

THE SENATE/BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
Meeting #13
October 31, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Leen Almahdhi called the meeting to order at 3:31pm

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Anisah Ullah, ASI College of the Arts
Billy Rubi, ASI College of Arts
Robert Martinez, ASI College of Business Administration
Denise Soto, ASI College of Business Administration
Alejandra Aguilar, ASI College of Education
Frances Canales, ASI College of Education
Mathew Major, ASI College of Engineering
Yamin Yee, ASI College of Engineering
Michelle Fukuda, College of Health & Human Services
Ryan Phong, ASI College of Health & Human Services
Brianna Guzman, ASI College of Liberal Arts
Megan Kim, ASI College of Liberal Arts
Ruben Alvarez, ASI College of Natural Science & Math (elected today)
Amy Chan, ASI College of Natural Science & Math
Justin Contreras, ASI At-Large
Naomi Howansky, ASI At-Large
Aaron Jordan, ASI At-Large
Melissa Mejia, ASI At-Large (Ar @ 3:32pm)
Omar Prudencio Gonzalez, At-Large
Leen Almahdhi, ASI Vice President
Dr. Jeff Klaus, CSULB President Designee (Ar @ 3:35pm)

Voting Members Absent

Imani McDonald, ASI At-Large
VACANT, CSULB Faculty Representative

Staff Present

Joe Nino, Asst. Director, Government Affairs & Initiatives Designee
Richard Haller, ASI Executive Director

- 3. INVOCATION:** CSULB Vice President of Administration & Finance, Vice President (DAF) Scott Apel
Apel shared the following quote: *"It's the sides of the mountain which sustain life, not the top."* — Robert M. Pirsig, *Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance: An Inquiry Into Values*

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

ASI Communications Yesenia Salgera:

- Oct 31st: Festival of Frights, 6pm, USU North Lawn
- Nov 1st: Dia de Los Muertos, 12pm, USU Southwest Terrace
- Nov 5th: Project Chill, 12pm, USU Sunset Lounge
- Nov 7th: Pregnant and Parenting Students Meet and Greet, 2pm, Library 2nd Floor, Room #200
- Nov 6th: Mid-term Elections; ballot drop-off box available at the USU Information/Ticket Counter

Andrea Guerero: School of Arts graduate student and representative for the CSULB School of Arts Concerned Students of Color and Allies shared their released statement sent Oct 18th regarding leadership communications on the firing of University Art Museum (UAM) Director Kimberly Myers, and called for improved race relations and inclusivity between campus administration; encouraged Senate to visit UAM.

5. APPROVAL/CORRECTIONS AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(M) Jordan (S) Major to approve the Senate Agenda, Meeting #13, October 31, 2018

VOTE ON THE MOTION

MOTION CARRIES

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

- Attended Program Evaluation Committee meeting
- Met with Howansky to discuss hosting a food drive for Beach Pantry
- Met with campus administration regarding food and housing insecurity issues
- Encouraged board to advertise (1) Social Justice and Equity Committee vacancy

7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A. Action Item: Senate Minutes, Meeting #12, October 24, 2018

(M) Aguilar (S) Mejia to approve Senate Minutes, Meeting #12, October 24, 2018

VOTE ON THE MOTION

MOTION CARRIES

8. CONSENT CALENDAR/REPORTS

A. Approval of Minutes/Reports from Sub-Boards/Sub-Committees

1) Action Item: Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #9, October 16, 2018

(M) Aguilar (S) Guzman to approve Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #9, October 16, 2018

VOTE ON THE MOTION

MOTION CARRIES

2 abstentions

2) Action Item: Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #7, October 11, 2018

(M) Guzman (S) Ullah to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #7, October 11, 2018

VOTE ON THE MOTION

MOTION CARRIES

2 abstentions

B. Acceptance of Minutes/Reports from Sub-Boards/Sub-Committees

1) Action Item: Judiciary Minutes, Meeting #3, October 2, 2018

(M) Chan (S) Yee to accept Judiciary Minutes, Meeting #3, October 2, 2018

VOTE ON THE MOTION

MOTION CARRIES

2 abstentions

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Executive Business

1) Action Item: BOD #2019-22: Election of (1) Senator, College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics – Ruben Alvarez **TC 4:05pm**

Alvarez introduced self as an Applied Math and Physics double major, and reviewed their campus involvement with the Society of Physics Students and the Snowboarding Team; reviewed prior leadership experience at Cerritos College. Alvarez shared goals of bringing hydration stations to the Hall of Science, and bring upgrades to desks in LA-5 classrooms, and advocate for full Thanksgiving break.

