

Associated Students, Inc.
California State University, Long Beach

SENATE MINUTES (FINAL)
Meeting #9
September 30, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Maythe Alderete Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Andrea Felix-Cervantes, ASI College of the Arts
Billy Rubi, ASI College of the Arts
Atazshii Austin, ASI College of Business (Depart 5:25 p.m.) 0
Aylin Morelos, ASI College of Business (Elected today)
Albert Morales, ASI College of Education
Manolo Cruz, ASI College of Engineering
Lexleigh Harris, ASI College of Engineering
Milena Gevorkian, ASI College of Health and Human Services
Salvador Marrero, ASI College of Health and Human Services
Salvador Peregrina, ASI College of Liberal Arts
Millaray Ramirez, ASI College of Liberal Arts
Jubilee Muñozvilla, ASI College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Shivam Srivastava, ASI College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Alyssa Castrillon, ASI At-Large
Sierra Darwin, ASI At-Large
Jesus Gonzalez, ASI At-Large
Sumaiyah Hossain, ASI At-Large
Richie Kennedy, ASI At-Large
Maythe Alderete Gonzalez ASI Vice President
Jeff Jarvis, CSULB Faculty Representative (Depart 4:45 p.m.)
Dr. Piya Bose, CSULB President's Designee

Voting Members Absent

Isabel Cameron, ASI At-Large
VACANT, ASI College of Education

Staff Present

Dr. Miles Nevin, ASI Executive Director
Lindsay San Miguel, Assistant Director Government Affairs and Initiatives

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Hossain (MOVED) Rubi (SECOND) to approve Senate Agenda, Meeting #9, September 30, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-20

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

- Encouraged self-care, especially during current heat conditions
- Encouraged awareness to current global issues/crises that are affecting colleagues, students, faculty, and staff
- Collaborating with senators on resolutions, including one on election propositions
- Attended 49er Shops Board of Directors' meeting and discussed:

- Terminated vendor contracts: Panda, Squeeze Me Starbucks
- Extended vendor contracts: Beach on 2nd, Long Beach Schools Federal Credit Union
- Revenue
 - ✓ Overall sales down by 81%
 - ✓ Bookstore: main revenue provider is generating 50% of revenue
 - ✓ Residence Halls: revenue down 91%
- Discussed ASI collaboration on master food plan
- Met with Campus Sustainability staff to discuss potential Sustainability Center, to be located outside Coffee Bean

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Action Item: Senate Minutes, Meeting #8, September 23, 2020

Hossain (MOVED) Gonzalez (SECOND) to approve Senate Minutes, Meeting #8, September 23, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-20

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

7. CONSENT CALENDAR/REPORTS

- A. Approval of Minutes from Subsidiary Boards

- 1) Action Item: Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #7, September 15, 2020

Hossain (MOVED) Darwin (SECOND) to approve Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #7, September 15, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-2-18

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

- 2) Action Item: Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #4, September 17, 2020

Peregrina (MOVED) Rubi (SECOND) to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #4, September 17, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-1-19

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

- B. Acceptance of Minutes from Subsidiary Boards

- 1) Action Item: Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #3, September 14, 2020

Darwin (MOVED) Rubi (SECOND) to accept Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #3, September 14, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-1-19

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Executive Business

- 1) Action Item: PA #2021-12 Confirmation of (1) Government Elections Officer - Helen Rodriguez

Srivastava (MOVED) Harris (SECOND) to confirm (1) Government Elections Officer - Helen Rodriguez

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-2-18

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

- B. Non-Legislative Business

- 1) Action Item: BOD #2021-25 Election of (1) Senator, College of Business (COB)

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- a. Luis Arevalo
- b. Shayan Hashemi
- c. Alyn Morelos

Harris (MOVED) Hossain (SECOND) to elect (1) Senator, College of Business (COB)

