



Shared Governance Council Meeting Minutes

Date: September 18, 2025
Location: Alhambra Room - USU 305
Type of Meeting: Special

Time: 12:30-1:30 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 @ 12:40 pm

C. Roll Call

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

D. Adoption of the Agenda

Offered By:	Mark Raspopov	Seconded by:	Sophia Grusnis			
Motion to approve the agenda for September 18, 2025						
Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

E. Certification of the Minutes

Offered By:	Arwa Hammad	Seconded by:	Sophia Grusnis			
Motion to table the certify of minutes for September 4 & August 21, 2025						
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 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. Continued Discussion on Restructuring of the Shared Governance Council

1. Timeline of Goals (Fall 2025 & Spring 2026)

Jeffry: Continued discussion on the shared governance council, restating from previous meeting the absence of academic focus within ASI otherwise there is not a committee that oversees student academic life and effectively serving students. States ideas such as counseling advisors, counseling units, based programs for academic needs and gaining opportunities. States want to gain a sense of clarity on this topic and go round the room to share thoughts and how we should approach this year.

Arwa: Wants to shift this committee to be more academic oriented, so far has changed over the years, prefers more academic oriented. Strategic plan for council meetings, shares need to be a restructuring of entire university, ex majors, international students. Shared gov tackles academic policy. Maybe should study high impact activities and have more hands-on opportunities.

Sid: As a graduate international student, there are certain limitations that I am not happy with. Thinks there can be more transparency and hands on experiences.

Jeffry: Yes, we should really focus on, and push the faculty senators for, support for graduate students in general there is no learning opportunities. Love the point about pushing for better transparency. At student policy committee, international students face challenges that prevent them from enrolling in classes because of legal situations.

Sid: Also mentions, renewal of Cal State La websites, inaudible.

Jeffry: Campus based internship, or through ASI a recording secretary to have experiential learning opportunities should be the focus of our committee.

Sophia: Last year, Senators and VP of A meetings, just talked about what happened in meeting, and did not have the power to change anything on ASI. Now we can focus on how we can make a change.

Jeffry: Also reaching, especially for senators, will have their own activities, and things we can take on as a committee. Example university affairs, academic gaps, and academic support. Bring in a large member and report what they do on their committees. As a committee a student proposal and support advocacy.

Sophia: Thinks it is good to pivot to more university/academic affairs. Think it is good to bring that in and have a place to talk about those things. Research opportunities such as secretaries or marketing. A bigger organization to reach out to student body instead. Steppingstone to hands on experiences.

Jeffry: Committee code of procedures meeting, we will make it a clear point to ensure students experiential learning opportunities and research opportunities to enhance their academic goals. Did not know we moved up to R2, mentioned Provost pushing for emphasis and support of student and faculty research. Hosting student research week in spring semester. Maybe partner with them and this committee works on year to year. Right now, there is an undergraduate student research conference connected with CSU wide, but nothing for grad students.

Sid: Just added on the topic and have an idea to start meetings where we can find knowledge on those items. The rest of his comment was inaudible.

Jeffry: Examples like career fairs, outreach campaigns and reach out to companies and collect student interests.

Koi: Along with the lines of better opportunities for internships, a lot of the career fairs that do come on campus, not a lot of students are interested in those. Has an idea of mentorship or past alumni or other colleges to come and give students that are about to graduate some advice or ideas on what life after college is.

Jeffry: Maybe a mentorship program is a good place to start and talk to alumni association to ask what it looks like right now, if students are engaging and how we can strengthen it.

Adrian: Is worried that the students schedule will not work with the time of the events or have different options for students.

Jeffry: Explore ways for campus to do online training, in this case if tour a student looking for opportunities. Trying to meet students at different spaces is what we can push the campus for.

