Community Engagement & Outreach Meeting **Minutes**

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Date: Wednesday, October 21st, 2026
Location: Community Room – Library N B131
Type of Meeting: General

Time: 11:15 am – 12:15 pm
Attendees: Committee Members, General Public

I. Organizational Items:

A. Call to order by Jesus Corona @ 11:20 a.m.

B. Roll Call

Jesus Anthony Corona	Chair / Vice President of Community Engagement	Present
Enrique Curiel Jr.	Vice Chair / Engagement Commissioner	Excused Tardy arrived @ 11:23
Emily Webb	Committee Member / U-SU Board Chair & Public Service Commissioner (ASI)	Present
Alma Maria Alvarez	Committee Member / B&E Rep (BOD Member)	Present
Maria Garcia	Committee Member / NSS Rep (BOD Member)	Excused Absence
Bryan Alvarado-Chavez	Committee Member / VP of Finance	Present
Andrew Chang	Committee Member / Diversity and Inclusion Commissioner	Present
Barnaby Peake	ASI Executive Director	Excused Absence
Ashley "River" Foskey	Program Coordinator	Present
Alex Mora	Screaming Eagles Coordinator	Present
Alondra	Student At-Large	Present
Guests of the Gallery		Kaiya

C. Approval of Agenda

Offered By:	Emily		Seconded by:		Enrique	
Motion to approve agenda with Amendment made Emily to add Dia De Los Muertos money allocation Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

D. Certification of Minutes

Offered By:	Emily		Seconded by:		Maria	
Motion to approve minutes for 10/7/2026 Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

E. Certification of Minutes

Offered By:	Briam		Seconded by:		Andrew	
Motion to approve minutes for 10/14/2026 Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

II. Public Comment: Chair open the floor for public comment, and no public comments were made.

III. Information Items

a. Upcoming Engagement & Collaboration Opportunities

Upcoming Engagement and Collaboration Opportunities. Members reviewed near-term campus engagement activities and opportunities to volunteer with the Cross-Cultural Centers on Día de los Muertos arts-and-crafts activities, including mini ofrendas and decorated sugar skulls. A volunteer sign-up was proposed.

b. Spring Programming Proposal Timeline. Spring 2027 proposals had been due October 9; the committee targeted November 4 for calendar approval. Additional proposals or revisions were requested by the following Wednesday, October 28.

IV. Action Items

a. Día de los Muertos Collaboration and Budget Reallocation. The committee discussed redirecting the existing $2,000 allocation originally intended to support the smaller, approximately 50-person cultural dinner ("La Cena") toward the Cross-Cultural Centers' larger Día de los Muertos plaza celebration. The dinner, organized with the Student Health Center, would feature historical education, discussion, and a community altar; the following day's public celebration would feature ofrendas, crafts, and food. Approximately $100 and change was discussed for mini-ofrenda supplies, with the remaining funds directed toward food to increase participation. The plaza event would move to the Los Angeles Rooms in case of rain. ASI members discussed contributing an altar and assisting with preparatory activities during the preceding week.

Offered By:	Emily		Seconded by:		Enrique	
Motion: Approve the re-allocation of budget						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

V. Discussion Items

a. Spring 2027 Calendar Overview. The committee reviewed proposed programming by month. All items below remained proposals or planning updates unless otherwise stated.

January – Welcome Back Social.

A medium-to-large welcome-back event was proposed. A culturally themed dance/social was suggested as a possible direction; event leads and the final concept would be selected after calendar approval.

February – Civic Mind and Funding Workshop.

The Civic Mind workshop would address navigating disagreement and controversy constructively; a member suggested inviting a faculty expert. The annual student-organization funding and banking workshop was also discussed.

February – Cupid Social.

A preliminary planning meeting covered STI testing (including LA County participation), consent education, red-flag bingo, potential tarot readings, giveaways, and a possible fries food truck. The proposed budget would increase from $1,500 to $2,000, subject to calendar/budget approval. A masculinity-focused activity with Andrew Blanco and a weather backup in the Los Angeles Rooms were discussed.

February – Money Talks / AI / Resource Fairs.

