



**SENATE MEETING #4**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, October 26th, 2022**  
**6:30 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. Approval of ECAB Meeting Minutes**
    - A. [10/19/22](#)**
  - VII. Ex-Officio Reports** (5 min per person)
    - A. State of the Association**
  - VIII. Committee Reports**
    - A. Finance**
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    - B. LRC**
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  - IX. New Business** (3 min per person)
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  - X. Public Comment** (3 min per person)
  - XI. Roundtable and Announcements**
  - XII. Adjournment**
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**Myra Usmani**  
*Executive Vice President*

**I. Call to Order**

A. Call to order at 6:33pm

**II. Roll Call**

<b>Senators Present/Absent</b>		
1. President Pro Tempore	Richardson	E
2. CHASS Senator	Mido	P
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	(vacant)	
9. CHASS Senator	Yang	P
10. CNAS Senator	Shah	P
11. CNAS Senator	Choy	P
12. CNAS Senator	Cheng	P
13. CNAS Senator	(vacant)	
14. CNAS Senator	Cano	P
15. BCOE Senator	Au	E
16. BCOE Senator	Hunt	P
17. SOE Senator	Elkatat	P
18. SPP Senator	Nguyen	P
19. President	Assaf	E
20. Executive Vice President	Usmani	P
21. VP of Finance	Martinez	P
22. VP of Campus Internal Affairs	Nassar	E

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23. VP of External Affairs	Hearns	P
24. VP of Sustainability	Martinez	L (excused)
25. Marketing & Promotions Director	Hoang	P
26. Transfer Student Director	Shelton	L
27. Non-Traditional Student Director	(vacant)	
28. Personnel Director	Ahluwalia	P
29. First Time Student Director	Nguyen	P
30. Elections Director	(vacant)	
31. International Student Director	Nguyen	P

### III. Approval of Agenda

- A. Motion to remove SB-F22-006 from the agenda, stipends have not been approved by Finance yet, (Sen. Shah), seconded (Sen. Cano)
- B. Motion to approve the agenda with the following amendments (Sen. Elkatat), seconded (Sen. Hari)
- C. VP of Sustainability Martinez 6:36pm

### IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- A. Motion to approve Oct. 19th Senate Meeting Minutes (Sen. Shah), seconded (Sen. Hari)
- B. Motion passes 13-0-0

### V. Public Forum

(3 min per person)

#### A. Chief Justice Arias

1. Elections Director applications reopened until Oct. 30th, unanimous consensus of the council to close apps. Early, aiming to present an Elections Director by the next Senate meeting. General Advocate applications open on Friday.
  - a) If interested in these positions, email Chief Justice or Secretary Michelle &/or direct message them on the Official ASUCR Judicial Branch Instagram
2. Currently in the process of finalizing committee applications

#### B. EVP Usmani

1. Two Senator positions (CHASS and CNAS), are open and was posted online today (Oct. 26), anyone who feels fit for the criterias is welcomed to apply
  - a) Formal elections procedure: personalized speech, followed by time for questioning

### VI. Approval of ECAB Meeting Minutes

#### A. [10/19/22](#)

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1. Motion to open the approval of 10/19/22 ECAB Meeting Minutes (Sen. Mido), seconded (Sen. Elkatat)
2. Motion to approve 10/19/2022 ECAB Meeting Minutes (Sen. Choy), seconded (Sen. Cano)
3. Motion passes 13-0-0

