

**UNIVERSITY STUDENT UNION
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE
INTERNAL REVIEW AD HOC COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

Friday, May 8, 2026 | 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Zoom Meeting ID: 837 0233 6666 Password: 971569

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- I. Call to Order
 - a. 9:07 a.m.
- II. Land Acknowledgement
- III. Roll Call
 - a. Rudy Granillo – present
 - b. Farimah Chalabi – present
 - c. Jesse Corona – present
 - d. Karim Kouatly – present
 - e. Kevin Mojaradi – absent
 - f. Dr. Tari Hunter, Executive Secretary
 - g. Staff – Audrey Martinez, Janessa Reyes
- IV. Approval of Agenda, May 8, 2026
 - a. M/S/P (K. Kouatly / F. Chalabi) Motion to approve the Agenda, May 8, 2026.
 - b. There was no discussion.
 - c. **Motion passed 3-0-0.**
- V. Approval of Minutes, April 24, 2026*
 - a. M/S/P (K. Kouatly / J. Corona) Motion to approve the Minutes, April 24, 2026.
 - b. There was no discussion.
 - c. **Motion passed 3-0-0.**
- VI. Open Forum
- VII. Action Items
 - a. Committee Codes*
 - i. R. Granillo and Dr. Hunter discussed that the Committee Codes need further review due to many inconsistencies. The codes were extensively reviewed by the Internal Review Committee and the Executive Secretaries of each committee, but require additional review by Dr. Hunter, Audrey Martinez, and Janessa Reyes. Members are welcome to join an in-depth review session during the summer.
 - b. For these reasons, there was no motion to approve the Committee Codes. The motion was killed.
- VIII. Discussion Items

a. USU Scholarship Policy for Student Representatives

- i. F. Chalabi provided an update on her research on CSU San Bernardino. She spoke to Executive Assistant Elizabeth Junker and acquired much information on their student leadership scholarship policy, which was shared in the outreach document.
- ii. K. Kouatly provided an update on his research on CSU Los Angeles. The scholarships have not been updated for many years, but it was proposed as part of the budget approval process. Further details on the scholarship are in the outreach document.
- iii. J. Corona provided an update on his research on San Jose State University, regarding SJSU Board of Directors scholarship stipends for its members. J. Corona pointed out that San Jose has a higher cost of living than Northridge but scholarship amounts are lower than the USU's. Further details on the scholarship are in the outreach document.
- iv. J. Corona inquired how the scholarship increase would be calculated, considering the other CSU campuses seem to pay a similar or lower scholarship amount. How would we justify the reasoning to increase the amounts? Dr. Hunter brought up the cost of inflation has skyrocketed since she was the USU Chair, so it's worth examining this issue. R. Granillo resurfaced using 30%, which was taken from previous increases, to standardize the increase across all scholarship levels.

1. 30% increase of current USU scholarship amounts:

- a. \$200 - \$260
 - b. \$300 - \$390
 - c. \$450 - \$585
 - d. \$600 - \$780
 - e. \$75 - \$97.50
- v. The committee discussed the differentiation between Committee Chair and Co-Chair responsibilities related to the gap in scholarship amounts. K. Kouatly suggested providing an anonymous survey to the BOD to assess experience in their duties, which he will draft by Tuesday. Surveys will include questions about Chair/Co-Chair responsibilities, type of support dynamic between the roles, what has worked for dynamic between the roles so far.
 - vi. How to determine justification of increase: Evaluation of BOD responsibilities to determine the baseline amounts, then assess the cost-of-living factor to refine the amounts.

IX. Announcements

- a. Next meeting – 5/29 at 11:00 a.m. virtual

X. Adjournment

- a. 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Dr. Tari Hunter