

CABINET MINUTES (FINAL)
Meeting #10
November 2, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Citlalli Ortiz called the meeting to order at 2:31 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Toni Flores, AB540 and Undocumented Students

Mya Jones, Cultural Affairs

David Weinberg, Disability Affairs

Caleb Aparicio, LGBTQ+ Affairs

Pilar Cáceres, Pregnant and Parenting Students

Sarath Cornelio, Women and Gender Equity Affairs

Citlalli Ortiz, ASI Chief Diversity Officer

Omar Prudencio Gonzalez, ASI President

Non-Voting Members Present

Chrissy Myers, ASI Government Affairs Graduate Assistant

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Cornelio (MOVED) Weinberg (SECOND) to approve Cabinet Agenda #10, November 2, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 7-0-1

Approve-Oppose-Abstain

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Action Item: Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #9, October 26, 2020

Aparicio (MOVED) Jones (SECOND) to approve Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #9, October 26, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 7-0-1

Approve-Oppose-Abstain

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

- Met with ASI Executives and discussed Cabinet updates, and the policy agenda
- Will be meeting with Chief Justice Greg Figueroa to discuss Cabinet collaboration on the Know Your Rights Campaign

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE ASI PRESIDENT

- Encouraged board to vote; gave reminder
- Will join Lobby Corps at campus polling center to go Instagram Live, 12pm; will provide voters with face masks and hand sanitizer
- CSU Chancellor will be hosting a Town Hall this Wednesday, 11am
- Successful Respect Diversity Week, especially An Evening With Yusef Salaam

- Chief Academic Officer Julian will be conducting university committee training
- Ballot Bowl: CSULB placed 5th by registering 1500+ students

8. ADVOCACY/POLICY REPORTS

A. Information Item: AB540 and Undocumented Students

Events/Programming

- Know Your Rights Campaign: Undocumented Student Update
 - Emailed Norma and Jessica from DSC and Sabrina from CARECEN
 - Working on the different scripts that will be read over
 - How to send out brochure/cheat sheet, but do not want to have a list of possible undocumented students. Any suggestions?

Advocacy/Policy

- Continued efforts for UNDOC Funds
 - Currently collecting data on the current needs of undocumented community
 - Goals: long term funding rather than just COVID relief
 - Creating possible paths to work alongside DSC or FUEL for scholarship
- UNDOCU Podcast
 - The topic schedule has been established
 - Current issue: Recording without being in same place due to COVID

Quote or Fun Fact of the Week

- Fun fact: I performed at Stanford University for my Ballet Folklorico group when I was in middle school.

B. Cultural Affairs

Events/Programming

- Cultural Fest

Advocacy/Policy

- Met with ASI vice president and Counseling and psychological services (CAPS) director Dr. Bongjoo Hwang regarding diverse representation for students.

Quote or Fun Fact of the Week

- "When we speak we are afraid our words will not be heard nor welcomed, but when we are silent we are still afraid, so it is better to speak," - Audre Lorde

C. Information Item: Disability Affairs

Events/Programming

- No current ASI sponsored events on schedule
- Student assistive device giveaway event: planning now
- Abilities virtual experience
 - The Abilities Expo is thrilled to present a new and improved, interactive, accessible virtual experience for the disability community worldwide. The "Abilities Virtual Experience 2" will be hosted on November 20-22, 2020. Visit the event website for more information about the program, including a link to register. This event is free and accessible for all.

Advocacy/Policy

- BMAC Student Disability Education and Training
 - There is a lack of education on the use of assistive devices implemented during the transition to online learning. Additionally, there is a general misunderstanding of students' rights. Hence, the necessity of additional effort of BMAC and related offices to offer support.

Proposal in process

- One-On-One Support
 - Advocacy based on the discussion of individuals who had attended recent events for disabled students at CSULB.

Other Business/Concerns

- PARC Meeting Note with Dr. Nielan Barnes
 - Discussed an issue with student involvement in the Program Assessment and Review Committee in the past. The issue is the result of a late introduction of student members to the committee. Additionally, the short-term involvement limits the potential for constructive feedback
- VOTE
 - Time is running out to submit your votes. Go out and cast your vote if you are able!

Quote or Fun Fact of the Week

- “My disability exists not because I use a wheelchair, but because the broader environment isn’t accessible.” – Stella Young

D. Information Item: LGBTQ+ Affairs

Events/Programming

- Transgender Day of Remembrance: Nov. 18th, 5pm to 7pm
 - Started working on the slideshow of trans lives lost to violence this year
- World AIDS Day: December 1st
 - Looking to collaborate with SHS and the LGBTQ+ Resource Center to host a discussion, possibly after screening a documentary.
 - I would also like to have resources gathered to distribute

Advocacy/Policy

- Working with Senator Darwin and Senator Felix-Cervantes to draft a resolution to hire more gender-diverse faculty and staff

Other Business/Concerns

- I will be meeting with Dr. Beth Lesen discuss our goals and concerns for the LGBTQIA+ community and how we can help each other

Quote or Fun Fact of the Week

- Something random & cute: A baby puffin is called a "puffling."

