

CABINET MINUTES

Meeting #7

October 14, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Maythe Alderete called the meeting to order at 2:31pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Lizbeth Velasquez, ASI President
Maythe Alderete, ASI Chief Diversity Officer
Adriana Andrade, Commissioner AB540 & Undocumented Students
Michael Do, Commissioner, Cultural Affairs
Heather Schmoll, Commissioner, Disability Affairs
Sylvan Streightiff, Commissioner, Environmental Justice
Greg Figueroa, Commissioner, LGBTIQ+ Affairs
Joelle Bobadilla, Commissioner, Pregnant & Parenting Students
Reece Renninger, Commissioner, Veterans Affairs
Janet Chung, Commissioner, Wellness Affairs
Hayli Antoniewicz, Commissioner, Women & Gender Equity Affairs (Dp @2:52pm)

Voting Members Absent

VACANT, Commissioner, Intl. Student Affairs

Non-Voting Members Present

Christopher Forestiere, ASI Chief Justice
Lindsay San Miguel, ASI Asst. Director, Government Affairs & Initiatives

Non-Voting Members Absent

VACANT, ASI Chief Government Relations Officer
Joe Phillips, ASI Chief Academic Officer
Reyalyn Villegas, ASI Treasurer
Leen Almahdi, ASI Vice President

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

4. ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(M) Figueroa (S) Renninger to approve Cabinet Meeting #7 Agenda, October 14, 2019, as amended

- Move Item #9-J to the beginning of the Advocacy/Policy list, so that it's heard first

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 11-0-0

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

There were none.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Velasquez

- Met with President Conoley to discuss:
 - Monday's campus lock-down
 - ✓ Focusing ½-million dollars to switch to different locks
 - ✓ Prioritizing classrooms that accommodate a large number of students
 - ✓ Project is time intensive
 - ✓ some doors are from the 1960's
 - ✓ health considerations

- ✓ work can only be done at certain times of the day due to class scheduling
- ✓ Estimated completion date by December
- Fire Marshals' concern isn't about anyone coming inside but students being able to exit the classrooms
- 22 acres and what is happening there.
 - Was assured that there is no plan to build anything on 22-acres out of respect to indigenous people.

Figuroa: Any clarification on why the dirt was dumped there?

Velasquez: There were miscommunications.

Bobadilla: the faculty Center Child Care Center and the Isabel Patterson Child Development Center staff and parents voiced concern that there weren't police present at their respective facilities.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHIEF OFFICERS

There were none.

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Action Item: Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #5, September 30, 2019

(M) Figuroa (S) Renninger to approve Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #5, September 30, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 11-0-0

B. Action Item: Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #6, October 7, 2019

(M) Figuroa (S) Bobadilla to approve Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #6, October 7, 2019

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 11-0-0

9. ADVOCACY/POLICY

A. AB540/Undocumented Students

Work Completed:

- Know Your Rights
- DACA Supreme Court Brief
- CSUSB – Assistant Director Phone Meeting
 - Picked her brain on their DSC
 - Learned how to approach advocating for our community's needs in through the perspective of an administrator
- CARECEN Meeting
 - Planning for Pop-Up Clinics
- Complete Count Census Committee
 - How will we ensure undocumented students are counted?

Goals for the Next 2 Weeks:

- Host Brown Issues
- Open Forum changes
- Bridge the Census Committee with more student leaders and organizations such as ASI.

Student Concerns/Issues:

The DSC is using an outdated form of collecting student sign-in information. CSUSB called out that having a physical sign-in system lacks safety for students.

Did You Know?

- Supreme Court will hear a case on DACA. Will try to rule if Trump's strike was lawful.
 - Time to show up for the undocumented community, more than before.

B. Cultural Affairs

Work Completed:

- Established relationship with the Office of Multicultural Affairs

- Have established visions and ideas for the Multicultural Festival

Goals for the Next 2 Weeks:

- Obtain a newly updated list of all cultural organizations in order to send out another email
- Collaborate with Janet in order to set something up in regards to campus safety as it pertains to the recent gun threat
- Currently have a meeting with Beach Pride Events to introduce the ideas and visions I have for the Multicultural Festival
- Currently have a meeting with the Dean of Students to establish a relationship and to see if I can provide any assistance

C. Disability Affairs

Work Completed:

- Students for No Barriers Committee
 - Co-chairs: Director of BMAC and ASI Commissioner for Disability Affairs
 - Faculty (1-2 representatives)
 - Staff: Equity and Diversity Rep, Beach Building Services
- Collaborating with Senator Stephany Triska on a resolution to include closed captioning and inclusive language at ASI events
- Presenting at BMAC Life Group on Friday

Goals for the Next 2 Weeks:

- Follow-up with accessibility button QR codes in USU
- Follow-up on getting advertisements for Inclusive Recreation in the USU
- Town Hall Mental Health Panel – Monday Oct. 21, 2019

