

CABINET MINUTES

Meeting #4

October 27, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Yasmin Elasmr called the meeting to order at 2:00pm

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Joseph Nino, President
Yasmin Elasmr, ASI Chief Diversity Officer
Kyari Cail, Commissioner, Cultural Affairs
Christiana Koch, Commissioner, Disability Affairs
Minh Nguyen, Commissioner, International Student Affairs
Sean Aquino, Commissioner, LGBTIQ+ Affairs
Gus Orozco, Commissioner, Veterans Affairs
Chloe Kim, Commissioner, Wellness Affairs
Stevie Merino, Commissioner, Women & Gender Equity Affairs

Voting Members Absent

Gaby Hernandez, Commissioner, AB540 & Undocumented Students
Lamiya Hoque, Commissioner, Environmental Justice

Non-Voting Members Present

Lindsay San Miguel, Asst. Director Govt. Affairs & Initiative

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

ASI Acting Social Media Coordinator Kasey Schoen: introduced self to board as former ASI leader; offered congratulations to Commissioner Koch on the Move for a Mile event; and offered social media support to Cabinet events/programs.

4. ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(M) Koch (S) Orozco to approve Cabinet Agenda, Meeting #4, October 27, 2017

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 9-0-0

5. ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CHAIR

Chair Elasmr will email board their report, due to meeting time constraints; however, report will be reflected in the minutes.

I have been working on

- Ally training for Muslim and Jewish Students
- Coordinating night safety walk
- Coordinating diversity trainings
- Conscious Collection art project underway, applications due Nov 10th
- Will be creating general calendar for next semester events
- Continuing to work on Know Your Rights project, please send all community-specific questions/concerns by Nov 17th
- Athletics Mixer tonight 5:30pm at Walter Pyramid
- Next Cabinet meeting TBA over email because November 10th and 24th are holidays
- Beach Connections on November 7th at noon: discussion on the First Amendment, which will be facilitated by ASI.

6. ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE PRESIDENT

- President Nino voiced appreciation for board's dedicated efforts to being champions for CSULB students
- Commended
 - Merino: Title IX email addressing student concerns
 - Koch: Move a Mile; Disability Awareness Week
 - Kim: Flu Clinic
 - Orozco: BUILD Project; Study Abroad applications; Veteran Week
 - Aquino: jumped in and collaborated as a new member
 - Elasmarr: great coordinator; networking with other government branches
 - San Miguel: going above and beyond in supporting and advising with consistent quality all the various ASI boards/committees

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Action Item: Cabinet Minutes Meeting #3, October 13, 2017

(M) Orozco (S) Kim to approve Cabinet Minutes Meeting #3, October 13, 2017

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 9-0-0

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were none.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion Item: Art Gallery Update

- Online BeachSync application closes Nov. 10, 2017
- Will email event flyer; thanked Commissioner Kim for creating flyer
- 49er Shops catering cost prohibitive; opt for Costco and Target finger foods
- 49er Shops cash bar cost prohibitive, won't generate much revenue at a 2-hour student event, and no alcohol policy at ASI sponsored student organization events; opt for mocktails, one signature drink per community (four total)
- Event space set-up: Meeting with Beach Pride Events Program Manager Taylor Buhler-Scott to finalize lay-out (move out furniture, lighting levels, hanging lights)
- Invited board to assist with space set-up

B. Discussion Item: Campus Climate

- Campus vibe with hate speech incidents
- President Nino supports Cabinet's events that support students that are being affected/marginalized
- Teach In Series or Speaker Series: open space speaker draws in passersby; possible once a month; collaborate with campus partners
 - Cail: will investigate other department/division events on campus in order not to duplicate efforts; possible collaboration with existing events
 - Kim: beneficial to have emergency drop-in counseling space available, due to limited counseling access through CAPS
 - Merino: dangerous for Cabinet to protect right for hate speech; the role of Cabinet is to advocate/foster dialogue and free speech; shine light on communities voices
 - Cail: concurred with Merino; advocating dialogue and free speech education is the role of each ASI branch; currently reviewing and addressing cultural organizations' distrust of ASI and the ability to have meaningful dialogue and action on current issues
- Upcoming Speaker Series on Free Speech: Nov 7th, 12-1pm, Multicultural Center; collaborative event between Beach Connections and ASI Cabinet
 - Cail: increase promotion to students, as prior event was predominantly staff
 - Elasmarr: will invite Senate, Judiciary, and student groups

10. REPORTS

A. AB540 & Undocumented Students – Gaby Hernandez

*There was no report submitted

B. Cultural Affairs – Kyari Cail

Work completed since last report

- 1:1's with Commissioner Elasmar.
- Meetings with the Black/African and Latinx cultural organizations.
- Meeting with CAPS regarding future collaboration.
- Assisting Senator Mejia with possible clothing swap event.
- Assisting Senator Carancho with efforts to build stronger community with cultural organizations.
- Assisting in resolution process condemning hate speech.
- Collaboration with OMA & Dr. Bryant for #BeachConnections dialogue on Nov. 7th from 12–1pm at the MCC.

