

THE SENATE/BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

Meeting #25

March 6, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Leen Almahdi called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Anisah Ullah, ASI College of the Arts (Dp @ 4:37pm)
Robert Martinez, ASI College of Business
Alejandra Aguilar, ASI College of Education
Frances Canales, ASI College of Education (Dp @ 4:37pm)
Mathew Major, ASI College of Engineering
Michelle Fukuda, College of Health & Human Services
Ryan Phong, ASI College of Health & Human Services
Brianna Guzman, ASI College of Liberal Arts
Amy Chan, ASI College of Natural Science & Math
Ruben Alvarez, ASI College of Natural Science & Math (Ar @ 3:36pm)
Naomi Howansky, ASI At-Large
Mateo Maya, ASI At-Large (Ar @ 3:32pm)
Imani McDonald, ASI At-Large
Omar Prudencio Gonzalez, ASI At-Large
Leen Almahdi, ASI Vice President
Dr. Piya Bose, CSULB President's Designee

Voting Members Absent

Denise Soto, ASI College of Business
Yamin Yee, ASI College of Engineering
Aaron Jordan, ASI At-Large
Justin Contreras, ASI At-Large
VACANT, ASI College of Liberal Arts
VACANT, ASI College of Arts
VACANT, CSULB Faculty Representative

Staff Present

Richard Haller, ASI Executive Director
Lindsay San Miguel, Asst. Director, Government Affairs & Initiatives (Dp @ 4:37pm)

3. INVOCATION

CSULB Dean of College of Health & Human Services Dr. Monica Lounsberry

- Spoke about time being the most precious resources in their possession and asked Senators if they are spending their time correctly.
- Advised Senators to fully engage on their leadership role and do not miss any opportunities for growth and development.
- Shared the following quote by Howard Zinn:
"We don't have to engage in grand, heroic actions to participate in the process of change. Small acts, when multiplied by millions of people, can transform the world."

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jacob, Student: Expressed their frustration regarding the Mascot Search Committee, as they feel their time was wasted since there will be no At-Large representation.

Gabriela, Student: Advertised the Ethics at The Beach Event on March 22nd – applications are available at BeachSync.

5. ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(M) Prudencio Gonzales (S) McDonald to approve Senate Agenda, Meeting #25, March 6, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 15-0-1

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

- Met with VP Takemoto regarding goals and initiatives in progress.
- Met with VP Appel regarding transportation, accessibility and mobility efforts.
- CHESS training.
- Mascot Search Committee – Confirmed the last person to be sitting on the committee.
- Met with Dr. Kochan and had a library tour on the basement area to check the new technology.

7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. Action Item: Senate Minutes, Meeting #24, February 27, 2019

(M) Prudencio Gonzales (S) Alvarez to approve the Senate Minutes, Meeting #24, February 27, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 15-0-1

8. CONSENT CALENDAR/REPORTS

A. Approval of Minutes/Reports from Sub-Boards/Sub-Committees

1) Action Item: Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #22, February 26, 2019

(M) McDonald (S) Prudencio Gonzales to approve Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #22, February 26, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 15-0-1

2) Action Item: Isabel Patterson Child Development Center Board of Trustees (IPCDCBOT) Minutes, Meeting #4, January 25, 2019

(M)Maya (S)McDonald to approve Isabel Patterson Child Development Center Board of Trustees (IPCDCBOT) Minutes, Meeting #4, January 25, 2019

Martinez and Phong stepped out of the room while voting took place.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 13-0-1

3) Action Item: Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #19, February 21, 2019

(M)Aguilar (S) Prudencio Gonzales to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #19, February 21, 2019

Phong stepped out of the room while voting took place.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 14-0-1

B. Acceptance of Minutes/Reports from Sub-Boards/Sub-Committees

1) Action Item: Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #17, February 18, 2019

(M)Maya (S) Aguilar to approve Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #17, February 18, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 15-0-1

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Executive Business

1) Action Item: PA #2019-23: Confirmation of Commissioner for International Students - Stephany Triska

(M) Prudencio Gonzales (S) Aguilar to confirm PA #2019-23: Stephany Triska as Commissioner for International Students

Triska reviewed their qualifications and goals as the Commissioner for International Students.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 14-0-2

2) Action Item: PA #2019-24: Confirmation of Commissioner for Pregnant & Parenting - Erika Rodriguez

(M)Aguilar (S) Canales to confirm PA #2019-24: Erika Rodriguez as Commissioner for Pregnant & Parenting

Almahdi presented the candidates' statement on their behalf, in their absence.

