

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC.
California State University, San Bernardino

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 23, 2021

The meeting was called to order by the President, Daisy Ramos at 12:03 p.m.

Present: Daisy Ramos, Paola Galvez, Suany Echevarria, Auguste Torres, Michael Vazquez, Savreen Kaur, Angel Contreras, Danielle Penn, Carlene Luna, Alexia Maciel, Julian Lopez, Jessica Madrigal, Alfredo Barcenas, Beth Steffel, and Dr. Paz Oliverrez.

Absent: Angelique Melendrez (unexcused), Alexis McGowan (unexcused), Guadalupe Romero (excused), Dr. Daria Graham and Nathaly Ramos.

Guests: Herbert Gonzalez.

(The above listed were present via Zoom)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of November 9, 2021 were approved.

REPORTS:

President's Representative: Dr. Oliverrez stated that it is important that students provide as much information as possible regarding having virtual/in-person classes. Most classes will be held in-person. She thanked the Board for their support in the Latinas in Action Conference.

President: President Ramos stated that there are three vacant seats on the BoD: Business & Administration, Housing and College of Education.

Interim Executive Director: Mr. Barcenas stated that there was an involuntary resignation for Business & Administration. He commended Ms. Galvez for being the recipient of the AOA scholarship. He deferred to Mr. Gonzalez who gave a detailed report on behalf of programs and legislative affairs.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

The agenda was adopted.

NEW BUSINESS:

BD 99-21 M/S Barcenas/Vazquez: Revision of the ASI Bylaws. (First Reading).

Mr. Barcenas explained that some of the language was revised. He briefly reviewed the changes made to the bylaws.

Article I, Section 6, Subsection A (1):

To add: “Are not voting members of the BoD.”

Article II, Section 5, Subsection E:

To strike: “No elected or appointed student executive officer, may hold an elected or appointed executive position” and replace with “Students may not hold an individual executive office as defined in Article IV.”

The following Subsections were removed:

Article VI, Section 2, Subsection F(a-2) (a-3) (a-4):

To strike: “Examining the qualifications of all candidates for any elected positions in accordance with CSUSB and ASI policy.”

To strike: “Formulating any special regulations pertaining to elections and executing them after approval by the ASI BoD.”

To strike: “Preparing and counting the ballots for ASI elections under the supervision of the Office of Student Engagement and reporting the results, together with any irregularities, to the ASI BoD.”

Article VI, Section 2, Subsection F(b-1) (b-2):

To add: “The Elections Committee Chair appointed by the ASI President (voting only to break a tie).”

To strike: “One of these positions shall be appointed as chair by the ASI BoD (voting).”

Article VI, Section 5, Subsection E:

To strike: “No elected or appointed student executive officer, may hold an elected or appointed executive position” and replace with “Students may not hold an individual executive office as defined in Article IV for more than two (2) terms”.

Article IV, Subsection 1:

M/S: Barcenas/Vazquez: To add the following sections. Passed.

Article III, Section 2, Subsection A (14):

To add: “Vice President of Palm Desert Campus”

Article IV, Section 5, Subsection A and B:

Section 5. Vice President, Palm Desert Campus (PDC).

- A. Eligibility. The office of ASI Vice President of Palm Desert Campus may only be held by a student who is enrolled at all times at the Palm Desert Campus and in accordance with the academic policies of the corporation.

- B. Responsibilities and Duties. The ASI Vice President of Palm Desert Campus shall:
 - 1. Serve as the student representative on behalf of the Palm Desert Campus to the ASI BoD.
 - 2. Chair the Palm Desert Advisory Committee (PDAC).
 - 3. Have the authority to remove members from the PDAC subject to majority vote of the filled voting positions present at the BoD meeting.
 - 4. Ensure that the PDAC will establish a meeting schedule at the beginning of each semester.
 - 5. Present a report of the actions and activities undertaken by the PDAC to the ASI BoD. Serve as the main designee for all shared governance appointments at the Palm Desert Campus as a representative for PDC affairs.

Mr. Torres inquired whether the Vice President of PDC would be considered an Executive Officer and when this will be implemented. Mr. Barcenas stated that there used to be a Vice President of PDC, however, in 2013 the position was removed. The Vice President of PDC would be an Executive Officer replacing the current PDC representative. He explained that this will be implemented during the Spring elections if the Bylaws are approved during the next reading.

Discussion ensued

Mr. Barcenas recommended that the Board review the bylaws and give any feedback during the next Board meeting.

Discussion closed.

BD 100-21 M/S Barcenas/Vasquez: Revision of the ASI Elections Policy and Procedures. (First Reading).

Mr. Barcenas explained that a lot of the language was revised. He reviewed the larger changes made to the policy.

Purpose:

To strike: “To establish the election procedures upon which all Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) elections (general and special), will be operated, and to establish the qualification and criteria for all ASI candidates for office” and replace with “To establish the election procedures upon which all Associated Students, Inc. (ASI) elections (general and special), will be operated, and to

establish the qualification and criteria for all ASI candidates for office. Elections are at the very heart of governing the corporation and its operations; consequently, this policy has been created to ensure that strict standards in the conduct of ASI elections are stated and enforced. Should there be any conflict between this policy and the ASI bylaws, the ASI bylaws will prevail.”

Section A, Subsection 1(a):

To add: “All student members of the elections committee are appointed by the ASI President and approved by a majority of the ASI BoD.

Section A, Subsection 5:

To add: “Elections Chair Responsibilities”

Mr. Barcenas explained that the responsibilities of the Elections Chair will be listed in the bylaws. The goal for this year's Elections is to make the application fully online.

Discussion closed.

BD 101-21 M/S Barcenas/Penn: Appointment of David Garcia-Tlahuel as a student-at-large representative to the PDC Advisory Committee.

Mr. Barcenas spoke in favor of Mr. Tlahuel.

A roll call vote was conducted as follows:

In Favor: Ramos, Penn, Steffel, Torres, Vazquez, Kaur, Luna, Contreras, Barcenas, Madrigal and Oliverrez.

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: None.

Passed (11/0/0).

BD 102-21 M/S Barcenas/Contreras: Appointment of Pearla Badena as a student-at-large representative to the PDC Advisory Committee.

A roll call vote was conducted as follows:

In Favor: Ramos, Penn, Steffel, Torres, Vazquez, Kaur, Luna, Contreras, Barcenas, Madrigal and Oliverrez.

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: None.

Passed (11/0/0).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Barcenas encouraged the Board to complete their SOTEs.

President Ramos stated that Friendsgiving will be held today from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Ms. Luna stated that CSUSB will be hosting the NCAA tournament for the volleyball game next week.

Dr. Oliverrez stated that any students who encounter problems filling out their SOTEs can contact IT.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.



Paola Galvez
Executive Vice President