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Minutes

Finance Commission

Friday, August 27, 2021 11:00 AM

See ASI Website for Zoom Meeting Details

This meeting is being facilitated through an online zoom format, consistent with the Governor's Executive Order N25-20, suspending certain open meeting law restrictions.

- I. Called to order at 11:06 a.m. by Jonathan Molina-Mancio, Chairperson
- II. Roll Call
Voting Members Present: Jonathan Molina-Mancio, Yannet Martinez, Christopher Hendrix, Janelle Catbagan, Ricardo Ortega Martinez
Advisors Present: Rasheedah Shakoor, Michellena Lakey, Djeneba Ahouansou, Donisha Quiller, Cecily McAlpine, and Loren Raymundo-Yusuf
Visitors: Natalia Garcia, Bri Serrano, Rony Castellanos Raymundo, Ana Miriam Barragan, and Shamshad Elimu
- III. Approval of Agenda – Action Item
*M/Hendrix, S/Martinez to approve agenda as submitted
VOTE: UNANIMOUS
- IV. Approval of Minutes (June 18, 2021) – Action Item
*M/Hendrix, S/Catbagan to approve the minutes of June 18, 2021 as submitted
VOTE: UNANIMOUS
- V. Reports
Finance and Business Services Manager – Ahouansou is wrapping up Audits for ASI and the Children's Center. Exception of the Playground and Kitchen repairs almost complete at Children Center. She further noted Raymundo-Yusuf would attend ASI Finance meetings until the university announce new Director for the department.
Executive Director – Shakoor submitted C-campus grant August 18th, and we were awarded \$1 this year.
Associate Director – Lakey announced BOD and Executive meetings were canceled this Friday and Finance is scheduled to meet. She further noted there are vacancies for Student Assistant, and KDHR, hopes to fill soon. A vacancy for professional staff member, position (Marketing & Public Relations Coordinator) will soon open. Other openings are at the Children's Center a Cook and Program Director. There is also a change in vendors with VSP and Delta Carriers. We expect a lower fee for this vendor change from PBIA to BCC.
- VI. Open Forum – Agenda Items Only
Time for audience members to address the Commission on specific agenda items only. Shakoor asked if anyone one knew the acronym AORMA. Ahouansou noted it stands for “Auxiliary Organization Risk Management Alliance”.
- VII. Unfinished Business
A. Multicultural Resource Centers Requests – Discussion/Action Item

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The Commission will review and consider several funding requests from the resource and affinity centers.

Ahouansou announced the presenters Bri Serrano (QCRC), Rony Castellanos (LCRC), and Ana Miriam Barragan (TDSC).

Serrano is planning for series of workshops for different identities discussions, students can engage in and learn from each other. Serrano want to see the professors and non-profit organizations in the area share their research with students. She is asking for \$4,000 for Honorarium, guest speakers talk to students virtually. Ahouansou noted the budget is already allocated to each group all they do is let Finance Commission know how they are spending allocated funds to them.

Castellanos requesting funds for Latinx Heritage Celebration September 15th – October 15th. Prizes, Food, Speakers and Performers for hopefully in person event. He is working on the guidelines for in person events to ensure the students safety. Castellanos next event for \$2,000 for supplies, Food, and possible Aztec Performer currently working on a committee to get student's involvement for Dia De Los Muertos. Should the event not be in person, funds could be used for sending materials to students.

Barragan first event asking for 10 Gift Cards for \$500 the event September 9th. Students must RSVP and attend the event to win. Next event is social event to connect with students for the UndocuScholar Research. She is inviting two alumni back on campus to share their experience working in research. This event is on September 3rd, with at list 50 people in attendance. September 10th, Dr. Chen would talk about the research.

*M/Hendrix, S/Ramirez to approve the referendum request as presented.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

VIII. New Business

A. Referendum Entities Divestment – Discussion Item

The Commission will discuss potential divestment from the referendum entities. There is a possible divestment specifically from athletics. Mancio-Molina shared that roughly 20% of budget is currently allocated towards athletics for scholarships throughout the year. Hendrix shared his concerns that during Covid the same amount of support was given to athletics despite the seasons either being cut short or not happening at all. Hendrix was wondering what the utility of that logic was since the funds are not being used as it was pre-covid. Ahouansou explained that this question may be better directed to athletics, however, athletics had argued at the time that student athletes were still enrolled in courses like any other regular year and needed to complete their academics, therefore still needing to receive scholarships. Ahouansou further explained that some athletic scholarships are allocated to cover tuition and fees, housing, or a combination of both. Hendrix noted that it would be helpful to see a list or spreadsheet of how the funds are used, and if it is possible for athletics to share that with ASI. Ahouansou clarified that ASI receives a list at the end of the semester of the students that were awarded scholarships and the various amounts. Ortega noted that his concern is if the money provides scholarships to students to help pay for various items, then does it infer that these students do not qualify for financial aid. In this case, he believes that the university should have a responsibility of providing resources for these students. Mancio-Molina clarified that these scholarships are awarded by coaches and is separate from financial

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aid. Ahouansou further clarified that financial aid packet is separate and comes from other resources.

B. University Scholarship Request – Discussion/Action Item

The Commission will discuss and consider sponsoring a scholarship encouraging students to complete the self-attestation process.

Ahouansou noted University is asking ASI to sponsor a scholarship, which would encourage students to complete the self-attestation process via the myCSUDH page. This request comes from Student Affairs, coming to Finance Commission to see how ASI can support this endeavor. Lakey noted amount requested for this sponsorship equals to a full year tuition, around \$8,000. Martinez asked how the selection would be made, whether by random selection or application. Lakey noted university did not provide detail about the scholarship just asked ASI to sponsor. Molina-Mancio noted the reason behind this ask is of the full year tuition is understandable, but it is a big sum which could help students at a different incentive if chosen by students. Shakoor noted full year tuition is \$7,051 annual and would be beneficial to all students. Molina-Mancio noted the university has not responded to the ASI CARES request submitted for the CDC repairs and renovations scheduled for the reopening. It was suggested to table the request for further explanations. Ortega suggested asking representative to attend next meeting to answer questions on this request.

*M/Ortega, S/Hendrix to table University Scholarship Request and have representative attend next meeting to answer questions from the Commission members.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

IX. Open Forum – Discussion Item

Time for members of the audience to address the Commission. None

X. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:17 p.m.

Chair's Signature: _____

Date: _____