



Executive Committee Meeting

Minutes

Day/Date: Tuesday, December 1, 2020
 Time: 4:30- 5:45
 Location: Zoom
 Attendees: Executive committee, General Public
 Type of Meeting: General Public

I. Organizational Items:

Call to order by: Chair Diana Chaves ASI President @ 4:32

b. Roll Call

Diana Chavez	President	Present
Ma Ledi Ham Loot	Vice President for Administration	Present
Jocelyn Vargas	Vice President for Academic Governance	Present
Kayla Misa	Vice President for Finance	Excused Absence
Analiz Marmolejo	Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement	Present
Brajohn Hicks	College of Arts and Letters Representative	Excused Tardy @4:36
Anna Nguyen	Secretary Treasure-Rep-At-Large	Present
Ryan Yoo	Chief Justice	Present
Carol Roberts-Corb	University President's Designee	Present
Dena Florez	Office Manager of Administration & Services	Present
Jazz Parker	Diversity and Inclusion Officer	Present

c. Adoption of Agenda:

Offered By:	Ledi Loot	Seconded by:	Analiz Marmolejo
Motion to Approve Agenda for Tuesday, December 1, 2020 Consensus to Approve Agenda for Tuesday, December 1, 2020- Consensus Reached			
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0
		Abstained	0
Motion: Passed			

Offered By:	Ledi Loot	Seconded by:	Analiz Marmolejo
Amendment to move action item to discussion item. Consensus of Amendment to move action item to discussion item. - Consensus Reached			
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0
		Abstained	0
Motion: Passed			

d. Approval of Minutes (action):

Offered By:	Anna Nguyen	Seconded by:	Ledi Loot
Motion to approve minutes of Tuesday, November 10, 2020 until the end of the meeting Consensus to approve minutes of Tuesday, November 10, 2020 Until the meeting- Consensus Reached			
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0
		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. Action Items

- a. None

IV. Discussion Items

- a. **ASI executive Position Requirements- The Board will consider taking action to make a semester of ASI experience as a requirement to apply and/or be appointed for an ASI Executive Officer position.**

- i. **Diana Chavez:** I think we came to consensus that people wanting a higher exec position should have at least one year of experience. Now what are we going to define as one year of experience? I am not comfortable with a committee member because they don't have a whole sense of what we do.
- ii. **Jocelyn Vargas:** I think we should have it as board members academic senators and commissioners.
- iii. **Ryan Yoo:** Do we include Justice's?
- iv. **Jocelyn Vargas:** Yes.
- v. **Dena Florez:** I agree with Jocelyn, but I think you should leave it as a board member because they deal with the overall of ASI and see everything that comes from everywhere. The senators are important since they deal with the external of ASI and commissioner s are your power programmers, but they are not as involved in the inner workings of ASI. The term should be based on the academic calendar.
- vi. **Jocelyn Vargas:** I agree but I am also thinking about how many of the BOD are graduating and how many will qualify after that. I have also been trying to include the senators more by making them joining BOD meetings and so I am trying to push that so I think senators should have the opportunity it would be very important.
- vii. **Dena Florez:** Senators are elected positions right and commissioners are appointed correct? I can see your argument.
- viii. **Ledi Loot:** I think if we exclude commissioners since they are not a part of the BOD that would be a disadvantage because to be VPA you need to know programming which is what they do so if we restrict it to just BOD you are restricting the pool of candidates for the positions, but I understand for the other positions.
- ix. **Ryan Yoo:** So, what happens for other appointed positions like for President of finance are they prohibited to become president or another position since they aren't apart of BOD so maybe we should say all ASI members with the exception of committee members.
- x. **Dena Florez:** I think in the last meeting we had we said that they should serve on the BOD for one term at least but the exception was to have a recommendation from your direct so that answers to Ledi and Jocelyn. And Ryan does have a valid argument as well and we can put that the term is an academic term.
- xi. **Ledi Loot:** So this is not going to effect this kind of election let's say during this administration most of the ASI member are graduating the you will have a small pool of people to choose from however there is an outsider that can be really good and we don't have good candidates internally that will take the position don't you think it will impact the administration?
- xii. **Diana Chavez:** I think this is where Dena's point comes in with the letter of recommendation of a current executive officer will help so then we can pre-interview them and then give a recommendation.
- xiii. **Analiz Marmolejo:** Where does the letter of recommendation come from because like me and Ledi were senators and we were not on BOD so does it come when they are running for the position for like for myself I came in through appointment and recommendation and what that matter to the students that are voting?
- xiv. **Diana Chavez:** For example, some student in my class is interested in being an ASI president we would give them the option for them to meet with me and I do an interview and get to know them and them from there I'll give them a recommendation for why they can apply even though they have no experience.
- xv. **Analiz Marmolejo:** I think we have to have some time of entrance thing because I think the issue is that we can have someone that has great experience but not knowing how it runs is what scares them away and we can see that in the previous VPAG.
- xvi. **Diana Chavez:** Ryan you have a question?
- xvii. **Ryan Yoo:** I was just going to touch on that what if we can have the incumbent interview them and see if they qualify and if the incumbent is unsure and has questions then we can redirect the questions to the president.
- xviii. **Dena Florez:** In order to maintain continuity in ASI you want someone that has previous ASI experience, but the question now is are we bordering on violating any freedom to run?
- xix. **Carol Roberts Corb:** I don't think there are any restrictions.
- xx. **Dena Florez:** Dena Puts Elections as example.