VOTING MEMBER	AREVALO	HASHEMI	MORELOS	ABSTAIN
Andrea Felix-Cervantes, COTA				X
Billy Rubi, COTA	X			
Atazshii Austin, COB	No vote was cast			
Albert Morales, CEDU			X	
Manolo Cruz, CENG			X	
Lexeigh Harris, CENG		X		
Milena Gevorkian, CHHS		X		
Salvador Marrero, CHHS			X	
Salvador Peregrina, CLA	X			
Millaray Ramirez, CLA			X	
Jubilee Muñozvilla, CNSM			X	
Shivam Srivastava, CNMS		X		
Alyssa Castrillon,, At-Large			X	
Sierra Darwin, At-Large			X	
Jesus Gonzalez, At-Large			X	
Sumaiyah Hossain, At-Large		X		
Richie Kennedy, At-Large				X
Dr. Bose				X
VP Alderete Gonzalez	No vote was cast			
TOTAL	2	4	8	3

Aylin Morelos elected Senator, College of Business (COB)

Bose administered the Oath of Office.

10. REPORTS

A. Information Item: Omar Prudencio Gonzalez, ASI President Time Certain 3:45 p.m.

- Along with Treasurer Andrade, met with freshman class to discuss ASI leadership opportunities, mentorship, and resources
- Filmed Get Out to Vote (GOTV) with Provost Jersky
- Will be filming GOTV with Conoley next week

- Attended 49er Research Foundation meeting and reviewed presentations of portfolios and audits
- Met with Conoley and discussed:
 - Commencement fee: will align with cost of living at rate of 3%, with no cap
 - Parking fee: will stay the same
 - Commencement: update anticipated December 1st
 - Presented Policy Agenda Equity Inclusion Racial Justice
- 2000 campus building doors have been updated with locks and instructional signage
- Delivered opening remarks at the last Academic Senate, to include ASI updates as well as the importance of including Basic Needs on syllabi
- Met with CSU Chancellor-select Dr. Joseph I. Castro

B. Information Item: Isaac Julian, ASI Academic Affairs Officer Time Certain 3:55 p.m.

Work completed since last report

- Committee Sign-Ups
- Confirmed 95%; Reached out to Comm. Chairs
- Student Representative Training
- Presented Basic Needs to Executive Committee
- Attending all the required meetings
- Reporting System is being repaired/ Organizing a new one
- Met with the 3 Academic Senators to collaborate

Goals for next two weeks

- Finalize the reporting system
- Fill in the vacancies that remain on the committee sheet
- Planning out Academic Senate Retreat
- Continuing to reach out to the remaining Committee Chairs and connect them with the student representatives
- Follow-up with ATS team to implement Basic Needs link on Beachboard

Student concerns

- Most students are concerned with the impact remote learning has on their education
- Concern regarding if there are enough spots available for every ASI member to fulfill the requirement on serving committees

Did you know?

- Academic Senate will be holding various Campus Conversations this semester, with each forum aimed at discussing a certain issue. The next one is scheduled for October 8th at 11 am, and it will be regarding the RTP Policy. If you are interested in attending, contact me and I will provide you with more information

C. Information Item: Leanne Meyers, Beach Pride Events Lead Time Certain 4 p.m.

- Filled 6 student representative board positions on the Beach Pride Events Committee
- Developed three sub-committees to brainstorm new programming focusing on cultural and identity, novelty, student engagement
- Collaborating with ASI Government to plan Respect Diversity Week; week of October 26-30th
- Working with Treasurer Andrade regarding: Financial Literacy programming
- Created new program: Virtual Speed Friending, with prize award talent show segment; October 7th, 6-8 p.m.

