

THE SENATE/BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
Meeting #26
March 13, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Leen Almahdi called the meeting to order at 3:32 pm

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Anisah Ullah, ASI College of the Arts
Denise Soto, ASI College of Business
Robert Martinez, ASI College of Business
Alejandra Aguilar, ASI College of Education (Ar @ 3:59)
Frances Canales, ASI College of Education
Mathew Major, ASI College of Engineering
Yamin Yee, 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
Aaron Jordan, ASI At-Large
Justin Contreras, ASI At-Large
Mateo Maya, ASI At-Large
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

Naomi Howansky, 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

3. INVOCATION

CSULB Academic Senate Chair and Professor for English Norbert Schürer

- Praised imperfection and disagreement and within Senate board meetings.
- Argued that slow deliberation is a quality the Student Leaders need to embrace.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

5. ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(M) Canales (S) Yee to approve Senate Agenda, Meeting #26, March 13, 2019

Phong stepped out of the room while voting took place.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 16-0-1

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

- Attended CHESS and advocated for Financial Aid Reform.
- Encouraged Senators to attend the Respect Diversity Week
- Attended regular meetings with the Administration and Students.

7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. Action Item: Senate Minutes, Meeting #25, March 6, 2019

(M)Maya (S) Yee to approve the Senate Minutes, Meeting #25, March 6, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 17-0-1

8. CONSENT CALENDAR/REPORTS

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

1) Action Item: Board of Control (BOC) Minutes Meeting #23, March 5, 2019

(M) Prudencio Gonzales (S) Guzman to approve Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #23, March 5, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 17-0-1

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

1) Action Item: Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #18, February 25, 2019

(M)McDonald (S) Alvarez to approve Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #17, February 18, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 17-0-1

2) Action Item: Judiciary Minutes, Meeting #7, February 5, 2019

(M) Maya (S) McDonald to approve Judiciary Minutes, Meeting #7, February 5, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 17-0-1

3) Action Item: Judiciary Minutes, Meeting #8, February 19, 2019

(M)Canales (S) Aguilar to approve Judiciary Minutes, Meeting #8, February 19, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 18-0-1

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Executive Business

1) Action Item: PA #2019-26: Confirmation of Associate Justice – Audrey Bui

(M) Ullah (S) Phong to confirm PA #2019-26: Andrea Bui as Associate Justice

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 16-0-2

Audrey Bui confirmed as ASI Associate Justice.

B. Legislative Business

1) Action Item: SR #2019-10: Bylaw Amendment Types of Elections (1st Reading)

Almahdi: Changes were made to maintain consistency in the work of the organization and how it is reflected on the Bylaws.

- Academic Senator will be chosen from the Senate, instead of being elected in the General Elections.
- Dissolution of the Board of Elections (BOE)

(M) Prudencio Gonzales (S) Yee to approve SR #2019-10: Bylaw Amendment Types of Elections (1st Reading)

- Contreras: Chapter 2, Article 1 Section 1, Item E: Strike “with the exception of the Board of Elections”

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 18-0-1

C. Non-Legislative Business

- 1) Action Item: BOD #1029-34: Election of one (1) Lobby Corps Student At-Large – Hamzah Khatib
(M)McDonald (S) Prudencio Gonzales to elect BOD #1029-34: Hamzah Khatib as Lobby Corps Student At-Large

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 17-0-2

Hamza Khatib elected as Lobby Corps Student At-Large.

10. REPORTS

A. President Genesis Jara

- Attended the President’s Commission on the Status of Women Research Colloquium
- Attended CHESS, the delegation met with 12 legislatures to advocate for Financial Aid Reform.
- Will attend Grand Opening of the Student Success Center
- Will present the State of the A.S. and Executive Goals in the next meeting.

B. ASI Commissioner for LGBTIQ+ Affairs Vivian

Work completed since last report

- Students wanting to change their preferred name for their e-mail address. Option is now available on MyCSULB.
- LGBTIQ+ coalition efforts.
- Established monthly meetings regarding the LGBTIQ+ Housing – Worked on the LGBTIQ+ Friendly Roommate Option.

