



Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes

Day/Date: Thursday, April 15, 2021
 Time: 3:15- 5:45
 Location: Zoom
 Attendees: Executive committee, General Public
 Type of Meeting: General Public

I. Organizational Items:

Call to order by: Chair Diana Chavez ASI President @ 3:16

b. Roll Call

Diana Chavez	President	
Ma Ledi Ham Loot	Vice President for Administration	
Josue Montenegro	Vice President for Finance	
Analiz Marmolejo	Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement	
Jocelyn Vargas	VP for Academic Governance	
Anna Nguyen	Secretary Treasure-Rep-At-Large	
Rochelle Andrea Cordero	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	
Jazmin Ennis	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	
Johannakate Connally	College of Business & Economics Rep.	
Jonathan Villagra Silva	College of Business and Economics Rep	
Lauren Diana	College of Arts and Letters Rep.	
Brajohn Hicks	College of Arts and Letters Rep.	
Kyle Misa	College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep	
Diana Valdez	College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep.	
Emily Sandoval	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	
Kristy Lam	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	
Sidney Lim	College of Education Rep.	
Phoebe Wong	College of Education Rep.	
Amber Beasley	Diversity and Inclusion Officer	
Brooke Mero	Civic Engagement Officer	
Ryan Yoo	Chief Justice	
Carol Roberts-Corb	University President's Designee	Excused Tardy @ 4:05
Vacant	ASI Interim Executive Director	
Dena Florez	Office Manager of Administration & Services	
Guests of the Gallery		

c. Adoption of Agenda

Offered By:		Seconded by:	
Motion to Approve Agenda for Thursday, April 15, 2021			
Consensus to Approve Agenda for Thursday, April 15, 2021- Consensus reached			
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0
		Abstained	0
Motion: Passed			

d. Approval of Minutes (action):

Offered By:		Seconded by:				
Motion to approve the Minutes for Thursday, March 25, 2021						
Consensus to approve Minutes for Thursday, March 25, 2021- Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:		Seconded by:				
Motion to approve the Minutes for Thursday, December 10, 2020						
Consensus to approve Minutes for Thursday, December 10, 2020- Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	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. Informational Items

- a. **Land Acknowledgment**
- b. **Executive Director Update**
- c. **Resolution Transparency and Reforming University Police Update**
- d. **State of Affairs**
 - i. **Diana Chavez:** We had a lot of success and in their events, they noticed a trend in student engagement in showcases and club fairs. For the commissioners spirit weeks was a success. Plans that will be taken for the next semester and many recommended continuing virtual events. Financial Status is that not everyone utilized all your funding. Lastly, it was mentioned that everyone achieved their goals even with the pandemic.
 - ii. **Ledi Loot:** I want to add that we also promoted our employees and Gus is a Director now.

IV. Discussion Items

- a. **Student Emergency Grants- The Board will discuss the Division of the Student Life's Proposal that was passed in finance committee.**
 - i. **Carol Roberts-Corb:** I presented to finance to assist in the basic needs and specifically the emergency grants. *The proposal as explained by Carol Roberts-Corb.* This was passed in finance and I hope I get your support.
 - ii. **Jocelyn Vargas:** I was wondering if the university provides support for students over the summer because even if we go on vacation issues still arise.
 - iii. **Carol Roberts-Corb:** In terms of emergency grants or other basic needs?
 - iv. **Jocelyn Vargas:** In both.
 - v. **Carol Roberts-Corb:** No decision has been made. I know we are supporting the early start students but we may be taking a break in distributing technology. Food distribution probably not over the summer. But I am curious about your opinion on that. The emergency grant issue is that we need the student to be enrolled during the summer.
 - vi. **Jocelyn Vargas:** Maybe we can put something on the site showing other places where the students can get their meals.
 - vii. **Carol Roberts-Corb:** There is such a link and there is one on the application as well.
 - viii. **Diana Chavez:** Can you elaborate on the UAS food and housing insecurity account is because I know that one big thing students were facing was not having a place to stay. Can you explain that and if the university will open up housing again?
 - ix. **Carol Roberts-Corb:** Yes, we plan on reopening on emergency housing program in the fall. The finding for that I provided through the grant through the CSU. The UAS account is not state money or student fees, it is all donations from alumni and others and have a lot more flexibility in how we spend that money and allows us to give money to international students or undocumented students.
 - x. **Dena Florez:** I just want to add that finance already approved this so this will be added to the 9&3 budget.

