



Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes

Day/Date: Thursday, October 31, 2024
 Time: 2:00- 4:15 PM
 Location: Board Room N/S- USU Room 303/303A
 Attendees: Board Members, General Public
 Type of Meeting: General

I. Organizational Items:

- **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, Sand 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.
- **Call to order by: Chair Yahir Flores, ASI President @ 2:05 pm**
- **Roll Call**

Yahir Flores	President	Present
Caitlin Jane Calica	Vice President for Community Engagement	Present
Alonso Villanueva Serrano	Vice President for Finance	Present
Arwa Mohamed Hammad	Vice President for External Affairs	Present
VACANT	Vice President for University Affairs	N/A
Cindy Nguyen	Chief of Staff	Present
Valerie Canizales	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	Present
VACANT	College of Business & Economics Rep.	N/A
Victoria Gragasin Montoya	College of Arts and Letters Rep.	Present
Preet Jadhav	College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep.	Present
Ananya Sharma	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	Present
VACANT	College of Education Rep.	N/A
VACANT	College of Ethnic Studies Rep.	N/A
Natasha Booka Raghu	Civic Engagement Officer	Unexcused Absence
Briana Goytizolo	Diversity and Inclusion Officer	Present
Blanca Martinez-Navarro	AVP- Dean of Students	Excused Tardy @ 2:27 pm
Barnaby Peake	ASI Executive Director	Present
Dena Florez	Associate Executive Director	Present
Gus Salazar	Director of Graphics and Marketing	Present
Amanda Maldonado	Administrative Coordinator	Present
Ashley Foskey	Program Coordinator	Present
Guests of the Gallery		

➤ Adoption of the Agenda

Offered By:	Victoria Montoya	Seconded by:	Valerie Canizales			
Motion to approve the Agenda for Thursday, October 31, 2024. Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

➤ **Approval of the Minutes**

Offered By:	Cindy Nguyen	Seconded by:	Alonso Villanueva Serrano			
Motion to table the Minutes for Thursday, October 17, 2024. Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

II. Public Forum

- 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 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 general public.

III. Informational Items

- **Adobe Max Conference Report and AI Integration**
 - Gus presents the results of the conference.
 - Arwa asks if Gus foresees any changes being implemented in ASI because of the conference.
 - Gus mentions that for more tedious work, AI can be applied to allow staff to focus more on the creative approach to campaigns and advertising.

IV. Action Items

➤ **University Committee Appointments**

Offered By:	Arwa Hammad	Seconded by:	Preet Jadhav			
Motion to table the University Committee Appointments Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

V. Discussion Items

- **ASI Winter retreat**
 - The board went back and forth talking about the retreat and what would be the goals and when would be the best time.
- **ASI 2024-2025 Legacy Project**
 - Yahir goes over what the legacy project can be like.
 - Blanca goes over what legacy means to her.
 - The board talks about wanting to make financial aid something easier to access for students.

VI. Reports

- **ASI President: Yahir Flores**
- **ASI Chief of Staff: Cindy Nguyen**
- **ASI VP Finance: Alonso Villanueva Serrano**
- **ASI VP for community engagement: Caitlin Jane**
- **ASI VP for External Affairs: Arwa Hammad**
- **College Representative for Natural Social Sciences: Ananya Sharma**
- **Diversity and Inclusion Officer: Briana Goytizolo**
- **College representative of Arts and letters: Victoria Montoya**
- **College of ECST: Preet Jadhav.**
- **College of Health and Human Services: Valerie Canizales**
- **Civic engagement officer: Natasha Raghu**
- **Program Coordinator: Ashley Foskey**
- **Administrative Coordinator: Amanda Maldonado**

- Associate Executive Director: Dena Florez.
- Executive Director: Barnaby Peake
- Dean of Students: Blanca Martinez-Navarro

VII. Adjournment

Offered By:	Cindy Nguyen	Seconded by:	Victoria Montoya			
Motion to adjourn the meeting 4:12 PM. Consensus to adjourn the meeting - 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 October 31, 2024, in Board Room N/S- USU Room 303/303A, University Student Union Building and were approved by consensus by the ASI Board of Directors on Thursday, November 14, 2024.

Prepared by:

Kaina Orozco
[Kaina Orozco \(Jan 29, 2025 15:06 PST\)](#)
 Kaina Orozco - Recording Secretary

Cindy Nguyen
[Cindy Nguyen \(Jan 30, 2025 21:40 PST\)](#)
 Cindy Nguyen - Chief of Staff