



Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes

Date: Thursday, January 22, 2026
Location: U-SU Board Room N/S, 303/303A
Attendees: Board Members, General Public

Time: 2:00-4:15 PM
For Public Viewing: <https://calstatela.zoom.us/j/87681934041>
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, 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: Arwa Hammad, ASI President @ 2:06 pm

C. Roll Call

Arwa Hammad	President	Present
Ashley Bellorin	Vice President for Community Engagement	Excused Absence
Erick Anzu	Vice President for Finance	Excused Absence
Aisha Gama	Vice President for External Affairs	Present
Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Vice President for University Affairs	Present
VACANT	Chief of Staff	
Jocelyne Bravo	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	Present
Sophia Gamino	College of Business & Economics Rep.	Present
VACANT	College of Arts and Letters Rep.	
Koi Saelee	College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep.	Present
VACANT	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	
VACANT	College of Education Rep.	
Diana Rangel	College of Ethnic Studies Rep.	Present
Gennessee Nuyens	Civic Engagement Officer	Present
Yarmil Abrego	Diversity and Inclusion Officer	Present
Blanca Martinez-Navarro	AVP for Student Affairs & Enrollment Management and Dean of Students	Excused Tardy @ 2:12 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
River Foskey	Program Coordinator	Excused Absence
Guests of the Gallery		

D. Adoption of the Agenda

Offered By:	Gennessee Nuyens	Seconded by:	Koi Saelee			
Motion to approve the agenda for Thursday, January 22, 2026						
Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

E. Certification of the Minutes

Offered By:	Gennesis Nuyens	Seconded by:	Yarmil Abrego					
Motion to certify the minutes for Thursday, December 4, 2025, with the stipulation to correct Michelle's last name on the second page								
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 with the ASI staff 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.

Student from another college shared they would like to see the creation of a group of leaders from universities around LA to discuss issues going on around the community.

III. Informational Items

A. ASI Analysis of the Student Experience

Brailsford & Dunlavey (B&D): Goes over their agenda for the day, and goes into refined recommendations, then into financial discussions, and what the next steps are for ASI. Then goes into details on each floor, giving ideas and feedback on what we can add to each floor, such as the thrift store on the first floor and having it more social than the second floor, having it as the wellness floor, such as the nap zone and an engagement room, and maybe a nature lounge. The third floor is enhancing the study and meeting floor with the study pods, group studies, and vending machines. Then into the expansion as the active center, such as courts and flexible multipurpose spaces, and cardio-focused space with relaxation spaces as well. With all changes, B&D came up with the total cost of changes, which is \$4.7 million. Including the expansion, such as the rec and expanded changes, the total is now to \$49.7 million. With equal portions, the total annual cost would be \$720,000, and between USU and ASI, ASI would be \$520,000 and USU \$200,000 annually. Then goes into details of financial impacts such as inflation, increasing the fee, and expanding the USU. Goes into the Fee ranking and where CSULA currently stands.

Yarmil: Thank you for all the information, and hopefully we can make this happen.

Gennesis: Thank you. Question on increasing the fee, were those numbers considered with the admission?

B&D: Yes, that was considered.

Arwa: Asks what their recommendations are

B&D: Yes, talk to students and make sure the narrative doesn't get twisted and students are heard, and they are out there sharing being student leaders, explain to them, and make sure they understand where their money is going.

Koi: Asks about restrictions on alcohol on campus.

Blanca: Answers that question.

B. New Attorney of Record for ASI

Barnaby: Shares ASI will be hiring a new attorney since the last one will be leaving and going elsewhere; shares he will be attending a meeting soon to introduce himself and share more.

IV. Action Items

A. Appointment of Student Leaders

B. Appointment to ASI Standing Committees

V. Discussion Items

A. ASI's Fall Impact Report

Arwa: Would like everyone to add to this and share to add to the report, but it is in the works.

Gennesis: Ask a question based on the experience survey

Jeffry: Explains this is different and explains with Arwa

VI. Reports

A. ASI President

Arwa: Reports on meetings she has been in recently, conversations that were had, and ideas, as well as the following meetings she is going to have and be in, and her expectations for them, and will report back at the next meeting.

B. ASI Chief of Staff - Vacant

C. ASI Vice President for Community Engagement

D. ASI Vice President for Finance

E. ASI Vice President for University Affairs

Jeffry: Reports on shared governance and they are interested in hosting another Town Hall event this spring semester

F. ASI Vice President for External Affairs

Aisha: Reports on whom she has been meeting with for upcoming projects, and she will be attending the upcoming CSSA plenary this upcoming weekend.

G. Reps at Large

1. Civic Engagement

Gennesis: Shares in the process of coming up with ideas for Earth Week and is starting a committee for that.

2. Diversity & Inclusion

Yarmil: Working with Jeff on program that they can do and shares she recently spoke with a student if CSULA can provide rotational educational programs.

H. College Reps

1. College of A & L - Vacant

2. College of B&E

Sophia: Reports on the College of B&E choosing a new dean and if anyone is interested there will be open forums with the candidates in King Hall.

3. College of Education - Vacant

4. College of ECST

5. College of Ethnic Studies

6. College of HHS

7. College of NSS - Vacant

I. ASI Pro Staff

Barnaby: Lots of revisions on the budget and fee proposal, and putting structure to the numbers, then doing next year's budget. Expects all student leaders to speak to students about elections; it is not the marketing department's job or Diego's.

Amanda: Reports on GIA's, they will be coming out soon, and send it out by email, then share on biweeklies.

J. AVP/Dean of Students

Blanca: Shares events coming up, such as Coffee with the Deans, and then Ask the Dean with their student assistants.

VII. Adjournment

Offered By:	Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Seconded by:	Aisha Gama		
Motion to adjourn the meeting @ 3:52 pm 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 January 22, 2026, at U-SU Board Room N/S, 303/303A, and were approved by consensus by the ASI Board of Directors on Thursday, February 5, 2026.

Prepared by:

Alexis Navarez - Recording Secretary

Chief of Staff

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