D. Information Item: Greg Figueroa, ASI Chief Justice Time Certain 4:05 p.m.

Work completed since last report

- Met with Dr. Patience Bryant on September 3rd to discuss my role in the grade appeals process and to learn how to advocate for students within the different committees
- Met with Christopher Forestiere, Chief Justice 2019-2020, to gain insight on the role and how to improve Judiciary as a whole
- Currently serving on multiple grade appeals committee on the department, college, and university level
- Including Kinesiology, Business, Health Science, Math, and more
- Attended meeting with Lindsay San Miguel, Dr. Bryant, and Dr. Kathryn Perkins to discuss updating the Judiciary working rules
- Met with Vice Provost Jody Cormack and ASI Execs to discuss advising centers, possible collaboration, and surveying students.
- Interviewed Associate Justices with President Prudencio-Gonzalez and appointed 2 to the position
- Met with Associate Justices prior to their confirmation hearing to assist them with the process and make sure they are prepared to go before the Senate

Goals for next two weeks

- Meet with Associate Justices and do an informal training session so they can begin working on grade appeals
- Meet on Thursday, October 1, 2020 with Lindsay San Miguel, VP Alderete Gonzalez, and Miles Nevin to discuss updating the ASI Bylaws
- Continue serving on the different grade appeals committees I currently serve on and appoint the Associate Justices to any new cases I receive

Student concerns

- Streamlining the grade appeals process
 - Currently each department has a different protocol and form to initiate a formal grade appeal
 - The policy and protocol is not easily understandable or accessible for a lot of students
 - Goal is to create a single sheet on Single Sign On for grade appeals to have a centralized place where students can access a universal form to initiate the grade appeals process

Did you know?

- Only members of Judiciary can serve as the ASI Student Representatives on Grade Appeals Committee
- If your college approaches you for a representative, please direct them to me and I will assign an Associate Justice to serve on the committee

E. Information Item: Eugenia Kim, Center for International Education Time Certain 4:10 p.m.

- Due to constantly evolving situation with Covid, immigration, and General Elections, regulations and guidelines are up for change
- Current international students studying in U.S. are studying online
- Study abroad students
- Those students will have to take a hybrid course
- Dean Dr. Jeet Joshee will provide updates, as needed

Hossain: what support and resources are study abroad students receiving (i.e. hotspots)?

Kim: does not know; challenge is in time zones and software downloads that students cannot download.

Alderete Gonzalez: have faculty been accommodating to the time zone challenge.

Kim: of the three students that have reported time zone challenge, most of their faculty have been accommodating, but a few haven't. For spring 2021, students will be asked to enroll in asynchronous course.

Bose: regarding time zone concerns about fall 2020 exams, the university isn't in the position to request faculty reschedule exams, so students are being encouraged to explore asynchronous classes; spring schedule will list classes as synchronous and asynchronous, in order to assist class selection.

Gevorkian: suggested faculty extend testing from one day to possibly more.

Austin: how can students switch to asynchronous since the deadline has passed?

Bose: students cannot switch/add classes since deadline has passed, so option is for students is to withdraw.

F. Information Item: Adriana Andrade, ASI Treasurer TC 4:45 p.m.

Online Experience Survey

- Preliminary results has been presented to Provost and Conoley; survey closes this Friday
- As of Friday, 546 responses received
- Results
 - Majority reported a slightly bad experience
 - Majority of received responses were from returning students
- Key concerns
 - Student difficulty with virtual format
 - Instructor struggling with adapting to virtual instruction
 - Staying motivated
 - Communication barriers: lagging email and communicating with peers (exploring new methods of communication and platforms)
 - Test format: lock down browser
 - Invasion of privacy
 - Increased workload
- Highlights
 - Many were understanding of faculty's transition and technological barriers
 - Appreciate recorded lectures
 - Appreciate available university resources

Financial Literacy Workshop

- Oct 22nd: Wealth and how that looks in America
- Following workshop: Ethical Investment

G. Information Item: Dr. Miles Nevin, ASI Executive Director

There was no report.

H. Information Item: ASI College Senators

1) College of the Arts

Work completed since last report

- Met with VP Alderete-Gonzalez 9/25
- Senator Rubi met with COTA Dean Bargar 9/25

- Spring 2021 being given remotely
- Preparations for a smoother learning experience in COTA
- Arts Ink Elections
 - In the process of performing outreach to fill positions
 - Flyers being made to be sent out to individual departments to gain visibility
 - Outreach to COTA Student Orgs

Goals for next two weeks

- Re-Schedule Department Chair Meeting - TBA
- Outreach to more COTA Student Led-Orgs
- Meet with COTA Dean Assistant, Corinne Garthoff (9/28)
 - Discuss ASI/COTA Action Items

Student concerns

- Spring Semester being given through remote instruction
- Students feel overwhelmed by course load
 - Want to know if there will be change next semester for added coursework outside of syllabi
 - For more feedback, we are sending out the ASI Survey in our outreach to COTA student orgs

Did you know?