E. Information Item: Pregnant and Parenting Students

Events/Programming

- November 6th, 4:30pm workshop. Parenting in Time of COVID with collaboration with CAPS and WGEC
- Creating a Parent Survival Kit in collaboration with WGEC and Beach Pantry (funding)(in progress)
- Working with Learning Services students to create videos for parents. They’ll get the Parent Survival Kit, as well. In progress
- Handbill is still in progress
- November 18th, I am collaborating with Innovation Hour on a program about “Innovating with and for Families: Creating business surrounded by your family”

Advocacy/Policy

- WGEC and PPS are working on updating the website
- Collaborating to put PPS rights and resources together
- Working with beach Pantry to send information about it

Other Business/Concerns

- I have been trying for two weeks to contact the person in charge of the Beach Parents meetings
- It's important to mention this because it is a resource for PPS and it's supposed to be effective

Quote or Fun Fact of the Week

- "Always end the day with a positive thought. No matter how hard things were, tomorrow's a fresh opportunity to make it better." – Unknown

F. Information Item: Women and Gender Equity Affairs

Events/Programming

- Week of Action, WGSSA. Meeting with Executive board and WGEC

Advocacy/Policy

- Cabinet Title 9 training
 - Rachelle Tejada and Larisa Hamada are creating specialized Title 9 training. Cabinet should take part and give feedback to express concerns in from our respective communities.
 - Schedule a date and time

Quote or Fun Fact of the Week

- I am repulsed by ketchup, and I have a fear of it getting on me.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Discussion Item: Campus Climate Issues

Weinberg:

- Use this closed campus time to address campus accessibility/navigation concerns; use ground maintenance fees towards resolving accessibility issues
- Upgrade SRWC assistive devices
- Pursue additional social justice progress in student government

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion Item: ASI Equity Plan, Governing Board Composition (page 4)

Ortiz reviewed the following portion of the ASI Policy Agenda on Equity, Inclusion, and Racial Justice Governing Board Composition

Existing: In 2015, ASI Government eliminated its Chief of Staff position and divided those responsibilities among three new chief officer positions, one of which is the Chief Diversity Officer who has responsibility for chairing the ASI President's Cabinet in order to ensure that the cabinet maintains a social justice focus, and to ensure that all executive-level initiatives address educational equity. ASI maintains a Social Justice and Equity Ad-Hoc Committee (SJEC). A USU Board of Trustees member sits on the SJEC to enhance cross-board equity programming.

- A. Review composition of all governing boards and sub-boards and consider the addition of student leadership or administrator/faculty positions to help address diversity, equity, and inclusion. Specifically focus on SJEC and consider addition of staff members who can better collaborate with student leaders to create proactive programming, and to also create a framework for addressing societal events and incidents of hate and how the organization can respond quickly.

Responsibility: Leadership of Boards/Sub-boards and their primary advisors

Timeline: By end of spring semester 2021

Requires Board Approval: Yes

- B. Review nomenclature associated with all boards, programs, and departments, to ensure they are contemporary, inclusive, and relevant to all student populations.

Responsibility: ASI Executive Officers, Assistant Director of Government Affairs & Initiatives, and Executive Director

Timeline: By end of spring semester 2021

Requires Board Approval: Varies

- B. Discussion Item: Spring Event, Programming and Advocacy Planning

Discussion ensued regarding issues that will make for a more successful events in spring.

Meet the Commissioner

- Diversity advertising (not just social media)
- Receive marketing materials earlier, in order to promote effectively
- Individual commissioner marketing with link that can display respective office hours and events
- Change event name from Meet the Commissioner for spring to (i.e.)
 - Reconnect with your Commissioner
 - What's New with your Commissioner
 - An Afternoon/Evening with your Commissioner
- Keep same event agenda
- Identify where commissioner will be sharing flyer

Respect Diversity Week

- Panel
 - Create a panel for each community; include a student representative
 - Fall panel focused on experiences; spring panel to focus on action
 - Invite currently active advocacy leaders who have additional experience, to speak
 - Invite non-CSULB advocacy leaders
- Encourage Ally training

- C. Information Item: Commissioner of the Month

Ortiz: AB540 and Undocumented Students Commissioner Cornelio

11. CLOSING COMMENTS

There were none.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Chair Citlalli Ortiz adjourned the meeting at 4:03 p.m.