

LOBBY CORPS MINUTES

Meeting #26
April 26, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jara called the meeting to order at 12:30pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Genesis Jara (Chief Government Relations Officer)
Sofia Musman (ASI Vice President)
Danielle Carancho (Senate Representative)
Melissa Mejia (Senate Representative)
Amanda Kilian (Student At-Large)
Nicolas Olenslager (Student At-Large)
Hilda Jurado (Student At-Large)
Autumn Farmer (AVP Legislative & External Relations Designee)

Voting Members Absent

Stephanie Argent (Senate Representative)

Non-voting Members Present

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

Non-voting Members Absent

3. APPROVAL /CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(M) Jurado (S) Olenslager to approve the Lobby Corps Agenda, Meeting #26, April 26, 2018

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 8-0-0

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

A. Lobby Corps, Meeting #25, April 12, 2018

(M) Jurado (S) Mejia to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #25, April 12, 2018

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 8-0-0

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no public comments/announcements.

6. REPORTS

A. Chair/Government Relations Officer

Chair Jara reported the following:

- Next week, 5/3 is the last meeting. Please bring any recommendations that you have for next year's Lobby Corps board so that they can compile it for them before the end of the year.
- Senator Almahdi wrote a rent control resolution that encourages Lobby Corps to support Housing Long Beach's efforts in preserving and increasing the supply of affordable housing for the well being of Long Beach residents. They urge Lobby Corps to advocate for housing and rent control in Long Beach at a local and state level.
 - Carancho thinks that this should be one of the larger areas of focus for next year's Lobby Corps because they will have elections in November
 - Musman recommended that they include in the resolution that Lobby Corps will advocate for this issue to be added onto the ballot, but after that, there is not much that Lobby Corps can do on behalf of this issue. They should also encourage and inform students about the issue and the

voting process.

- San Miguel added that the resolution would need to be changed to reflect that Lobby Corps can work to get it on the ballot, but once it is on the ballot they cannot take an affirmative/negative stance.

B. Vice Chair

Vice Chair Carancho reported the following:

- Nothing to report

C. Students-at-Large

Students-at-Large reported the following:

- Jurado – It was announced on Friday that Chancellor White and the CSU Board of Trustees have announced that they will not move forward with a tuition increase for the upcoming 2018-19 academic year.

D. Senate

Senator Mejia reported the following:

- Invocation by Terence Graham, Executive Director of the Center for International Education
- Looked over 7 resolutions that looked at implementing certain things for next semester such as including menstrual hygiene products all over campus and Almahdi's housing resolution, among others.

E. AVP Legislative & External Relations

Farmer reported the following:

- Passed around some visuals for the postcard writing campaign that Carbaugh is working on with a few faculty members. The campaign will be around May 1st in time for the May revise of the budget. The postcards will allow students and faculty members to fill out why they believe the CSU should be fully funded, among other concerns. The goal is to have these available in every college's department and they will be addressed and stamped so that they can be sent out to the governor and state legislators.

7. OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Tuition Opposition Event/Efforts Recap

Jara thanked everyone for all of the work that they did before the event. However, Jara was disappointed that almost no Lobby Corps board members were present at the event, even though they were all part of the planning process and they specifically made the event on the same date/time as their weekly meetings.

Jara specifically thanked Kilian for being there at the time they said they would and for being very helpful while they were there.

Musman believes that the planning this year were a lot more organized and effective than last year's efforts.

Olenslager thought the event went well and thought it was interesting that there were some student groups that were directly behind them and thinks it would have been nice to open the event up to them.

Carancho stated that they invited every political organization that is registered through SLD. They received a couple of responses from some of the organizations that they reached out to.

9. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

Kilian will not be present at the last meeting, but thanked the board for all of their hard work. Being on Lobby Corps has been a highlight of their time here at CSULB and they have enjoyed working with everyone over the past year.

San Miguel announced the following:

- Don't forget to pick up your ticket to the ASI Banquet by May 2nd. Guest tickets may be purchased at the AS Business Office
- ASI will be having a special election to amend their bylaws to make the language more gender inclusive. The elections will be from May 8th-10th and encouraged everyone to spread the word and encourage students to vote once they have the marketing materials ready.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection Chair Jara adjourned the meeting at 12:47pm.