

## **Executive Cabinet Reports November 2020**

**\*\* For specific questions, please contact the Elected Representative via email\*\***

Hello Highlanders:

Below you will find the information pertaining to the works of the various Executive Offices within ASUCR for the month of **November 2020**.

**This report was finalized on Monday, November 30th 2020 @ 5:00 PM.**

All Executive Cabinet Members were contacted to submit their reports with adequate time. Any report column that states “**Failed to Report**” means that the Executive Cabinet Member failed to report by the appropriate deadline or did not submit a report.

If you have any questions, please contact [asucrcommittees@ucr.edu](mailto:asucrcommittees@ucr.edu)

Best Regards,

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**Office of the President**

Name	Report
Luis Huerta President asucrpresident@ucr.edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Chaired 9 executive cabinet meetings</li> <li>- Attended the UCR Alumni Association New Board Meeting (7/25/2020)</li> <li>- Met with all members of the executive branch to establish goals and objectives</li> <li>- Met with the campus leadership (administration) along with the ECAB (8/5/2020)</li> <li>- Met with UCR Healthy Campus to partner and create a video that promoted face covering (8/5/2020)</li> <li>- Met with the Lebanese Student Association President to discuss the Beirut explosion</li> <li>- Resulted in support through social media and sharing relevant documents to campus</li> <li>- Met frequently with the Instructional Continuity group to discuss instructional policy for the academic year</li> <li>- Met with members of the Black Student Union, BSEWG, and the Let's Take Action coalition to discuss the pending BLM donation (8/27/2020)</li> <li>- Resulted in the planning of a town hall to collect student input on the BLM donation</li> <li>- Met with the Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) in response to the BAC's recommendation to eliminate the athletics department (9/10/2020)</li> <li>- Recorded convocation speech (9/10/2020)</li> <li>- Resulted in partnership with the Student Preservation Committee that worked to advocate and defend athletics</li> <li>- Met with the HUB Governing Board for the first meeting of the academic year (10/2/2020)</li> <li>- Rescheduled BLM: Donation Discussion due to poor attendance (10/8/2020)</li> <li>- Resulted in meeting with several key Black student leaders to get direct feedback (10/19/2020)</li> <li>- Met with the Chancellor's Free Speech Workgroup (10/13/2020)</li> <li>- Met with the Student Service Fee Advisory Committee for its introductory meeting (10/14/2020)</li> <li>- Met with a student leader from Native American Student Programs to discuss the Indigenous Student Task Force (10/19/2020)</li> </ul>

