

Associated Students, Inc.  
California State University, Long Beach

**CABINET MINUTES**  
**Meeting #4**  
**September 20, 2021**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Jesus Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 2:33 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Voting Members Present

Fatima Zeferino, AB540 and Undocumented Students  
Destiny Islas, Disability Affairs  
Luis Mendiola Luna, Environmental Justice  
Janelle Salas Chung, LGBTQ+ Affairs  
Diamond Byrd, Veterans Affairs  
Hannah Peedikayil, Wellness Affairs  
Jesus Gonzalez, ASI President

Voting Members Absent

Chintan Shah, International Student Affairs  
Cynthia Ray, ASI Chief Diversity Officer  
VACANT, Cultural Affairs  
VACANT, Pregnant and Parenting Students

Non-Voting Members Present

Odalys Zamora, ASI Government Affairs Graduate Assistant  
Joe Nino, ASI Interim Assistant Director, Student Affairs and Initiatives

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Nino: offered training and support in parliamentary procedures and Cabinet resources.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Peedikayil (MOTION) Byrd (SECOND) to Cabinet Agenda, Meeting #4, September 20, 2021**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 7-0-0**  
**Approve Oppose Abstain**

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Action Item: Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #3, September 13, 2021

**Peedikayil (MOTION) Mendiola Luna (SECOND) to approve Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #3, September 13, 2021**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 7-0-0**  
**Approve Oppose Abstain**

**6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR**

There was no report, as Ray was absent.

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE ASI PRESIDENT**

- Meet the Commissioner events being planned
- CSSA meeting this past weekend; Legislative Affairs committee is working on CSSA Policy Agenda
- California Governor has allocated funds to be distributed among CSUs; CSULB will be using funds for Basic Needs

## 8. ADVOCACY/POLICY REPORTS

### A. Information Item: AB 540 and Undocumented Student

#### Advocacy/Policy

- FUEL Scholarship
  - FUEL plans to establish scholarship for undocumented students at CSULB
  - Proposal has been finalized
  - We hope to distribute funds using beach scholarships
  - Meetings to discuss future plans/outline of scholarship process are TBD (waiting to hear back about proposal)

#### Other Business/Concerns

- Campus Climate Meeting #1 (9/8)
  - Introductions
  - Nominated / appointed new board positions
- Committee on Athletics Meeting #1 (9/15)
  - Welcome/introductions
  - Election of COA officers for 2021-2022
  - Vote on how future meetings will be held (virtual or in-person)
  - Future meetings will be held virtually (majority vote)

#### Did you Know About My Community

- FUEL – For Undocumented Empowered Leaders
  - Club lead by advocates and leaders that aim to support the undocumented student population at CSULB
    - ✓ President: Fatima Zeferino
    - ✓ Vice President: Luis A. Mendiola Luna
  - FUEL advocated for the creation of the Dream Success Center (DSC)
    - ✓ Mission statement was recently changed to include everyone impacted by immigration: “Our Mission is to provide holistic services, resources, and support to members of the Beach community impacted by immigration policy.”
    - ✓ Follow FUEL and DSC on Instagram for upcoming general meetings and events: @fuelcsulb @csulbdsc @csulb.asi.commr4undocustudents

### B. Information Item: Cultural Affairs-VACANT

#### Advocacy/Policy

#### Other Business/Concerns

#### Did you Know About My Community

### C. Information Item: Disability Affairs

#### Advocacy/Policy

- Inclusive Sports Expo (October 7. 5-7 p.m.)
  - Spoke with Anthony Almeida / Recreation Coordinator
    - ✓ Oversees intramural programs and Inclusive recreation programs
    - ✓ Anthony.Almeida@csulb.edu (562) 985-8122
  - Discussed potential future projects
  - There are three events that will take place during October to showcase the inclusive activities and equipment to students at SRWC

#### Other Business/Concerns

- I will be setting up a meeting with Dr. Kimberly Fodran and Angela Conte of Student Health Services

to advocate for students with Diabetes .

