

**THE SENATE/BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES**

**Meeting #4**

August 28, 2019

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Leen Almahdi called the meeting to order at 3:30pm

**2. ROLL CALL**

Voting Members Present

Stephanie Torres, ASI College of Business  
Taryn Williams, ASI College of Business  
Isabel Douvan, ASI College of Education  
Dale Lendrum, ASI College of Education  
Aaron Chiu, ASI College of Engineering  
Kiran Sajjan, ASI College of Engineering (Dp @ 4:31pm)  
Cassie Cabading, College of Health & Human Services  
Raquelle Hafen ASI College of Health & Human Services  
Minoli De Silva, ASI College of Liberal Arts  
Daniella Hernandez, ASI College of Liberal Arts  
Michael Lam, ASI College of Natural Science & Math  
Jini Chakkalakal, ASI College of Natural Science & Math  
Jireh Deng, ASI At-Large  
Daniel Galindo, ASI At-Large (Ar @ 3:34pm)  
Sumaiyah Hossain, ASI At-Large  
Citlalli Ortiz, ASI At-Large  
Ryan Phong, ASI At-Large  
Stephany Triska, ASI At-Large  
Leen Almahdi, ASI Vice President  
Jeff Jarvis, CSULB Faculty Representative  
Piya Bose, Ph.D., CSULB President Designee

Voting Members Absent

VACANT, ASI College of the Arts  
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Staff Present

Lindsay San Miguel, Asst. Director, Government Affairs & Initiatives  
Miles Nevin, Ed.D., ASI Executive Director

**3. INVOCATION - CSULB Sociology Faculty, Dr. Esa Syeed**

Syeed shared the following poem by Audrey Lorde – A Litney for Survival, and reflected on how survival through challenges and opportunities is proof of Hope. Syeed encouraged the board to transcend circumstances and that there's no bounds on the everyday. The board was you are a reminder that it is better to speak, act, and be together.

*For those of us who live at the shoreline  
standing upon the constant edges of decision  
crucial and alone  
for those of us who cannot indulge  
the passing dreams of choice  
who love in doorways coming and going*

*in the hours between dawns  
looking inward and outward  
at once before and after  
seeking a now that can breed  
futures  
like bread in our children's mouths  
so their dreams will not reflect  
the death of ours;*

*For those of us  
who were imprinted with fear  
like a faint line in the center of our foreheads  
learning to be afraid with our mother's milk  
for by this weapon  
this illusion of some safety to be found  
the heavy-footed hoped to silence us  
For all of us  
this instant and this triumph  
We were never meant to survive.*

*And when the sun rises we are afraid  
it might not remain  
when the sun sets we are afraid  
it might not rise in the morning  
when our stomachs are full we are afraid  
of indigestion  
when our stomachs are empty we are afraid  
we may never eat again  
when we are loved we are afraid  
love will vanish  
when we are alone we are afraid  
love will never return  
and when we speak we are afraid  
our words will not be heard  
nor welcomed  
but when we are silent  
we are still afraid*

*So it is better to speak  
remembering  
we were never meant to survive.*

#### **4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Christopher Forestiere, ASI Chief Justice: requested that any grade appeal requests that senators may receive be forwarded to Judiciary

Clarivel Vega, Center for Latino Community: Avanzando Through College stipend available for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and Transfer Students; \$500 stipend awarded to students who attend 14 interactive and skill-building workshop series; applications due next Friday, Sept 6<sup>th</sup>, 5pm [www.csulb.edu/latinohealth](http://www.csulb.edu/latinohealth)

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

**(M) Ortiz (S) Phong to approve the Senate Agenda, Meeting #4, August 28, 2019**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 20-0-0**

**6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR**

- Welcomed board to the first meeting of the academic year
- WOW: Wednesday and Thursday, sign ups still available for ASI tabling
- Office hours begin next week
- One-on-One meetings with individual senators begin next week

**7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

A. Action Item: Senate Minutes, Meeting #3, August 7, 2019

**(M) Torres (S) Chiu to approve Senate Minutes, Meeting #3, August 7, 2019**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 20-0-1**

**8. CONSENT CALENDAR/REPORTS**

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

1) Action Item: Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #2, July 23, 2019

**(M) Hossain (S) Triska to approve Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #2, July 23, 2019**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 20-0-1**

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

1) Action Item: Senate Audit Committee (SAC) Minutes, Meeting #4, December 3, 2018

**(M) De Silva (S) Chiu to accept Senate Audit Committee (SAC) Minutes, Meeting #4, December 3, 2018**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 20-0-1**

2) Action Item: University Student Union Board of Trustees (USUBOT) Minutes, Meeting #2, July 12, 2019

**(M) Hossain (S) Hernandez to accept University Student Union Board of Trustees (USUBOT) Minutes, Meeting #2, July 12, 2019**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 20-0-1**

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Executive Business

1) Action Item: PA #2020-14: Confirmation of Commissioner for Environmental Justice, Sylvan Streightiff  
Almahdi presented applicant's statement in their absence.

