



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 5, 2016
 Time: 3:30pm-6:00pm
 Location: U-SU Board Room 303AB
 Attendees: Board of Directors committee, General Public
 Type of Meeting: Special

I. Organizational Items:
Call to order by: Chair Ejmin Hakobian, A.S.I. President

b. Roll Call

Ejmin Hakobian	<i>President</i>	xPresent
Samuel Garza	<i>Vice President for Administration</i>	xPresent
Nicole McCue	<i>Vice President for Academic Governance</i>	xExcused Absent
Antonio Canzona	<i>Vice President for Finance</i>	xPresent
Vacant	<i>Vice President of External Affairs and Advancement</i>	
Vacant	<i>Secretary/ Treasurer</i>	
Megan Marie Dia	<i>College of Health and Human Services Rep.</i>	xPresent
Luis Chavez	<i>College of Health and Human Services Rep.</i>	xPresent
Cynthia Alvarez	<i>College of Business & Economics Rep.</i>	xPresent
Sean Weerasinghe	<i>College of Business & Economics Rep.</i>	xPresent
Gregory Bates	<i>College of Arts and Letters Rep.</i>	xPresent
Ashley Foskey	<i>College of Arts and Letters Rep.</i>	xPresent
Roger Buena	<i>Charter College of Education Rep.</i>	xPresent
Chris Barreras	<i>Charter College of Education Rep</i>	xPresent
Jacob Julag - Ay	<i>College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep</i>	xExcused Late
Vacant	<i>College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep.</i>	
Jannah Mae	<i>College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.</i>	xPresent
Vacant	<i>College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.</i>	
Kent Lin	<i>Community Affairs Representative at Large</i>	xPresent
James Steele	<i>Campus Affairs Representative At Large</i>	xPresent
Salvador Alejo	<i>Associate Justice</i>	xPresent
Dr. Jennifer Miller	<i>University President's Designee</i>	xPresent
Intef W. Weser	<i>Executive Director</i>	xPresent
Marcus Rodriguez	<i>Director of Programs and Leadership</i>	xPresent
Dena Florez	<i>Office Manager of Administration & Services – RS</i>	xPresent
Guests of the Gallery		

c. Adoption of Agenda:

Offered By:	Ashley Foskey	Seconded by:	Luis Chavez
Motion to approve the adoption for May 5, 2016 with the approved amendment Ejmin Hakobian: I am very happy to announce that we had a very productive meeting yesterday with president Covino and we discussed the budget. We also talked about passing a referendum and passing it and starting to work on it, the one that we have now is for indexing. I would like to pass a friendly amendment to take it off so			

we can pass it off to the next group so they can work on it and they don't start from scratch. I would like to propose a friendly amendment to remove the indexing referendum.

Antonio Canzona: I would like to move A.S.I. charter college of education removal to the first one before the appointments.

All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed
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Offered By:	Antonio Canzona	Seconded by:	Jannah Mae			
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Amendment to the main motion to move A.S.I. charter college of education removal to the first one before the appointments

All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed
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d. Approval of Minutes (action):

Offered By:	Antonio Canzona	Seconded by:	Kent Lin			
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Motion to postpone approval of the minutes for April 21, 2016

All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed
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Offered By:	Kent Lin	Seconded by:	Antonio Canzona			
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Motion to postpone approval of the minutes for March 3, 2016

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.

- ✦ Luz Borjon Montalvo: Hello I am the coordinator of the Dreamer's Resource Center. I know there is a proposal for the Dreamers Resource Center that you will be considering, and it is a proposal that I have worked with your president on. Our center would love your support, our students would like to attend conferences and they are looking for A.S.I. to support that effort to attend. Some of those conferences deal with united we dream and some of those conferences are important to dreamers. We also have programs at our center and we would also love to offer snacks for our students.
- ✦ Ejmin Hakobian: There's also tuition assistance or book voucher.
- ✦ Luz Borjon Montalvo: Oh yes! Not every student can benefit from the AB 540, not every student can benefit from the Dream act, so we want to provide our students funding for books because these students are paying out of state fees and they don't receive any funding help. So we are humbly asking for you to support us.

III. Action Items:

a. A.S.I. Charter College of Education Representative Removal- The BOD will discuss the removal of the CCOE representative approved by the Executive Committee.

