

SENATE MINUTES (FINAL)
Meeting #5
September 2, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Maythe Alderete Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Voting Members Present

Andrea Felix-Cervantes, ASI College of the Arts
Billy Rubi, ASI College of the Arts
Atazshii Austin, ASI College of Business VACANT, ASI College of Business
Albert Morales, ASI College of Education VACANT, ASI College of Education
Manolo Cruz, ASI College of Engineering
Lexleigh Harris, ASI College of Engineering
Milena Gevorkian, ASI College of Health and Human Services
Salvador Marrero, ASI College of Health and Human Services
Salvador Peregrina, ASI College of Liberal Arts
Millaray Ramirez, ASI College of Liberal Arts
Shivam Srivastava, ASI College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Isabel Cameron, ASI At-Large
Sierra Darwin, ASI At-Large
Jesus Gonzalez, ASI At-Large
Sumaiyah Hossain, ASI At-Large
Richie Kennedy, ASI At-Large
Maythe Alderete Gonzalez ASI Vice President
Jeff Jarvis, CSULB Faculty Representative
Dr. Piya Bose, CSULB President's Designee

Voting Members Absent

Jubilee Muñozvilla, ASI College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Alyssa Castrillon, ASI At-Large

Staff Present

Dr. Miles Nevin, ASI Executive Director
Lindsay San Miguel, Assistant Director Government Affairs and Initiatives

3. INVOCATION: Dr. Anna Ortiz, Professor for Organizational Educational Leadership

In commemoration of Latinx Heritage Month (September 15th through October 15th) and to recognize strong women who fight for equity, Ortiz shared the following quote from Dolores Huerta: *“Every moment is an organizing opportunity, every person a potential activist, every minute a chance to change the world.”*

Ortiz reflected on the facts that Huerta is a daughter of immigrants, a community college student, began their career as change agent here in California, and a co-founder of the United Farmworker's Union. Ortiz shared that Huerta advocated and continues to advocate for all movements to be woven into one collective movement.

Ortiz encouraged Senate to rise to unprecedented challenges by serving with courageous unprecedented efforts and determination.

Bose stepped out of meeting at 3:38 p.m.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Rubi (MOVED) Harris (SECOND) to approve Senate Agenda, Meeting #6, September 9, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-18

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

Bose returned to meeting at 3:42pm.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

- Students can still RSVP for Cultural Welcomes, which began today
- Finalizing online learning survey with ASI Communications
- Take a Sec with the Exec: first Instagram Live, Sept. 17th, 11am
- Working on resolution ideas; will reach out to board to set discussion meetings
- Executives are working on bylaw amendments
- Executives will begin meeting with campus administrators, faculty, and staff to discuss ASI goals and partnership

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Action Item: Senate Minutes, Meeting #5, September 2, 2020

Srivastava (MOVED) Peregrina (SECOND) to approve Senate Minutes, Meeting #5, September 2, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-19

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

8. CONSENT CALENDAR/REPORTS

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

1) Action Item: Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #4, August 25, 2020

Hossain (MOVED) Darwin (SECOND) to approve Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #4, August 25, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-19

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

2) Action Item: Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #21, March 5, 2020

Austin stepped out of meeting at 3:52pm

Cameron (MOVED) Hossain (SECOND) to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #21, March 5, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-18

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

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

1) Action Item:

Hossain (MOVED) Rubi (SECOND) to accept Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #1, August 24, 2020

Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #1, August 24, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-18

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

9. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

10. REPORTS

- A. Information Item: Omar Prudencio Gonzalez, ASI President Time Certain 3:45 p.m.
- Met with Conoley and Lesen to discuss ASI goals, shark attacks
 - Had 2nd meeting with Division of Student Affairs (DSA) Equity Taskforce
 - Finalizing State of the ASI speech, to be presented soon
 - Commended Beach Pride Events for a successful and engaging Week of Welcome event
 - Met with Scott Apel to discuss audit updates and policy updates
 - DSA is receiving student laptop loan requests
 - Met with Dhushy Sathianathan to discuss academic affairs
 - Will be meeting with Provost Jersky to discuss goals of reviewing advising centers
 - Will be partnering with university on re-envisioning how ASI can lead as part of Beach 2030
 - Along with Chief Government Relations Officer Maya met with Chris Reese to discuss plans for civic engagement, on-campus ballot drop-off locations (near Housing and the Pyramid), and online voting center
 - Reminded board to sign up for their university committee with Academic Affairs Officer Julian
 - Invited board to virtually attend next CalState Student Association meeting, Sept 19-20
- B. Information Item: Dr. Miles Nevin, ASI Executive Director
- Repopulation/USU Operations
 - Temporary computer lab opened in USU Ballrooms
 - Food vendors
 - Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf, 7a.m.-1 p.m.; hours may change to 8 a.m.-1 p.m., pending sales
 - Subway closed
 - Extended Wi-Fi outside USU to encourage safe study environment
 - Week of Welcome
 - Commended ASI and Student Life and Development (SLD)
 - 3500 students registered, 2200 actively participated
 - 220 student organizations and variety of campus departments
 - Student Recreation and Wellness Center (SRWC)
 - Opened last week, for Mondays only
 - Open for rental of outdoor adventure equipment only
 - Isabel Patterson Child Development Center (IPCDC)
 - Finalized plan for teachers to provide 1-on-1s, group activities, and parent meetings for our student parents of infant/toddler, preschool, and school aged children
 - Teaching staff began an educational equity book club with the lens towards improve educational equity, ages 2-6
- C. Information Item: ASI At-Large Senators
- 1) Gonzalez and Kennedy - Athletics
- Work completed since last report
- Met with Dream Success Center (DSC) - discussed about ways to help with our undocumented students.
 - Spanish Club at the Beach
 - Citlali Ortiz- her time as senator and need for assistance
 - Panel for SCOUTS decision with DSC
 - Treasure Andrade- finance
 - Vice-President Gonzalez - past resolutions