D. Environmental Justice

Work Completed:

- Filled out S.M.A.R.T. Goals Worksheet
- Communicated about meeting Cindi Alvitre with *ASI President Lizbeth Velasquez, ASI Vice President Leen Almahdi, to discuss the indigenous land.*
 - *also extended an invitation to American Indian Studies Program Professor Craig Stone*

Goals for the Next 2 Weeks:

- Solidify a meeting time
- Friday, 10/18 there is a meeting for the President's Commission for Sustainability.
 - I am not able to make it but Commissioner Renninger will be there in my place

Student Concerns/Issues:

Community Action Poverty Simulation (CAPS) on Wednesday, October 16, 2019 from 5:00pm – 8:00pm in the University Student Union Ballroom.

Did You Know?

Plant a Plant - USU 306

E. International Student Affairs

There was no report, as position is vacant.

F. LGBTIQ+ Affairs

Work Completed:

- Attended the Committee on LGBTIQ+ Campus Climate on Friday October 11th
- Scheduled meeting with Christian Lozano at OMA about Coalition
- Visited Q&A and Rainbow Cafe to talk about Out at Work Panel on Wednesday October 16th

Goals for the Next 2 Weeks:

- Send out emails to prospective members of the coalition
- Finalize the goals of the coalition with Christian

- Set a tentative date for the first coalition meeting
- Set up another meeting with Sean Aquino, if needed

Student Concerns/Issues:

- Out dated all-gender restrooms map on campus
 - Facilities Management not responding to emails about list
- Pride Floor Housing and having non-LGBTIQ+ identifying individuals housed within it
- Lack of list of resources available to students who identify as LGBTIQ+

Discussion ensued regarding housing placement for LGBTIQ+ students.

Figueroa: non-LGBTIQ+ students voiced that they weren't aware they were automatically being placed in Pride Floor housing.

San Miguel: issue came up last year, when students weren't happy that they were placed on Pride Floor; last year's commissioner got a box put on the housing application where the students had to click on if that's the housing they prefer.

Schmoll: That's a box however it doesn't click; waitlisted students have no choice on what housing they get; waitlisted students get shuffled around, and if they try changing their housing choice then they will be removed and someone else will be put instead of them.

Velasquez: will connect Figueroa with the housing director.

G. Pregnant & Parenting Students

Work Completed:

Parent Exercise class

- submitted work order for outreach/media
- met and discussed details
 - Time: -5:15 - 7. First and last 30 minutes will be arrival, socialize and check-in (5:45 class starts-6:30)
 - Refreshments and snacks for entire family
 - creation of waivers for event

Goals for the Next 2 Weeks:

- Meeting with Pamela to create list of resource for new pregnant/parent school website
- Meeting with Sylvanna and Alec October 30th to discuss more parent events and also the waiver
 - A parent met up for walks than park
 - twice a semester a family social event such as bowling or coffee

Student Concerns/Issues:

- Main concerns still be lack of knowledge of resources (website will address this)
- Reach out to Jeff again to see what he has come up with for addressing the counselor issues
- Will be meeting with my constituents next Tuesday to give them updates and see how they feel and concern they still may have.

Did You Know?

26% undergraduates identify as pregnant/parent, and can have an additional 3,000 dollars in loan. However, this is a federal statistic. Because CSULB is a commuter school there is a likelihood our numbers are larger.

H. Veterans Affairs

Work Completed:

- The Veteran Social event has been put together and will occur on October 26 from 11 am to 1 pm at 7339 E Spring St. Long Beach, CA 90815 this event will be inviting the CSULB and LBCC veterans to come together.
- Communicated with Vet Net and began pricing out specific things they want for the Veteran 5K.

Goals for the Next 2 Weeks:

- Finish generating donor list for Veteran 5K
- Coordinate with Vet Net to finish request letter for donations
- Facilitate location for new peer group to come onto campus for veterans (ptsdusa.org)
- Work with Michele Cesca and formulate strategies for sponsorships

Student Concerns/Issues:

Currently addressing the ptsdusa.org representatives' issues on campus with errors in communication with Veteran Services Office.

Did You Know?

Chuck Yeager a World War II fighter pilot ace becomes the first person to fly faster than the speed of sound breaking the elusive "Sound Barrier." His X-1 rocket plane was built by the Bell Aircraft Company, the X-1 was taken to an altitude of 25,000 feet by a B-29 bomber and released through the bomb bay to achieve a speed greater than the speed of sound.

