



Executive Cabinet Meeting

Minutes

Date: Tuesday, April 29, 2025
 Location: Alhambra Room - USU Room 305
 Type of Meeting: General

Time: 3:00-4:15 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: Yahir Flores, ASI President @ 3:09 pm

C. Roll Call

Yahir Flores	President	Present
Leslie Vega	Vice President for Community Engagement	Present
Alonso Villanueva Serrano	Vice President for Finance	Present
Arwa Mohamed Hammad	Vice President for External Affairs	Present
Daniel Ruiz	Vice President for University Affairs	Present
Cindy Nguyen	Chief of Staff	Excused Absence
Diana Rangel	College of Ethnic Studies Rep	Present
Ananya Sharma	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	Excused Absence
Blanca Martinez-Navarro	AVP for Student Affairs & Enrollment Management and Dean of Students	Excused Absence
Barnaby Peake	ASI Executive Director	Present
Dena Florez	Associate Executive Director	Excused Absence
Amanda Maldonado	Administrative Coordinator	Present
River Foskey	Program Coordinator	Excused Absence
Guests of the Gallery		

D. Adoption of the Agenda

Offered By:	Arwa Hammad	Seconded by:	Diana Rangel			
Motion to approve the agenda for Tuesday, April 29, 2025						
Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

E. Approval of the Minutes

Offered By:	Alonso Villanueva Serrano	Seconded by:	Daniel Ruiz			
Motion to approve the minutes for Tuesday, March 25, 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. Reports

- a. Members**
- b. Advisors**

IV. Informational Items

a. CSU Hill Day Report

Yahir: Shared that during Hill Week, he reconnected with many CSU leaders to discuss internships like DC Fellows (which our campus does not offer), policy updates, and the new presidential administration. He networked with past ASI presidents and professionals across business and entrepreneurship, as well as neighboring states. A key concern he raised was Cal State LA's loss of a \$12.5 million Teacher Quality Partnership grant for the College of Education, which is now on hold. Overall, it was a busy week of meetings and strong engagement with representatives.

b. ASI Student Leader Awards

Yahir: At the last meeting, we discussed the end-of-year awards and the nomination process. Each award has specific categories, and only one person can win per award. This was brought up last week, and while we agreed to revisit it, now we need to finalize a decision on whether to hold the awards this year.

Anaya: Asked questions on the awards

Yahir: Answered

Arwa: Asked for the categories

Yahir: The award categories include Bumpin' and Jumpin' Advocate, All-Star, Inclusion Champion, Above and Beyond, and Here, There, Everywhere. These awards recognize individuals who stood out and made an impact. While only one person is selected per award, the spirit is to emphasize that everyone is a winner and appreciated.

Arwa: Shared a suggestion to add the senators and make them a category.

Daniel: Shared a suggestion for add one for the screaming Eagles.

Yahir: Shared other ideas.

Diana: Shared since time is short, to keep it short and simple, and offers ideas

V. Action Items

VI. Discussion Items

a. Consulting Proposal

Barnaby: Shared that there will be a meeting with a consulting firm to support strategic planning and financial direction. The firm will provide outside feedback and recommendations based on other CSU ASIs. While it is costly, their professional expertise will be valuable, and board support will be needed. Barnaby added that if we move forward with a fee increase, this demonstrates why we want and need it. He also noted that past offerings like concerts, events, and food trucks have become more expensive, so careful planning is key to balancing student wants with financial sustainability.

Diana: Asked when the proposal is.

Barnaby: There is no proposal; once we hire, they start in the summer, and the next 7 months. There will be a whole survey for the body to fill out.

Yahir: We will give them what they need, then give us at the end a proposal of the plan they came out with.

Arwa: Have they spoken to other campuses if they have done this, and is AOA helping with this?

Barnaby: They are a sponsor for AOA since they are used on most campuses, but B&D, they assist a lot of the CSUs and are heavily involved. The purpose is to get someone outside and give us a strategic plan from what they see outside, but with information, shares all campuses are doing this and looking into it as well, since enrollment is dropping more.

b. ASI Impact Report

Yahir: Reminded everyone to submit their reports, which will be shared with all committees. Each report should be 1-2 pages outlining committee work, including quantitative and qualitative data, student attendance at events, and the number of proposals submitted and completed. This ensures accountability in ASI roles while also supporting data collection and feedback to improve student experience.

Anaya: Asked about approaches for committees.

Yahir: Agreed with her ideas and approaches and shares that if leaders need assistance on reports and binders to please inform Cindy and him. Continues and move on to the binders and how they navigated the role, and how the next ones navigate the roles.

Daniel: Shared his thoughts and concerns, but his questions would be for Cindy.

Arwa: Asked a personal question based on another committee.

c. ASI Resolution - Supporting Undocumented Students

Arwa: Spoke on the feedback and tips they would prefer on campus, and what was mentioned for them to be heard and see change, everything for them to see the resolution is on SharePoint and then will go to BOD.

d. Standing discussion items

VII. Adjournment

Offered By:	Alonso Villanueva Serrano	Seconded by:	Daniel Ruiz			
Motion to adjourn the meeting @ 4:09 pm Consensus reached.						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

CERTIFICATION

Official Minutes taken for the ASI Executive Cabinet Meeting of the Associated Students, Inc., Cal State Los Angeles held on Tuesday, April 29, 2025 in U-SU Alhambra Room, 305 and were approved by consensus by the ASI Executive Cabinet on Tuesday, August 26, 2025.

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