**Office of the Executive Vice President**

Name	Report
<p>Natalie Hernandez Executive Vice President asucrevp@ucr.edu</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Before Week 1 started, I created a Mock Senate Meeting for the Senators to get used to the setup and the parliamentary procedure. Parliamentarian Leon-Bercovich gave me a cheat sheet for the Senators to use during the Senate Meeting, so they can feel comfortable.</li> <li>● I met each Senator during the week to answer questions they had about retreat or concerns they may have. I also wrote down their goals and ideas they have.</li> <li>● Executive Assistant La created the EVP Instagram page where we post the Agendas for Senate Meeting! There is a link that has all of the materials that students can access: zoom link for Senate meeting, Senator Reports, google form for public forum/comment, Senate Meeting Recordings, and another google form for issues/concerns. This link is provided also in the mass email that we send out every Wednesday!</li> <li>● We are also collecting data from every Senate Meeting. We want to keep improving Senate Meetings and eventually, we can have this data to help future EVP's in what works, what doesn't, how can you increase attendance, etc.</li> <li>● Currently, my team and I are meeting with each Senator again to see how the transition is and if they need any help with anything. My office wants the Senators to feel supportive and comfortable to ensure they succeed in their duties. My office is also holding "office hours" for Senators to ask questions about anything they need help with.</li> <li>● My office wants to create a town hall, so students can come and voice their concerns and give us feedback on how we are doing as an organization that represents the students. Our issue right now is what day. We are leaning towards having it during winter break, because everyone is done with midterms, finals, and more accessible. More details will come later on.</li> <li>● I do want to mention that office hours for Senators, my team, and myself are by appointments. Please email us to set up an appointment to meet with you.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● I was invited to sit on the Academic Senate Committee of Courses. I went to their meeting on October 28th! The next meeting will be on December 9th!</li> <li>● I have met with all the Senators for the second time and have trained the new Senators, so they are aware of what to expect as Senators.</li> <li>● Meet with my team to discuss Senate meetings and how to improve it.</li> <li>● We held office hours for Senators to see if they have any questions about the Senate Meeting. Parliamentarian Leon-Bercovich wanted to help Senators with parliamentary Procedures.</li> <li>● Executive Assistant Catelin La created graphics for resources that are offered on campus.</li> <li>● Met with IFC with Senator Nava, Executive Assistant Chole Wells, and Vice President of Internal Affairs Angelica Garcia, but IFC President was a no show.</li> <li>● Had office meetings to discuss how to improve Senate meetings, Senators, projects, and Instagram</li> <li>● Met with Civic Engagement Director Emily Thomas to help get the election day off for students. I told her about the CNAS Dean and she was helping the CNAS Senators reach out to faculty.</li> <li>● Creating legislation with President Pro Tempore Orlando, Chief of Staff Preeti, and Senator Nguyen about increasing time for public forum and comment</li> <li>● Helped Senator Stephanie's event by raffling off the gift cards! Good job Senator Zeng!</li> <li>● Sent out Senate Intern applications with Personnel Director Nguyen</li> <li>● We have December 29th available for the town hall! My office and I are finalizing the time. The only ECAB members that said they are willing to be a part of it was President Luis Huerta and VP of Finance William Wang.</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Created legislation with Senator Marchan and Nguy to change my bylaw!</li> <li>● Creating legislation with my office. We are trying to see if it's anywhere in the bylaws or constitution!</li> <li>● Created the google form for Senator of the Month!</li> <li>● Next week I'll be sending out a doodle poll to the Senators to meet with them one last time before the quarter ends!</li> <li>● Met with the CNAS Dean twice in the same day with the CNAS Senators! Dean said that Professor Larsen was not disrespecting students, she was getting mad at zoom bombers. She also stated that the students all like her and have no issue with the professor.</li> </ul>
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**Office of the Vice President of Campus Internal Affairs**

