

Associated Students, Inc.
California State University, Long Beach

SENATE MINUTES (FINAL)
Meeting #10
October 7, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Maythe Alderete Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 3:31 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
Aylin Morelos, ASI College of Business (Arrive 3:32 p.m.)
Albert Morales, ASI College of Education (Arrive 3:32 p.m.)
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
Jubilee Muñozvilla, ASI College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Shivam Srivastava, ASI College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Isabel Cameron, ASI At-Large
Alyssa Castrillon, 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 (Depart 4:45 p.m.)
Dr. Piya Bose, CSULB President's Designee

Voting Members Absent

Sierra Darwin, ASI At-Large
VACANT, ASI College of Education

Staff Present

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

3. INVOCATION: Dr. Bongjoo Hwang, Director, Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

Hwang shared that World Mental Health Day is October 10th, and its objective is to raise awareness of mental health issues around the world and to mobilize efforts in support of mental health.

Hwang encouraged the board to incorporate the following mental health wellness practices to stay healthy in this unprecedented time of Covid-19 which has added unexpected stressors and challenges:

- 1) Structure your daily activity: provides stability and normalcy
- 2) Sleep well: 7-9 hours of sleep
- 3) Eat well: healthy foods and water provides needed nutrients
- 4) Rest well: physical and mental rest are needed to regenerate your body, mind, spirit
- 5) Connect well: make positive social connections
- 6) Keep things in perspective: current circumstances will pass; think of 3 positive things before going to bed
- 7) Find a happy moment throughout the day: no need to wait until the end of the day or week

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jazlyn Tabar, former CSULB student: voiced support for Senate Resolution #2021-02 Support for the Philippine Human Rights Act (PHRA).

J. Jimenez, CSULB student: voiced support for Senate Resolution #2021-02 Support for the Philippine Human Rights Act (PHRA).

John Kindred, community activist: called for ASI and student organization support and engagement in local, state, national, and global issues (i.e. climate change, housing/food insecurity, gentrification, etc.).

Paula Abad, CSULB alumni: voiced support for Senate Resolution #2021-02 Support for the Philippine Human Rights Act (PHRA).

Gibran, CSU San Bernardino student: voiced support for Senate Resolution #2021-02 Support for the Philippine Human Rights Act (PHRA).

Irene Choi, Student, President of the Pilipino American Coalition: voiced support for Senate Resolution #2021-02 Support for the Philippine Human Rights Act (PHRA).

Dr. Bose stepped out of meeting at 3:58 p.m.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Hossain (MOVED) Peregrina (SECOND) to approve Senate Agenda, Meeting #10, October 7, 2020, as amended

- Alderete Gonzalez: Item #9-A-1: change (2) Associate Justices to (1) Associate Justice

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-20

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

- Continuing meeting 1-1 with senators
- ASI Chapter 1 Bylaw amendments: continuing to review bylaws for revision with justices, government advisors
- Executives met with deans from Liberal Arts, Business, and Education to discussed items such as online remote learning survey, and their committed support to having basic needs on the syllabi; will implement posting basic needs resources on Beachboard
- Campus Master Plan Survey: will be released soon; 30 participants will be entered into an opportunity drawing for a VISA gift card, and up to \$3500 towards tuition
- Encouraged board members and their constituents to vote <https://www.csulb.edu/vote>

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Action Item: Senate Minutes, Meeting #9, September 30, 2020

Peregrina (MOVED) Hossain (SECOND) to approve Senate Minutes, Meeting #9, September 30, 2020

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-21

Oppose-Abstain-Approve

8. CONSENT CALENDAR/REPORTS

A. Approval of Minutes from Subsidiary Boards

- 1) Action Item: Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #8, September 22, 2020
Peregrina (MOVED) Srivastava (SECOND) to approve Board of Control (BOC) Minutes, Meeting #8, September 22, 2020
VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-19
Oppose-Abstain-Approve

Bose returned to meeting at 4:30 p.m.

