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Minutes

Executive Committee
Friday, March 25, 2022, 9:30 AM
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 9:34 a.m. by Jonathan Molina Mancio, Chairperson
- II. Roll Call

Voting Members Present: Jonathan Molina Mancio, Cincy Romero, Obioha Ogbonna, and Christopher Hendrix

Advisors Present: Rasheedah Shakoor, Michellena Lakey, and Myriam D Ahouansou.

Advisors Absent: Matthew Smith

Visitors: Nathalia Garcia and Shamshad Elimu

- III. Approval of Agenda Action Item
 - *M/Ogbonna, S/Hendrix to approve the agenda of March 25, 2022, as submitted **VOTE: UNANIMOUS**
- IV. Approval of Minutes (February 11, 2022) Action Item
 *M/Romero S/Ogbonna to approve the minutes Toro Shital routes of February 11, 2022, with amendment VOTE: UNANIMOUS
- V. Reports

Vice President of Academic Affairs- Ogbonna met with the??

Executive Vice President – Romero attended CHESS last week. Molina Mancio and Martinez attended the first meeting with her. The second meeting with the representative. Romero is also serving on interviews for the "Chief of Diversity and Inclusion". For her, one candidate caught her eye, and she hopes that other students felt the same.

ASI President – Molina Mancio met with the trustee; he will elaborate on this at the Board of Directors meeting. They discussed Multicultural Affairs/Affinity Centers being funded by ASI. The other Board Member's meeting with the Trustee went well. He further noted Morales and Catbagan had good discussion with Anthony Rendon and his staff person. Molina Mancio monthly meeting with Deborah Wallace went well they discussed elections and Athletics vote. Wallace was disappointed to hear ASI will no longer be supporting Athletics. Molina Mancio explained this change was



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long coming. They also, discussed update with the spaces for Basic Needs, APCC, Women's Resource Center. Wallace told him President is making Basic Needs priority, hopes they may see the area opening before fall of the 2022 academic year. Molina Mancio further noted ASI Elections results will be announced later at the Molina Mancio is Co-Chair for the Student Engagement Team Leading the Health Wellness and Rec Center. They received a final rendering of the building, and it looks very nice. Voting on for this April 20th, through 29th, he plans to continue advocating for ASI in conjunction with the LSU manage the space.

Associate Director – Lakey announced new hire in the ASI Office for Technology Assistant, Mithun Kumar Annadurai. A new Intern Ronessa Rodriguez, who will be supporting Santos in events and logistics for the various programs in the office. The Artist for Spring Fling was revealed yesterday, ASI is excited to welcome Tinashe at CSUDH campus. Shakoor and Lakey attended the annual CHESS Advisors Summit. Lakey and others shared a responsibility specifically around the development for Board Members on all 23 campuses. Lakey is continuing to work with the employees who would be out on maternity leave starting as early as next week March 29th, then continuing until the end of May.

Finance and Business Services Manager – Ahouansou noted they are still working on the ASI budget and will be reviewing the CDC portion of the budget this afternoon. She is still working on merging the two buildings and appropriate course of action. There are still few renovations that are taking place on the preschool side of the CDC. Next week they are working on the kitchen, she is excited to see all of these various projects come to an end a year after she began working on the renovation plans. The multipurpose room/conference room will also come fully online with virtual meeting capability. Ahouansou thanked Hendrix for helping them set up a focus group at the University Housing, it was good to be in that space with housing students. It is good to have regular communications with students to make sure they are heard. She hopes this communication will continue after the elections **ASI Executive Director** – Shakoor noted couple meetings took place to plan leave of some key personnel. She assured the Commission that the team is working on having everything under wraps as four key personnel will be out simultaneously for the course of a few months. She attended the Advisors Summit along with Lakey. They discussed shared governance, and several groups took interest in this specific ASI's shared governess agreement. Shakoor is on a Parent Committee put together by Smith. They are working on a survey focusing on student parents. A mass email on the survey will go to students from ASI Communications alert. There will be another communication coming from the Woman's Resource Center more targeting the survey. Questions were added in that would support the CDC in ASI's NAEYC accreditation efforts. Certain items on the survey will help with that documentation. Shakoor heard from the Chief of Staff on Raise the Bar Foundation is working on certain agreements. She will learn more at their next meeting. Shakoor, University



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President, Manasala (CDC Director), Gamboa, and Caitlin White, met with the Student Trustee, Maria Linares. The group took a tour of the CDC to have her advocate on ASI's behalf at the Chancellor and Governors level in hopes of receiving more funding for the CDC. Ahouansou and Shakoor met with the LSU regarding the sublease agreement. They are working together to create a new sublease agreement. We will continue to use current agreement for this year. Shakoor, Ahouansou, and Lakey met with Katie Robinson to discuss the EO 1,000. In terms of expenses, multiple areas have risen especially taking on utilities for the toddler side of the CDC. There is a number of children on the waiting list, therefore Shakoor is confident ASI will meet the mark for enrollment figures. In addition, Shakoor communicating with Foundation concerning charge for hosting events on campus. While she understands ASI has its own negotiation with Foundation, she feels that it's a big expense for Clubs and Organizations. Foundation agreed not to charge a fee moving forward Clubs & Orgs. Shakoor announced Airmark is the new chosen vender for dining services. She believes some staff members currently working as part of the Foundation dining team will be absorbed. As this will be a lengthy process to implement the Airmark team onto the campus, build a dining hall, increase concessions at athletics she will continue to provide updates as progress continues.

