

Associated Students, Inc.  
California State University, Long Beach

**SENATE MINUTES**  
**Meeting #18**  
**December 8, 2021**  
**(APPROVED)**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Lindsay Apaza called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Voting Members Present

Chris Padron, ASI College of the Arts  
Katherine Gonzalez, ASI College of the Arts  
Aquila Jacquette, ASI College of Business  
Jose Raya Perez, ASI College of Business  
Shelbi Felter, ASI College of Education  
Giselle Garcia, ASI College of Education  
Ana Gonzalez, ASI College of Health and Human Services (Arrive 3:33 p.m.)  
Maria Lopez, ASI College of Health and Human Services (Arrive 3:33 p.m.)  
Salvador Peregrina, ASI College of Liberal Arts  
Millaray Ramirez, ASI College of Liberal Arts  
Jeana Young, ASI College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics  
Shivam Srivastava, ASI College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics  
Anthony Regina, ASI At-Large  
Isaac Julian, ASI At-Large  
Xitclalli Ramirez, ASI At-Large  
Lindsay Apaza, ASI Executive Vice President  
Dr. Piya Bose, CSULB President's Designee

Voting Members Absent

Karen Galindo, ASI At-Large  
Jeff Jarvis, CSULB Faculty Representative  
VACANT, ASI College of Engineering  
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Staff Present

Joe Nino, Assistant Director, Government Affairs and Initiatives  
Dr. Miles Nevin, ASI Executive Director (Arrive 3:33 p.m.)

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were none.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Apaza

- Add: Item #10-E Information Item: John Barcelona, ASI Vice President of Finance

**Young (MOVE) Raya Perez (SECOND) to approve Senate Agenda, Meeting #18, December 8, 2021, as amended**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

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

**5. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR**

- ASI Government Retreat: January 14, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; mandatory

## 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Action Item: Senate Minutes, Meeting #17, December 1, 2021

**Young (MOVE) Raya Perez (SECOND) to approve Senate Minutes, Meeting #17, December 1, 2021**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 16-0-0**

**Approve-Oppose-Abstain**

## 7. CONSENT CALENDAR/REPORTS

A. Approval of Minutes from Subsidiary Boards

1) Action Item: Business and Finance Committee Minutes, Meeting #12, November 9, 2021

B. Acceptance of Minutes from Subsidiary Boards

1) Action Item: Cabinet Minutes, Meeting #12, November 15, 2021

2) Action Item: Judiciary Minutes, Meeting #5, November 15, 2021

3) Action Item: University Student Union Board of Trustees Minutes, Meeting #5, November 5, 2021

**Raya Perez (MOVE) Srivastava (SECOND) to approve Consent Calendar/Reports**

**VOTE ON THE MOTION**

**PASSES 16-0-0**

**Approve-Oppose-Abstain**

## 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

## 9. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

## 10. REPORTS

A. Information Item: ASI At-Large Senators

1) Athletics

There was no report.

2) Housing

Work completed since last report

- Attended Lobby Corps Meeting
  - Working on Policy Agenda / Plan of Action
- Beachfront articles for the Local Politics Series
- Set up meeting with Arianna, President of RHA

Goals for next two weeks

- Set up meeting with the RHA board
    - Discuss any issues/ concerns
  - Set up meeting with VP Apaza
  - Continue outreach and encourage students to join
- Student concerns
- Students worried about the new variant
  - Switching from virtual to in-person classes

3) Graduate/Transfer

Work completed since last report

- Attended Academic Senate

- Attended MGC Council Meeting
- Attended the Debrief of Rittenhouse Verdict

Goals for next two weeks

- Meet with At-Large Senators
- Plan goals for next semester
- Continue outreach to organizations during winter break
- Meet with Dr. Jody Cormack, Dean of Graduate Studies
- Meet with Dr. Bryan Rodriguez, Director of Graduate Studies
- Meet with Kerilyn Counter, Beach Transfer Transition Center

Student concerns

- Students are concerned due to Omicron Variant
- Students want more information regarding booster shots
- Students are wondering hours for library during finals week, whether it is going to be open 24 hours like the past years
- Students are wondering about how events will look like next semester due to an increase in student population

Did you know?

