University Center Governance Board

Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2022

**Voting Members Attending:** Lesley Mendoza-Serrano, Lindsay Belichesky, Mariam Ghassemi, Samantha Sugita, Rachel Green, Leslie Brodbeck, Vonnie Wei

**Voting Members Not Attending:** Madison Collins, Kaustav Banerjee, Abigail Cervantes

**Ex-Officio Members Attending:** Louis Reynaud, Carol Dreste, Jill Horst

**Ex-Officio Members Not Attending:** Pedro Craveiro, Felicity Stone-Richards, Yuval Cohen

**Advisors Attending:** Marilyn Dukes, Anne Berry, Ronaldo Noche (for Afiya Brown)

**Advisors Not Attending:** Danielle Quinones-Ortega, Marisela Marquez, Bee Schaefer, Kasen Barraclough

**Additional Attendees:** Maya Olsen, Michael Yang,Lisa Milstead, Jill Singletary

1. Meeting Called to order by Lesley Mendoza-Serrano at 1:02. No quorum at this moment and we needed to get started due to a full agenda.
2. ASAP, Michael Yang, Student Safety Project. WELCOME! He is an L&S Senator who is part of the AS Alarms Project Group. He shared his screen to talk us through his presentation. There has been a lot of disheartening events in IV; shooting on 2/18, 2/28 reports of kidnapping and sexual assault, 3/11 attempted robbery. The group looked into safety measures at other institutions and came up with small, handheld personal safety alarms. Brown gave 5000 to incoming students via Orientation. Ohio State passed out 4500. Can UCSB adopt similar measures? They researched best on the market and how it can be customized. POM GPS device lets friends track it and send out emergency notices. It is a good safety net provided to students. Now they are at the point of execution of the project. The budget is 30K. These are some funding sources: SASA gave $10K, COSWEB gave $1.5K, AS gave $17.5K. The group is at this meeting to discuss distribution.

Can these be passed out at Access? The group envisions handing out the device and instructions with the Access card. Jill asked how Access would know if people have already received one? This would add a lot of extra work at Access and how would we mitigate that? The alpha numeric perm project will be beginning soon and that too has added work to the Access Desk. It was suggested handing out at the res halls.

Louis asked if there has been any research into those crimes on campus? IV specifically is an area of concern because students travel there for food, social reasons, etc.

<AT THIS POINT WE HAVE A QUORUM, MESSAGED LESLEY>

FSSP may be a good pilot program. IV is the reason. Freshman as primary target. 1st time at the University and the desire is to make them feel safe. More vulnerable since they haven’t been here that long. GPS safety tag, proving you need it more than others might not go down well. Should have it for everyone. Distribution will be 1st come, 1st served. Survey to determine if device is worth it. Lesley thought handing out at the Access desk was a good idea. Transfer students are most vulnerable because the live in IV. Jill and Michael will meet. Vote to distribute at Access. 1st motion was Vonnie, 2nd was Lindsey. Approved 7-0-0.

1. Maya, UCen Meeting and Events Coordinator in UCen Admin, presented a proposal for a Game Center in the Hub. The idea came about with students asking for free options in the UCen and after discussing it, a game room came up. There was a google form survey conducted for 2 weeks. There were 139 responses and 93% said yes. The survey offered questions such as how often would you use it, gave a list of options including pool table, massage chairs, air hockey were most popular with write in suggestions being video game consoles and old school video games. There would also be outdoor games like cornhole. It would be in the current Hub storage room near the women’s restroom. In the mid-90s it was an arcade. It would be staffed by students. To use equipment, students would check out equipment using their student ID. A lot of benefits such as increased traffic and social interactions. There is termite damage but no asbestos. We cannot vote on it because we lost the quorum. It is about $48K and use of space. We will vote next time.
2. 3rd floor update: Just received an invoice for unforeseen asbestos abatement quote and scope. It is $38K to finish. Spent $500K on renovation with new bathrooms and abatement but we need an additional $38K ($37,981.92) to finish the abatement. We need it done so can we approve? We will vote next meeting. Louis will send photos of the 3rd floor areas that need abatement. There are several. Paul will explain the abatement in detail next meeting.
3. Committee updates: A-F have not met. They need to meet and the charter needs to be updated.
4. Louis thanks Lesley for serving during trying times!
5. Leslie adjourns the meeting at 1:52pm