- 2) Action Item: Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #5, September 24, 2020
Cameron (MOVED) Harris (SECOND) to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #5, September 24, 2020
VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-19
Oppose-Abstain-Approve

B. Acceptance of Minutes from Subsidiary Boards

- 1) Action Item: Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #4, September 21, 2020
Harris (MOVED) Hossain (SECOND) to accept Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #4, September 21, 2020
VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-19
Oppose-Abstain-Approve

- 2) Action Item: Senate Audit Committee (SAC) Minutes, Meeting #1, August 27, 2020
Hossain (MOVED) Peregrina (SECOND) to accept Senate Audit Committee (SAC) Minutes, Meeting #1, August 27, 2020
VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-19
Oppose-Abstain-Approve

- 3) Action Item: Senate Audit Committee (SAC) Minutes, Meeting #2, September 18, 2020
Hossain (MOVED) Peregrina (SECOND) to accept Senate Audit Committee (SAC) Minutes, Meeting #2, September 18, 2020
VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-2-16
Oppose-Abstain-Approve

- 4) Action Item: University Student Union Board of Trustees (USUBOT) Minutes, Meeting #3, September 4, 2020
Felix-Cervantes (MOVED) Gonzalez (SECOND) to accept University Student Union Board of Trustees (USUBOT) Minutes, Meeting #3, September 4, 2020
VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-0-19
Oppose-Abstain-Approve

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Executive Business

- 1) Action Item: PA #2021-13 Confirmation of (1) Associate Justices Time Certain – Gia Rubalcava 4:20 p.m.
Harris (MOVED) Cameron (SECOND) to confirm (1) Associate Justice – Gia Rubalcava
VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-1-19
Oppose-Abstain-Approve

- 2) Action Item: PA #2021-14 Confirmation of (1) Commissioner for Pregnant and Parenting Students –
Senate Minutes, Meeting #10, October 7, 2020

Pilar Caceres Time Certain 4:30 p.m.

Gevorkian (MOVED) Harris (SECOND) to confirm (1) Commissioner for Pregnant and Parenting Students – Pilar Caceres
VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-1-18
Oppose-Abstain-Approve

B. Legislative Business

- 1) Action Item: SR #2021-01 ASI Stance on Select California Statewide Ballot Measures (1st Reading)
Alderete Gonzalez reviewed the resolution that formally takes an advocacy position on select statewide ballot measures.

Hossain (MOVED) Felix-Cervantes (SECOND) to approve SR #2021-01 ASI Stance on Select California Statewide Ballot Measures (1st Reading)
VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 1-1-17
Oppose-Abstain-Approve

- 2) Action Item: SR #2021-02 Support for the Philippine Human Rights Act (PHRA) (1st Reading)
Hossain reviewed the resolution that formally takes an advocacy position on supporting the condemnation of the Anti-Terrorism Act of 2020.

Alderete Gonzalez: reminded the board that it's important to represent our students who are greatly impacted by issues, such as the Anti-Terrorism Act of 2020.

Hossain (MOVED) Cruz (SECOND) to approve SR #2021-02 Support for the Philippine Human Rights Act (PHRA) (1st Reading)
VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 0-1-17
Oppose-Abstain-Approve

C. Non-Legislative Business

- 1) Action Item: 2020-21 ASI Consolidated Operating Budget (1st Reading)

Background

- ASI operations paused March 13, 2020
- 2020-21 budget approved on April 29, 2020 with 6.5% in expense reductions
- Continued mode of virtual learning through AY 20-21 presents ongoing budget impacts, necessitating an amended operating budget that realizes a 15% reduction in revenues and expenses

Budget Development Process

Associated Students Programs

- Primarily funded by Student Body Fee: fall/spring \$68 / summer \$52
- Partially funded by Enterprise Revenue

USU/ Student Recreation and Wellness Center (SRWC) Facilities/Programs

- Primary Funded by Student Center Fee: fall/spring \$201 / summer \$150
- Partially Funded by Enterprise Revenue

