



Community Engagement and Outreach Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, January 28st , 2026
Location: San Gabriel Room - USU Room 313
Type of Meeting: General

Time: 11:00am - 12:00pm
Attendees: Members, General Public, Staff

I. Organizational Items:

A. Land Acknowledgment

B. Call to order by: Ashley Bellorin, Vice President for Community Engagement @ 11:03am

C. Roll Call

Name	Position	Attendance
Arwa Hammad	President	Present
Ashley Bellorin	Vice President for Community Engagement	Present
Sophia Gamino	College of Business & Economics Rep.	Present
Gennesis Nuyens	Civic Engagement Officer	Present
Yarmil Abrego	Diversity and Inclusion Officer	Present
Brian Pham	Engagement Commissioner	Present
Diego Campos	Outreach Assistant (Screaming Eagles Coordinator)	Present
Barnaby Peake	ASI Executive Director	Excused Absence
River Foskey	Program Coordinator	Present
Guests of the Gallery		

D. Adoption of the Agenda

Offered By:	Gennesis Nuyens	Seconded by:	Sophia Gamino			
Motion to amend the agenda for Wednesday, January 28 th , 2026 to add Action Item: Alumni Association Funding Proposal Consensus Reached.						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:	Gennesis Nuyens	Seconded by:	Brian Pham			
Motion to approve the agenda for Wednesday, January 28 th , 2026 Consensus Reached.						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

E. Certification of Minutes for January 21st, 2026

Offered By:	Arwa Hammad	Seconded by:	Yarmil Abrego			
Motion to approve the agenda for Wednesday, January 21 st ,2026 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 order of registration before moving on to the public.

Arwa: Discussed a funding opportunity that ASI could inform student organizations about, including external resources from surrounding organizations.

III. Informational Items

IV. Action Items

A. Funding Proposal: Alumni Association Mixer Event

River: Discussed with the committee about a mixer event for the Black community that the Alumni Association will be hosting on Thursday, February 19th, at the Golden Eagle Ballrooms. They asked for a funding request for \$3000.

Ashley: Asked what the purpose of the funds would be.

River: Answered that the funds would be used for food/catering.

Gennesis: Stated support for the event, discussed that ASI does not have an event for Black History Month.

Arwa: Discussed that the event could be funded but preferred that the rest of CEO’s funding would be for student leaders.

Brian: Asked for clarification on the remaining funding for CEO programming if the proposal is approved.

River: Answered that CEO’s funding would be almost depleted, since the remaining funds (before proposal passing) would be around \$3200 for programming. Discussed that current program proposal budgets could be adjusted as well, even after initial approval from the committee.

Arwa: Mentioned that the Alumni Association does have some time to get other departments to fund, as well as promoting the event to students (due to the event being held a couple of weeks from now).

Sophia: Asked if CSI hospitality forms work with staff the same as students.

River: Answered that the forms do apply to staff that is requesting catering/hospitality.

Arwa: Asked if the proposal could be tabled, given that the committee would need more information about the proposal.

Offered By:	Arwa Hammad	Seconded by:	Gennesis Nuyens
Motion to table the funding proposal for Action Item A (<i>motion has stopped given opposition</i>)			

River: Answered that the Alumni Association would need an answer promptly so that they could finalize logistics for the event.

Ashley: Discussed that instead of funding the event, they could promote the event to students.

Arwa: Mentioned that she will rescind the motion.

Offered By:	Yarmil Abrego	Seconded by:				
Motion to approve funding for \$500 for the Alumni Association Mixer Event (motion is dead given no secondary vote)						
All in Favor	1	Opposed	4	Abstained	0	Motion: Failed

Offered By:	Gennesis Nuyens	Seconded by:	Arwa Hammad			
Motion to reject funding for Alumni Association Mixer Event (motion is passed with majority)						
All in Favor	4	Opposed	1	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

V. Discussion Items

A. Student Leadership Symposium

River: Continued discussions about guest speakers; deadlines are short. Discussions with Jeffry, Gennesis, and Aisha on proposing speakers and activities. Considered to be a Civil Engagement Conference.

Jeffry: Discussed organizations to come to campus.

River: Mentioned that there will be a meeting on Zoom tomorrow from 9:30am - 10am and asked the Committee if anyone is interested in going.

Gennesis: Continued to propose a two-day conference system.

River: Mentioned that the system could be good for the Fall semester.

Ashley: Asked if there was a theme for the event

River: Answered that there is a theme for the event, would be all about student advocacy outside of the classroom.

B. Homecoming

Ashley: Continued discussions about Homecoming, relevant to Victory Lane event last semester.

River: Discussed that Inflatable Games, Food, etc, asked for assistance. Asked If there should be prizes for the event.

Yarmil: Discussed that the prizes could be CSULA merch.

Sophia: Discussed that plushies could be a good prize to give out.

River: Discussed a document will be made for quotes and will be sent on Slack.

C. EddieFest

River: Mentioned attractions for the event. There was some consensus on a ferris wheel and other attractions on campus.

D. Program Planning Expectations

Ashley: mentioned that the workload on logistics should be on student leaders, will only contact River for final quote approval.

VI. Reports

A. ASI Vice President for Community Engagement

B. ASI Engagement Commissioner

C. Committee Members

- **College of Business & Economics Rep.**
 - Sophia has mentioned an event that the College of B&E will be doing. It will be a block party that will be happening on Tuesday, February 10th from 1pm - 4pm by the area in Simpson Tower. Discussed that the committee could also attend to volunteer on stations if needed.
- **College of Ethnic Studies Rep.**
- **Civic Engagement Officer**

▪ **Diversity and Inclusion Officer**
D. Advisors

VII. Adjournment

Offered By:	Gennesis Nuyens			2nd:	Sophia Gamino		
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:03pm Consensus Reached.							
Vote:	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed	

CERTIFICATION

Official Minutes taken for the Community Engagement and Outreach Committee Meeting of the Associated Students, Inc., Cal State Los Angeles held on January 28th, 2026, in San Gabriel Room - USU Room 313, University Student Union Building and were approved by consensus by the Community Engagement and Outreach Committee on Wednesday, February 4th, 2026.

Prepared by:

Brian Pham - Recording Secretary

Chief of Staff