**VII. Ex- Officio Reports**

**(5 min per person)**

**A. State of the Association**

**1. President Assaf**

- a) Motion to extend time by 3 minutes (Sen. Shah), seconded (Sen. Huang)
- b) (Executive Secretary Tara Wu here to report on her behalf)
- c) Pres. Assaf is currently working with her Chief of Staff on making ASUCR more inclusive and accessible to the student body
- d) Created 2 new committees this year: Student Life and Community Service Committee as well as continuing the Alumni Relations Committee from the previous year
- e) Student Life Director Cooper and Student Life Organizations Coordinator Jasmine held an introductory meeting on behalf of President Assaf to describe initiatives they have been working on for the year
- f) 446 registered student organizations currently on campus, hoping to recluster them and have those clusters be represented by different student leaders on campus
- g) Community Service Director is in conversation with some local colleges to discuss and plan projects
- h) Chief of Staff: has been preparing a Legislation worksop training for First-year Fellows for them to draft up ideas for the Senate Interns/First-year Follows social. Currently also communicating with ASPB Chairman to have a ASPB x ASUCR collab, ideally for the Winter SOULstice event. Co-authoring the VPDEI Constitutional Amendment with President Assaf.
- i) Fellows have been working with the International Students Director as well as EVP Usmani and VP of Internal Affairs

**2. EVP Usmani**

- a) During summer, working on planning the ASUCR Fall Retreat. Held a 3 day training for all Senators and extended branch members, creating a bonding experience and making sure everyone feels connected
  - (1) Opposed to previous years, this year's retreat will include all three branches of ASUCR to promote unity (previously Judicial was excluded)
- b) Has a full staff with exception one position open: Ethnic and Gender Liaison (applications have been released, as well as the Ethnic and Gender Liaison Advisory Committee)

- c) Held an ASUCR Opening House facilitated by Marketing and Promotions Director Phan, all Senators were present, allowing student body to know who their college representatives are
  - d) Added 2 new positions in the EVP Office: 1.) Events Director (work directly with Senators) 2.) Senate Internship Director (create a liaison b/w Senate Interns:Senators:EVP)
  - e) Held a Senate Internship Orientation where Events Director and Senate Internship Director gave presentations regarding the programs and what entails; Senate Interns met their Senate Mentors
  - f) Effective next week, EVP Usmani will begin performing Senator check-ins making sure Senators are following the by-laws
  - g) Attended the Chancellor Leadership Meeting this week with President Assaf, conversing with multiple affiliates of the Chancellor, and encouraged both the Chancellor and administration to attend the Senate Meetings, creating dialogue, attempting to mend the disconnect between ASUCR and Admin this year.
  - h) Working on establishing committees for Student Health Services and CAPS
  - i) Transfer Student Director Shelton enters 6:50pm
3. **VP of Finance Martinez**
- a) During the summer he worked with Financial Operations Manager Amy and Organization Funding Specialist Maggie to edit the VP of Finance by-laws
    - (1) Some significant edits:
      - (a) No longer a need to make a budget, first year org,'s starting allocation is \$1000
      - (b) Funding apparel is no longer limited to only T-shirts
      - (c) No longer mandated to attend the Finance Hearings for budget approval
  - b) Summer: With Financial Operations Manager Amy, created a new requisition form for reimbursements
  - c) Attended the monthly ECAB meeting where everyone went over specific department goals and pitched strategies for a successful year
  - d) Hired all of his staff
  - e) September, held first Finance Committee meeting to discuss quarterly goals and took Finance Committee members through a training process (1hr-1hr 30 min)
  - f) Sept.19 & 20, VP of Finance and his committee created and presented a new powerpoint to over 75 student organizations as a Student Life workshop
  - g) Revamped the entire ASUCR Finance website (updated the links)

- h) Created a new account activation powerpoint and authorized signers test and form
- i) Set Oct. 6 as the date for student organizations to start activating their accounts with ASUCR
- j) Authored in the past piece legislation pertaining to finance by-law changes
- k) Last 3 weeks, he has held the first 3 Finance Hearings of the year
- l) ASUCR started the school year with Organization Contingency Balance: \$140k
- m) Approved allocations for 100 student orgs., allocated \$171k, had to pull an extra \$100k from the ASUCR Reserve Funds, current amount remaining \$68k
- n) Started the school year with the ASUCR Contingency Balance of \$97k, currently he has allocated just under \$2.5k, ~\$94.5k current balance remaining
- o) Tabled the last two Wendesdays and introduced himself to student org.'s, answering any questions they may have
- p) Future plans: hope to work with multiple Senators and Fellows on hosting a Financial Literacy Workshop