- As part of the Latinx Heritage Month, CSULB's only Spanish-language theatre group, Teatro Al Sur, brings awareness to the femicides in Mexico in play, Mujeres de Arena: Testimonies of Women in Juárez. The playwright, Humberto Robles, works with the mothers of the young women who have faced this violence. This production has been mounted all around Latin America.

2) College of Business

Work completed since last report

- Schedule meeting with ABSOC
 - Discuss goals/initiatives/programs for the year
- Attended NPHC Greek organization business event
 - Gave insight on what programs students may be interested in

Goals for next two weeks

- Meeting with VP Gonzales, Mya Jones, & Kaysha Jones
- Assist Greek organizations with planning a "Business Meet and Greek" event
- Meet with COB dean Michael Solt

Student concerns

- Pass/Fail options for 2020-2021 school year

Did you know?

- Public computers and free Wi-Fi are available at all Long Beach Public Library locations
- Printing is available at each of our locations for \$0.15/page (black and white) or \$0.50/page (color). We currently accept cash and coins only
- Mobile printing is also available! Send and print documents from any smartphone, tablet, or laptop and pick them up at the library

3) College of Education

Work completed since last report

- Collaborated with College of Education Student Assembly (COESA) and Liberal Studies Student Association (LSSA) to discuss organizations' goals and objectives for the semester
- 1-on-1 meeting with Dean Shireen Pavri discussing misinformation and confusion about student support groups, programs, and resources on College of Education's social media handles
- New Equity and Diversity Committee filled with two student representatives

Goals for next two weeks

- Elect College of Education Senator
- Discuss with Dean Shireen Pavri about upcoming conferences, workshops and professional development on how to help College of Education students complete program requirements including teaching, intern hours, and credential exams/assessments
- Plan with College of Education Student Assembly (COESA) future fundraising events and organization awareness/outreach

Student concerns

- Credential programs in school districts that were returning to in-person teaching, making sure PPE and safety protocols in place
- Finding the correct resources and support groups that pertain to their program pathway
 - I.e. Transfer students, graduate student, undergraduate students, Integrated Teaching Education Program (ITEP), Post-Baccalaureate (Post-Bac), First-Generation, Undocumented

Did you know?

- College of Education Graduate Student Assembly Virtual Study Halls held every Sunday from 12pm-3pm
- College of Education Open Discussion with Student Ambassadors on 10/14 from 12-1pm to ask questions, express concerns and share resources related to the transitioning of alternate modes of instruction for the 2020-21 academic year
- College of Education Writer's Workshop open to all undergraduate, credential and master's students on 10/15 from 3-4pm
- Student teaching Application deadline October 1st via Onedrive

4) College of Engineering

- We met with C.O.E interim Dean Tracy Maples
- Keep reaching different student population/organization
- Completed COE needs/deficits survey and hope to send out by 9/28

Goals for next two weeks

- Keep working on reaching out to our constituents
- Keep promoting ASI within freshmen's and 1st year transfers
- Analyze COE survey for accurate feedback

Student concerns

- Zoom burnout
- Missing Campus life
- Organizations are worried about the revised grant allocation of \$300, specifically Long Beach Rocketry (LBR) is having issues with rocket funding
 - LBR is unable to continue with projects because they cannot meet on campus

Did you know?

