

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC.
California State University, San Bernardino

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES

April 14, 2020

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

Present: Adonis Galarza, Helen Martinez, Kristy Robles, Mark Sanchez, Yomara Donis, Marvin Macharia, Nathaly Ramos, Sharon Tewari, Marilyn Lua, Angelica Agudo, Suany Echevarria, Jesse Felix, Dr. Angela Horner and Dr. Paz Oliverrez.

Absent: Jonathan Lowell (excused).

Guests: Maxine Vista and Alfredo Barcenas.

(The above listed were present via Zoom.)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

M/S Donis/Felix: To approve the minutes of April 7th. Passed unanimously.

REPORTS:

International: Ms. Tewari stated that she is thankful to be a part of the Board.

President's Representative: Dr. Oliverrez stated that Tea with The VP was a success and that the next one will be held on May 13th from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. All students will have access to the Emergency grant funds, however, a final decision has not been determined and an application may be required. The Women's Leadership Conference will be held on May 22nd. She recognized all student employees for their services.

Faculty Representative: Dr. Horner stated that the Dining Services Interim General Manager, Cory Cosio is following protocol by implementing social distancing effective immediately.

Vice President of Finance: Ms. Robles stated that the Sustainability Committee meeting will be held on April 20th from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Executive Vice President: Ms. Martinez stated that she will be attending the Vital and Expanded Technologies Initiative (VETI) Committee meeting held on April 17th to discuss proposals. She urged the Board to attend the Undocumented Student Success Center Advisory Board meeting held on April 23rd from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. She will be attending the Faculty Senate meetings on behalf of Mr. Galarza. The campus will be welcoming four finalists for the AVP Dean of Students position starting early May. The Search Committee would like to invite student leaders to attend a meeting with each of the finalists.

Executive Director: Mr. Felix stated that Karaoke night will be held today. He deferred to Mr.

Barcenas who gave a detailed report on behalf of the Student Advocates and explained that Ms. Hammond has emailed a report for Legislative Affairs.

President: Mr. Galarza welcomed Ms. Tewari to the Board. He stated that last week, the Executives Officers met and launched their Welcome video. He met with Dr. Oliverez to discuss the \$13,000,000.00 grant.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

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

OLD BUSINESS:

BD 53-20 M/S Agudo/Ramos: Revision of the ASI Howl Grant Policy. (Second Reading)

Mr. Felix stated that students did not have the opportunity to apply for Howl Grant. He recommended that the Board alter eligibility to allow students to receive the funds. He added that all clubs and organizations which are OSE chartered would be funded based on OSE policies.

Discussion followed with questions from the Board.

M/S Felix/Donis: To strike the following: *Section 1, Subsection b:* “Clubs and Organizations must file a Howl Grant application (2) weeks prior to the Spring ASI general election. Failure to submit the required application by the given deadline will result in ineligibility to receive funding.”

Section 1, Subsection c: “All applications must be submitted by a financially responsible representative of the club or Organization.”

Passed.

Section 3, Subsection a: M/S Felix/Donis: To replace the following: “Clubs and Organizations who successfully file an application for the Howl Grant will be placed on the ASI general election ballot” with “All Clubs and Organizations that are currently chartered with the office of student engagement will be placed on the ASI general election ballot.” Passed.

Ms. Robles recommended striking Section 2, Subsection e and f due to the current Pandemic since the timeline does not allow students to have access to the funds.

Section 2, Subsection e and Subsection f:

M/S Felix/Lua: To strike the following: *Section 2, Subsection e:* “Funds are available to the organization beginning July 1st of the following fiscal year and are available for expenses

incurred through June 1st of the same fiscal year.”

Section 2, Subsection f: “All disbursement requests are due no later than June 1st.”

Passed.

Vote on motion as amended passed (11/0/0).

NEW BUSINESS:

BD 55-20 M/S Felix/Donis: Resolution on the California State University of San Bernardino Grade Policy Considerations in Response to COVID-19.

Mr. Felix stated that ASI understands that a decision to allow students the option to seek Credit/No Credit for their coursework is not an easy decision due to potential negative impacts on certain groups of students; and ASI hopes that the recommendations hereinafter, alleviate some of the stressors and create options under the special circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Discussion followed with questions from the Board.

M/S Oliverez/Felix: To amend the item to include Dr. Lesley Davidson-Boyd in distribution of resolution. Passed (11/0/0).

Mr. Felix recommended adding, “Resolved, the campus will take all necessary actions to ensure that students interested in exercising the credit/no-credit option are fully informed of the externalities of their decisions.”

Mr. Macharia inquired if a specific department can be added to take necessary action in the resolved recommended.

Ms. Donis stated that adding a specific department may cause an overload of work for that department.

Dr. Oliverez added that it is shared responsibility to different departments.

Mr. Galarza recommend adding, “Resolved, should a letter grade policy be enacted by California State University San Bernardino, The Associated Student Inc. calls for the partnership of all campus departments to ensure that students are fully informed of the externalities of their decisions.”

Dr. Horner suggested adding, “for their majors, and potential postgraduate programs.”

M/S Macharia/Horner: To amend the item to add, “ Resolved, should a letter grade policy be enacted by California State University San Bernardino, The Associated Student Inc. calls for the Office of The Registrar to add a common statement on all Winter 2020 and Spring 2020 transcripts identifying the current pandemic.” Passed (7/1/3).

Vote on motioned as amended passed (10/0/1).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

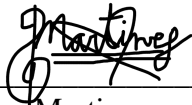
Mr. Felix reminded the Board to be prepared and read all documents before the meeting.

Dr. Horner announced that students are sharing class links to YouTube streamers who are bombarding online classes. She recognized Mr. Macharia on his nomination for Outstanding Undergraduate Biology Student.

Mr. Macharia showed appreciation for the creative events which programs have created.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.



Helen Martinez
Executive Vice President