

SENATE MINUTES (FINAL)
Meeting #26
March 17, 2021

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
Daniel Espinoza, ASI College of Business
Mariana Duvanova, College of Business
Shelbi Felter, ASI College of Education
Robert Ortiz Archila, ASI College of Education (elected today)
Manolo Cruz, ASI College of Engineering
Brenden Smith, ASI College of Engineering (elected today)
Husam Khattab, 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
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
Dr. Piya Bose, CSULB President's Designee

Voting Members Absent

Billy Rubi, ASI College of the Arts
Jeff Jarvis, CSULB Faculty Representative

Staff Present

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

3. INVOCATION: Liliana Mora, CSULB Women, Gender and Equity Center Peer Advisor

Mora read a portion of Audrey Lorde's essay, There is no Hierarchy of Oppression. Mora shared that however one identifies, any injustice and/or indifference done to one is done to all, and that there's a connection to all forms of oppression.

In recognition of Women's History Month, Mora encouraged us all to move forward and past gender binary and better understand how peoples' gender intersects with their different and multiple identities; because it's at these intersections that we will find our common struggles and find ways to change systems of oppression.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Melissa Soto, CSULB Beach Building Services:

- Posed the question of what are the facility implications of campus repopulation in regards to the campus' Master Plan timeline

- Will be conducting 20 focus groups, 1-hour, 10 participants each, comprised of students/faculty/staff in order to gather a sampling; 100 of the participants will be students
- Participants will be able to sign up online; webpage link forthcoming
- Participants will receive a \$25 gift card to the University Bookstore
- Requested Senate spread the word so that there's a representation of all colleges and campus communities
- Contact: Melissa.soto@csulb.edu

John Kindred, Community Member:

- Long Beach 350 monthly meeting: Sunday, 3-5 p.m.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Cruz (MOTION) Espinoza (SECOND) to approve Senate Agenda, Meeting #26, March 17, 2021, as amended

- Alderete Gonzalez: Add - Item #9-E Information Item: Sheryl Hathaway, CSULB Director for Instructional Technology Time Certain 4:20 p.m.

VOTE ON THE MOTION

**PASSES 18-0-2
Approve-Oppose-Abstain**

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

- Commencement
 - Daily 49er article
 - Survey forthcoming
- Along with Prudencio Gonzalez met with Pandya to discuss SAT/ACT:
- Meeting this Friday with SQE to discuss
- Plus/Minus Information Sessions: moved from this week to next week, Thursday, 6 p.m.
- Upcoming resolutions: Lobby Corps board memberships; Stance on Plus/Minus grading based on survey; changing title for Commissioner for LGBTIQ+ Affairs
- End of Year Report: due April 30

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Action Item: Senate Minutes, Meeting #25, March 10, 2021

Cruz (MOTION) Darwin (SECOND) to approve Senate Minutes, Meeting #25, March 10, 2021

VOTE ON THE MOTION

**PASSES 19-0-0
Approve-Oppose-Abstain**

8. CONSENT CALENDAR/REPORTS

A. Approval of Minutes from Subsidiary Boards

1) Action Item: Board of Control Minutes, Meeting #26, March 17, 2021

Peregrina (MOTION) Darwin (SECOND) to approve Board of Control Minutes, Meeting #26, March 17, 2021

VOTE ON THE MOTION

**PASSES 18-0-0
Approve-Oppose-Abstain**

2) Action Item: Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #22, March 4, 2021

Cameron (MOTION) Gonzalez (SECOND) to approve Lobby Corps Minutes, Meeting #22, March 4, 2021

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 18-0-1
Approve-Oppose-Abstain

B. Acceptance of Minutes from Subsidiary Boards

- 1) Action Item: Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #6, February 22, 2021

Darwin (MOTION) Gonzalez (SECOND) to accept Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #6, February 22, 2021
VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 18-0-1
Approve-Oppose-Abstain

- 2) Action Item: Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #6, February 22, 2021

Darwin (MOTION) Gonzalez (SECOND) to accept Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #6, February 22, 2021
VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 18-0-1
Approve-Oppose-Abstain

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Non-Legislative Business

- 1) Action Item: BOD #2021- 32 Election of (1) Senator for the College of Engineering – Brenden Smith
Cruz (MOTION) Peregrina (SECOND) to elect (1) BOD #2021-32 Senator for the College of Engineering – Brenden Smith

VOTE ON THE MOTION

PASSES 18-0-1
Approve-Oppose-Abstain

Bose administered the oath of office.

Alderete Gonzalez welcomed Smith to the board and invited them to join in the remaining orders of business.

