ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC.
California State University, San Bernardino

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES SEPTEMBER 11, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President, Amira Shalabi at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Amira Shalabi, Samantha Coronado, AJ Fernandez, Dante Ramirez, Heather Sharp, Alanna 'Milo' Meza, Seth Whiting, Kennedi Jones, Taslima Mozumder, Jason Hicks, Dhruvil Kumbhani, Dr. Haakon Brown (Zoom), Dr. Matthew Smith and Dr. Michael Rister.

Absent: Melanie Radan and Kim Hunsaker.

Guests: Eliana Galán, Herbert Gonzalez, Marina Stone, Johan Rosales, Miguel Millan, Alondra Lopez, Erik Chavez and ASL Interpreters (2).

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

M/S Hicks/Coronado: To strike his comment "*Mr. Hicks asked for clarification on how this program benefits students."* from the Guest Speaker section and replace it with "*Mr. Hicks asked for clarification on how this program benefits ASI.*"

The minutes of September 4th were approved as amended.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

M/S Coronado/Meza: To place BD 48-26 through BD 50-26 on a consent calendar. Passed unanimously.

The agenda was adopted as amended.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS:

President: President Shalabi is conducting outreach with the CSU campuses in the California State Students Association (CSSA) Southern Region. She is planning to meet one-on-one with each Board member to discuss the STAND Goals. She is coordinating a meeting with the Chief of Police, Steven Griffin and the ASI Board of Directors. She met with the CSUSB Philanthropic Foundation. She will visit PDC to attend Pizza with the Vice Presidents on September 16th. She attended the Undocumented Student Success Center (USSC) Fall Welcome and the Fall Club Fair. The meet-and-greet between ASI and Finance, Technology and Operations (FTO) has been postponed.

Executive Vice President: Ms. Coronado stated that the Vacancy Committee met.

Vice President of Finance: Mr. Fernandez is looking for members to serve on the Instructionally Related Activities (IRA) Committee. He attended the Philanthropic Foundation Audit Committee meeting.

Vice President of Palm Desert Campus: Mr. Ramirez met with the candidates for the Palm Desert Advisory Committee. He attended the Homecoming Kickoff. He will meet with a student to discuss their appointment to the IRA Committee. He will attend Pizza with the Vice Presidents.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

Executive Director: Dr. Rister attended the Division of Student Affairs (DSA) meeting; Dr. Smith provided an opportunity for students to attend the meeting and share their experiences, needs and thoughts directly with department directors. The audit is nearly complete and is expected to be presented within the next couple of weeks; the final report is to be shared with the Board once available. A representative from Baker Tilly will assist with presenting the audit findings.

ASI COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Programs: Ms. Stone received 25 applications for the Marketing Intern position; she selected and appointed three interns who will begin working on Friday, September 18th. Mr. Rosales completed the requirements to hold and attend the Safety Walk; he will send an email to Facilities Planning & Management to confirm attendance. He is creating QR codes for upcoming events. He will visit PDC soon. Mr. Millan is in the process of planning the annual PDC Hockey Night. He assisted the Rancho Mirage Student Center (RMSC) with their Casino Night. Bellos Coffee has opened at PDC. There will soon be an open position on the PDC Programs team.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Ms. Galán, Office of Civil Rights and Title IX briefly introduced herself. She briefly discussed the mandatory Title IX training that all CSUSB students must complete; it is due on September 29th. If students do not complete their Title IX training, a hold is placed on their MyCoyote account. The Office of Civil Rights and Title IX will distribute t-shirts to students who complete their training from September 14th through September 17th.

Mr. Ramirez inquired into how students can lift the hold on their account if they do not complete their Title IX training. Ms. Galán explained the hold is lifted once students complete the training; it will take 2-3 days for it to be reflected in MyCoyote.

NEW BUSINESS:

BD 48-26 Appointment of Ralph Guerrero as a student-at-large representative to the ASI Finance Committee.

BD 49-26 Appointment of Eric Sedano Godina as a student-at-large representative to the ASI Finance Committee.

BD 50-26 Appointment of Melissa Tejada as a student-at-large representative to the ASI Finance Committee.

The consent calendar was approved.

BD 51-26 Discussion on insurance requirements and acquisition for clubs.

Ms. Sharp stated that many student clubs are unable to fund high-risk events that may occur during their meetings, such as having a guest speaker. She explained that in working closely with the Glass Club their guest speakers would consist of blowing glass which is considered high-risk and would require insurance for the club or the artist would need to have an insurance policy in order to give a demo to students. Her goal is to make the process of acquiring insurance for clubs easier and more accessible.

Dr. Rister deferred to Ms. Stone who recommended having visiting vendors provide their own insurance coverage. She explained that Daily Coverage insurance can be purchased for the day they are on campus. Ms. Sharp inquired into whether the Daily Coverage insurance could be included in the invoices submitted for risk assessment. Ms. Stone explained that this could be discussed with the Risk Assessment Department.

Dr. Brown stated that depending on the level of risk, the Office of Risk Management can grant insurance waivers.

Discussion closed.

REPORTS:

External Affairs: Mr. Kumbhani will attend Vote and Vibe on September 15th as part of the Voice Your Choice Civic Engagement Campaign. He is planning to meet with the Office of Government, Tribal and Community Relations.

Athletics: Ms. Jones stated that a new program called Coyote Call is being developed to encourage athletic teams to support one another by attending each other's games; a Coyote Call for the men's soccer team will take place on September 13th.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences: Ms. Meza met with the President and Vice President of the Political Literature Club. She met with the Director of Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD). She created a survey to determine whether students know their representatives and to gather feedback on their representatives' performance.

International: Ms. Mozumder had a meeting with the Dean of the College of Global and Extended Education where they discussed creating an International Student Advisory Committee within ASI. A World Café event will be held in November.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Ramirez stated that Pizza with the Vice Presidents will take place on September 16th at PDC.

Mr. Gonzalez reminded the Board to schedule a date to have their portraits taken with their ASI Flags. Vote and Vibe will take place on September 15th.

Dr. Rister stated that Homecoming will take place on October 10th. President Shalabi stated that she is planning to host a spirit week for Homecoming.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 1:42 p.m.



Samantha Coronado
Executive Vice President