

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC.
California State University, San Bernardino

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES

JANUARY 12, 2024

The meeting was called to order by the President, Carson Fajardo at 12:03 a.m.

Present: Carson Fajardo, Julia Ruiz (Zoom), Diego Rendon (Zoom), Autumn Hudson, Sri Alapati, Bhavish Balsara, Kaelyn Blackwell (Zoom), James Chalk, Nasir Harris, Jessie McVicker (Zoom), Anaya Player, Derek Sweem, Kya Sauls, Kim Hunsaker, Dr. Paz Oliverrez, Dr. Daria Jackson-Graham and Dr. Michael Rister.

Absent: Dalaiah Graham.

Guests: Herbert Gonzalez, Marina Stone, Damaris Preciado, Joelle Lock, Sharlin Vaz, Thomas Corrigan, Jesus Medrano and Simeone Miller.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of December 8th were approved.

REPORTS:

President: President Fajardo attended a meeting that discussed establishing an Athletics Student Section at each game. He had a meeting with the Survivor Advocacy Services. He attended the Inland Empire Economic Partnership's Annual Dinner and Awards Reception on January 11th. He deferred to the following: Mr. Gonzalez who gave a detailed report on behalf of legislative affairs and Ms. Stone who gave a detailed report on behalf of programs.

Vice President of Finance: Ms. Hudson stated that a Finance Committee meeting will be held on January 19th at 10:30 a.m. Information Technology Services is working on making a Canvas course that will serve as CAB Funding Workshops.

Vice President of Palm Desert Campus: Mr. Rendon has been working on completing a list of all responsibilities, projects and accomplishments he has completed as the Vice President of the Palm Desert Campus (PDC).

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Representative: Mr. Chalk stated that the National Security Studies Club will be holding an Intelligence Colloquium in March. Dean Hassija has selected him as a student representative for the Political Science Chair Review Committee.

Athletics: Ms. Blackwell had a meeting with AOTD where they expressed their need for help from ASI in promoting this year's Narcan training.

International: Mr. Balsara stated that the International Student Orientation will be held on January 19th.

College of Natural Sciences: Mr. Harris stated that he met with the Dean and discussed his goals for this academic year.

College of Arts & Letters: Ms. McVicker stated that the Theatre Department will be performing Pippin starting April 26th. She plans on working with the department and ASI to have another sponsored student section for this semester's play.

External Affairs: Ms. Sauls asked the Board to contact her or Mr. Gonzalez if they are interested in serving on the Policy Committee.

Executive Director: Dr. Rister stated that the mileage reimbursement rate has increased from 65.5 cents per mile to 67 cents per mile.

OPEN FORUM:

Dr. Thomas Corrigan stated that faculty has been in the process of a contract reopener since last summer. This is an opportunity for faculty to negotiate pay, workload, health and safety issues, and parental leave. The CSU administration has imposed a five percent pay raise for faculty which he believes is not enough to keep up with inflation. The California Faculty Association, in response, has chosen to withhold labor for the first week of classes.

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A student expressed his concern that the raise in tuition is not being used for faculty raises.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

M/S Rister/Sweem: To move BD 103-23 to the top of the agenda. Passed unanimously.

The agenda was adopted as amended.

OLD BUSINESS:

BD 103-23 M/S Rister/Sweem: Revision of the ASI Hiring Policy. (Second Reading)

Dr. Rister deferred to Mr. Gonzalez who briefly reviewed the changes made to the Hiring Policy.

A roll call vote was conducted as follows:

In Favor: Alapati, Blackwell, Chalk, Fajardo, Harris, Hunsaker, McVicker, Player, Rendon, Rister, Sweem and Jackson-Graham.

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: None.

Passed (12/0/0).

BD 102-23 M/S Sweem/Rister: Revision of the ASI Bylaws. (Second Reading)

Mr. Sweem deferred to Mr. Gonzalez who briefly reviewed the changes made to the Bylaws.

A roll call vote was conducted as follows:

In Favor: Alapati, Blackwell, Chalk, Fajardo, Harris, Hunsaker, McVicker, Player, Rendon, Rister, Sweem and Jackson-Graham.

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: None.

Passed (12/0/0).

NEW BUSINESS:

BD 01-24 M/S Rister/Chalk: Appointment of Chair of the ASI Vacancy Committee.

Mr. Rister nominated Mr. Rendon as Chair.

A roll call vote was conducted as follows:

In Favor: Alapati, Blackwell, Chalk, Fajardo, Harris, Hunsaker, McVicker, Player, Rister, Sweem and Jackson-Graham.

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: Rendon.

Passed (11/0/1).

ANNOUCEMENTS:

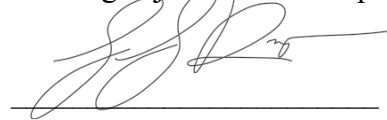
Dr. Rister stated that The Coachella Valley Firebirds Hockey Game Night will be held on February 15th.

Dr. Oliverez said there was an email sent out regarding a faculty strike taking place from January 22nd to January 26th. She asked students to contact her if they have any questions.

Ms. Blackwell stated that there will be a women's basketball game on January 13th at 1:00 p.m. and a men's basketball game on January 13th at 3:00 p.m.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 1:14 p.m.



Julia Ruiz
Executive Vice President