

# Legislative Affairs and Advocacy

# Meeting Minutes

| Day/Date:        | Tuesday November 2, 2021                      |
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| Time:            | 3:17  |
| Location:        | https://calstatela.zoom.us/j/94560342251      |
| Attendees:       | Legislative Affairs committee, General Public |
| Type of Meeting: | General                                       |

# I. Organizational Items:

- a. Call to order by: Chair Analiz Marmolejo, Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement @ 3:17 pm
- b. Roll Call

| Diana Chavez       | ASI President                                    | Present           |  |  |
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| Analiz Marmolejo   | Vice President for External Affairs and          | Present           |  |  |
|                    | Advancement/Chair of Leg Affairs                 |                   |  |  |
| Rana Rozi          | Ina Rozi Civic Engagement Officer Excused Absenc |                   |  |  |
| Норе Ниа           | College of Natural and Social Sciences           | Present           |  |  |
|                    | Representative                                   |                   |  |  |
| Aarya Ravichandran | Campus Lobby Corps Officer                       | Present           |  |  |
| Barnaby Peake      | Barnaby Peake Executive Director                 |                   |  |  |
| Crystal Meza       | Lobby Corps Officer                              | Unexcused Absence |  |  |

# c. Adoption of Agenda: November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021

| Motion by:  | Aaryo   | a Ravichandran | Seconded by: | Hope Hua                     |  |  |
|---|---------|----------------|--------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| Motion to approve the agenda for November 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2021. |         |                |              |                              |  |  |
| All in favor  | Opposed | Abstained      | Motion:      | <mark>Passed</mark> / Failed |  |  |

### d. Approval of Minutes: October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021

| Motion by:  | by: Hope Hua Seconded by: Aarya Ravichandran |           |        |                                |  |  |  |
|---|--|-----------|--------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Motion to approve the agenda for October 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2021.<br>Consensus established. |  |           |        |                                |  |  |  |
| All in favor  | Opposed                                      | Abstained | Motion | : <mark>Passed</mark> / Failed |  |  |  |

#### 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.

None

#### III. Information Items

### a. CSSA Policy Agenda

Analiz: So it's going to be a quick meeting today and I just have to report the CSSA policy agenda, and we haven't voted on the final policy agenda, so it's still going through like amendments and discussion as to what would be the final policy agenda.

\*Reading of Policy Agenda\* (Attached to this minutes document)

# b. Civic Engagement Event Ideas

Analiz: So, we no longer have our civic engagement officer. However, this informational item came from, we were invited to the honors college earlier this week or last week on some of the ideas that students did have and so there was a lot of great initiatives and I will be maybe reaching out to Professor Hicks just to see which ones are students would like to be a part of. A really cool one that I thought was a birdwatching one where students go for, it's like a stress reliever, and we provide like binoculars and we just kind of check out on our campus and we have different gardens for this; can be possible. So yeah, there was a lot of great ideas. Rana was supposed to do the complete presentation. She was going to take notes on this. But we will look at the recording and we will get some more ideas for next semester.

Do you guys have any ideas as to what students might like to see in regards to civic participation? I think next semester, if we don't have a civic engagement officer, I think I'll be focusing more on event planning. So doing like different speakers, series and events, and then hopefully we can get one, like someone who is in office to come speak to students. I know we had the secretary treasurer last year and that was like my favorite event and then we also had a lot of like policy. And then like we had Project Rebound come talk about one of the propositions that was on our ballet last year, Prop 17. That was like an amazing event as well; it was a really great turnout. So just kind of being a part of the civic engagement process and bringing that to our campus is what I'll be focusing on next semester. So if you have any ideas of what you would like to see, or any connections that you'd like to bring to the table, just let me know.

Hope: Could I say something on that? So basically, actually there was an honors college event where they invited one of the criminal justice professors to speak on justice system reform and I thought that was a very interesting presentation and we can do something like that as well. Especially cause Amber previously was doing stuff about like recognize your privilege and stuff like that would be going with the theme of all of these CSSA goals as well as providing more information for students on these issues.

Analiz: Great, if you could find a professor who could help with that, I'd be really interested to hear about it, thank you!

Hope: Okay, I will send you her information. And also the flyer for that event.

Analiz: Yeah cool, thank you so much! Anyone else would like to add?

#### IV. Reports

a. Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement

Analiz: So my report will be pretty short. I think I'll have more to say next time we meet just because again, we have a CSSA plenary this weekend so I'll have some new information for you at our next Leg Affairs. I'm trying to work on what kind of events I would like to host next semester. I just attended my first board of directors for the Alumni Association and it was a long meeting but mostly we just talked about the financials of what they're doing in their area and then just kind of getting to know each other, so that was pretty awesome. No updates or anything to bring back from there, board of directors, and then yeah that's pretty much it for my report.

# b. Civic Engagement Officer

Analiz: Again, so we no longer have a civic engagement officer so if you have any friends who would like to take this position, please refer them to the ASI website and have them apply as soon as possible. Rana does wish us the best as we wish her the best. She just couldn't just due to like time conflicts, she will no longer be able to fulfill the position. So we're looking forward to a new civic engagement officer as well as a new diversity and inclusion officer. We do have two candidates that have now been both been interviewed and up for review at our next Board of Directors, so we're looking forward to that, so that's pretty much it for reports. Aarya, would you like to add anything?

Aarya: Not really, at the moment, but about the civic engagement events, I don't have any ideas at the moment but I've had a few classes and conversations with other students about that, so if I do happen to come up with something, I'll let you know.

Analiz: Awesome, thank you.

#### V. Adjournment

| Motion by:                      | Aarya                      | Ravichandran                | Seconded by:                  | Норе Ниа      |  |
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| Motion to adjo<br>Concensus est | urn the meeting tablished. | for November 2 <sup>r</sup> | <sup>nd</sup> , <b>2021</b> . |               |  |
| All in favor                    | Opposed                    | Abstained                   | Motion: Pa                    | ssed / Failed |  |