

# Board of Directors Meeting

## **Minutes**

Date: Thursday, September 20, 2018

Time: 3:15- 5:45 pm

Location: U-SU Board Room, 303

Attendees: Board of Directors & General Public

Type of Meeting: Special

#### I. Organizational Items:

a. Call to order by: Chair Nia Johnson, A.S.I. President @ 3:16 PM

b. Roll Call:

Nia Johnson	President	Present
Jesus Mora	Vice President for Administration	Present
Jacquelyn Acosta	Vice President for Academic Governance	Excused Absence
Aaron Castaneda	Vice President for Finance	Present
Veronica Garcia-Martinez	Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement	Present @3:45pm
Jennifer Martell	Secretary/ Treasurer	Present
Rashad Freeman	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	Present
Jocelyn Vargas	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	Present
Christopher Koo	College of Business & Economics Rep.	Present @3:26pm
Isai Amaya	College of Arts and Letters Rep.	Present
Raul Rodriguez	Charter College of Education Rep.	Present
Raymond Peter	Charter College of Education Rep	Present
Smitkumar Patel	College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep	Present
Edgar Chavez	College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep.	Unexcused Absence
Fritza Plasencia	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	Present
Davona Watson	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	Present
Nataly Aviles	Community Affairs Representative at Large	Present
Krystal Rubio	Campus Affairs Representative At Large	Present
Jennifer Miller	University President's Designee	Present
Intef W. Weser	Executive Director	Present
Marcus Rodriguez	Director of Government Affairs & Leadership Programs	Present
Dena Florez	Office Manager of Administration & Services – RS	Present
Guests of the Gallery		

### c. Adoption of Agenda: Thursday, September 20, 2018

i. Discussion:

Offered By:	Rashad Freemar	ı	Se	conded by:	Aaron Castaneda			
Motion to approve the Agenda of Thursday September 20, 2018.  Motion received ALL votes and passed.								
All in Favor All Opposed 0 Abstained None Motion: Passed								

Offered By: Isai Amaya: Seconded by: Rashad Freeman

Motion to Admin the agenda to add a discussion item after item B for College Rep to discuss how they can collaborate with Academic Advisement.

Motion received ALL votes and passed.

All in Favor All Opposed 0 Abstained None Motion: Passed

d. Approval of Minutes (action): September 6, 2018

i. Discussion:

Offered By:	Raul Rodri	iguez	Seconded by:	Rashad Free	man			
Motion to approve the adoption of the minutes for Thursday, September 6, 2018  Motion received ALL votes and passed								
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	None	Motion:	Passed	

#### II. Public Forum:

- a. This time is allotted to members of the public to address the board.
  - Nitesh Kamboj: I'm a part of business and economic.

#### III. Special Presentation:

- a. Chief Wall Presentation The Chief of Police at Cal State LA will provide an update and field questions regarding parking challenges on the campus and in the surrounding community. Time Certain 3:30 -3:45PM
  - ➤ Chief Wall: This is not a new problem; the parking structure will cost 60 million dollars. We will put more power plants. December we'll be putting 15 hundred bed, as the old saying you have not seeing nothing yet. U-pass has been a great success. We ran out of funding to make more u-pass. October we are having wave card where people can sign up for which where student get 2 hours free then after it's \$6 for transportation which is for faculty. We do not want to bring more car. Last year we only allowed people to part a certain hour but this year it's different. We are trying to build more 2 thousand parking which cost 15 thousand more dollars.
  - Nia Johnson: May you tell me how ASI may support this?
  - ➤ Chief Wall: If you may let the information out because people have lack of knowledge on our problems not just the parking. Let them know about the parking fee for the next five years. Next years we'll increase from 200 to 220. Part of this is have a bond we need to pay. We do not have fund for these parking so the only we'll get these parking is by increasing in the price. We only get a portion of the parking fund because the state the governance gets a portion of that. I understand that we have your support because we are all in this together. We spend 70 Thousand dollars for shuttle. Having that lot over there is costing us other things.
  - > Jocelyn Vargas: Do you have a timeline is there a backup plan or that?
  - Chief Wall: We do have backup plans; the first question is the first lot by 7/11 we may get it done by the fall. New parking suture should be done by next fall. Now do we really want to spend that 70-thousand dollar on something else we might not need? Ultimately, we'll lost 12 hundred spots. Is it worth 60 million dollar or 6 hundred spots.
  - Rashad Freeman: I was talking to a veteran student how the issue of parking spaces is causing students to be more aggressive. He said that these issues are going into violence. Is there any way we can solve this situation?
  - ➤ Chief Wall: Yes, this happen a lot, though part of it how do we deal with anger management and frustration. We have cases we're Students come in and they said their car was keyed. We have camera and the problem is that if you are in the suture where would we put camera to see the person. I have to best utilize my people so

