Associated Students, Inc. California State University, Long Beach

JUDICIARY MINUTES

Meeting #5

October 25, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chief Justice Eduardo Vargas called the meeting to order at 9:01am.

2. ROLL CALL

Justices Present

Justices Absent

Eduardo Vargas (Chief Justice) Justin Adofina (Assoc. Justice) Vyvy Hoang (Assoc. Justice) Silvia Kirollos (Assoc. Justice) Karly Olivas (Assoc. Justice) Max Salceda (Assoc. Justice) Mindy Vo (Assoc. Justice)

Non-Voting Members Present

Non-Voting Members Absent

Taylor Faust (Court Clerk)

Lindsay San Miguel (Asst. Director of Govt. Affairs & Initiatives)

Dr. Thomas Malizia (CSULB President's Designee) Justin Bradley (Public Defender)

3. PUBLIC OPINION

There were no public comments.

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (M) Kirollos (S) Adofina to approve Judiciary Agenda #5, October 25, 2016 VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 7-0-0

5. JUDICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chief Justice Vargas thanked the Judiciary for their hard work throughout the semester on behalf of President Flores and Vice President Vournas.

6. INTERNAL PROCEEDINGS

- A. Approval of Minutes From the Last Meeting
 - 1) Action Item: Judiciary Meeting Minutes #4, October 11, 2016

(M) Kirollos (S) Adofina to approve Judiciary Meeting Minutes #4, October 11, 2016 VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 7-0-0

B. Amendments

1) There were no amendments at this time.

C. Additional Proceedings

1) Discussion Item: Know Your Rights

Chief Justice Vargas reminded the Judiciary that there are only two workshops remaining for this semester. He still has not received a response from Kbeach regarding announcements to promote the upcoming workshops. He will be working with them to develop a PSA for them to advertise the upcoming workshops. He also asked the Judiciary to work on distributing the remaining flyers and handbills.

2) <u>Discussion Item:</u> Application of Judiciary Working Rules

Chief Justice Vargas mentioned he had a discussion with President Flores and Vice President Vournas regarding the Working Rules and whether or not they should be retroactive or implemented. He opened up the discussion regarding the importance of the Judiciary Working Rules.

Associate Justice Salceda stated that because the Judiciary is operating under Robert's Rules of Order, and under Robert's Rules of Order the Working Rules are never retroactive unless operating under a supermajority that declares the application of the Working Rules as retroactive.

Associate Justice Adofina asked for clarification regarding what Chief Justice Vargas meant by "application" of the working rules and asked if there were any specific incidents he was referring to that the Judiciary should be made aware of. Chief Justice Vargas clarified that the main issue at hand is the application of the Working Rules regarding attendance at meetings.

3) <u>Discussion Item:</u> Amending the Working Rules

Chief Justice Vargas reminded the Judiciary that they could always suggest improvements or corrections that need to be made to the Working Rules that they deem inapplicable to the Judiciary. He also mentioned that he can always clarify things that are left open to interpretation and they can all make suggestions for improvements for next semester or next year.

4) <u>Discussion Item:</u> Accountability

Chief Justice Vargas reminded the Judiciary that per the ASI Bylaws there is an accountability section that applies to all government officials, both elected and appointed. He further stated that Judiciary's participation is important.

7. REPORTS

A. Senate

1) No reports at this time.

B. Associate Justices

1) Associate Justice Olivas

Associate Justice Olivas reported the following:

She completed her two grade appeals and they went very well.

2) Associate Justice Kirollos

Associate Justice Kirollos reported the following:

She completed her first grade appeal and the only step remaining is to shred the confidential documents. She also thanked Justice Vo for her assistance in with the workshop held on October 19, 2016. The event had a great turnout and the two groups of presenters had fun with each other. She also distributed flyers to those who were not at the workshop.

Justice Kirollos also reported that she completed her classroom presentations for the 100 Classes in 100 Days initiative and notified Senator Elvia Cabrera.

3) Associate Justice Vo

Associate Justice Vo reported the following:

She reported that there were 13 turnouts for the pro-bono legal services workshop, and she passed out cookies. She received feedback from students that were present and the students were pleased with the information and assistance the workshop provided. She also thanked Justice Kirollos for her assistance with the workshop.

4) Associate Justice Adofina

Associate Justice Adofina reported the following:

He reported that his grade appeal has been placed on hold and the committee has roughly 600 pages of documents to go through. He also mentioned that there is something extraordinary with the grade appeal and there are other proceedings taking place before it gets back to his grade appeals committee.

He also reported that he will be hosting the next Know Your Rights Campaign Grade Appeals workshop on November 29, 2016 and will be co-hosting the Grade Appeals workshop on November 30, 2016. He reminded the Judiciary to attend at least one of these workshops to assist students with their questions. He also reminded the Judiciary that grade appeals are one of the only explicitly stated in the roles and responsibilities.

Justice Adofina also reported that he will be attending the Senate Meeting on October 20, 2016 and will be giving the senate report at the next meeting.

5) Associate Justice Salceda

Associate Justice Salceda reported the following:

He reported that he has not received any grade appeals from the College of Business Administration.

He also reported that he visited the heads of the Engineering Department to distribute flyers and information promoting the Know Your Rights Campaign. He said they didn't seem very interested, but he also visited several sports clubs who were more receptive.

Justice Salceda also reported that he has been working on proposed amendments to the Judiciary Working Rules because he noticed several discrepancies. There is clarification needed regarding the issue of removal. The Working Rules state that the disciplinary committee has the authority to remove, but that directly conflicts with the ASI Bylaws regarding removal, which supersede the Working Rules. He also mentions that there is no clear definition regarding an excused absence, which needs to be added.

6) Associate Justice Hoang

Associate Justice Hoang reported the following:

She reported that the workshop that she worked on with Justice Olivas was not as successful as they had hoped it would be. She also reported that she has a grade appeal she is working on.

C. Public Defender

No report at this time.

8. DOCKET

A. Nothing on the docket at this time.

9. DELIBERATIONS

A. No deliberations at this time.

10. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

Dr. Tom Malizia inquired regarding the attendance at the workshops. Chief Justice Vargas and Justice Vo stated that while attendance has been decent, the Judiciary has received feedback from students requesting later workshop times to include those who work and are unable to attend the mid-day workshops.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection Chief Justice Vargas adjourned the meeting at 9:23am.