**4. VP of Campus Internal Affairs Nassar**

- a) (Chief of Staff Victor representing his superior)
- b) Held 2 Internal Affairs Office meeting thus far
  - (1) First meeting introductory, meet the staff, discussed office goals, responsibilities, and plans for the upcoming year
  - (2) Second meeting introduced the First-Year Fellows that were assigned to their office, conducted Roundtable Announcements for each committee, discussed current events in the office and brainstormed ideas for the upcoming year
- c) Commissioner of Basic Needs almost finish finalizing the Committee of Basic Needs, discussed ways to connect with San Bernardino County with Basic Needs here at UCR, planning first committee meeting in the upcoming days
- d) Sexual Harrassment and Secual Violence Prevention had their first committee meeting recently, currently planning events relating to ethnic and gender centers, destressing, and committee training in collaboration with CARE
- e) Diversity Council has been finalized, currently working on having the Commissioner sit in on meetings with the E&G Senate Directors, first meeting next week
- f) Academic Affairs: The office has officially hired a Commissioner of Academic Affairs, Commissioner of Acad. Affairs has been working with the library to organize extended hours and parking situation

- g) Communications Director is working on rebranding the Internal Affairs Office via social media, being transparent
- h) Upcoming projects: Working on a piece of legislation with Senators to extend library hours and work on library funding, looking for more effective ways of engaging with student body through social media
- i) General Updates: VPCIA working on setting up an 1:1 meeting with all office staff to promote internal communication
- j) Hired a full staff, all positions are occupied

**5. VP of External Affairs Hearn**

- a) Motion to extend time by 5 min. (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Cheng)
- b) Attended July orientation for the UC Student Association at UCSB, all external VPs in the UC system attended and spoke on problems that are present on each respective campus, and came up with ways to collaborate across UCs.
- c) Attended Student Organizing Summit (aka SOS)
- d) Attended the Office of UCSA Board Meeting where she was elected for a chair
- e) Aug.-Sept. Met with UCOP and had a budget consultation to discuss about our underground scholars population and undocumented scholars population
- f) Met with UC President Drake and other UC External VPs to talk about disability justice
  - (1) Discussing their position on the UC Campus Safety Plan
- g) Ongoing conversations: Resolution in opposition of the Campus Safety Plan, resolution in support of the cancellation on student debt, trying to get 4 year guarantee housing, resolution for Iran, voter registration, a STAR seat for undocumented students
- h) Created a new State-wide Lobbying Director Position, currently holding applications for this position
- i) Every committee is working
- j) Divest TMT (thirty meter telescope), funded telescope on indigenous lands in Mauna Kea, where indigenous people have already vocalized how they do not want the telescope to be built; planning to rally a protest in Winter Quarter
- k) Trying to get rid of US Citizenship requirement for UC hiring
- l) Undergraduate union efforts: our TA's are planning a strike soon
- m) Upcoming plans:
  - (1) Working on a \$10million budget ask for disabilities
  - (2) Working on having a Costco Hall/External Office Town Hall in Week 7

**6. VP of Sustainability Martinez**

- a) Spent summer interviewing and hiring her team, performed tours and orientations to assimilate staff to the environment