- ✦ Ejmin Hakobian: I would like to allocate 50 minutes to this, is that fine for a time limit? I would like to ask Frances to speak on that and talk about the decision of the Judicial Review and then we will go to roger for more on that.
- ✦ Frances Tsai: Good afternoon Board of Directors, I don't have very much to say other than what the JRC has met with and has decided on has been written on the memo on the cover page that was provided.
- ✦ Ejmin Hakobian: Could you briefly summarize what was the final decision?
- ✦ Frances Tsai: So, the judicial review met on Tuesday to go over the officer review and the JRC has to go over the evidence provided by the Executive committee, the JRC does not determine whether the evidence is or whether the officer has broken any policies. The JRC looks at the evidence to make sure that the executive committee meets all the policies and procedures execution were met given that the evidence that was provided was considered as a performance warning. The JRC did inform Roger and Ejmin who were present at the meeting that they are able to file additional documentation to the BOD and also the other thing was the JRC made an Amendment in policy 20. Policy 20 says that in order for the

reports to be reported to the BOD it would be listed as an information item and we changed it so that it would be an action item.

- ✦ Roger Buena: So happy Thursday, so from what you guys are seeing all of you have the documents. I just want to say is that it has been rough this whole quarter. I have been working with the CCOE college and I don't know if you know this but next year they are trying to make a Career fair. I was asked by Angel, the Programs and Advisor Rep to attend this meeting and I attended the meeting where I took notes for it so you guys can pass that around so you know that I was taking notes. The reason I am showing you all of this is because I want to show you that I was doing my responsibilities, I wasn't fulfilling my duties as CCOE rep. I got this from my emails and from when I was attending this event alone. Tomorrow for this same event I am actually, I was asked to go talk more about the career fair and I want to let you guys know I have been doing that. I have also been working with Ejmin and a few more institutions as well with the proposal and that was all at the same time.
- ✦ Antonio Canzona: So I believe that Roger didn't get a fair trial and it was just mentioned to the executive committee that it would be an action item and it just happened. There was no information items beforehand like warnings to other reps or BOD members and it was too abrupt and I don't think he got a fair trial. I know he was doing his duties, the only thing that we know is that he wasn't turning in his GIA forms but so was the other college rep but I know they were doing their duties. The logic wasn't there that only he should be taken out. The decision should be overturned it was too abrupt.
- ✦ Jannah Mae: I don't think the decision should be overturned the evidence is there here it is provided. It states that Roger wasn't communicating well with the chair of the college reps and the programs coordinator. I'm not sure if Roger is a part of one internal and one external committee as a college rep you need to be a part of one internal and one external, I think it's just a lack of communication that he has between the two people that we really talk to in regards to our college. I know Chris tries but he is busy too and I know that he has a program too but I think the lack of communication is the big issue.
- ✦ Sean Weerasinghe: This began last quarter and Ashley had contacted me that she hasn't received any communications back from Chris and Roger so we were able to get a hold of Chris and we sat down and spoke to Ejmin and then I saw Roger one day and told him that he needed to speak with Ashley and he spoke with her and after that there was still no communication or emails that Ashley has attached here. She has pretty much told me that he is not in an internal or external committee that she knows of and that he has not communicated with her and he has not turned in a program proposal for this quarter or last quarter and then Intef contacted me a couple of weekends ago regarding the removal of charter college reps. I contacted Ashley and Ashley said that Chris has actually been meeting with her and that he has a program proposal in and that he has been in communication with her but she has not as of yet heard from Roger. There has been a number of times where Chris would come in to meet with him and Ashley would see him and he was sitting there with his feet up on the table and then he left and then Chris came in to have a meeting with him and he sat there and tried to text him and call him and had to leave and get a hold of him later but there was still a number of issues there where there was a lack of communication. Its continued on where we are over half way through with this quarter and all the other college reps have been working hard since they have been in office putting together programs and showing up to meetings and showing up to the events and helping out, and turning in our GIA's whether we get a check or not is one of our duties. We are responsible and I think it's unfair that someone is allowed to continue when they aren't following the rules.
- ✦ Antonio Canzona: I just don't think the process was done right, there should have been an information item and we were not informed of this, just out of the spur of the moment we got an action item to just remove him and that is just too abrupt. Again it's the end of the quarter and we should not be removing anyone, we should be trying to fill in the positions. I really don't believe that only programming is the only way to benefit A.S.I. He has been doing many other things in the benefit of A.S.I. and the logic isn't there. He attended more BOD meetings than the other rep, is there favoritism going on? I know that they are very busy because CCOE is very demanding college and is time consuming so I understand that. I think there is something in our bylaws that they get more special privileges because it is so demanding. I think it was too abrupt and that it should have been done better. I don't believe that because Ashley says that he isn't

doing programming that he should be kicked off. You can do many other ways that help A.S.I. and personally I don't think programming is the best way. I think advocacy and other levels is much better and I think it should be over turned and put as an information or discussion item later on or another action item but he shouldn't be taken off that fast.