I. Wellness Affairs

Work Completed:

- Meeting with Candice Chick and Sophie Pung
 - 10/9 2PM - 3 PM
 - Talked about SAFE Roster, Townhall Panel, and 22 West Radio
- Mental Health Advisory Board Meeting
 - 10/10 12PM - 1PM at CAPS
- SHAC Committee Meeting
 - 10/11 12PM - 1:30PM

Goals for the Next 2 Weeks:

- 22 West Radio Show
 - A Mindful Moment
 - Oct. 16th 8:00 PM
- Prepare for Townhall Panel for Wellbeing & Mental Health
 - Oct. 21st 3:30 - 5PM
- Tabling at ASI Open House
 - Oct. 21 11 PM - 2 PM
- Student Wellness Advisory Board at the Chart Room
 - 10/25 9AM - 10:30AM

Student Concerns/Issues:

- Townhall for Campus Safety
- Introducing PrEP for HIV prevention over the counter

Did You Know?

J. Women & Gender Equity Affairs

Work Completed:

- Finalized the logistics of October 14th Event with WGEC, How to Spot Yellow Flags
- Went to CCC meeting
- GAP was on campus, there was Express Yourself craft table was successful.

Goals for the Next 2 Weeks:

- Finalize the logistics of future events with WGEC for November and the upcoming semester.
- Start working towards setting up student leader peer advocacy program with Title IX. (Student leaders being anyone in athletics, FSL, or ASI)

Student Concerns/Issues:

- Had two students approach me regarding various topics

- The first student was very upset that GAP was on campus and it seem that the campus didn't send out an email to folks. They mentioned an initiative that students had put forth regarding getting emails about GAP if they come on campus.
- Another student asked me why there are no parking spaces available for students that are closer to campus, I was unprepared to answer this question and wanted to know what would be a good way to answer students when they ask this.

Velasquez: The university didn't send out an email regarding the GAP event due to a potential lawsuit; the best course of action was to counter-table so students would be distracted and receive resources info; will connect Antoniewicz with Robin who is the director of university parking

10. OTHER BUSINESS/CONCERNS

A. Discussion Item: Campus Safety –SJEC Vice Chair Naomi Hunt **TC 2:45pm**

Discussed Monday's campus lock-down at the last SJEC meeting

- Planning a town hall; requested Cabinet's support
- Compiling a list of FAQs in anticipating student questions
- Considering having small group discussion followed by a panel but it hasn't been decided yet; requested Cabinet's support on this

Chung: The Student Health Advising Committee has voiced their support to having a couple of faculty be a part of the town hall; committee suggested including a workshop on evacuation drills, emergency protocol, and surroundings awareness.

Alderete: Requested event details of date, time and location be ready by next meeting for Cabinet to begin event promotion.

Chung: suggested having the town hall after an already planned Mental Health Town hall which includes a panel and small groups discussion.

B. AB540/Undocumented Students

Dream Center Director reported there's been a lot of anxiety with Homeland Security recruiting at the Career Fair. The Director felt that he couldn't do anything as this is the Career Center. Also, the Career Center reached out to him as their concern is that students seeking these jobs have the opportunity. They have been asked not to be dressed in their uniforms but in a casual business attire. The first drop fair and internship date is October 23.

San Miguel: there were discussions in the Senate to make USU a sanctuary, but legal counsel advised that it was not possible so they changed the wording to sensitive space instead. Because we are a public entity, we cannot prohibit access or bar anyone from access. What they have done as ASI is not give any information on student statuses. They can encourage career center to make decisions such as that but cannot prohibit them. Recommend talking to the director of the career center so that when they do have them, they are at the furthest point away so that students seeking career choices that way still have an opportunity.

C. Cultural Affairs

Nothing reported.

D. Disability Affairs

There was no report.

E. Environmental Justice

Nothing at this time.

- F. International Student Affairs
There was no report, as position is vacant.
- G. LGBTIQ+ Affairs
No further concerns or business at the time.
- H. Pregnant & Parenting Students
Nothing reported.
- I. Veterans Affairs
Nothing at this time.
- J. Wellness Affairs
There was no report.
- K. Women & Gender Equity Affairs
Nothing reported.

11. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

Andrade: Open Forum date change to Nov 21st; USU-306; 6:30pm-8:30pm.
RSVP for Brown Issues; Date is Nov 4th; still planning.

San Miguel: If anyone is thinking about any events happening this semester then send out the room requests, work order for ASI Communications by this week. Specifically, ASI Comm takes around a month to do the design back and we have 6-8 weeks left of this semester.

Alderete: Came to knowledge that there has been concern with GAP display for disability people. Commissioner Schmoll will continue.

Schmoll: They felt that coincidentally the display and location of the event was such that it specifically targeted people with disability. Two main routes exist that connect the lower campus and upper campus. One is steep and out of the way which left the other route to be the only route students could take. Part of Freedom is Freedom of Speech, Freedom to remove yourself from a situation, Freedom to not have to listen to something. They were the only group of students who were unable to avoid the display due to the pathway. Wanted to let everyone know that it is a concern that is being looked into.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Maythe Alderete adjourned the meeting at 3:21pm.