

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC.
California State University, San Bernardino

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES

MAY 19, 2026

The meeting was called to order by the President, Diego Rendon at 12:03 p.m.

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

Absent: Jennifer Cornejo, Nailah McAllister, Melanie Radan and Kim Hunsaker.

Guests: Herbert Gonzalez, Marina Stone, Joseph Morales, Miguel Millan, Adrian Mendoza and Mark Oswood.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of May 8th were approved.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

The agenda was adopted.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS:

President: President Rendon attended a Campus Fee Advisory Committee meeting; the Instructionally Related Activities (IRA) Fee recommendation was rejected, however, it was passed due to President Morales' approval. The sand volleyball courts have been opened. He plans to meet with the incoming and outgoing Palm Desert Campus (PDC) team.

Executive Vice President: Ms. Rosas stated that the Campus Police Advisory Council held a meeting today with a strong candidate and another interview will be held from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. She plans to attend the upcoming ASI Transition Dinner. She attended a Hispanic Education Technology Services (HETS) luncheon with the Cabinet last Tuesday.

Vice President of Palm Desert Campus: Ms. Lopez is in the process of finalizing her transition documents. She will continue to meet with the incoming Vice President of PDC, Dante Ramirez to ensure a smooth transition.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Executive Director: Dr. Rister stated that transfers received for Summer and Fall 2025 totaled slightly over \$1.5 million, while Spring 2026 transfers were around \$700,000.00, resulting in approximately \$2.3 million in the budget. This increase from the previous year's budget of approximately \$1.6 million is due to the referendum. The additional funding has provided more opportunities such as a paid internship, three large-scale events and the ASI Student Parking Permit Awards. The approved \$100,000.00 donation toward the new tennis and volleyball courts has been transferred. The project timeline remains uncertain, however, previous discussions indicated a completion date of late August or September.

OPEN FORUM:

Mr. Mendoza stated that he created multiple projects that benefit ASI, however, he was not considered for the Clubs and Organizations representative position. He requested more oversight of the search committees since they are volunteer positions.

OLD BUSINESS:

**BD 38-26 M/S Coronado/Rubin: Revision of the ASI Club Allocation Budget Policy.
(Second Reading)**

Ms. Smith deferred to Mr. Gonzalez who briefly reviewed the ASI Club Allocation Budget Policy.

Dr. Brown inquired whether the ASI Policy Committee considered a Faculty Representative position for the Club Allocation Budget (CAB) Review Committee. Mr. Gonzalez replied that those revisions could be made during the Board meeting since it is a redlined item.

M/S Rister/Brown: To keep the “ASI BoD Faculty representative” position on the CAB Review Committee under Section 2.3. Passed unanimously.

Dr. Oliverez inquired which revisions in the CAB Policy will address student concerns such as timing. Dr. Rister replied that the revisions in language no longer require students to meet deadlines for ASI and the Office of Student Leadership and Engagement (OSLE). It also removes the requirement of an ASI and OSLE training session.

In favor: Rendon, Rosas, Lopez, Coronado, Rubin, Sharp, Yeasin, Brown, M. Smith, Rister and Oliverez.

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: None.

Passed (11/0/0).

(No response from Ms. McAlister or Mr. Gonzales.)

BD 39-26 M/S Rister/Coronado: Revision of the ASI Bylaws. (Second Reading)

Dr. Rister deferred to Mr. Gonzalez who briefly reviewed the ASI Bylaws.

In favor: Rendon, Rosas, Lopez, Coronado, Rubin, Sharp, Yeasin, Brown, M. Smith, Rister and Oliverez.

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: None.

Passed (11/0/0).

(No response from Ms. McAlister or Mr. Gonzales.)

President Rendon passed the gavel to Ms. Rosas.

NEW BUSINESS:

BD 40-26 M/S Rendon/Coronado: Resolution regarding Instructionally Related Activities (IRA) Fee.

President Rendon explained that the resolution opposes the university's plan to raise the IRA Fee without a student vote. The current IRA Fee is \$199.00 per year and the university is proposing an additional \$300.00 increase starting Fall 2026. Instead of a referendum, the university used a student survey as an alternative consultation method. The Campus Fee Advisory Committee rejected the recommendation, however, the committee members received an email stating that the fee was passed. The resolution gives recommendations to the campus of how to proceed in the future if another fee increase were to be introduced.

Mr. Rubin asked for clarification on whether the fee has already been approved. He inquired whether the resolution would impact future actions. President Rendon replied that the Campus Fee Advisory Committee voted to reject the recommendation, however, President Morales made the final decision. Ms. Smith replied that the California State Student Association (CSSA) has an approved statement calling for the reformation of the alternative consultation process.

Dr. Brown stated that the Faculty Senate approved a resolution opposing the fee in their last meeting.

In favor: Rendon, Rosas, Lopez, Coronado, Rubin, Sharp, Yeasin and Brown.

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: M. Smith, Rister and Oliverez.

Passed (8/0/3).

(No response from Ms. McAlister or Mr. Gonzales.)

Ms. Rosas passed the gavel back to President Rendon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

President Rendon stated that the ASI Transition Dinner will be held on Thursday from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. He reminded the Board to submit their transition documents to Mr. Gonzalez.

Ms. Smith encouraged the Board to apply for the ASI student staff positions if eligible.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m.



Samantha Coronado
Executive Vice President