# ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC. California State University, San Bernardino

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

## **MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 3, 2015** 

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

Present: Alfredo Barcenas, Juan Garcia, Antonia Mata, Christa Bowers, Clementine Garrett, Andrew Lenzini, Becky Morales, Jessica Patalano, Shannon Stratton, Dr. Brian Haynes, Andre Harrington and Dr. Alysson Satterlund.

Absent: Fernando Baños (excused) and Bryce Davis (class conflict).

Guests: Miranda Canseco, Tyler Wolfe, Manuela Rossi, Edgar Lopez and Marvin Garcia.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

The minutes of January 20, 2015 were approved.

#### REPORTS:

Executive Vice President: Mr. Garcia stated that the Vital Technology Initiative Committee has officially been filled. He thanked Ms. Bowers for stepping forward and filling the last seat. The first pending motion will most likely be a budget request from the library on the expansion of the Laptop Lending Program. He will update the Board on the Committee when he has more information.

Vice President of PDC: Ms. Mata stated that there was a PDC Advisory Committee meeting last week and student issues were discussed. The meeting was successful.

*President:* Mr. Barcenas stated that Mr. Lopez, Dr. Satterlund, Dr. Vanderburgh and a few other Student Union representatives, including himself, attended the Board of Trustees meeting last week. Items voted on were the Student Success Fees and the SIRF proposal. The recommendations from the Chancellor and the working group for the Student Success Fees were approved. He asked Dr. Satterlund to elaborate more on the Student Success Fees.

ASI Advisor: Dr. Satterlund stated that one of the items discussed at the Chancellor's Office meeting was in regards to the distribution of Student Success Fees; it will be moving to a student led majority. Last week, suggestions were made with regards to the current membership and anticipation that it would begin in July. Four additional students are needed to sit on the Committee so that there is a majority of six students to five faculty and administrators. As the date approaches, it will be brought up to the Advisory Board which will meet on February 16<sup>th</sup>.

*President:* Mr. Barcenas mentioned that the Chancellor's recommendation was that the Student Success Fee currently in place in the CSU within each campus will stay in place for six years until 2021. Every six years after 2021, the Student Success Fee will increase while students can

resend that fee by student referendum; this will be effective immediately. As more information is available, he will update the Board. A group of students will be heading out to PDC this Thursday since the Supreme Court Justice, Kennedy will be at the Palm Desert Campus. If anyone is interested in attending, please see him.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences: Ms. Morales stated that she spoke with the Dean of her College in a meeting yesterday and there have been issues with the MAC program. Students have not been reporting effectively to the Advising Center in the Social and Behavioral College, therefore, she was asked to receive feedback from students.

ASI Advisor: Dr. Satterlund shared appreciation for ASI's collaboration on the housing and dining expansion event last week. About 450 people were in attendance and a decision will be reached shortly on how to move forward with regards to the next phase in planning.

### ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

M/S Patalano/Stratton: To place BD 09-15 at the top of the agenda. Passed.

M/S Stratton/Harrington: To postpone BD 06-15 until February 17<sup>th</sup> pending review of the Bylaws. Passed.

The agenda was adopted.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

BD 07-15 M/S Harrington/Satterlund: Permission to use \$1,000.00 from Unrestricted Net Assets for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Pioneer Breakfast. The account to be charged will be Grant & Services Programs, ASI Donations (660723-RN001-A4700-0502).

Mr. Harrington explained the event.

Mr. Stratton mentioned that the event is a fundraising effort to provide a scholarship for CSUSB students.

Passed (11/0/0).

BD 08-15 M/S Harrington/Garrett: Permission to use \$2,097.00 from Unrestricted Net Assets for the Danny Ramadan Benefit Concert & Scholarship Fund. The account to be charged will be Grant & Services Programs, ASI Donations (660723-RN001-A4700-0502).