- b) Total of 3 committee meetings thus far, 4 green grants to be voted on this Friday
- c) Began planning for Earth Month
- d) Marketing and Promotions Committee has been tabling every Wednesday, giving away 0 waste items/prizes to promote sustainability
- e) Sustainability social media had been very active, Instagram giveaway event coming soon
- f) First event of the quarter last Monday, lasted 20 minutes, students showed up and showed out for the mini terrariums
- g) Next event planned for next Thursday at the AI Bowl, a movie night on climate change
- h) Brita Water: replacing student's old Brita filters with new ones, and sending the old ones back to the manufacturers to be recycled every quarter
- i) Starting to resume work with the UC Green New Deal, planning meetings specifically with UC Santa Cruz
- j) Waiting to be approved for setting up bike pumps around the HUB
- k) Working on creating a carpooling shuttle system to help students reach the airport during holidays and reduce emissions and carbon footprint
- l) Working with UC Santa Cruz to find ways of promoting less water consumption in dorms
- m) Requested by students: will be recycling batteries in the engineering halls

**7. Marketing & Promotions Director Hoang**

- a) Summer: tabled for ASUCR during all sessions of freshman orientation
- b) Created a ASUCR orientation video to freshmans, viewed by over 37,000 newly admitted undergraduates
- c) Interviewed 50 candidates, hired 19 staff for the year
- d) Edited by-laws to increase personnel in the office
- e) Created a discord [server] for ASUCR
- f) Held first Marketing and Promotions meeting in Sept., discussed Fall '22 merch (tote bags and wristlets)
- g) Scheduled and hosted Wed. tabling
- h) Took pictures for staff post (stop motion clip)
- i) Passed Senate Bill 002
- j) Planned and hosted ASUCR Open House with EVP Usmani
- k) Reposted events of ASUCR Offices and student orgs.
- l) Oct: Held 3 Marketing and Promotions meetings, finalized and ordered Fall 2022 merchandise (wristlets and tote bags, will be given out in next week's tabling)
- m) Started designing for R' Year for the next quarter
- n) Created a Google Calendar for all ASUCR events



- o) During Executive Branch meeting, motion was passed to make an ASUCR Tik Tok
- p) Passed Senate Bill 004
- 8. **Transfer Student Director Shelton**
  - a) This Friday hosting an event in collaboration with First Time Student Director from 5-10pm; Meet & Greet with the first time students and transfer students
  - b) Currently still looking for members to fill her committee, applications end Nov. 4, 11:59pm
  - c) Received information on the ASUCR Transfer Students Instagram, working with Programs Coordinator Mayan, planning giveaways and transfer shoutouts
  - d) Working on a piece of legislation to separate the transfer and the nontraditional students Instagram accounts, since that is a separate position now
  - e) Has been meeting with her First-year Fellows weekly via Zoom, they have been sitting with her during the interview processes to look for candidates
  - f) Reached out to the Transfer Students Success Program in attempt to create more presence with UCR transfer students
  - g) Planning on another event; possibly end of this quarter or Winter quarter
- 9. **President Pro Tempore Richardson**
  - a) (EVP Usmani presented on her behalf)
  - b) Committee member positions have been finalized as of Oct. 8, with all 7 positions filled
  - c) CHASS Senator Barman was ratified as Vice Chairperson as of Oct. 10
  - d) 4 Legislative Review Committee meetings since the beginning of the quarter; 6 Senate Bills, 1 Senate Resolution, 2 Constitutional Amendments have been passed
  - e) Decided on Oct. 6, LRC meetings will be held each Monday from 11am-12pm with legislation submission deadlines set at 8am on Mondays
  - f) Current projects: As of Sept. 30, Sen. Barman has been working with the Co-President of Providing Opportunities, Dreams and Education in Riverside (PODER) in order to create a resolution in favor of the initiative called, "Opportunities for All Campaigns" (advocates for undocumented students to have the ability to be employed by the UC), has met twice, rescheduling for further meetings in process as well as collecting more information for the resolution draft
    - (1) Utilizing the help of Undocumented Student Programs, USP Director Ana Coria and UCR Immigrations Attorney Alfonso Maldonado Silva to build a case