- \$13-\$20 for average sharp containers and \$70 +
  - Sharp Containers should be placed in bathrooms for the safety and well being of the diabetic community
  - For students who inject themselves daily on campus will feel more supported by having another resource to assist them

#### Did you Know About My Community

- Members of the diabetic community can experienced blindness , amputation, nerve damage, heart problems, kidney disease, etc.  
<https://visionaware.org/blog/visionaware-blog/how-you-can-monitor-your-blood-sugar-levels-with-low-or-no-vision/>
- Assistive technology: items designed specifically to help people with vision loss or other disabilities, including everything from screen readers for blind individuals or screen magnifiers for low-vision computer users, video magnifiers and other devices for reading and writing with low vision, to braille watches and braille printers.  
[https://www.afb.org/blindness-and-low-vision/using-technology?gclid=Cj0KCQjws4aKBhDPArisAIWH0JW6xLSXoURB8jp7oyst4yLigDdWbnbTnIKM3c5KBvjKjEc\\_UWInhjr0aAoE6EALw\\_wcB](https://www.afb.org/blindness-and-low-vision/using-technology?gclid=Cj0KCQjws4aKBhDPArisAIWH0JW6xLSXoURB8jp7oyst4yLigDdWbnbTnIKM3c5KBvjKjEc_UWInhjr0aAoE6EALw_wcB)
- Average cost for Type 1 Diabetics: \$2,500
- Higher annual healthcare compared to heart disease, stroke, and cancer
- Under most laws diabetes (T1 and T2) is protected as a disability

#### D. Information Item: Environmental Justice Advocacy/Policy

- Climate Action Plan (CAP)
  - CSULB
    - ✓ The 2014 CAP is currently being revised
    - ✓ New Climate Action and Adaption Plan CAAP is expected to be finalized by December
    - ✓ I would like to have trainings within ASI, so that we can have sustainability in mind whenever resolutions or events take place.
  - Community
    - ✓ Community Members have suggested that CSULB and ASI work on civil engagement. Cited the City of Long Beach's CAAP
    - ✓ Would need to speak to constituents before taking action.
- Outreach
  - Environmental Science & Policy Club
    - ✓ Met with the club and will continue working with them for input and support in advocacy
  - Sustain U
    - ✓ Made connection with a a member. Currently waiting on response for a meeting time

#### Other Business/Concerns

- President's Commission for Sustainability
  - Previously Mentioned CAAP
  - Transportation
    - ✓ Carbon Neutral Commuter Program
    - ✓ Bicycle Infrastructure
    - ✓ EV Vehicle Infrastructure
- Curriculum and Educational Policies Council

- Proposal for Graduate Certificate in Translation Studies approved
- New Proposed Policy Constitutional Assessment Program Review
  - ✓ Point of Discussion: Should inclusive language be kept broad?

#### Did you Know About My Community

- ES&P club meets every Wednesday at 2:00pm in PH230.
- They often go on hikes/nature walks.

### E. Information Item: LGBTIQ+ Affairs

#### Advocacy/Policy

- Cultural Week of Welcome
  - An event geared towards giving LGBTQIA+ students various resources on healthcare, student organizations, and community-building opportunities.
  - Happened September 15, 2021
- OUTober Celebration
  - An event for students to celebrate and navigate their queerness. This event will have food, speakers, and performers.
    - ✓ Date hasn't been officially set but we are currently looking at making it for the first or second week of October.

#### Other Business/Concerns

- Meet the Commissioner event with Commissioner Courtney Leos being held by the end of this month.
  - We are currently working on the logistics of it (date, setting, and agenda), but will hopefully have something figured out by the end of this month.
- I (Janelle Salas Chung) am attending a Queers and Allies meeting tomorrow to introduce students to some of the things that we are currently working on and to let them know more about my position while also offering some resources to them.

#### Did you Know About My Community

- We have an openly gay fraternity on campus led by Carlos!
- We also have various treatments for transgender students which range from mental health to feminizing/masculinizing hormone therapy.
- Rainbow Café is also held every Wednesday with the objective of giving students an outlet for various things and to build a sense of community.