Total Consolidated Revenues

Associated Student Revenue

- Student Fees: \$5,340,946
- Enterprise: \$996,292

USU/SRWC Revenue

- Student fees: \$9,617,175
- Enterprise: \$527,457

Revised AS Programs and Services Expenses

*Board of Control approved the amended budget on September 29, 2020

Programs

- Beach Pride Events
- ASI Government
- ASI Communications
- Isabel Patterson Child Development Center
- 22 West Media
- Development
- Student Organization Activities
- Student Support Services
- University Athletics

Services

- ASI Business Office
- Capital Outlay
- Executive Office
- Human Resources
- Information Technology
- Additional Post-Employment Benefits

Revised USU/SRWC Program and Service Expenses

*USU Board of Trustees approved the amended budget October 2, 2020

USU/SRWC Departments

- Beach Pride Events
- Facility Operations
- Commercial Services
- Administration (VEBA, retiree benefits, special projects, indirect cost allocations, travel, Covid-19 expenses)
- ASI Communications
- SRWC

Reduction Strategies

- Furloughed most student employees at end of May 2020
- Reduced full-time staff expenses through attrition
- Permanently closed the ASI Recycling Center
- Cancelled planned expenses for Capital Outlay and professional staff COLA
- Reduced VEBA and Reserves contributions, restricted employee travel for professional development
- Reduced event expenses
- Reduced utilities and building operations expenses

Hossain (MOVED) Harris (SECOND) to approve 2020-21 ASI Consolidated Operating Budget (1st Reading)

VOTE ON THE MOTION

**PASSES 0-2-16
Oppose-Abstain-Approve**

10. REPORTS

A. Information Item: Omar Prudencio Gonzalez, ASI President Time Certain 3:45 p.m.

- Recorded Get Out to Vote video as part of a civic campaign with CSULB President and Provost
- Will be a student audit questionnaire at the next Division of Student Affairs Equity team meeting
- Finalized additional ASI officer appointees
- Executives met with Basic Needs to discuss updates and future partnership projects

B. Information Item: Citlalli Ortiz ASI Chief Diversity Officer Time Certain 3:50 p.m.

Ortiz was not present.

Work completed since last report

- Respect Diversity Week: Commissioners are planning a panel, to discuss the issues/ barriers students and faculty face as members of underrepresented communities
- Passed Senate Resolutions: Commissioners were assigned to review resolutions that pertain to their communities
- Dream Success Center & FUEL: Initial meetings in planning WOH
- Commissioner of Pregnant and Parenting students appointed!

Goals for next two weeks

- Prepare for meetings with Dr. Lesen and President Conoley
- “Meet the Commissioner” event: We are working on marketing and preparing for this event for the week of October 19th
- LBC Votes: To complete a challenge with them and possibly collaborate for an open forum

Did you know?

- DIG En Español will be hosting a community townhall that will cover Immigration, Housing, Elections and Health with Long Beach Leaders. On October 26 at 12:30pm. If you are interested please let me know

C. Information Item: Caleb Aparicio, Commissioner for LGBTIQ+ Affairs Time Certain 3:55 p.m.

Work completed since last report

- Helped facilitate break-out sessions for the LGBTQIA+ Cultural Welcome session, at which I had a chance to introduce myself and talk about my position
- Attended the September's LGBTQIA+ Climate Committee meeting

Goals for next two weeks

- Meet with Student Health Services to ensure that transgender students are being addressed by their pronouns and asserted names and follow up in Senate Resolution 2017-21: Support Transgender Gender Non-Binary Health Resources
- Host a panel featuring transgender, non-binary, and gender nonconforming(GNC) students for OUTober
- Confirm a speaker for Transgender Day of Remembrance, which will be taking place November 18th
- I want to find more ways to connect with students. I've created a padlet, which you can access at <http://bit.ly/SpeakAnon> This gives students the option to voice their concerns anonymously.

