

Monday, February 24th, 2025; 11:00 PM to 1:00 PM
Hinderaker 0154 | Meeting Minutes
Approved on March 10th, 2025

Name	Association	Voting Privilege ¹	Attendance ²
Chukwufunanya Ikechukwu	Undergraduate, Chair	X	P
Nadia Aierken	Undergraduate, ASUCR VP of Internal Affairs	X	P
Phoebe Lee	Undergraduate, Vice Chair	X	P
Grace Su	Undergraduate	X	P/LE
Andrew Wong	Undergraduate		P
Rishika Salvi	Undergraduate		P
Paula Cucurella	Graduate	X	P
Tatenda Nicole Mukuruva	Graduate	X	P
Chandana Anand Rangappa	Graduate		P
Coleen Macnamara	Faculty	X	P
Scott Currie	Faculty	X	P
Sally Tavizon	Staff	X	P
Sarah Dillon	Staff	X	P
Abby Choy	Ex-Officio, ASUCR President		A
Jordan Steinhauser	Ex-Officio, GSA President		P
Luisa Levario	Ex-Officio, VCSA		A
Luis Alvarez	Staff Support, VCSA		A
Alice Chavez	Staff Support, VCSA		P
Sarai Sierra	Staff Support, VCSA		A
Angela Chien	Student Secretary, VCSA		P
Emily Lee	Student Secretary, VCSA		P

¹ “X” indicates voting privilege

² P: Present | A: Absent | AL: Arrived Late | LE: Left Early

Call to Order: **11:04 PM**

1. Approve the Agenda
 - *Motion to Approve the Agenda by Rishika Salvi, Seconded by Andrew Wong.*
 - ***Agenda Approved Without Objections***
2. Approve Meeting Minutes – February 3rd, 2025
 - *Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes of February 3rd, 2025, by Grace Su, Seconded by Andrew Wong.*
 - ***Meeting Minutes of February 3rd, 2025, Approved Without Objections***
3. Student Health Services
 - *Executive Director Jackie Rodriguez* gave an overview of the services that Student Health Services provides, such as primary care, women's health, pharmacy, laboratory, travel clinic, and sensitive exams. *Jackie Rodriguez* also presented SHS's foreseeable projects, which include expanding after-hour care, enhancing technology for patient-provider interfacing, and establishment of same day triage/urgent services.
 - No questions were asked by the Committee.
4. The Well
 - *Director Connie Marmolejo and Business Operations Manager for Health and Psychological Services Nicole Sparks* gave a presentation to the Committee regarding The Well's programs and operations. The Well aims to provide quality health education and resources to foster student wellbeing and success and overall promote a healthy campus environment. The Well takes on a student-centered approach, focusing on content expertise and evidence-based practices.
 - *Jordan Steinhauser* asked the location of SHS satellite sites. *Connie Marmolejo* answered that they are located in student lounges.
 - *Jordan Steinhauser* noticed that the alcohol education module is required under California law and inquired how it requires funding. *Nicole Sparks* explained that the alcohol education module requires funds to operate it and is mandated for incoming students of UCR. *Veronica Ruiz* noted that the state may mandate requirements, but it does not always provide the funds for requirements.
 - *Jordan Steinhauser* asked what type of training do student leads at The Well experience. *Connie Marmolejo* stated that student leads take the NASPA Certified Peer Health Care Training, as well as professional training from The Well staff with clinical backgrounds.
 - *Sarah Dillon* asked how many student workers are covered under the \$54k requested for student salaries. *Connie Marmolejo* stated that the \$54k will cover 17 student staff working the entire academic year. *Connie Marmolejo*

explained that many student staff are currently volunteering as well, as 10 work hours is not sufficient for the needs of the department.

- *Sarah Dillon* asked for clarification on the number of unique visits in 2024. *Connie Marmolejo* stated that The Well is blessed with students who have shown interest in its variety of programs.
- *Sarah Dillon* asked about the distribution of undergraduate and graduate students that utilize The Well for its services. *Connie Marmolejo* noted that the department does not have a breakdown of the data so far, but there is more engagement from undergraduate students. There is also engagement from international students.
- *Rishika Salvi* asked if Golden Arches has programming and where the funding comes from? *Connie Marmolejo* noted that Golden Arches was the first peer group to receive permanent funding.

5. Career Services Center

- *Director Sean Gil* presented to the Committee regarding Career Services Center's history, programs, and visions for student success. Sean Gil also outlined 2025-2026 opportunities: (1) integrate career learning into the classroom, (2) develop local paid internships, (3) expand student employment on campus, (4) create 24/7 career tools for students, faculty, and advisors, and (5) facilities and space enhancement.
- *Chair Funanya Ikechukwu* asked if the position of student employment coordinator under the work study program will be available for undergraduate or graduate students, or full-time hires? *Sean Gil* noted that the Career Services Center is looking to hire graduate students for the position.
- *Tatenda Nicole Mukuruva* asked if there has been data collected on the success rate of the internship. *Sean Gil* stated that it is difficult to collect data as communication between mentors and mentees vary. Participants of the internship program may communicate with their mentors, but the parameters of success are hard to define.
- *Tatenda Nicole Mukuruva* observed that there is over 300,000 internships and job applications received for the Apple summer internship program, and inquired how many were hired after the program concluded. *Sean Gil* stated that many students arrived at the program not necessarily to be hired but to gain skill sets.
- *Chair Funanya Ikechukwu* inquired about the renewal frequency for Quinnia, an AI virtual program that offers mock interviews and personalized feedback for the job-finding process. *Sean Gil* stated that each of the UCR colleges are conducting pilot tests, and the overarching goal would be for the colleges to support Quinnia once it is tailored. Quinnia can also be integrated into the school data system.

6. Financial Aid

- *Director Jose Aguilar* presented to the Committee regarding Financial Aid's operations and services. Financial Aid serves undergraduate and graduate students and manages programs that host external scholarships, federal, and

state opportunities and programs. *Jose Aguilar* elaborated on the FAFSA simplification process that took effect for the 2024-2025 cycle, in which there was an overhaul of the federal financial aid formula. However, Financial Aid was able to release aid to students in a timely manner and only a handful of students experienced trouble, as well as institute a new process for financial aid application. *Jose Aguilar* also noted that a challenge has been aiding students who are undocumented.

- *Chair Funanya Ikechukwu* asked if the department's student workers are funded by work study. *Jose Aguilar* explained that the Department of Education funds 65% of the salary of a student worker on work study, while the local department itself contributes 35% of the student worker's salary. *Jose Aguilar* noted that with the new executive administration, the advocacy for financial aid programs may become limited. However, Financial Aid is not expecting any losses in the foreseeable future.

7. University Advancement

- *CFAO Kim McDade* and *Assistant Director David Edgerton* gave a brief overview of University Advancement and illustrated the several components and services of the department. University Advancement comprises several programs, such as brand creative, digital marketing, enrollment marketing, and news and contact departments.
- No questions were asked by the Committee.

8. Open Comments

- N/A

9. Chair Comments

- *Chair Funanya Ikechukwu* announced that SSFAC will be conducting its annual student survey, and the Committee can expect to review the questions by the end of this quarter.

10. Adjourn: **12:40 PM**

- *Motion to Adjourn by Andrew Wong, Seconded by Nadia Aierken.*
 - *Adjournment Approved without Objections.*