



# Board of Directors Meeting

## Minutes

Day/Date: Thursday, October 21, 2021  
 Time: 3:15- 5:45 pm  
 Location: Zoom  
 Attendees: Board Members, General Public  
 Type of Meeting: General

❖ **Organizational Items:**

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

Diana Chavez	President	Present
Angelina Gomez	Vice President for Administration	Present
Josue Montenegro	Vice President for Finance	Present
Analiz Marmolejo	Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement	Present
Amber Beasley	VP for Academic Governance	Present
Anna Nguyen	Secretary Treasure-Rep-At-Large	Present
	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	
Skye Aulger-Roughan	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	Present
Andrew Klein	College of Business & Economics Rep.	Present
Rebeca Martinez	College of Business and Economics Rep	Unexcused Absence
Emily Chen	College of Arts and Letters Rep.	Present
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Marlen Trigueros	College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep	Excused Tardy @4:11
Diana Valdez	College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep.	Present
Brian Nguyen	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	Present
Hope Hua	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	Present
Sidney Lim	Charter College of Education Rep.	Present
Phoebe Wong	Charter College of Education Rep.	Present
Rana Rozi	Civic Engagement Officer	Present
	Diversity and Inclusion Officer	
Sasha Prakir	Chief Justice	Present
Aaron Burgess	University President's Designee	Excused Tardy @4:11
Barnaby Peake	ASI Executive Director	Present
Dena Florez	Associate Executive Director	Present
Gus Salazar	Director of Graphics and Marketing	Present
Guests of the Gallery		

➤ **Adoption of the Agenda**

Offered By:	Andrew Klein	Seconded by:	Diana Valdez			
Motion to Approve Agenda for Thursday, October 21, 2021						
Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:	Josue Montenegro	Seconded by:	Andrew Klein			
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Motion to add an action item for a Finance committee member appointment. Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:	Amber Beasley	Seconded by:				
Friendly amendment to remove the University Wide committee appointment. Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:	Diana Chavez	Seconded by:				
Friendly amendment to remove the approval of hiring the Program Coordinator. Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:	Josue Montenegro	Seconded by:		Angelina Gomez		
Motion to add an action item to appoint Hope Hua into the Campus Physical Planning Committee. Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

➤ **Approval of the Minutes**

Offered By:	Andrew Klein	Seconded by:		Hope Hua		
Motion to approve the Minutes for Thursday October 7, 2021 Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

❖ **Public Forum**

- This time is allotted to members of the public to address the board regarding items not included on the meeting agenda.

❖ **Informational Items**

- **CSSA Presentation by VPEAA**
  - **Analiz Marmolejo:** Analiz goes over her CSSA presentation.
  - **Andrew Klein:** Two slides ago were those bill you talked about passed by the governor?
  - **Analiz Marmolejo:** No not yet, these are what has been sent to him and what we support. Analiz Continues with her presentation. And to add is that a lot of legislation that is being looked is because of our advocacy
- **CAPS & ASI Listening Session**
  - **Diana Chavez:** Just a reminder that this is happening tomorrow and hopefully you all can join
- **S.O.C. Webinar Survey**
  - **Diana Chavez:** Thank you those who came to in person tabling we have.
  - **Barnaby Peake:** We had eighty-seven students fill in the survey and answer important questions about concerns on campus.

❖ **Action Items**

- **3&9 Budget- The Board will vote on the approved budget from Finance.**
  - **Josue Montenegro:** *Josue presents the 3&9 budget and the changes.*
  - **Andrew Klein:** The VEBA account is health benefits right?
  - **Josue Montenegro:** Yes, Dena do you want to explain?
  - **Dena Florez:** That's our retirement account which is a 403 where your medical is paid at fifty percent when you retire.

Offered By:	Andrew Klein	Seconded by:		Anna Nguyen		
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Motion to approve the 3 & 9 Budget Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

➤ **ASI Student Government Positions- The Board will vote on appointing candidates to open student government positions.**

- **Diana Chavez:** Daniel you can tell us why you are best fit for this position.
- **Daniel Atunez:** I feel I am the best for this position because I feel like I have a lot of experience and I read what the spirit commissioner does as I fit because I have experience as I work for Montebello and I do a lot of events and I am a people person.
- **Angelina Gomez:** I interviewed Daniel and he told me he had a job but he has flexible hours so he will be available and he has a good attitude.

Offered By:	Andrew Klein	Seconded by:	Sidney Lim			
Motion to appoint Daniel Atunez as Spirit Commissioner. Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

- **Josue Montenegro:** He has my full recommendation.
- **Analiz Marmolejo:** You said he was a first year as in it is his first semester on campus?
- **Josue Montenegro:** Yes.
- **Dena Florez:** His application was uploaded but we don't know if he is eligible.
- **Anna Nguyen:** I don't think it is required of him to serve a term or does it?
- **Dena Florez:** I would have to check on that because he doesn't get a GIA but he does have incentive but you can motion to approve pending.

