

VOTERS GUIDE & Sample Ballot

UCSB CAMPUS ELECTIONS COMMISSION

On-line Spring Election 2003

April 21 - 25

This Voters Guide only applies to undergraduates.
Graduate Students will be informed
by the GSA and Graduate Division.

These initiatives are NOT sponsored by Associated Students and, if passed, will not be paid to A.S. However, Associated Students candidates and initiatives will be on the same electronic ballot.

*** Passage of the referenda on the ballot does not constitute final approval of the project. The Chancellor and the University of California Board of Regents must approve all referenda. In addition, all major capital building projects must be certified by the Regents for design, financing, and certification of the Environmental Impact Report, and are subject to review by the Campus Planning Committee, the Design Review Committee, and the California Coastal Commission. Fees for the capital projects listed below are based on an average enrollment of 19,270 per quarter. Should enrollment drop unexpectedly, the mandatory student-imposed fees may have to be increased in order to maintain funding at a level to meet bond financing (loan repayment) requirements.*

2003 SAMPLE BALLOT

REAFFIRMATIONS: The following two ballot measures represent fees that are currently assessed. They are now up for "reaffirmation" meaning that you have a chance to vote on whether or not the fee should continue for another four years. 60% plus one negative votes removes the fee. Failure to get a 20% voter turnout continues the fee.

SHORELINE INITIATIVE

Do you wish to continue a \$3.00 per student per quarter (excluding summer) mandatory student-imposed fee to help preserve the three miles of campus-adjacent shoreline? If passed, the fee will be subject to reaffirmation in 2007.

Yes No

EVENTS CENTER SUPPORT FEE

Do you wish to continue a \$4.00 per student per quarter (excluding summer) mandatory student-imposed fee to help meet the ongoing maintenance and facility improvement costs of the Events Center? If passed, the fee will be subject to reaffirmation in 2007.

Yes No

NEW FEES:

ARTS & LECTURES SUPPORT FEE

Do you approve a \$2.00 per undergraduate student per quarter, including summer, mandatory fee that will enable Arts & Lectures to maintain and expand the current programs and discounts it provides to UCSB students? If passed, the fee would begin in fall 2003 and will be subject to reaffirmation in spring 2007.

Yes No

STUDENT LIFE PROGRAM FEE

Do you approve a \$1.75 per undergraduate student per quarter mandatory fee (fall, winter, and spring), and \$1.00 for summer quarter, for the Office of Student Life (OSL)? This fee would support student leadership development and education opportunities, student-initiated social events, and first year student programs. All programs would be open to all students. If passed, the fee would begin in fall 2003 and will be subject to reaffirmation in 2007.

Yes No

AQUATIC FACILITY FEE

Do you approve a \$6.95 per undergraduate student per quarter, including summer, mandatory fee beginning fall 2003 to fund the construction and maintenance of a pool meeting NCAA standards? This fee will last for 34 years.

Yes No

UCSB ROWING INITIATIVE

Do you approve a \$0.50 per undergraduate student per quarter, including summer, mandatory fee increase to support the UCSB Rowing Team? The fee increase would augment an existing variable quarterly allocation of approximately \$0.60 from Recreational Sports for an approximate total of \$1.10 per student per quarter. The fee increase will be used to help the team renovate, maintain, and replace aging equipment. If passed, the fee would begin fall 2003 and will be subject to reaffirmation in 2007.

Yes No

ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP FEE AUGMENTATION

Do you approve a \$9.98 per undergraduate student per quarter, including summer, mandatory fee beginning fall 2003 to fund NCAA athletics scholarships for the UCSB intercollegiate athletics program? The fee is in addition to the \$9.00 per student per quarter currently collected. If passed, the fall/winter/spring quarterly fee would be \$18.98 and the summer fee would be \$9.98. The fee will be subject to reaffirmation in 2007.

Yes No

RECREATIONAL FIELD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Do you approve a \$7.11 per undergraduate student per quarter, including summer, mandatory fee beginning fall 2003 to fund the costs for installation and maintenance of all-weather synthetic grass on Rob Field, the Lacrosse Pit, and other fields as funding allows? This fee will last for 30 years.

Yes No

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION F

NEW FEES

ARTS & LECTURES SUPPORT FEE

Each year UCSB Arts & Lectures (A&L) presents over 100 films, lectures, writers' readings and performances by musicians, dancers and theater artists from around the world. These events support the learning that happens in the classroom; many UCSB students attend Arts & Lectures events as part of their course requirements

The mandatory fee will permit Arts & Lectures to preserve and enlarge the services it offers to UCSB students. It will allow A&L to [1] continue to offer significantly discounted UCSB student tickets (up to 50% less than performance tickets sold to the general public), [2] offer more free events, [3] provide more student employment opportunities, [4] arrange intimate student-artist contacts including classroom visits, master classes, workshops, and meet-the-artist discussions that enhance learning, and [5] bring to students a diverse selection of high caliber performing artists, writers, thinkers and public figures as well as unique films from around the world

AQUATIC FACILITY FEE

The current pool used by the UCSB water polo and swimming teams was built in 1942 and does not meet NCAA standards for water polo because of its shallow end. This makes it difficult for UCSB to host a NCAA sanctioned game and some teams have refused to compete at UCSB because the pool is not NCAA regulation size. The goal is to provide the student athletes on the men's and women's water polo and swimming teams with a pool that meets NCAA standards and is adequate for training and competition. The pool will be a general use facility after ICA needs are met (per the scheduling manual).

ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP FEE AUGMENTATION

The UCSB Intercollegiate Athletics (ICA) Department is composed of 19 men's and women's ICA teams. Currently, UCSB Athletics is below the NCAA allowable amount of athletic scholarships. This fee will raise UCSB scholarship funding to be on par with other institutions in the Big West Conference and in the NCAA. Scholarships created by this initiative are in addition to those already administered by the Athletics Department and will be distributed equitably by the Student Athletic Advisory Board in consultation with the Intercollegiate Athletic director and according to all applicable legal requirements.

STUDENT LIFE PROGRAM FEE

The fee would allow OSL to maintain and enhance the annual student leadership conference, leadership workshops, and student leadership retreat. Additionally, this fee would allow OSL to offer more guest speakers and offer retreat opportunities to more students. This fee would also allow OSL to maintain and possibly augment the Leadership Certificate Program (LCP), giving students a greater choice of workshops and providing more students with leadership development opportunities.

This funding would enable OSL to fund more student-initiated non-alcohol centered social events, and support student group programming. Any funds remaining after meeting these priorities would go to establishing an e-mail Q & A service. This would be a 24/7 service to which students could e-mail any of their UCSB related questions for response by student and professional staff.

UCSB ROWING INITIATIVE

The UCSB Rowing Team is a competitive sport club within the Recreational Sports Department. Membership on the team is open to any undergraduate student at UCSB regardless of athletic ability.

Rowing is an equipment-intensive sport, and the team depends on quality equipment to be competitive. Equipment to be replaced includes boats, indoor rowing machines, oars, docks, and boat racks.

RECREATIONAL FIELD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Rain, poor drainage, insufficient maintenance, and age have taken a toll on campus fields resulting in the cancellation of many student activities. All-weather synthetic turf was determined to be a better long-term financial investment than natural grass. The installation of all-weather synthetic grass on recreational fields at UCSB would allow for year-round use and provide students with a safe, optimal playing surface.

FOR THE EIGHT BALLOT MEASURES

REAFFIRMATIONS

SHORELINE INITIATIVE

First passed in 1999, this initiative funds proposals to preserve, protect, and enhance the terrestrial and marine habitats associated with the shoreline of UCSB through preservation, education, open access, research, and restoration. Campus organizations, individual students, and departments are able to submit quarterly proposals to an all-student Board of Directors. Proposals are approved based on the merits of the projects and consistency to the Mission Statement. The Fund is administered under the auspices of Associated Students and Legislative Council. While the exact dollar amount for any particular project will vary, examples of expenditures might include funding student groups to pick up trash along sections of the beach as well as quarterly stipends for student interns to do monitoring, restoration, and education. Funding could also go to capital improvements such as coastal access ways and large-scale native restoration. This initiative will continue to address unmet needs consistent with the Coastal Act and 1990 UCSB Long Range Development Plan.

EVENTS CENTER SUPPORT FEE

The Events Center is also known as the "Thunderdome." This support fee will help pay for ongoing maintenance costs, student salaries, facility renewal and capital improvements for the Events Center. Projects may include repairing/replacing: the heating/ventilation and cooling system (HVAC), bleachers, hardwood floors, exterior painting, locker rooms, intramural basketball goals, and the arena lighting system, among others. Current operating funds are insufficient to address the problems. The student majority Events Center Governance Board will prioritize projects on an annual basis and approve all Support Fee expenditures.

THE ELECTION IS ON LINE!

There are two ways to vote:

1. Go to the UCSB Gold system and follow the instructions after pressing the "Student Elections" button.
2. Respond to the e-mail you'll be sent the week of the election by clicking on the election site link. (You must update your e-mail address with the Registrar for this to work.)

You may vote on any computer with internet access. Computer banks are located at the UCen, Davidson Library, and many residence halls.

Any difficulty voting should be reported to the Voter Information stations at the UCen and the SAASB quad, or call 893-4467.

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Vote here!

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PRO/CON STATEMENTS

All registered students are invited to submit written statements of support or opposition for publication in the *Daily Nexus*. Pro/Con statements must include the author's name and be submitted electronically to the Office of Student Life, SAASB 2201, by 12 noon on Tuesday, April 8, 2003. Statements will appear in the *Daily Nexus* on Tuesday, April 15 and Wednesday, April 16.

VOTER TURNOUT REQUIREMENTS

A minimum 20 percent voter turnout is required in order for the elections to be considered valid. A sliding scale based on the 5 year average voter turnout (28.53 percent for undergraduates, 28.07 percent for undergraduates and graduate students combined) is used to determine whether an initiative passes. If there is a 20 percent voter turnout, two thirds of those voting must support the measure. If the turnout is 28.53 percent or higher for measures voted on by undergraduates only, or, 28.07 percent or higher for measures voted on by both undergraduates and graduate students, a 50 percent plus one voter approval is needed for the initiative to pass. Reaffirmation requires 60% + one to invalidate.

GRADUATE STUDENTS VOTING

Graduate students vote on separate measures electronically or by picking up a ballot at the Graduate Students Association office. Call 893-3824 for information. GSA Website: <http://www.gsa.ucsb.edu>

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee ballots will be available from the Office of Student Life, SAASB 2201, and Associated Students CAB Office, UCen 2523, beginning Tuesday, April 15 through Friday, April 18, 2003.

These measures will be on the Associated Students ballot along with candidates for A.S. Offices and A.S. Fee Reaffirmation items.

Be sure to be a registered student by April 11, 2003 to be eligible to vote!

This voter information pamphlet has been produced by the Campus Elections Commission. The Commission, which is composed of students, faculty, and staff members, is a neutral body which advises the Chancellor on all matters pertaining to campus-wide elections, and conducts elections in such a way that the interests of the voters and the institution are well-served through the process. The Campus Elections Commission is NOT affiliated with Associated Students Elections. Fees approved through this process are not assessed by A.S.

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