- g) Next LRC meeting, she will be announcing her wishes to begin a new administrative process requested by President Assaf earlier in the quarter: Assigning each committee member with a set of by-laws and requesting they make sure each by-law coincides with the Constitution
  - (1) In case of inconsistencies: will require assigned committee member to submit a bill amending the by-law
  - (2) This process will not only allow ASUCR to run more smoothly as it will eliminate any discrepancies, it will also give committee members to become more literate and familiar with the legislation process
  - (3) Would like to have this project completed, after all necessary changes, by the end of the quarter before Week 10

#### 10. **Personnel Director Ahluwalia**

- a) Motion to extend time by 4 min. (Sen. Shah), seconded (Sen. Cheng)
- b) Have been having weekly meeting between their 4 committees
- c) Have all teams finalized (staff and fellows)
- d) This year's goal: Empowering students by sharing resources
  - (1) How to accomplish this goal: collaborating with everyone and every org.
- e) Passed a bill to reduce redundancy and not have another committee with the same/similar duties
- f) ECAB approved Official ASUCR Office of the Personnel Instagram
- g) Weekly team meetings started with brainstorming and ensuring everyone felt heard, then moved onto event planning, etc.
- h) All teams have been finalized thus far, except the Vice Chair roles are still TBD, will be voted upon early November
- i) Implemented a new requirement: All other committees must have some sort of small/large-scale event/bill every month. (mission: create more engagement on committees' part to empower and interact with students)
- j) Personnel Committee Updates: have accountability forms set up to know who is doing what (done on a weekly basis req. by all members)
- k) Created a Masters Committee list for all extended members of ECAB to figure out which Senators are sitting in which committees, who are the Vice Chairs and Chairs to contact
- l) Has everyone in the Personnel Committee sit in other committees to provide extra logistics and event planning support
- m) We Are Highlander Spirit is planning an athletics fair; Meet & Greet with Athletes at the HUB

- n) Motion to extend time by 2 min (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Cheng)
- o) Campus Safety Alliance Committee planning an arts and crafts fair in collab with another student org. to warm up for a bigger upcoming event “Campus Safety Fair”
- p) Women’s Rights and Equity Committee will be hosting an educational discussion event Nov. 4, HUB 367 @2pm in regards to what’s happening Iran

**11. First Time College Student Director Nguyen**

- a) This year she’s renovating the office to serve first, second, third, and fourth year students to encompass all highlanders on campus
- b) Created more committees to allow students to be more academically involved on campus, currently hiring for the committees
- c) Her office attended the ASUCR Open House
- d) Have been holding tabling events near Dundee in the evenings to connect with more on-campus first year students; slowly expanding the tabling efforts to Lothian or Lot 30 to reach commuter students
- e) Created a short Reel for the office and Open House
- f) Restarting a past project, “Point 2 Point Shuttle Program,” driven by students for students, in conjunction with UCPD, looking to extend the time to 12am within 30 min radius of UCR
  - (1) Eliminates the need for students to walk home/get into unsafe scenarios with public transportation
  - (2) UCPD will be buying a 15 seater van with wheelchair accessibility
- g) This Friday hosting “Paint the Night” socializing event for students to intermingle with other students
- h) Will be releasing her Office mission statement to allow student body to get a clear vision of what the office responsibilities and duties entails
- i) Motion to extend time by 3 min (Sen. Shah), seconded (Sen. Yang)

**12. International Student Director Nguyen**

- a) Met with one of the Justices over summer to garner a better understanding of her by-laws and her duties for the upcoming year and mission statement
- b) Elected 5 officers into the International Students Committee
- c) Created over 10 infographics and sat at tablings during Wednesdays where International Students may view the infographics and fill out a survey to help the committee better gage international student concerns
- d) Some of the students on her committee are international students and has brought to her attention that there is a lack of knowledge of resources with international students

