AUA Undergraduate Student Council 2015-2016 Meeting March 23rd, 2016

Members present:

Eduard Avetisyan

Aram Serobyan

Vahe Tatosyan (late)

Anzhela Gasparyan (late)

Arpi Janyan

Stepan Hovhannisyan (late)

Stepan Simonyan (late)

Gabriel Hovhannisyan

Lia Yeghoyants (late)

Narek Jilavyan

Shahane Arushanyan

Members absent:

Iren Stepanyan (unexcused)

Advisors present:

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Meeting Agenda

- 1) Quorum call
- 2) Designing and approving the agenda
- 3) Approval of last meeting minutes
- 4) Singing contest discussion
- 5) Student request regarding holidays
- 6) Inviting Masters students to USC trips
- 7) ACDO promotion email
- 8) Lottery discussion
- 9) Student-proposed concert discussion
- 10) Learning and grading panel discussion
- 11) Determining the date and time of the next meeting
- 12) Determining who will be running the next meeting
- 13) Meeting adjournment

Meeting Minutes March 23rd, 2016

6:04p.m. - 6:43p.m.

1) Quorum call

A quorum was present at 6:04p.m.

2) Designing and approving the agenda

The agenda was designed and approved.

3) Approval of last meeting minutes

Last meeting minutes have been approved

4) Singing contest discussion

President forwarded an email about a singing contest that would be held among Armenian universities, and AUA could participate in it. Shahane will contact the corresponding bodies and clubs in order to select participants who would attend the contest.

5) Student request regarding holidays

One of the students asked to raise the question regarding holidays – he/she claimed that it was inconvenient that university doesn't follow the holidays and working day rescheduling announced by the Armenian government. Taking into consideration that there are also many American holidays that AUA follows, and that the academic year along with holidays is being planned well in advance, the Council decided not to voice this issue.

6) Inviting Masters students to USC trips

Shahane reported that one of Master's students approached her and asked whether the USC can allocate some spots for Master's students in trips. The Council discussed and came to a conclusion that since there are too many Undergraduate participants and sometimes the space is not enough even for them, no spots will be allocated for Master's students. However, when organizing trips, the USC would notify GSC about those and let GSC decide whether they want to order buses from their side and join the trips.

7) ACDO promotion email

Eduard reminded about the meeting with ACDO and that the ACDO director asked to encourage the students to participate in workshop, register at the newly opened platform. It was decided that an email would be sent out to students regarding this.

8) Lottery discussion

A lottery participation proposal was sent to the Council, where it was offered to sell lottery tickets to students. The Council decided not to participate in this.

9) Student-proposed concert discussion

One of the students emailed USC about a concert proposal and asked for assistance. The Council approved the idea and Lia would be helping the organizer with this.

10) Learning and grading panel discussion

Gabriel presented the idea of a panel discussion proposed during the previous year. The idea got approved and a committee was formed to work on this: Gabriel, Angela, Vahe, Stepan Simonyan, Stepan Hovhannisyan, Lia, Arpi. Gabriel will chair the committee.

11) Determining the date and time of the next meeting

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 30 if the Council has things to discuss. Otherwise, the meeting will take place in the succeeding week, on Wednesday, April 6, 6:00pm. Decision will be made online.

12) Determining who will be running the next meeting

Aram will be running the next meeting.

13) Meeting adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43p.m.

Meeting minutes taken by Eduard Avetisyan