Offered By:	Andrew Klein	Seconded by:	Anna Nguyen			
Motion to approve Griffin James Gallagher pending his eligibility status for finance committee Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

➤ **University-Wide Committee- The Board will vote on appointing candidates to open university-wide committees.**

- **Amber Beasley:** I do give my full recommendation for Hope as she has some experience.

Offered By:	Phoebe Wong	Seconded by:	Andrew Klein			
Motion to approve Hope Hua into the Campus Physical Planning Committee Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

❖ **Discussion Items**

➤ **Spring Semester- The Board will discuss the current academic plans for Spring Semester.**

- **Diana Chavez:** There has been talk that 90% will be in person and there are concerns, but what is it that you all have heard regarding the spring semester.
- **Hope Hua:** I have been hearing good things as people want to be more involved a concern though is that it will be really pack and new students looking for classes and what that will look like.
- **Emily Chen:** Seeing as I am music major I have been hearing good things as we can now start playing our instruments correctly so we are looking forward to it. One concern though is since the woodwind instruments cannot wear their mask while playing they can't get lessons and that is their whole major and they are being held back because of zoom and I think that is unfair.
- **Sidney Lim:** On the book exchange I saw that there is a petition to make it more hybrid than coming all at once and have more online classes. CCOE specifically I think for us we already practice asynchronous classes already so I don't think there are any issues but I don't know the plans for us yet.

- **Rana Rozi:** I heard that some students are comfortable with going back to class if everyone is going to be fully vaccinated.
- **Diana Chavez:** I have seen those petitions roaming around in social media and that is why I put this on the agenda and I know that some students want to experience campus and others are still not comfortable and I think finding a good middle.
- **Amber Beasley:** I know that some will prefer hybrid options and there is discussion about discretion and I think that some things that were suggested is if we can be integrated slowly back onto campus and not to 90% right away and faculty are also expressing this.
- **Andrew Klein:** I think people like being on line because it fits on schedule but I haven't heard anyone against going back but they want more options.
- **Diana Chavez:** We have to try our best to realize how things will be if we do get back and it is hard to explain how that will be. So I think the consensus is to keep this hybrid a little longer.
- **Angelina Gomez:** There has been talks about the regulations that are going to be set and we talked to Aaron Burgess about the mask and social distancing that is not required because of everything what the CDC has said.
- **Aaron Burgess:** I go out in the walk way every day and I have lunch with students often and I ask them the same questions you are all asking and they say that they want to see more student life and no one has expressed concerns about being here and as far as what this means for you and your growth and having a setting with people that think like you and when this pandemic happened we saw that this affected our mental health and this is me speaking and I think there is a growth with all of you be around each other and I witness it. When I think about coming in person and what it means for you it means that you get those soft skills that you need for the work force that make you better qualified. We are not an online school and that is not what we do best.
- **Angelina Gomez:** Knowing that we are coming back at 90% capacity what are some of the regulations that you know are going to take place for the safety of the students.
- **Aaron Burgess:** There is a big thing with contact tracing when someone does get exposed and we have Dr. Paul Kim in charge of that and I believe the transmission rate of people getting Covid is so low that some of the modified quarantines for vaccinated people will more than likely go away because if you are vaccinated and you are exposed the data shows that is not a high rate of transmission and you will be seeing that soon and the campus is doing an amazing jobs and the number of vaccinated students and I am impressed and they are above 25,000 close to 26,000 and because of this we are making decisions and seeing that it is a lot safer than we thought.
- **Sidney Lim:** Is Cal State LA still doing exemptions now that Pfizer got approved?
- **Aaron Burgess:** I have not heard anything of that but I do know that in some time in November the CDC or the FDA is expected to approve vaccinations for ages 5-12 and also we are hearing of booster shots and I don't know what it means for students yet.
- **Andrew Klein:** Will the university be removing the option for testing for students who do not want to get vaccinated?
- **Diana Chavez:** I don't think the CDC will take that away.
- **Re-populating ASI- The Board will discuss the best practices in how to prepare for next Spring.**
  - **Diana Chavez:** Next semester we will be holding meetings in person so you all will be required to attend in person meetings like this one and of course we will follow CDC guidelines. Are there questions or recommendations?
  - **Analiz Marmolejo:** Seeing as we don't know how the school is going to be like hybrid or all in person is it possible that we keep some meetings still virtual?
  - **Diana Chavez:** Since the plan is to be in person we might have to keep them in person and then we have to think what we will be doing since we will be back in person so how are we going to define repopulating the ASI office and for your question I don't have an answer.
  - **Anna Nguyen:** I don't see a point in doing hybrid because if we are able to have in person meetings then that means we are able to have all meetings in person.
  - **Dena Florez:** Keep in mind that our meetings are open so we have to take into consideration that there will be students that may participate so we might have to go over that.
  - **Josue Montenegro:** The USU has had several events with a good amount of people so I am sure we can have our meetings and events to keep students engaged.
  - **Barnaby Peake:** I was in a meeting that was talking about and right now food is still restricted and it has to be grab and go and they are asking that you don't eat in these settings but I think there are ways to work with it.