VI. Open Forum – Agenda Items Only

Time for members of the audience to address the Committee on specific agenda items only.

Molina Mancio announced the Interim Chancellor for the CSU System was announced, Jolene Koester.

VII. Unfinished Business – None

VIII. New Business

A. ASI Banquet – Discussion/Action Item

The Committee will review and consider 2022 ASI Banquet awardees and logistics.

Lakey noted in previous years student staff, BOD members, incoming BOD members, University President, and awardees, are placed in the +1 category on the invite list. Those who are not given the ability to bring guests are typically professional staff, and in certain years Interns/Liaisons. As per Molina Mancio's preference, this year Lakey is making the banquet as student focused as possible and plans to minimize outside ASI individuals. Molina Mancio asked to include all of the Affinity Centers Directors and Dr. Herbert onto the no guest list to further build those relationships. University President, Parham was



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removed from the guest list, to limit outside ASI invitees. Romero requested Zack Ritter be added to the no guest list. Lakey added former ASI Graduate Liaison, Liana Marin to the no guest list and Branon Mao, former ASI student staff to the +1-guest list. Lakey asked who the Commission was interested in having as key-note speaker for the event. She received several suggestions, will create a final list of choices then asked them to narrow down to a top three and send back to her. Lakey then inquired who the Commission would vote for to be Board Member of the Year. Molina Mancio, Hendrix, and Romero felt that Sophia Arlantico would be a good candidate for Board Member of the Year. Ogbonna chose Arlantico and Catbagan. For the Honorary Lifetime Award, Molina Mancio nominated Brandon Mao for his stellar history with ASI. Molina Mancio and Romero felt that Shakoor would be the best choice for MC. Ahouansou felt Molina Mancio would be fit for this position, he is proposed Romero should be MC for the event.

*M/Hendrix, S/Ogbonna to approve Maria Sophia Arlantico, (ASI College of Health & Huan Services & Nursing Representative) as Board Member of the Year. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

*M/Romero, S/Ogbonna to approve Brandon Mao (ASI Technology Assistant) as the Honorary Lifetime Member of the Year.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

B. Board Members Absences – Discussion Item

The Committee will discuss Board Members Absences

Lakey was not able to capture BOD attendance for the last presentation on marketing key messages. Molina Mancio, Ogbonna, Martinez, Meja-Alezano, Arlantico, and Morales were attended. Regarding Spring Semester, BOD attendance is doing well for leadership workshops, but they are not completing the assessments after each workshop, this area needs more support. Molina Mancio further noted Hendrix absence for the last workshop was excused.

C. Executive Check-in – Discussion Item

The Executive Team will check in on what they have been doing

Molina Mancio asked how other Executives felt about the Athletics Divestment issue on the ASI ballot. He is clearing the air of ASI intentions with faculty and others on campus. Hendrix feels that it would be a good strategy to release an informal email or letter voicing their concerns and love for the campus as student representatives. He feels ASI communications can also be used as a vessel for the Toro Nation support, formally or informally. Molina Mancio asked Lakey to create an email or statement of some kind addressing the recent incident on campus. Romero urged Hendrix to speak with Ogbonna to add this on the Board of Directors Agenda for the Commission to discuss. Lakey asked if anyone within



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ASI feels there is an issue or topic that needs to be addressed. Ogbonna feels there are a few key areas that ASI should focus advocation for moving forward. One area is creating centralized communication on campus to spread awareness for the resources that are available for students. Another area is improving the employability of students, he would like to see the university create a more robust plan for students postgraduation. Ahouansou noted it is just as important to spread awareness of the history of ASI so that the campus population is aware of the ASI narrative. She proposed the idea of presenting this key information to relevant groups on campus. Molina Mancio felt this would be a great opportunity to approach Academic Senate through Ogbonna he sits on the senate. While Molina Mancio agreed that more representation is needed of how student fees and impact students and ASI. Ogbonna feels it may be better to put this information out there in simple terms and graphics.

- IX. Open Forum Discussion Item
 Time for members of the audience to address the Committee. None
- IX. Adjournment

 Meeting adjourned at 11:08 a.m.