- b. 9&3 Budget: The Board will discuss the budget by the Vice President for Finance**
- i.* **Josue Montenegro:** *The 9&3 budget as presented by Josue Montenegro.*
 - ii.* **Dena Florez:** I think you all have done a great job of using student fees and keep in mind any money that you do not utilize rolls over because we work on a trailer system.
- c. Campus Reopening- The Board will discuss the concerns regarding the reopening of campus this fall.**
- i.* **Diana Chavez:** I attended SQE town hall regarding the campus reopening and I heard a lot of different things and how some students are okay with going back to school and other students are afraid administration will require the vaccine and they will not require it. They are discussing the sanitation and concerns for our janitors and we are still having discussions. They are encouraging everybody to get vaccinated.
 - ii.* **Ledi Loot:** How will the school identify which classes will go online and which are going on campus like most stem like nursing or anything that requires laboratory? And how about the other classes and programs? The students are worried because they want to plan ahead and there isn't transparency.
 - iii.* **Diana Chavez:** What I heard is that the face-to-face classes are going to be upper division courses but it up to the dean of the college who has the ultimate decision.
 - iv.* **Lauren Diana:** If the class is offered in person will it be offered in person?
 - v.* **Diana Chavez:** Yes, and hybrid is being defined as one week will be face to face and the other will be virtual.
 - vi.* **Lauren Diana:** Right but are they still going to be offered virtual?
 - vii.* **Diana Chavez:** I am not sure, but I will ask.
 - viii.* **Jocelyn Vargas:** I wanted to ask how will mask wearing be enforced by campus? Will students be warned of asbestos since some students have gotten lung damage from covid?
 - ix.* **Amber Beasley:** Something that was being mentioned is that some of the hybrid would take a year to complete so how will the students be notified?
 - x.* **Diana Chavez:** Yeah, everything is not promised but thank you for the questions
- d. Vaccination Campaign- The Board will discuss the idea of building a campaign regarding vaccination.**
- i.* **Diana Chavez:** I want to get your opinion on this and I have talked to President Covino and Carol, so what do you guys think about doing this and encouraging it?
 - ii.* **Ledi Loot:** As a health care professional I am all for it and my department are willing to contribute to this.
 - iii.* **Amber Beasley:** Does the university plan to have their own campaign?
 - iv.* **Carol Roberts-Corb:** I am not sure but I will ask.
 - v.* **Amber Beasley:** I think we should look into the legalities as it can seem politically charged and there should be historical context that needs to be considered.
 - vi.* **Jocelyn Vargas:** I agree with Amber but I also agree with Ledi, so maybe we can remind students that there is a vaccination site on campus or how to get an appointment but not really tell them to get vaccinated. Also, do we know what vaccine is being given?
 - vii.* **Diana Chavez:** I am not sure I'll have to ask.
 - viii.* **Brooke Mero:** I think there is a campaign happening at a university level because we just onboarded 15 fellows that their purpose is to talk to students about the vaccine and their concerns and come up with a campaign.
 - ix.* **Ledi Loot:** Perspective from nurse, the risk of getting blood clot from Johnson and Johnson is lower than the women who take birth control. Maybe ASI can give people who get it we can give people things.
 - x.* **Sidney Lim:** Is there a way where it is more of an informational campaign.
 - xi.* **Carol Roberts Corb:** Answer to the previous questions, it is Pfizer they have.
 - xii.* **Dena Florez:** I think we should utilize our platforms to inform students about vaccination sites and even if there is a low chance if you are that one it doesn't sound good and just do your homework on what is best for you.
 - xiii.* **Jocelyn Vargas:** I am for the informative campaign but has this been pitched to SHAC? And can it be a collaboration?
 - xiv.* **Amber Beasley:** I like the idea of incentives but again the historical context of giving incentives for vaccines is culturally inappropriate and I don't know if it our right to waste student fees on something we are not educated enough to do so.
 - xv.* **Diana Chavez:** What I am hearing is that we are leaning toward an informative campaign but my idea is you know how we have a newsletter promoting what the campus is saying another thing is a few have events left so maybe relay the message through there.
 - xvi.* **Ledi Loot:** The newsletter is being done by Gus and the graphics and marketing is being overwhelmed right now but let me know when you plan out to send out the newsletter.