Name	Report
Angelica Garcia VP Internal Affairs asucrinternal@ucr.edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Interviewed and selected staff members during the summer</li> <li>○ Had 4 Summer meetings (mainly introductions + goals for the school year)</li> <li>● 3 Fall meetings</li> <li>■ Plans for the fall/the school year</li> <li>● Passion Planner collab</li> <li>○ Similar to UCLA's collab</li> <li>○ May just order planners and do a giveaway</li> <li>● Creating legislation to advocate for recorded lectures from professors</li> <li>○ Promotes accessibility to students unable to attend lectures at that given time</li> <li>● Informational panel with counselors from all colleges</li> <li>● Inclusive pronoun education alongside Preeti</li> <li>● Textbook voucher giveaway</li> <li>● Collaboration with VSA</li> <li>○ Free Rice website</li> <li>● Informative workshop on grad school applications</li> <li>○ Potential giveaway idea is testing materials</li> <li>● Finals care packages drive-by</li> <li>● Increasing first-pass units cap from 17 to 18</li> </ul> <p>Committee Meetings Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Recreation Governing Board (RGB)</li> <li>○ Have been meeting since the summer</li> <li>○ Plans to reopen were introduced in the summer but now, SRC is not reopening anytime soon</li> <li>○ SRC North referendum fee reduced from \$59 to \$29</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Reduction of \$2.6 million in budget</li> <li>■ SRC still in three years of debt that needs to be paid off</li> <li>■ To compensate for lowered fee:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Reducing hours of operation (reduced staff, utilities, etc)</li> <li>● services/programs reductions</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Services offered by SRC:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Equipment check-out</li> <li>■ Esports leagues</li> <li>■ Lifestyle courses, dance, martial arts</li> <li>■ Ability to access rec center</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Campus Safety Task Force             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1 meeting</li> <li>○ Mainly a Q&amp;A</li> <li>■ What do we hope to accomplish?                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A safer and more comfortable environment for students</li> <li>■ How does UCPD choose its officers?                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Based on interview and application</li> <li>■ How can UCPD encourage minorities to be a part of UCPD?                         <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Next meeting, inviting student representatives who were most affected by police presence on campus to speak and present concerns</li> <li>● Student Services Fee Advisory Committee                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Went to 1 of 2 meetings so far (work conflict)</li> <li>○ Deciding vice-chair for committee</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Budget Utilization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Funded for R' Closet interns</li> <li>● Funded for WRC's Persist Conference</li> <li>● Funded for BLM movement</li> <li>● Funded for thermometers for COVID wellness kits with The Well</li> </ul> <p>Accomplishments as a Whole</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Increased transparency of the office by posting frequent updates to our instagram (@asucrinternalaffairs)</li> <li>● Maintained constant communication through Slack</li> </ul> <p>From SOTA Report #2:</p> <p>Office of Campus Internal Affairs Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Had 1 meeting since last SOTA             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Discussed workload and how to improve efficiency within the staff</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Preeti Juturu, Chief of Staff             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ COVID Town Hall next week (doing planning, logistics, etc.)</li> <li>○ Met with LGBTRC to discuss collars and projects/initiatives that we're working on that's similar (inclusive language stuff)</li> <li>○ Met with SPP Senator Nava Majlesi to discuss the BAC affairs and a piece of legislation</li> <li>○ Met with Arshneel to talk about a piece of legislation; hoping to meet with the authors this week sometime to refine it</li> <li>○ Going to meet with WRC folks because they mentioned that they want to collab sometime</li> <li>○ Finance X Internal Collaboration</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chloe Wells, Executive Assistant</li> <li>○ SPP Senator Majlesi and her have sent the Sexual Assault Awareness Resolution for review</li> <li>○ Met with SPP Senator Majlesi and GSOE Senator Zeng in regards to Sexual Assault Committee bylaws</li> </ul> <p>Other Committee Meeting Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Recreation Governing Board (RGB)</li> <li>○ No updates</li> <li>● Campus Safety Task Force</li> <li>○ Town hall yesterday</li> <li>○ Very informative talks with the students and member of Task Force</li> <li>■ Questions about defunding UCPD, more diversity in UCPD, transparency concerns with UCPD</li> <li>○ Did not comment much with the Task Force meetings because I am not as knowledgeable about police reform and social justice as the other folks</li> <li>● Student Services Fee Advisory Committee (SSFAC)</li> <li>○ Was voted Vice-Chair of the Committee</li> <li>○ No meetings until next quarter</li> <li>○ Will meet with Chair Julian and Militza in December to discuss plans for winter</li> </ul> <p>Legislative Work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Revising VPCIA's bylaws to include Sexual Assault Committee in Office of Internal</li> <li>● Changing stipend of Executive Assistant to be a paid position</li> </ul>
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**Office of the Vice President of External Affairs**

Name	Report
Vincent Rasso VP External Affairs asucrexternal@ucr.edu	<p>The Office of ASUCR External Affairs is responsible for empowering the interests of students and concerns of our community at UC Riverside in systemwide advocacy and student organizing efforts, primarily initiated through diverse avenues of government relations, campus action, civic engagement, and labor affairs. During the month of November, we completed the following on behalf of ASUCR and the undergraduate student body:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Nov 1: ASUCR's External Committee meeting was cancelled due to VPEA Rasso being sick; External Staff (Directors+Coordinators) provided bi-weekly updates via group chat.</li> <li>● Nov 3: The UC Riverside Civic Engagement Coalition hosted an all-day program with members of the coalition and the ASUCR Civic Engagement Committee, led by</li> </ul>



