

**Graduate Assembly
Delegate Meeting**
October 3, 2013
5:30-9:15pm, Anna Head Alumnae Hall

- I. Approval of the Agenda and September 2013 Minutes**
 - a. Minutes are posted at <https://ga.berkeley.edu/sites/default/files/delegates/2013-09-12/Sept%202013%20Delegate%20Meeting%20Minutes.pdf>
 - b. Motion passes**

- II. Feedback Forms**
 - a. <http://bit.ly/OctGA>

- III. Resolution Referral**
 - a. There were no resolutions that needed to be referred

- IV. Committee Assignments Approval**
 - a. Motion to approve committee assignments by AAVP passes**

- V. Announcements**
 - a. Mario Savio Lecture Series-Christopher Fan
 - i. It will be a panel instead of a lecture series
 - ii. The theme is environmental justice this year
 - iii. Tuesday, November 12th in Wheeler
 1. Admission is free, but tickets are required
 - iv. Contact Chris for more information
 - b. LEAD Center
 - i. Leadership Symposium is October 20th
 1. It is a day long, 3 part workshop for leadership development
 - ii. The LEAD Center is looking for presenters and graduate students to help coordinate the workshops
 - c. GSC Event Reminder
 - i. Welcome Back Party was really successful
 - ii. There is a bar night after the meeting
 - iii. Oktoberfest will be on October 24th
 - d. Guest Announcements
 - i. Mitar Milutinovic, EECS delegate
 1. Open Access Week is the last week of October
 - a. Open Access Initiative is organizing events

- VI. Delegates Listserv Update**
 - a. Non GA emails will be sent out in a weekly digest

VII. Graduate Council Elections

- a. Jane Flegal, ESPM delegate, was the only nominee
- b. Delegates took a vote of confidence
 - i. 55 yes
 - ii. 0 no
 - iii. 1 abstention
 - iv. Vote of confidence passes
- c. Delegates voted to approve Jane
 - i. 56 yes
 - ii. 0 no
 - iii. 0 abstention
 - iv. Delegates approve Jane unanimously

VIII. Funding Opportunities: Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Student Services and Fees (CACSSF)

- a. Slides are posted at <https://ga.berkeley.edu/delegates/meeting/2013-10-03>
- b. Fall proposals are due October 14th

IX. Advocacy Agenda Presentation and Vote

- a. Slides are posted at <https://ga.berkeley.edu/delegates/meeting/2013-10-03>
- b. **There was a motion to add Open Access to the list of advocacy agenda possibilities**
 - i. 35 yes
 - ii. 18 no
 - iii. 8 abstentions
 - iv. **Motion passes; Open Access is added as a possible Advocacy Agenda Item**
- c. The delegates voted on each proposal to decide whether it should be an agenda item
 - i. Bike Wellness
 - 1. 38 yes
 - 2. 23 no
 - ii. Safety
 - 1. 41 yes
 - 2. 20 no
 - iii. International Services
 - 1. 26 yes
 - 2. 35 no
 - iv. Graduate Student Space
 - 1. 25 yes
 - 2. 37 no
 - v. Professional Development
 - 1. 35 yes
 - 2. 24 no
 - vi. Open Access

1. 20 yes
 2. 38 no
- vii. Safety, Bike wellness, and Professional Development received the highest votes, so they become the Advocacy Agenda items

X. Round 1 Funding

- a. Funding spreadsheets and comments are available at <https://ga.berkeley.edu/delegates/meeting/2013-10-03>
- b. Publications
 - i. Delegates pulled line items 4 and 5
 - ii. **Motion passes to approve funding committee's recommendations for all other requests**
 - iii. **Motion passes to approve item 4 at \$858**
 - iv. **Motion passes to approve item 5 at \$0**
- c. Grants
 - i. Delegates pulled line items 6, 6.5, 16, 19, and 30
 - ii. **Motion passes to approve funding committee's recommendations for all other requests**
 - iii. **Motion passes to approve item 6 at \$0**
 - iv. **Motion passes to approve item 6.5 at \$930**
 - v. **Motion passes to approve item 16 at \$0**
 - vi. **Motion passes to approve item 19 at \$497**
 - vii. **Motion passes to approve item 30 at \$850**
- d. GMER
 - i. Delegates pulled line items 23,101,100,72,4,33,11,68,108
 - ii. **Motion passes to approve funding committee's recommendations for all other requests**
 - iii. **Motion passes to approve item 23 at \$476**
 - iv. **Motion passes to approve item 101 at \$500, and the group will change the dates of their event so they are within round**
 - v. **Motion passes to approve item 100 at \$483**
 - vi. **Motion passes to approve item 72 at \$440**
 - vii. **Motion passes to approve item 4 at \$480**
 - viii. **Motion passes to approve item 33 at \$341**
 - ix. **Motion passes to approve item 11 at \$500, and the group will change the dates of their events so they are within round**
 - x. **Motion passes to approve item 68 at \$500, and the group will change the dates of their events so they are within round**
 - xi. **Motion passes to approve item 108 at \$415**
- e. Contingency
 - i. **Motion passes to approve all of funding committee's recommendations for all requests**

XI. Officer Reports

a. President

- i. Slides are available at <https://ga.berkeley.edu/delegates/meeting/2013-10-03>
- ii. Health and Wellness Referendum Straw Poll
 1. 17 voted to proceed with Fee referendum
 2. 25 voted to delay the project and pursue fundraising opportunities to offset some amount of future student fees
 3. 2 voted to table it
 4. 6 abstained

b. CAVP

- i. There are only 5 campus committees that still needs delegates
- ii. Delegates should join the GA LinkedIn group, facebook group, and follow the GA Twitter

c. Treasurer

- i. Slides are available at <https://ga.berkeley.edu/delegates/meeting/2013-10-03>
- ii. **Motion passes to approve giving \$25,000 to student group funding from carryforward**
 1. **44 yes**
 2. **1 no**
 3. **6 abstain**
- iii. Contract Funds
 1. **Delegates move to go into closed session**
 - a. **Motion passes**
 2. **Motion passes to hold \$8,000 for a GA contract from carryforward**
 - a. **50 yes**
 - b. **1 no**
 - c. **0 abstain**
- iv. **Motion passes to approve giving \$7822 to GSC Stipend from carryforward**
 1. **46 yes**
 2. **0 no**
 3. **4 abstain**
- v. Banking Consolidation
 1. The University is working to consolidate banking services as a way to save money and generate revenue
 - a. Banks might be interested in marketing checking and savings accounts, loans, and ATM locations
 2. Delegates discussed their opinions about the issue
 - a. There are concerns about marketing to students
 - b. There could be accounts for student groups

- c. There are concerns about marketing loans to students, especially private loans
- d. The bank should have strong ethical requisites
- e. Revenue generated should fund student services in higher education
- f. There is a general concern about entering into a contract with a bank
- g. There is a privacy concern about shared information
 - i. Bank will only be allowed access to know whether or not a student is active
- h. University of Minnesota's relationship to Twin Cities Bank is currently under investigation, so it should be avoided here
 - i. ASU and Ohio State have had successful relationships with banks
- i. It would be a violation of student trust
- j. Because of the large student body, the University has leveraging power to get certain demands from the bank
- k. Concerns about banks taking advantage of undergrads
- l. Concerns about ATM exclusivity meaning students paying bank fees

XII. Resolution Discussion and Vote

- a. Resolutions are available at <https://ga.berkeley.edu/delegates/meeting/2013-10-03>
- b. 1309A: Resolution for AAVP Name Change
 - i. Changes title to Internal Vice President
 - ii. There is an amendment for a grammatical change on lines 9 and 10
 - 1. Author makes a friendly amendment
 - iii. **Resolution passes unanimously as amended**
 - 1. **46 yes**
 - 2. **0 no**
 - 3. **0 abstain**
- c. 1309C: Standing Policy & Directed Action in Support of UC Student-Workers Union's Information Requests
 - i. There is an amendment to lines 27 and 28
 - 1. Instead of urging UCOP to comply with the Student-Workers Union's requests, it urges UCOP to work in good faith with the Student-Workers Union to determine which information requests are necessary for negotiation
 - a. There is an amendment to the amendment to change the wording
 - b. Motion to approve the amendment to the amendment passes by voice vote**
 - 2. **Motion passes by voice vote to approve the amendment as amended**

- ii. **There is a motion to strike lines 19 through 22**
 - 1. This removes the list of some of the information requests
 - 2. **Motion passes by voice vote**
- iii. **Resolution passes by 2/3 vote**
 - 1. **42 yes**
 - 2. **4 no**
 - 3. **1 abstain**
- d. 1309D: UC Berkeley Graduate Assembly Requests of University of California President Appointee Janet Napolitano
 - i. If the GA does not take a stance on an issue, the stance of the ASUC speaks for all Berkeley students
 - 1. The ASUC stance is to take a vote of no confidence if Napolitano does not meet certain requests in the first three weeks in office
 - ii. There is a friendly amendment to strike the word "Appointee" from the title
 - iii. **There is a motion to approve all External Affairs committee recommendations**
 - 1. Strike lines 33 and 34
 - a. Removes lines about Napolitano's experience in higher education
 - 2. Add a clause that asks Napolitano to publicly address UC students regarding her positions on undocumented students
 - 3. Change wording of one clause
 - 4. **Motion passes by voice vote of the delegates**
 - iv. **There is a motion to strike lines 45 and 46**
 - 1. This removes line saying that all clauses are from the UCSA resolution
 - 2. **Motion passes by voice vote of the delegates**
 - v. **There is a motion to take a straw poll to decide how the delegates feel about a vote of no confidence**
 - 1. **7 in favor**
 - 2. **22 not in favor**
 - 3. **18 abstain**
 - vi. **There is a motion to take a straw poll about whether to take an automatic vote of no confidence if Napolitano doesn't meet the resolved clauses**
 - 1. **22 in favor**
 - 2. **14 not in favor**
 - vii. **Resolution passes as amended (with no vote of no confidence clause)**
 - 1. **40 yes**
 - 2. **8 no**
 - 3. **0 abstain**
- e. 1310A: Resolution for Standing Policy in Favor of Reaching Agreement on the Academic Student Workers' Contract Renewal

- i. Zachary Manfredi, from the union bargaining team, gave an update on union negotiations
- ii. Author of the resolution offers friendly amendments which are adopted.
- iii. Resolution passes as amended**
 - 1. 37 yes**
 - 2. 6 no**
 - 3. 4 abstain**

XIII. Adjournment and Social at Pappy's!