**(M) Deng (S) Williams to confirm PA #2020-14: Commissioner for Environmental Justice, Sylvan Streightiff**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 19-0-2**

2) Action Item: PA #2020-15 Confirmation of Commissioner for Women & Gender Equity Affairs, Hayli Antoniewicz

**(M) Lam (S) Lendrum to confirm PA #2020-15 Commissioner for Women & Gender Equity Affairs, Hayli Antoniewicz**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 19-0-2**

B. Non-Legislative Business

1) Action Item: BOD #2020-18: Election of (1) Lobby Corps Student-at-Large

a) Shantall Prado

b) Candys Redd

c) Denise Rodriguez

Almahdi presented applicant's statement in their absence.

**(M) Galindo (S) Deng to elect BOD #2020-18: Election of (1) Lobby Corps Student-at-Large**

SENATOR	PRADO	REDD	RODRIGUEZ	ABSTAIN
Torres	X			
Williams	X			
Douvan	X			
Lendrum	X			
Chiu	X			
Cabading	X			
Hafen		X		
DeSilva		X		
Hernandez	X			
Lam	X			
Chakkalakal	X			
Deng	X			
Galindo	X			
Hossain	X			
Ortiz		X		
Phong		X		
Triska	X			
Jarvis				X
Dr. Bose				X
VP Almahdi				X
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>

**Shantall Prado elected Lobby Corps Student-at-Large**

- 2) Action Item: BOD #2020-19: Election of (1) University Student Union Board of Trustees (USUBOT), Trustee-at-Large – Ian Macdonald  
**(M) Chakkalakal (S) Cabading to elect BOD #2020-19: Election of (1) University Student Union Board of Trustees (USUBOT), Trustee-at-Large – Ian Macdonald**  
**VOTE ON THE MOTION** **PASSES 18-0-2**
  
- 3) Information Item: Appointment of Vice Chair  
 Almahdi appointed Ortiz as the 2019-20 ASI Vice Chair as well as serve as Sergeant At-Arms. Confirmation

**10. REPORTS**

A. Information Item: ASI President - Lizbeth Velasquez TC 3:45pm

- Will be meeting to discuss implementing SOAR Cultural Welcomes at CSULB
- Reviewing UCLA's Automatic Voter Registration (AVR) for possible implementation at CSULB
- Working with Chief Government Relations Officer Alderete and Nevin to bring AVR to CSSA for consideration for system-wide use
- Will be meeting to identify how to provide access to student success data to student government leaders in a way that doesn't violate the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA); data would be used to back up claims when meeting with legislators to advocate for goals and initiatives
- Working with university and the City of Long Beach to identify opportunities for student engagement for the 2020 Census
- Working with Campaign for College Opportunity to advocate against the 4<sup>th</sup> year quantitative reasoning requirement (Math or Science class); special meeting tomorrow at the CSU Chancellors Office, 12-1:30pm, with Velasquez giving Public Comment at 12:50
- CSU Chancellors Office have arranged 2 attorneys to come to campus to provide counsel to AB540 and Undocumented Students, at Dream Success Center
- Primary and General Elections polling stations will be at The Pointe; will provide updates on poll worker employment opportunities

B. Information Item: Beach Pride Lead – Leanne Meyers TC 4pm

Introduced self, offered their assistance for information, and asked for new event ideas.

Meyers shared the upcoming Beach Pride events:

- Smorgasport: was a successful event; new to the event - digital map; 3<sup>rd</sup> check-in station, silent disco
- Week of Welcome (WOW): September 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, 11-2pm, Central Quad; organization table registration deadline this Friday, 5pm, on BeachSync, \$10 to ASBO
- Back to the Beach: Monday-Thursday, Southwest Terrace, 12-1pm; food, USU information
- Cultural Kickoffs: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month, sponsored by Office of Multicultural Affairs
- Movies on the House, every two weeks, beginning in September
- Noontime Event: every Wednesday
- [www.Asicsulb.org/enjoy](http://www.Asicsulb.org/enjoy)

C. Information Item: ASI Executive Director - Miles Nevin

- Audit process update: successful entrance conference. Exit Audit on Sept 16<sup>th</sup>; will provide updates
- Enrollment Update: university anticipates being 100 over fall target enrollment which will lend additional revenue for ASI
- Commended efforts to all of those involved in hosting a very successful Smorgasport event
- Commended President Lizbeth Velasquez on their Convocation speech and how their goals aligned with Beach 2030
- Commended ASI Government Staff in their efforts to preparing for a successful 2019-20
- Will be partnering with Division of Student Affairs on a Wellness Week event, October 21<sup>st</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>
- Rec Fest: hosted by the Student Recreation and Wellness Center (SRWC) Sept 5<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-7:30pm

## 11. VOLUNTARY CLOSING COMMENTS

Phong: Professor Tom Guffrey resigned last month due to controversial class experiments; 15000 signatures have been collected on Change.org to bring him back.

Lendrum: Congratulated newly elected 2019-21 CSU Student Trustee Maryana Khames San Diego State University.

Bose:

- Basic Needs Office will be moving next week to the Library basement; online application for Emergency Intervention Resources [https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?CSULongBeach&layout\\_id=2](https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?CSULongBeach&layout_id=2)
- Student Life and Development new officer Training now online

Almahdi

- Still taking WOW signups; volunteering counts towards your week's office hours
- College Senator reports begin next week; email to Almahdi and cc Laura Butt by Friday, 12pm
- Commended ASI Government office staff for their dedicated assistance

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

**Without objection** Chair Leen Almahdi adjourned the meeting at 5pm.