Goals for next two weeks:

- Continue community building with cultural organizations
- Collaborate with commissioners to develop new plan for intersectionality event next semester
- Attend ASI sponsored events
- 100 Classes in 100 Days
- Continue assisting in resolution process condemning hate speech
- Establish counter-speech programs for Spring 2018
- Initiate resolution process for Pan-African student scholarship with Senators

Student Concerns:

- Campus safety
- Hate speech
- Trusting ASI

C. Disability Affairs – Christiana Koch

Koch reported they will be attending the Ruderman Inclusion Summit 2017, in Boston, MA, November 17th-18th.

Work Completed

- Completed DEW
- Ally Training- good info, good turnout
- Relaxation room
- Wednesday with Commissioner Merino
- SDAL tabling
- QPR training
- Active Minds
- Move a Mile

Steps for next time:

- Follow up better with people
- Inclusive Rec and ASI COMM
- Get flyers out sooner
- Learn how to promote on social media
- Not invite too many groups into one space
- Open to more steps for improvement

Other completed work:

- ASL Club is interested in collaboration
- Met with SDAL board
- Held an SDAL meeting, two new faces came
- Met with Chief Government Relations Officer Jara about Lobby Corps
- Attended LBSU Project Relief
- ASL club meeting

Next Goals:

- Autistics Speaking Day, Nov. 1st
 - Need to buy some pre-packaged candy
- Compile info for Know Your Rights
- Continue to work with Lobby Corp about mental health
- Work with SDAL to contact CSUs to find disability advocacy clubs
- Get a mental health conversation sheet for students going
- Discuss ABA with the Career Development Center
 - Get contact from Chief Elasmarr
- Have a list online of safe places on campus to go during panic attacks

Student concerns:

- Accessibility of FO4
- President Nino and Chief Elasmarr have looked into this also
- New building will not come until 2019
- Work/school balance is stressing students
- Bus system
- Campus police unaware of accessible drop off/pick up areas

D. Environmental Justice – Lamiya Hoque

Present Projects

- Resolution: Implementing Drought Resistant Plants in Areas around CSULB Community
- Currently drafting resolution with senators
- Almost done with resolution.
 - Working on another resolution: Implementing Biodegradable Utensils in the 49ers Shop
 - ✓ Working on it with a few other senators
- Sustainability Month: October 1st-31st
 - Recycle Wars: Senate vs. Judiciary/Cabinet/USUBOT/Lobby Corps
 - Last day October 31st!
- New Project (Next Semester)
 - One day summit for students. Environmental Resources
 - ✓ Panel with Representatives from:
 - ❖ Nonprofit
 - ❖ Elected Officials
 - ❖ Environmental Clubs on Campus
- Intersectionality Gallery
 - Found a few people from the environmental community to display their artwork and pictures
 - Trying to find more people.
- Events
 - Attended the Fall Sustainability Mixer on October 26th
 - Campus and community leaders
 - Updates on campus projects, upcoming events, and new initiatives to solidify CSULB's reputation as a leader in high education sustainability.
 - Daniel from Sustain U wants to have a collaborative meeting

Goals for the coming weeks:

- Have both resolutions be done by early November
- Continue to assist with any help that is needed for Sustainability Month
- Be involved as a Mentor for Beach Team
- Find more people for the Intersectionality Gallery

E. International Student Affairs – Minh Nguyen

Work completed since last report:

- Met with:
 - Eugenia and Terrence
 - ✓ We came up with an actual requirement for being a Global Peer Ambassador, and decided to speed up the process to have a first pre-term training November.
 - Chief Elasmarr for 1:1 meeting
 - ✓ We discussed about the requirement for being Global Peer Ambassador (GPA) and things related to the program.
 - Meet with Mayra (International Student Advisor) and other international students leaders
 - ✓ We had conversation about things will be addressed at the day of international student ally training.

Goals for the coming weeks:

- Continue on the progress of GPA programs
- Keep contacting with potential Beach Ambassadors with the help of Chief Elasmarr to promote the program to all ASI leaders.
- Contact with the CDC for the event on spring.

