



Cabinet of Academic Senator Meeting Minutes

Day/Date: Wednesday, August 26, 2020
 Time: 11:12 A.m.
 Location: Zoom
 Attendees: Cabinet of Academic Senator committee, General Public
 Type of Meeting: General

I. Organizational Items:

Call to order by: Chair Gabriel Avila, ASI Vice President for Academic Government @ 11:12

b. Roll Call

Gabriel Avila	Vice President for Academic Government	Present
Jeovana Lopez	Undergraduate Academic Senator	Present
Kinsley Wang	Undergraduate Academic Senator	Absent
Kyle Taing	Undergraduate Academic Senator	Present
Cristian Flores	Graduate Academic Senator	Present
Anaid Villa	Graduate Academic Senator	Present
Anson Noland	Academic Senator At-Large	Tardy @11:24
Milton Joseph Han	Associate Justice	Present

c. Adoption of Agenda:

Offered By:	Anaid Villa	Seconded by:	Cristian Flores
Motion to approve agenda for Wednesday, August 26, 2020			
Consensus to approve agenda for Wednesday, August 26, 2020- Consensus Reached			
All in Favor	All	Opposed	Abstained
			Motion: Passed

d. Approval of Minutes (action):

Offered By:	Kyle Taing	Seconded by:	Jeovana Lopez
Motion to Table minutes for Tuesday March 3, 2020			
Consensus to Table minutes for Tuesday March 3, 2020- Consensus Reached			
All in Favor	All	Opposed	Abstained
			Motion: Passed

II. Public Forum

- a. This time is allotted to members of the public to address the board regarding items not included on the meeting agenda. Speaker cards are available for those wanting to speak on agenda items as listed below. Those comments will be heard as the item is introduced.

III. Reports: (3 Minutes each)

- a. **Vice President for Academic Governance:** ASI have been able to complete our entire team at the end of June and we started a summer series follow up and follow through so that the senators can get to know each other and we can have an intent on what we are going to work on for fall and spring. In addition, we establish one-on-one zoom time out of office hours of the protocols and logistics of running in student governance in addition to all the training we received from Talia so that's essential what we did for the summer.
- b. **Academic Senators:**
 - i. **Kyle Taing:** We've done the training and then as of right now in projects I have nothing planned yet, but I look forward to working with everybody if we are going to have projects and I looking forward to our future meetings. I have a concern I want to bring up and it was that I was wondering if we can move the Cabinet of Academic senators meeting that I brought up in the summer the reason why is because someone said that they couldn't make it because they had class and I do too and the reason I'm here right now is because my class was canceled.
 - ii. **Gabriel Avila:** For the sake of time I'll take a look at the schedules to make sure everyone can be included.
 - iii. **Jeovana Lopez:** I don't have anything planned yet bit I am excited to collaborate and see what we can do, and I do have a class as well at this time.
 - iv. **Cristian Flores:** I really want to see if I can bring up and ask EPC what plan there are for greeting just because we are back for virtual instruction and we expect it to continue so I want that to be a topic of discussion for EPC given that I want to bring that conversation to the table and I know Jeovana is going to be on that committee with me so I'm hoping she could be a part of it too. Moving forward I know students have issues with administration on campus since things have slowed down. So, I want to see what we can do to smooth out the wrinkles for students. The majority I want to do for this semester because I think this is a process is the policy and it's my focus.
 - v. **Anaid Villa:** Just going to the meetings for the senate and one thing I heard students saying is that some professors are saying that the university is telling them to limit zoom interactions as much as possible in order to not crash the system and now they feel like they are just having an online class instead of a regular one, so that something I want to investigate and if there are any other options. I also have been trying to reach to the graduate academic senator office, but I haven't heard back.
 - vi. **Anson Noland:** I've noticed the professors doing asynchronous classes and other haven't been doing that that's all from me.

IV. Action Items

- a. **Appoint a Vice Chair- The committee will nominate and elect a Vice Chair for the Cabinet of Academic Senators from the Committee**
 - i. **Gabriel Avila:** I would open up for volunteers to become vice chair if so you would have two minutes to state your platform on why you should be vice chair and what kind of qualifications you could bring to the floor and your intent in supporting the chair.
 - ii. **Kyle Taing:** I nominate Cristian
 - iii. **Gabriel:** Do you accept the nomination?
 - iv. **Cristian Flores:** Yeah, I'll be polite enough to accept but in turn I nominate Anaid.
 - v. **Anaid Villa:** What does the Job entail?
 - vi. **Diana Chaves:** The vice chair they chair the meeting in case the chair is absent during the Cabinet of Academic Senators meeting and conduct the meeting. The vice chair also takes care of minutes which means that your taking notes of the meeting and about who said what and things as such and we have a template that makes it easier and make sure you get it done before the next meeting.
 - vii. **Gabriel Avila:** Essentially running as the chair is the chair is not available.
 - viii. **Cristian:** I have a year of experienced as a senator, I'm neat and organized, I'm old and wise like an owl and I have gray hairs to prove it.
 - ix. **Anaid Villa:** I don't have much experience, but I am fantastic at taking notes and the best cheerleader you will ever had.
 - x. **Cristian Flores:** Myself