	<p>Director Thomas and the UCR CalPIRG New Voters Project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Nov 4: The UC Student Association drafted and <a href="#">released a statement</a> on the uncertainty of the presidential election results and the failure of statewide Proposition 16, which was advocated for by UC students. VPEA Rasso also organized a <a href="#">post-election resource guide</a> for UCR students to use for navigating election debrief spaces and increased stress or anxiety.</li> <li>● Nov 7: The UC Student Association drafted and released another <a href="#">statement on the election of Joe Biden to be the next President</a> and UC student leaders' commitment to working with the Biden-Harris administration to advance access and affordability of a UC education and securing resources for underserved students in the COVID-recovery.</li> <li>● Nov 9: The Highlander Action Committee made nominations to its Executive Board, and began meeting biweekly on Saturdays to advance student organizing efforts.</li> <li>● Nov 12: VPEA Rasso attended the biweekly ASUCR Executive Cabinet meeting to provide updates on UCSA and external affairs, including an issue regarding the student housing/leasing crisis being led by a SPP student to combat being stuck signed in a lease.</li> <li>● Nov 13: VPEA Rasso presented a <a href="#">November 2020 report</a> at the ASUCR State of the Association meeting. Government Relations Director Inzunza organized legislative lobby visits with State Senate and Assembly offices to discuss student priorities amidst COVID-19.</li> <li>● Nov 15: The ASUCR External Executive Committee had its <a href="#">regular biweekly meeting</a> on Sunday at 2pm, with updates from all Directors and Coordinators on October accomplishments and upcoming projects.</li> <li>● Nov 16: VPEA Rasso hosted the <a href="#">first meeting with the 20-21 External First Year Fellows</a> and tasked them with getting to know staff members in ASUCR External.</li> <li>● Nov 18-19: The UC Board of Regents hosted its <a href="#">November 2020 meeting</a> where they discussed the Disabled Student Experience, Transfer Student accessibility to UC, and much more. ASUCR External organized six students to speak public comment on issues such as the TMT at Mauna Kea, campus safety and UCPD, and the approval of the UC budget and</li> </ul>
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	<p>stopping worker layoffs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nov 20: ASUCR (External and Internal) alongside the BSU hosted a UCR COVID-19 Response Town Hall, where students and members of our campus/community joined to discuss how UCR has responded to the pandemic and provided resources to students. AVC Dr. Denise Woods, Riverside City Councilmember Erin Edwards, Departments including the Well, CAPS, and ITS all shared critical information on the process of combatting COVID and its comprehensive impacts on our UCR community.</li> <li>• Nov 21-25: FTUC Coordinator Aya Serhan organized for the <a href="#">Week 9 Action on Double the Pell</a>. VPEA Rasso organized legislation for stipends to three Director positions in the External office and bylaw amendments that will be reviewed by the LRC.</li> <li>• Nov 29: Last meeting for the ASUCR External Executive Committee (full office staff) for the Fall quarter.</li> </ul>
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**Office of the Vice President of Finance**

Name	Report
William Wang VP Finance asucrfinance@ucr.edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Attended Bi Weekly executive cabinet meetings</li> <li>- Lead two weekly finance meetings(2 hours per meeting) with approving organization budgets.</li> </ul>

**Office of the Vice President of Sustainability**

Name	Report
Vanessa Gomez-Alvarado VP Sustainability asucrgcap@ucr.edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We hosted an environmental justice educational webinar on October 30, 2020. Our goal was to demonstrate what environmental injustice looks like and what we can do to prevent environmental racism/ discrimination in their community.</li> <li>- We successfully hosted our first meeting for our GCAP volunteer program. This program is composed of 14 volunteers who are receiving assistance and guidance from GCAP's Vice Chair Alondra Martinez, GCAP's Intern Luis Villavon, and myself (VP of Sustainability).</li> <li>- The GCAP's volunteer program goal is to create opportunities for undergraduate students regardless of their</li> </ul>

	<p>year and major. It is a great opportunity to boost their resume and gain some knowledge.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We have had 2 committee meetings, our meeting times are bi-weekly on fridays from 1pm to 2pm. Our next meeting will be on November 20, 2020. We will be adding our zoom meeting link onto our website to make it easier for folks to sit in our meetings and share their input. In addition, we will be adding the VP of Sustainability along with other GCAP's director links for a scheduling site.</li> <li>- We are planning on hosting a virtual event for the Month of November. We are reaching out to guest speakers to join us and educate us on environmental injustice: air pollution and food deserts.</li> <li>- Purnima, a GCAP intern will be applying for a green grant to incentivize undergrads to view our environmental injustice page and educate themselves. They will have to go onto our website and answer questions</li> <li>- The office of sustainability spoke to the GCAP committee on the sustainable efforts that have been made on campus and future goals they hope to accomplish</li> <li>- Jerry, a GCAP intern is finalizing a survey to ask the undergraduate students where they are in regards to sustainability and being environmentally conscious. We hope to use this data to learn more about the challenges students face to better understand and address in our programmed events.</li> <li>- I have attended ECAB meetings, senate meetings, and personal meetings with students to answer questions they have in regards to GCAP.</li> <li>- We posted an unbiased presidential comparison between trump and biden and where their administration stands in regard to sustainability. Unfortunately, due to Trump's lack of environmental protection and action, it appeared biased and had to be removed. This post has been the most successful in regards to likes and insights.</li> <li>- We will be increasing our online presence by sharing consistent content on a weekly basis. We hope to give more tips and tricks to students.</li> </ul>
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