

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC.
California State University, San Bernardino

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES

APRIL 17, 2026

The meeting was called to order by the President, Diego Rendon at 12:11 p.m.

Present: Diego Rendon, Kimberly Rosas, Ayanna McAlister, Alondra Lopez (Zoom), Samantha Coronado, Joseph Gonzales, Nailah McAllister (Zoom), Melanie Radan, Judah Rubin (Zoom), Heather Sharp, Md Yeasin (Zoom), Amira Shalabi, Dr. Matthew Smith, Dr. Haakon Brown (Zoom) and Dr. Michael Rister.

Absent: Jennifer Cornejo, Ashley Smith, Kim Hunsaker and Dr. Paz Oliverrez.

Guests: Herbert Gonzalez, Joseph Morales, Swikar Pokharel, Ricardo Guevara and Adrian Mendoza.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of April 10th were approved.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

The agenda was adopted.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS:

President: President Rendon attended a Santos Manuel Student Union (SMSU) Policies and Procedures Committee meeting. He also met with Raymond Watts. He plans to meet with potential candidates for the vacant California State Student Association (CSSA) positions. He will be in Washington D.C. from Monday thru Thursday along with Marisa Yeager.

Executive Vice President: Ms. Rosas attended the Defining the Future and Hispanic Education Technology Services (HETS) conferences. HETS provides free preparation for Law School Admission Test (LSAT) and Medical College Admission Test (MCAT).

Vice President of Palm Desert Campus: Ms. Lopez stated that the Vital and Expanded Technologies Initiative (VETI) Committee has concluded. She plans to meet with Dr. Edna Martinez and Dr. Avi Rodriguez next week. The Instructionally Related Activities (IRA) Board is in the process of reviewing proposals.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Executive Director: Dr. Rister stated that the 2026-2027 budget will be presented to the Board next week, if approved by the Finance Committee. The process of reviewing applications for ASI scholarships will begin; a full report will be finalized for the upcoming Fall semester. The Student Parking Permit Award will be available around August. We were finally able to pay our large-scale vendors from PEAK this week. Coyote Fest artist contracts will soon be finalized.

ASI COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Programs: Mr. Millan stated that there was a considerable amount of student participation during the PDC elections events; food for Bites and Ballots was fully consumed. Nine Eight Five Coffee will release a collaborative tea for Coyote Fest.

OPEN FORUM:

Mr. Mendoza stated that the Presidential Debate transcript he created received 2,500 views. He recommended that ASI post events and Board of Director recordings publicly especially since approximately 93% of CSUSB students commute.

NEW BUSINESS:

BD 29-26 M/S Rister/Rosas: Permission to change auditing firms from Clifton, Larson & Allen to BakerTilly for the next three academic years (beginning with the remainder of this year).

Dr. Rister stated that he has been working with SMSU, University Enterprises Corporation and stateside faculty to review possible audit firms. Clifton, Larson & Allen will finalize Form 990 and then BakerTilly will assume its role around May, if approved.

In Favor: Rendon, Rosas, McAlister, Lopez, Coronado, Gonzales, McAllister, Radan, Rubin, Sharp, M. Smith and Rister.

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: Brown.

Passed (12/0/1).

(No response from Mr. Yeasin.)

BD 30-26 M/S Rister/Coronado: Resolution authorizing Worker's Compensation insurance coverage for ASI Community Garden volunteers.

Dr. Rister stated that Alliance is undergoing updates and suggested extending insurance coverage for volunteers. The insurance should cover high risk areas such as the garden.

In Favor: Rendon, Rosas, McAlister, Lopez, Coronado, Gonzales, McAllister, Sharp, Brown, M. Smith and Rister.

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: Radan.

Passed (11/0/1).

(No response from Mr. Rubin or Mr. Yeasin.)

BD 31-26 M/S Rister/Rosas: Resolution to continue participation in the CSURMA AORMA Programs.

Dr. Rister stated that the resolution is to renew the insurance with the CSURMA AORMA programs. They work with the majority of the California State University system.

In Favor: Rendon, Rosas, McAlister, Lopez, Coronado, Gonzales, McAllister, Radan, Rubin, Sharp, Yeasin, Brown, M. Smith and Rister.

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: None.

Passed (14/0/0).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ms. Rosas announced that the Coyote Film Club will hold their first International Yotie Film Fest on Thursday, May 7th from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The Office of Student Research will provide catering; the entrance fee is three-dollars per student and ten-dollars for general admission.

President Rendon will join an AVID tour on Thursday, April 30th at 10:00 a.m.; Board members should let him know if they wish to join. Coyote Fest will be held on April 30th. The Athletics Awards will take place on May 4th at 5:30 p.m. Softball games will be held today at 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 12:49 p.m.



Kimberly Rosas
Executive Vice President