

Attendees: Tendai, James, Chris, Teresa, Ann, James, Erica, Sep, David, Susan, Kurt, Blanca (Briefly Student Sonia Espiritu)
Date: December 9th, 2022 2pm
Adjourned 3:30pmish

We did not have quorum throughout the entire meeting so these notes are from our conversations, no motions or decision carry.

1. Preliminaries: (10 minutes)

Assignment of roles- Tendai (time), Sep (Notes) Chris (Stacks)
Approval of agenda- All voted Yes (but no quorum)
Approval of minutes- 2 abstain (no quorum)

2. Divesting SFSU from prison labor

Chris L., Ron H. teach classes in PoliSci where students have a chance to learn about organizing. One of Chris's student, Sonia, has formed/spearheaded a new student group seek to divest university from buying products made by prison labor, "Coalition for Equity and Justice.

Based on a presentation from Sonia, Apparently the students have done research and desks and beds on campus are made by a company (Unicor) that has/does use prison labor.

Sonia asked that we welcome the group in our classes so she can share the information with other students and engage them in the cause. The group had previously reached out to President Mahoney.

We asked Sonia to please share research and share email from Mahoney.
Susan wants the political action committee to support the student group with resolution.
ACTION: Sonia and Susan will connect.

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3. Long-term response to enrollment issues Sep: (10 minutes)

Sep pointed out that many groups are discussing issues related to the enrollment issues/right-sizing SFSU. Asked that the E-Board take a proactive approach to learning what other groups are offering as solutions so we know how we should respond with a big picture plan--not just a response to each event or admin action.

General comments that the broad issue is the systematic underfunding of education.

ACTION: Chris L, James (Senate/UBC), Sep will meet as a subcommittee in Jan to discuss further. James will monitor Senate/UBC docs. Will follow-up with an entire E Board meeting devoted to this topic sometime in the spring semester and a general meeting thereafter.

4. Planning for our social on December 16 (5 minutes)

Ann suggested that there should be some information presentation about ELF and Department system at the social.

Designate person to “monitor or deal with” inappropriate behavior by intoxicated people. We are striving to make this safe space.

ACTIONS: We will make sure we have a **sign in sheet** for reimbursement

Need to send out an email reminding everyone that they are welcome but should do a COVID test. Test are available on campus

We will say and have a flyer with a statement saying:

Happy to see you... two tickets for ..., we will tip 20% but you are welcome to tip more, and we are striving for safe space...

5. UC Strike: Blanca (10 minutes)

Blanca shared details about the ongoing UC strike. Academic Staff and Post-Doc have a tentative agreement—not yet ratified.

Little movement for grad students. Have moved to mediation.

ACTION: Blanca will share a newsletter from Santa Cruz with details.

6. Supporting the Chinese Progressive Association – Kim Geron (5 minutes)

We did not support this moving forward -by consensus

7. James’ meeting with the staff union (CSUEU) representatives where they discussed joint actions to protect ourselves from administrative cuts and oversight – James (5 minutes)

Representatives from multiple campus unions had an initial meeting. There was lots of common ground. Decided there will be regular meeting with the group and including academic senate president, Michael Goldman.

Next meeting : Dec .16th at noon. **ACTION:** James will send link.

8. Cancellation of low-enrolled upper division courses in LCA – (15 minutes)

There is an impression that this action is a part of a longer-term vision. University has a habit of closing low enrollment classes prematurely.

ACTION: James will write a letter to can ask to Sophie to put off closing classes at this point. Points to include in the letter is that a) premature, b) some same classes are filling up on-line but not in person, may be a modality issue....

9. Miscellaneous – James (5 minutes)

Discussed year-end bonus and raise for Althea. We will vote on the raise over email but in the meantime

ACTION: Sep and James to ask to give Althea a 300\$ Christmas Bonus.