Phong stepped out of the room while voting took place.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 13-0-2

- 3) Action Item: PA #2019-25: Confirmation of Commissioner for Veterans Affairs – Kaleb Lee
(M) Canales (S) Aguilar to confirm PA #2019-24: Kaleb Lee as Commissioner for Veterans Affairs

Almahdi presented the candidates' statement on their behalf, in their absence.

Phong stepped out of the room while voting took place.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 13-0-2

10. REPORTS

A. President Genesis Jara

- Take a Sec with the Execs Event series.
- Commissioner interviews with Chief Aquino
- CHESS training
- Interview for the Associate Justice vacancy.
- Will be participating in the Commission on the status of women event.
- Mascot Process – If you have any more questions, feel free to approach me.
- Went over Executive Goals Accomplished:
 - Search for the New Mascot
 - Arrange Resource Centers in one location as part of the University Master plan
 - Ballot Drop off location
 - Student Color Conference.
 - Sustainability training for student leaders.
 - Digital Course Evaluations
 - Increase scholarship awareness.
- Went over Executive Goals in Progress:
 - Transportation services for students with mobility issues.
 - Pay Forward Meal Program at USU vendors facilities.

B. ASI Treasurer Jesse Luna

- Reviewed the current spring 2019 Status of Funds
- Spring Grant Allocation
 - Call for Proposals Sent out
 - Deadlines
 - Organizations: March 18, 2019
 - College Councils: March 25, 2019
 - Financial Literacy Workshop – Intro to Individual Income Tax: March 14th, from 3-4:30 pm at USU 303

C. ASI Commissioner for Cultural Affairs Daniella Hernandez

Work completed since last report

- Have met with Christian Lozano from the Office of Multicultural Affairs several times
 - Discussed how to reach out to the chairs of the ethnic studies department
 - Finalized my event date for May 1st.
- Joined the Social Justice Equity Committee (SJEC)
 - Took part in the discussion of their Speaker Series event.

- Attended more Cultural Org. Meetings.

Goals for the next two weeks:

- Intersectionality Panel
 - Finalized attendance for Ethnic Studies department chair
 - Attend Office of Multicultural Affairs (OMA) staff meeting on March 8th from 12-3pm
 - Reach out to ASI Comm. for potential flyers.
- Conscious Collection
 - Finalize guest speaker for event
 - Begin marketing
- Attend regular meetings and student council meetings for cultural organizations

Student Concerns:

- First Amendment
 - What is considered protected free speech and what is not?
 - What goes too far?
- Use of hate speech towards groups like:
 - Undocumented students
 - Latinx students
 - African American students
 - LGBTQ students

Upcoming Events

- Conscious Collection, April 18th @6pm.
 - USU Art Museum
 - Showcasing artwork and spoken poetry for following communities: Cultural Affairs, Women's and Gender Equity, Disabled Students
 - Fliers will be posted in upcoming weeks
- Intersectionality Panel with Ethnic Studies department chairs
 - 2019 marks the 50th anniversary of most Ethnic Studies Programs across the CSU's
 - May 1st 5-7pm in Beach Auditorium
 - More details coming soon.

D. ASI Executive Director Richard Haller

- Announcements
- ACUI 2019 "Steal This Idea" Winners
 - Student Video Animation
 - 1st Place: Voter Registration 2018 – Christopher Rosa
 - Honorable Mention: Homecoming 2018 Promo – Abby Victor, Matt Carney, Logan Cross & Christopher Rosa
 - Student Promotional Campaign
 - 3rd Place: ASI Elections 2018 Marketing: Garrin Yabuta
- Financial Update
- Enrollment Update
- Headcounts as of 2/26/19
 - Fall 2018
 - ASI projected 37,545
 - 551 students short
 - Spring 2019
 - ASI projected 34,870
 - 529 students short
 - Census date was 2/18/19
- Investment Update

- ASI performance...
 - December – down \$52,535
 - January – up \$57,473
 - Ending market value of \$1,135,795
- USU performance...
 - December – down \$83,169
 - January – up \$91,022
 - Ending market value of \$1,786,450
- VEBA Update
- ASI performance...
 - December – down \$11,139
 - January – up \$14,334
 - Ending market value of \$254,829
- USU performance...
 - December – down \$49,888
 - January – up \$64,199
 - Ending market value of \$1,141,286
- Operational Updates
- Isabel Patterson Center
 - Security Gates are now fully operational
 - All families and staff have been assigned entry codes
 - Court yard of the center is fully lit
 - Leaking Water Heater resulted in flooding of the Infant/Toddler Center
 - Discovered on Saturday
 - ASI Facilities staff and PPFM worked over weekend to repair damage
 - Center was open and operational by Monday morning
- Operational Updates
- University Student Union
 - Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing Project
 - 90% of new LED lights installed
 - HVAC controls should be connected by 3/1
 - Air handlers offline for airflow monitoring station installations and duct liner encapsulation
 - ASI Beach Pantry
 - Received \$1,000 donation from Ralphs
 - Games Center Happy Hour Specials
 - All games half off Monday – Friday, 8 – 11 AM and 5 – 8 PM
- Operational Updates
- Recycling Center
 - For the month of December, ASI Recycling saved:
 - 79 trees
 - 1,849 gallons of oil
 - 61,220 hours of electricity
 - 23,891 gallons of water
- Staff Recruitment Update
- New Hires
 - None since last report
- Upcoming Recruitments
 - Preschool Program Teacher
 - ASI Executive Director
 - Position to be posted 03/11/19