- xxi. **Diana Chavez:** Be reminded that this is not the first time any ASI auxiliary is trying to do this and when it comes to the freedom to applying. I'm not sure I don't know if that is a thing but we can see how other ASI's have worded it because maybe there is something on that.
- xxii. **Jocelyn Vargas:** I don't know if I like the idea of giving the students at large an opportunity to run through recommendation. I feel it will create conflict because discriminating topic can come up.
- xxiii. **Carol Roberts-Corb:** Yeah, that doesn't sit well with me.
- xxiv. **Ledi Loot:** I know that everyone knows that we have had a couple of instances that that has happen and we are trying to build this image for ASI and they administration has been doing a good job of doing the outreach and trying to rebrand and we need to sustain that.
- xxv. **Carol Roberts Corb:** When the candidates are presented to the voters is there experience known?
- xxvi. **Ledi Loot:** Usually they would put it in the platform so usually the candidates are required to submit it and it is up to them to put their experience.
- xxvii. **Carol Roberts-Corb:** I am just thinking as a voter. I'm looking for a happy medium.
- xxviii. **Dena Florez:** If you don't have BOD members that want to run for the exec position now you are faced with if you don't fill up that space during an exec position you're going to be appointing somebody and as far as recommending I don't think we should have current ASI screening students at large because it opens it up to grievances however when you say you open up to your direct lets say Jocelyn has a senator that thinks would be a great VPAG because your job as execs is to couch an mentor those that report to you and lets say kyle wants to apply and we are saying that you have to had served as a board of director or you can ger a recommendation from your direct Jocelyn can. Only give a recommendation for her senators she can't interview students at large because it can create a conflict and if you put it out there that you must have served in ASI for one term it is not questioned. Dena the gives further examples.
- xxix. **Diana Chavez:** What if we only do the requirement for the president instead of the whole executive team?
- xxx. **Jocelyn Vargas:** I agree with that one for sure because I've seen new people try to that position and it was difficult, so they need to know how ASI works.
- xxxi. **Diana Chavez:** I know 2 years ago they brought it up during the committee, so I'll see how that conversation went and how far they got. One of the Cal States requires a years, but I want to require a semester.
- xxxii. **Ledi Loot:** It is more justifiable if we do that.
- xxxiii. **Brajohn Hicks:** Lets say someone is running who was a part of ASI but something didn't go right and they decided to leave would they still qualify to be a president?
- xxxiv. **Diana Chavez:** Yes, that counts.
- xxxv. **Dena Florez:** If you were removed that would be different so that is something to think about.
- xxxvi. **Jocelyn Vargas:** I think in that scenario we can establish a stipulation if they were removed by the Board then they do not qualify to run.
- xxxvii. **Diana Chavez:** Question there is that some people get removed because of their grades and we do have an eligibility. Is that a removal or disqualification?
- xxxviii. **Jocelyn Vargas:** No that is being ineligible.
- xxxix. **Brajohn Hicks:** Lets say someone got overwhelmed with the position and decided to leave would they still qualify?
- xl. **Diana Chavez:** Yes.
- xli. **Ledi Loot:** We don't have the ability to check if there are any grievances we can check is there some way we can do that?
- xl. **Dena Florez:** There is an eligibility checked on all candidates and you do have a point and this was an issue but you cannot see student conduct.
- xl. **Ledi Loot:** Is there a way to see that?
- xl. **Carol Roberts Corb:** No, it talks about good standing and it also means that they can't be on suspension of disciplinary probation so it should extend to behavior as well as GPA so it does involve that.
- xl. **Dena Florez:** They go through eligibility when they apply and around may which the dean of students.
- xl. **Diana Chavez:** Now my question is if a student were to have an opening case with title IX will that show on their record?
- xl. **Carol Roberts-Cord:** No.
- xl. **Diana Chavez:** As a women, I just want to make sure everybody is safe from any harm and I don't want an instance where a student has an one case with title IX for any case and there are multiple cases so that wouldn't show in the record?
- xl. **Carol Roberts Corb:** It would only show is they were discipline or suspended and such.
- i. **Ryan Yoo:** So which policy would you be changing?
- ii. **Diana Chavez:** I was saving that question for you on a one-on-one.

