

LOBBY CORPS MINUTES (FINAL)
Meeting #2
September 3, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mateo Maya called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Hannah Peedikayil, ASI Student At-Large
Isabel Cameron, ASI Senate Representative
Sierra Darwin, ASI Senate Representative
Sumaiyah Hossain, ASI Senate Representative
Mateo Maya, ASI Chief Government Relations Officer
Omar Prudencio Gonzalez, ASI Vice President's Designee (Depart 3:33 p.m.)
Ricki Burgener, CSULB AVP University Relations' Designee

Non-voting Members Present

Chrissy Myers, ASI Government Affairs Graduate Student
Lindsay San Miguel, ASI Assistant Director, Government Affairs and Initiatives

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Prudencio Gonzalez (MOVED) Hossain (SECOND) to approve Lobby Corps Agenda, Meeting #2, September 3, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 7-0-0
Approve-Oppose-Abstain

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Action Item: Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #1, August 27, 2020

Cameron (MOVED) Darwin (SECOND) to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #1, August 27, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

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6. REPORTS

A. Information Item: ASI Chief Government Relations Officer

- Met with Burgener, Prudencio Gonzalez and Reese to discuss voter registration and education
- Will be meeting with Beach Pride Events next week to begin planning events for National Voter Registration Day, September 22nd
- Met with ASI Communications' graphic designer Candice to discuss flyer and artwork for socials; draft graphics anticipated by Monday with actual design by the next week

B. Information Item: ASI Lobby Corps Vice Chair

There was none.

C. Information Item: ASI Lobby Corps Student At-Large

- Will give their research findings on organizations to partner with voter registration in the Voter Registration discussion

D. Information Item: ASI Senate

Last meeting (Darwin)

- Approved consent calendar
- Received reports from president, treasurer, college senators

E. Information Item: CSULB Associate Vice President University Relations

- Finalizing campus voting center details with the Los Angeles (LA) County Registrar’s Office; details and location are forthcoming
- Finalizing 2 ballot boxes on campus; anticipated location in parking lot G-12
- Sept. 17th: Constitutional Day; virtual chat with Burgener and Dr. Kevin Johnson (Director, Center for 1st Amendment Studies)
- Sept. 22nd: virtual chat regarding voter registration with LA County Registrar’s Office, Burgener and Maya to discuss voting process (i.e. difference between ballot mail-in and drop-off)
- Oct. 21st: Legislative Virtual Campus Update; Lobby Corps is invited to attend along with legislators and key community leaders; agenda forthcoming

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Action Item: Election of Vice Chair

Hossain (MOVED) Cameron (SECOND) to elect Vice Chair – Sierra Darwin

Darwin nominated themselves.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

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Approve-Oppose-Abstain**

B. Action Item: Approval of the Beach Civic Engagement Plan (BCEP)

Maya reviewed the main points of the engagement plan:

- Civic Engagement Plan Goals and Action Steps:
- Voter Registration
- Voter Education
- Ballot Access
- Get Out the Vote
- Community Partnerships (Beach Vote Coalition)

Darwin (MOVED) Hossain (SECOND) to approve the Beach Civic Engagement Plan (BCEP)

VOTE ON THE MOTION

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C. Discussion Item: Voter Registration Event

Format: Webinar

- Have political trivia with prizes
- Question and answer
- Mock voting exercise
- Review previously submitted Instagram stories

Maya requested board submit general voting-related questions on Teams Google Doc, which will be submit to the LA County Registrar's office for Sept. 22nd event.

2nd Annual California (CA) University and College Ballot Bowl: Secretary of State's office will award the campus that has the highest percentage of the student body registered, as well as the largest number of registrations at an on-campus polling place or vote center. The challenge is between the CA Community College, CA State University, and the University of CA systems. Challenge goes from August 17th through November 3rd.

D. Discussion Item: Social Media Campaign

- Focus: voter education campaign, highlighting positions and diversity issues
- A new theme every two weeks
 - Voting equity: Cameron
Burgener shared the following link for ideas: <https://www.racialequitytools.org/home>
 - Climate change: Darwin
 - Immigration, "I Dream": Omar
 - Racial justice, "I Fight/Survive": Hossain
 - Gender based issues, "I Decide/Choose:": Hannah
- Invite a speaker (student and/or staff)
- Request 22 West Media Magazine to feature a voting article and ask students to submit their stories
- Request campus resource centers to spread word to students to submit their stories
- ASI Communication would post that week's theme on socials, and call for students to submit their comments and stories.

E. Information Item: Weekly Assignments

Census registration (Cameron):

Census at the Beach

- What is the Census used for?
 - Congress
 - City Planning
 - School Resources
- Points to stress
 - Can be completed in less than 10 minutes from your phone (1st online census ever)
- Key Dates
 - Sept. 30th – census closes
- 65% of Long Beach has completed census; 18-30 age range are the majority of those who haven't completed it
- Center for Community Engagement www.csulb.edu/center-for-community-engagement
 - Leads several campus census 2020 efforts
 - Organized complete count committee
 - 30 campus stakeholders on the committee (includes ASI)
- Ideas?