- that we may watch over. I can't control your anger issue so, if we look at this we have a lot of things we have to space out. We had a 107 crime and other crimes, now imagine a big city. We do have a lot of sexual assault we may work and work to educated people by no means no, but we are going to do what we going to do.
- Aaron Castaneda: Talking about the parking structure thing, at what point they are going to say they are not going to be ready by spring.
- ➤ Chief Wall: this is not the decision i get to make only president Covino, if you look at the parking structure what do you see. Braces the land shifted therefore it might cause a collapse.
- > Krystal Rubio: Thank you for the security report, by what solution can help with the peak hours.
- ➤ Chief Wall: the problem is that every classroom is being use at 11:00pm and on but after 3:00pm nobody's here anymore, so part of that there's what the students want, and faculty wants. And student only want class on Tuesday and Thursday which is the problem.
- > Jesus Mora: My question is about the crime rate and you broke it down, in my fraternity when we had a problem we once call the public safety and they didn't want to respond to our problems by question is being a part of campus community and the campus police don't work with us.
- ➤ Chief Wall: I cannot say that we should not say that, we suppose to say we are on our way, but that should have not happened. I need to get more detail. This is not a conversation we should not happen. If this happen you should go repot and please tell me. As for responsibility I can't do anything if nothing is being repot.
- > Jesus Mora: My main concern is that why aren't you responding.
- > Chief Wall: if there's a problem please call. Don't let stuff like this happen ever.

#### IV. Action Items:

- a. Appointment for Vacant ASI and Campus Committee Positions Board of Directors will appoint individuals to the following vacant ASI and student committee positions.
  - i. College of Business and Economic:
    - 1. 1 Minute Speech:
    - ➤ Nitesh Kamboj: For those who don't know me I'm completing my third semester information system and before I was in marketing. I have recently notice three things I would like to present. One is that undergraduate is not graduating in time or graduating at all.
      - 2. 2 Questions:
    - Rashad Freeman: You have to discuss about financial literacy for low income what would that look like for you?
    - Nitesh Kamboj: People who come to Cal State LA are mainly low-income students and first-generation students. They would get jobs, and this is harder for student to balance out. We should offer more programs for students so that the imbalance won't happen.
    - Fritza Plasencia: You said you notice two problems with the campus what are they?
    - Nitesh Kamboj: We have lack of platform for students and we should have strong network with other college. We are not able to network after collage because of the lack of workshop.
      - 3. Discussion:
    - ➤ Nia Johnson: I will not be making a recommendation for him. I was there to interview him and there was a certain thing he said that got me wondering If he would be the right candidate for the position. One thing he said was that the B and E have the highest rate of drop outs he also said B and E have the worst advisement. He said these are the problems that need to be talked about. I don't think he did his research