F. LGBTIQ+ Affairs – Sean Aquino

Work completed since last report

- Communication
 - In contact with...
 - Nancy Matthews (Safe Zone)
 - Christian Lozano (OMA)
 - Benny LeMaster (Trans* support group)
 - Berenece Solano (LSU)
 - Pamela Jesse (University Liason for Special Events)
 - Rachel Fader (CAPS)

Work completed since last report:

- Meetings
 - (10/18) – Safe Zone meeting with Nancy Matthews
 - (10/18) – Trans* vigil meeting with Commissioner Merino
 - (10/25) – LGBTRC services meeting with Rachel Fader (CAPS)
 - (10/26) – LSU meeting with Berenice Solano
- (10/30) – OMA meeting with Christian Lozano Cuellar
 - Projects
 - Queer organization coalition
 - Trans* awareness event
 - Outreach services/program for LGBTRC

Goals for next two weeks:

- Wrap-up trans* awareness event planning
- Finish coalition forming process
- Complete meetings with target faculty members
- Continue working with Rachel Fader from CAPS
- Publicize and recruit artists for Conscious Collections

G. Veterans Affairs – Gus Orozco

Orozco reported there's one vacancy available for the Habitat for Humanity build, Nov 10th, 8am-4pm, and encouraged board to contact them, if interested.

Met with

- Chief Elasmarr and Program Manager Taylor Buhler-Scott
- Kristen Hutchcroft, Student Health Services
- Ken Wing, VetNet President, and Officers

- Dr. Marshall Thomas
- Lois Daz. Vet Success on Campus

This past week

- Veteran Affairs Home Loan Presentation: 25 Oct, 2017; Hosted with the Long Beach VA, Veteran Services, and ASI
- Move A Mile in Our Shoes Veterans Team

Veteran Week - November 6th-11th

- "Blood Stripe" Movie Screening in USU Auditorium
- Freedom Party @ the Nugget. 1230-4pm
- VetNet Ally training. Wednesday, Nov. 8th. 8:00am-12:00pm. Contact Dr. Thomas at marshall.thomas@csulb.edu
- Veterans Day Ceremony Thursday, Nov. 9th. 12:00pm Speaker's Platform
- Habitat for Humanity. Friday. One Cabinet spot still open
- Long Beach Veterans Day Celebration meet up. Saturday, November 11th. 10:00am-3pm

Coming Weeks

- 100 Classes
- Senate Report Wednesday, Nov. 1st.
- Know Your Benefits
- Presentation, Nov 21st
- Hosted with the Long Beach VA and CSULB Veteran Services
- Aimed at informing Veterans and Dependents of educational benefits provided by the State, Veterans Affairs, and CSULB

Conscious Collection

- Councilwoman Price
- Arts Council for Long Beach Calendar
- Other guest speakers

Anything Else

- Student Experience
- Distinguished Alumni Nomination Committee
- Next VetNet Meeting, Tuesday, Nov 7th

H. Wellness Affairs – Chloe Kim

Kim reported they received an invitation to the CAPS Coordinator Candidate presentation; however, they're unable to attend and encouraged other Cabinet members to attend. Presentation dates: Oct 31, 10-10:30am, 4-4:30pm and Nov 2nd, 4-4:30pm. Kim will email board the invitation.

Work completed since last report

- Completed project:
 - Fight the Flu!
 - Conscious Collection Poster
- Meetings Attended:
 - Chief Government Relations Officer Genesis Jara, Lobby Corp
 - Kristen Fabiszewski, SHS Assistant Director
 - Farron Fowler, SRWC Director
 - Yasmin Elasmr, Chief Diversity Officer
- Trainings Completed
 - LGBTQ+ Ally Training
- Goals for the coming weeks:
 - Promoting artist submissions for Conscious Collections
 - Increasing collaboration efforts with student groups on campus
 - Creating an accepting and sensitive atmosphere for mental health on campus

I. Women & Gender Equity Affairs – Stevie Merino

Work completed since last report:

- WOC Talk Circle/Self Care Event
- Contacted/Met with
 - Women and Gender Equity Center Coordinator & Title IX Coordinator on Title IX Resolution
 - WGSS department
 - CAPPS
 - Parenting Scholars @ The Beach
 - Commissioner for LGBTIQ+ Affairs for Trans Day of Remembrance
 - ASI Senators Argent, Almahdi, and Jurado for Title IX resolution
- Attended
 - IPCDC Board of Trustees meeting as designee
 - President's Title IX Advisory Board
 - Academic Senate Retreat
 - Safe Zone Ally Training as a panelist
- Current
 - Trans Day of Remembrance Event Nov 15
 - November Event
 - Nov 1st Protesting Rights Event PCSW tabling
 - HVDI ASI meeting

Goals for the coming weeks

- Continue contacting clubs, groups on campus for collaboration with events
- Follow up on menstrual products in bathrooms
- Continue working on IPCDC issues of student accessibility/needs
- Ally Training
- Start Smart/brainstorming Empowerment events for September
- Collaboration events for spring
- Attend more campus events

Concerns

- Article/Right Wing Groups/Safety

11. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

President Nino: Commissioner of the Month – Kyari Cail.

Chair Elasmr

- Asked board to identify and advise of spring event dates
- Will create event calendar with Beach Pride Events
- Diversity Training: Today, 2pm, USU-205

12. ADJOURNMENT

WITHOUT OBJECTION Chair Elasmr adjourned the meeting at 2:29pm.