

LOBBY CORPS MINUTES

Meeting #27
April 20, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Carancho called the meeting to order at 12:30pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Alex Bellenger (Secretary for City Affairs)
Hilda Jurado (Senate Rep)
Daniel Gomez (Senate Rep) **(AR@12:34pm)**
Jonathan Wanless (Senate Rep)
Danielle Carancho (Chair/Student-at-Large)
Genesis Jara (Vice Chair/Student-at-Large)
Emely Lopez (Student-at-Large)
Christina Wong (Student-at-Large) **(AR@12:32pm)**
Autumn Farmer (AVP Legislative & External Relations Designee)

Voting Members Absent

Logan Vournas (ASI Vice President)

Non-voting Members Present

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

Non-voting Members Absent

3. APPROVAL /CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(M) Jurado (S)Wanless to approve the Lobby Corps, Meeting #27, April 20, 2017

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 7-0-0

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

A. Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #26, 2017

(M) Jurado (S) Wanless to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #26, April 13, 2017

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 7-0-0

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no public comments.

6. REPORTS

A. Chair

Chair Carancho reported the following:

- No Report.

B. Vice Chair

Vice Chair Jara reported the following:

- No Report.

C. Secretary for City Affairs

Secretary Bellenger reported the following:

- City Council decided to make every third Wednesday of April Renters Day. They also removed something from the agenda that would have helped with credit check reform.
- Next Thursday is the first Start Smart Workshop and will take place during our meeting.

- Next Wednesday is Denim Day, a protest against sexual assault.
- There is also a Renters Rally coming up but no details have been obtained, we will be informed when there are more details.

D. Senate

Senator Wanless reported the following:

- The second reading for the 7 bylaw amendments took place. The first reading for the creation of the Social Justice and Equity Committee took place. The first reading for three divestment resolutions for the socially responsible investing. First reading for the 2017-2018 ASI operation. Lastly, the elected Senator of the year was elected, Yazmin.

E. AVP Legislative & External Relations

Ms. Farmer reported the following:

- President Conoley is going to CSU Stanislaus, she will be on the CSU Golden Bear. This is to meet legislators. Assemblymembers Patrick O'Donnell and Cristina Garcia will be in attendance. Not sure about others in our area who still have yet to confirm. This is the last chance they have to meet with the legislators before the May 10 revised budget by the Governor. According to the Chancellor's Office we will have an additional billion dollars, so it's looking positive.
- Ms. Carbaugh said Hill Day went well and she did get a chance to meet with congressional members and said she missed President Flores and Vice President Vournas. She also wanted to congratulate President-elect Gomez.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Discussion Item: Legislator Follow Up Visits

Chair Carancho stated that last week she assigned the groups. She asked if anyone from the Board has reached out to any legislators. No one from the Board indicated that they have reached out to the legislators.

Chair Carancho asked if the Board would like to push this project to the next Lobby Corps. Senator Wanless stated that it would be better if the same people met with the legislators. Senator Gomez suggested that if we can do it after finals that would be great but it will not be mandatory. Chair Carancho stated that we will make a list of people who will be willing to meet with legislators in the summer.

B. Discussion Item: Plan of Action Re: Tuition Increase

Chair Carancho stated that Secretary Bellenger sent out a Google doc with what we have done. Secretary Bellenger asked if we can please update the Google doc with what we spoke about in our meetings with the legislators. Secretary Bellenger requested that the members make their updates before next week's meeting.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion Item: Recommendations for 2017-18 Lobby Corps

Chair Carancho stated that we would like to provide the new Lobby Corps with suggestions and advice. A Google doc will be started. Secretary Bellenger also stated that we should also inform them about the tuition increase and a plan of action. She also stated that we should include the voter registration drive information.

Senator Gomez stated that we should include a task for them of trying to find funding sources to find the right plan in order for the Senate to approve. Senator Jurado added that they should stay updated with bills and Senator Gomez stated to also keep track of our supported bills and their status.

Senator Gomez suggested adding setting up Fall legislative visits early. Secretary Bellenger added focusing on student homelessness and food insecurity. Chair Carancho asked the Board to continue thinking about details to add for the next meeting.

B. Discussion Item: AB 1062 CSU Board of Trustees Student Members

Chair Carancho stated she received information regarding a new bill. The bill was introduced by Assemblymember Marc Levine. The bill is aimed to double the number of student members on the CSU Board of Trustees to two voting members and two non-voting members. Senator Gomez stated we cannot formally support the bill until the CSU BOT comes out with a stance.

Ms. San Miguel stated that we should still reach out to his office and tell them that Lobby Corps has seen the bill and build a connection and relationship for next year.

9. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

Senator Jurado stated that the City Council voted to amend what the City Council members can spend their office holder account money on. They can now use that money for political campaigns.

Ms. San Miguel reminded the Board to RSVP for the banquet and pick up your complimentary ticket. Guests from CSULB tickets are \$15 and off-campus guest tickets are \$25, tickets can be purchased at the ASI Business Office.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection Chair Carancho adjourned the meeting at 12:59pm.