

Associated Students, Inc.
California State University, Long Beach

CABINET MINUTES
Meeting #14
December 6, 2021
(APPROVED)

1. CALL TO ORDER

ASI President Jesus Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 2:31 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Fatima Zeferino, AB540 and Undocumented Students
Selena Lopez, Cultural Affairs
Diamond Byrd, Veterans Affairs
Destiny Islas, Disability Affairs
Luis Mendiola Luna, Environmental Justice
Reina Silva, International Student Affairs
Janelle Salas Chung, LGBTIQ+ Affairs (Arrive 2:39 p.m.; Depart 3 p.m.)
Suleyma Martinez, Pregnant and Parenting Students (Arrive 2:53 p.m.)
Hannah Peedikayil, Wellness Affairs
Courtney Leos, Women and Gender Equity Affairs
Cynthia Ray, ASI Chief Diversity Officer
Jesus Gonzalez, ASI President

Non-Voting Members Present

Odalys Zamora, Interim ASI Assistant Director, Government Affairs and Initiatives

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Kasey Schoen, ASI Program Manager: introduced self, shared previous ASI leadership experience, and offered programming assistance.

Bird: December 9, 5 p.m., Zoom Study Room, Zoom ID- 825 2658 5068; will give away two \$20 gift cards.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Islas (MOTION) Lopez (SECOND) to Cabinet Agenda, Meeting #14, December 6, 2021

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 10-0-0
Approve Oppose Abstain

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Action Item: Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #13, November 29, 2021

Silva (MOTION) Byrd (SECOND) to table Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #13, November 29, 2021 until next week

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 10-0-0
Approve Oppose Abstain

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHIEF DIVERSITY OFFICER

- Students of Color Conference: tentatively set March; considering hybrid program format; finalizing speakers

- Concluding commissioner 1-1s
- Community Engagement Committee meetings are being planned to gather student input regarding the University Police Department's role on campus in serving students' needs

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE ASI PRESIDENT

- Met with Community Engagement Committee
- Gave the State of the ASI
- Met with Islas and Senator Felter to create a program proposal for the disabled community for university engagement and mentorship programs
- Along with Islas attended Sociologist Student Association to discuss Disability Day and disability justice
- Planning spring ASI Take a Sec with the Execs
- Working with Beach Pride to develop centralized online event calendar
- Along with Peedikayil, finalizing program proposal regarding mental health
- Will be meeting with Zeferino to identify needs/programs for the AB 540 and Undocumented community
- Along with Peregrina and Ramirez to discuss undocumented student grant provided by the Dream Success Center
- Welcomed newly appointed commissioners

8. ADVOCACY/POLICY REPORTS

A. Information Item: AB540 and Undocumented Students

Advocacy/Policy

- Undocumented Professionals Panel
 - Different professionals from different career fields were invited as panelists to share their story, experience, and opportunities for current undocumented students who are navigating their educational journey
 - Amazing turnout
 - Speakers were amazing (conversation was very smooth and panelists had a lot to say that was very inspirational and important to address)
 - Hoping that this is a continued FUEL event for future years

Other Business/Concerns

- Undocu Conference
 - Early stages of planning
 - Working alongside DSC, FUEL, ASI President, and Beach Pride Events to make this event happen in the next upcoming semester
 - Book Grant Program
 - Opportunity to provide financial support to students regardless of immigration status
 - Program will benefit AB 540 students by addressing financial needs
 - In the process of creating; details to be sorted out in upcoming meetings

Did You Know About My Community

- Long Beach Immigrant Rights Coalition (LBIRC)
 - Local organization that works with immigrant communities in Long Beach and South Bay area
 - Host in-person resources that include food drives and assistance with funding
 - Due to lack of resources, there are organizations out there that dedicate their efforts to assist and support community members regardless of their status
- Instagram: @lbirc562
- Have a link to donate to support programs that provide resources and assistance to community members

B. Information Item: Cultural Affairs

There was no report.

C. Information Item: Disability Affairs

Advocacy/Policy

- FACT Committee: Faculty Advisor Committee on Technology (12/7)
 - JAWS being on all computers
 - Having cc required for zoom meetings
- SHS Alisson Borwell Spring Workshops/Collaboration with Hannah (12/1)
 - Diabetes Awareness (March)
 - Nutrition and Disability in the Workforce
 - Advocacy in Healthcare (April)
- ASI Proposal (12/1) - Disability Training for all ASI representatives and eventually campus wide
- Meeting with Corey Colonna discuss housing accessibility (12/2)
- ADAptive Board Meeting (12/3)

Other Business/Concerns

- Student Accessibility Concern: “USU 4th floor door’s that lead out to upper campus, ADA button being broken almost every other day, and with housing (Specifically Los Cerritos in Hillside) not putting ADA door buttons on the entrances to my hall and bedroom door”
- Status: RESOLVED

Did You Know About My Community

- ADA Buttons- Assistive technology to assist in automatically opening the door by pressing the button
- Kick Plate- Assistive technology by kicking motion
- While the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) doesn't require an automatic operator in order for a door to be considered accessible, using automatic doors is a great way to ensure accessibility for a wide range of people.

D. Information Item: Environmental Justice

Advocacy/Policy

- Reached out to certain individuals on the possibility of creating a coalition of Environmental/sustainability focused/adjacent clubs
 - Formally Student Sustainability Coalition (SSC)
- Would like to focus on Divestments
 - Joe Nino Provided Documents on ASI’s Divestment
 - Would like to explore portfolio

Other Business/Concerns

- Question: How do we make ASI/ office more sustainable
- Night Walks
- PCS
 - Possible new subcommittees.
 - Divestments & Offsets

Did You Know About My Community

- COP 26 in Glasgow.
- <https://www.npr.org/2021/11/13/1055542738/cop26-climate-summit-final-decision>

E. Information Item: International Student Affairs

There was no report.

F. Information Item: Pregnant and Parenting Students

There was no report.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion Item: Student of Color Conference, Beach Pride Events/ASI Government

Tentative date/time

- March 18 (6-8 p.m.) and 19

Target Audience

- System impacted

Title

- To be determined

Speakers

- Dr. Rashida Crutchfield - intersectionality
- James Binnal
- Jane Elliott – race issues
- Student panel
- Workshops with student organizations

Learning Outcomes

- Board members will submit suggestions to Ray by end of the week
- Zamora: suggested board members check class syllabus for learning objectives

Program Format

- Day 1: Friday evening; virtual; will reduce cost of speaker
- Day 2: Saturday day; in-person and hybrid; more accessible parking; mitigates work schedules

Nino: suggested meeting January 10 or 17 for conference planning.

11. CLOSING COMMENTS

There were none.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, ASI President Jesus Gonzalez adjourned the meeting at 3:31p.m.