- (1) Another big issue for international students is food insecurity when they stay on campus during holidays
- (2) Currently keeping in contact with R' Pantry and trying to do a meal plan for them throughout the holidays
- e) International Student Director and VP of External Affairs are currently creating a resolution to better alleviate the concerns that a lot of the Iranian students have regarding the protest and the struggles they are having in their homeland
- f) ECAB approved the creation of an official Instagram account
- g) Nov. 5, International Students at Resident Life, 1st and 2nd years, hosting an event at MPR from 5-7pm (Info Night and Game Night)
- h) Collaborating with the Office of the President to hold 2 more events for the rest of the quarter; one catered to international students exclusively, second one is a ethnic and culture club event
- (1) Projected to be around Week 8 and Week 9

## **VIII. Committee Reports**

### **A. Finance**

- 1. **Finance Hearing Minutes #3**
  - a) Motion to open up Finance Hearing Minutes #3 (Sen. Cano), seconded (Sen. Shah)
  - b) VP of Finance: allocated funds to student orgs. which unfortunately needed to pull funds from Reserves
  - c) Motion to approve Finance Hearing Minutes #3 (Sen. Greene), seconded (Sen. Huang)
  - d) Motion passes 13-0-0

### **B. LRC**

- 1. **CA-F22-001 Enactment of VP of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion**
  - a) Motion to open up CA-F22-001 (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Choy)
  - b) Sen. Barman: Constitutional amendment to enact a VP of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. The requirements are similar to the current existing VP positions
  - c) Sen. Mido: The legislation calls to implement a new VP position under the Executive Cabinet rolls upon the E&G Liaison. They will need to report on Ethnic and Gender Liaison Programs and meet with the Vice Chancellor, as well as have a Representative in every ASUCR Office. The Diversity Council and E&G Liaison will be moved under this position.
  - d) Sen. Huang: I'd like to learn more about the position in terms of Finance and what led to the decision of making it a VP position instead of testing it out as a Director position first like the Marketing & Promotions Director?
  - e) EVP Usmani: To [her] understanding, the Marketing & Promotions Director will be made into a VP position next year; pay would be equal. For this position specifically, the trial run is under the Ethnic

& Gender Liaison, which is what President Assaf implemented last year as the EVP. That position was extremely successful through current VP of Internal Affairs Nassar. This year is kind of a trial run as well since we added an extra step into the Ethnic & Gender Liaison (E&G Liaison Advisory Committee). Since we have a Liaison, we have a committee, and they have an insane amt. of work with different programs, it did not seem right for one person and one committee to be doing that amt. of work and not be moved up to a VP position. Additionally, when looking at other UCs, many already have an VPDEI and we are one of the UCs that does not, and that is something to take into consideration when discussing where we stand in comparison to other UCs.

- f) Sen. Barman: Since this is a Constitutional Amendment, does the student body have to vote on this as well?
- g) Sen. Nguyen: If we approve this piece of legislation today, it will be placed on the ballot for this upcoming spring. I recommend if we approve this piece of legislation, we approve the stipend for this legislation as well so they can be approved together
- h) Sen. Shah: Does this take away the existing diversity committees in the other Offices since their duties are similar?
- i) EVP Usmani: Internal Affairs needs that committee because it pertains to Internal Affairs and well being of the students. For the Personnel Committee, it's more specific for women. For this position to have structure, they are most likely going to have Representatives and work in collaboration with the VP of Internal Affairs as well as the Personnel Director. When it comes to diversity and inclusion, you can't have enough representation, and [she] doesn't think it makes sense to remove from other Offices just because we are adding one; more so expanding that effort especially since we are the most diverse UC
- j) Sen. Nguyen: Being that we are potentially passing this Constitutional Amendment, will the primary authors be writing something to edit the Constitution as well?
- k) EVP Usmani: That will need a follow up on, but if this is passed, that is something that they can do. Of course they have time, however ASAP, before the spring to make that Amendment. I believe timeline-wise, it'll work out just fine.
- l) Sen. Cano: Since this is a Constitutional Amendment that needs to be voted upon by the student body, will this be filled for the next school year. If so, how would that work?
- m) Sen. Nguyen: If this CA is passed during the general elections, that means it's enacted for the upcoming school year.
- n) Motion to approve CA-F22-001 (Sen. Barman), seconded (Sen. Hari)
- o) Motion passes 13-0-0