- Served as the Vice-Chair for BOC/Training for Vice-chairs
- Met with 3 Track and Field Athletes to discuss how ASI Senators can help them through this pandemic and discussed an idea to create a student athlete portal to submit concerns, comments, and questions that are directed to Athletic Senators

Goals for next two weeks

- Meet with Athletic Director Andy Fee- we will be introducing ourselves and learning more about the Athletic Department. We will also discuss how ASI can better help Student Athletes during this pandemic for this upcoming school year.
- We are going to be meeting with Basic Needs Program (CalFresh)
- Meet with Judith Magana and Iraida Venegas-ASI Assistant Director Services- Food Pantry
- DSC- Orientation
- Meet with Educational Opportunity Program – first generation
- Meet with College of Business Senators regarding the empowerment opportunity for minority entrepreneurs

Student concerns

- Parking fees- having to pay for just going to campus for 2 a week for a class. The \$40.00= like the semester permit
- CAPS time- 20 min is not enough
- Incoming freshman/transfer difficult to get involved
- ATLAS Counselors cannot meet with students on Zoom.

Did you know?

- Dr. Norma Salcedo is the new Director for the Dream Success Center. Dr. Salcedo has work in higher education over 8 years and is proud to be at CSULB. Dr. Salcedo has worked with college campuses such as the University of Kansas, University of Connecticut, Cal Poly Pomona, and San Francisco State. With her role she will be empowering our students to pursue in higher education.

2) Cameron and Darwin - Graduate and Transfer Students

Work completed since last report

- Met with Senator Albert Morales to discuss his goals for graduate students in the College of Education.
- Met with Colleen Dungan, a graduate advisor for the Department of Dance to discuss the challenges of online education on arts departments.
- Met with Dr. Maria Claver, the Director of the Gerontology Program and her staff to discuss the unique needs of nontraditional graduate students during COVID-19 and the transition to online learning.
- Met with Dr. Arellano, the Director of the Graduate Nursing Program to discuss the challenges being faced by Nursing Students.

Goals for next two weeks

- We plan to arrange a meeting with Kerilyn Counter at the Beach Transfer Transition Center to discuss the needs of transfer students.
- Begin to arrange a “Meet Your Senators” virtual event to promote direct engagement between us and the Graduate/Transfer students.
- Coordinate survey results from multiple Departments.

Student concerns

- Non-traditional and aging students are concerned about generational technology gaps that are effecting student ability to access online learning.

- Transfer students are concerned about getting involved on campus and accessibility to campus resources.
- Graduate students are generally concerned about changes to curriculum and graduation requirements due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Did you know?

- Did you know that 6% of graduate students are over the age of 40?
- Did you know that the Beach Transfer Transition Center can be reached via email during on campus closures: btcc@csulb.edu
- Did you know that the Graduate Students Resource Center usually conducts mock interviews for graduate school admissions? You can find more information on their website: <https://www.csulb.edu/graduate-studies-resource-center>

3) Castrillon and Hossain - Housing

Work completed since last report

- Housing SMART Goals
- Basic Needs Taskforce
- Senate Audit Committee
- Lobby Corp
 - Beach Civic Engagement Plan
 - Social Media Campaign
- Week of Welcome
- Introduce ourselves to Housing Director Corry Colona

Goals for next two weeks

- Basic Needs Taskforce
- Schedule meeting with Housing Director
- Look into RHA board
- Research housing and food resources
- Explore ways to reach out to students in dorm

Student concerns

- Zoom Class atmosphere
- Textbook and required text availability
- Parking Fees

Did you know?

- CSULB has its own zip code (90840)
- Cultural Welcomes @ The Beach are NEXT WEEK!

11. CLOSING COMMENTS

Bose:

- Different parking permit options available: <https://www.csulb.edu/parking-and-transportation-services/permits/permit-information>
- Graduate Resource Center: resources available for undergrads exploring graduate school options

Alderete

- ASI Government vacancies: deadline this Friday, 5pm
- Grade appeals: forward requests and inquires to Chief Justice Greg Figueroa
- ASI polos: to arrive next week; will ship to board members

- Off-campus parking: Atherton and Palo Verde; do not park in residential areas

12. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Chair Maythe Alderete Gonzalez adjourned the meeting at 4:18 p.m.