- ❖ Ejmin Hakobian: I want to encourage A.S.I. members to not have a debate back and forth and make a brief conversation and not to be redundant. Intef, for our policy, should it be an information first or an action item?
- ❖ Intef W. Weser: It can be information it can be immediate removal it depends on the situation.
- ❖ Samuel Garza: Per policy 020, it's a little ambiguous the way it's written, it is up to discussion is this a situation that warrants immediate removal, if so the way that was followed was proper. But I see that it wasn't something that warranted immediate removal we would have to follow a different channel. Previously situations that would warrant immediate removal in my perspective of policy I don't think that this is something that warrants it but we should come up with more constructive solutions. We are an organization that can build up leaders to their greatest capacity and we should try to do that.
- ❖ Jannah Mae: I just want to say that Ashley did not push for this; it's been brought up many times by our chair, by me as well as Ashley so it is not just her.
- ❖ Sean Weerasinghe: I would like to see where CCOE gets special treatment, is that true?
- ❖ Intef W. Weser: The only exception is being able to leave early due to class but that is the only allowance.
- ❖ Sean Weerasinghe: So basically you are trying to rewrite the policy and as for the judicial review it said that we did follow and it was okay that we did follow.
- ❖ Frances Tsai: To clarify the policy says that the board of directors processes it and it was brought as a removal process and everyone thought it was an immediate removal because then it would have to go through the JRC and this missed it.
- ❖ Sean Weerasinghe: I have also seen many times where the board has put in action items without it going through information items and committees.

Offered By:	Antonio Canzona	Seconded by:	Kent Lin			
Motion to overturn the Executive Decision to remove Roger Buena						
All in Favor	4	Opposed	5	Abstained	2	Motion: Failed

- b. Appointment for Vacant A.S.I. and Campus Committee Positions: Board of Directors will consider students for appointment to the following vacant A.S.I. and student committee positions.
 - i. A.S.I. Board of Directors Appointment(s).
 - ii. A.S.I. Internal Committee Appointment(s).
 - iii. University Wide Committee Appointment(s).
- c. A.S.I. 2016-2017 Budget- The BOD will discuss and take action on approving the budget recommended by the Finance Committee.
- ❖ Yasmin Babaali: Hello my name is Yasamin Babaali and I am a third year here at Cal State LA. I was interested in being a part of A.S.I. committee because I have never been a part of any committee in the school and I wanted to start. The only reason why I wasn't capable of doing so was because I had been working at a clinic and my time was limited due to the amount of staff at the clinic that I work at. Now that everything is okay I want to be more involved in school. I am in three clubs or societies. One is the tri-gamma society for biochem and bio majors, and one is the NSCS which is the collegiate society, and also the National Society for Leadership and Success where it teaches us how to become leaders and start our own thing. We also do services like community services and one was at this school where we taught elementary students to use microscopes and spoke about biology. I just want to be able to give more to the school.
- ❖ Samuel Garza: What do you think one of the largest issues facing College of NSS?
- ❖ Yasmin Babaali: The lack of communication, I know that some of my colleagues who are within NSS have trouble in trying to get their points across and there has been a lot of trouble even with the teachers and I just want to fix that.

- ❖ Samuel Garza: I think in the future we need to decide, the issue initially was that the position wasn't posted and someone applied from that window. For a candidate to come up and wonder can I go for this, we need to decide behind closed doors right before their interview they are already worried.
- ❖ Antonio Canzona: We should be more prompt in updating our website, she had resigned for a while now and we should be appointing.

Offered By:	Kent Lin	Seconded by:	Samuel Garza			
Motion for the appointment of NSS representative.						
All in Favor	9	Opposed	0	Abstained	2	Motion: Passed

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- ❖ Antonio Canzona: It would be better to take from Incentives.
 - Amendment 1 for \$1K to student government and administration salaries taken from blue books.
 - Ejmin and I had a meeting with Dr. Wada McKee, Lisa Chavez, and President Covino.
 - d. Indexing Referendum- the BOD will review and take action on the Indexing referendum of the Student Body Fee to the Higher Education Price Index (HEPI) recommended by the Finance Committee.
- ❖ Ejmin Hakobian: Thank to Dr. Wada McKee and president Covino these are the number we have.
- ❖ Nancy Wada McKee: I thank both Ejmin and Antonio for ending the year well.
- ❖ Ejmin Hakobian: Thank Sean for setting up budget meeting.
 - For A.S.I. and University to work together on a referendum.
- ❖ Marcus Rodriguez: I am objectively presenting to the board, policy 206. In order to negate for that organization conference travel.

