



# Student Services Fee Advisory Committee

Wednesday, October 28, 2020; 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Meeting Minutes

Zoom Meeting | Approved on Wednesday, January 27, 2021

Name	Association	Voting Privilege <sup>1</sup>	Attendance <sup>2</sup>
Julian Brambila	Undergraduate, Chair	X	P
Angelica Garcia	Undergraduate, ASUCR VP of Internal Affairs	X	P
Ivan Fernandez	Undergraduate	X	A
Lennin Kuri	Undergraduate	X	P
Yulissa Navarro	Undergraduate	X	A
Hannah Kim	Undergraduate	X	P
Salvador Jr. Olguin	Undergraduate		P
Aaron Walter	Undergraduate		P
Judit Palencia Gutierrez	GSA	X	A
Arielle Manganiello	GSA	X	P
Mark Wiley	GSA	X	P
Jared Smith	GSA		P
Sabrina Schuster	Staff	X	P
Sally Tavizon	Staff	X	P
Rong Hai	Faculty	X	A
Michalis Faloutsos	Faculty	X	P
Luis Huerta	Ex-Officio, ASUCR President		A
Nichi Yes	Ex-Officio, GSA President		P
Cathy Eckman	Ex-Officio, VCSA		A
Debra Meneely	Ex-Officio, VCSA		P
Militza Seehaver	Staff Support, VCSA		P
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: **3:01 PM**

1. Approve the Agenda
  - *Motion to Approve the Agenda by Mark Wiley, Seconded by Angelica Garcia*
    - ***Agenda Approved without Objections***
2. Approve Meeting Minutes – October 14, 2020
  - *Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes of October 14, 2020 by Mark Wiley, Seconded by Arielle Manganiello.*
    - ***Meeting Minutes of October 14, 2020 approved without Objections***
3. Approve Meeting Minutes – October 21, 2020
  - *Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2020 by Mark Wiley, Seconded by Angelica Garcia.*
    - ***Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2020 approved without Objections***
4. Vice Chair Interviews and Voting
  - *Chair Julian Brambila* gave a brief overview of the Vice Chair Election process. The three nominees for SSFAC Vice Chair are Graduate Voting Member *Arielle Manganiello*, Undergraduate Voting Member *Lennin Kuri*, and ASUCR Vice President of Internal Affairs *Angelica Garcia*.
  - *Militza Seehaver* explained the Zoom meeting logistics and how the breakout rooms would serve as waiting spaces for the candidates in between interview turns. *Militza Seehaver* placed the three candidates in breakout rooms within the Zoom meeting so the Committee could prepare for the candidate interviews.
  - From general consensus, the committee determined a maximum of twelve minutes per interview. The committee interviewed each candidate with the following questions previously drafted and established by the committee as a whole:
    1. What prior experience with managing budgets, student outreach, or otherwise do you have to bring to this role?
    2. What are your plans with regards to a potential improvement in the organization and communication within SSFAC?
    3. What are your strategic goals for SSFAC this year and how do you plan to represent UC Riverside at CSF meetings?
    4. With the budget shortfall the campus is currently facing what suggestions do you have to address this challenge?
    5. How would you deal with internal conflicts within the Committee? Provide an example of how you have handled past conflicts in a previous position.
    6. What challenges do you think undergraduate and graduate students are currently facing that relate to the Student Services Fee?
    7. How do you plan to disseminate the information and efforts of SSFAC across campus through a virtual format?
    8. How do you view the role of the Vice Chair as it relates to the Chair position and what do you expect to gain from this role?

- The candidates were interviewed individually. Each of the candidates were placed in a separate breakout room via zoom during the other's interview. Once the interviews were conducted, the candidates were invited back into the main meeting via zoom.
- Before voting took place, *Militza Seehaver* informed the committee of the two absentee votes that had been received from the committee members who were not able to attend the meeting in light of transparency with the committee as a whole.
- *Angelica Garcia* inquired on whether the running candidates would be put in breakout rooms during the voting process. *Militza Seehaver* reminded the committee that voting members and the candidates themselves are allowed to participate in the voting process, meaning that the interviewed candidates would not need to be placed in separate rooms during voting.
- *Jared Smith* inquired on whether there would be a deliberation period where applicants are placed in breakout rooms to discuss before voting. *Chair Julian Brambila* informed the committee that due to time constraints, a deliberation would not be held.
- The Committee then submitted their votes through an anonymous poll via zoom. Upon receiving all the votes, *Militza Seehaver* shared the results of the poll and included the absentee votes.

○ **Voting Results**

- Arielle Manganiello: **3 Votes**
- Lennin Kuri: **3 Votes**
- Angelica Garcia: **5 Votes**
- Abstentions: **0 Votes**

○ *Angelica Garcia was elected as SSFAC Vice Chair for the Academic School Year of 2020 – 2021 by majority vote.*

The votes were validated by *Chair Julian Brambila, Student Secretary Daisy Rivera, and Staff Support Militza Seehaver.*

- *Chair Julian Brambila* thanked *Lennin Kuri* and *Arielle Manganiello* for their responses and participation in the Vice Chair Election.
- *Sally Tavizon* and *Michalis Faloutsos* congratulated *Vice Chair Angelica Garcia*.

5. Chair Comments

- N/A

6. Walk- on Items

- *Militza Seehaver* informed the committee that item “public comment” would be replaced with “Walk- on Items”. Additionally, *Militza Seehaver* reminded the committee the next SSFAC meeting to take place on December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

7. Adjourn: **3:59 PM**

- *Motion to Adjourn by Sally Tavizon, Seconded Sabrina Schuster. Adjournment Approved without Objections.*