Goals for the next two weeks:

- Continue efforts with Lavender Graduation
- Art Conscious Collection
- Attending Meetings
- Work on LGBTIQ+ Coalition

Student Concerns:

- LGBTIQ+ Roommate Matching Option

Events

- LGBTIQ+ Film Festival

C. University Student Union Board of Trustees Maritess Inieto

Work completed since last report:

Overall:

- Capital Outlay Meeting

Facilities:

- USU and SRWC Operating Calendar 2019-2020 fiscal year
- Facilities Use Policy
- USU Space Allocation
- Beach Balance in USU-309
- Guardian Scholars

Campus Relations:

- 2 comment card kiosks for USU ordered

Services:

- Reviewing all service rates

- USU Facility Fee Schedule
- USU Games Center Fee Schedule
- USU games center, meeting spaces, other services and items rentable for students

Program Evaluations:

- Aquatics Program Evaluation
- Wack 'em and Rack em Program Evaluation
- Approve art gallery submissions

Goals for the next two weeks:

- Go over University Student Union Operating Budget
- Give a tour to CSU Stanislaus on March 22nd
- Have our new 2nd floor furniture come in this weekend
- Continue collaborating with different entities of the university to create a Sustainability Living Center that would be out at the Central Plant
- Visit other Student Unions

Facilities:

- Sustainability Policy

Campus Relations:

- Find locations for new kiosks

Program Evaluations:

- Find new chair for subcommittee

Student Concerns:

- Lack of outlets in USU and SRWC
- Escalators
- Elevators
- Microwaves and utensils

Upcoming Events:

- Give a tour to CSU Stanislaus on March 22nd
- Check out the events calendar on the CSULB ASI page to see what events we have going on in both of our facilities

Anything else:

Facilities:

- USU and SRWC Night Safety Walk updates are completed
- Contact Xan Balayan if interested in full report

Campus Relations:

- Positive student feedback with Big Event
 - Increase in social media following
- ASI Communications
 - Won awards for the Steal this Idea competition
 - 1) Voter Registration 2018
 - 2) Homecoming 2018 Promo
 - 3) ASI Elections 2018 Marketing

D. ASI Commissioner for Environmental Justice Evelyn Wynn

Work completed since last report

- Awarded Julio Gaxiola as winner of Environmental Justice Essay Contest- \$300 reward, spoke of lack of govt. representatives addressing environmental justice, lack of ecological resilience, limited access to natural spaces, etc.
- Joined Earth Week Committee, currently working with BPE on Earth Week Kickoff (making it similar to fair type of event with local organizations, including environmental justice groups and philanthropy groups in Long Beach) as well as contributing to Plant-a-Plant event

Goals for the next two weeks:

- Work with BPE to finalize location and food giveaway for Earth Week Kickoff
- Create food giveaway for Plant-a-Plant event
- Invite more organizations to Earth Week Kickoff
- Work with Cabinet to finalize food and drinks for Conscious Collections

Student Concerns:

- Some Concerns Students Mentioned in Environmental Justice Essays relating to their specific communities:
 - Connection between homelessness and environmental justice
 - Rebuilding and improving the environment
 - Limited access to organic, local, and nutritious foods
 - Increasing access to public transportation
 - Creating departments in cities that focus on issues like sustainability and resource management
 - Compost and waste, dredging in Long Beach, contaminants within Los Angeles river
 - CA has lost of 90% of its wetlands

Upcoming Events:

- Conscious Collections- April 18, 2019, 6-8 pm, USU 100
- Green Generation Mixer & Sustainability Project Showcase- April 24, 2019, 4-7 pm, Japanese Garden
- Earth Week- April 22, 2019
 - Monday, 4/22 – Wall-E Movie Screening, 7-10PM
 - Tuesday, 4/23 – Compost 101 Workshop, 11am-1PM
 - Wednesday, 4/24 – Green Generation Mixer & Sustainability Project Showcase, 4-7PM
 - Thursday, 4/25 – no event currently scheduled
 - Friday, 4/26 – State of the Environment Conference, 8AM-4PM
- Earth Week Kickoff- April 22, 2019, 11-1 pm, location currently unknown
- Plant a Plant- April 23, 2019, 4-6 pm, SRWC

E. ASI College Senator Reports

1) College of the Arts

Work completed since last report

- Meeting with Assistant Dean
- Meeting with COTA
- Joined SJEC
- 49th POW WOW

Goals for next two weeks

- Get familiar with SJEC
- Meet with Dean for event

Student concerns

- still talking to students about more concerns

2) College of Business

Work completed since last report

- Attended Academic Senate
- Attended SFE meeting to discuss COB budget proposal for next academic year
- Bi-weekly tabling to gather student input and increase awareness of ASI and COB resources
- Promoted EAB in classes and organizations
- Met with Dean Michael Solt to address concerns (extend lab hours, no food/drinks policy in the lab)
- Met with Melissa Devan (Director of Dining Services) to discuss food options in Wallstreet Cafe