Offered By:	Sean Weerasinghe	Seconded by:	Ashley Foskey			
Motion to approve proposed 2016-2017 with stated an unanimous.						
All in Favor	ALL	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:	Ashley Foskey	Seconded by:	Antonio Canzona			
Amendment 1 *add \$1,000.00 to administration and staff from marketing and advert.						
All in Favor	ALL	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:	Ashley Foskey	Seconded by:	Kent Lin			
Motion to approve University to allocate the funds as \$7,721.00 CCC \$110.00 EOP \$3,500.00						
All in Favor	ALL	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

- e. Funding Proposals- the Board will take action on recommended funding proposals.
 - i. Hispanic Business Society: Annual Award Banquet-\$3,000- recommended by the Finance Committee.
 - ❖ Intef W. Weser: We approved the 3k
 - ❖ Ejmin Hakobian: We have been creating agendas this year. Mid-year Intef raised the challenge. I would like to ask the board to go with the recommendation
 - ❖ Kent Lin: Opening to anyone who has heard?
 - ❖ Cynthia Alvarez: I am for this.
 - ii. Funding Requests that are not recommended: Due to procedural issues that following items were forwarded to the BOD for consideration.
 - 1. Accounting Society: Porto's Back Sale- \$650.00

- ❖ Because it was an Unofficial meeting
- ❖ Intef Weser:

Offered By:	Kent Lin	Seconded by:	Cynthia Alvarez			
Motion to approve Accounting Society						
All in Favor	ALL	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

2. League of Legends: League of Legends Pizza Fundraiser- \$199

Offered By:	Kent Lin	Seconded by:	Cynthia Alvarez			
Motion to approve League of Legends Fundraiser \$139.00						
All in Favor	ALL	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

3. Statement Magazine: Statement Magazine Launch- \$3,000

Offered By:	Kent Lin	Seconded by:	Ashley Foskey			
Motion to approve Statement Magazine Launch						
All in Favor	ALL	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

- ❖ Cynthia Alvarez : Statement is a great
- iii. Internal Funding Request (Utilization of Unrestricted Funds – e- Sports Day - \$1,206.18

Offered By:	Ashley Foskey	Seconded by:	Gregory Bates			
Motion to approve Internal Funding Request Utilization of Unrestricted Funds e-Sports Day						
All in Favor	ALL	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

- ❖ Intef W. Weser: Got presented as a League of Legends event, why wasn't it presented as a proposal?
- ❖ Jannah Mae: How does Internal Funding work?
- ❖ Intef W. Weser: Attempting to pull funds from various areas.
- ❖ Jannah Mae: How are you going to get students who are not?
- ❖ Luis Chavez: But I have
- ❖ Samuel Garza: We can offer an amendment that would allow the event to happen with stipulation

Offered By:	Cynthia Alvarez	Seconded by:	Ashley Foskey			
Amendment moving electronics to T-shirts						
All in Favor	ALL	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

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- Offered By:** **Jannah Mae** **Seconded by:** **Ashley Foskey**

Call to Question						
All in Favor	ALL	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

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- Offered By:** **Cynthia Alvarez** **Seconded by:**

Peripherals to Shirts						
5 Yes						
3 No						
All in Favor	5	Opposed	3	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

IV. Information Items:

- ❖ -None-

V. Reports:

- a. A.S.I. President : **Ejmin Hakobian**
- ❖ -None-
- b. A.S.I. Vice President for Administration : **Samuel Garza**

- ❖ Samuel Garza: Year coming to a close
 - Establish Cabinet of Commissioners
 - It takes two quarters
 - c. A.S.I. Vice President for Academic Governance: **Nicole McCue**
- ❖ -None-
 - d. A.S.I. Vice President for Finance : **Antonio Canzona**
- ❖ Antonio Canzona: We passed the budget
 - e. A.S.I. Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement : **Angel Sanchez**
- ❖ -None-
 - f. A.S.I. Secretary / Treasurer : **Joselyn Diaz**
- ❖ -None-
 - g. Chair of the Cabinet of College Representatives: **Sean Weerasinghe**
- ❖ Sean Weerasinghe: Most have finished events 5/19th De-Stress = need volunteers
 - h. A.S.I. Staff : **Dena Florez , Marcus Rodriguez , & Intef W. Weser**
- ❖ Intef Weser: Next week FA260 3:30 – 4:30 Share results of elections
- ❖ Marcus Rodriguez: - Summer Leadership training
 - CLA Connections
 - Free transportation
 - i. University Designee : **Dr. Jennifer Miller**
- ❖ Dr. miller: We wrote a grant, will serve as take care of your own health & Well Being

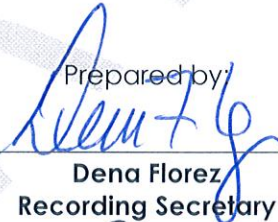
V. **Adjournment:**

Offered By:	Sean Weerasinghe	Seconded by:	Luis Chavez			
-Motion to Adjourn meeting at 5:58 PM						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

CERTIFICATION

Official Minutes taken for the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** of the Associated Students, Inc., Cal State Los Angeles held on Thursday, May, 5, 2016 in the University Student Union 303AB. Consensus by the A.S.I. Board of Directors on Thursday, May, 5, 2016

Prepared by:



Dena Florez
Recording Secretary



Samuel Garza
Vice President for Administration