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Minutes

Board of Directors

Friday, October 22, 2021, 12:00 - 2:00 PM

Zoom Meeting

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 12:03 p.m. by Obioha Ogbonna, Chairperson

- II. Roll Call
Voting Member Present: Obioha Ogbonna, Jonathan Molina-Mancio, Ricardo Ortega, Christopher Hendrix, Sophia Arlantico, Benjamin Garcia Morales, Yannet Martinez, Cindy Romero Edgar Mejia Alezano, and Janelle Catbagan
Non-Voting Members Present: Rita Anderson, Bri Serrano, and Katrina Felipe
Non-Voting Members Absent: Matthew Smith and Khaleah Bradshaw
Advisors Present: Michellena Lakey, Donisha Quiller, Raven Emmert, and Liana Marin
Advisors Absent: Rasheedah Shakoor and Djeneba Ahouansou
Visitors: Yoara Cruz, Ivan Lopez, Ginelle Calleja, Juan Venegas, Kata Roldan Morales, Samantha Alvarez Chavarria, Isaac Shannon, and Shamshad Elimu

- III. Approval of Agenda – Action Item
*M/Romero, S/Morales to approve the agenda as submitted
VOTE: UNANIMOUS
Approval of Minutes – Action Item
*M/Romero, S/Arlantico to approve the minutes with added amendments to include Romero on roll call and edit Arlantico's report "Arlantico met with the Chair of the **Clinical Science** Department to resolve enrollment issue CLS students are facing. The CDC Search Committee for the Program Director has commenced. They will have their first meeting in the next two weeks."

- IV. Reports
ASI President – Molina Mancio attended the Academic Senate Executive Committee to present on Toro Hour updates. He also attended Toro Team Lunch they discussed University Housing and in-person classes. CSUDH received 14.1 million in CARES funds for students; funds would start to process next week. He noted Academic Affairs is starting to take different initiatives to improve the retention rate - 70%. The renovations on the west walkway will be complete by next semester. He noted Admin and Finance are planning to add an ADA Elevator next to the University Library. Molina Mancio further noted University Housing problems are finally being addressed to facilities to clean housing. The new Café Toro Project will temporarily serve as a dining hall to housing students. Their visit to San Diego

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State University provided valuable feedback on the Recreational Center project. They discussed whether recreational center should be operated by students.

Orgs Commissioner – Romero confirmed the meeting with Trustee Fong was successful. She advised the Board to be prepared for the next meetings with trustees.

College of Natural and Behavioral Sciences Rep. – Morales noted The Board submitted their PPR forms for the upcoming Dining with the Dean event. He requested feedback on the event graphics from other Board members soon. Morales reported two students are currently interested in the CNBS student council.

College of Health and Human Services Rep. – Arlantico attended monthly meetings with CHHSN Dean Kim and Associate Dean Ortega they discuss initiatives to support students transition back in person for spring semester. She completed paperwork for the upcoming Dining with the Deans event on November 9th, 11a.m. – 1p.m. They requested funds from their College Dean. Arlantico further noted the CDC Program Director Search Committee is reviewing applications and plans to meet next week.

College of Arts and Humanities Rep. - Catbagan noted students from Chicano/Chicana Studies Department are eager to host a student driven campus wide town hall to discuss challenges of returning to campus. She met with Deans Caron and Chin to discuss the programming of College of Arts and Humanities events for the next semester. She is excited regarding the collaboration between her college and CDC.

Student Activities Commissioner – Martinez noted the Student Activities Commission meeting was successful. Kasarda requested volunteers for the upcoming Student disAbility Resource Center's Movies 4 Mental Health event. Martinez was part of San Diego State visit with Molina Mancio and Mejia Alezano.

Director of Student Services – Mejia-Alezano visited San Diego State as well and will be visiting other campuses to evaluate their Rec Centers. He further noted students have reached out to him on issues with the International Students' Department due to lack of college representative.

Executive Vice President – Ortega contacted Toro Guardian Scholars to discuss a potential partnership. He is looking forward to working with CDC.

Vice President of Academic Affairs – Ogbonna attended Academic Senate where they discussed student concerns about 80% of in-person courses open in Spring Semester and 70% drop out rate from 1st year students. Ogbonna encouraged to research the demographic that is being impacted by in-person courses. Ogbonna talked to students interested in applying for the CBAPP and International Student Representatives positions. He is looking forward to meeting Dean of Graduate Studies, Sheree Schrager, to discuss the lack of attention towards Graduate Students.

Academic Senate Liaison – Anderson noted the Toro Hour Presentation Molina Mancio and Ortega did at Executive Senate was a success. She suggested they come up with the detailed plan and present Toro Hour to a larger Senate and conduct a student Town Hall to discuss Toro Hour.

