

Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021; 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Meeting Minutes

Zoom Meeting | Meeting Minutes Approved on January 11th, 2022

Name	Association	Voting Privilege <sup>1</sup>	Attendance <sup>2</sup>
Jared Smith	Graduate, Chair	X	P
Salvador Jr. Olguin	Undergraduate	X	P
Yulissa Navarro	Undergraduate	X	P
Orlando Cabalo	Undergraduate	X	P
Arshneel Kaur	Undergraduate, ASUCR VP of Internal Affairs	X	A
Milly Analco	Undergraduate		P
Victor Garcia	Undergraduate		A
Michael Seley	Graduate	X	P
Rong Hai	Faculty	X	P
Michalis Faloutsos	Faculty	X	AL
Sally Tavizon	Staff	X	P
Sabrina Schuster	Staff	X	P
William Wang	Ex-Officio, ASUCR President		A
Nichi Yes	Ex-Officio, GSA President		A
Kim McDade	Ex-Officio, VCSA		P
Militza Seehaver	Staff Support, VCSA		A
Daisy Rivera	Student Secretary, VCSA		P

<sup>1</sup> “X” indicates voting privilege

<sup>2</sup> P: Present | A: Absent | AL: Arrived Late | LE: Left Early

Call to Order: **3:05 PM**

1. Approve the Agenda
  - *Motion to Approve the Agenda by Sabrina Schuster, Seconded by Sally Tavizon.*
    - ***Agenda Approved without Objections***
2. Approve Meeting Minutes – October 26, 2021
  - *Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes of October 26, 2021 Sabrina Schuster, Seconded by Vice Chair Michael Seley.*
    - ***Meeting Minutes of October 26, 2021 Approved without Objections.***
3. Bylaw Review and Update Discussion
  - *Chair Jared Smith* informed the Committee that the voting portion on the Bylaw Review would be postponed until all the committee revisions have been made. *Chair Jared Smith* created subcommittees to evenly distribute and review specific sections of the bylaws and requested that the subcommittees begin presenting their recommendations.
  - Members of group A did not make any recommendations for revision of the bylaws. *Sally Tavizon* expressed that Article I, II, and III of the bylaws remain consistent and relevant.
  - *Chair Jared Smith* drew attention to Article III Sec. A, noting that historically the Committee has voted in more committee members than were required as per the bylaws. *Chair Jared Smith* recommended to rephrase the composition section of Article III for further clarification of the SSFAC composition requirements.
  - *Vice Chair Michael Seley* asked if the number of SSFAC members must be specific and if setting a minimum and maximum number of members would be more beneficial in facilitating the process of selecting new members. *Sabrina Schuster* concurred with *Vice Chair Michael Seley's* idea, noting that former SSFAC members have had to step away in the middle of the year and having more alternates would afford flexibility for committee business to remain on track. *Chair Jared Smith* clarified that, as of now, the number of SSFAC alternates is stipulated in the bylaws.
  - *Vice Chair Michael Seley* proposed the idea of nine committee members as a minimum and eighteen committee members as a maximum, including ex-officio members, with a maximum of fifteen voting members. *Michalis Faloutsos* inquired about the correlation between the number of SSFAC members and the overall efficiency of the committee. *Chair Jared Smith* explained to the Committee that SSFAC supporting staff do not count towards quorum.
  - *Chair Jared Smith* reminded the Committee that voting on changes would not take place until the spring quarter, therefore private comments or recommendations could be made via the zoom chat box or email.
  - *Chair Jared Smith* pointed out that “selecting body” in Sec. A and Sec. B of Article III could be clarified, as it was unclear upon first read as to who classified as the respective selecting body. The Committee as a collective whole agreed that

the selecting bodies refers to the governing bodies of, but not limited to, GSA, ASUCR, and ASUCR Internal Affairs.

- *Yulissa Navarro* recommended to add clarification to Article IV, Sec. A, and state that SSFAC membership is a one-year term and may be renewed if the requirements as a member of the committee throughout the year are met.
- *Chair Jared Smith* noted that the bylaws do not prepare the committee for the absence of a chair position. *Vice Chair Michael Seley* suggested that the chairperson position should roll over or delegate the powers over to another member in the absence of a vice chair as well. *Chair Jared Smith* suggested that the Committee revisit the discussion regarding Article IV and preparing for the absence of a Chairperson or Vice Chairperson.
- *Yulissa Navarro* suggested that Sec. A and Sec. B of Article IV reconcile the phrase of “any student member” and clarify if the nominees must or must not be voting members. *Sabrina Schuster* agreed that consistency would eliminate any ambiguity and provide clarity as to avoid misinterpretation.

#### 4. Open Comments

- *N/A*

#### 5. Chair Comments

- *Chair Jared Smith* reminded the Committee about the student survey, which will be utilized to gauge the knowledge of the general student population on the purpose of SSFAC and to gain insight on which programs students believe should be funded.
- *Sally Tavizon* suggested that a question on providing services that are not currently being provided to students should be included in the student survey. *Chair Jared Smith* responded that the pre-existing questions on the student survey ask about services that students would like to see funded.
- *Michalis Faloutsos* suggested that an open response portion to the student survey questions could be beneficial but due to the potential influx of written responses, instead, listing the major areas of concern would be the middle ground.

#### 6. Adjourn: **4:31 PM**

- *Motion to Adjourn by Vice Chair Michael Seley, Seconded by Sabrina Schuster.*
  - *Adjournment Approved without Objections.*