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Meeting called to order by Chairman Scott Sandoval at 4:45PM.

Sandoval- This is the committee on University Affairs. It’s July 12th. So, we’ll begin with roll call. Starting from the top. If I say your name and I mispronounce it please correct me. Ms. Jordan?

Jordan- Present.

Sandoval- Mr. Uhlir?

Uhlir- Present.

Sandoval- Ms. Bearden?

Bearden- Present.

Sandoval-Ms. Toro?

Toro- Present.

Sandoval- Mr. Aziz?

Aziz- Present.

Sandoval- Mr. Worobey?

Worobey- Present.

Sandoval-Okay, today our guests include Ms. Brown, Mr. Warmke, Ms. Coone. Two O’s?

Coone- Yes, E.

Sandoval- Moving on. You all received the agenda. What I’m going to do is I’ve already written it and I’m going to submit it to you with the one we wrote. So, it will be a lot smoother. So, are there any motions at this time?

Motion to strike memorandum by Senator Toro.
Sandoval- So, approval of the minutes. Are there any motions?

Motion to approve the minutes by Senator Uhlir.

Sandoval- Are there any objections? The minutes have been approved. Are there any announcements today? No one. Okay, moving on. This is going to be a really quick meetings. Since we don’t have the memorandum. Hopefully it should be a smooth sailing. The first item of business is tent day. I apologize if anyone was there between 2:30 and 3 o clock. I think it was just Kelly and Dana. We had to tear down because it had started raining. We were going to set back up but it was already getting dark. We’re going to take a break from tent day for about a month to make sure we have the awards for everyone else. Mr. Aziz and I have kind of been stretched thin. All of you can look forward to that. I think our actual zone was by the chemistry building. We actually had 43 responses on ours so maybe a fourth of what’s usual. Mr. Aziz is this from yesterday? So, this is lower than usual. We’re going to try and put up a doodle to set it up as opposed to a Monday. So, don’t fret it will be okay. Tent day will be back in a month. Okay, so is there any questions? Nothing? Okay. So, moving on. New survey about the Marshall Center. SO, here is sorry bear with me for a second. So, that being said the two people who created this. Ms. Bearden, correct?

Bearden- Yes.

Sandoval- And Ms. Jordan. I hope she comes. We made this a month ago. So, here it is.’ I tried to print this out for you all but for some reason Poll Daddy’s printer isn’t working. Is there any questions or changes to it?

Bearden- Did you change the eated to eaten?

Sandoval- So, what this is such. Alright, which describes your opinion of the Marshall Center? How satisfied are you with the food selection. We go towards food because this is a little taste of what is going to come from this committee. We’re going to make a survey about the dining services and there are four comments about the food at the Marshall Center. The survey in fall will include Juniper Poplar, the dorms, the Subways and there’s some other places in the business places. It’s going to include questions like what kind of changes would you like added, in hopes of in the future adding another venue to what we already have. Come August or September, we will have a survey regarding it. So, now the Doodle time.

Bearden- Tomorrow is me.

Sandoval- So, who would like to do Wednesday or Thursday?

Toro- I’ll do Wednesday.

Sandoval- Does anyone want to do it for Thursday?

Uhlir- Thursday.
Sandoval- And anyone for Monday or Tuesday, or is that too far in advance. I can do it. I’ll do it for Monday. Okay. And then Tuesday, I’ll probably send out another email which will be the final week for the survey. Is there any questions, concerns, suggestions or thoughts? Okay, it’s the rain I guess. So, new Vice Chair. The final thing on the new business. Okay, Mr. Warmke would you like to say a word?

Warmke- I encourage everyone to give it a shot. It was a complete learning experience. It’s great working with Scott. I’ll help you transition.

Sandoval- As you know we lost Mr. Warmke as our vice chair. Yes, I was actually going to prepare something, but it completely slipped my mind. I guess I’ll say a few brief words to show what Mr. Warmke has done. I once asked Mr. Warmke something and it was I don’t want you doing too much and his response was you take on too much and you’re going to wear yourself down. I think if Lee Farrell said this to me I don’t know. So, whoever takes on the position is going to have big shoes to fill. I really want to empower you by at least running the committee before summer is over. And each of you have changed it little by little and so what does this all mean. It means the vice chairman makes sure that the changes happen so I implore all of you to do it. So, you have a moment to think on it before I start taking nominations. Okay, you’ve though about it enough. So, I’m taking nominations now for the vice chairmen of this committee.