Money Talks financial-wellness programming, an AI-focused roundtable/workshop, and combining post-graduation and volunteer/service resource fairs into a larger event were considered. Some proposals required revisions.

March – Future in STEM Panels.

Three panels were proposed: ethnic identities/people of color in STEM, LGBTQ+ people in STEM, and women in STEM. Potential collaboration with engineering student organizations and external professionals was discussed.

March – Flor y Lucha and Outdoor Experience.

The committee discussed supporting a Cross-Cultural Centers brunch featuring Latina community leaders, typically through food support. A whitewater-rafting proposal raised accessibility, liability, and cost concerns; a theme-park trip was suggested as an alternative.

March – Women's Leadership and Additional Inclusion Programming.

A college-wide women's leadership panel was discussed, along with the possibility of complementary programming through the M Network. A member proposed a Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month event in collaboration with the Office for Students with Disabilities; a preliminary proposal was requested by October 28. Members noted March/April scheduling constraints from elections and mandatory briefings.
April – Town Hall and Leadership Symposium.
The spring town hall would update students on earlier feedback and gather new input, potentially in a different campus location. A topic-focused leadership symposium was discussed, with AI offered as an illustrative theme. The committee aimed to avoid additional events during voting week.
April – Eagle's Nest Pitch Competition.
A Shark Tank-style student-organization pitch competition was proposed, potentially piloted with ECST organizations. A judging panel and funding awards to RSO accounts were discussed; advance planning and outreach would be necessary.
April – Earth Day and Dodgeball.
Earth Day concepts included sustainability education, recycling and composting demonstrations, gardening, faculty partnerships, and environmental clubs. An April 28 dodgeball tournament was proposed, likely in the gym, with team prizes to be determined and possible ASI alumni/current-member participation.
May – Eddie Fest.
The major ASI/CSI event was tentatively discussed for May 6, with historical contributions of approximately $20,000 from each organization. Attendance had grown to more than 1,000 in the previous year, and members discussed a stretch goal of 1,500. Safari, superhero, and dance/music themes were brainstormed. A separate planning group would be formed around January.
May – Finals De-Stress / Coffee & Grind.
The committee discussed continuing coffee-making and study-support activities during finals, with the December 2026 de-stress program available to pilot new concepts.
b. Homecoming ASI Involvement. Members provided updates on Homecoming planning and participation:
Community & Giving subcommittee: outreach was underway to campus and community organizations, including Baby2Baby, regarding hygiene supplies, student-parent support, food resources, and volunteer opportunities.
Chalk & Banner Competition: Enrique Curiel reported serving as lead, recruiting additional student participants, and scheduling an initial subcommittee meeting for the following Monday.
Hey LA Day: proposed for February 17, in partnership with the University-Student Union, CSI, ASI, and the President's Office. Campus entry-point stations, "Hey, I am…" name tags, and a central gathering from 3–6 p.m. were discussed. A cultural dance event (zapateada/baile-style) was proposed for possible inclusion and as a pilot for future Hispanic Heritage Month programming.
Homecoming Court: planning included court selection, a concert announcement, and presentation at the main game. A member requested consideration of inclusive titles for nonbinary participants; the matter was to be raised at the upcoming subcommittee meeting.
Other Homecoming involvement: members referenced a student concert/talent-show concept, bowling planning, and opportunities to join additional subcommittees.
c. Fall 2026 Programming Updates. The committee referenced the upcoming pumpkin patch and costume contest, Día de los Muertos collaboration, and December finals de-stress activities.

VI. Reports
No reports were given

VII. Adjournment

Offered By:	Enrique		Seconded by:		Andrew	
Motion to adjourn the meeting @ 12:15pm Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

CERTIFICATION

Official Minutes taken for the ASI Community Engagement and Outreach Meeting of the Associated Students, Inc., Cal State Los Angeles held on October 21, 2026, at Community Room – Library N B131 and were approved by consensus by the ASI Community Engagement and Outreach Meeting on Wednesday, October 28, 2026.

Prepared by:

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Enrique Curiel – Engagement Commissioner

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Sophia Gamino – Executive Vice President