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### Minutes

#### Board of Directors

Friday, November 18, 2022, 12:00 - 2:00 PM

#### Zoom Meeting

Zoom ID: 879 7926 7719

*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 12:08 p.m. by Ezinne Nwadiogu
- II. Roll Call  
**Voting Members Present:** Ezinne Nwadiogu Obioha Ogbonna, Edgar Mejia-Alezano, Alex Alvarado, Robert Cunningham, Sammantha Alvarez Chavarria, Janna Villanueva, Perry Lorn, Stephanie Vargas, Pranay Julu, Jhanella Mae Martinez, and Ernesto Yanes-Arnold  
**Non-Voting Members Present:** Matthew Smith  
**Non-Voting Members Absent:** Kirti Celly, Kekoa Nelson, Markus Biegel, and Bri Serrano  
**Advisors Present:** Michellena Lakey, Raven Emmert, Gisella Carrillo, and Erika Flores  
**Adviser Absent:** Rasheedah Shakoor, Morelia Castaneda, and Candace Manansala  
**Visitors:** Anadet Sicairos, Imari Taylor, Bobby Porter, Blair Miles, Rahul Vattigunta, Daniel Hernandez, and Shamshad Elimu
- III. Approval of Agenda – Action Item  
\*M/Mejia-Alezano, S/Ogbonna Chavarria to approve the minutes of October 21, 2022  
**VOTE: UNANIMOUS**
- IV. Approval of Minutes (October 21, 2022) – Action Item  
\*M/Mejia-Alvarado, S/Chavarria to approve the minutes of October 21, 2022  
**VOTE: UNANIMOUS**
- V. Approval of Minutes (November 4, 2022) – Action Item  
\*M/Alvarado, S/Chavarria to table the minutes of November 4, 2022  
**VOTE: UNANIMOUS**
- VI. Reports  
**International Student Representative** – Julu and Vattigunta have finalized and completed the survey on International Student employed by Aramark.

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**College of Arts and Humanities Representative** – Martinez met with CDC Director to discuss the mural of the Child Development Center. They also had zoom call with the artists.

**Student Activities** – Lorn is organizing food distribution with the Sustainability Coordinator. She is also looking forward to meeting Basic Need Coordinator soon.

**Director of Legislative Affairs** – Alvarez Chavarria attended the Fresno plenary of CSSA, they were appointed as the Vice Chair for the Student Trustee search committee. Alvarez Chavarria has completed the woman's self-defense course survey.

**Director of Student Services** – Cunningham met with Smith to discuss Basic Needs Food Drive. He just completed student concerns survey on dining services. He is working with the Athletics Marketing Team to get passes for all the students and employees to home games.

**Vice President of Finance** – Alvarado continues to attend the negotiation between Pepsi and Coca-Cola to determine which one is the best fit for CSUDH. Other than Pepsi wanting to extend their partnership with the campus, they are willing to advocate for students through their company. Alvarado attended the Budget Committee meeting they discussed capital improvement projects, along with donations to Foundation and providing transparency of their budget to the public.

**Executive Vice President** – Mejia Alvarez noted candidate for the College of Business Administration & Public Policy Representative dropped out he searching for the student for that position.

**ASI President** – Ogonna noted APCC has finally been offered a space as promised, as well as the Woman's Resource Center, the space is almost ready for them to move. Ogonna discussed with the Executive members and pro-staff about Athletic Funding, they agreed to hold back on divestments from the athletic department for at least 2-3 years this would give them time to find other ways of funding. They also, discussed half time give away during home games this would motivate students to attend home games. He is discussing some ideas with Emmert on what items to giveaway. He met with VP Wallace, VP Franklin and University President to discuss CPI and ASI Budget approvals. Ogonna is working on Aramark on campus issues, it seems that the contract with the campus expired which means that they can cancel a renewal of the contract.

**Associate Director** – Lakey updated the Board on upcoming ASI employee searches, CDC Executive Director, Student Services Coordinator and Finance and Business Service Manager.

**Marketing & Public Relations Coordinator** – Emmert is updating the ASI website to make it user friendly for users to navigate and obtain information of ASI better. Emmert was able to obtain a partnership with LA Kings to redeem 2 free tickets of their hooky game that will be send out to all students' email.

**Leadership Graduate Assistant** – Flores appointed a new Legislative Affairs Intern. Flores announced ASI Retreat is January 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, the last Leadership Workshop is on December 9<sup>th</sup>, and the last Toro Ambassador program has been held.

