

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC.
California State University, San Bernardino

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 19, 2019

The meeting was called to order by the President, Adonis Galarza at 12:08 p.m.

Present: Adonis Galarza, Helen Martinez, Kristy Robles, Mark Sanchez, Yomara Donis, Miao Zhang, Marvin Macharia, Yingtai Xu, Doris Egbo, Suany Echevarria, Jonathan Lowell (Zoom), Jesse Felix and Dr. Paz Oliverez.

Absent: Marilyn Lua (excused) and Dr. Angela Horner (excused).

Guests: Raul A. Diaz, Melissa Medina, Alison Petty Raggnette, Creisada Terpoorten, Pam Langford, Jared Brito, Jeannette Hazelwood and Alfredo Barcnas.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of November 12th were approved.

REPORTS:

Student-At-Large: Mr. Sanchez reported that he attended Ms. Lua's open forum on November 18th and it was a success.

Palm Desert Campus: Mr. Lowell reported that he met with the Dean of PDC to discuss the changes made to the student lounge by adding white boards and new microwaves.

International: Ms. Zhang reported that the Center for International Studies and Programs invited advisors to provide guides for international students.

College of Natural Sciences: Mr. Macharia reported that he met with Dean Pantula on November 15th to discuss how to provide standardized testing for students going into health professions and the creation of an African American Stem Success Program.

College of Arts and Letters: Ms. Echevarria reported that her open forum will be held on November 21st at 10:00 a.m. in University Hall Plaza.

Vice President of Finance: Ms. Robles reported that she proposed the creation of an ASI Sustainability Committee which will be presented to the Board next week.

President's Representative: Dr. Oliverez reported that "Tea with The VP" was successful with 20 plus students in attendance. The main concerns were the campus power outages and Faculty not working with students' schedules. Students would like more collaboration with Multicultural organizations. "Tea with The VP" will be held on December 12th at the Palm Desert Campus. She met with the staff from the Undocumented Student Success Center and they explained that

they needed more space.

Executive Vice President: Ms. Martinez reported that she and Ms. Hammond attended CSSA last weekend and represented the University Affairs Committee. She learned about the Quantitative Reasoning Proposal, Graduation Initiative 2025, AB 1460 Ethnic Studies Graduation Requirement, and Opening Minds Not Just Wallets. She added that she was impressed by CSUN student involvement in their Sustainability office.

Executive Director: Mr. Felix reported that the bed building party for the Community Garden was a success. ASI Friendsgiving event will be held on November 26th from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the SMSU Events Center. Volunteers are needed to serve food for Friendsgiving. Weekly Howl was created to highlight the week on social media. Last week, he and Ms. Robles reviewed the ASI budget; inconsistencies were found and taken to an Accounting representative.

President: Mr. Galarza reported that last week, Trustees Juan F. Garcia and Maryana Khames came to the campus to engage with the campus community. The Center for Global Innovation Groundbreaking ceremony was held last week. He encouraged the Board to attend President Morales reception this Thursday evening.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

M/S Felix/Donis: To amend BD 106-19 to read “Approval to dissolve the Elections Policy and Procedures – Palm Desert Campus and Procedures. (Action) (First Reading)”. Passed.

M/S Felix/Donis: To amend BD 107-19 to read “Approval to dissolve the Policy and Job Duties for the Director of External Affairs. (Action) (First Reading)”. Passed.

M/S Felix/Donis: To remove BD 110-19 “Approval of letter in support of Judi Cruz.” Passed.

M/S Donis/Echevarria: To adopt the agenda as amended. Passed.

The agenda was adopted as amended.

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Alison Petty Ragguette, Ceramics Professor and Public Arts Worker provided feedback on the design for the mural installed at the College of Education. She introduced Melissa Medina and Raul A. Diaz who are working on the mural. The purpose is to engage the campus community on multiple levels to address what is needed for the mural. General feedback is needed for ideas.

NEW BUSINESS:

BD 106-19 M/S Felix/Donis: Approval to dissolve the Elections Policy and Procedures – Palm Desert Campus and Procedures. (First Reading)

Mr. Barcenas explained that the main Elections Policy and Procedures covers the Palm Desert

Campus. PDC does not have the resources to uphold the procedures within this policy such as having a full Committee for Elections.

Mr. Lowell wanted to know if changes can be made to the original Elections Policy for PDC. The changes he expressed are the amount of student signatures required to run for BoD as well as no posting or no campaigning outside the ASI office for PDC due to the low amount of students and the size of the campus.

Mr. Barcenas suggested speaking with Ms. Donis to discuss the proposed changes.

Discussion followed with questions from the Board.

Mr. Felix encouraged the Board to voice their concerns and attend the Policy Community meetings.

BD 107-19 M/S Felix/Donis: Approval to dissolve the Policy and Job Duties for the Director of External Affairs. (First Reading)

Mr. Felix stated that the position of External Affairs was a position on the Board at one point when it actually became a job. He deferred his time to Mr. Barcenas. Mr. Barcenas explained that the policy conflicts with the duties of the External Affairs Director. He clarified that the position is not being removed.

Mr. Macharia asked if the Selection Committee in this policy will be dissolved as well.

Mr. Barcenas explained that he tasked Ms. Hammond with developing a Legislative Affairs policy which outlines the Legislative Affairs actions within the organization.

BD 108-19 M/S Felix/Donis: Appointment of two Board of Directors representatives to the Coyote of The Month Ad-Hoc Committee.

Mr. Galarza passed the gavel to Ms. Martinez.

Mr. Felix stated that the committee is a great idea.

Mr. Felix nominated Ms. Zhang. The nomination was accepted.

Mr. Felix nominated Mr. Lowell. The nomination was accepted.

The Committee will establish the criteria for the Coyote of the Month, meet monthly to review nominations, report the selected students to the Board and establish an incentive package.

Discussion followed with questions from the Board.

Passed.

Ms. Martinez returned the gavel to Mr. Galarza.

BD 109-19 M/S Felix/Donis: Approval of ASI Resolution in Support of Proposition 13.

Mr. Felix deferred his time to Ms. Langford. Ms. Langford explain the purpose of the resolution. Proposition 13, the Public Preschool, K-12 and College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2020 places a \$15 billion facilities bond on the March 3, 2020 ballot. If Proposition 13 passes, the CSU will receive \$2 billion to improve its ageing infrastructure to ensure safe and modern facilities for its students, faculty and staff. The funds would be used to address necessary fire, safety and seismic deficiencies and undertake projects to modernize existing buildings or construct replacement buildings to keep pace with current technology and workforce.

Discussion followed with questions from the Board.

M/S Felix/Donis: To amend the item to include William M. Stevenson in the distribution of the resolution. Passed.

Vote on motioned as amended passed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

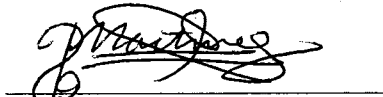
Ms. Martinez announced that the Board was invited to attend Keeping The Dream Alive Conference by the CSU Sacramento State. Student registration will commence on December 2nd. The purpose of the conference is to bring awareness to the way students navigate the challenges of undocumented status and achieve well-being despite status-imposed barriers.

Mr. Macharia announced that the Board can volunteer their time to help and interact with the students at the Friendsgiving Event.

Dr. Oliverez announced that she is currently reviewing a packet of letters regarding Judi Cruz.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.



Helen Martinez
Executive Vice President