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Agenda
Wednesday, September 25, 2013
6:00 PM

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   a. Discussion: Visit from Previous Chief Justice, Dustin Sachs
   b. Recent Bull Market Recaps

VIII. Announcements

IX. Adjournment
Bryan Buenaventura (BB): I call this meeting to order. The time is 6:01pm. The day is September 25th, 2013. Present is myself Bryan Buenaventura, Daniel Shapiro (DS), Michael Kalmowicz (MK), Sammy Hamed (SH), Corey McCance (CM), clerk Brandon Telchi, from SGATO we have Katherine Burkhard (KB), and from legislative branch we have, say your name Mr. Brown (EB)

EB: Senator Brown

BB: Senator Brown in attendance. Are there any additions or deletions to the agenda?

SH: motion to add parking forum to new business.

BB: okay, are there any objections to adding parking forum to new business? Seeing none, it’s added. Is there any other motions to add anything else to the agenda? Seeing none, is there a motion to approve this agenda?

DS: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, the agenda is approved. Is there a motion to move into additions/deletions to minutes?

DS: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now in additions/deletions to minutes. We have minutes from the days posted from September 4th general meeting, September 11th general meeting, and September 11th court leadership meeting. Brandon sent out those minutes so is there a motion to approve these minutes?

SH: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, the minutes are approved. Are there any motions to move into open forum?

DS: so moved

BB: any objections? Seeing none, is there-we are now in open forum. Does anyone have anything to say? Katherine?

KB: I would like to thank you all for the card that Sammy presented to me last week in senate; that was, I appreciate it very much, thank you.

BB: you are welcome. Thank you for all your hard work. Are there any other things to mention in open forum? Senator Brown?

EB: I’d like to talk about our tent-day coming up on the 29th. On the 29th of October we’re going to have a tent-day centered around a blood drive. We’re in the works of trying to serve hamburgers during that day; trying to get increased donor turnout. So yeah, we’d love to get as many donations as possible. I’ll
also be chair of the ad-hoc committee of the student memorial and that’s trying to locate a new location
possibly, or revamp the current location. I’m also trying to work with student-or veteran services, with
their current memorial plans. So yeah, our meetings are currently on Thursdays from 430 to 530 and I’d
love to get any, any justices’ opinion.

SH: just a question for Brown. You said your tent-day is October 29th, right? There’s another one coming
up October 1st, am I right?

EB: I believe that’s the case.

SH: October 1st, Tuesday, there’s also a tent-day from UCGA going on as well. Okay, first, fifteenth, 29th,
I’ll try to go and help you guys too. The location for October 1st is where again?

SH: it’s between Pollo Tropical and Cooper right? Something like that?

KB: yes, it’s not around the Marshal Center like it typically is-it’s over in that general vicinity.

SH: like over in that field? Cool. Thank you.

SH: oh, congrats as well.

EB: thank you.

BB: is there anything anyone else wants to say in open forum? Seeing none, is there a motion to move
into judicial reports?

DS: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, I’ll start with myself, we’re going to go down the line and
give judicial reports. For myself, I am I am on the ethics and integrity counsel and we will be meeting on
Thursday I believe, let me just double check. And so I’m going to be an active member on that and I’ll
report back with anything that I see necessary at the next meeting. Katherine and I just spoke and we’re
going to have a budget meeting next week at 330 to discuss what our budget is and so that we can see
how we can do budget transfers so that we can have our trip. That’s all I have to report for right now so
I’ll move down the list to Shapiro, do you have anything to report?

DS: yeah, so far this year bull market has been going very smoothly; we’ve had a presence at each one
consistently from like 9-2. Today it was rained out, so we still have some surplus water bottles. Justice
Hamed and I completed our work on the ad-hoc constitutional committee and did a lot of good work
there. That bill is through the senate and will be voted on by the students in the upcoming mid-term
election. And I scheduled a parking forum for next Friday the 4th of October, but more on that later.

BB: thank you for that. Mr. Kalmowicz do you have anything to report?

MK: no report
BB: thank you for that. Mr. Hamed do you have anything to report?

SH: yeah, I have to mimic what Shapiro said about the constitution committee and bull market as well. Also, I’ll be attending the tent-day from UCGA and helping them out and handing out some of our parking stuff and things like that. Telchi got us our statistics on all of our parking appeals from last year, so since one of our smart goals is to increase our parking appeals by 15%, we have all the numbers from last year so thank you Brandon. That’s all I have to report.

BB: alright, thank you Mr. Hamed. Mr. McCance do you have anything to report?

CM: yeah, first I’d like to do a quick shout-out to Sammy, to Mr. Hamed; I attended senate with him last night and I just wanted to say good job on keeping good reports with our legislative partners and keeping them up to date. That being said, chaired my first committee meeting today which was very exciting and it looks like we have some really good, solid information moving forward with our travel committee as far as where we’re going, what we’re doing when we’re there and how we’re going to do it; so all of that looks well. And that’s all I have for now.

