

Associated Students, Inc.  
California State University, Long Beach  
**JUDICIARY MINUTES**  
**Meeting #9**  
February 28, 2017

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chief Justice Justin Adofina called the meeting to order at 9:03am.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Justices Present

Justin Adofina (Chief Justice)  
Jordan Black (Assoc. Justice) **(AR@9:27am)**  
Myles Chaney (Assoc. Justice)  
Max Salceda (Assoc. Justice)  
Mindy Vo (Assoc. Justice)

Justices Absent

Vyvy Hoang (Assoc. Justice)  
VACANT (Assoc. Justice)

Non-Voting Members Present

Lindsay San Miguel (Asst. Director of Govt. Affairs & Initiatives)  
Jeff Klaus (CSULB President's Designee)  
Vrinda Bhuta (Attorney General)  
Justin Bradley (Public Defender) **(AR@9:10am/DP@9:32am)**

Non-Voting Members Absent

Guest

Macey Lachman from the Dean of Students Office

**3. PUBLIC OPINION**

Courtney Yamagiwa spoke on behalf of Students for Quality Education (SQE) regarding the proposed tuition increase of \$270 for in-state, undergraduate students and even more for out-of-state and graduate students. SQE is going to be having a protest on Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8am-1pm at the CSU Board of Trustees meeting. SQE is asking ASI for support and for students to spread the word regarding this event in order to prevent this increase from going through.

**4. ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**(M) Salceda (S) Vo to approve Judiciary Agenda #9, February 28, 2017**  
**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 4-0-0**

**5. JUDICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chief Adofina reported the following:

- Vacant position for Associate Justice is still open
- Reminder that report template is going to be in effect as of next meeting on March 14<sup>th</sup> and requests that all reports be sent in by 10am on Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>.

**6. INTERNAL PROCEEDINGS**

**A. Approval of Minutes From the Last Meeting**

Chief Justice Adofina pointed out that Attorney General Bhuta's report should not be in section 7-B and should be under her own sub-section as Attorney General.

1) Judiciary Meeting Minutes #8, February 14, 2017

**(M) Salceda (S) Chaney to approve Judiciary Meeting Minutes #8, February 14, 2017, as amended**  
**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 4-0-0**

**B. Amendments**

There were no amendments on the agenda

C. Additional Proceedings

1) Appoint Chief Justice Pro-Tem

Attorney General Bhuta suggested that Assoc. Justice Vo would be an excellent candidate. Justice Chaney agreed and nominated Justice Vo. Justice Vo accepted the nomination.

**(M) Chaney (S) Salceda to appoint Associate Justice Vo as Chief Justice Pro-Tem**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 4-0-0**

2) Grade Appeals Handout Content

Chief Justice Adofina recapped the content ideas that were discussed at the last meeting such as a step-by-step guide, deadlines, tips on what not to do, etc. He asked for any other suggestions members may have.

Dean Klaus suggested creating a vignette so that they could memorialize what they have done with the grade appeals process for future use and for students to use as an additional resource.

Justice Vo suggested that they include tips such as making sure students have the proper documentation, keeping wording concise and clear, etc.

Justice Salceda also suggested including a reminder to include a copy of the syllabus in the grade appeal application.

3) Know Your Rights Website Content

Chief Justice Adofina met with Chief of Staff Argame last week to discuss the website.

Ms. Lachman explained the website is going to hit the main points that students may not know of such as academic rights, financial aid policies, and student grievance procedures on the website to make content more available and accessible to students.

Chief Justice Adofina asked if there was anything that the associate justices' feel should or should not be on the website or any other recommendations that they may have.

Dean Klaus pointed out that a suggestion was made to include Free Speech as a category on the website, as well as some other possible social issues. However, this may be problematic due to the constitutional nature of free speech.

Justice Salceda indicated that by writing what free speech is, that it would be essentially limiting what free speech is on campus.

Justice Chaney believes that the free speech issue seems to be something that supersedes the realm of control for ASI.

Dean Klaus explained that there is a Center for First Amendment Studies on campus and that they would be able to help with the wording of this policy if it was something that students felt should absolutely be included.

Ms. San Miguel stated that she doesn't believe that "Free Speech" may not be the best title, but that there should definitely be something included regarding activism and protesting so that students know their rights or where to go if they have a negative experience with protestors on campus.

Justice Chaney concurred and stated that it is important to include the rules and bylaws of protesting or

advocacy on campus so that students know what is and is not allowed.

Attorney General Bhuta agrees that there should be a resource for students that have had negative experiences with protestors to connect them to resources.

Ms. San Miguel asked where this website would be housed and if it would be on the university website or if it would be linked to ASI's website.

Chief Justice Adofina stated that the plan is to make it a university resource and then link it onto the student government page.

Dean Klaus explained that they are extremely flexible on that and will do whatever makes the most sense.

#### 4) Elections

Ms. San Miguel pointed out that pages 6-8 discuss what is permitted and prohibited when it comes to campaigning.

Ms. San Miguel pointed out that page 11 covers the Judiciary processes regarding appeals prior to election announcement and that this is shorter than previous years' timeframe. Judiciary now has 48 hours to review and hold a hearing.

Attorney General Bhuta suggested that all Justices send their availabilities to Chief Justice Adofina so that when appeals do come through that they be discussed and ruled on as soon as possible.

Chief Justice Adofina asked justices to look over the elections handbook and to become familiar with the election bylaws in case there are any appeals submitted.

## 7. REPORTS

### A. Senate

Justice Chaney reported that the meeting he attended was more of a housekeeping meeting for Senate and there was not anything that pertained specifically to Judiciary.

### B. Associate Justices

Justice Salceda is finishing up the grade appeal from the College of Business master's program and will be signing off on it sometime this week. He also received a grade appeal for Biological Sciences and will be receiving all relevant documents this week.

Justice Vo said the attorneys for the workshop she is working on still need to get approval from their supervisor and she will keep Judiciary updated.

Chief Justice Adofina read Justice Hoang's report. She will be contacting people for the Renter's Rights workshop to see if they are able to attend the April workshop. She will be finalizing paperwork for this workshop next month.

### C. Attorney General

Attorney General Bhuta stated that she is going to meet with the Board of Elections and introduce herself to them and so that she may keep Judiciary updated.

## 8. DOCKET

There were no items on the docket.

**9. DELIBERATIONS**

There were no deliberations.

**10. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS**

There were no closing comments.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

**Without objection** Chief Justice Adofina adjourned the meeting at 9:37am.