**Programming Graduate Assistant** – Corral is hosting Commuter Outreach on November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. to accommodate daylight savings. She is also working on Spring Fling.

**Accounting Manager** – Quiller responsibilities from her current position is being shifted to other responsibilities.

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**Athletic Liaison** – Nelson shared that the men’s soccer team ended their season with the loss of quarter finals. When the soccer game was active, around 400 students used the free ticket option to access the game.

**Associate Vice President of Student Life** – Smith shared the devastating news that the food pantry opening has been pushed back to Fall 2023. Campus promised to open a temporary food pantry on campus and Smith will provide supporting information to students in the Academic Senate aid students with housing and food insecurities. He will also search for more employees for basic needs department and the “Parent Family Coordinator”, a new position that is being developed by the campus to serve students who are parents.

**Vice President of Academic Affairs** – Nwadiogu met with the dean of College of Health & Human Services to discuss how to improve student and faculty relationship and how the college would support students to graduate successfully and a smoother transition once they graduate.

### VIII. Open Forum – Agenda Items Only

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

Emmert noted she is working with Cunningham on this survey that would go out Monday. Smith noted staffing is the main delay although there is a problem with finding space for a food pantry. Currently they only have one staff member on basic need office they are trying to figure out staffing, dropping off, delivery in the upcoming meeting and hoping to get some answers soon. Cunningham met with Graphics to discuss poster for the Food Drive they have rough draft. He asked that donations requests for the food drive to be forward to Admin and Faculty instead of asking students. He only needs to solidify dates and locations for these donation boxes. He is scheduled to meet with Student Affairs and Academic Senate to ensure that donation boxes to be stationed in their offices. Alvarez Chavaria asked besides Cunningham would represents students they are aware of a student running a food pantry in front of his door in the dorms, this student is interested in being part of this committee. Cunningham further noted Aramark survey started Monday, there have been 71 respondents most of the commentary are towards DH Sports Lounge, Cafe Toro and Toro Fresh. More than half of the answers were satisfied rather than dissatisfied. He also mentioned there was a lack of student employee responses on this survey, and asked Julu to share outcome of his survey.

### IX. Time Certain 12:30 PM – Dr. Bobbie Porter, Vice President and Chief Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Officer

Porter introduced herself as the campus Senior Diversity Officer. She is the first to hold this position and most of her time she has been focusing on building an infrastructure on what she plans to do. She is helping different groups on campus and consulting certain problems. There are three pillars to a fully formed unit, including Civil Rights Compliance, Community Belonging and Inclusion Strategy. Porter works alongside Blair Miles, the Executive Director of the Office of Equity & Inclusion. Miles noted his role at CSUDH is to receive, respond, and resolve issues of discrimination and harassment that happen on campus. They make sure everyone on

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campus is familiar with their non-discrimination policy. Alvarez Chavarria asked if there was any victim rights advocacy within Title IX that could help the victim. Miles noted his office has resource and would hear the concerns from the students. Ogbonna asked how you protect our students who are falsely accused of serious allegations. Porter is working on how to address issues like that on social media. Emmert mentioned there was an email that addressed Hispanic Heritage month and not Filipino Heritage month. She wanted to know if there is a committee on campus to ensure the coverage of all the ethnicities culture on campus. Porter noted there is a halt on that committee but would like to continue in spring she would invite Emmert to sit on the committee once formed. She is working with Associate Vice President of Communication and Marketing on communications and representations of all the students.

### X. 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.

\*M/Alvarado, S/Alvarez Chavarria to table the appointment of Board of Directors and Student-at-Large Interns and Liaisons. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

### XI. Open Forum – Discussion Item

Time for members of the audience to address the Board.

Vattigunta and Julu did a survey on Aramark on issues about International Students. They shared and went over the survey showed students response. The survey result shows international student staff had no issues with the company it is how they are treated, sudden change of positions and schedules. Emmert asked based on the survey, if conditions were to improve would the students be alright with Aramark to stay on campus or would they like to see them out. Julu noted the students do not like the way the managers treat them, changing of their shifts without notice and asking them to work out of their job assignments but they have no issues with Aramark. Cunningham plans on turning in survey results by November 25<sup>th</sup>. Ogbonna noted he is going to present this to Finance Commission. Emmery is working with him on purchase of jackets for the Board. He wanted to update the Board before going to the Finance Commission for final approval the cost would be \$2,000.

### XII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 1:34 p.m.

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