- Application deadline 04/11/19
 - Resume review begins 04/15/19
- Staff Recognition
- Essential Piece of the Puzzle Award winner
 - For December – a tie!
 - Jordan Eres – Special Projects Coordinator
 - Laura Butt - Administrative Coordinator
 - For January
 - Danny Lemos, Student Media Coordinator

E. ASI At-Large Senator Reports

1) Senator Contreras

Report was not submitted by deadline.

2) Senator Howansky

Work completed since last report

- Provided 47 items to Career Closet and awarded prize to top donating org
- Volunteered for Beach Team Shadow
- Launched COB Instagram page
- Attended Academic Senate
- Attended HRMC and Executive Director Search Committee meetings
- Day one of college council room cleanup
- Posted flyers around campus for Ethics at the Beach event
- Bi-monthly tabling to gather student input and increase awareness of ASI and COB resources
- Attended 2 org meetings and bowl night at the USU

Goals for next two weeks

- Marketing campaign to grow COB Instagram followers
- Set up introductory meeting with representative from 49er Shops to discuss food options in the COB
- Table to gather more student feedback on campus-wide and COB topics/issues
- Continue to promote Ethics at the Beach

Student concerns

- No food or drink allowed in COB computer lab. Students have to leave items outside in the hallway on a small table.
- Doors not functioning properly.
- The process of starting an organization
- No feminine hygiene products in COB

3) Senator Jordan

No report was submitted.

4) Senator Maya

Work completed since last report:

- Had a meeting with directors of CIE where I discussed and proposed future projects involving International students (Global ambassadors)
- Lobby corps:
 - Work on a leave behind
 - Requested meetings with state legislators
 - CHESS orientation and training

Goals for next two weeks:

- Start brain storming ideas to create an event for international students and promote the GA program for next semester

- CHESS
- Idea: including calculators at beach pantry

5) Senator McDonald

Work completed since last report

- Attended Academic Senate and went over 2nd reading of the GE policy
- Met with Kelli Gill, Assistant Athletic Director, Marketing regarding larger student outcome, and implementation of college competition

Goals for next two weeks:

- Academic Senate
- Touch bases with College Senators in regard to college competition
- Table for ASI Elections

Student concerns:

- Implementation of the mascot

Anything else:

- Baseball: Series v TCU Fri, 6pm, Sat. 6 pm, Sun.1pm
 - vs UCLA Tuesday, March 12, 6pm
- Softball: tomorrow v BYU, 11:30,
 - Friday v Liberty, 2pm,
 - Saturday v SDSU, 11:30 & v Ohio 2pm
 - Sunday v UCLA, 2 pm
- MBB: Tonight v UCR 7pm tipoff
- BWC Tournament next week March 14-16
- WBB: Tomorrow v UC Davis, 7pm tipoff
- MVB: Friday v Stanford, 7pm
 - Saturday v St Francis, 7pm

6) Senator Prudencio Gonzalez

Work completed since last report

- Attended Board of Control Meetings
- HRMC Meeting
- WASC: Reading and analyzing of evidence (WASC Meeting Canceled)
- Attended Basketball Game
- 1-1 Meeting with the Vice President

Goals for the next two weeks:

- Meeting with WASC Sub-Committee Chaired by Dr. Hamilton
- ATI Meeting
- Contact Student Org Presidents At-Large
 - Will be reaching out to Dr. Wilson (FSL)
 - Continue to try to recruit students to fill ASI Student Government Vacancies

Student Concerns:

- SB 24 Bill.

11. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

Fukuda: Asked for an updated on the potholes situation on campus.

Almahdi: It was fixed at the beginning of the week.

Aguilar: The board needs to encourage students to talk to Senators At-Large about their concerns.

Maya: Reminded of Peace Corps Awareness Workshops and Study Abroad Workshops happening on campus.

Almahdi: Asked Senators to reach out to Senator McDonald regarding Student Engagement in Athletic Events.

Dr. Bose: Reminded of the Annual Pow Wow Event on March 9th and 10th.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection Chair Almahdi adjourned the meeting at 4:54pm.