- correctly therefore I wouldn't make his recommendation. But with that being said I want to open up discussion on who would want to make his recommendation.
- ➤ Jocelyn Vargas: Thank you to for sharing your recommendation. Though, I have follow up questions regarding your interview. Did you mention the responsibility with this position and who they serve under?
- Nia Johnson: Thank you for your question. This candidate did try to reach out to me asking me about this position and what it was. I did follow him up with that information and as well as the link. I gave him an extending date to attend the public form. I also recommended him to reach out to Christopher Koo.
- > Christopher Koo: I did not receive any emails.
- Nia Johnson: Again, I do not give my recommendation.
- > Smitkumar Patel: My question when does is try to graduate?
- ➤ Nia Johnson: He is trying to graduate spring 2020.
- ➤ Rashad Freeman: So just to follow up we need to express that there is a university problem and I understand that he came with a negative attitude. I never research how much first-generation student here and the financial literally and how there was a plan. I understand this is the first interview in the BOD, but I won't be making the recommendation as well.
- Raymond Peter: He made a claim that Cal State LA didn't have a lot of graduate, my question is doing he gave any data and if not, my concern is that he need that claim.
- > Jocelyn Vargas: I have a question for Christopher when Fritza ask the question and he mention those problems were though the problem you had as will?
- ➤ Christopher Koo: No, I have not as for academic advisement. We have the best academic advisement. As for drop out we do not have a lot of drop out, but we do have a lot of transfer student.
- > Jocelyn Vargas: See if we do keep this person. Would you be comfortable to keep this person or recommend this person as your rep.
- Christopher Koo: Unfortunately, I wasn't able to talk to Nia after the interview, off of what she said I do not feel comfortable working with someone who didn't do their research.

Offered By:	Jocelyn Vargas	Se	conded by:	Aaron Castaneda			
Motion to appoint Nitesh Kamboj as College of Business and Economic.  Motion received ALL votes and not passed							
All in Favor	Opposed	Abstained		Motion: Not Passed			

#### ii. Spirit Commissioner:

- 1. Discussion:
- > Jocelyn Vargas: I think postpone it it'll open for more student to apply
- Intef W. Weser: there is a student who applied but didn't give enough item for her to talk. She did apply on time so it's not for her to appoint someone else.
- > Jesus Mora: I like would like to recommend her.
- Fritza Plasencia: She would be the only one at the meeting next time.
- Nia Johnson: I would like to say that the longer the position open the less we get done. There is a game that we have host and because we don't have a spirit commissioner we can't do it. But of course, our ASI member id stepping up to help with that problem.
- Aaron Castaneda: We don't know how exactly this is therefore it's hard to make that discussion.
- > Jocelyn Vargas: Was this marketed in our website or organization?
- Marcus Rodriguez: We do have job opportunities that is on our website.

- ➤ Isai Amaya: I feel as if we should hold and wait because again we don't want to just sneak on her since she is burly staring that a lot of pressure and responsibility.
- Rashad Freeman: I'm all postponed on this but again Intef what was saying. We should give everyone the opportunities to apply but don't appoint her.
- ➤ Jennifer Martell: I think people should apply again, we should not close it off because again what if the person doesn't want to do it. We should have backups. We should look at other candidate too because we don't want to rush the process.
- ➤ Jesus Mora: I told her it's very important for her to be here I did talk to her last night due to the fact she mention she couldn't make and right away she said she'll drop everything to come. We should let her present and other applicant apply.
- > Davona Watson: Marcus when is the next meeting?
- Intef W. Weser: This would be next month from now.

Offered By:	Jocelyn Vargas				Seconded by:	Jennifer	Martell
Motion to postpone the spirit commissioner. Motion received ALL votes and passed.							
All in Favor	All	Opposed		0	Abstained	None	Motion: Passed

- iii. Internal Committee Appointment(s):
- iv. University Wide Committee Appointment Report:
- b. **2017/2018 MGO Audit**: The board will review and take action of the external ASI audit presented by MGO. Time Certain 4:00 -4:30 PM.
  - Nia Johnson: I just want to say that there is more information in the document.
  - ➤ Dena Florez: The draft that we see in the finance committee meeting last Friday. Under other there is a significance difference may you elaborate on that. No 9.
  - Note 9 so that the expenses. In page 17 just brakes out more about that. Student government went up during 2018. Becky have more explanation on that
  - When you get an additional employee coming in the that's increasing the substantial. We are allocating the cost that why the student cost in increasing.
  - > Nia Johnson: May you give more detail about the golden eagle radio?
  - Aaron Castaneda: this is not the audit, this is based on financial committee.