### F. Information Item: Pregnant and Parenting Students

- Vacant

### G. Information Item: Veterans Affairs

#### Advocacy/Policy

- Met with the Director of Veterans Resource Center Martiz Ware and Certifying Official Omar Prudencia Gonzalez on 09/10 with goals to plan for an in-person Veterans Day and Marine Corps Birthday events
  - Pending next meeting date
- Have a meeting with Jeremy Scruggs 09/20 regarding Bang 4 Change Event

#### Other Business/Concerns

- University Awards Committee-
  - Will be voting on Faculty Awards
    - ✓ Distinguished Faculty Advising Award (November)

- ✓ Distinguished Faculty Teaching (January)

#### Did you Know About My Community

- Career Link- NAACP is hiring for paid internships for a Non-Profit Administrative Intern and Web and Social Media Intern
- The CSULB Black Alumni Scholarship- is funded through the CSULB Black Alumni Scholarship Gala, a yearly fundraising event established to help the Black/Pan African Student Cultural Resource Center and provides scholarships that support student educational expenses.

#### H. Information Item: Wellness Affairs

##### Advocacy/Policy

- Interview with Long Beach Post
  - Shared information on COVID-19 protocol
    - ✓ Encouraged students to get vaccinated and upload certificate in student portal
- Togetherall Meeting
  - An online mental health forum that allows students to find community and share feelings anonymously
    - ✓ Met with the Business Development Manager who did a walkthrough on the different features of the platform
    - ✓ Free for students in participating universities
    - ✓ Ultimately decided against this partnership to focus on current campus resources

##### Other Business/Concerns

- Met with the SRWC Fitness and Wellness Coordinator
  - Discussed future wellness programming for the next months
- Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC)
  - Elected as chairperson to lead the meetings
    - ✓ Addressed Student Health Services COVID-19 operations
      - Testing is done in the Chart Room (T, W, Th, @ 9-3 PM)
      - Vaccinations through SHS (Appointment through single sign on)
      - I asked about mask enforcement in classes. Professors must enforce mask policy. If students refuse, professor can cancel the class.
      - There is a reporting process available for students, professors, faculty etc. to use for positive COVID-19 cases
        - Can self-report or report someone else

#### Did you Know About My Community

- Project Ocean offers free QPR certification opportunities for all students
- Training equips students with information about the different warning signs, resources, and ways to support those who may be struggling with thoughts of suicide
- QPR certification is nationally recognized and lasts for 3 years
- All trainings are virtual this semester
- Link to register: <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=m2d10dOsREa-gq8EGYKXeunpbOu1bjJBlgH0GEPDGpUM1JJSVU1UjNKOEVPWEJaTUs2TukOVERIMCQIQCN0PWcu>

#### I. Information Item: Women and Gender Equity Affairs

##### Advocacy/Policy

- Texas abortion laws:
  - There is going to be a virtual teach in, in October in collaboration with WGSS, WGSSSA, and WGECC.

➤ We will have more information soon!

Other Business/Concerns

- The PCSW (President's Commission on the Status of Women) is looking to hire a Student Assistant to help out with day to day tasks and social media posts.

Did you Know About My Community

- The WGEC and PCSW are going to be have a gender inclusive training. The session dates are: 9/24, 10/08, 10/22, 11/05, 11/19 from 2-3PM.
- If you're interested in attending contact [wgec@csulb.edu](mailto:wgec@csulb.edu)

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

There was none.

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Discussion Item: Students of Color Conference and Culture Fest

This will be the 2nd annual year we host it. 2-hour event with food, cultural organizations, performances, art etc.

B. Discussion Item: Bang4Change Event

A series of events leading up to the Bang4Change Event. Still finalizing dates.

**11. CLOSING COMMENTS**

Peedikayil: looking for committee member 3rd Tuesdays of each month at 1pm

Nino: requested board recruit for the 2 Cabinet vacancies.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

**Without objection**, Chair Cynthia Ray adjourned the meeting at 3:46 p.m.

Recorded by:

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Laura M. Butt, ASI Government Affairs Administrative Coordinator

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Date

Approved by:

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Cynthia Ray, Cabinet Chair

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Date