Toro- Point of information. You can nominate yourself.

Nguyen- I would like to nominate myself.

Aziz- I would like to nominate Ms. Kelly Wright.

Sandoval- Any other nominations? So, nominations are between Mr. Nguyen and Ms. Wright. I’m going to give you 30 seconds for a speech about why you think you should be my vice chairmen.

Nguyen- I’m new to Senate and I’d like to gain this experience to work my way up the ladders. I have a lot of free time and that’s it. Go bulls.

Wright- I’m new to senate as well and I think that this is a great way to get involved and learn about our university. I’ve had fun getting feedback from the student body.

Sandoval- Are there any questions for either of the candidates?

Toro- This is for both. What has been your experience with tent days so far?

Nguyen- I think I’ve only been to two of the tent days we’ve had. And it’s interesting to see the results from tent day because before senate I didn’t realize we were doing this.

Wright- I’ve been to all of the tent days. And the students know that they’re coming to my table. I talk to some freshman and I’ve told them come to the fourth floor and get more information.

Sandoval- If you could excuse me for one second, I have to ask Ms. Brown a quick question. Okay are there any motions on the floor?
Aziz- I have a question. What are your availabilities to help Scott. Sometimes in the afternoon you need to come after 5pm to work.

Nguyen- I’m not taking summer classes so all I do is work 20 hours a week.

Wright- I’m not sure about my availabilities for the fall but I won’t be availability of Tuesday or Thursday.

Bearden- Could you tell us your availability for the fall.

Toro- What we usually follow for ROP’s, any question has to be applicable to all of the candidates.

Sandoval- Are there any questions?

Motion to discuss by Senator Toro.

Sandoval- We have a motion n on the floor do we have any objections? Could you guys please step out? Is there anyone in pro for talking for Mr. Nguyen? Is there anyone talking in pro for Ms. Wright. Starting with Mr. Worobey.

Worobey- It seems like he has better availability for now and she only has Tuesday. It seems like he can help out more.

Sandoval- My question is if they can vote. Should we bring them back in for the vote?

Toro- There would be

Aziz- With Kelly, she has general curiosity. She goes a little extra. Even on the surveys when the iPad is not here, she’ll call and seek to do the surveys. She seems really interested in being in the committee. I think she’s being in a position to grow and be a good vice chair.

Sandoval- Are there any motions?

Motion to vote by Senator Toro.

Sandoval- By straw poll. All for Mr. Nguyen? Three. All in pro of Ms. Wright being vice chair of university affairs. Two. Mr. Nguyen wins. Mr. Nguyen is the new vice chairman. Okay. Is that good. Right. Yes. Could you go get them? Thank you, Ms. Toro. Congratulations, Mr. Nguyen. You are the new vice chairman. Okay, that being said, are there any announcements?

Announcements

Toro- I just came here from budgetary Adhoc. The focus is education for senators. An idea is have a monthly workshop which is a meet and greet for student orgs and we would also talk about budget things. So, someone in the room was oh we’re talking about that in university affairs. So, it could be something very informal. No it was in senator retention.
Sandoval- It was originally called the town hall for organizations. I like that we can bring that up in the future. So, Mr. Aziz has been working with Mr. Gill to create a new comments suggestion sheet. When you scan it with your phone you can suggest your comments as opposed to through the website. The number is 813-246-BULL. You can text it and if you call it, it takes you to a voicemail box and you can leave suggestions vocally. UWC’s will be chosen by Friday. They don’t meet till fall.

Aziz- We have a meet your mayor event with Bob Buckhorn September 12th. It will be a one on one with the mayor like jobs so that’s something that you can get involved with. Since we’re the student leadership to set an example.

Sandoval- Are there any last announcements?

Uhlir- If you have any questions about the bill tonight in senate let me know.

Sandoval- Ms. Coone will be joining our committee. Final announcements is I would like to say goodbye to Mr. Warmke. I was going to keep my vice chairman down from talking about you. I’d like to build the same bond over the next month or two.

Bearden- It’s not goodbye it’s see you later.

Sandoval- It’s see you later, Mr. Warmke.

*Motion to adjourn by Senator Aziz.*

Sandoval- Are there any objections? Seeing none.

**Adjournment called by Chairman Sandoval at 5:12PM.**

*Transcribed by Senate Secretary, Theresa Rivera.*