- According to [campusreel.org](https://www.campusreel.org): “At Cal State Long Beach, 45.0% of the entire student body are transfer students”
- According to the CSULB Graduate studies website: “About 6,000 students are currently enrolled in graduate programs in more than 65 fields.”
- Reference:
  - “Cal State Long Beach Transfers: 2020 Admit Rates, GPA, Recs & More.” *Campus Reel*, <https://www.campusreel.org/how-to-transfer-colleges/california-state-university-long-beach-transfer-requirements>
  - “Graduate Studies.” *California State University, Long Beach*, 13 Sept. 2021, <https://www.csulb.edu/graduate-studies/graduate-studies>

#### B. Information Item: Dr. Piya Bose, Dean of Students

- Covid updates
  - Omicron research being conducted
  - 3 Omicron cases (travelers) in California; 1 in Long Beach
  - Encouraged safety measurers
  - Booster shots encouraged for 18+ years old; sign up on MyTurn for campus vaccination appointment
- Spring programming will observe Covid safety measurers

#### C. Information Item: Dr. Miles Nevin, ASI Executive Director

- University Library will not be extending their hours; however, USU will be extending their hours
- Great and extensive Finals Week events listed online
- Commended board and staff for their dedicated efforts and a successful fall semester
- Spring updates
  - Budget development
  - Opening Grow Beach garden
  - Opening Demonstration Kitchen
- Advertise ASI Elections in March and consider running

D. Information Item: Joe Nino, ASI Interim Assistant Director of Government Affairs and Initiatives

- Wished the board good luck with Finals
- ASI Government Spring Retreat: January 14

E. Information Item: John Barcelona, ASI Vice President of Finance

Achievements

- Increased grant awards
- Student Travel Fund
  - Continental United States from \$400 to \$500
  - Alaska, Hawaii and International \$500 to \$600
  - Group awards \$1,000 to \$1,200
- Conference Attendance
  - Group awards \$500 to \$600
- Student Research Fund
  - Research support \$700 to \$800
- Allowed lodging, charring, and parking as part of reimbursement
- Updated policies on, Program Grants, Accounting and Cash handling and management
- Updated Business and Finance Committee Website

Financial Literacy Workshops

- Financial Empowerment: Save for Retirement
- Financial Empowerment : Boost Your Credit Score

Awards Given

Student Research Fund: \$1400

Student Travel Fund: \$1600

Our Process is Easy

- Apply for grant
- Present at BFC meeting
- Get reimbursed

What's Next?

- \$98,271 - Whoa! That's a big number, let's give it back to the students!

AS Fees Breakdown

Administration	\$ 1,947,661.52	35.42%
Beach Pride Programs	\$ 206,198.77	3.75%
Isabel Patterson Center	\$ 1,286,355.15	23.39%
Facilities And Equipment	\$ 78,086.33	1.42%
Marketing And Devlopment	\$ 275,009.92	5.00%
Recycling Center	\$ 549.93	0.01%
Student Government	\$ 491,098.82	8.93%
Student Media	\$ 352,828.78	6.42%
Student Organizations	\$ 97,180.75	1.77%
Student Support Services	\$ 229,602.91	4.18%
University Athletics	\$ 534,540.36	9.72%
Beach Pantry	\$ 201.21	0.00%

Award Recipients

- Jesse Ramirez – A Qualitative Examination of Latinx Immigrants who Use/Abuse Alcohol and Substances in the U.S
- Faiyaz Omerjee – The Role of Glucagon-Like Peptide-1 (GLP-1) Receptors in Methamphetamine-

induced Reward During Adolescence

- Javier Fernandez – Virtually attend the 2021 Conference of the American Academy of Religion
- Sasha Kuczynski - 2021 National Communication Association's 217th Annual Conference
- Kayla Fiori – To present “Ok Karen” at the Kenneth Burke Society Proceedings
- James Reuter- 2022 American Philosophical Association Pacific Division Meeting
- Shyanne Thompson – Presenting Research on Butterfly Flight

Any Questions

You can email me at [John.barcelona@csulb.edu](mailto:John.barcelona@csulb.edu)

## **11. CLOSING COMMENTS**

Padron: As Senate representative to the 22 West Media Advisory Committee, there's an opportunity to provide an ASI informational segment on Mondays, 8 a.m.

Srivastava: what dining options will be open in the spring?

Nevin: all USU restaurants (El Pollo commitment pending) are anticipated to be open; anticipate offering the Farmers Markets (approval from 49er Shops pending); for the university Wall StrEat will be open, Nugget (commitment pending) is anticipated to be open

Bose: convenience stores and the Outpost will be open; University Dining Plaza is not expected to be open.

Raya Perez: encouraged self-care and help others transition back to in-person

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

**Without objection**, Chair Lindsay Apaza adjourned the meeting at 4:08 p.m.