

**THE SENATE/BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES**

**Meeting #28**  
March 27, 2019

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**2. ROLL CALL**

Voting Members Present

Denise Soto, ASI College of Business  
Robert Martinez, ASI College of Business  
Mathew Major, ASI College of Engineering  
Yamin Yee, ASI College of Engineering  
Alejandra Aguilar, ASI College of Education  
Frances Canales, ASI College of Education  
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 Sciences & Mathematics  
Ruben Alvarez, ASI College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics  
Justin Contreras, ASI At-Large  
Naomi Howansky, ASI At-Large (Ar @ 3:45)  
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

Anisah Ullah, ASI College of the Arts  
Aaron Jordan, 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 Dean of Students Dr. Piya Bose shared Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr's speech "The Drum Major Instinct" in its entirety.

In the February 4, 1968 sermon at Ebenezer Baptist Church at Atlanta, Georgia., King acknowledges the fact that many people desire recognition and to be first. He called this desire the "drum major instinct." King proposed an alternative kind of ambition one can achieve through a life of service: "I just want to leave a committed life behind." At the conclusion, King challenged us with "Yes, if you want to say that I was a drum major, say that I was a drum major for justice. Say that I was a drum major for peace. I was a drum major for righteousness. And all of the other shallow things will not matter. I won't have any money to leave behind. I won't have the fine and luxurious things of life to leave behind. But I just want to leave a committed life behind. And that's all I want to say."

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

**5. ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

- Table Item 11-A

**(M) Prudencio Gonzales (S) Maya to approve Senate Agenda, Meeting #28, March 27, 2019, as amended**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 16-0-1**

**6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR**

- Mental Health Event occurred on March 26<sup>th</sup>.
- President Jara is attending Hill Day in Washington D.C.
- Attended the Mascot Search Committee working group on March 22<sup>nd</sup> – The vote will be on categories or concepts instead on a specific mascot image.

**7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

A. Action Item: Senate Minutes, Meeting #27, March 20, 2019

**(M) Aguilar (S) Phong to approve the Senate Minutes, Meeting #27, March 20, 2019**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 16-0-1**

**8. CONSENT CALENDAR/REPORTS**

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

1) Action Item: Board of Control (BOC) Minutes Meeting #25, March 19, 2019

**(M) McDonald (S) Soto to approve Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #25, March 19, 2019**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 17-0-1**

2) Action Item: Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #21, March 7, 2019

**(M) Guzman (S) Soto to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #21, March 7, 2019**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 17-0-1**

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

1) Action Item: Judiciary Minutes, Meeting #9, March 5, 2019

**(M) McDonald (S) Prudencio Gonzales to approve Judiciary Minutes, Meeting #9, March 5, 2019**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 17-0-1**

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. Legislative Business

1) Action Item: SR #2019-10: Bylaw Amendment Types of Elections (3<sup>rd</sup> Reading)

Almahdi: No changes were made to the resolution since the last meeting.

**(M)Prudencio Gonzales (S) Guzman to approve SR #2019-10: Bylaw Amendment Types of Elections (3<sup>rd</sup> Reading)**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 17-0-1**

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Executive Business

There were none.

B. Legislative Business

There were none.

C. Non-Legislative Business

There were none.

## 11. REPORTS

### A. President Genesis Jara

\*This item was tabled until the next meeting.

### B. ASI Beach Pride Events

Past events:

- ASI Big Event with Daniel Ceaser - March 16<sup>th</sup>

Upcoming events:

- Queer Speed Date – April 12<sup>th</sup>
- Last edition of Take Sec with the Execs – April 18<sup>th</sup>
- Earth Week – April 22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>

### C. Chief Justice Lizbeth Velasquez

Work completed since last report

- Booked room for know your rights: renters edition
  - Will be April 17 from 6-7pm
- Submitted work order for renters' workshop with ASI Communications
  - We are looking to have at least one week of promotion on campus before the event
- Reached out to potential guest speakers the past week and will be following up this week
  - LAFLA, Fair Housing Foundation, and Professor Whitehead
- Senate confirmed new Associate Justice
- Grade appeal language and guide for students on grade appeal policy

Goals for next two weeks

- Meeting with ASI communications to solidify design and vision for Renters' Rights workshop
- Working with other judiciary members to complete their Know Your Rights workshops/projects
  - Immigration workshop
  - Political Awareness project
- Finalizing guest speaker for renters' workshop, refreshments, and food
- Complete grade appeal guide and language

Student Concerns

- Peterson Hall 1 always has a foul odor in the rooms and distracts students at times

### D. ASI Executive Director Richard Haller

- Announcements
- Intercollegiate Broadcasting Award Winners
  - Best Variety Show (Video) – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Fibandacci: Hosts Nancy Soriano and Isaura Aceves
  - Best Live Music Broadcast – Top 5 Finalist Fibandacci: Hosts Nancy Soriano and Isaura Aceves
  - Best Talk Program – Top 5 Finalist "Brains are Sexy": Hosts Jorgie Sandoval and Olivia Masse
- Financial Update
- Enrollment Update
- Headcounts at Census
  - Fall 2018
    - ASI projected 37,545
    - 551 students short
  - Spring 2019
    - ASI projected 34,870
    - 529 students short
- 2019-2020 Projections
  - Fall 2019 – 38,006
  - Spring 2020 – 35,036

- Investment Update
- ASI performance...
  - February – \$16,434 gain
  - Ending market value of \$1,152,229
- USU performance...
  - February – \$27,753 gain
  - Ending market value of \$1,814,204
- VEBA Update
- ASI performance...
  - February – \$4,014 gain
  - Ending market value of \$258,840
- USU performance...
  - February – \$17,978
  - Ending market value of \$1,159,262
- Operational Updates
- Grow Beach
  - With the abundance of rain, Grow Beach has been very “fruitful”
  - As of March 14, 22 pounds of fresh organic produce was harvested and donated to the Beach Pantry to serve students in need
  - Gearing up for relocation this summer
- 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 has been posted
    - Resume review begins 04/19/19
  - Staff Recognition
- Essential Piece of the Puzzle Award winner for February
  - Matthew Saucedo – SRWC Administrative and Facility Coordinator

E. ASI College Senator Reports

1) College of the Arts - Senator Ullah

No report was submitted.