Chan: will you be able to fulfill required duties, such as bi-weekly reports and CNSM College Council meetings, along with your busy schedule?

Alvarez: yes, there shouldn't be any conflict.

Jordan: is your spring 2019 semester workload conducive to senator responsibilities?

Alvarez: will be applying for graduate school next semester and schedule should be conducive.

(M) Kim (S) Yee to elect (1) Senator, College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics – Ruben Alvarez
VOTE ON THE MOTION **MOTION CARRIES**

Klaus administered the oath of office to Alvarez; after which Alvarez was invited to join the board.

- 2) Action Item: PA #2019-19: Confirmation of (1) Associate Justice Christopher Forestiere **TC 4:10pm**
Forestiere introduced self as a History major, an honors student, a transfer student, and reviewed leadership experience with the History Student Association, and as Director of Operations and Logistics for TEDx. Forestiere believes themselves as uniquely qualified to fulfil the Judiciary's duty to interpret the bylaws as History students deal primarily with primary source documents to identify their deeper meaning and must clearly convey their interpretation. Forestiere's goals include successfully advocating for student rights and student organizations on campus,

Jordan: what issues have you been in discussion with Chief Justice Henson?

Forestiere: Know Your Rights Campaign.

Prudencio Gonzalez: are you able to fulfill the time commitments?

Forestiere: Yes, schedule is conducive to Judiciary meetings and required university committee requirement.

(M) Prudencio Gonzalez (S) Ullah to confirm (1) Associate Justice Christopher Forestiere
VOTE ON THE MOTION **MOTION CARRIES**

10. REPORTS

- A. Genesis Jara, ASI President **TC 3:45pm**
- Attended CSU Graduation Initiative Symposium 2025
 - Attended CSSA Fresno; encouraged board to view Chief Government Relations Officer Siguenza's recap video
 - Take a Sec with the Execs: last week's outing was successful
 - Talk with an Exec: next week
 - Alumni Assn Dinner: groundbreaking of Alumni 2019
 - Continuing to meet with campus administrators
 - Golden Grad: Saturday, Nov 3rd, class of 1968
- B. Information Item: ASI Commissioner for LGBTIQ+ Affairs Vivian Napoles **TC 3:55pm**
Work completed since last report
- Meeting with Zaya Mejia, Trans Health Coordinator at the Center in Long Beach to discuss trans resources
 - Social & support groups, HIV testing, STI screening, mental health counseling, legal services, name and change gender clinic, referral services and linkage to care, etc.
 - Trans-health advisory committee, will attend a few meetings accompanied with any trans residents that would like to attend
 - Working on settling up a day for Zaya and her team to table at our campus to provide more information
 - Work with LGBTQCC
 - Identifying the newly designated gender neutral restrooms that aren't included in the current campus map.
 - We are in contact with Mark Zakhour, Director of Design and Construction Services, and have

requested an update on the work-in progress of obtaining an updated map of these restrooms.

Goals for next two weeks

- Establish a resolution/consistent support system for our Trans students, following the recent news of the Trump's administration attempt to define "transgender" out of existence.
 - Monthly support group sessions in Housing
 - Updates on continuing efforts to provide resources (SHS- Hormone Therapy)
- Continue on developing the LGBTQIA+ Coalition that the previous commissioner, Sean Aquino, began last semester.
 - Contacting different resources/organizations on campus that are involved in LGBTQIA+ advocacy and programming and establishing a presence as the new Commissioner of LGBTQIA+ Affairs
 - Gather their availability to set up at least one official meeting before the semester ends.

Student concerns

- Emphasis on the Trans Community
 - "Gender-neutral" option on the Housing application is being discussed with Corry Colonna, Director of Housing and Residential Life.
 - Should gender-neutral housing be combined with LGBTQIA+ Housing?
 - Students not able to use their preferred name with their student emails: following the university's new policy.
 - Gender-neutral restrooms: issue on single-use restrooms: not well-maintained: there should be more stall-like restrooms since they are meant for everyone

