

**LOBBY CORPS MINUTES**

**Meeting #23**

March 22, 2018

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Jara called the meeting to order at 12:31pm.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Voting Members Present

Genesis Jara (Chief Government Relations Officer)  
Sofia Musman (ASI Vice President) **(Ar @ 12:34pm)**  
Stephanie Argent (Senate Representative)  
Danielle Carancho (Senate Representative) **(Ar @ 12:34pm)**  
Melissa Mejia (Senate Representative) **(Ar @ 12:32pm)**  
Amanda Kilian (Student-at-Large)  
Hilda Jurado (Student-at-Large)  
Autumn Farmer (AVP Legislative & External Relations Designee)

Voting Members Absent

Nicolas Olenslager-Orton (Student-at-Large)

Non-voting Members Present

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

Non-voting Members Absent

**3. APPROVAL /CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**(M) Argent (S) Jurado to approve the Lobby Corps Agenda, Meeting #23, March 22, 2018**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 5-0-0**

**4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING**

A. Lobby Corps, Meeting #22, March 15, 2018

**(M) Jurado (S) Argent to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #22, March 15, 2018**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 6-0-0**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There were none.

**6. REPORTS**

A. Chair/Government Relations Officer

Chair Jara reported the following:

- Nothing to report

B. Vice Chair

Vice Chair Carancho reported the following:

- Has been in contact with Danny, who is an organizer for the Live Your Life Day and they informed them that if Lobby Corps would like to get involved, they could reserve some space for them. This event is on April 10<sup>th</sup> from 11am-2:30pm.

C. Students-at-Large

Students-at-Large reported the following:

- Kilian contacted Ian Calderon. They will use spring break next week to follow up with everyone who has

not confirmed yet for the town hall event and will keep the board updated

- Jurado attended the CSU Board of Trustees meeting and there were a lot of questions asked, with Chancellor White not providing clear or direct answers for some of them
  - Sustainable Funding Model Task Force met to discuss how funding should be spent for next year's budget. Student Trustee for this Task Force was not present at any of those meetings due to scheduling conflicts
  - Some of the recommendation areas were that they wanted to continue funding and supporting resources for students on campus, administrative effectiveness, revenue and costs management, and equality education. Jurado pointed out that equality education was last on the list, but they did not state whether this list was in order of importance
  - The board did not provide a report about where the tuition increase money went to as far as a detailed or itemized report. They did provide the following information for what \$75 million dollars of it was used for:
    - \$46 million used to hire 400 new tenured track faculty
    - About 3,200 new courses were added to the CSU system, but they did not specify which courses were added or if they were actually needed
    - \$18 million went towards adding 228 new academic advisors
    - \$24 million went to student and academic support programs, but they did not specify which programs
  - In terms of having a conversation regarding tuition increase, they stated that they wanted to save that for the next meeting because they had no updates from the state. A lot of students were upset that they did not get a chance to discuss this with the board or ask their questions
  - Went over a few options for the 2018-19 academic year, such as reducing expenses, forgo new investments, and increase revenue
  - A new program is being proposed for the doctorate program in audiology as a potential source of new revenue. Currently, the only doctoral programs offered in the CSU system are in Education, Nursing Practice, and Physical Therapy. They will be voting on this soon.

#### D. Senate

Senator Argent reported the following:

- Passed 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading: Commemoration of the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the Bob Cole Music Conservatory

#### E. AVP Legislative & External Relations

Farmer reported the following:

- Coordinating activities for the team that is going to Washington and they are trying to confirm legislative visits

## 7. OLD BUSINESS

### A. Discussion Item: Tuition Increase Efforts

Carancho – Tabling is scheduled for the following dates:

- Tuesday April 3<sup>rd</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup> in front of the west elevator
- Thursday April 5<sup>th</sup> and April 12<sup>th</sup> 11am-12pm

Jara informed the board that they filmed the video on Tuesday for the potential tuition increase. Hopefully that is going to come out some time after spring break. Also presented the board with some of the marketing materials for their tuition increases efforts and the town hall event. Asked the board for feedback.

Mejia did not like the mouth and suggested putting a megaphone icon or something instead.

Jara asked if they wanted the red to be a truer red or if they are okay with how it is.

The board decided they would like a truer red.

Musman thinks they should also keep the writing white on the "How to Get Involved" flyer because the red text makes it hard to read. Also suggested putting one of these in the student government display case in the USU.

Carancho asked if they would have them in time for tabling.

Jara stated that they would send these edits to ASI Comm today and they should be able to get those before the tabling events.

Mejia suggested adding the weekday to the event flyer.

San Miguel recommended that because they are having a bit of trouble confirming legislators, they should reach out to city council members, the mayor, CSU Board of Trustees' members, the University President.

Mejia stated that they should reach out to people who are going to be vocal about opposing the tuition increase.

Carancho and Musman believe that they should at least extend the invitation to everyone so that it doesn't seem like they are favoring some people over others.

Kilian asked if they would just like them to invite people to attend and not to speak.

## **8. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Discussion Item: CHESS Surveys**

Jara asked the board members to look over the CHESS Survey that is going to be sent to the participants from this year's CHESS conference.

Mejia suggested separating the Orientation and Training questions so that they could get more accurate feedback for each section.

Argent should put the respective days of the Orientation and Training so that students know which one was which.

Jara thinks they should make the explanation to each rating optional.

Jurado suggested modifying the question asking about the trip to more specifically ask about the conference.

Musman suggested asking them who they met with and what their thoughts were for each of those meetings.

## **9. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS**

Kilian asked about the schedule for the CSSA meeting on April 7<sup>th</sup>.

Jara is going to create a sign up sheet with times and volunteer slots for that day and will send it out to the board so that they can confirm everyone's schedules.

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

**Without objection** Chair Jara adjourned the meeting at 1:03pm.

**RECORDED BY:**

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Diana Duran, Lobby Corps Recording Secretary

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Date

**APPROVED BY:**

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Genesis Jara, Lobby Corps Chair

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Date