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Minutes

Board of Directors

Friday, February 17, 2023, 12:00 - 2:00 PM

Loker Student Union (LSU) 324 & 325

- I. Called to order at 12:06 p.m. by Ezinne Nwadiogu, Chairperson

- II. Roll Call
Voting Members Present: Ezinne Nwadiogu, Obioha Ogbonna, Edgar Mejia-Alezano, Samantha Alvarez Chavarria, Robert Cunningham, Juan Valladolid, Janna Villanueva, Jhanella Martinez, Joanna Ramos, Pranay Julu, and Ernesto Yanes-Arnold
Non-Voting Member Present: Keko Nelson
Non-Voting Members Absent: Kirti Celley, Matthew Smith, and Markus Biegel
Advisors Present: Rasheedah Shakoor, Michellena Lakey, Donisha Quiller, Kevin Troung, Morelia Castaneda-Patino and Erika Flores
Advisor Absent: Candance Manansala and Raven Emmert
Visitors: Joyce Galvan, Imari Taylor, Dakota Cortez, and Shamshad Elimu

- III. Approval of Agenda – Action Item
*M/Mejia-Alezano, S/Martinez to approve the agenda as submitted
VOTE: UNANIMOUS

- IV. Approval of Minutes (January 20, 2023) – Action Item
*M/Alvarado, S/ Alvarez Chavarria to approve the minutes of January 20, 2023
VOTE: UNANIMOUS

- V. Report
ASI President – Ogbonna is working with the Alumni scholarships the class of 2023 Commencement Gifts. He met with Toro Dining advisor committee on issues with Aramark and meal cards for the fall semester. He met with the Executives and President's Cabinet to discuss retention problem that affects all CSU'S. Lastly there is still an effort to increase IRA fee, CSUDH has the lowest IRA fee in the system.
Executive Vice President – Mejia-Alezano's office update, as of February 15, 2023, we lost two Board members. Rules Policies and Procedure Committee met make some edits on handbook, Bylaws and social media Policy.
Vice President of Finance – Alvarado thanked Board members for attending the last finance meeting and invited them to attend again this afternoon.
Director of Student Services – Cunningham announced the second week of food drive initiative. Encourages the Board to share flyers. He's received a good

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amount of donations in ASI Office and SLICE. Cunningham was appointed to Chair the Elections Commission for the rest of the academic year. He is working with a marketing specialist from Chick-Fil-A to offer food vouchers around campus.

Director of Legislative Affairs – Samantha Alvarez Chavaria attended February plenary for CSS virtually and attended the student trustee committee meeting. They have advanced seven candidates to the next round, and they would be interviewed by ASI Presidents or Designees February 25th. Graduate Assistant and Nancy (Legislative Affairs Intern) are preparing for CHESS. They have reached out to legislators, in Los Angeles and Long Beach for appointments and asked Board members to attend the next leadership workshop for more information and check emails regularly.

Organizations Commissioner – Villanueva announced Organizations Commission met in person January 27th. Aramark representative Jameson visited to introduce herself and answered some student questions and concerns. February 24th, she met with Program Coordinator and Accounting Clerk on multiple occasions to talk about clubs and orgs wrap up events. Villanueva met with Liat Vorobiev to request OSL support for the wrap up event solidify the date for the event with a survey. The event will take place.

April 27th, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

College of Arts and Humanities Representative – Martinez attended interviews for semifinalist Deans there are two more interviews to attend. She has on going meetings with ASI Program Coordinator to discuss Townhall for the Dean's event. She thanked ASI Graphic Designer, Emily and Program Assistant, Daniel for their help for graphic and torolink. Program Assistant, Ivan created a video to spread the word about the music department.

College of Health and Human Services Representative – Ramos and Nwadiogu, attended college anniversary meeting, received a lot of information. Currently working on communicating with the presidents of all clubs in her college to create lunch with the dean.

International Students Representative – Julu and Mejia-Alezano, arranged a zoom meeting with international students and their dean to address ongoing issues regarding the international student's life on campus.

Vice President of Academic Affairs – