

LOBBY CORPS MINUTES
Meeting #10
October 31, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Katherine Pham called the meeting to order at 2:33pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Katherine Pham, Chief Government Relations Officer
Jireh Deng, Senate Representative
Daniella Hernandez, Senate Representative
Lizbeth Velasquez, Vice President's Designee
Daniel Galindo, Senate Representative
Faris Babineaux, Student At-Large
Shantall Prado, Student At-Large
Ricki McManuis, AVP University Relations' Designee

Voting Members Absent

VACANT, Student At-Large

Non-voting Members Present

Lindsay San Miguel, ASI Asst. Director, Government Affairs & Initiatives

3. APPROVAL /CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(M) Babineaux (S) Hernandez to approve the Lobby Corps, Meeting #10, October 31, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 8-0-0

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

A. Action Item: Lobby Corps, Meeting #9, October 24, 2019

(M) Galindo (S) Babineaux to approve Lobby Corps, Meeting #9, October 24, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 8-0-0

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There was none.

6. REPORTS

A. Chief Government Relations Officer

Pham:

- Created template for district visits email
- Reminder for reports, don't cover anything on the agenda to avoid redundancy
- Will be going policy agenda next week and then assigning everyone to different items
- Planning on conducting mid-semester check-in
- CSSA - student trustee Garcia was appointed to the special committee for the selection of the new Chancellor
- If interested to attend to one of the CSSA forums, best one to attend is on Nov 20th 2-4pm at Office of Chancellor

B. Vice Chair

- Senator Umberg came, and they talked about college affordability

C. At-Large Representatives

Prado:

- They did some district visit call
- They advocated for paid internship with Senator Umberg

D. Senate

Galindo:

- Last meeting, they did have informational reports highlighting Dr. Klaus; Next semester, they are piloting wheelchair pathways

Deng:

- They checked on 100 days 100 classrooms, around 50 classes so far
- Focus group tomorrow at USU and SRWC, and told the board they can register 10:15-11:30pm at USU 305

E. AVP University Relations

- Have visit with Congressman Lowenthal and Graves. There will be Q and A portion from 1-1:30pm at Hall of Science
 - ✓ Senator Jireh Deng can go

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Action Item: 2019-20 Policy Agenda

(M) Deng (S) Babineaux to approve 2019-20 Policy Agenda

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 8-0-0

B. Discussion Item: Voter Registration Booth on November 13, 2019

Pham:

- There are two sign-ups
- Right now, there is Commissioner of Disability Affairs for tabling both 11-12pm and 12-1pm
- Senator Stephanie Triska is tabling 11-12pm

McManius: They can volunteer from 1-2pm.

San Miguel: On the Census 2020 Toolkit, there is a section on how to address student concerns. This toolkit can be used as a guide.

Deng: Told the board that they will reach out to the guy who's in charge with the laptop

C. Discussion Item: District Visits

Pham: Contacted Schedulers for Assembly Members

- ✓ Stephen Choi – they were referred to another district representative
- ✓ Christy Garcia – they were referred to chief-of-staff
- ✓ Senator Ling Ling Chang – their email didn't go through but will try to email once again

Babineaux: Contacted Schedulers for Assembly Members

- ✓ Muratsushci – got a response

Prado: Contacted schedulers for Assembly Members

- ✓ Jose Medina – they were referred to somebody else
- ✓ Senator Scott Weisner – no response
- While scheduling visit, Policy Agenda came up.
- During the visit with Senator Umberg, they talked about 2 businesses including Business of Commerce.

- They thought it was a district visit, but it was not; It's the Policy Agenda.
- They need to add businesses under the action item on Policy Agenda

Velasquez: We already passed the Policy Agenda.

Deng: Contacted schedulers for Assembly Members

- ✓ Tom Daley – did not get a response.
- ✓ Senator Connie Leyva – they contacted Leyva's scheduler and they are offering them time on Mon 10-11am then mentioned that meeting would be in Pomona District office

Deng: This visit is going to be with one of their staff members

Velasquez: Reached out to staffers and will connect them to schedulers

Galindo:

- Reached out to both assembly members
- Nov 5th – input on housing
- District 1 looking at city council member to schedule regular visit with them or at least meet with them
- Got responses from the candidates since they are running out of time

Hernandez: Reached out with Bates and Archuleta, but did not get any response.

McManius: Asked the board if the email addresses are right since majority are not receiving responses. If not, they are more than happy to send the right email addresses if need be.

San Miguel: Make sure that the updates are accurately reflected.

D. Information Item: CHESS

Pham:

- They got 35 applications so far
- Interview is Nov 15th 8-5pm

Prado: They have school that day but they can be there up until 1pm.

Galindo: They can be there. How does the process look like?

San Miguel: Pulled out the interview template and displayed to the board

Pham: The 1st bonding activity maybe between winter break and training day then the 2nd one would be in between training and CHESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Information Item: EATS Act

Deng: The original document doesn't include the higher education

Pham: They just recently got the document from CSSA

Velasquez: If received from CSSA and wanted to receive more information about it, next best step would be contacting Grace Pang, Vice President of Legislative Affairs.

B. Information Item: DEGREES NOT DEBT Act

Deng: Asked for clarification if they are voting whether they are going to take a stance or support of these two acts

Velasquez: Right now, these two acts are more of a discussion item to see what are our opinions are. If there is room for improvement, then that's when we take action as a board.

9. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

Velasquez:

- For Policy Agenda, we need to be clear and concise on what we are doing
- It is beneficial if we present a document to a legislator that we stay in our lane of the policy agenda

Prado:

- One of the things that came up in Umberg's policy was that they wanted to advocate at the Business of Commerce.
- They wanted to clarify that they implied businesses on their writing on Policy Agenda but not specifically specified what type of business

Pham:

- Since we are on voluntary closing comments, we can't make any changes on the Policy Agenda; however, we'll see if we can make those changes later.

San Miguel: Be mindful that you are there to represent ASI on the District Visits with your advocacy.

McManius:

- Informed the board of the Radiolab's Jad Abumrad music, video, and storytelling on Nov 16th 8pm at Carpenter Performing Arts Center
- Free concert ensemble Mik Nawooj -- a Hip hop orchestra -- on Nov 8th 7pm at Carpenter Performing Arts Center

Galindo:

- Bill on Student Athlete update – NCAA voted to adjust the rules to begin to allow students to profit from their names, images, and the like.
- Reversing the organization's long-held opposition to the concept of allowing amateur players to earn income.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Chair Katherine Pham adjourned the meeting at 3:23pm.