- On-campus: reach out to last semester's R.A.s to possibly contact previous dormers
- Off-campus: add section to BeachBoard pages for civic engagement, and include census and voter registration information

Positions - legislation (Darwin):

Propositions

- 14 (Bonds): would allocate \$5.5 billion in bonds for the state stem cell research institute.
Support:
Oppose:
- 15 (Taxes): would require commercial and industrial properties to be taxed based on market value and dedicates revenue.
Support:
Oppose:
- 16 (Affirmative Action): would repeal Prop 209 that states that the state cannot discriminate or grant preferential treatment based on sex, race, color ethnicity or national origin in public employment, education or contracting. Would make Affirmative Action legal.
Support:
Oppose:
- 17 (Suffrage): would restore the right to vote for people convicted of felonies who are on parole.
Support: ACLU of CA and League of Women Voters
Oppose: State Senator Jim Nielsen (R)
- 18 (Suffrage): allows 17-year olds who will be 18 at time of the next general election to vote in primaries.
Support: Assembly Member Kevin Mullin, Secretary of State Alex Padilla, and CA Association of Student Councils
Oppose: The Election Integrity Project of CA
- 19 (Taxes): would permit homeowners who are 55, severely disabled or whose homes were destroyed by wildfire or disaster, to transfer their primary residence's property tax base value to a replacement residence of any value, anywhere in the state.
Support: National Association of Realtors.
Oppose: The Orange County Register Editorial Board.
- 20 (Law Enforcement): would make specific types of theft and fraud crimes, including firearm theft, vehicle theft, and unlawful use of a credit card, chargeable as misdemeanors or felonies, rather than misdemeanors.
Support: Orange County Board of Supervisors, LA Police Protective League, and the Association for LA Deputy Sheriffs
Oppose: ACLU of Northern CA, and SEIU CA State Council
- 21 (Housing): would allow local governments to enact rent control on housing that was first occupied over 15 years ago, with an exception for landlords who own no more than two homes with distinct titles or subdivided interests.
Support: Senator Bernie Sanders, Senator Maxine Walters, CA Democratic Party, ACLU of Southern CA, Democratic Socialists of America, Eviction Defense Network.
Oppose: CA Taxpayers Association, American Legion (Department of CA), and CA Council for Affordable Housing
- 22 (Business): would consider app-based drivers to be independent contractors and enacts several labor policies related to app-based companies

Support: Doordash, Lyft, Uber, Instacart, and Postmates

Oppose: Senator Kamala Harris, Senator Elizabeth Warren, Joe Biden, CA Labor Federation, and Transport Workers Union of America

- 23 (Healthcare): would require chronic dialysis clinics to: have an on-side physician while patients are being treated; report data on dialysis-related infections; obtain consent from the state health department before closing a clinic; and not discriminate against patients based on the source of payment for care.

Support: CA for Kidney Dialysis Patient Protection

Oppose: DataVina Inc., and the CA Medical Association

- 24 (Business): would expand the state's consumer data privacy laws, including provisions to allow consumers to direct businesses to not share their personal information.

Support: Californians for Consumer Privacy, and Andrew Yang (D)

Oppose: ACLU of CA, United Farm Workers, Council on Islamic American Relations

- 25 (Trials): would replace cash bail with risk assessments for detained suspects at trials.

Support: CA Democratic Party, NextGen CA, League of Women Voters, CA Teachers Association

Oppose: Howard Jarvis Taxpayer Association, American Bail Coalition, CA Agents Association, and CA Against the Reckless Bail Scheme

Positions - candidates (Hossain)

U.S. Senate Representatives of CA

- Dianne Feinstein: Since Nov 10, 1992 (next election in 2024), Democrat
- Kamala Harris: Since Jan 3, 2017 (next election in 2022), Democrat

U.S. House Representatives of CA by District

- District 47 (Long Beach): Alan Lowenthal, Democrat
- LA: Alan Lowenthal, Democrat
- Orange: John Briscoe, Republican

CA State Senate

- 20 of 40 CA State Senate seats are up for election in 2020
- District 1: Brian Dahle (R); Pamela Dawn Swartz (D)
- District 3: Bill Dodd (D); Carlos Santamaria (R)
- District 5: Jim Ridenour (R); Susan Talamantes Eggman (D)
- District 7: Julie Mobley (R); Steve Glazer (D)
- District 9: Jamie Dluzak (L); Nancy Skinner (D)
- District 11: Jackie Fielder (D); Scott Wiener (D)

Ballotpedia www.ballotpedia.org has sample ballot lookup

Voter registration (Maya)

Voting rights organizations (Peedikayil)

- www.Votersedge.org : make your own voters' guide
- LA Country Registrar's Office: virtual events, voter registration training, (bilingual) poll worker opportunities
- League of Women Voters, Long Beach: virtual events, voter registration
- CSULB Student Organizations: Lobby Corps could attend organization meetings

9. CLOSING COMMENTS

There was none.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Chair Mateo Maya adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.