ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC. California State University, San Bernardino

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES

MAY 11, 2021

The meeting was called to order by the Vice President, Marina Stone at 12:03 p.m.

Present: Graciela Moran, Paola Galvez, Marina Stone, Carlene Luna, Suany Echevarria, Nathaly Ramos, Mario Marquez, Rhejean King-Johnson, Holly Chea, Guadalupe Romero, Alexandra Thambi, Victoria Ayala, Angelica Agudo, Alfredo Barcenas, Dr. Daria Graham, Dr. Angela Horner, Robert Garcia and Dr. Paz Oliverez.

Absent: Jessica Zacarias (unexcused).

Guests: Sage Keyner, Daisy Ramos, Mary Richarte, Jeanette Hazelwood, Moises Ramirez, Herbert Gonzalez, Vianey Abraham, Adriana Acuna-Tellez, Mary Richarte, Alanis Perez and Jesse Felix.

(The above listed were present via Zoom)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of May 4th were approved.

REPORTS:

Sustainability: Ms. Thambi stated that she will schedule a meeting with a SPIN representative to get further information on having electric scooters on campus.

Interim Executive Director: Mr. Barcenas deferred to the following: Ms. Perez gave a detailed report on behalf of programs and marketing. Ms. Keyner gave a detailed report on behalf of PDC programs. Ms. Hazelwood gave a detailed report on behalf of CSSA. Ms. Ramos gave a detailed report on behalf of Internal Affairs.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

The agenda was adopted.

OPEN FORUM:

Ms. Keyner wanted to know how they could get back to working on the Coyote garden; Mr. Barcenas requested that she reach out to him after the Board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

BD 45-21 M/S Thambi/Echevarria: Discussion on inclusivity and unity awareness campaign.

Ms. Thambi collaborated with Ms. Hazelwood and Ms. Echevarria to create the inclusivity and unity awareness campaign named Yoties Stick Together where students are kind, supportive and inclusive. Due to COVID-19 and social issues, students have expressed concerns about returning to campus as well as feeling unsafe, vulnerable, uncertain and fear of being attacked. The purpose of the campaign is to address students' concerns by bringing awareness, using inclusive language and acknowledging different perspectives. The action plan for this campaign is to connect with the Office of Student Engagement, all affinity centers and departments regarding diversity and unity.

Mr. Barcenas deferred to Ms. Hazelwood who stated that she would like to collaborate with other campus departments on this campaign.

Ms. Moran joined the meeting.

Ms. Moran commended Ms. Hazelwood, Ms. Thambi and Ms. Echevarria for their hard work.

Time Certain: BD 46-21 (12:30 p.m.)

Ms. Stone passed the gavel to Ms. Moran.

BD 46-21 M/S Barcenas/Echevarria: Presentation on Paycheck Protection Program Loan by Rima Tan.

Mr. Barcenas deferred to Ms. Tan.

Ms. Tan stated that last year ASI applied to Round One of the PPP loan which supported small businesses and eligible nonprofit organizations, Veterans organizations, and Tribal businesses described in the Small Business Act. She stated that Vice President Freer advised ASI to apply for the loan a second time in case of an unexpected situation. The loan is deferred for six months without interest and it is forgivable if ASI maintains the employee count and funds mainly for payroll cost during the eight-week period post funding. Financial Services worked together with Auxiliary Payroll to submit the initial PPP loan, Round Two application for \$120,000.00 through Wells Fargo bank. They are currently waiting for the bank to review the application.

Discussion ensued.

Ms. Chea inquired into what the differences are between Round One and Round Two of the loan. Ms. Tan stated that the Federal Government is giving away additional support for small businesses and nonprofit organizations, so it is referred to as a PPP loan Round Two. She clarified that both rounds have the same process.

Mr. Barcenas stated that he will keep the Board updated on the progress of the application and thanked Ms. Tan for her hard work.

Discussion closed.

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Ms. Moran passed the gavel back to Ms. Stone.

BD 45-21: Continued:

Dr. Oliverez stated that she met with Ms. Moran last week to discuss safety on campus and the Campus Safety work group. She inquired into what the next steps are for this campaign.

Ms. Thambi stated that the next step for the campaign is to work with different campus departments to address students' concerns.

Mr. Garcia recommended that Ms. Thambi meet with Staff Council and ask for their support on this campaign.

Mr. Barcenas recommended they postpone the agenda item to work out the logistics and to see how ASI could get the right message out to ensure that they are meeting students' standards.

Discussion ensued.

Ms. Echevarria stated that having a resolution without action is just a piece of paper. She would like to see action take place for this campaign.

Ms. Ayala stated that in order to support this campaign, she would like to learn how she could help include POC, LGBTQ and others.

Mr. Garcia stated that resolutions must have action behind them.

Mr. Barcenas clarified that this is an action item and agreed that resolutions need to have action behind them. He stated that the wording for the item must be more accurate.

Dr. Graham encouraged the Board to think about steps they could take in order to have a resolution with action behind it.

Mr. Marquez spoke in favor of this item.

Ms. Echevarria stated that the purpose of this item is to give Board members a better understanding of students' concerns. She explained that the verbiage of the item is incorrect, however, if they pass the item to support the campaign, they could get the help of others to move the conversation along. She would like Board members to vote on this item in order to support the campaign. The campaign's progress will be brought back to the Board at a later time.

Ms. Stone clarified that they are voting to support the inclusivity and unity awareness campaign.

Passed (14/0/0).

Ms. Stone returned the gavel to Ms. Moran.

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ANNOUCEMENTS:

Dr. Horner announced that this may be her last BoD meeting.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 1:22 p.m.

Marina Stone (May 17, 2021 09:47 PDT)

Marina Stone

Executive Vice President

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