



# Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 16, 2015  
 Time: 3:30pm-6pm  
 Location: Housing Services, Phase II  
 Attendees: B.O.D. Members & General Public

**I. Organizational Items:**

**a. Called to Order by Shane Vera**

**b. Roll Call – Quorum not met at time of Roll Call**

Shane Vera	President	Present
Dean Truong	Vice President for Administration	Present
Vacant	Vice President for Academic Governance	
Carina Kan	Vice President of Finance	Present
Ruth Ramos	Secretary/ Treasurer	Present
Diego Tinoco	Representative-At-Large (Community Affairs)	Excused Absent
Carina Kan	Representative-At-Large (Campus Affairs)	Present
Sasha Perez	Vice President of External Affairs & Advancement	Excused Absent
Norma Sierra	College of Business & Economics Rep.	Excused Late:
Carla Guardado	College of Business & Economics Rep.	Excused Absent
Nicole McCue	College of Arts and Letters	Present
Matthew Gonzalez	College of Arts and Letters.	Present
Abel Tovar	Charter College of Education Rep.	Unexcused Absent
Bruce Varona	Charter College of Education Rep.	Unexcused Absent
Paolo Galicia	College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep.	Unexcused Absent
Vacant	College of Health & Human Services Rep.	
Lily Tran	College of Health & Human Services Rep.	Unexcused Absent
Alina Carmona	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	Present
Lisa Vittayarukskul	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	Present
Intef W. Weser	Executive Director	Present
Letycia Gomez	University President's Designee	Excused Absent
Marcus Rodriguez	Director of Programs and Leadership	Present
Samuel Han	Chief Justice / Associate Justice	Present
Dena Florez	Office Manager of Administration & Services – RS	Present
Guests of the Gallery		

**c. Approval of Agenda (action):**

<b>Offered By:</b> Carina Kan	<b>Seconded by:</b> Shane Vera					
Motion to approve the adoption of Agenda for Thursday, April 16, 2015 Add: Club funding Beta Alpha Psi \$1,674.94 English Graduate Club \$1,337.16 Auto Club \$2,171.00						
<b>All in Favor</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>Opposed</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Motion:</b> Passed

**d. Approval of Minutes (action):**

<b>Offered By:</b> Carina Kan	<b>Seconded by:</b> Shane Vera
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Motion to approve the minutes for Thursday, April 2, 2015.

All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: passed
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**II. Public Forum**

a. This time is allotted to members of the public to address the board.

- ✦ Dimante Hernandez- Candidate for Miss USA pageant, is hoping to get sponsorship from ASI

**III. Special Presentation:**

a. Police Chief Wall- We will hear a few wards from the new Police Chief and his expectations for the department and how it will continue to meet the needs of Cal State L.A..

**IV. Action Items**

*Quorum obtained at 4pm*

a. **Appointment for Vacant A.S.I. and Campus Committee Positions- Board of Directors will appoint individuals to the following vacant A.S.I. and student committee positions.**

b. **Strategic Planning Committee COP- the Board will review recommended changes to the SPC COP approved by the SPC and Bylaws.**

<b>Offered By:</b> Lisa Vittayarukskul	<b>Seconded by:</b> Carolyn Kan					
Motion to approve recommended changes to the SPC COP						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: passed

**c. Club Funding:**

i. **Beta Alpha Psi Funding Request- Spring Awards Banquet- \$1,674.94**

- ✦ Event is open to all student will be at Monterey sent.
- ✦ S/B \$1,674.94
- ✦ How do you engage other students that are not club

<b>Offered By:</b> Carina Kan	<b>Seconded by:</b> Dean Truong					
Motion to approve Beta Alpha for \$1,674.94 with the stipulation that they get the required signatures from CSI.						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: passed

ii. **Auto club. Only official as CSUA Private screening of adventures**

- ✦ Carolyn Kan: Buy tickets

<b>Offered By:</b> Ruth Ramos	<b>Seconded by:</b> Lisa Vittayarukskul					
Motion to approve Auto Club for \$2171.00						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: passed

iii. **English Graduate significations. Dr. Jennifer Doyle will be a speaker open to CSULA students and faculty**