Upcoming events

- International Photo Contest with Commissioner Lim
 - Date: Thursday, November 1st
 - Time: 12-2pm
 - Location: USU North Lawn
 - Deadline to submit international travel/study abroad photos to Commissioner Lim's email is Monday, October 29th.
- Meeting with Dr. Jensen on Friday, November 2nd to collaborate with Housing on a workshop for residents about stress management and coping and other LGBTQIA+ related issues
- Week of November 12: Trans Day of Remembrance
 - Trans & Allies Mixer
 - Social event w/food, music, activities

C. Information Item: ASI Beach Pride Lead Jonathan Ibarra **TC 4pm**

- Long Beach Marathon: very successful; great participation of ASI leaders
- Oct 31st: Festival of Frights, 6pm, USU North Lawn
- Nov 6th: Election ballot drop off box available at the USU Information Center
- Nov 10th: Homecoming
- November Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week
 - Nov 13th: Rashida Crutchfield, presentation on food insecurity of CSU Students, and Basic Needs panel
 - Nov 15th: Relief at the Beach, 1pm, USU Southwest Terrace
- Dec 1st: Belmont Shores Christmas Parade "Festival of Lights"

D. College Senators

1) College of the Arts: Sens. Rubi and Ullah
No report was submitted.

2) College of Business Administration: Sens. Martinez and Soto
Work completed since last report

- Robert - HRMC / LatinX Heritage Luncheon/Academic Senate Retreat/CBA Beach 2030
 - Met with 1st Beach Team Shadow

- Denise - SJEC
- Contacted Facilities management in regards to the water fountains in CBA
- Promoted voting registration in CBA organizations (social media outlets)
- Contacted Manuel Perez CDC Director to obtain more information about Beach 2030
- Began 50/50 resolution (Hispanic Students Business Association)

Goals for next two weeks

- Promote Beach 2030 CBA Panel with Dean Michael Solt, Dept. of Chair Management/ Human Resources Mark Washburn and Associate Dean Sabine Reddy
- Robert to meet with 2nd Beach Team Shadow (10-29-18)
- Continue 50/50 & 100/100 resolutions
- Bi-weekly chit chat w/ CBA Senators

Student concerns

- Student reached out to us about audio/video problems in CBA Lecture Hall

3) College of Education: Sens. Aguilar and Canales

Work completed since last report

- RSVP for College of Education Beach 2030 Staff Event
- Presented during Beach Team meeting on how to writing a resolution
- Created spread sheet with contact information for all Education Orgs and Orgs with interest in Education
- Contacted all Orgs and invited them to Pizza with the Dean
- Contacted Dr. Matt Cabrera

Goals for next two weeks

- Start 100 orgs in 100 days: Starting with LSSA
- Get estimate on how many pizzas we will need for Pizza with the Dean
- Talk to College of Education Outreach Coordinator on how to get students that are not Liberal Studies majors but potentially want to get their credentials more familiar with different pathways and connected with staff. Potentially hosting a social event?

Student concerns

- More consistency/clarity on how to go into ITEP program
- Parking passes for student teachers

Anything else

- Pizza with the Dean on Wednesday November 7, 2018 at 6-7pm
- College of Education is doing a social media movement/promotion "Why Teach". Promoting students to share their experiences and stories
- Idea on possible future event: Showing the documentary "Teach us All" and having a speaker talk about Equity in Education

4) College of Engineering: Sens. Major and Yee

Work completed since last report

- Completed October Coffee with the Dean
- Completed Some 50/50 and 100/100
- Contacted members of the pink calculator task force and planned for first meeting
- Got printing supplies tethered to printing stations
- Spread word to engineering students about GE policy issue
- Mathew had 1 on 1 with Leen

Goals for next two weeks

- Continue to gather support in opposition to Campus specific GE policy
- Continue to work with facilities manager to get schedules posted outside classrooms
- Continue efforts with pink calculator replacement

- Get statuses on placing beach bucks dispensers in ECS
- See about the possibility of professor switch notifications

Student concerns

- GE policy changes
- Lack of knowledge of campus/college resources

Anything Else

- BOO! Happy Spooky Day!

