

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC.**  
**California State University, San Bernardino**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 29, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by the President, Adonis Galarza at 12:07 p.m.

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

Absent: Yingtai Xu (excused), Miao Zhang (unexcused), Dr. Paz Oliverez (excused) and Dr. Angela Horner (excused).

Guests: Jared Brito, Ciera Hammond, Sage Keyner, Charlotte Iradjpanah and Alfredo Barcenas.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

M/S Donis/Echevarria: To approve the minutes of October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Passed unanimously.

**REPORTS:**

*College of Arts and Letters:* Ms. Echevarria reported that she researched what other campuses are doing in regards to the issue of basic needs. Campuses such as the University of Texas and the University of Georgia has a program called "Food for Fine". The program uses canned food to pay for parking citations; this would help address food insecurity. She suggested making a basic needs zone where students can get resources from individuals regarding basic needs in order to get the help they need. To help address housing insecurities, CSU, San Marcos has a commuter lodge where students can sleep, shower and rest.

*Housing:* Ms. Lua reported that on October 28<sup>th</sup>, she was scheduled to hold her first open forum, however, due to the campus power outage, it was scheduled for November 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. A Coyote Dining Campus Committee meeting will be held on November 4<sup>th</sup>.

*Palm Desert Campus:* Mr. Lowell reported that Dr. Oliverez held an open forum on October 24<sup>th</sup> at PDC. He will be having a student led open forum so that the feedback from Dr. Oliverez's open forum and the students' needs can be met.

*College of Business & Public Administration:* Ms. Donis reported that she held her first open forum on October 23<sup>rd</sup> and it was successful. The feedback was that students want more information regarding resources on campus.

*Vice President of Finance:* Ms. Robles reported that the Finance Committee approved \$2,500.00 for the Black and Brown Conference. Last year, the estimated investment earnings was \$10,000.00, however, Ms. Robles explained that the returned amount was \$47,165.00. She met with Michael Casadonte to discuss making a food application for CSUSB students.

*Executive Director:* Mr. Felix reported that he met with Yusra Serhan, Chair of the SMSU BoD.

She informed Mr. Felix that the SMSU is thinking of turning the first floor of the Cross Cultural Center into a common space and the second floor into a Graduate Student Research Center, once the new building is open. He stated that 10 students attended the CAB Workshop on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Graphics is currently working on materials for CAB funding, Open Forums and Friendsgiving. Halloween Town will be held on October 30<sup>th</sup>, if there is no campus closure.

*President:* Mr. Galarza met with Dr. Oliverez to discuss emailing students without having a censor. He is awaiting a response to see if ASI will be granted access to email students. He met with Ms. Martinez, Ms. Robles, Ms. Keyner and Ms. Montenegro to discuss the possibility of having a concert.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

M/S Lua/Sanchez: To vote on adoption of agenda. Passed unanimously.

The agenda was adopted.

**OPEN FORUM:**

Charlotte Iradjpanah informed the Board that she attended a meeting with the Vice President of Administration and Finance, Dr. Doug Freer on October 23<sup>rd</sup> to discuss the issue of the Victor Valley transit authority. Mr. Felix applauded Ms. Iradjpanah for her advocacy.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**BD 96-19 M/S Donis/Egbo: Appointment of a Board of Director representative to the ASI Activities Committee.**

Mr. Felix explained that the BoD representative will Co-chair the committee which reviews events that cost more than \$6,000.00.

Mr. Felix deferred his time to Sage Keyner. Ms. Keyner explained the responsibilities of being a representative of the ASI Activities Committee.

Mr. Felix nominated Ms. Lua. The nomination was accepted.

Passed unanimously.

**BD 97-19 M/S Donis/Lowell: Appointment of Ciera Hammond as a Corporate representative to the ASI Policy Committee.**

Mr. Galarza passed the gavel to Ms. Martinez.

Mr. Galarza spoke in favor of Ms. Hammond.

Passed (8/0/0).

**BD 98-19 M/S Lua/Felix: Appointment of Sage Keyner as a Corporate representative to the**

**ASI Policy Committee.**

Mr. Galarza spoke in favor of Ms. Keyner.

Passed (8/0/0).

**BD 99-19 M/S Lowell/Donis: Appointment of a Chair to the ASI Policy Committee as defined in Article VI Section 7.**

Mr. Lowell nominated Ms. Donis as Chair. Mr. Felix seconded the nomination. The nomination was accepted.

Passed (8/0/0).

Ms. Martinez returned the gavel to Mr. Galarza.

**BD 100-19 M/S Egbo/Felix: Discussion of 2019-2020 ASI Policy Agenda.**

Mr. Galarza explained that this item is to review the responses from the Board who filled out the Qualtrics survey. There was an inadequate number of responses. Mr. Galarza urged the Board to give feedback in order to shape how the Policy Agenda will be formatted. On Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 p.m. a meeting will be conducted to draft the Policy Agenda for ASI.

Mr. Felix stated that it is necessary for the Board to provide feedback when asked. There was a total of five members who responded to the Qualtrics survey. He grouped responses into themes from the information gathered. Major concerns from the survey were: resource awareness, academic advising, career development, basic needs, parking, recognition for student athletes, and more online classes.

Discussion followed with questions from the Board.

Ms. Echevarria recommended conducting research on parking citations to see where the money from parking tickets is applied.

Ms. Donis explained that parking at University of California Riverside (UCR) is at a reduced price for a one-day pass; she suggested that the CSUSB parking services do the same.

Discussion closed.

**BD 101-19 M/S Donis/Lowell: Permission to transfer \$15,000.00 from Unrestricted Net Assets to A.S. Productions – Programs & Publicity (660839-RN001-A6200) for the 2019-20 Census project.**

Ciera Hammond, Director of External Affairs explained the purpose and importance of Census. If every single CSUSB student responds to the Census in 2020, it would amount to approximately \$415,000,000.00 in resources for the city of San Bernardino. A kickoff event will be held in the SMSU from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. Tabling will be conducted January through April to encourage

students to participate in the Census. In order to make this campaign work, volunteers will be needed. A luncheon will be hosted in the Fourplex to recognize and acknowledge the commitment of the volunteers.

Mr. Felix deferred his time to Mr. Barcenas. Mr. Barcenas explained that the Staff Council approved the resolution in support of the ASI resolution. He adds that the Faculty Senate is considering a similar action towards supporting the ASI resolution.

Discussion followed with questions from the Board.

Passed (7/1/0).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Ms. Echevarria announced that Dickey's Barbeque Pit is donating 10% of purchases to fund a scholarship called "Dining for Dreamers" for undocumented students.

Mr. Galarza announced that he attended last week's CSSA conference with Ms. Hammond and they approved the continuum-reasoning proposal. The proposal adds an additional course requirement for high school students.

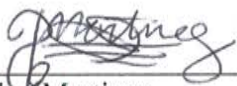
Mr. Lowell announced that he will be meeting with Oscar Fonseca on October 31<sup>st</sup>. PDC will be having a movie night on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

Ms. Lua announced that the Pan-African Stem Society will be conducting a Research 101 event today in the Health & PE Complex, Room 132. Japan Day will be held on November 13<sup>th</sup> from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Mr. Felix announced that he and Mr. Barcenas will be attending and presenting at the Black and Brown Conference on Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

  
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Helen Martinez  
Executive Vice President