

CABINET MINUTES
Meeting #8
February 12, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Yasmin Elasmr called the meeting to order at 10:04am.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Yasmin Elasmr, ASI Chief Diversity Officer
Kyari Cail, Commissioner, Cultural Affairs
Sean Aquino, Commissioner, LGBTIQ+ Affairs
Stevie Merino, Commissioner, Women & Gender Equity Affairs
Lamiya Hoque, Commissioner, Environmental Justice
Gaby Hernandez, Commissioner, AB540 & Undocumented Students

Voting Members Absent

Joseph Nino, ASI President
Chloe Kim, Commissioner, Wellness Affairs
Christiana Koch, Commissioner, Disability Affairs
Bomi Lim, Commissioner, International Student Affairs
VACANT, Commissioner, Veterans Affairs

Non-Voting Members Present

Non-Voting Members Absent

Lindsay San Miguel, Asst. Director Govt. Affairs & Initiative

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

4. ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- Item #8-B: Per Elasmr, table this discussion item until next meeting when President Nino will be present

(M) Aquino (S) Hoque to approve Cabinet Agenda, Meeting #8, February 12, 2018, as amended

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 6-0-0

5. ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CHAIR

Elasmr discussed the following items:

- Tuition Increase: Genesis Jara, Chief Government Relations Officer, has asked Cabinet members to reach out to their respective organizations and communities so that they can mobilize students. Still waiting on Jara for whatever prompts they would like Cabinet members to use, but Elasmr will keep the board updated on this item
- Queer Student Success Initiative: Working on this and is hoping they can bring this to campus by next year
- Night Walk: February 22nd at 5:00pm for dinner and then they will do a walk through of the campus. Will be working with University Police, so if anyone is uncomfortable working with UPD they do not have to feel pressured to attend this event
- Ally Training: Hopefully they will have something ready and done by April. The plan is that they will run this across people that are within their respective circles so that they can see where they can improve the training. Asked all board members to attend this when the time comes so that they can provide feedback.
- Students of Color Conference: Reached out to a couple of organizations to see if they are interested in collaborating on this event; still waiting to hear back from some of them.
- Social Justice Ally Training: Working on this with SJEC; as soon as those meetings get going, Cabinet members will be invited to them
- Know Your Rights: Working on this with Judiciary and encouraged board members to send any updated questions or suggestions that they can share with Judiciary on how to improve this campaign
- Binders for next year: Work in progress

- Hernandez asked if these were something they would each be working on individually
- Elasmr explained that they are working on the basics on their own right now, but will eventually reach out to each member of the board for feedback on how they can be improved and what information should be included
- Teach-ins: Confirmed for next semester. Will reach out to all board members to find out who is available to work on the development of this.
- Beach Pride Events: Meeting with them today at 12:30pm. Will bring forth all of the complaints and concerns that were brought up at last week's meeting.

6. ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE PRESIDENT

- Archery for All Event: Today at 12 (noon) in KIN-51A. Encouraged anyone who is free at that time to attend this event

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Action Item: Cabinet Minutes Meeting #7, February 5, 2018

(M) Hernandez (S) Aquino to approve Cabinet Minutes Meeting #7, February 5, 2018

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 6-0-0

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Discussion Item: Conscious Collection Art Gallery

Elasmr is meeting with the artist who is creating the promotional items for this event on Wednesday. Will set up a time and provide board members with that information for anybody who is interested in attending this meeting.

Hernandez stated that they reached out to the artist they had in mind, and they are not available for that day. Hopes to hear back regarding other available dates before next week's meeting. Also requested that the piano be at the venue for one of the speakers who is also a singer.

- B. Discussion Item: Fall 2017 Review – Campus Wide Issues

- This item was tabled per Elasmr

9. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

10. REPORTS

- A. Environmental Justice – Lamiya Hoque

Present Projects:

1. Video Production for CSULB's Environmental Communities
 - a. Meeting with ASI Comm to discuss my vision for covering campus sustainability/environmentally focused efforts
 - b. In short, there are a lot of committees, taskforce programs, and the like focused on the environment, but things are getting a bit confusing
 - c. The goal of this 2-4 minute video will be to differentiate and shed some light on what the various teams do and how they all interact
 - d. I'll be hosting all of the videos, discussing the different environmental communities on campus and going around to each department
2. Planning for Conscious Collections
 - a. Figuring out logistics with other Cabinet members
 - i. Posters
 - ii. Symbols
 - iii. Presentations
 - b. Finding art for my community – Already spoke with some interested constituents
3. PR for Puerto Rico

- a. Campaign project to raise funds and awareness
- b. Working with SustainU to raise funds for Puerto Rico
- 4. Planning for Earth Week
 - a. Will begin 04/16 to 04/20
 - b. Second Earth Week Committee Meeting on 02/07
 - i. Planned dates, crafts, and events
 - ii. Monday will be a movie/documentary screening
 - iii. Tuesday will be crafts
 - iv. Wednesday will be workshops
 - v. Thursday will be the Green Generation Mixer
 - vi. Friday will be the State of the Environment Conference

Goals for the coming week:

