



# Executive Cabinet Meeting

## Minutes

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Day/Date: Tuesday, January 28, 2025  
 Time: 3:00-4:15 PM  
 Location: Alhambra Room, U-SU room 305  
 Attendees: Executive Cabinet Members, General Public  
 Type of Meeting: General

### I. Organizational Items:

- A. Land Acknowledgment:** With Great respect, Cal State LA acknowledges the Tongva people as the traditional caretaker of Tovaangar (TOE-van-gar) – the Tongva world, including the Los Angeles Basin, South Channel Islands, Sand Gabriel and Pomona Valleys, and portions of Orange, San Bernardino, and Riverside Counties. Cal State LA is located within these lands. As an institution located on unceded Tongva land, we pay our respects to the ancestors, elders, and our relatives/relations, past, present, and Emerging. Consistent with our values of community and diversity, we have a responsibility to acknowledge and make visible the university’s relationship to Native peoples. By offering this land Acknowledgment, we affirm Indigenous sovereignty and will work to hold Cal State LA more accountable to the needs of American Indian Peoples.
- B. Call to order by: Chair Yahir Flores, ASI President @ 3:03 pm**
- C. Roll Call**

Yahir Flores	President	Present
Caitlin Jane Calica	Vice President for Community Engagement	Unexcused Absence
Alonso Villanueva Serrano	Vice President for Finance	Present
Arwa Mohamed Hammad	Vice President for External Affairs	Present
Daniel Ruiz	Vice President for University Affairs	Present
Cindy Nguyen	Chief of Staff	Present
VACANT	BOD Member	
Ananya Sharma	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	Unexcused Absence
Blanca Martinez-Navarro	AVP for Student Affairs & Enrollment Management and Dean of Students	Excused Tardy @ 3:09 pm
Barnaby Peake	ASI Executive Director	Present
Dena Florez	Associate Executive Director	Excused Absence
Gus Salazar	Director of Graphics and Marketing	Excused Absence
Amanda Maldonado	Administrative Coordinator	Present
Ashley Foskey	Program Coordinator	Present
Guests of the Gallery		

### D. Adoption of the Agenda

Offered By:	Arwa Hammad	Seconded by:	Cindy Nguyen			
Motion to approve the Agenda for Tuesday, January 28, 2025						
Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

**E. Approval of the Minutes**

Offered By:	Arwa Hammad	Seconded by:	Alonso Villanueva Serrano			
Motion to approve the Minutes for Tuesday, October 29, 2024						
Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

**II. Public Comment:** We will now move on to Public Comment. This time is allotted for the public to bring up comments or concerns of interest to the board. Please be advised that due to a set agenda, the board will not address the items brought up at this time but will note them down for the Executive Committee's review and action. If members of the public would like to be followed up with directly, please provide your contact information through the QR code on the door or through the form provided on the ASI website meeting agenda. We will now call on members of the public in the order of registration before moving on to the general public.

**III. Reports**  
**A. Members**  
**B. Advisors**

**IV. Information Items**  
**A. CSSA Report – System and State Issues and Concerns**  
**Arwa:** Shared who attended and the meetings that were happening and subjects talked about such as cuts and things in other campuses and shares more of her reports.  
**Yahir:** Shares more insight on how CSSA is and things about and processes on certain topics discussed and things that will happen.

**V. Action Items**

**VI. Discussion Items**  
**A. Elections updates and voting platform change**  
**Barnaby:** Shares insight that they already have some applications but tells leaders to share and spread the word and wants some ideas of how they can have application presented such as iPad, but they are looking for something else or another platform such as Presence, shared Fabi did a mock up but there was a conflict  
**Ashley:** Shares on platforms  
**Barnaby:** Agrees  
**Arwa:** Agrees and shares conflict on GET  
**Cindy:** Shares her thoughts  
**Blanca:** Shares her thoughts  
**Barnaby:** Agrees but clarifies some things and gives more insights and thoughts and shares things they can do on Presence and shares they don't want to change anything just make it better.  
**Blanca:** Asks questions  
**Barnaby:** Clarifies  
**Arwa:** Shares thought  
**Yahir:** Shares his thoughts and concerns and clarifies with Arwa on things for elections and voting and shares thoughts on Presence and goes into more detail on roles such as the college they are in and more.  
**Barnaby:** Shares thoughts and shares he is making an assumption on a thought/idea and goes into the same thing Yahir mentioned on the college representatives and their titles and duties and shares since that they can't use Presence and with GET, Gus had 5 people on it and yet there was still some problems and the University will not allow a third party for it.  
**Arwa:** Shares she agrees with the benefits and how they all have different needs but also the best and what she's open to is Presence

**Blanca:** Shares her concerns and thoughts and mainly to Yahir and what he talked about and goes into further concerns on what they can do.

**Yahir:** Thanks everyone and shares that this is something that really needs to be discussed and will keep everything in mind already.

### **B. Legacy Project**

**Yahir:** Mentions they have good ideas but has his idea to start it and wants basic needs available such as toilet paper and other toiletries for students just an idea

**Arwa:** Agrees but the bathrooms do have some but what else can they add

**Yahir:** Shares things about the food pantry and some things are in the works for expanding from Blanca but shares an event that had shampoos and more but wanting to add more basic needs like toilet paper and wipes and more but just an idea and figuring it out what else and is it a good idea for the coming legacy project should they do mural or pantry or others and shares housings gifts they do

**Barnaby:** Shares they can do surveys for the students

**Cindy:** Agrees with the surveys and since tabling is happening a lot we can tell Gus to add questions on the surveys

**Yahir:** Asks what they think about the ideas

**Cindy:** Mentions her computer in her office doesn't work

**Amanda:** Shares they must let them know

**Yahir:** Goes back to the idea and Cindy's office and makes an idea with that then goes back to office hours all leaders needs to send him their office hours

### **C. Review ASI structure and position responsibilities**

#### **D. ASI Retreat Details**

**Barnaby:** Shares what's going on with doing the retreat details and teams will be created on creating meals and one for team bonding

**Arwa:** Shares a concern from Daniel's email

**Cindy:** Shares the concerns and how they have been sending him emails

**Amanda:** Talks on the meals and answering the questions from that

**Barnaby:** Clarifies it's a team bonding

**Yahir:** Wants clarification for the pro staff and what they will be doing and clarifies that the pro staff will not be acting like parents

**Barnaby:** Shares no we will be structuring the retreat but not being strict they just want all leaders to have team bonding, but they won't be watching everyone, but they do want them to know they are all adults and for them to choose the right decisions

**Yahir:** Wanted to share that just so the leaders are aware but also for them to be adults and not do the wrong thing

**Amanda:** Shares the house layout and the whole place layout

**Alonso:** Shares who will be helping on another team bonding because he is working on 4 already

**Amanda:** Shares who he can reach out to and will give him the information

#### **E. Student Concerns**

#### **F. Standing discussion items –**

- **BOD agenda items**
- **Any feedback from student leaders and committees?**

### **VII. Adjournment**

Offered By:	Cindy Nguyen	Seconded by:	Alonso Villanueva Serrano			
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:18 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 Executive Cabinet Meeting of the Associated Students, Inc., Cal State Los Angeles held on January 28, 2025, in Alhambra Room – U-SU Room 305, University Student Union Building and were approved by consensus by the ASI Executive Cabinet on Tuesday, February 25, 2025.

Prepared by:

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