Offered By:	Aaro	n Castaneda	Seconded by:		Jocelyn Vargas				
Motion to approve the external ASI audit. Motion received ALL votes and passed									
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Absta	ained	None	Motion: Passed		

- c. The Our CA Campaign Endorsement: The Board will review and take action on an ASI Endorsement Letter supporting the Our CA Campaign from the College Opportunity Campaign approved of by the Legislative Affairs Committee.
  - Nataly Aviles: We did vote for the endorsement for higher education.
  - Nis Johnson: May you provide more detail about this endorsement letter.
  - Marcus Rodriguez: Nia Johnson would sign, and we'll send the blueprint.

Offered By:	Aaron Castane	eda	Seconde	ed by:	Rashad Freeman			
Motion to approve The Our CA Campaign Endorsement.  Motion received ALL votes and passed								
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	None	Motion: Passed		

#### V. Information:

a. Ad Hoc Workflow and Biweekly Committee- The Board will be informed on functionality and purpose of Ad Hoc Workflow and Biweekly Committee

#### VI. Discussion:

- a. **Marketing Strategies (Best Practices) for ASI-** The Board will discuss the importance of promoting accurate information regarding the resources and opportunities ASI has to offer.
  - ➤ Nia Johnson: Please if you want to help the students on campus give them the right information and right facts so that they may trust up. Students do get upset that ASI remember give them the wrong information.
  - ➤ Isai Amaya: So, like when I go to meetings and I'm representing ASI. I've been letting everyone know how to be involved and how they may be a part of our event. I just stress how we advocate for student and collect student narrative. I try my best to make them feel special.
  - ➤ Jocelyn Vargas: When I do presentation, I would take Bluebook and scantron. I do not like using PowerPoint I use our ASI Website so that they may understand how to find things.
  - ➤ Jennifer Martell: I kind of do thing what Jacob do. When they come I tell them that we advocate for the student. I would use this calendar event in the website. When I'm lost I use the calendar, which shows the event and calendar.
  - Raymond Peter: Today I talk about policy and how ASI want to serve them. I also informed student about student governance board. I also mention what we do at CCOE.
  - Aaron Castaneda: We so have question about club Funding. We do have a reimbursement. So, they would submit paper work with us then it has to get approve then they may purchase the stuff. If you have anyone wonder about it send them to me.
  - Rashad Freeman: I've done some presentation. I've been telling student to come join the screaming eagle.
  - Marcus Rodriguez: We have been successful with that right now we have 25 people involved.
  - ➤ Jesus Mora: I try to know them first so that I know what's best fit for them. For instance, if they say they're first year I would recommend the screaming eagle.
  - > Jocelyn Vargas: I would set meeting with president in the club and or so that we may have collaboration. I was wonder if there a way we may have a how to.
  - > Aaron Castaneda: We work on it.
  - ➤ Nia Johnson: I did have to facilitator us to be there, you can be the figure to echo on. First met with CSI so that you may have an expert and fact before you get in that situation.
  - Krystal Rubio: How often do we have ODC?
  - Aaron Castaneda: Again, we don't want to lose our spot, but we'll have our own workshop.
  - Raul Rodriguez: They have a make up one and they'll do the whole workshop.
  - Nia Johnson: I do want to say that we have a problem regarding parking just, so we may not how to respond to parking.
  - Aaron Castaneda: People always ask what can ASI do, just be like look I understand this issue so I just direct them to the right person,
- b. College Representative: Discussing how they can collaborate with Academic Advisement.
  - Isai Amaya: This is any idea regarding me and another ASI member we talked about. I see that a common college student have is advisement. Like how we may forward