10. REPORTS

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

- Encourage board to self-care during mid-terms
- Successful CHES meeting and lobbying with legislators
- Reported to Academic Senate the preliminary Plus/Minus survey results
- ASI Executives met with Provost Jersky and President Conoley
- Covid campus vaccines are being offered first to students with underlying conditions, those participating in clinical trials, and those who will be on campus (i.e. athletes)
- Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) funds forthcoming soon
- American Recovery Act: half will go to students and the other half going to campus usage
- CARES funding needs to be spent by May
- Fall 2021 Academic Schedule should be out by March 22
- Campus programming information forthcoming
- CSSA President will be presenting CSSA Updates to Senate after Spring Break
- ASI Student Government Coalition: follow-up meeting doodle poll forthcoming

B. Information Item: Adriana Andrade ASI Treasurer Time Certain 3:50 p.m.

- Spring Grant Allocations
 - At-Large organizations deadline, March 19
 - College Council organizations deadline, March 26
 - Hearings in April

- Executive Evaluation: Senate will receive survey in April to provide additional feedback
- ASI Policies listing has been made more accessible on the main ASI website <https://www.asicsulb.org/corporate/resources/forms-policies>
- Developing an outline process for college councils to reallocate funding
- Cultural Graduations: funding requests will be reviewed at next week's BOC

C. Information Item: Citlalli Ortiz ASI Chief Diversity Officer Time Certain 3:55 p.m.

Work Completed

- Keeping up with the Commissioners
- OMA Open Forum, Director
- Campus Climate Issues: discussed and creating plan to address issues
- Students of Color Conference: speakers secured

Board Updates

- Identifying main issues
- Campus Climate issues
 - Identifying ally trainings that exist
 - Working on campus climate issues that affect each community

Did You Know?

- Every 'c' in Pacific Ocean is pronounced differently

D. Information Item: Caleb Aparicio, ASI Commissioner for LGBTIQ+ Affairs Time Certain 4:05 p.m.

Work/Events Completed

- Fall Semester Work
 - Transgender Day of Remembrance: Guest Speaker Miliana Singh from the OC LGBTQ Center, followed by discussion
 - "Beyond the Binary" Panel and discussion session featuring faculty and students who identify as transgender, non-binary, and gender non-conforming
- Spring Semester Work
 - Co-MC'd and Facilitated during the LGBTQIA+ Cultural Welcome
 - Met with current, and past, faculty and staff members who identify as LGBTQIA+ to talk about their experiences here at CSULB
 - Continuing LGBTQIA+ Coalition meetings

Goals/Events for the Remainder of the Semester

- Queer Diversity Week: March 22-26
 - Monday: Queer Alumni Panel "Beyond the Beach" 3:30-5 p.m. (CAPS/Rainbow Café)
 - Tuesday: Queer Sex Education Workshop 5:30-6:30 p.m.
 - Wednesday: LGBTQIA+ Career Panel 12-1 p.m. (CDC); Queer Speed Friending 5-6 p.m. (Beach Pride Events)
 - Thursday: Religious Shame Workshop 12-1 p.m. (CAPS); LGBTQIA+ Know Your Rights 5-6:30 p.m. (Collaboration with Associate Justice Rubalcava)
 - Friday: Transgender Visibility Event 4-5 p.m. (T.E.A. and Question and Answer Collaboration)
- ASI Resolution Urging CSULB to Recruit, Hire, and Retain more LGBTQIA+ Faculty and Staff
 - In collaboration with Senator Felix-Cervantes
- Ongoing project: develop a CSULB LGBTQIA+ history timeline
 - This will be hosted on the LGBTQIA+ Climate Committee's new website
 - Dr. Lauren Jensen, from CAPS has taken the lead on this project
 - On the planning committee for Lavender Graduation

Student Issues/Concerns

- Students have encountered professors and classmates who ignore their pronouns and mis-gender them, even when pronouns are displayed on Zoom.
- Inappropriate assignments, such as "Argue whether you are for or against LGBTQIA+ rights"
 - These assignments are traumatic to our community members, especially if they're forced to argue against LGBTQIA+ rights
- Continued sense of disconnect/isolation

Did You Know?

- The mission of the LGBTQIA+ Climate Committee is "to collaborate with all segments of the University to recruit, retain, and promote the success of LGBTQ+ students, staff, faculty, and administrators."
 - This committee has only been around for 7 years!
 - They're always looking for ways to inform the University about their presence and encourage folks working on any LGBTQIA+ programming or training to reach out to them

- E. Information Item: Sheryl Hathaway, CSULB Director for Instructional Technology Time Certain 4:20 p.m.
CSULB Student Online Learning Success Program
January 11-February 12, 2021
\$150 Incentive

At CSULB, a new program is being offered to support students in strengthening their skills for success in online courses. Students who complete the program requirements will be entered into a drawing for a chance to receive \$150 (multiple awards available!). Co-sponsored by CSULB Academic Technology Services, ASI, and The Learning Center.