- Created a Google Survey to gather student input in regard to food options
- Attended "Popsicles with the Student Leaders" hosted by COB Advising Center to discuss ASI opportunities/leadership involvement
- Attended Women's Research Colloquium hosted by the PCSW

Goals for next two weeks

- Table to gather more student feedback on campus-wide and COB topics/issues
- Promote the Google Survey to COB students
- Conduct research on the library and horn center hours to formulate a strategic plan in regard to extending COB lab hours during finals
- Continue to promote Ethics at the Beach

Student concerns

- Restroom door not functioning properly.
- CAPS is fully booked.

Anything Else

- Ethics at the Beach – Registration on Beachsync.

3) College of Education

Work completed since last report

- Finalized Ed Week Marketing
- Attended the President's Commission on the Status of Women Research Colloquium
- Attended Beach 2030 Meeting for the College of Ed

Goals for next two weeks

- Continue advertising efforts for Ed Week
- Work with Imani for College competition

Anything Else

- Ed Week!!! April 15th – 19th

4) College of Engineering

Work completed since last report:

- Talked with asi comm about promotional items for coffee with the dean, ordered pizza and coffee
- Met with dean to help with SEF funding review
- New Active Study area will be either in VEC or ECS
- Prepped AESB for spring allocation process
- Met with VP Almahdi to talk about student study spaces

Goals for next two weeks:

- Host coffee with the dean on March 19
- Continue to work on study space solutions for engineering students
- Finish plans for E-week with AESB

Student Concerns:

- Clubs and Orgs situation has been worst comparing with few weeks
 - One club has been sent email to move on Wednesday which they has been asked to move on Friday
 - No communication for why they has been kicked out but they got kicked out
 - Most of Clubs and Orgs are unhappy upon short notice to move

5) College of Health & Human Services

Work completed since last report

- SHAC meeting March 8, 2019
- Student Council meeting

Ryan

- Met the Sheriff of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department at an info session at the Career Development Center
 - Interviewed faculty and community members for the Dean's Review Committee
 - Set up a meeting with Mary Nguyen of BMAC to find students for the Mental Health Lecture panel
- Michelle
- Attend the CHHS night at the volleyball game
 - Met faculty, friends under CHHS
 - Taste of the Campus was cancelled due to lack of vendors.

Goals for next two weeks:

Ryan

- Evaluate spring grant allocations with the Student Council on March 20th
- Do more interviews for Dean's Review Committee
- Finalize the Mental Health Lecture for April 10th

Michelle

- Attend Student Council meeting
- Help with the scholarship review committee
- Student mental health town hall – March 26

Student concerns:

- Not having enough funds for student organizations for the spring grant allocations
- Spoke to international student – cannot apply for build, rise, mark program.

6) College of Liberal Arts

No report was submitted.

7) College of Natural Science & Math

Work completed since last report

- CNSM council meeting
- Tabled in front of HSCI
- Contacted Clint Campbell
- Vending machines in Student Success Center
- Contacted Valerie Bagley
- CNSM BeachBoard
- Met with the Chair of the Math Department

Goals for next two weeks

- Meet with Dean
- CNSM BeachBoard
- Vending machines in Student Success Center
- Continue tabling for ASI every other week

Student concerns

- Construction constantly changing routes through campus

11. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

McDonald:

WBB on Wednesday, 03/13.

MBB on Thursday, 03/14 at 8:30 pm –

MVB on Thursday, 03/14 at 7pm.

WWPOLO Thursday, 03/14 at 7pm and Sunday, 03/16 at 12pm.

Prudencio Gonzales: Encouraged Senators to be focused on the meetings and volunteer on the ASI Elections.

Jordan: Voiced his concerns for the lack of representation on the Mascot Search Committee. Argued the committee should be open to the public.

Senator Soto awarded Senator of The Week to Senator Martinez

San Miguel: Thanked Canales, McDonald and Prudencio Gonzales for attending Coffee with The Candidates. +

Haller: Reminded Senators to volunteers for the Study Abroad Scholarships Review Committee.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection Chair Almahdi adjourned the meeting at 4:58 pm.