5) College of Health & Human Services: Sens. Fukuda and Phong

Work completed since last report

- Ryan
 - Met with the Internship Coordinator with Senator Chan on Monday, October 22nd
 - Met with CHHS Academic Senators Fischer and Scott-Hayward about GE Policy
 - Received invitation to Associate Dean Search Committee
 - First meeting on Wednesday, November 7th
- Michelle
 - Attended the college council meeting
 - reached out to members and informed them of the GE policy
 - 1-1 with VP Almahdi
 - Discussed Beach Pantry competition with our college with Dean

Goals for next two weeks

- Michelle
 - Attend College council Halloween mixer
 - Work with Senator Kim on resolution
 - Talk to College Council about Taste of the Campus
 - Spring mixer for all students in the USU
- Ryan
 - Attend college council Halloween mixer on Wednesday, October 31st
 - Attend CHHS Faculty Council Meeting on Friday, November 2nd
 - Meet with Internship Coordinator for follow-up on internship competition
 - Meet with Chief Academic Officer about new GE policy relating with CHHS

Student concerns

- GE policy
 - lack of education regarding the situation
- More chairs in the USU
- Graduation - where is it going to be held?

6) College of Liberal Arts: Sens. Guzman and Kim

Work completed since last report

- Brianna Guzman
 - Career Closet postpone
 - HRMC search committee 11/02
- Megan Kim
 - worked with Sen. Naomi Howansky regarding Project Rebound
 - sent emails to professors regarding awareness events by ASI
 - (i.e.) environment scholarship essay contest
 - met with Bron Pellisier regarding Transfer Learning Community (TLC) on 10/22 @ 3:30 pm
 - As CLA Senators
 - College of Liberal Arts Student Council (CLASC) meeting on 10/22
 - Fall mixer is on 11/27
 - Rescheduled the meeting with Dean Wallace for 11/21

Goals for next two weeks

- Brianna Guzman
 - Continue to research partnership for food pantry
- Megan Kim
 - Project Rebound
 - Meeting with Dr. Howie Fitzgerald to discuss LSAT affordability on 11/5
 - As CLA Senators
 - CLASC meeting on 11/5
 - plan Coffee/Pizza with the Dean

Student concerns

- Academic concerns:
 - BeachBoard
 - Not all professors use it
 - CareerLink
 - Access to everyone incl. unwanted company
 - Transfer student concerns:
 - Associate Degree for Transfer
 - ✓ creates a barrier to transfer student's graduation goal
- Student/Campus life concerns:
 - Welcome Week
 - Night-time students feel left out
 - BeachSync denying application for ASI vacancies
 - Campus Clash
 - Several dissatisfactions from students
 - several concerns regarding hate speech and safe space on campus
 - last minute email from President Jane Conoley - lack of transparency

Anything else

- Contact us if you are if you are interested in joining us in any projects/have any questions
 - Sen. Brianna Guzman: brianna.guzman@student.csulb.edu
 - Sen. Megan Kim: min.kim04@student.csulb.edu
- Happy SAFE Halloween
- Sen. Brianna Guzman's 21st birthday on 11/2

7) College of Natural Science & Math: Sen. Chan

Work completed since last report

- College Council Meeting
 - October 17th
- Met with the Career Development Center
 - Internships
- Registered voters on campus
 - October 19th
 - Talked to students about any concerns
- Contacted 22West about promoting voter registration and importance of voting in the upcoming election

Goals for next two weeks

- Meet with Dean Bennett
 - Beach 2030
 - Student outreach
- CNSM Alumni Mentoring Luncheon
 - November 15th
 - USU 205

- 11pm-12:45pm
 - Meet with the Career Development Center
 - Collaborate with CNSM Advising to bring more awareness to resources for CNSM students
 - Look into the feasibility of having a space on campus where students can receive mail
- Student concerns
- November election
 - Campus protests
 - Voter registration
 - How is this affected by student homelessness?
 - Mailing address

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Almahdi:

- 50 Organizations in 50 Days are due Nov 8th
- 100 Classes in 100 Days are due Feb 6th
- Presentation forms, available at the office's front desk, must be completed/submitted
- Vote Nov 6th!
- SJEC Vacancy
- Promote Beach 2030
- Resolutions are being drafted for the support of trans students, as well as course evaluations

Jordan: reminded board, students, and the public to vote on Elections Day, November 6th.

Guzman: wished

Prudencio Guzman: commended Chan for their registration efforts.

Ullah: Paint with the Dean, November 8th, 5pm, FA-4, Room 222; encouraged board to visit UAM.

Rubu: recognized COTA Industrial Design student Alena Rey Gretencord who was killed by a hit-and-run on October 28th, on 2nd Street, and offered their condolences to the family.

Mejia: reminded to vote; offered information on ballot initiatives.

Howanskjy awarded Senator of the Week to Chan.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Chair Almahdi adjourned the meeting at 4:58pm.