2) College of Business – Senator Soto and Martinez

Work completed since last report

- Attended Senior Night- Men’s Basketball versus UC Riverside
- Bi-weekly tabling to gather student input and increase awareness of ASI Elections
- Continued to promote and attended Ethics at the Beach
- Met with Sylvana Cicero and USU student leaders to discuss options to reduce paper towel usage on campus
- Review Beach Scholarships
- Q & A session for current Alternative Spring Break students

Goals for next two weeks

- Follow up on food option meeting
- Attend COB org. meetings/events
- Table 1<sup>st</sup> week after returning from Spring Break
- Help facilitate and promote COB council elections
- Present COB extended lab hours research to Dean Solt
- Distribute food survey to COB students
- Facilitate, Together We Rise- Young Student Empowerment/Leadership Conference

Student Concerns

- Concerns for COB org. presidents concerning Spring Allocation

Anything Else:

- Congratulations to new COB Senators Stephanie Torres & Taryn Williams, and all of the newly elected ASI leaders for 2019-2020.

3) College of Engineering – Senator Major and Yee

Work completed since last report

- Completed March Coffee with the Dean
- Held Spring allocation meeting with AESB
- Arranged meeting with the dean for AESB
- Helping out AESB for Spring Allocation

Goals for next two weeks

- Get in contact with new senator
  - Introduce them to some of his duties
  - Get a meeting introducing them to the dean
  - Help them with goal setting
- Get next (and last for the year) coffee with the dean posters out
- Start prep work for upcoming E-Week
- Start preliminary planning for Senator Yee's "Women in STEM" celebration idea

Student Concerns

- Clarity of taking grad courses during undergrad
- Same GR concerns

Anything Else:

- Congrats Kiran Sajjan on his election and Senator Yee on her re-election.

4) College of Education – Senator Aguilar and Canales

Work completed since last report:

- Volunteered at ASI Big Event
- Met with prospective Associate Dean and gave tours
- Meeting with Senator Martinez, Silvana, Xan, and Maritess around a sustainability resolution
- Attended Beach 2030 Workshop
- Collaborated with SJEC on their event
- Met with new Outreach Coordinator

Goals for next two weeks:

- Get details ready for Ed Week
- Following up with Silvana and peeps for possible resolution

Anything Else:

- Ed Week!!! April 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>

5) College of Health & Human Services – Senator Fukuda and Phong

Work completed since last report

- Student Council meeting
- Evaluate spring grant allocations with the Student Council on March 20th
- Met with Career Coordinator for the College of Health and Human Services regarding promoting the upcoming Mental Health Lauda Lecture on April 10th and introductions
- 1-1 VP
  - Ryan: Tuesday, March 24th, 2019
  - Michelle: Monday, March 25, 2019
- Finished reviewing ASI scholarship applications
- Encouraged people to vote for elections
  - Advertised the “freebies” given during voting week

Goals for next two weeks:

- Finalize interviews for the Dean’s Review Committee
- Finalize student panelists for the Mental Health Lauda Lecture before spring break begins
- Promote the Mental Health Lauda Lecture
- Talk to CHHS academic senators about the college’s standpoint of the Graduation Requirement Policy

Student Concerns

- Construction - changed routes
- Student organizations requested about \$30,000 for spring grant allocations but student council only received about \$15,000 to hand out

#### 6) College of Liberal Arts – Senator Guzman

Work completed since last report

- Meeting about post--pop up event for ‘Career Closet’
- Beach Scholarship
- Figured out reoccurring Student ID fee

Goals for next two weeks:

- Attend HRMC
- Attending CLASC meeting
- Continue working with other Senators on the resolution regarding paper towels

Student Concerns:

- Different Rules for Multicultural Greek Life than other Greek orgs.
- Slate Campaigning—exclusivity, unequal opportunity/resources, and intimidating among other solo campaigners

#### 7) College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics - Senator Chan and Alvarez

Work completed since last report

- CNSM council meeting
- Spring allocations
- 1-1 with VP Almahdi
- Followed up with SAS Center Coordinator about CNSM student outreach
- Scheduled meeting with Dean Bennett
- Undergraduate survey

Goals for next two weeks:

- Continue to follow up with SAS Center Coordinator
  - Contact Associate Dean
- Continue tabling for ASI every other week
- Undergraduate Surveys

Anything Else:

- Pie day with MSSA
- No more falling ceiling

## 12. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

McDonald:

- WWP: Tonight at 7pm. – Free Pizza will be provided.
- W TEN: Saturday at 7 pm.

Fukuda:

- Mental Health Awareness Panel: April 10<sup>th</sup> 11:30 – 1 pm.

Howanski:

- Speaker’s Panel for SJEC: Tuesday April 16<sup>th</sup> from 5 – 7pm.

Contreras:

- Asked the Senate information on the D1DA Program.

Almahdi:

- Advised Senators to rest during Spring Break.

Senator Phong awarded Senator of the Week to Senator Alvarez.

## 13. ADJOURNMENT

**Without objection** Chair Almahdi adjourned the meeting at 4:28pm