Program Requirements:

- Submit the application to enroll in "Steps to Becoming a Better Online Learner," a self-paced series of four (4) BeachBoard modules.
- Complete the quizzes in all BeachBoard modules no later than February 10, 2021.
- Attend conference events on February 5 and/or February 12.
- Questions, contact ats-facultyprogram@csulb.edu

- F. Information Item: ASI At-Large Senators

1) Athletics

Work completed since last report

- Had 1:1 meetings with Vice President Alderete
- Re-schedule Meeting with Andy Fee
- Spread awareness about the ASI Elections and encouraged students through social media platforms
- Curriculum and Educational Policies Council (CEPC) Council
- Met with CLA Senator, Treasure Andrade, Dr. Miles Nevis
- Fuerza Migrante: Collaboration program that represents underrepresented students
- Educational Opportunity Program (EOP): Meeting with Fuerza Migrante

Goals for next two weeks

- Set up a follow up meeting with Andy Fee
- Reach out to Dream Success Center, EOP, and other organizations
- Promote Plus/Minus grading event
- Resolution assistance for Plus/Minus Vice President Alderete Gonzalez

- Vice President Lessen: Food Program Insecurity Program
- Schedule meeting with Senator Castrillon, Vice-Chair Hossain
- Basic Needs Task Force
- Meet with CLA Senator, Dean Wallace, Dream Success Center

Student concerns

- Vaccine distribution at CSULB; what to prepare before receiving and going to CSULB the vaccine
- Student Inclusion and diversity amongst lower communities
- Graduation ceremony; the City of Long Beach is opening

Did you know?

- Fuerza Migrante, is an organization that support under representative student for an opportunity to enhance student success by giving 10 spots to attend Western Governors University and be part of the internship program that would pay \$4,500.
- Want more info! Message Richie Kennedy

2) Housing

Work completed since last report

- Attended Office of Multicultural Affairs board meeting
- Lobby Corps legislative visit
- ASI Outreach: Mornings on the Beach
- Reached out to Native American students on resolution

Goals for next two weeks

- Basic Needs Taskforce Meeting, March 25
- Reaching out to chairs regarding ASI Outreach Initiative
- Lobby Corp Advocacy Week
- Reach out to Religious Studies Chair regarding Religious Holidays Calendar

Student concerns

- Recurrent concerns regarding Plus/Minus grading, returning to school
- Zoom burnout, low participation and lack of motivation
- Internships (researching opportunities and applying)

Did you know?

- There will be a Grading Policy Discussion tomorrow, March 18, 5-6 p.m. via Zoom
- Beachfront Article on Proposed Plus/Minus Grading Policy:
- <https://www.asicsulb.org/corporate/connect/beachfront/asi-supported/557-proposed-lbsu-plus-or-minus-grading-policy>

3) Graduate/Transfer Students

Work completed since last report

- Scheduled Meet the Senators event: Friday, March 19, 2 p.m.
- Met with Graduate Resource Center lead, Bryan Rodgers, to discuss how to best support Graduate students
- Senator Cameron met with Associate Justice Provencher to discuss a joint event in tandem with their current outreach campaign
- Senator Darwin participated in a Mornings at the Beach conversation

Goals for next two weeks

- Prepare for Meet the Senators event
- Continue work with Associate Justice Provencher

- Look into allocating/advocating for an ASI graduate student scholarship
- Continue student outreach

Student concerns

- Students are confused about grading
- In-person commencement is a big topic/question
- Returning in the fall
- When will we know for sure?
- Who will be returning?

Did you know?

- There is a website that aggregates Spotify data into the most listened to songs by different campuses, and cities/states/countries
- <https://everynoise.com/every-school.cgi>
- <https://open.spotify.com/playlist/6Yhp5bDzngTrBKYG5G5hSV?si=bf725a5730a343dc>

G. Information Item: Dr. Miles Nevin, ASI Executive Director
There was no report.

H. Information Item: Dr. Piya Bose, CSULB Dean of Students

- Vaccines
 - After employee vaccinations, students with preexisting health conditions
 - Complete university survey;
 - Students who sign up first will receive vaccine first
- 2021 Fall Schedule of Classes to be published soon with hybrid or hyflex
- Gender-neutral language is important: <https://www.chicagonow.com/listing-beyond-forty/2017/05/40-gender-neutral-alternatives-to-saying-you-guys/>
- Debrief to Relief: March 18, 5-6 p.m.; Bose and Takemoto reflect on recent increased hate crimes and violence to the Asian Pacific Islander Community; Zoom meeting: 814 2457 0626 <https://csulb.zoom.us/j/81424570626>

11. CLOSING COMMENTS

- Alderete Gonzalez
 - ASI Elections: voting close tonight
 - ASI Outreach Initiative: see email from Hossain for classroom script
 - April 7 At-Large reports due March 26, 12 p.m.
- John Kindred, Community Member: their organization partners with CSULB's Center for Community Engagement; great internship opportunities available.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Chair Maythe Alderete Gonzalez adjourned the meeting at 5:09 p.m.