

LOBBY CORPS MINUTES
Meeting #18
February 14, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Reyalyn Villegas called the meeting to order at 2:32pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Reyalyn Villegas, Chief Government Relations Officer
Frances Canales, Senate Representative
Justin Contreras, Senate Representative
Mateo Maya, Senate Representative
Jireh Deng, Student At-Large
Jude Khatib, Student At-Large
Leen Almahdi, ASI Vice President

Voting Members Absent

VACANT, ASI Student-at-Large

Non-voting Members Present

Lindsay San Miguel, Assistant Director, Government Affairs & Initiatives
Autumn Farmer, AVP Legislative & External Relations' Designee

Guest

Genesis Jara, ASI President (DP@3pm)

3. APPROVAL /CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(M) Canales (S) Contreras to approve the Lobby Corps Agenda, Meeting #18, February 14, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 8-0-0

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. Action Item: Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #17, February 7, 2019

(M) Contreras (S) Maya to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #17, February 7, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 8-0-0

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were none.

6. REPORTS

A. Chief Government Relations Officer

- Congratulations to newly elected Students-at-Large Deng and Khatib
- Encouraged board to recruit for vacant student-at-large position
- Will be attending Cal State Student Assn (CSSA) at San Francisco State this weekend, along with Jara

B. Vice Chair

There was none.

C. Students-at-Large Representatives

There was none.

D. Senate

Maya: confirmed Deng and Khatib as Lobby Corps Students-at-Large; approved California State Legislature Bills of Interest on a 1st reading

E. AVP Legislative & External Relations

- Created legislator biographies for all 6 offices; however, there is one vacancy
- Preparing Advocacy Day's meeting schedule; Assemblymember O'Donnell confirmed
- Will be scheduling a visit with new legislators Archuletta and Petrie-Norris, in order to familiarize them with CSULB
- There will be a new Legislative & External Relations staff member who will be handling government relations

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Discussion Item: CHESS Updates

Villegas

- State representatives have confirmed their respective delegation visits
- Reminded committee that their \$25 CHESS deposit is due Feb. 21st
- CHESS Orientation Feb. 21st, 6pm, USU-202
- CHESS Training: Mar 2nd, 8:30am, USU-306
- Delegation
- Assemblymember Harper has been replaced by Assemblymember Petrie-Norris: Villegas
- Assemblymember Delgado has been replaced by Assemblymember Archuletta: Villegas
- Assemblymember O'Donnell confirmed for a 12:45pm visit
- Senator Lara's office is currently vacant
- Legislative bios ready for committee review
- Will be developing talking points based on bios

Canales: emailed their legislator; will call tomorrow, if no response today.

Maya: emailed legislator yesterday; will need replacement for Senator Lara

Contreras: emailed legislator; will call tomorrow, if no response.

Villegas: directed committee to call legislators' capitol office; will assign legislator to Students-at-Large.

B. Discussion Item: CHESS Legislative Visits

Villegas: was notified that some senators want SB24 stricken from Bills of Interest resolution.

Maya: Senate discussion turned from the objective of accessibility to Pro-Life and morality.

Canales: recommended reaching out to Health Services for their insight, and be well educated factually on each bill.

Discussion ensued regarding educating selves on facts, and keeping focus on the providing/increasing access and services to those in need.

Almahdi: send any resolution recommendations by midnight tonight.

C. Discussion Item: Bills of Interest

Villegas: was notified that ASI Senators want to strike SB24 from the Bills of Interest resolution.

Canales: ASI Executive Director Richard Haller recommended reaching out to the CSULB Student Health Center for their input, which will identify and clarify need, statistics, and potential implementation.

Discussion ensued regarding personal belief and the resolution's objective of increasing student access to service.

Canales: encouraged committee to be well versed on this bill and to be factual not personal.

8. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

San Miguel: ASI Communications wants an attending CHESS delegation student to do a social media takeover; Deng, Contreras, Maya, and Villegas volunteered; vacant student-at-large position deadline is now Feb. 28th, 5pm.

Villegas: asked board to have leave-behind ideas for next meeting; will be developing a PowerPoint for the bills of support to share during delegation visits.

Maya: March for Their Lives interested in collaborating with CSULB and/or establishing chapter.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Chair Villegas adjourned the meeting at 3:11pm.