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

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MINUTES** 

**FEBRUARY 3, 2023** 

The meeting was called to order by the President, Paola Galvez at 9:09 a.m.

Present: Paola Galvez, Julia Ruiz, Sarah Lopez, Catherine Orellana (Zoom), Oluwaseyi Adeoye, Valerie Enciso (Zoom), Carson Fajardo, Jessie McVicker, Guadalupe Romero (Zoom), Derek Sweem, Richard Vega, Michael Rister and Dr. Daria Graham (Zoom).

Absent: Kaelyn Blackwell (excused), Ahmed Burgos (unexcused), Kudakwashe Magwenzi (unexcused) and Dr. Paz Oliverez.

Guests: Herbert Gonzalez, Marina Stone and Siddharth Jindal.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

The minutes of January 27<sup>th</sup> were approved.

#### **REPORTS:**

*President:* President Galvez attended the University Honors Program meeting. She attended the SMSU Personnel Committee meeting on Thursday. She deferred to the following: Mr. Gonzalez gave a detailed report on behalf of legislative affairs. Ms. Stone gave a detailed report on behalf of programs.

Executive Vice President: Mx. Ruiz stated that the Personnel Committee will begin the search for the Associate Director.

*Vice President of Finance:* Ms. Orellana stated that the Finance Committee recruitment flyer was emailed to the Palm Desert Campus and will soon be emailed to the San Bernardino campus.

*Vice President of Palm Desert Campus:* Ms. Lopez met with Ms. Romero, Ms. McVicker and Mr. Burgos to discuss how they could support the Palm Desert Campus (PDC). She would like for PDC students to get involved in the ASI Elections process.

*Housing:* Mr. Fajardo met with Eric Stender, Yotie Eats General Manager to discuss meal plans. He tabled with the Residence Halls Association at the Division of Student Affairs Roadshow. He joined the Accessible Technology Initiative Steering Committee.

College of Arts & Letters: Ms. McVicker met with liberal studies students to discuss the changes being made to the curriculum that will be in effect next fall.

College of Natural Sciences: Mr. Vega met with students to discuss improvements that could be made to the College of Natural Sciences. He is working on collaborating with the Society for Advancement of Hispanics/Chicanos & Native Americans in Science.

*Graduate:* Mr. Sweem stated that he will be meeting with the Graduate Council on February 9<sup>th</sup>. The Graduate Student Success Center will be hosting a spring Welcome Back Mixer on February 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Executive Director: Mr. Rister stated that he is working with Ms. Orellana on the budget and it will be presented to the Board in the upcoming month.

ASI Advisor: Dr. Graham stated that the University had their second retreat with the Cooperative Economic Empowerment Movement (CEEM). Coyote Cares Day will be held on February 17<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Student Union East and on February 18<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., volunteers must be on campus by 7:00 a.m. to be picked up and taken to the volunteer site.

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

The agenda was adopted.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

President Galvez passed the gavel to Mx. Ruiz.

# BD 03-23 M/S Galvez/Lopez: Appointment of Siddharth Jindal as the ASI Elections Committee Chair.

President Galvez stated that the ASI Elections will be taking place soon, therefore, an Elections Committee Chair must be appointed. She stated that Mr. Jindal stood out due to his previous experience. She deferred to Mr. Jindal who shared his previous experience as the ASI Elections Committee Chair

A roll call vote was conducted as follows:

In Favor: Adeoye, Enciso, Fajardo, Graham, Lopez, McVicker, Rister, Romero, Sweem and Vega.

Opposed: None. Abstentions: Galvez. Passed (10/0/1).

## BD 04-23 M/S Galvez/Romero: Approval of objectives for the 2022-23 ASI Policy Agenda.

President Galvez stated that the Policy Agenda was approved a few months ago. She briefly reviewed the added objectives to the Policy Agenda.

Mx. Ruiz recommended that the Policy Agenda could be considered and revised for this approval.

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Mr. Sweem recommended the following revision for Policy Goal 1, Strategy 2: Encourage and collaborate with campus partners to allow for online and in-person engagement.

The Board agreed to replace "involvement" with "engagement" for Policy Goal 1, Strategy 2.

Mr. Fajardo recommended to add a Strategy regarding housing to the Policy Agenda.

Mr. Sweem recommended the following revision for Policy Goal 3, Strategy 4: Form a productive partnership with the Office of Student Leadership and Engagement to improve offerings and development for clubs and organizations.

The Board agreed to replace "alliance" with "partnership" for Policy Goal 3, Strategy 4.

Mr. Sweem recommended the following revision for Policy Goal 4, Strategy 4: Generate chances for student representatives to join ASI through committee involvement, event attendance, and help roles.

The Board agreed to replace "student-at-large" with "student representatives" for Policy Goal 4, Strategy 4.

The Board made the following revisions to Policy Goal 5: Strategy 1 was changed to Strategy 2, Strategy 2 was changed to Strategy 4, Strategy 3 was changed to Strategy 1 and Strategy 4 was changed to Strategy 3.

The Board agreed to revise Policy Goal 5, Strategy 5: "Construct a student job role with promoting diversity and integration for the corporation" to "Explore ways to integrate Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) practices into the corporation."

Ms. Lopez recommended the addition of Policy Goal 6, Strategy 4: "Develop intentional, premier, and family-oriented programming that draws focus to the Palm Desert Campus and encourages students from San Bernardino to attend/visit the campus."

Ms. Lopez recommended the addition of Policy Goal 6, Strategy 5: "Work with campus and community partners to identify and address barriers unique to students with dependents and identify childcare needs."

A roll call vote was conducted as follows:

In Favor: Adeoye, Enciso, Galvez, Graham, Lopez, McVicker, Rister, Sweem and Vega.

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: Fajardo and Romero.

Passed (9/0/2).

Mx. Ruiz passed the gavel to President Galvez.

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## **ANNOUCEMENTS:**

Mx. Ruiz reminded the Board to schedule a 1:1 meeting with her.

Mr. Rister stated he will be emailing the ASI Team and Board weekly briefs on information that may be of interest to ASI.

Ms. Adeoye reminded the Board to look out for Black History events occurring on campus.

Ms. Lopez would like to schedule 1:1 meeting with each Board member.

## **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Julia Ruiz

**Executive Vice President** 

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