Student concerns

- There is concern around our new mascot, Elbee, and their non-binary identity. Students feel that they are being tokenized and were disappointed with the lack of education around Elbee's identity as well as the fact that hurtful & negative comments on social media were not addressed
- With the updated map showing gender-neutral restrooms, we can see that our campus still lacks accessible restrooms for trans, non-binary, and GNC students on campus. Some of these

restrooms require that students ask for a key, forcing them to out themselves. Because of these two barriers, students are forced to wait anywhere from 15 min to an hour, or more, to use the restroom, or walk at least 5 min away from class to use the restroom

Did you know?

- Students can receive continuous hormone replacement therapy (HRT) on campus, but they can't request to start HRT on campus
- Counseling and Psychological Services can provide transgender and non-binary students with letters for gender affirming surgery

D. Information Item: Sarath Cornelio, Commissioner for Women and Gender Equity Time Certain 4 p.m.

Work completed since last report

- Partnering with Women and Gender Equity Center, Women's Shelter Long Beach, Heart at the Beach for COVID-19: Is Home Safer for Everyone?

Goals for next two weeks

- Meet the Commissioner October 19th 5pm-6pm. Zoom link: <https://csulb.zoom.us/j/5013192094>
- I plan to share resources already offered at the Beach to increase communication. I also want to hear the concerns of students I am representing
- Women Shelter Long Beach is having a month long social media campaign "We have work to do", <https://www.womenshelterlb.org/dvam20/>

Student concerns

- ASI title 9 training. Working with Not Alone at the Beach, Shelley Eriksen to establish a systemic solution. As leaders, ASI members should be trained to direct students to the proper resources when dealing with sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic/dating violence.

Did you know?

- October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

E. Information Item: Salvador Marrero, Senate Representative for 22 West Advisory Committee Time Certain 4:05 p.m.

Work completed since last report

- Obtained reports from the past 22 West Media meeting (Spring 2020).
- Emailed Danny Lemos for updates on how students are being protected and news is being reported.
- Updates (information received 10-7-20)
 - 15 students employed
 - 14 interns accepted – video production, broadcast journalism, podcast production, staff writing
 - 71 volunteer applications being processed.
 - 4 video producers completed Covid Compliance Certification for Film/TV Shoots
 - "How To Volunteer With 22 West" held last week
 - A 22 West "Zine" was released on October 1st, its online at 22westmedia.com
 - 22 West Radio programming being prepared for ASI's "Respect Diversity Week", "Wellness Week" and "Hunger & Homelessness" week.
 - LGBTQ+ Affairs commissioner and Women & Gender Equity Affairs commissioner to be interviewed 10/12 (for 10/13 8:00 a.m. airdate) on 22 West Radio for gender and LGBTQIA+ voting based week (October 12th - 16th)

Goals for next two weeks

- Look into the ways 22 West Media will be reporting equitably for students.
- Connect and set up information with 22 West Media representative.

Student concerns

- Find ways student organizations can collaborate with 22 West Media.
- (Have events or organization publicized)

Did you know?

- 22 West Media represents our 3 brands of:
 - 22 West Radio
 - 22 West Video
 - 22 West Magazine
- KSUL was the first student-run campus radio station. (Mid 70's).

F. Information Item: Larisa Hamada - Title IX TC 4:45 p.m.

This item was postponed until the next meeting.

G. Information Item: Martiz Ware - Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020 Audit Report

- Audit received an unmodified opinion, which is the highest opinion that can be given
- All our financial statements present fairly in all material aspects, in accordance in all accounting principles

H. Information Item: Dr. Miles Nevin, ASI Executive Director

Policy Agenda update:

- Senate is considering resolutions related to equity issues in California
- IPCDC implemented a Social Justice Book Club, which is tailored to teaching staff and their relationship with children and curriculum
- Next week, the ASI Human Resource Department will be reviewing their recruitment strategy and organizational holidays
- USUBOT's Campus Relations Committee upcoming agenda will reconsider USU and SRWC spaces to include art from students and people of color and make the space an inclusive environment for all
- Finalized the launch of a permanent, weekly radio program, Equity in the Game, Thursdays, 12-1pm, that will feature current and former athletes of color discussing industry issues they have faced regarding equity and inclusion

