

**LOBBY CORPS MINUTES**

**Meeting #1**

August 30, 2018

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Bryanna Siguenza, Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:32pm.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Voting Members Present

Bryanna Siguenza, ASI Chief Government Relations Officer  
Leen Almahdi, ASI Vice President  
Justin Contreras, ASI Senate Representative  
Melissa Mejia, ASI Senate Representative

Voting Members Absent

Frances Canales, ASI Senate Representative  
Autumn Farmer, AVP Leg/Ext Designee

Non-voting Members Present

Joe Nino, ASI Government Affairs & Initiatives Graduate Assistant  
Genesis Jara, ASI President

Non-voting Members Absent

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

Siguenza: Agenda Items #6-B & #6-C: Strike

**(M) Contreras (S) Mejia to strike Agenda Items #6-B and #6-C**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 4-0-0**

**(M) Contreras (S) Mejia to approve the Lobby Corps Agenda, Meeting #1, August 30, 2018, as amended**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 4-0-0**

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

A. Action Item: Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #27, May 3, 2018

**(M) Almahdi (S) Mejia to approve Lobby Corps, Meeting #27, May 3, 2018**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 6-0-0**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**6. REPORTS**

A. Chief Government Relations Officer

- Organizing Voter Registration: will bring event options to next meeting for committee input and planning

B. Vice Chair

\*This item was stricken.

C. At-Large Representatives

\*This item was stricken.

D. Senate

There was no report given.

- E. AVP Legislative & External Relations  
There was no report due to Farmer being absent.

## 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Action Item: Lobby Corps Orientation  
Expectations:
- Be Respectful of each other, dress business casually, be punctual
- B. Action Item: Approval of 2018-19 Lobby Corps Working Rules
- Coordinate lobby visits, voter registration drives, educational campaigns, legislative trainings, prepares students for CHESS, track resolution and legislation, conduct interviews for CHESS
  - Absences will be recorded and chair of respected board will be notified

**(M) Almahdi (S) Contreras to approve 2018-19 Lobby Corps Working Rules**  
**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 4-0-0**

- C. Action Item: Election of (2) Lobby Corps Students At-Large
- 1) Dale Lendrum:  
Lendrum introduced themselves as a doctoral student, and reviewed their prior leadership experience with ASI through Lobby Corps (student at-large, vice chair, chair and Secretary for System-Wide Affairs. Lendrum's focus is for Community college and higher education, social justice and legislative issues, and educational equity. Their goals are to build voter registration, inclusive education, and deferred maintenance.
- 2) Reyalyn Villegas  
Villegas introduced themselves as a Molecular Cell Biology major, and reviewed their prior involvement and leadership experience as a pre-nursing student director, as the events chair for the Medical Students Association, and as a California Higher Education Student Summit (CHESS). Villegas goal is to increase student at-large involvement regardless of student background and believes their previous experience in publishing documents for incoming students would be an asset to the Lobby Corps Student At-Large position.

Almahdi: recommended postponing election of students at-large until the next meeting.

Mejia: voiced support to Lendrum and Villegas being strong candidates; concurred postponing in order for additional candidate inclusion.

Contreras: agreed that postponing election will allow more student involvement; would like to reach out to general students to gain interest; stated he can reach out to CLASC as he is the vice president.

**(M) Siguenza (S) VP Almahdi to postpone Election of Student At-Large until the next Lobby Corps Meeting**  
**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 4-0-0**

- D. Discussion: Chair Jara's End of Year Report 2017-2018  
President Jara: Document is detailed, please let me know if you have questions. Mostly applies to Chief Government Relations Officer
- E. Discussion Item: Recommendations for 2018-19 Lobby Corps  
Siguenza: this item will be discussed at a later date.

F. Discussion Item: Fall 2018 Lobby Corps Priorities & Goals

Siguenza:

- Main goal will be voter registration
- would like to include ballot drop off location on campus
- work with student groups to reach out to campus groups to increase voter registration and voting
- after November 6<sup>th</sup> focus will be on policy agenda

G. Discussion Item: 2018-19 Lobby Corps Policy Agenda

Siguenza: will work on this later in the semester, and use the California State Student Association (CSSA) and former policy agenda as a guideline.

**9. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS**

Danielle Carancho: introduced themselves as a former Lobby Corps member, and offered their assistance with Lobby Corps efforts.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**Without objection** Chair Siguenza adjourned the meeting at 3:13pm.