

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC.
California State University, San Bernardino

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES

OCTOBER 6, 2020

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

Present: Marina Stone, Paola Galvez, Holly Chea, Victoria Ayala, Jessica Zacarias, Suany Echevarria, Nathaly Ramos, Mario Marquez, Michael Flores, Angelica Agudo, Rhejean King-Johnson, Alexandra Thambi, Jesse Felix, Dr. Angela Horner, Dr. Daria Graham and Dr. Paz Oliverez.

Absent: Graciela Moran (excused).

Guests: Alfredo Barcenas, Moises Ramírez, Sage Keyner, Vianey Abraham, Daisy Ramos and Juan Medina.

(The above listed were present via Zoom)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of September 29th were approved.

REPORTS:

Sustainability: Ms. Thambi stated that she met with Ms. Echevarria and Huerta Del Valle to discuss a collaboration event for the month of November.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences: Ms. Ramos stated that she is working on a collaboration with the Social and Behavioral Sciences advisors for National Transfer Student Week.

Palm Desert Campus: Ms. Zacarias stated that the Palm Desert Advisory Committee meeting was held on October 1st at 12:00 p.m. and it was a success.

President's Representative: Dr. Oliverez stated that flu shot clinics will commence next week.

Vice President of Finance: Ms. Galvez stated that the Finance Committee has completed training. CAB workshops will be held on October 8th, October 14th and October 20th.

Executive Director: Mr. Felix encouraged the Board to consider focusing resources on supporting post-graduation initiatives such as internships, test prep, letter of intent writing workshops, etc. He deferred to the following: Ms. Keyner gave a detailed report on behalf of programs. Ms. Ramos gave a detailed report on behalf of Legislative Affairs. Ms. Abraham gave a detailed report on behalf of PDC programs. Mr. Medina stated that one student was offered a CLC referral.

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Executive Vice President: Ms. Stone stated that she is working on the Art Therapy event and Homecoming.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

M/S Felix/Echevarria: To strike BD 127-20 from the agenda since the student was notified of their involuntary resignation, therefore, there is no need to have a decision on the item. Passed unanimously.

The agenda was adopted as amended.

OLD BUSINESS:

BD 125-20 M/S Felix/Zacarias: Discussion of co-curricular programming initiatives.

Mr. Felix stated that the purpose of this item is to discuss ways to help support the Biological Science department through co-curricular programming.

Discussion ensued.

Dr. Horner stated that hosting an annual “Meet the Professors” event such as the one hosted by the Biology club can help other departments. During the event students can meet their professors and ask about their research.

Ms. Ayala stated that hosting events such as “Meet the Faculty” or “Meet the Dean” are great ideas to get students involved.

Ms. King-Johnson recommended that they incorporate hands on activities such as science experiments or visiting the cadavers.

Discussion ensued.

Discussion closed.

NEW BUSINESS:

BD 126-20 M/S Ayala/Zacarias: Discussion on reducing faculty office hours.

Ms. Ayala stated that the purpose of this item is to discuss faculty’s concerns regarding office hours.

Dr. Horner stated that she is paid to have faculty office hours and has created different ways to engage with students.

Ms. King-Johnson stated that as a Graduate teaching associate, it is a requirement to have office hours.

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Discussion ensued.

Ms. Ayala stated that she would be taking the feedback she received from the Board to the Educational Policy and Resources Committee.

Discussion closed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ms. Echevarria stated that the SMSU will be hosting LatinX Cuentos today from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Mr. Felix encouraged the Board to attend upcoming events.

Ms. Agudo stated that she served as a facilitator for a panel on imposter syndrome. The Graduate Student Society will be hosting “How was the Graduate Student Society” on October 30th from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. She encouraged the Board to collaborate with other Board members on events.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.



Marina Stone (Oct 9, 2020 10:38 PDT)

Marina Stone
Executive Vice President