- instead of two steps back. B and E does a fantastic job. This is the first year of they are using it. Most information is getting the wrong information because they are giving the incorrect information. Most student like visual then reading. Before anything I want to thank Christopher and Jocelyn.
- Raul Rodriguez: I think most student isn't the one who have an issue is the advisement them self that they should understand the process and information that they give to the student.
- ➤ Jocelyn Vargas: I do like the video but where else may we show those videos and how much would it cost. How are we going to record this and how are we going to find the advisement? So, my question is how much our video is and where is our video.
- ➤ Raymond Peter: a suggestion I ask student who come to Cal State LA they need to be responsible for their own location. If somehow in the video you should mention that student is responsible for their own education.
- Aaron Castaneda: I've been going to the B and E advising center. That no department are going to say their advisement suck. What is the outcome of this video, like what is the message you are trying to send out.
- Nataly Aviles: You have to get permits and as will writing a script. Choosing the right people to be in your video and make sure it's within your budget.
- > Smitkumar Patel: When we encourage someone like we should have flyer for the department. If we may make one flyer to represent the department.
- Marcus Rodriguez: We did learn a couple of thing like permit and also message is the most important things.
- ➤ Isai Amaya: My video will be presented on social media, I want to make the video every generation. Budget, I wanted to collaborate with you guys.

#### VII. Reports:

- a. ASI President: Nia Johnson
  - ➤ I have been working on with the ASI president, we have to look what is the turn out this Friday. If this is successful I would like to bring more people to come in like ASI representative. I want to partner with Aaron or Jocelyn so that we may give them detail on how ASI may help them. Some of the concerning is how ASI giving the information about parking when they are asked by university time. I encourage all ASI member to advocate for student and be very solution base. I have a meeting with people who work with fostering different relationship with public safety. Currently I want to talk about the things we want to be done on our campus.
- b. ASI Vice President for Administration: Jesus Mora
  - > They are closing off for veteran because they didn't make the goal. Environmental policy is working on it and also tabling is successful. Also, for election it's coming up there will be workshop. Housing, Katlin is working on workshop. I encourage people to help out. Anyone who know they want to be a part of animation event. The eagle electrify dance competition is going to happen. We also have volleyball breast cancer awareness game.

Offered By:	Jocelyn V	argas	Secon	ded by:		Isai Amaya		
Motion to extend the meeting 5 minutes.  Motion received ALL votes and passed								
All in Favor	ALL	Opposed	0	Abstained	none	Motion: Passed		

c. ASI Vice President for Finance: Aaron Castaneda

- ➤ We completed the audits. We are working on internal audit. We are reviewing the record and making changes. Thomas is coming out with other reports. We are projecting much more benefits. ASI is working to address more changes. So, finance committee will go over this more about our audit and the budget. As for club funding the process of that we're doing the best we can such as our own independent workshop.
- d. ASI Vice President for Academic Governance: Jacquelyn Acosta
- e. ASI Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement: Veronica Garcia-Martinez
- f. ASI Secretary/ Treasurer: **Jennifer Martell** 
  - ➤ Since Jacky is not here I can't give her bi-weekly shutout. We have other paperwork that need to be due. The report will be extended till midnight, so watch out for that email.
- g. ASI Chief Justice: Nia Allen
  - ➤ We are working to the removal for each committee. We are also discussing about the Robert rule training on that.
- h. ASI Board of Directors
- i. ASI Staff: Intef W. Weser and Marcus Rodriguez
  - Marcus Rodriguez: We have the deadline which is November 2.
  - Intef W. Weser: you guys should be receiving mails in your mailbox. We will finalize stuff after we find out detail of background check.
- j. University Designee: **Dr. Jennifer Miller, Dean of Students**

VIII. Adjournment:

Offered By:	Nat	aly Aviles	Seconded by:		Aaroi	n Castan	neda
Motion to end the meeting at 5:49 pm Motion received ALL votes and passed							
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Absta	nined	None	Motion: Passed

#### **CERTIFICATION**

Official Minutes taken for the ASI Board of Directors Meeting of the Associated Students, Inc., Cal State Los Angeles held on September 20, 2018 in the: U-SU Board Room, 303 and were approved by consensus by the A.S.I. Board of Director Committee on Thursday, October 04, 2018. Prepared by:

Dena Florez- Recording Secretary

Jennifer Martell- Secretary/Treasurer