- Student Health Services offers flu shot for free to students and on Oct 13th from 10am to 2 pm will offer them to students and their family (Drive thru style). More info @CSULBSHS across social media

5) College of Health & Human Services

Work completed since last report

- Met with Dean of the College of Health and Human Services, Monica A. F. Lounsbery, via zoom and had introductions and a discussion concerning upcoming town hall meetings and future CHHS projects
- Contacted Iraida Venegas, via email and discussed BEACH pantry needs and the current resources for pregnant and parenting students
- Contacted Miles Nevin, via email to set up a meeting concerning the BEACH Pantry
- Reached out to the CSULB Armenian Students Association to set up a “meet your senator” event

Goals for next two weeks

- Attend the Executive Board Meeting on October 5th to thoroughly discuss BEACH pantry expansion plans and ideas
- Attend the next CSULB ASA meeting and provide information and support to Armenian students concerning the war in their homeland
- Reach out to CHHS Student Council, to collaborate on creating a survey to assess the current needs of our students

Student concerns

- The small Armenian student population is concerned about land disputes between Armenia and Azerbaijan and whether or not the University and students are aware of these occurrences. What is being done to support them?

Did you know?

- “As of Spring 2020, the Japanese Garden is now a part of the College of Health and Human Services”

6) College of Liberal Arts

Work completed since last report

- Met with Dean Wallace and discussed ways in which we can help the Latinx community within the Liberal Arts department.
- Met with the College of Liberal Arts (CLA) social media team.
- Met with Chief Diversity Officer Ortiz
- Met with the CLA college council

Goals for next two weeks

- Set up another meeting with Dean Wallace hopefully the first week of October.
- Meet with the Dream Success center to discuss ways in which we can strengthen the relationship between them and the liberal arts department.
- Have a 1 on 1 with Vice President Alderete-Gonzalez

Student concerns

- Social Issues occurring in the time being, Breonna Taylor's court case decision has made students feel very upset.

Did you know?

- Did you know the College of Liberal Arts has an Instagram AND twitter account! You can follow both accounts @csulb_liberalarts & @csulb_cla to keep up with CLA updates, meet faculty, and even connect with other students!

7) College of Natural Science & Math

Work completed since last report

- Scheduled meeting with CNSM Dean
- Came up with a date for meet the Senators
- Host Q&A with dean alongside CNSM Council
- Scheduled BTTC meeting with At-large Transfer senators

Goals for next two weeks

- Create graphics for the meet the senators event
 - Promote the event on Insta: @cnsmstudentcouncil & @csulbjensensas & @CNSM
- Attend CSU Peer Leadership Summit
- Prepare a list of PIs (principal investigators) that are accepting students for research projects
- Hold panel for transfer students to be aware of ASI and Beach Team
- Write resolution supporting pregnant and parenting students

Student concerns

- Incoming students are worried about unavailable research and volunteering opportunities
- Students taking lab this semester are worried about possible COVID-19 exposure
- Students participating in research labs are concerned about potential lab shut-downs in the coming weeks
- Issues with certain professors enforcing cameras on, and exam paranoia

Did you know?

- The panel of “Like a boss! Women in Science & Math” has been released
 - Panelists consist of alumni, professors, researchers, healthcare workers, and engineers.
- Also the TLC (The Learning Center) has just released its virtual services for students to receive academic help!

11. CLOSING COMMENTS

Bose

- Pass/Fail: deadline has passed <https://www.csulb.edu/student-records/understanding-grades-and-grading>
- Credential Program in-person teaching: university has policy for in-person fieldwork
- Flu Shot Clinic: Oct 13th, drive-through
- CSULB Covid exposure: Student Health Services will contact any and all students who have been potentially exposed
- Refer all students to their department chair with Zoom camera requirement concerns
- Upcoming events
 - Week of Wellness: Week of Oct 12th
 - Peer Summit: Oct 9th
 - Statewide Leadership Conference: Oct 16th and 17th

Bose: clarified that in accordance with Public Health guidelines, there are no gatherings/events allowed on Senate Minutes, Meeting #9, September 30, 2020

campus, at this time.

Alderete Gonzalez: invited the board to wish Ramirez happy birthday.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Chair Maythe Alderete Gonzalez adjourned the meeting at 5:48 p.m.