- xi. **Kyle Taing:** Cristian
- xii. **Anaid Villa:** Myself
- xiii. **Jeovana Lopez:** Cristian
- xiv. **Anson Noland:** Anaid
- xv. **Gabriel Avila:** Congratulation Cristian.

V. Discussion Items

- a. **Cabinet Focus & Priorities- The Cabinet will discuss key University- Wide and priority issues that will serve as our focus for the 2020-2021 term**
 - i. **Gabriel Avila:** What are key university priorities we can focus on our elective year.
 - ii. **Kyle Taing:** The biggest issue is that everything is virtual. We have no way to gage students moral as a result of that. We can have ASI events to help people with that. I know that Ledi is having her event through Instagram and there is also the email from ITS that hit worldwide but I don't think we can do anything about that.
 - iii. **Jeovana Lopez:** I think Anaid mentioned that we need to focus the professors having to limit the time on zoom and that closes the availability.
 - iv. **Cristian Flores:** Point of contact with office with advises office and the turnaround time where students are reached back out to and the is issues with efficiency and lack of trust. And I think that the campus being opened one day a week is not good enough for our students. We need accountability for these office's, and we can't a lot about zoom crashing, but we can do things about these offices leaving students in the dark.
 - v. **Anaid:** Cutting classes and students are struggling to take the classes that they need and that means that if they can't take them at all there is a chance that they won't come back in spring.
 - vi. **Cristian Florez:** I wanted to add to that I know that one of the history chairs from last year mention that we had to let go of our staff and professors and they should not be the case.
 - vii. **Anson:** As many others have said the goal is going to be student support virtually while we are not there on campus and that covers everything.
- b. **Open Deliberation- The cabinet will brainstorm ideas to evolve Open Deliberation**
 - i. **Diana Chaves:** It started with Jackie Acosta and it was a way to continue to act as a bridge between students and administrators and we try to have collaborations with these administrators, and we were able to gather the top seven administrators all key steak holders. We gather questions from students to ask the administrators about different themes like basic needs, campus police and safety, financial support, and some other ones. It was held in the evening. And it was something we would like to keep with the cabinet.
 - ii. **Cristian:** The administrators were very candid with the answers that they gave and a lot of them I have had the opportunity to work with them. At the end they ask if there were any questions we didn't address. I think with pandemic it gives a chance for the students to ask questions and address their concerns.
 - iii. **Gabriel Avila:** What I gathered is a round table conversation with the purpose of improving students experience based on exchanges between administrative forces and student forces so obviously having this would be important because it means we are tackling issues that are of the moment. Any Thoughts about this?
 - iv. **Anaid Villa:** I think it is a good idea because a lot of the time students are afraid to talk to authority figures or administration just because it feels like there it is a different status level and I think it is inviting and through zoom it will get us a bigger audience.
 - v. **Anson:** It sounds like a great idea
 - vi. **Kyle:** You guys already said it all and we just have to either use the same topics or come up for some topics of our own.
 - vii. **Jeovana:** I think most students feel disconnected so I think this will really help.
 - viii. **Gabriel:** So, I hear that everyone wants this happening during the fall rather than the spring because of the need for this is important because students feel disconnected and we need to let them know that there is someone fighting for them. I would like to discuss this next time we meet. Are there any other issues that we would like to discuss?
 - ix. **Cristian:** I'm looking forward to doing this deliberation and we need to think about eyesight pitches because a lot of the time the administrators are disconnected from students that's an opportunity to connect with each other. It is so hard to get a meeting with president Covino so I would want him there.

VI. Adjournment:

Offered By:	Anaid Villa	Seconded by:	Cristian Flores			
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:05 PM. Consensus to adjourn the meeting - Consensus reached.						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

CERTIFICATION

Official Minutes taken for the ASI Board of Directors Meeting of the Associated Students, Inc., Cal State Los Angeles held on August 26, 2020, on Zoom and were approved by consensus by the A.S.I. Board of Director Committee on Thursday, September 00, 2020.

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