2. Have been trying to get a living wage/\$2 wage increase
  - 3. Reads letter
  - 4. UCR HR said student workers are not supposed to make a living wage
  - 5. Letter from ASUCR to support botanic gardens
  - 6. Questions:
    - a) Sen Richardson: How does this relate to CNAS and its funding?
      - (1) Botanic gardens are housed under CNAS. Workers have been organizing for months. Management has been pushing the workers around. So, that's why they referenced UCR and CNAS.
  - 7. Motion to approve by Sen Nguyen seconded by Sen Alba
    - a) Motion passes 14-0-0

### VI. Ex-Officio Reports

# A. Ethnic and Gender Program Liaison

- 1. Jeanine Nassar
  - a) Meeting with some of the E&G this week and asking what some events they want us to host.
  - b) Do something differently than the tabling

- c) Working with Sen Richardson and EVP Assaf to create a committee under the E&G liaison
  - (1) EVP Assaf: keep Jeanine's position and have a committee under her position. Open to senators and students.

### VII. Committee Reports

#### A. GCAP

- 1. Green Grant 49
  - a) UCR Gardening Club
    - (1) \$206 to give students the opportunity to grow microgreens modeled after UCLA.
    - (2) Motion to approve Green Grant 49 by Sen Kent seconded by Sen Richardson
    - (3) Motion passes 13-0-0

### VIII. Public Comment

# IX. Senator Reports

### A. Sen Akel

- 1. Reached out to different UCR alumni for event
- 2. Working on legislation with academic senate for registration problems
- 3. Sponsored a resolution for Ramandan accommodations
- 4. Reached out to ITS department to discuss goals for resolution

# B. Sen Nguyen

- 1. Meeting with E&Gs
- 2. USI try to find them a safe space on campus in Costo hall or HUB
- 3. Working with Intern Chloe Au with UCR Dining to create resolution regarding food waste
- 4. Holding first event tomorrow with first time college student committee

#### C. Sen Torres

- 1. Working with Chicano Student Programs
  - a) Cinco de Mayo
- 2. Introduced themselves to the LGBTQ Resource Center and what they want to see with ASUCR

#### X. Roundtable and Announcements

### A. Sen Paredes

- 1. Food drive is happening the 9th of May to 16th and 2 locations at HUB front desk and Rivera front desk
- 2. Please help advertise proceeds are for R'Pantry

# B. Sen Garcia

- 1. Brought to her attention. Yikyak make a statement for Statement to be careful about digital footprint. As student leaders, disappointed to be seen how that app is being used like hate/negativity. Try control what you say on social media. Does not want us to be a reflection of ASUCR.
- 2. EVP Assaf: this can keep some people up at night. Encourage people to not use the app.

3. Reach out to tech support to limit the app in general. As student leaders is to try to preach that to her friends.

### C. Sen Torres

1. Having a Cinco De Mayo event at the Bell Tower registration is out

# D. Sen Nguyen

- 1. Sen Vu, Richardson are working on SOB town hall
- 2. Hosting flyering event at Glasgow from 5-8 PM
- 3. Extend support to Sen Kent from wanting to hear more transparency from Judicial

# XI. Adjournment

- A. Motion to adjourn the meeting Sen Richardson, seconded Sen Torres, motion passes.
- **B.** Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM