



# Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Day/Date: Thursday, April 10, 2025  
 Time: 2:00- 4:15 PM  
 Location: Board Room N/S- USU Room 303/303A  
 Attendees: Board Members, General Public  
 Type of Meeting: General

## I. Organizational Items:

- **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, San 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.
- **Call to order by: Cindy Nguyen, ASI Chief of Staff @ 2:04 pm**
- **Roll Call**

Yahir Flores	President	Excused Absence
Leslie Vega	Vice President for Community Engagement	Excused 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	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	N/A
Valerie Urrutia	College of Business & Economics Rep.	Present
Victoria Gragasín Montoya	College of Arts and Letters Rep.	Present
VACANT	College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep.	N/A
Ananya Sharma	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	Present
VACANT	College of Education Rep.	N/A
Diana Rangel	College of Ethnic Studies Rep.	Present
VACANT	Civic Engagement Officer	N/A
Briana Goytizolo	Diversity and Inclusion Officer	Present
Blanca Martínez-Navarro	AVP- Dean of Students	Excused Absence
Barnaby Peake	ASI Executive Director	Excused Absence
Dena Florez	Associate Executive Director	Present
Gus Salazar	Director of Graphics and Marketing	Excused Absence
Amanda Maldonado	Administrative Coordinator	Present
Ashley Foskey	Program Coordinator	Present
Guests of the Gallery		

## ➤ Adoption of the Agenda

Offered By:	Alonso Villanueva Serrano	Seconded by:	Valerie Urrutia			
Motion to approve Agenda for Thursday, April 10, 2025. Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

➤ **Approval of the Minutes**

Offered By:	Villanueva Serrano	Seconded by:	Valerie Urrutia			
Motion to approve the Minutes for Thursday, March 20, 2025.						
Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

**II. Public Forum**

- 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 order of registration before moving on to the public.

**III. Informational Items**

- **Children Center Presentation (Time Certain 2:15 PM)**
- James Goodrich goes over the history of the children center and how they use their funds.
  - Arwa asks about what advocacy ASI can do for the children center.
  - James states that people don't know that they exist and the programs they have.
- **Interim Vice President of Administration & Finance and Chief Financial Officer- Claudio Lindow and Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management – Patrick Day (Time Certain 2:35 PM)**
- Patrick Day shares what kind of conversation would be useful to have with the provost. He also talks about budget changes and the process happening and these conversation that are needed. He adds that he will be sure to prep the provost on the questions so that they are prepared for the information.
  - Ananya addresses some international student concerns
  - Patrick Day responds to that concern and shares how its challenging to concern and adds that he will also add it to the provost's agenda.
  - Ananya makes some solution recommendations.
  - Claudio Lindow also addresses her solution and what university needs.
  - Dena shares her enrollment concerns as well and makes certification recommendations to offer the students to perhaps get more enrollment.
  - Patrick Day shares something that Cal State LA has done to get ahead of trying to get more enrollment.
  - Claudio Lindow adds on to the conversation.
  - Dena also talks about student employment to have higher graduation rates.
  - Cindy talks about how the conversation has been helpful.
- **Fall Schedule of events from CEO (Community Engagement and Outreach Committee) – Ashley & Leslie**
- Ashley goes over the event schedule for Fall Semester 2025, some of events proposed came from CEO, others are recurring events that we do every year, and some collaborations with CSI. They mentioned that these are proposed but when the new student leaders come in we can make adjustments and already start planning events for Spring 2026.
- **Impact Report Overview – Cindy & Execs**
- Cindy talks about what the purpose of the impact report is and expect to hear more from your direct report and email that I will send out with more details.

**IV. Action Items**

**V. Discussion Items**

- **ASI Resolution – Supporting Undocumented Students**
- Arwa talks about what Legislative Affairs Committee has been talking about for the resolution and her goals for it, hoping to have a draft for the next Board Meeting so it can be approved before the end of the year.
  - Dena shares the timeline in which the resolution should be passed, stating we only have two more BOD meetings left in the year.

➤ **Student Concerns**

- Cindy talks student concerns like road maps.
- Victoria talks about the music hall facility issues that should be fixed.
- Dr. Patrick Day shares a way to solve that and to send the information over.
- Cindy also talks about the AC renovation system that might be the cause of that and points how specific location are necessary to be provided.
- Ashley shares that there is a link that students can use to be able to address campus concerns.
- Arwa thinks that ASI should be more vocal on budget conversations for students so they can understand where ASI is at.
- Cindy shares that next week ASI will be meeting with the provost and what kind of questions they will have for them.

**VI. Reports**

➤ **College representative of Natural & Social Sciences; Ananya Sharma**

- She shares her upcoming event – NSS Graduation Celebration. She sent out a message on GroupMe asking for volunteers if everyone is available during that time.

**VII. Adjournment**

Offered By:		Valerie Urrutia		Seconded by:		Briana Goytizolo	
Motion to adjourn the meeting 3:35 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 April 10, 2025, in Board Room N/S- USU Room 303/303A, University Student Union Building and were approved by consensus by the ASI Board of Director on Thursday, April 24, 2025.

Prepared by:

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Kaina Orozco - Recording Secretary

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Cindy Nguyen - Chief of Staff