

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC.
California State University, San Bernardino

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 26, 2019

The meeting was called to order by the President, Adonis Galarza at 12:04 p.m.

Present: Adonis Galarza, Helen Martinez, Kristy Robles, Mark Sanchez, Yomara Donis, Miao Zhang, Marvin Macharia, Marilyn Lua, Yingtai Xu, Doris Egbo (Zoom), Suany Echevarria, Jonathan Lowell (Zoom) and Jesse Felix.

Absent: Dr. Paz Oliverez (excused) and Dr. Angela Horner (excused).

Guests: Jared Brito, Jodi Buckley and Lynniece Warren.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of November 19th were approved.

REPORTS:

College of Arts and Letters: Ms. Echevarria reported that her open forum was held on November 21st at 10:00 a.m. in University Hall Plaza and it was a success. She recommended that Mr. Macharia collaborate with the Board for their upcoming open forums since the majority of the students are from the College of Natural Sciences.

Housing: Ms. Lua reported that her open forum, held on November 18th at 5:00 p.m. was a success. The students' feedback targeted concerns such as campus safety and housing insecurity.

Palm Desert Campus: Mr. Lowell reported that an event for First Generation Students was held at PDC on November 21st and it was a success.

Vice President of Finance: Ms. Robles reported that she met with Jon Merchant, Director of Housing on November 25th to discuss sustainability in the dorms.

Executive Vice President: Ms. Martinez reported that she attended a dinner alongside BoD members to celebrate the achievement of students, faculty and the campus community. The dinner highlighted the positive impact of key donors to the campus. The goal of \$50 million dollars was surpassed to \$54 million dollars.

President: Mr. Galarza reported that the Executive Board met with Alumni Relations to discuss the ASI Class Gift to the University. He met with the Career Center to create an internship for students.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

M/S Echevarria/Donis: To vote on adoption of agenda. Passed unanimously.

The agenda was adopted.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Lynniece Warren, Energy and Sustainability Manager gave a presentation about the Resilient CSUSB Vision Plan. She explained the potential legacy opportunities such as endowment investing, resilient ambassador programs, resilient criteria and sustainable special events.

OLD BUSINESS:

BD 106-19 M/S Donis/Felix: Approval to dissolve the Elections Policy and Procedures – Palm Desert Campus and Procedures. (Second Reading)

Ms. Donis explained that Mr. Lowell's previous concerns regarding the requirements to run for BoD were taken into consideration.

Discussion followed with questions from the Board.

BD 107-19 M/S Egbo/Echevarria: Approval to dissolve the Policy and Job Duties for the Director of External Affairs. (Second Reading)

Ms. Donis explained that the Policy conflicts with the duties of the Director of External Affairs therefore, it would be best to dissolve the Policy.

Passed (8/0/1).

NEW BUSINESS:

BD 111-19 M/S Felix/Lua: Creation of ASI Sustainability Committee.

Ms. Robles explained that the Committee is charged with advising ASI leadership on matters pertaining to the campus environment and sustainability. The responsibilities include issuing an annual report to the Board on its activities and progress toward sustainability goals and plans for the upcoming year. The Committee will promote and support a culture of sustainability on campus. In accordance with ASI and CSUSB policies, the Committee will coordinate and implement sustainability plans, projects, programs and events for CSUSB students.

Ms. Donis suggested that one of the Student-at-Large representatives be in charge of sustainability as stated in the bylaws.

Discussion followed with questions from the Board.

Passed (8/0/1).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ms. Martinez announced that Samuel Sudhakar invited the Board to the Alligator Lab Innovation on Tuesday, December 3rd at 10:30 a.m. The Board will meet at Samuel Sudhakar's office in the Pfau Library, Room 2104.

Mr. Macharia announced that today is “Pie the Dean” outside of the College of Natural Sciences from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Ms. Doris invited the Board to join the Black Faculty Student Association starting Winter Quarter.

Mr. Felix encouraged the Board to attend Friendsgiving being held today in the SMSU Events Center.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 1:14 p.m.



Helen Martinez
Executive Vice President

