



Date: September 30, 2022  
 Time: 12:00-2:00 pm  
 Location: USU - Alhambra Room 305  
 Attendees: Finance Committee, General Public  
 Type of Meeting: General

**I. Organizational Items**

- a. Call to Order by Andrew Klein, Vice President for Finance, at 12:07
- b. Roll Call (Quorum **Established**)

Andrew Klein	Vice President for Finance	Present
Curtis Gaines	Vice Chair for Finance	Present
Jaime Arellano	ASI President	Present
Sasha Prakir	VP for Administration	Present
John Eleby	VP for Academic Governance	Present
Sasha Prakir	VP for External Affairs & Advancement	Present
Emily Chen	Secretary Treasurer	Present
Arwa Hammad	College of Arts & Letters Rep.	Present
N/A	BOD Member	
N/A	Student Committee Member	
N/A	Student Committee Member	
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N/A	Student Committee Member	
N/A	Associate Justice	
Cecily Mcalpine	Director of Fiscal & Business Operations	Present
John Tcheng	Assistant Vice President of Budget, Planning, & Fiscal Compliance	Present
Barnaby Peake	Executive Director	Present
Dena Florez	Associate Executive Director	Present
Guest of the Gallery	<i>Amanda Maldonado</i>	Present

**c. Approval of the Agenda for Friday, September 30, 2022**

Motioned By:	<b>Jaime Arellano</b>	Seconded by:	<b>Curtis Gaines</b>
Motion to approve Friday, September 30, 2022			
Discussion: None			

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All in Favor		Opposed		Abstained		<b>Motion: Consensus Passed</b>
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**d. Approval of the Minutes for Friday, September 16, 2022**

Motioned By:	<b>John Eleby</b>	Seconded by:	<b>Jaime Arellano</b>			
Motion to table the minutes for next meeting						
All in Favor		Opposed		Abstained		<b>Motion: Passed</b>

**II. Public Comment** – Public Comment is intended as a time for any member of the public to address the committee on any issues affecting ASI and/or Cal State LA

**Sasha:** Explains his absence in the previous meeting due to personal issues and wants to bring to the board that if the agenda is only a small number, they can make it online.

**III. Information Items**

**None**

**IV. Discussion Items**

**A. 3 & 9 Budget – The committee will review the 3 & 9 Budget as presented.**

**Dena:** Explains where to find the proposed budget and that it is late. Explains that the audit was approved at BOD, but also the statement of activities late explained the AS fees and Student Union and what was collected. Also explains the fees and costs of operations and net shares, interest, and revenue.

**Curtis:** Questions on travel with prorating.

**Dena:** Answers and explains it is not prorating and shares this is for student and full-time staff and their travel-like conferences. Also, shares the office is going under reconfiguration. Goes over corporate costs and agreements with the Union and charges. Student Government costs like travel and budgets and speaks on how some campuses are still virtual, but we are not.

**Sasha:** Questions on student leaders' budgets

**Dena:** Answers the questions and explains their budget use, but also, 50% needs to be used by a certain time. Goes back to explain the costs.

**Sasha:** Questions on stipends

**Curtis:** Questions as well

**Dena:** Explains and briefly explains. Shares more information on budgets and costs and wants a modified audit this time.



**Amanda:** Explains more about the textbook scholarship and how they have broken it into 2 semesters.

**Dena:** Explains it is a good program and the students like it.

**Andrew:** Questions on why the 30 students were turned down? Was it from the incompleteness of the applications?

**Amanda:** If they didn't qualify, it was because they weren't a full-time student and either didn't have the funds there was 35 that weren't full-time and about 10 who just didn't qualify.

**Sasha:** Questions if we had more applicants/students can we increase the money? **Dena:** Explains and answers, yes, we can increase the money, but that is something leaders must make and think on. Shares on the leader's advocacy budget go into detail on the student assistant position and removed it from the PR but also since the school is moving back to campus. Shares how, pre-pandemic, there were opportunities with an alternative break which was a service-learning program where we had to travel to places like Peru, which Amanda had attended

**Amanda:** Shares it was physical labor and built a building and learned their culture.

**Dena:** Shares because of the pandemic, they don't know if they can still do that, so they moved that money. Marketing and housing, they put it to PRMC. Explains the communities and their \$25 incentive per meeting they attend.

**Jaime:** Asks how many meetings a committee member can sit on. A student had asked him about the incentive, and yes, they do make money based on the number of meetings they attend.

**Dena:** Yes, and explains more, ASI is offering an award that will be offered in the spring, and how we might still have it. Programs like veterans, childcare, and dreamers, and we give them funding.

**Jaime:** Question on the dollar difference for something

**Dena:** It is rounding

**Curtis:** Can we move back to support on the student service wants to know if we can fill that for the student's basic needs.

**Dena:** We can talk more, but we need the dean of students to present and ask us.

**Barnaby:** Shares the Dean of students they need to come to us, they are at their funding, but it is for them to decide. Explains we don't fund unless there is a request there needs to be a purpose & request.

**Dena:** Shares for funding, we have programming and giving back to the students like activities, the scholarship, and the movie nights that is ASI giving back

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**Curtis:** have we done actual outreach on what we are doing, like the scholarship, what they want or need or basic needs?

**Dena:** Understands what Curtis is asking, but this budget is set, and when it comes to the time in December, the places we fund for give us reports on what they did do with the money, once they provide their report, they can come back and ask for funds and that is when student basic needs can come and ask again.

**Sasha:** Mariah had made a survey for external needs, but a good idea would be asking them and make them a survey for basic needs and what they need.

**Barnaby:** Agrees and explains this is what you guys are here for and the perfect time is now to ask that there are some things we can and can't help with.

**Dena:** Agrees and shares to keep in mind that John and other members are focusing on doing the event of addressing student needs that will be happening in November.

**Barnaby:** Agrees and explains we are doing an open forum and students fill a survey on the questions they have for the leaders of the school like the president

**Jaime:** Question for Barnaby on that they have agreed, and the president will be here and answering the questions from students and addressing their needs.

**Barnaby:** Answers yes and shares more information on addressing basic needs and the last two years, it was virtual but now it is in person.

**Dena:** This represents what we know and as far as student basic needs, they can come if there are any questions, please come to her and meet with her this is something that is good to speak to the board about.

## V. Action Items

N/A

## VI. Reports

- a. ASI Vice President for Finance: Andrew Klein

**Andrew** had last week a workshop it was a good turnout were technical difficulties, but it was good and had a good turnout and good support from the students. Thanks, everyone.

- b. ASI Associate Executive Director: Dena Florez

**Dena** Mentioned the audit was approved, which is great and not much else, but the goal is to be transparent and make sure we have the best use of the student fees.

- c. ASI Vice Chair for Finance Curtis Gaines

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**Curtis** Club Funding is starting now we have allocated around \$1,700 and are glad we are using the student fees

**VII. Adjournment**

Motion to Adjourn 12:52 pm

Motioned By:	<b>Jaime Arellano</b>	Seconded by:	<b>Curtis Gaines</b>
Discussion: None			
All in Favor		Opposed	
		Abstained	
<b>Motion: Consensus Passed</b>			

**CERTIFICATION**

Official Minutes taken for the **Finance Committee** of the Associated Students, Inc. Cal State LA held on Friday, September 30, 2022, in USU-Alhambra Room 305. Consensus by the ASI Finance Committee on Friday, February 3, 2023.

Prepared by:

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**Alexis Narvaez, Recording Secretary**

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**Emily Chen, Secretary/Treasurer**