<b>Offered By:</b> Ruth Ramos	<b>Seconded by:</b> Lisa Vittayarukskul					
Motion to approve English grad \$1337.60						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: passed

d. **6 & 6 Budget changes- The Budget Office requested several updates to the budget requiring several changes.**

- ✦ Budget office requested changes
- ✦ 3% reserve needs to be shown
- ✦ This required a \$50k reduction in our budget
- ✦ We will not be able to pay additionally furniture payment.
- ✦ Savings in technology 0 projectors.

<b>Offered By:</b> Lisa Vittayarukskul	<b>Seconded by:</b> Carina Kan					
Motion to approve 6 & 6 Budget changes.						
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## Discussion:

### a. ASI's responsibility of appointing students to the U-SU Board of Directors

-The board will discuss the U-SU's possible new appointment process.

- ✿ Shane Vera: The U-SU BOD is changing the way appointments are happening. A.S.I. has always authority to appoint students to the U-SU board. The U-SU is trying to change the way this is done by creating a nominating committee.
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: The U-SU staff feels it is not fair that ASI gets to choose students. We should try to have a compromise of both sides.
- ✿ Shane Vera: How is nominating committee appointed?
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: The U-SU BOD does.
- ✿ Shane Vera: And the nominating committee is only made up of students, correct?
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: Yes
- ✿ Shane Vera: Is the nominating committee's decision binding to the U-SU board?
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: The U-SU board will have the final decision.
- ✿ Shane Vera: What if there's not 5 students from the U-SU Board of directors that would like to be on this committee?
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: If there are vacancies then you would have students from the general population apply.
- ✿ Shane Vera: Again my concern with these changes is that it is unprecedented. A.S.I. has always had the ability to choose students. Students get to choose student representatives. Staff should not be choosing student representatives. I am fine with the nominating committee made up of students.
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: We will be taking action on this tomorrow.
- ✿ Shane Vera: I will not be able to attend as I will be out of town. We need all of you to attend, whoever is available. Lisa could you speak on behalf of A.S.I. also.
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: I am not allowed to.
- ✿ Shane Vera: You are allowed to. You are a student and you pay student union fees.
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: If you email me your prompts, I can read it on your behalf.
- ✿ Shane Vera: I have highlighted the changes that I would like to be read.
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: We will be going over the changes in detail tomorrow.
- ✿ Shane Vera: It reads, there shall be seven student members appointed by the U-SU BOD from the list of nominees submitted by the U-SU nominating committee for a term of one year. To become a student member of the U-SU BOD the student nominee must be a regular member of the Associated Students, Inc. and only two A.S.I. BOD members shall be allowed to serve on the U-SU at one time. My concern with this is if the student is elected and later is elected to an A.S.I. position then the election process will need to begin all over again. Also if you have new students, staff will dominate the conversations as I have seen in the past. This is why I am very concerned leaving the power to the U-SU BOD. This has been demonstrated in the process for hiring a U-SU Executive Director.
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: I can see your concern, but the U-SU BOD will still be made up of 50% staff and 50% students.
- ✿ Shane Vera: Does anyone have any questions or concerns?
- ✿ Alina Carmona: Why are we finding out about this now?
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: It has been in the process.
- ✿ Shane Vera: I am not sure why the students on the board were comfortable with these changes.
- ✿ Shane Vera (read more of the suggested changes)
- ✿ Alina Carmona: Why can't it be 3 & 3 instead of 5 & 3?
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: Because it is a U-SU BOD.
- ✿ Carina Kan: Why do we limit A.S.I. students?
- ✿ Shane Vera: It can be anyone from the board? And how are those students selected?
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: At this point we just did the nominating committee.
- ✿ Shane Vera: Is there an application process for the U-SU committee?
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: No we selected based on the USU board.
- ✿ Shane Vera: What if no one applies from A.S.I.?
- ✿ Lisa Vittayarukskul: Then it will be filled by U-SU board