Athletics Liaison – Felipe stated the NCAA Diversity and Inclusion week that highlighted the Social Injustices in our community has concluded, but Athletics will continue with Social Justice Fridays. Athletics currently have six consecutive wins for

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this week. Felipe encouraged everyone to attend men's soccer game at 4:30 p.m. and women's soccer at 7:00 p.m. today.

Multicultural Affairs Liaison – Serrano noted Queer Culture & Resource Center hosted a successful event this week. Serrano invited the Board to attend Latinx Cultural Resource Center (LCRC) events November 1st and 2nd Día De Los Muertos. LCRC is collecting donation for the altar that will be displayed next week. Serrano announced positions openings if interested to contact LCRC office.

Associate Director – Lakey reported new hires: Raven Emmert (Marketing and Public Relations Coordinator) and Nancy Torres (CDC Cook). The CDC Program Director Search Committee hopes to hire by late November or Early December. Lakey noted Emmert and her attended AOA; they discussed return to campus and the impact to student and staff. She noted ASI Halloween Haunt is looking for volunteers.

Graduate Assistant – Marin noted Halloween Haunt requires 35 – 40 volunteers October 29th, for various shifts throughout the event. Volunteers can sign up through a link and earn volunteer service hours.

Accounting Manager – Quiller noted the new CDC Cook require training in her position. She is updating COE Professor about CDC since she helps in the CCAMPIS Grant. Quiller announced Clubs can receive decorating materials from OSL for the Halloween Haunt tabling contest.

Marketing and Public Relations Coordinator – Emmert introduced herself and reported she would present graphic Election mockups for the next Elections meeting. She further noted KHDR Pre-Halloween Haunt DJ Takeover event was a success despite technical difficulties. The KDHR team had many students sign up to do podcasts in the KDHR radio station

V. Open Forum – Agenda Items Only

Time for audience members to address the Board on specific agenda items only. Ogonna inquired if Athletics would provide transportation to the games. Felipe agreed she would propose the idea to the Athletic Advisory. Morales inquired if ASI is taking initiatives to discuss the demands for more online classes for Spring 2022 through a Student Town Hall. Molina Mancio reassured those opinions are being voiced about repopulation and he is working on having such Town Hall soon to assist with student concerns. Calleja explained the complications of returning in person from the perspective of a commuter student. Molina Mancio thanked students for their concerns and suggested to contact him to discuss the topic further.

VI. Time Certain 12:30 PM – Drs. Matt Smith & Kim Costino – Strategic Plan Presentation

The Board will hear from Dr. Matt Smith, Associate Vice President of Student Life/Dean of Students and Dr. Kim Costino, Dean of Undergraduate Studies regarding an overview presentation of the Strategic Plan Draft. It was noted that due to unexpected Smith was not available to present but would present at the next BOD meeting.

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VII. Unfinished Business

A. Board of Directors/Student-at-Large Appointment – Action Item

The Board will discuss and consider appointments for Board of Directors and Student-at-Large Interns and Liaisons.

Marin presented Isaac Shannon and Samantha Alvarez Chavarria to appoint as Student-At-Large interns for Legislative Affairs. They took turns introducing themselves to The Board

*M/Arlantico, S/Morales to appoint Isaac Shannon and Samantha Alvarez Chavarria as Student-at-Large Legislative Affairs interns

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

VIII. New Business

A. Elections 2022 Timeline – Action Item

The Board will consider the Election Timeline for Elections 2022

Lakey displayed the Elections Timeline for 2021-22 for the Board to review. She announced various ASI events that will be conducted during elections.

*M/Ortega, S/Romero to approve the Elections 2022 Timeline as presented.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

IX. Open Forum – Discussion Item

Time for members of the audience to address the Board.

Quiller announced Clubs/Orgs can earn club points by contacting her when they attend an event or meeting. Arlantico inquired about the BOD volunteer sign in process. Marin asked BOD to sign the document she sent and encouraged them to share with other DH students. Felipe asked if there were any updates on the Legislation Law that passed declaring feminine products would be made available to student on campus. Lakey noted they would research on the legislation. Felipe suggested the new Rec Center should accept donations in return for their printed-on bricks and placed around the Rec Center. Ogonna advised to utilize Multicultural resource centers to strengthen communication between students and the university. Serrano addressed Nate Nguyen as the new API Program Director. She declared Newsom signed AB 245, which allow trans students to use their appropriate names on campus, not just on legal documents.

X. Adjournment

Adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Chair's Signature: _____

Date: _____