

**LOBBY CORPS MINUTES**  
**Meeting #12**  
November 15, 2018

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Bryanna Siguenza called the meeting to order at 2:30pm.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Voting Members Present

Bryanna Siguenza, ASI Chief Government Relations Officer  
Leen Almahdi, ASI Vice President  
Frances Canales, ASI Senate Representative  
Justin Contreras, ASI Senate Representative  
Mateo Maya, ASI Student At-Large  
Melissa Mejia, ASI Senate Representative  
Elena Philippou, ASI Student At-Large  
Reyalyn Villegas, ASI Student At-Large

Voting Members Absent

Autumn Farmer, AVP Legislative & External  
Relations Designee

Non-voting Members Present

James Ahumada, Assistant Director ASI Government Affairs & Initiatives Designee

Non-voting Members Absent

**3. APPROVAL /CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

- Item #7-B: postpone until next week

**(M) Mejia (S) Villegas to approve the Lobby Corps Agenda, Meeting #12, November 15, 2018, as amended**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**MOTION CARRIES**

**4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

A. Action Item: Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #11, November 8, 2018

**(M) Canales (S) Phillipou to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #11, November 8, 2018**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**MOTION CARRIES**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chris Chavez: introduced self as the 2009-10 ASI President and CSSA

**6. REPORTS**

A. Chief Government Relations Officer

B. Vice Chair

There was none.

C. At-Large Representatives

There was none.

D. Senate

There was none.

- E. AVP Legislative & External Relations  
There was none.

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Discussion Item: Finalize Policy Agenda  
Lobby Corps discussed the language and priorities for the 2018-2019 Lobby Corps Policy Agenda.

Needs to be addressed deadline: next Lobby Corps meeting

Degree Attainment

Priority #3: Ensure that obtaining a degree is more accessible and equitable for marginalized students.  
Needs to be addressed

College Affordability

Priority #1

Problem: The time from completion to degree is coming increasingly costly for students

Needs to be addressed:

Textbook costs - Maya

Actual cost of attendance in the CWU system – Villegas

Siguenza

Basic Needs

Priority #2:

Needs to be addressed:

Estimated cost of housing and basic needs – Contreras

Research: legislation that has passed on this and solutions -

- B. Discussion Item: Student-at-Large Reports  
Lobby Corps Students at-Large will present a report of their duties for Lobby Corps  
\*This item was postponed.

**8. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS**

Siguenza: Villegas will be presenting California Higher Education State Summit (CHESS) legislation at the next meeting.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

**Without objection** Chair Siguenza adjourned the meeting at 2:50pm.