- ☛ Carina Kan: What category does A.S.I. members fall into?
- ☛ Lisa Vittayarukskul: If you are on the U-SU BOD you are U-SU BOD
- ☛ Intef Weser: These changes take away the student representation.
- ☛ Shane Vera: Main purpose of A.S.I. is Shared Governance. We pick students to represent students.
- ☛ Dean Truong: USU appoint students. How do you hold the students accountable to attend the meetings?
- ☛ Lisa Vittayarukskul: The U-SU will have an Executive Director by Fall 2015.
- ☛ Shane Vera: How do you feel about the new bylaws?
- ☛ Ruth Ramos: I don't agree as it seems they are taking the power away.
- ☛ Nicole McCue: It seems they don't want A.S.I. to have the power to nominate students.
- ☛ Norma Sierra: Why are they changing this?
- ☛ Lisa Vittayarukskul: U-SU feels that it is too much A.S.I.
- ☛ Shane Vera: Who has issues with A.S.I.?
- ☛ Lisa Vittayarukskul:
- ☛ Dean Truong: How does USU assess student's needs.
- ☛ Dean Truong: That's programs; how about services
- ☛ Matthew Gonzalez: Why does ASI have only two representatives for this board.
- ☛ Marcus Rodriguez: Spoke about animosity between the two entities. In the past the two entities were joined. One big point we talk about is ASI point of view.
- ☛ Intef Weser: We should send a student that can represent. Consultant was informed that training should be better this year we had more ASI nonmembers. Process still needs to amend. Next year's appointees must be involved in USUS programs.
- ☛ Carolyn Kan: Will this be approved tomorrow?
- ☛ Intef Weser: This is the first time we have looked at these codes. Need to find out.
- ☛ Shane Vera: ASI already has tension with USU, this is going to make it more. Losing; nominating vote must be binding. Board discusses evaluation timeline. Executive Director April 24 once completed submit to SA 115

**Reports:**

**a. A.S.I. President: Shane Vera**

- ☛ VPAG opening

**b. A.S.I. Vice President for Administration: Dean Truong**

- ☛ Earth Day 4/22 contact Melanie. I will be going to Sacramento Monday through Wednesday. I would like to ask everyone to pass out Festival Flyer.

**c. A.S.I. Vice President for Finance: Carina Kan**

- ☛ Finance Meeting next week. Scholarship 54 applicants

**d. A.S.I. Secretary/ Treasurer: Ruth Ramos**

- ☛ Bi-Weeklies due Wednesday. Question, since Nick is not available, Shane or Ruth can approve.
- ☛ Carolyn Kan: Met with Jennifer Selaya Davis of CSI to rebrand UCCO. Making a more comprehensive approach.

**e. A.S.I. Representatives-at-Large**

- ☛ Health Summit was a success
- ☛ A & L attend our event:
  - 3-4:30pm
  - 3-4:15pm special pres.
  - 4:30pm-5:00pm Personnel
  - 5:00pm-6:00 Executive

- ☛ B & E Event today was successful last night

**f. A.S.I. Staff: Marcus Rodriguez, Dena Florez, and Intef W. Weser**

- ☛ Marcus Rodriguez: Finished certification signed by president Covino.

**VII. Adjournment:**

<b>Offered By:</b>	<b>Carolyn Kan</b>	<b>Seconded by:</b>	<b>Carina Kan</b>			
Motion to Adjourn meeting at 5:32pm						
<b>All in Favor</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>Opposed</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>Abstained</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>Motion: Passed</b>

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**CERTIFICATION**

Official Minutes taken for the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** of the Associated Students, Inc. CSULA held on Thursday, April 16, 2015 in the University Student Union 303AB. Consensus by the A.S.I. Board of Directors on: Thursday, May 14, 2015

Prepared by:

  
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**Dena Florez**  
Recording Secretary

  
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**Ruth Ramos**  
Secretary/Treasurer

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