b. BOD Restructure- The Board will discuss ideas on restructuring BOD

- i. **Diana Chavez:** We are aware that we have to include 2 more reps and then we were in the conversation of which position should be removed in BOD because we are one of the BOD out there and we want to make sure that our BOD is effective. We also thought about how the college reps can be switching. I would say have the college reps transition just because they are the ones that make it bigger and in the case where one of them can't make it the other can come. I also don't know if it should be by semester or biweekly. This is where I want Analiz's opinion on keeping her area in the BOD like Ledi doesn't have her commissioners in there nor does Jocelyn doesn't have her senators so do you think your area has to be here?
- ii. **Analiz Marmolejo:** I think it will still be effective because they both have different areas and not even the area that I represent so having them be aware of the things happening on campus and then making programs to their specific areas so I would like to keep them on the board.
- iii. **Dena Florez:** I think I agree with Analiz, but we also need to define our diversity and inclusion position because I know that Ledi wanted international students on there and students with disabilities but in reality that is part of the diversity and inclusion. In all fairness we need to specifically define what it is supposed to do and to comment on the college reps but to reduce college reps and to transition this is going to affect their GIA's because they are not required to attend meetings and that would mean that a college rep is not attending 8 meetings a year.
- iv. **Diana Chavez:** We can trade off months and do biweekly because you are not technically having to change your whole schedule around.
- v. **Dena Florez:** You're still not attending your required meetings and what would you put on the biweekly.
- vi. **Jocelyn Vargas:** I like the idea because it is essential to have them there but I also see that not all of them are vocal. I think another idea was ratio based on the colleges.
- vii. **Diana Chavez:** We have 20 voting members and this is not including our staff and our university designee or Chief Justice.
- viii. **Ledi Loot:** Wouldn't it be better if we had more people to have diversity of ideas?
- ix. **Diana Chavez:** Yes, I agree and the conversation is should we reduce it and what are the pros and cons.
- x. **Carol Roberts Corb:** We should ask who is best to have at the table and whose voices do we want to hear.
- xi. **Jocelyn Vargas:** What if we do it how CSSA does it because I know before that two people would attend but only one would have the voting power and the other would sit in and text the other person what they think that's just an idea.
- xii. **Anna Nguyen:** I feel like compared to other boards we do have a big one but like it was said people don't really speak so decreasing the number won't decrease the length of discussion.
- xiii. **Diana Chavez:** What am I going to do? Is continue this conversation till next year.

c. Winter Training- The Board will discuss possible winter training ideas.

- i. **Diana Chavez:** I wanted to go into possible ideas and I know the civic engagement officer emailed me. The training revolves around resume building but I want more of a direct report training. So if you have any ideas please.
- ii. **Ledi Loot:** I would like to see more team building activities because we only meet people from our own areas but not other people.

Reports

A. ASI President: Diana Chavez

➤ Diana: I met with Covino this morning and we discussed commencement and it is still up in the air. We also discussed ASI internal things and was I was able to get pizza with the president for next semester and he is willing to do a monthly thing and we agreed on February and April.

B. ASI Vice President for Administration: Ma Ledi Ham Loot

➤ Ledi: Personnel is going to have a second meeting for the ASI ED and the first batch of questions have been approved by HR and we will be trying to set meetings with campus partners for spirit week and for elections and setting up a meeting with the athletics.

C. ASI Vice President for Finance: Kayla Misa

➤ Kayla: NONE

- D. ASI Vice President for Academic Governance: Jocelyn Vargas
 - Jocelyn: The CAPS resolution passed in the academic senate we submitted our proposals for spring and now we are working on a few other resolutions and that's all.
- E. ASI Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement: Analiz Marmolejo
 - Analiz: I met with the CSSA executive team before break to talk about our project I am trying to launch and there is a budget request with the board of trustees and they just added a basic needs line item and what they are trying to teach me is how to corelate tampons and pads as a basic needs an then my officers I told them to wait but we have started brainstorm.

Offered By:	Analiz Marmolejo	Seconded by:	Diana Chavez			
Motion to extend the meeting by 5 minutes Consensus to extend the meeting by 5 minutes- Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained		Motion: Passed

- F. ASI Secretary/ Treasurer: Anna Nguyen
 - Anna: NONE
- G. Office Manager:
 - Dena Florez: None
- H. University Designee: Carol Roberts-Corb
 - Carol: Working on setting up basic needs and things for next semester and we are still handing out technology things still as well as setting up emergency grants.
 - Diana Chavez: Is there still emergency grants left?
 - Carol: Technically no.

II. Adjournment:

Offered By:	Ledi Loot	Seconded by:	Analiz Marmolejo			
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:48 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 December 1, 2020, on Zoom and were approved by consensus by the A.S.I. Board of Director Committee on Thursday, December 00, 2020.
Prepared by:

Dena Florez- Recording Secretary

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