

2011 ELECTIONS INFORMATION

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Highlander Newspaper Funding Reformation (HNFR) Resolution

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WHEREAS the Highlander Newspaper is the primary source of information of inter-campus and intra-university affairs for most students; and,

WHEREAS the current funds for the Highlander Newspaper prohibit the acquisition of a sufficient number of staff members; and,

WHEREAS the Highlander Newspaper acts as a learning ground for students interested in journalism, business, and law; therefore,

LET IT BE RESOLVED that the student body of the University of California, Riverside and the Editorial Board of the Highlander Newspaper recognize the need to increase student funding to the Highlander Newspaper with the aim of better serving the undergraduate populace.

Introduction:

The Highlander Newspaper Funding Reformation (HNFR) is an effort set forth by the Editorial Board of the Highlander Newspaper aimed at significantly elevating the services provided by the Highlander Newspaper.

The plan proposes that the current Highlander fee be slightly raised for undergraduates with the intent of funding **permanent** costs for, but not limited to: new editor, writer and graphic designer stipends, printing costs, the renting of facilities, and/or other permanent costs.

This will allow funds acquired through advertisements to fund **temporary** costs, including but not limited to: Updating software, computers, transportation, and/or other temporary costs.

In turn, the Highlander Editorial Board will undergo a significant restructuring in order to (1) be more financially efficient and (2) better serve the campus by meeting the demands of contemporary readers which includes, but is not limited to: an increased presence on the internet, mobile technology, and/or other goals.

Funding:

An increase of the Highlander Fee will be established by a referendum vote of the student body. In addition to covering already existing permanent funds, the referendum will provide specific funds for the following expansion initiatives: (1) The creation of two major web management positions to better service our web presence, (2) the creation of a

video department within the Highlander, requiring the employment of a video editor, (3) and the creation of an emergency fund for unexpected expenses.

The current undergraduate fee to fund the Highlander Newspaper is currently \$2.00 per quarter. The proposed increase of \$1.25 will increase that fee to \$3.25 per quarter.

In accordance with campus policy, 25% of the fund increase, or 32 cents, would be returned to financial aid. The remaining 93 cents would fund the Highlander Newspaper starting in fall 2011. In addition to being applied to fall, spring, and winter quarters, fee will also be applied during summer sessions.

Oversight:

The Highlander aims to enforce transparency clauses on behalf of the student body in an effort to counter corruption and/or ineptitudes. In the spirit of full disclosure, information on the Highlander budget will be readily available to the general student populace upon written request to the standing Editor-in-Chief.

Referendum Passage: In compliance with UC and UCR policies, this referendum must meet the following criteria during election to be approved the student body:

1. At least 20% of the student body must vote on the issue.
2. A majority of the votes cast must vote in favor of the issue.

Student Voice Initiative (SVI) Resolution University of California, Riverside Spring 2011 Authored By: Albert Yum

Be it set forth that the Associated Students of the University of California at Riverside (ASUCR), and the University of California Student Association (UCSA) have reached agreement over the creation and implementation of the Student Voice Initiative (SVI).

Introduction:

SVI is a collective effort by ASUCR and UCSA to increase funds (by way of student referenda) in the V.P. of External Affairs Office UCSA budget, as well as increase dues towards UCSA.

If approved, the referenda will ensure more funds to the ASUCR External Affairs Office in order to better promote higher education advocacy through student

empowerment. This includes taking more students to statewide conferences in conjunction with the University of California Student Association (UCSA). These conferences include: UCSA Congress, UCSA Student of Color Conference, and the UCSA Student Lobby Conference

The referendum will also provide funds to increase membership fees to the UC Student Association (UCSA). UCSA is the system wide, student-run and student-lead coalition whose mission is to empower students to advocate on their own behalf for the accessibility, affordability and quality of the University of California system for current and future UC students through direct action organizing, advocacy, and education. UCSA helps UC students across the state face challenges related to rising fees, financial aid, student services, and attacks on educational quality. UC Students are stronger with a collective voice and UCSA allows UC students to pool resources, information, research, and build student power system-wide to win victories that individual campuses cannot win alone. UCSA has a democratic process where all campuses are represented and provides a critical space for students to organize.

Funding:

The Student Voice Initiative will be funded through student fees as established by a referendum vote of the student body. The proposed undergraduate fee to fund these initiatives would be \$1.33 per quarter, collected in the Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer Quarters. In accordance with campus policy, 25% of the fee would be returned to financial aid. The remaining \$1.00 per quarter would be allocated as follows:

- \$0.50 of the fee per quarter would be allocated to the ASUCR External Affairs UCSA budget to provide funding for students attending various conferences statewide - they include: UCSA Congress, UCSA Student of Color Conference, and the UCSA Student Lobby Conference

campaigns for the year, as well as engage in UCSA's Vote Project for upcoming elections. Students participate in skill-building workshops focused on advocacy and organizing, higher education issue workshops, and strategy sessions in preparation for choosing the campaigns; The UC Student Lobby Conference, where students participate in lobbying, organizing and higher education issue workshops, as well as strategy sessions designed to empower them to effectively lobby their elected representatives on UC Student Lobby Day; The UCSA Students of Color Conference is a safe space to come together to learn about the issues that collectively affect them and to discuss and strategize ways to collectively organize for access