Koi: Reaching out to alumni, then accept a mentor the student wants to work with, more of a one-on-one vs school wide. More so for this college there are these people that are available for mentorship, looking for one or two students that can mentor. Help students with their resumes, depending on that career field the student goes into,

give them guidance. Thinks that will be beneficial for creating more alumni's coming back and giving back to the school.

Jeffry: Agrees with Koi. Asks Arwa if there was something said to the alum association board.

Arwa: Yes, they opted in to have a repository to have their own profile and you as a student can reach out. It was discontinued on Golden Eagle connect. Mentioned it in the board meeting, otherwise it has alum networks and can opt in via email but depends on active the people in the network are. We can talk about this during the board.

Jeffry: The Golden Eagle connect is more like a hub, and what Koi mentioned is more of a structured program. Alums can sign up to be mentors for the program and be paired with the student. It has a more independent side to it. Tal to the alum association board about if there can be a mentorship program in addition to Golden Eagles connect or explore other ways to support student experiential learning and student networking and hearing from leaders in the field. Hearing A lot of outreach to do different centers on campus that are may or may not already doing this work and talk with the alum association and as for experiential learning talk with the career center and grad research center about what opportunities already existing on campus and I'm sure they've recognized gaps and have their own strategies. We can invite them to our next year's governance meeting and have a dialogue on how to move forward.

Isis Stansberry: I think we should reach out to the alum association because they are revamping that alum process, they maybe plan to launch a format similar. In alum internship programs are connected to career center.

Jeffry: We should invite all three leaders and connect with the alum association.

Arwa: I know in October there is an event, maybe a board meeting that maybe we can invite people to come to if allowed.

Jeffry: Hoping for something we can do this year, restructuring of this committee will take some time, this focus on overseeing research opportunities and academic growth is becoming a thing for us. Throughout the fall, we will figure some of these things out and start to work collectively on the committee code of procedures love to go back to that doc sometime of the beginning of November and see how we've engaged in that council and convos with campus partners. University committee appointments and beginning of November will be an opportunity to keep inventory and what the themes and goals are; have revised committee code sometime in January, return of spring semester.

B. Review and Discussion of [Academic Senate Agenda & Updates](#)

Jeffry: Policies that will be discussed at the academic senate. This item is on seconded reading, meaning gone through its committees and been presented to the senate. Reviewed proposed policy around additional master's degree or for an additional option for master's degree. Clarifying requirements to add master's degree if you are a current student. Maybe we can share with the senate that there needs to be greater communication to what their best option is. Items up for first reading, policy modification around intergraded bachelor's/master's degree programs. Agenda item 12, policy deletion, the graduate writing assessment requirement is no longer required for graduate student system-wide. Agenda item 13 proposed policy modification, academic freedom and professional ethics and faculty rights. Discusses what we can do on our campus to make an impact such as free speech etc.

Mark: Discusses small language changes and broader things

Jeffry: Wants to look into number 14 policy deletion being removed. States, the faculty member, has the right to academic freedom to develop curricula, teach, investigate, research and discuss public discourse. Faculty policy committee will be an important item to discuss.

Arwa: Leary of AB715, in regards about discrimination

Jeffry: Adds to Arwa's discussion about what would happen if bill were to pass on to how it would impact academic freedom.

C. Review and Discussion of University & Academic Senate Committees' Updates

Jeffry: Look at committee charges for specific agenda senate committee you are on. Next week we will go committee by committee that we have appointments with and we'll discuss the charges of those committees and what they're doing or could be doing since our academic senate chair is open to proposals.

IV. Reports

A. Vice President for University Affairs

B. Academic Senators

C. Members

D. Advisors

V. Information Items

VI. Action Items

VII. Adjournment

Offered By:	Unidentified member	Seconded by:	Mark Raspopov			
Motion to adjourn the meeting @ 1:30 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 September 18, 2025, in Alhambra Room- USU 305, and were approved by consensus by the Shared Governance Council on Wednesday, January 21, 2026.

Prepared by:

Lauren Bacio - Recording Secretary

Chief of Staff