



Shared Governance Council Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, October 30, 2025

Location: Alhambra Room - USU Room 305

Type of Meeting: General

Time: 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Attendees: Committee Members, General Public

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, 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.

B. Call to order by: Jeffry Umaña Muñoz, Vice President for University Affairs @ 12:42 pm

C. Roll Call

Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Vice President for University Affairs	Present
Mark Raspopov	Undergraduate Academic Senator	Excused Tardy @ 12:46 pm
Adrian Siu	Undergraduate Academic Senator	Unexcused Tardy @ 12:48 pm
Jazmine Rocha	Undergraduate Academic Senator	Excused Absence
Sid Movva	Graduate Academic Senator	Present
Sophia Grusnis	Graduate Academic Senator	Excused Absence
Chase Mader	Academic Senator At-Large	Excused Absence
Arwa Hammad	President	Present
Erick Anzu	Vice President for Finance	Excused Absence
Gabriel De La Rosa	Chief of Staff	Present
Koi Saelee	College of ECST Representative	Excused Tardy
Isis Stansberry	Associate Dean of Students, Community Care	Present
Barnaby Peake	ASI Executive Director	Present
Guests of the Gallery		

Quorum could not be established at the time of roll call; the committee had an informal conversation while waiting for quorum.
Quorum was established at 12:50 pm

D. Adoption of the Agenda

Offered By:	Mark Raspopov	Seconded by:	Gabriel De La Rosa			
Motion to approve the agenda for October 30 with stipulation of tabling the minutes for October 16, September 18, and September 4 Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

E. Certification of Minutes

Offered By:	Mark Raspopov	Seconded by:	Gabriel De La Rosa
Motion to certify the minutes for October 2nd with the stipulation of adding Chase to roll call Consensus reached			

All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed
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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 committee. 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. Discussion Items

A. "Dear Colleague" Campus Budget Advocacy Letter

- i. **Presentation, Review, & Edits of First Draft**
- ii. **Completion Timeline & Next Steps**

Jeffry: Mentioned the next step is the contact the college deans to see how each college has navigated budget cuts; we will lean on the college reps for their help. The execs will get information from the university VP's. The Academic Senate is supportive in ASI approaches of doing the "Dear Colleague" Letter. The letter will be formatted as follow:

- Section 1 - Introduction: Why, Purpose, & Goals. ASI's & student's understanding of the campus's budgetary challenges. Share and engage perspectives and analyses of students on campus budget decisions and their response to the vision and direction of campus leadership. Provide recommendations and tangible steps forward to strengthen transparency, communication, and greater and more effective shared governance.
- Section 2: Our understanding of how we understand campus to be funded, how budgets are set for each division, and then how budgets are set at the college level. As we don't know where each bucket of funding comes from (state funding, grants, different sources, etc.). Why is our campus facing dire budgetary constraints (looking at our current climate at the state and federal level as it does impact).
- Section 3: Explain how it is impacting students - budgetary constraints have manifested into specific cuts, rollbacks, campus-wide, at the division level, and by college. Focus on 4 areas -
 - o Retention & Graduation: course availability, impacts on timelines to graduation, impacts on mentorships, research, independent student, and impact on advising.
 - o Campus affordability: professional development experience and post-graduation success
 - o Student Morale: how are the budgetary decisions and climate making students feel about being part of this campus.
- Section 4 - Recommendations: Provide tangible recommendations - 3 areas
 - o Demystifying the budget - how the campus can be more transparent & educate students
 - o Increase shared governance
 - o The budget should be a reflection of our values
- Section 5 - Conclusion: A vision of how these recommendations can start coming into place, another executive summary, closing message

Jeffry continued, important to gather student perspectives along with ASI student leader perspectives. Also gather input from other student-led leadership bodies on campus.

Arwa: Talks about there is a difference between what administration sees in the budget and what students see. Asked how we can gather student perspectives because there are students sitting on the master plan committees who might be able to guide on how the letter could go.

Jeffry: Mentioned for next steps, he can send a task list. There is some outreach and research that needs to be get done.

B. November 6th ASI Student Forum/Town Hall

- i. **Outreach & Promotion**
- ii. **Debrief & Follow-Up Plan**

Discussion was had about the format of the Town Hall and if any what administrators should be invited

Arwa: Asked if the Town Hall was more ASI centered like asking students about their opinions on ASI or campus focused?

Jeffry: Clarified that it is mostly campus focus.

Barnaby: Shared that we don't know what the student issues are and if an administrator is there it could be more so that they can hear from the students firsthand about the issues and they then after we can all discuss what the next steps would be.

Isis: Shared there is often a misperception of what student issues are. They think these are the issues, but they don't know from the students directly what are the issues.

Jeffry: Mentioned to help with conversations at the tables, we want to have issue areas (main issues that have been having discussions around campus). We will provide a few questions in each area that can help guide. The areas that he has suggested are:

- **1.** Campus affordability and budget cuts
- **2.** Academic/professional life and experiences
- **3.** Campus belonging, spirit, and engagement
- **4.** Student leadership and governance

Arwa: Mentioned one question that can be asked for area 1 - how transparent do you think the university has been about the budget.

Jeffry: Mentioned another question - in your experience, do you feel that it has become less or more difficult to complete your degree on time. Why or why not?

Barnaby: Suggested that ASI student leaders can sit at each table and note take and be the facilitator of the conversation.

Arwa: Mentioned a question for area 3 - are you familiar with the resources on campus (food pantry, financial services, emergency grants, etc.)

Isis: Added to the last question - if you are not familiar with these resources, why. That way we can find the root issue, is it because it's not available or it is just because they don't know.

C. Restructuring of the Shared Governance Council

- i. **Development of the 2025-2026 Shared Governance Framework**
- ii. **Presentation, Review, & Edits of First Draft**
 - 1. **Timeline & Steps to Complete & Adopt the Framework**

IV. Reports

A. Vice President for University Affairs

B. Academic Senators

Mark: Shared about the Library Committee - they are looking for a new Associate Dean and their budget in general is not very good at the moment. There is also a lot of concern about archives and what's going to happen.

C. Members

D. Advisors

V. Information Items

A. November 4th Academic Senate Agenda

B. ASI, University, & Senate Committees Updates

- i. **New Committee Reporting Guidelines & Expectations**
- ii. **Current Appointments**
- iii. **Priority Vacancies**
- iv. **Recruitment Strategy**

C. Spring 2026 Shared Governance Council Meeting Schedule

Jeffry: Shared that he will send out a doodle poll to collect availabilities on what time will work for all members.

Barnaby: Mentioned all student leaders have priority registration and for Shared Governance should be a factor in your schedule. Student leaders should be building their schedules around ASI meetings.

VI. Action Items

VII. Adjournment

Offered By:	Mark Raspopov	Seconded by:	Gabriel De La Rosa			
Motion to adjourn the meeting @ 1:29pm						Consensus reached.
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

CERTIFICATION

Official Minutes taken for the Shared Governance Council of the Associated Students, Inc., Cal State Los Angeles held on Thursday, October 30, 2025 in Alhambra Room - USU Room 305, and were approved by consensus by the Shared Governance Council on Wednesday, January 21, 2026.

Prepared by:

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Chief of Staff