

## Minutes of the May 7, 2018 Meeting of the UCLA Communications Board

**Board members present:** Doria Deen, Eliza Blackorby, Steve Greim, Alene Tchekmedyian, Mona Mosavi, Mrinaalika Sivakumar, Abdolreza Javadi (via Skype), Elaheh Alizadehbirjandi, Tim Groeling, Jesse Coronado, Jesse Avellaneda, Brandon Broukhim

**Board members arriving late:** Parinaz Abiri

**Board members absent:** Terelle Jerricks, Henry Jackson, Rolondo Talbott

**Guests present:** Jacob Preal (Daily Bruin Asst. News Editor), Mackenzie Possee (Daily Bruin Editor in Chief), Tulika Varma (FEM Editor in Chief), Rebecca Vorick (FEM EIC Candidate), Pablo Muñoz (Bruin Life Yearbook Editor in Chief candidate), Grayson Peters (Ha'Am Editor in Chief Candidate), Nadiyah Priasti (Al-Talib Editor in Chief Candidate), Justin Nemanpour (via Skype) (Ha'Am Editor in Chief Candidate)

### Agenda

- I. Call to order (Blackorby)**  
Blackorby called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.
- II. Approval of the agenda (Blackorby)**  
Mosavi moved to approve the agenda. Tchekmedyian seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.
- III. Approval of April minutes (Blackorby)**  
Avellaneda moved to approve the April minutes. Greim seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.
- IV. Executive Committee report (Blackorby)**  
Blackorby said the committee would be meeting soon to finalize the criteria for the media director's review and would be sending it out to the board. She also reminded the committee to keep in mind they would need to choose an interim chair for next year at the next meeting.
- V. Operations Committee report (Alizadehbirjandi)**  
Alizadehbirjandi reported that the committee met on Thursday, May 3, and that everything was going smoothly. Most magazines had at least one applicant for editor in chief for the following year. There was another meeting with the UCLA Fire Marshall and they said that the UCLA Radio station was up to fire code and they were still working on the accessibility issue. Deen said some from UCLA Facilities was providing

a free quote to ASUCLA S&E for installing push pads on both doors (from the landing at the top of the stairs outside of the union and from the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor elevators inside the union).

**VI. Finance Committee report (Sivakumar)**

Sivakumar said the finance committee met on Tuesday, April 24. They committee approved the 2018-19 budget and would be discussing the details during item XIII.

**VII. Media Director's report (Deen)**

Deen said the April financial statements weren't published, so she gave the preliminary numbers (which were not likely to change) to the board. She also gave an update on DB Alumni efforts in Tanner Walter's absence.

**VIII. Public Comment (Blackorby)**

Possee said she attended the UCLA Alumni event in San Francisco, and it was a success. She said they were able to connect with a lot of alum who were excited to get involved. She also said that Jacob Preal (2018-19 Editor in Chief) hired all the top editors, and assistant editor hiring would be done soon. She also mentioned that Radio would benefit from a keypad door instead of the current lock they have not, so they can get access after hours. Varma mentioned that FEM was going well and they would be publishing in a few weeks.

**New Business/Discussion Items**

Tchekmedyian moved to enter executive session at 6:22 p.m. Coronado seconded the motion. The motion passed by a hand vote of 12-0 with no abstentions.

Groeling moved to exit executive session at 9:08 p.m. Tchekmedyian seconded the motion. The motion passed by a hand vote of 12-0 with no abstentions.

**IX. Bruin Life Editor in Chief Selection (Deen)**

A. Pablo Munoz, candidate

Groeling moved to appoint Pablo Munoz as the 2018-19 Bruin Life Editor in Chief. Avellaneda seconded the motion. The motion passed by a hand vote of 12-0 with no abstentions.

**X. Al-Talib Editor in Chief Selection (Deen)**

A. Nadiyah Priasti, candidate

Sivakumar moved to appoint Nadiyah Priasti as the 2018-19 Al-Talib Editor in Chief. Mosavi seconded the motion. The motion passed by a hand vote of 12-0 with no abstentions.

**XI. FEM Editor in Chief Selection (Deen)**

A. Rebecca Vorick, candidate

Tchekmedyian moved to appoint Rebecca Vorick as the 2018-19 FEM Editor in Chief. Broukhim seconded the motion. The motion passed by a hand vote of 12-0 with no abstentions.

**XII. Ha'Am Editor in Chief Selection (Deen)**

A. Grayson Alexander, candidate

B. Justin Nemanpour, candidate

Greim moved to appoint Justin Nemanpour as the 2018-19 Ha'Am Editor in Chief. Coronado seconded the motion. The motion passed by a hand vote of 8-3 with one abstention.

**XIII. 2018-19 Communications Board Budget and Five-Year Forecast (Deen)**

Tchekmedyian moved to approve the 2018-19 Communications Budget and Five-Year Forecast. Broukhim seconded the motion. The motion passed by a hand vote of 12-0 with no abstentions.

**XIV. Adjourn (Blackorby)**

Avellaneda moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. Tchekmedyian seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous consent.