

**LOBBY CORPS MINUTES**  
**Meeting #12**  
November 14, 2019

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Katherine Pham called the meeting to order at 2:32pm.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Voting Members Present

Katherine Pham, Chief Government Relations Officer (Dp @ 3:30pm)  
Lizbeth Velasquez, Vice President's Designee  
Jireh Deng, Senate Representative (Ar @ 2:34pm)  
Daniel Galindo, Senate Representative  
Daniella Hernandez, 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 (Ar @ 2:34pm) (Dp @ 3:30pm)

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

**(M) Galindo (S) Hernandez to approve the Lobby Corps, Meeting #12, November 14, 2019**  
**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 7-0-0**

**4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING**

A. Action Item: Lobby Corps, Meeting #11, November 7, 2019  
**(M) Babineaux (S) Galindo to approve Lobby Corps, Meeting #11, November 7, 2019**  
**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 7-0-0**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were none.

**6. REPORTS**

A. Chief Government Relations Officer

Pham:

- Shared their progress and future goals at the Senate meeting
- Started working on the agenda for CSSA

B. Vice Chair

Babineaux:

- Secured a meeting with Assembly Member Calderon
- Attended the SJEC meeting and spoke about support for AB 460

C. At-Large Representatives

Prado:

- Will share during Closing Comments what came up at a City Council meeting yesterday

#### D. Senate

Galindo:

- Last senate meeting:
  - approved two new Senate Resolutions on their 1<sup>st</sup> readings
    - ✓ SR #2020-05 –support for fair and equitable compensation of academic employees
    - ✓ SR #2020-06 - increase support and access to students of disabilities; this involves changes to access and advertising with USU on promoting different support for students with disabilities; also, to include closed-captioning

Deng:

- Reminded board to complete their 100 Classes 100 Days responsibilities
- There will be a hiring event, Nov 18<sup>th</sup>, Maxson Plaza; contact Ricki McManius with questions

#### E. AVP University Relations

McManius:

- December they will be come back with talking points for Prop 13
- Nov 18<sup>th</sup>, Maxson Plaza Hiring event, in partnership with 2<sup>nd</sup> & PCH Shopping Center

### 7. OLD BUSINESS

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

McManius: recommended signage on how to register to vote.

Deng:

- They have QR codes so students can screenshot on their phone for easy reference

Babineaux: Have something new to talk about/highlight next time because they kind of know what to expect already on first and second.

Pham:

- Tentatively set for Feb 12<sup>th</sup>, to include delegates tabling

#### B. Information Item: CHESS

Pham:

- Currently at 30 applicants; 5 of them didn't respond to the interview invitation
- Majority of the interview time slots will have two applicants
- Some applicants have submitted either written or video statement

San Miguel:

- Will have a working lunch to review submitted statements
- Currently, one additional person has just submitted a statement, so the 8:30am time block now only has one applicant; will see if they can come at 9:10am, then the 8:30am time frame can be used for review and then the lunch break will be for deliberations
- There are eight statements for review

Pham:

- Board will be emailed a compressed file of all applications
- Asked the board to review the applications tonight
- Suggested that it's may be efficient if statements are pre-reviewed before interviews

San Miguel: interview room location has changed to USU 303

C. Discussion Item: District Visits

Pham:

- They had to reschedule next Assembly Member Choi visit to next Friday Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> 4 pm in Irvine
- For Christina Garcia they want to schedule Nov 20<sup>th</sup> at 10 am but this will conflict with medina's sched, so they will email them again for possibly re-scheduling

Babineaux:

- Dec 4<sup>th</sup> 10-10:30am, they will be meeting with Representative Calderon in his office; invited board to attend meeting

Deng:

- communicating with Connie Leyva's scheduler

Pham:

- Have received two responses, one of which is Assembly Member Choi on Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9-9:30 am

Galindo: They can't make it.

Deng:

- Need to check schedule first

Pham: goal is at least eight district visits.

McManius:

- Senate and Assembly will soon take their holiday break and encouraged board to solidify meetings quickly

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Discussion Item: Advocacy Day

Pham:

- Last meeting, they discussed to see if issues should be based from the policy agenda

Deng:

- Had issues with participant parking last year, so this needs to be discussed

Pham: Do we focus organization that are relevant to our policy agenda? Or find issues in general on campus?

Deng:

- Last year they focused on campus organizations
- Recalled that neighborhood legal services offered their services

San Miguel:

- There is a well intention to bringing in these resources to connect students
- Advocacy is broad
- recommended focusing on the purpose of Lobby Corps
- Stick with their Policy Agenda versus tackling too many issues
- To engage folks with the Policy Agenda can be multifaceted
- Having legislators present is a good idea to connect student body plus they can answer questions
- There are ways to let the students participate and engage

McManius:

- Invite the neighbors as well to come because advocacy is about systemwide goals to make people simply understand on how this will affect as a community

B. Information Item: Fourth Year Quantitative Reasoning Requirement

Velasquez:

- Changed to additional qualitative reasoning because Chancellor's office wanted this to be well-known
- Will moving item to the January agenda
- Still having conversations about this requirement and some couple changes: like from 6 years to 7 years to implement

C. Discussion Item: AB 1460

Deng:

- This is something that can be implemented
- It is important because this requirement allows other student to learn other cultures
- Ethnic studies are experiencing funding shortage

Hernandez: it's crucial that everyone learn from each other's culture

Velasquez: They would say that they should have conscious decision on letting them know that they are having this discussion for more transparency

## 9. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

Prado:

- City Council recommended an occupancy tax, meaning taxing hotel people who go on vacation; funding will go towards beautification projects; example was given of Santa Monica because they have great hotels but there is no rent control

McManius: They just want to point out that by inviting political folks to come to campus, be cognizant that they are in election time.

Galindo:

- City of Long Beach is hosting Fall endorsement this weekend
- 8 presidential candidates will be at the presidential forum
- There will be volunteer opportunities tomorrow Democratic National Convention in Long Beach California

## 10. ADJOURNMENT

**Without objection**, Chair Katherine Pham adjourned the meeting at 3:42pm.