BB: alright, perfect. Is there a motion to move out of judicial reports and into SGATO report?

SH: so moved

BB: any objections? Seeing none, we are now in SGATO report, Katherine do you have anything to report?

KB: I think you guys mostly covered everything so there’s no additional information; so no SGATO report for today.

BB: alright, is there a motion to move out of SGATO report and into new business?

DS: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now in new business, and the first order under new business is to discuss how the chief justice from 2002-2003, Dustin Sachs, reached out to me, so in order to discuss this in a more efficient manner I’m just going to ask for a motion to move into unmoderated caucus.

CM: so moved

BB: to discuss what we can plan for when he comes.

CM: so moved again.

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now moving into unmoderated caucus at 6:08pm.

BB: we are now back, the time is 6:17, everyone is present that was here at the beginning of the meeting. Very briefly, we discussed on what to expect or what we want to get out of the-or from chief-
or former chief justice Dustin Sachs when he comes in late October; and what we decided was I will contact him and ask him if he’s open to the idea of speaking to current student government officers and that could be anyone from any of the three branches. If he’s comfortable with that then we can move forward with that, if not then we would just continue with how we originally planned with having him at our general meeting and parking appeals. What we hope to get out of it is just to learn more the judicial branch history and pretty much just learn from him how parking appeals were established through him and his administration during that time. So if no one has anything else to add to that then we can continue on with the rest of new business with bull market recaps.

SH: sure. Well, today, this week for bull market it was rained out so it was cancelled but last week we didn’t have a general meeting so I’ll cover last week’s bull market. I thought it went pretty successful, we had someone from every branch out there; also Saif was out there from ERC handing out pizzas and stuff and just telling senators how to run and talking about SG so it was cool to see everyone from each branch talking about their own stuff, and seeing some interest from students; so the bull markets are going well and I’m glad we’re going to keep doing them, and we still have a case of water left over for the next bull market next Wednesday. And then after that I’ll go get that blanket p/o and we’ll get whatever we need to get again.


DS: alright, I had to move it off this Friday because apparently the whole first floor of the Marshal Center is completely booked up for some kind of event so our parking forum will be October the 4th, which is Friday from 12-2. I believe that most of us have said that they can attend; it’ll be just two hours where we are specifically focusing on like what not to do when parking, not necessarily what we always do at bull market; this is more preventing people from getting “stupid” tickets. But yeah, I know Sammy is going to get some-hook up some prizes for us.

SH: yeah, so for that I talked to wellness about borrowing their prize wheel, that little thing that spins around, so hopefully that will draw the students. And in terms of prizes I was thinking we would just do True/False questions, kind of like we do at bull market, and also I was going to go talk to marketing about-what I want to do for prizes, instead of having a bunch of different stuff, is having the little SG cups, put our brochure in it, a pen in it, and whatever else we can fit in it. And just have a bunch of that and hand it out to the kids that get it right... and probably the kids that get it wrong too because that would be rude if we didn’t. So yeah, that’s what I was thinking for the parking forum.

BB: and so we just need to create a list of parking myths and list those as questions. Okay, sounds good. Is everyone able to make it for that time? You said it’s going to be for a Friday?

DS: yeah, Friday October 4th from 12-2.

BB: okay. And I think, did you already send out a calendar invite?

DS: yeah, I did.
BB: okay so we’ll go from there. Did anyone else have anything to add to parking forum? Seeing none, is there a motion to close new business and move into announcements?

DS: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now in announcements. Does anyone have anything to announce?

SH: I just have a quick thing, sorry. I know we talked about-me and Shapiro talked about the constitution committee already, but just to cover broadly what has changed relevant to our section of the constitution: the court is now made up of seven justices instead of nine, and if you want to explain the other thing about the referendums.

DS: yeah, now the court has the ability to review and issue an advisory opinion on any referendum that comes through student government, so what’s going to happen is it’s going to come to the ERC and then he’ll forward it to us, we’ll look over it, and we’re going to have to amend ROPs to make some kind of method to do this and we’ll basically issue a decision, a ruling, and an opinion, so basically outlining what was wrong, and what was unlawful about the amendment.

BB: now this has to be voted on by the student body in the midterm elections before we can start doing the full changes?

DS: yeah

SH: absolutely

BB: okay

SH: so after midterm elections, if it votes through and it’s alright, we’ll probably start re-writing our ROPs and changing statutes-

DS: statutes need to be changed

SH: yeah, whatever we need to do to make it like a clear and clean process so that way when elections come around in February we’ll be ready for it and we’ll know what to do.

BB: okay. I had another announcement-walking in is Jean Cocco, my announcement was: there is active campaigning going on so just be alert that a grievance can be filed at any time so just be on alert for that. Other than that, that’s all I had to announce. Are there any other announcements? Seeing none, is there a motion to close announcements and move into adjournment?

SH: so moved

BB: are there any objections? Seeing none, we are now adjourned at 6:23pm.