

LOBBY CORPS MINUTES

Meeting #7

October 6, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Dale Lendrum called the meeting to order at 12:32pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Dale Lendrum (Chair/Secretary for System wide Affairs)
Alex Bellenger (Secretary for City Affairs)
Daniel Gomez (Vice Chair/Senate Rep)
Hilda Jurado (Senate Rep)
Ashutosh Pandey (Senate Rep)
Robert Espinoza (Student-at-Large)
Autumn Farmer (AVP Legislative & External Relations Designee) **(Dp@ 12:45pm)**

Voting Members Absent

Logan Vournas (ASI Vice President)
Vacant (Student-at-Large)
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Non-voting Members Present

Lindsay San Miguel (Asst. Director of Government Affairs & Initiatives)

Non-voting Members Absent

3. ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(M) Jurado (S) Espinoza to approve the Lobby Corps Agenda, Meeting #7, October 6, 2016.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 7-0-0

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Action Item: Lobby Corps, Meeting #6, September 29, 2016

(M) Jurado (S) Espinoza to table the Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #6, September 29, 2016 to the next meeting.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 7-0-0

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no public comments.

6. REPORTS

A. Chair/Secretary for System wide Affairs

Chair Lendrum reported the following:

- Commented that if we commit to a time for an event, that we make that commitment to the best of our ability understanding that life does happen. If something in life is to come up, he asked that the members text, call, or email someone to try to get the spot filled and to let us know so that we can do whatever we can to fill those spots.

B. Vice Chair

Vice Chair Gomez reported the following:

- Met with Secretary Jeanmarie regarding Beach Team members volunteering for the voter registration drive. Stated that when there is more than one person at the table it is more effective.
- Tabled on Tuesday with Senator Al-Shoubaki, and they registered two students. He added that he was also able to recruit a student for Beach Team. If Beach Team members do decide to volunteer then they must be trained on how to help a student register to vote.
- Reminded everyone to self-care during midterms.

C. Secretary for City Affairs

Secretary Bellenger reported the following:

- Informed the Committee that she will be defending her thesis next week so she will not be at the meeting, but will submit a report to Chair Lendrum.
- City Council held a presentation for Domestic Violence Awareness month in Bixby Park. On October 19th the City Council decided that everyone should wear purple to support Domestic Violence Awareness month. The City Council also had a study session on homelessness where they talked about the ten-year plan being underfunded and housing for homeless Vets.
- Announced that California reached a new record for voter registration 18.2 million, which is more than the 46 other states in the country.

D. AVP Legislative External Relations

Ms. Farmer reported the following:

- Working on the October 10th event; asked if Lobby Corps can table for voter registration.
- The goal is to get as many students to the event as possible and the Daily 49er will be live streaming the event and have released an article talking about the panelists in today's edition.

Student-at-Large Espinoza, Vice Chair Gomez and Senator Pandey will be tabling for the event.

E. Senate

Senator Pandey reported the following:

- Senate reviewed and discussed the Ethnic Studies Report
- Confirmed Secretary for International Student Affairs Darshan Patel

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Information/Discussion/Action Item: Voter Registration Efforts for November Election

Secretary Bellenger stated that the next tabling event will be on Monday from 11am-3:30pm. She contacted three housing coordinators of the residential halls about speaking to student councils for each residential college. Chair Lendrum suggested contacting them about when the student council meetings are. He also stated that if we address the council we could ask them to have discuss at their building meetings to have a possible building competition around voter registration.

Senator Jurado met with Judy from Street Team about collaborating together for voter registration. Judy suggested putting voter registration schedule as a sticker on the Top Ramen giveaways. Vice Chair Gomez suggested including lavote.net website on sticker.

Vice Chair Gomez inquired about the protocol for students that aren't sure if they are already registered to vote. Secretary Bellenger suggested having them register again because the information would be the same.

B. Discussion/Action Item: CHES process and timeline

Chair Lendrum reviewed the timeline for CHES.

(M) Espinoza (S) Jurado to approve the CHES process and timeline

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 6-0-0

C. Discussion Item: District Visits

Chair Lendrum asked if anyone has been able to contact local representatives. He asked to have members contact their local legislator and bring to next meeting.

Vice Chair Gomez asked if we could assign specific legislators. Chair Lendrum asked to have each

member identify their local legislator and email the information to him by the next meeting.

Senator Pandey asked if he is allowed to contact local legislators. Chair Lendrum confirmed that as a member of Lobby Corps he can contact them.

D. Discussion Item: Representative Visits to Lobby Corps.

Secretary Bellenger drafted an email to be sent to legislators inviting them to attend a meeting.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Action Item: Election of (1) Lobby Corps Student-at-Large Danielle Carancho

Ms. Danielle Carancho stated that she is a senior who wants to join Lobby Corps because she is a political science and communications studies double major with an emphasis in law and policy, and she wants to represent students. She would like to gain experience with the legislative branch to see if it is a good fit for her. She stated that she has gained experience when she worked with Campaign A and B for Long Beach and as an inspector for local precinct in Carson.

Student At Large Espinoza asked if she had any experience in student government. She stated that she did not, but is passionate about it which why she wants to join.

Ms. San Miguel asked what current issues affecting students would she be interested in pursuing. Ms. Carancho stated that she is interested in some of the mandatory student fees.

Student-at-Large Espinoza asked if she is involved in any organizations at the time. She said she was a member of the Student Communication Associations.

Chair Lendrum asked if she would be able to balance her double major and all the work that Lobby Corps entails. She stated that she has excellent time management skills and would be able to balance her time wisely. Senator Jurado stated that she knows Ms. Carancho personally and vouches for her ability to commit to things.

Student-at-Large Espinoza asked if she is comfortable with public speaking. Ms. Carancho mentioned that she is an introvert, but that she has been actively working on it.

(M) Jurado (S) Pandey to approve Danielle Carancho as Lobby Corps Student-at-Large

VOTE ON THE MOTION

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9. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

Vice Chair Gomez asked if members had pronouns they wanted to be reflective on the minutes.

Chair Lendrum announced Senator Jurado as Lobby Corps member of the month.

Student-at-Large Espinoza congratulated Danielle for being approved to Lobby Corps.

Chair Lendrum thanked Christina for being at every meeting and for helping us with the voter registration drive.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection Chair Lendrum adjourned the meeting at 1:20pm.