I. Information Item: ASI College Senators

1) Gonzalez and Kennedy - Athletics

Work completed since last report

- Met with Dr. Stephanie Baugh-Assistant Director for Student-Athlete Development-who works with our 'Student-Athlete Advisory Committee'
- Met with the Execs of the Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC)
- Met with Beach Pantry Basic Needs: Pantry Pop-up, improvements to beach pantry, Location

Goals for next two weeks

- Meet with Clubs, Organizations, and Athletes on Campus.
- Open forum for athletics/ meet your senator representative for athletics
- Come up with a plan to implement a Beach Board tool for constituents to easily access their college senators

Student concerns

- The work load that professors are assigning.

- Issues with juggling school, work, and health

Did you know?

- Parking And Transportation Services: Donations For Citations Program
 - This program provides a one-time opportunity to donate qualified items to ASI Beach Pantry as an alternative to paying the citation in full. Qualified individuals will pay a \$20 administrative fee to Parking and Transportation Services and select five items from specific categories to donate to the ASI Beach Pantry.
 - This program is applicable to citations issued on or after August 19, 2019.
 - <https://www.csulb.edu/parking-and-transportation-services/donations-for-citations>

2) Cameron and Darwin - Graduate and Transfer Students

Work completed since last report

- Met with VP of Student Affairs, Dr. Beth Lesen to discuss increasing technology resources for nontraditional, first year, and transfer students.
- Met with Kerilyn Counter, Michael Warden, and Senator Muñozvilla from the Beach Transfer Transition Center to discuss goals for transfer students.

Goals for next two weeks

- Finalize details for a “Meet Your Senator” virtual event during the National Transfer Student Week
- Finalize the details with Dr. Lesen for the new technology resources that are currently in development.
- Follow up with CAPs regarding a support group for nontraditional students.
- Connect with Dr. Claver (Director of the Gerontology Program) to discuss the creation of a student organization for Older Learners.
- Attend “Transfer Tuesday” event held by the Beach Transfer Transition Center in order to connect to Transfer Students.

Student concerns

- Transfer Students are concerned with the lack of student and university connection.
- Transfer students are having issues connecting to university resources like CAPs and the Career Development Center

Did you know?

- The week of October 19th is National Transfer Student Week. This year’s theme is: “Thriving Through Transfer.” The Beach Transfer Transition Center is planning virtual events for this week, so be on the lookout for more information!

3) Castrillon and Hossain - Housing

Work completed since last report

- Senate Audit Committee
- Lobby Corp
 - Issues Campaign
- Master Planning Workshop
- Resolution in Support of PHRA
- Resolution on ASI Stance for Statewide Ballot Measures

Goals for next two weeks

- Research housing and food resources
- Meet with Housing Director Corry Colonna
- Fraternity and Sorority Life Chapter Presidents Meeting 10/16

- Promote voter registration through student orgs

Student concerns

- Recent spike in COVID cases on campus

Did you know?

- Election day is Nov. 3
 - Registration deadlines
 - ✓ Online: Oct. 19
 - ✓ By mail: Postmarked by Oct. 19
 - ✓ In person: Nov. 3
 - Absentee ballot deadlines
 - ✓ Request: Oct. 27
 - ✓ Return by mail: Postmarked by Nov. 3
 - Return in person: Nov. 3 by 8:00 p.m.

J. Information Item: Dr. Piya Bose

- Health and Wellness Week: next week
- Recent positive Campus Covid-19 cases: any time there's a critical number of positive cases in an organization, the entire organization in the local area will be tested
- Spring 2021 Courses: available online; listed as synchronous and asynchronous
- Students need to be setting advising appointments
- Early registration: begins November 2nd
- Voiced gratitude at being able to be a part of all that Senate is engaging in

11. CLOSING COMMENTS

Alderete Gonzalez:

- Will correct technical difficulties for next week's meeting that made resolutions not visible upon review.
- Encouraged board members to practice self-care and be kind to self

12. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Chair Maythe Alderete Gonzalez adjourned the meeting at 5:43 p.m.