- **Sidney Lim:** What if we have some internal committees having those online like Analiz said a lot of those meetings don't last long since it will be a commute and having to pay for parking.
- **Diana Chavez:** I think we can explore this idea but I do notice that some student leaders are not as engaged as they should be if we are virtual.
- **Andrew Klein:** In these meetings we have to wear our mask on right?
- **Diana Chavez:** it depends on the CDC guidelines.
- **Andrew Klein:** I also feel that it is easier for students to participate if we are virtual as they don't have to go to the USU to find where it is taking place.
- **Sasha Prakir:** I think that there should be an option to be virtual and I think the chairs should decide. And also taking into account the schedules of the committee.
- **Diana Chavez:** Try to see how things are more accessible to everyone is something to discuss on and repopulating ASI is something we want to do. Does anyone crave to come back or are curious of what ASI was like in person?
- **Angelina Gomez:** I do since it is my first year.
- **Diana Chavez:** How do you all feel or have the sense of belonging in ASI?
- **Andrew Klein:** I think since I am going to these meetings and I have seen you all in person I do feel like I am a part of something.
- **Dena Florez:** I got to say that I really miss seeing the students but we will get there. As far as meetings concern I understand that but when we took the responsibility to be in ASI you would have been here.
- **Diana Chavez:** I look forward to seeing all of you so I just wanted to take your concerns into consideration.
- **Sasha Prakir:** I think my fondest memory was when Milton fell asleep in a finance meeting and it feels different.
- **Andrew Klein:** I have been in meetings since high school all the way forward to doing that again in person.
- **Barnaby Peake:** I feel like conversations between meetings you get more done.
- **Aaron Burgess:** The setting after meetings is amazing as you get to truly connect with people.

## ❖ Reports

- ASI President: Diana Chavez
  - Diana: We are having the addressing student needs webinar soon and we will be canceling November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting and you all have to attend. We also will be having our CAPS circle discussion tomorrow. We are still revising policies and working on students wanting online classes which is a conversation I need to have with admin.
- ASI Vice President for Administration: Angelina Gomez
  - Angelina: I am waiting on my confirmation for my meet and greet. I am also working on setting up more one on ones.
- ASI Vice President for Finance: Josue Montenegro
  - Josue: We are starting to work on the 6 & 6 and having one on ones and we are working on financial literacy things.
- ASI Vice President for Academic Governance: Amber Beasley
  - Amber: Getting ready for the state of our campus. For the academic senate meeting we talked about the third party proctoring system. I did the mi vida su vida as well and I am working on recruitments and I am going to interview as well.
- ASI Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement: Analiz Marmolejo
  - Analiz: I attended CSSA over the weekend and we have events coming up.
- ASI Secretary/ Treasurer: Anna Nguyen
  - Anna: State of affairs is due next week.
- ASI Board or Directors
  - Reps at Large
    - Civic Engagement
      - ◆ Rana Rozi: Going over event ideas.
  - College Reps
    - College of A & L
      - ◆ Emily Chen: I am attending my required meetings and I am working on our schools wind ensemble to rehearse indoors because of the rain to come and them being under the sun as well.
    - College of HHS
      - ◆ Skye Aulger-Roughan: Working on events.
    - College of NSS

- ◆ Hope Hua: Talking about distress events and we have been in contact with some NSS alumni people and we are planning to do some programming with them.
  - College of ECST
    - ◆ Marlen Trigueros: We are just attending our meetings and working on our women in stem event that is happening soon.
  - College of B & E
    - ◆ Andrew Klein: We have done our events and we have been in contact with our Dean and will continue brainstorming.
  - Charter College of Education
    - ◆ Sidney Lim: Today we also met with the multiple subject credential coordinator and they are going to be doing a credential wide event and we want to work with them.
    - ◆ Phoebe Wong: We had our event last week and we had the OSS team come to that and we have an event coming up
  - Executive Director: Barnaby Peake
    - Barnaby: The additional funding has already gone out for the text book scholarship. I put up events in the chat that are coming up. There will be some office reorganizing and the order for the computers has been placed. Gus wanted me to remind you that the deadline for spring programs is in November.
  - University Designee: Aaron Burgess
    - Aaron: We had the food security event that took place and we are going to have another event with puppies and we are in a joint venture with Cal Poly Pomona and San Bernardino in get some money for technology. And tomorrow you all have event as well.
- ❖ Adjournment:

Offered By:	Josue Montenegro	Seconded by:	Angelina Gomez			
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:13 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 October 21, 2021, on Zoom and were approved by consensus by the ASI Board of Director on Thursday, November 18, 2021.

Prepared by:

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