2. **CA-F22-002 VPDEI Stipend Proposal**
  - a) Motion to open up CA-F22-002 (Sen. Hari), seconded (Sen. Choy)
  - b) Sen. Barman: In CA-F22-001 we talked about introducing a new VP position, this stipend proposal is a layout of the stipend for this position. If you take a look at the ASUCR EVP staff, you will see that the E&G Liaison has been moved to be under the VPDEI as well as the Chief of Staff position.
  - c) Motion to approve CA-F22-002 (Sen. Shah), seconded (Sen. Hari)
  - d) Motion passes 13-0-0
3. **SB-F22-005 Amending Chapter 12 of the ASUCR Bylaws: Office of the Vice President of External Affairs**
  - a) Motion to open up SB-F22-005 (Sen. Huang), seconded (Sen. Mido)
  - b) Sen. Barman: Amend and update the bylaws of the Office of the VP of External Affairs
  - c) VP External Affairs: State-wide Lobby Director was mentioned in the by-laws but there isn't an action position for it, so decided to make it an official position. Every year SOS is hosted so UCSA Camping Coordinators are very important; decided to make it a paid position. Reasoning: Compared to other UC's, UCR's Camping Coordinators have the lowest retention rate due to the lack of compensation for their work. Couple title name changes.
  - d) Sen. Barman: Clarifying: While VP of Internal Affairs Hearn mentioned wanting these to be paid positions, we are currently just voting on amending the by-laws, not approving the stipends.
  - e) Motion to approve SB-F22-005 (Sen. Hari), seconded (Sen. Cano)
  - f) Motion passes 13-0-0

## **IX. New Business**

**(3 min per person)**

### **A. AB928 and Communication Courses in the IGETC**

1. Former Chief Justice Mohamad Adnan Almouazzen
  - a) Motion to extend time by 10 min. (Sen. Barman), seconded (Sen. Elkatat)
  - b) Background: AB928 is a legislation passed, championed by students for students, a huge win for college students of all backgrounds and increased their transfer success/accessibility. IGETC is a set of pre-reqs for transfer students to transfer into a UC with/without an associates degree. Allows students to transfer into higher education at a junior level.
  - c) The IGETC Chopping Block (the communication courses)
  - d) Issue: 93% of employers understand clear communication skills can be even more important than major, but only 28% of current college grads were deemed sufficiently prepared in communication across all fields. May potentially be losing these courses because there is a lack of interest in communication in higher education students, yet it is a pre-req. for transfers. (demand and supply)

- e) Result: Drafted a resolution that calls on Intersegmental Committee established by AB928 to include oral communication courses in the new IGETC and signify ASUCR's recognition of the importance of communication in education
- f) Contact info: [mmoazin313@gmail.com](mailto:mmoazin313@gmail.com)

**X. Public Comment (3 min per person)**

**A. The Highlander Assistant Opinions Director Ysabel Nackasone**

- 1. Introducing herself to ASUCR and request/inquiry on where to access the Senate Meeting Agenda

a) contact info: [ymaka086@ucr.edu](mailto:ymaka086@ucr.edu)

**B. Chief of Justice Arias**

- 1. Making a correction from Public Forum: Will be extending the ED position application deadline for ~a week to make sure the right candidate is chosen

**XI. Roundtable and Announcements**

**A. Sen. Shah**

- 1. Women's Committee event next Wednesday at 2pm about Iran and sharing resources, trying to get in contact with the Dean of Political Science, would appreciate ASUCR members to make an appearance to show support, flyers for event is coming in the following days

**XII. Adjournment**

- A. Motion to adjourn the meeting (Sen. Nguyen), seconded (Sen. Hari) at 8:22pm