Mr. Harrington explained that the event was held last week in honor of the death of Mr. Ramadan and stated that the goal was to create a scholarship fund in Mr. Ramadan's name.

Ms. Patalano mentioned that she attended the event and stated that those involved in the event planning are grateful for any help they can receive.

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Passed (11/0/0).

# BD 09-15 M/S Lenzini/Patalano: Appointment of Miranda Canseco as the College of Business and Public Administration representative to the ASI Board of Directors.

Mr. Barcenas shared his thoughts on Ms. Canseco and explained that her advisor, Ms. Contreras, referred her to the ASI Board of Directors.

Ms. Canseco gave a brief background on herself.

Passed (11/0/0).

Mr. Barcenas passed the gavel to Mr. Garcia.

## BD 10-15 M/S Patalano/Garrett: Discussion on the approval of the Student Involvement and Representation Fee (SIRF).

Mr. Barcenas stated that the Board of Trustees and CSSA approved SIRF by unanimous consent; 18 of 23 CSU campuses voted in favor of SIRF. The fee will begin to take place in the Fall of 2015 and \$2.00 will be charged to every CSU student in the Fall and Spring quarter. Those CSU campuses on a semester system will pay the fee during the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semester.

Mr. Lopez explained how the fee was proposed. Suggestions on how to market the fee are needed since it is going into effect this Fall. ASI's due diligence is to inform the students and adequately tell them that they have the option to opt-out if they wish not to pay the SIRF fee.

Mr. Barcenas explained that Dr. Morales and all CSUSB Vice Presidents are aware of this fee. It is very important that all students know how to opt-out of the fee if they don't feel comfortable. He explained how students can opt out of the fee.

Discussion followed with questions from the Board.

Mr. Barcenas explained the reason behind the fee having the opt-out option and expressed the need to clearly explain this to students so that they understand why they don't have this option for other fees.

Discussion followed.

Discussion closed.

# BD 11-15 M/S Garrett/Patalano: Creation of the Ad-Hoc ASI Strategic Planning Committee for the 2015 Winter and Spring quarters.

Mr. Barcenas explained the need for a Strategic Plan for the next three years in order to focus on the main tasks. The Committee will begin to take recommendations from ASI representatives so that by the end of the year, a final proposal will be brought up to the Board.

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Mr. Stratton explained what a Strategic Plan is and stated that the ad hoc Committee will run parallel to the University's Strategic Plan Committee. He highly recommended anyone interested in the Committee to participate.

Ms. Mata inquired into the process of joining this Committee.

Mr. Barcenas stated that once this is approved, anyone who is interested can inform Mr. Lopez, Ms. Bryan, or himself. The Committee will consist of four members and a Chair.

Discussion followed with questions from the Board.

Passed (12/0/0).

### BD 12-15 M/S Patalano/Garrett: Creation of the Ad-Hoc 2015 Vacancy Committee.

Mr. Barcenas stated that the Bylaws stipulate if BOD positions are vacant, the ASI President has the power to appoint a student. However, since it is so late into the fiscal year, it is now up to a Committee. The Committee is comprised of Board members and the Chair who will interview applicants and appoint them.

Discussion followed with questions from the Board.

Passed (12/0/0).

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Dr. Satterlund announced that on February 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> the Santos Manuel Student Union will be participating in an external review to help shape our continued efforts towards expansion. She stated that she hopes those who received an invitation will attend.

Mr. Barcenas announced that this Saturday, there will be a fundraiser at Lake Arrowhead and the Executive Officers as well as the Programming Assistant will be running into the lake to raise money for the mountain scholarships. ASI will sponsor those running into the lake for \$1,000.00. He asked for the Board's consensus; there were no objections.

Mr. Stratton briefly explained the December Trial Balance sheet. ASI is in the final week of the Chancellor's Office Three Year Compliance Internal Audit and the exit meeting will be held this Friday. He will send any findings that they have at that point to the Board.

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Juan Garcia

Executive Vice President

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