1. Begin video production with ASI Comm
2. Meet with PR for PR Committee
3. Meet with Earth Week Committee
4. Continue to assist with Conscious Collection
5. Find art for my community for Conscious Collection

B. Cultural Affairs – Kyari Cail

Work completed since last report:

- Assisting in planning of Black History Month in collaboration with OMA
- Co-facilitating the Black Graduation Celebration Planning Committee
- Finalizing logistics for “Real Talk” panel/forum event in collaboration with OMA on March 22nd (Almost done!)
- Reconnecting with cultural organizations

Goals for the next two weeks:

- Continue community building with cultural organizations
- Submit promo to ASI Comm and conduct panelist recruitment for “Real Talk” panel/forum on March 22nd
- Support Black/African cultural organizations with planning of Black History Month and Black Grad
- Assist in planning of Consciousness Collections event with fellow Cabinet members in April

Student Concerns:

- Trusting ASI

Anything Else:

- Panel/Forum Events at other campus that discuss white supremacy and its history

C. LGBTIQ+ Affairs – Sean Aquino

Work completed since last report:

- Hosted 1st LGBTIQ+ Coalition meeting
- Collaborating with Commissioner Stevie Merino for Valentine’s Day event

Goals for the next two weeks:

- Plan 2nd Coalition meeting
 - Delegate tasks to certain coalition members
- Keep in touch with Christian Lozano (OMA) for Lavender Graduation
 - Host 1st Lavender Graduation meeting
- Reach out to organizations to collaborate in upcoming campus programs
 - Draglicious, Queer Arts & Crafts Fai, Queer Prom, etc.)

Student Concerns:

- Resource center visibility and accessibility

Anything Else:

- Self Care for the Queer Soul: Wednesday, February 14, 5:30-7:30 pm at the Multicultural Conference Room, FO3-2

- Undocumented Tales Screening Panel & Discussion: Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 5-7:30 pm at the USU Beach Auditorium

D. Wellness Affairs – Chloe Kim

Scheduled Meetings:

- Beach Balance: 2/16 at 12:00 pm
- Student Health Services (SHS): 2/16 at 4:00 pm
- Yasmin Elasmr, Chief Diversity Officer: Pending

Areas of concern:

- Increasing LBSU student need for mental health support
 - According to 2009 CSULB Student Satisfaction Surveys, 72.4% of students replied that it was hard to pay for school
 - Consequently, 82.8% of students reported difficulty in balancing work and school obligations
 - More than 11% of college students have been diagnosed or treated for anxiety in the past year and more than 10% reported being diagnosed or treated for depression
- Types of mental health concerns
 - Anxiety (41.6%)
 - Depression (36.4%)
 - Relationship problems (35.8%)
- Severity of mental health concerns
 - 24.5% taking psychotropic medications
 - 21% of counseling center students present with severe mental health concerns
 - 40% present with mild mental health concerns
- CAPS
 - About 5% of LBSU students currently utilizing CAPS services, due to limited access to care
 - Currently employ 18 therapists
 - Does not meet the accreditation requirement ratio of 1 therapist to 1,000 to 1,500 students
 - In order to meet this ratio, the staff number should be 25 to 28 therapists
- Beach Balance
 - Supporting self care and primary intervention to counter-balance limited access to care
- SB-968
 - “This bill would require the Trustees of the California State University, the governing board of each community college district, and the governing body of each independent institution of high education that is a qualifying institution, and request the Regents of the University of California, to hire one full-time equivalent mental health counselor per 1,000 students at each of their respective campuses to the fullest extent consistent with state and federal law. The bill would define mental health counselor for purposes of this provision. The bill would require those institutions, on or before January 1, 2020, and every 3 years thereafter, to report to the Legislature how funding was spent and the number of mental health counselors employed on each of its campuses, as specified. To the extent that these provisions would impose new duties on community college districts, it would constitute a state-mandated local program.”
 - CA bill that requires UC/CSU/Community colleges to meet 1:1000 ratio to maintain their status as a “qualifying institution” whose students are eligible, if as individuals they meet pertinent program requirements, to receive Cal Grant awards
 - Nursing students drafting a project to urge CA representatives to support SB-968

11. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

Brittany from ASI Comm asked for clarification on the events outlined by Cail and Aquino.

Cail provided the following information:

- Black HERstory is tomorrow, Tuesday 2/13 in the USU Alamitos Bay
- Black HIStory is on Tuesday 2/20 in the Multicultural Center

- Black Queerstory is on 2/27 in the Multicultural Center

Aquino provided the following information:

- Coalition meetings: Usually closed to the public, but they can accommodate a couple of extra people

Elasmar asked board members to please submit their work orders for ASI Comm for all projects you have scheduled so that they have enough time to get them done or if any issues arise.

Regarding scholarships, Aquino, Lim and Hernandez will be sitting on the committees as representatives for their respective communities.

Cail will be developing the panel questions and asked that if any board members would like to provide any questions, themes, or key topics, please feel free to share them with Cail so that they can include this in the panel discussion.

12. ADJOURNMENT

WITHOUT OBJECTION Chair Elasmar adjourned the meeting at 10:29am.