V. Reports

- a. ASI President: Diana Chavez
 - i. Diana: Graduation will be happening in the Rose Bowl on the 29th. I don't know how many guest will be aloud but for sure there will be limited capacity. Class of 2021 will have a virtual commencement separated by college, but class of 2020 will not have that option. The ED comes in April 26th and next it will be the governmental affairs. The next thing I will be focusing on is the transition of the next ED so turn in your transition folders. I will also meet the chief of police on a monthly basis to secure and discuss campus safety. I am working with Ledi for out end of the year banquet.
 - ii. Dena Florez: That is usually held the Friday before finals.
 - iii. Diana Chavez: Keep you schedule open for a Friday in may.
- b. ASI Vice President for Administration: Ma Ledi Ham Loot
 - i. Ledi: Elections are coming up and I need everyone spreading the word and we want to pass the numbers from last years elections and we will have events those days. We will have todo the tier program for this and increasing the number of prizes. Created partnerships with professors to have their students do election assignments and they have created memes and hashtags but we need to get the students consent for it. Then we have eagle-chella so please participate. Tomorrow if you are interesting in gardening please join EPC.
- c. ASI Vice President for Finance: Josue Montenegro
 - i. Josue: The 9&3 just needs to get approved and now I need to complete 2021-2022 budget and I need to get that done for Covino to look at it. Just making sure we finish on a good end in club funding.
- d. ASI Vice President for Academic Governance: Jocelyn Vargas
 - i. Jocelyn: Earlier in the year we talked about the revisions for the preferred name and Anson has made a lot of progress on that and has gotten a lot of feedback and will make its way to Carol. The resolution that Diana Authored made it to a reading item in senate. At the next CASS one of my items will be a mock senate and if anyone wants to participate let me know.
- e. ASI Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement: Analiz Marmolejo
 - i. Analiz: This weekend I had CSSA and during our Leg affairs we got introduces thirteen new assembly bells and some were supported and brought to CSSA so that will happen in May and one that is special to Cal State LA is a Cal grant reform to support middle class students.
- f. ASI Secretary/ Treasurer: Anna Nguyen
 - i. Anna: Start your transition folders.
- g. ASI Board or Directors
 - i. Reps at Large
 - 1. Civic Engagement
 - 1.) Brooke Mero: I hosted my last event but that is all
 - 2. Diversity & Inclusion
 - 1.) Amber Beasley: The wolf of wellness event great and my other even is April 28th a survivors panel and that is it.
 - ii. College Reps
 - 1. College of A & L
 - 1.) Brajohn Hicks: We have an event coming and it is another showcase.
 - 2. College of HHS
 - 1.) Rochelle Cordero: Our last event is tomorrow form 3-4 and that is all.
 - 3. College of NSS

- 1.) Kristy Lam: We have an event on the 23rd which is a career night where we will have speakers of many colleges.
4. College of ECST
 - 1.) Diana Valdez: NONE
5. College of B & E
 - 1.) Johannakate Connally: I am putting in plans on how to increase numbers in our events.
6. Charter College of Education
 - 1.) Phoebe Wong: We had our trivia night and we had a meeting with the rehab services club that presented the last BOD and I think Diana will be attending.
 - 2.) Sidney Lim: Our pandemic panorama is still going on and we are trying to get the word out to students and we haven't gotten that many.
 - 3.) Diana Chavez: I recommend that all of you should not lonely be promoting your events but also of your fellow college reps.
- h. Office Manager: Dena Florez
 - i. Dena: Supporting Josue, and thank you all for the events. I have been meeting to make sure I have the prize list to send out. We will do a financial support request and Anna has been amazing and make sure you do the transition folders and it is very important.
 - ii. Ledi Loot: I am concerned because I am writing a transition folder and trying to see if the reps can get their stippen and not base it on financial aid.
 - iii. Dena Florez: It is not based on your financial aid, but it does affect your financial aid. Your financial aid is the cost to attend college and if they see that you are working then they give you less money.
 - iv. Analiz Marmolejo: That's what we went to Lobby for and it needs support and it is up for discussion.
 - v. Diana Chavez: I think what we can do is give a clarification to the new comers because I don't get my entire stippen either.
 - vi. Carol Roberts Corb: We can bring in Linda Lopez to talk about that.
- i. Graphics & Marketing Coordinator: Gus Salazar
 - i. Gus: NONE
- j. University Designee: Carol Roberts-Corb
 - i. Carol: Making sure that you all saw the email about Nancy Wada-Mckee and her last day is May 8th and Dr. Villapalo will be taking her place and is shadowing her right now.
 - ii. Amber Beasley: Did you say that the office of diversity and inclusion was going to be moved into student life? And how did it come to fruition? I would argue that there needs to be a separation od power.
 - iii. Carol: Let me be clear the office for equity, diversion inclusion will be separate and the programing will also stay with Octavio for that.
 - iv. Amber Beasley: So, one person will be overseeing not only the student life but also the diversity and inclusion issues?
 - v. Carol: I don't know about one person but yes.
 - vi. Ledi Loot: I was just curious about the restructuring.
 - vii. Diana Chavez: I will take your concerns to President Covino.
 - viii. Carol: I think it will be nice to have it through one person.
 - ix. Amber Beasley: I agree but I am concerned the attention will be taken away form the issues of the Diversity department.

- x. Dena Florez: Joyce Williams came in three years ago and she is a part of it and I am happy for her and looking forward to both of them.

VI. Adjournment:

a. Discussion:

- i. **Dena Florez:** Our last BOD is May 13th, but please keep on your calender May 20th just in case there are any issues.

Offered By:	Brajohn Hicks	Seconded by:	Josue Montenegro			
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:17 PM. Consensus to adjourn the meeting at 5:17 PM - 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 April 15, 2021, on Zoom and were approved by consensus by the ASI Board of Director on Thursday, April 29, 2021.

Prepared by:

Dena Florez- Recording Secretary

Anna Nguyen- Secretary Treasurer