- \$0.50 of the fee each quarter would be allocated to increase dues to UCSA (of which ASUCR is currently a member of) to provide continued support of UCSA in order to help students carry out campaigns and issues that UC students choose as priorities. This would be in addition to the current dues of \$0.75, bringing the new dues to \$1.25 per student per quarter. Through UCSA, students are provided research, education, training, strategy, and advocacy on issues that affect them and are enabled to take action in many different forms together. UCSA provides policy, administrative and grassroots organizing support to students regarding legislative, budget and Regental issues. UCSA monitors the activities of decision makers, insures that students are able to meet with decision makers, and that students are able to change the power dynamic when confronting decision makers. UCSA develops campaign strategy and planning, preps materials and insures that the media and decision makers are aware of how student feel about issues and what students are doing about them. Members of UCSA work to insure that all students on all campuses are invested and involved in changing the way in which students are treated.

A portion of the revenue generated by this fee would be used toward campus assessments by UCOP for system-wide administrative functions. No more than 2% of the revenue will be used for this purpose.

Oversight Committee:

To ensure that student interests are served, the ASUCR Finance Committee will oversee the distribution of the funds.

The ASUCR Finance Committee shall adhere to all policies and procedures of ASUCR, UCR and UCOP in the delegation of these fees.

Referendum Passage: In compliance with UC and UCR policies, this referendum must meet these criteria during elections to be approved by the student body: 1. At least 20% of the student body must vote on the issue 2. A majority of the votes cast must vote in favor of the issue

Referendum language for the ballot:

Student Voice Initiative (SVI) Referenda

Do you support a \$1.33 per quarter fee (collected in the Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer Quarters) to support the Student Voice Initiative to be coordinated through the ASUCR External Affairs office, in conjunction with UCSA, that will empower students to advocate on their own behalf for the accessibility, affordability and quality of the University of California system for current and

future UC students through direct action organizing, advocacy, and education? The Fee, which would apply to undergraduates only, would begin Fall Quarter of 2011.

- In accordance with campus policy, 25% of the Fee will be returned to financial aid to help offset the cost of this fee for students who are eligible for financial aid. - After the return to aid, the remaining \$1.00 per quarter would be used for the initiative as follows: \$0.50 to UCSA membership, and \$0.50 to ASUCR Vice President of External Affairs UCSA budget for events such as UCSA Lobby Conference, UCSA Congress, UCSA Students of Color Conference and other UCSA events and programs.

Yes, I hereby support the Student Voice Initiative (SVI) at a \$1.33 per quarter fee to be allocated for student advocacy efforts

No, I hereby do not support the Student Voice Initiative (SVI) at a \$1.33 per quarter fee to be allocated for student advocacy efforts

Theatre Referendum did not pass... it was run again in 2012 and passed. The only referendum we have is the one from 2012 (same language with years updated).

2011 ASUCR Election Timeline

Date	Time	Event
Monday, April 18		Gym Bags
Tuesday, April 19		Chick-fil-A
Wednesday, April 20		Movie Ticket Raffle
Thursday, April 21		Mug Giveaway
Friday, April 22		Pen Giveaway

2011 Referenda Results

Referenda	Yes	No
Highlander Newspaper Funding Reformation Referendum	1046	1887
Pass:	NO	
The University of California Student Association Student Voice Initiative	1588	1547
Pass:	Yes	
Resolution for Subsidized Student Admission Plan Referenda – Dept. of Theater	1133	1811
Pass:	No	

2011 Voter Turnout Chart

	Total Voter Turnout	Total Students	% of Students Voting	20% Met?
TOTAL	5412	17,009	32%	YES

2011 ASUCR Senate Election Results

NAME	# of Votes
CHASS	
Emily Kim	2080
Esther Hwang	2072
Nicholas Park	2045
David Falstein	2044
Justin Trujillo	2006
Albert Yum	1988
Bryant Song	1974
Mollie Le Quan	1974
Tim Yoo	1973

NAME	# of Votes
Steven Brown	1952
Vincent Nguyen Lieu	1951
Stephen Lee	1950
Derek Roberts (Deryck Ryan)	857
CHASS Alternates	
Sharon Yen	849
Jonathan Chavez	827
Yadira Navarro	819
Adriana Cruz	815
Urooj Husain	789
CNAS	
Kareem Shahin	968
Rachel Chieng	898
Omar Shahin	878
Andrew Park	867
Ammer Haffar	472
CNAS Alternates	
Ahlam Jadallah	411
Nour Dabbas	393
BCOE	
Andrew Whall	139
Daisy Jimenez	74
BCOE Alternates	
Joshua Callihan	62

2011 Graduate Student Association Referenda Results

Referendum	Yes	No
Conference Travel Grant Referendum	178	43
Pass:	NO (20% turnout not met)	

2011 Voter Turnout Chart

	Total Voter Turnout	Total Students	% of Students Voting	20% Met?
TOTAL	225	2423	9%	No

2011 Graduate Student Association Election Results

TITLE	NAME	No of Votes
GSA President	Rachel Cassel	177
GSA Executive Vice President	Adam Jackson-Boothby	173
GSA Vice President of Academic Affairs	Teresa Lloro-Bidart	177
GSA Finance Office	Laura A. B. Terrill	171
GSA Graduate Student Health Insurance Chair	James Wong	155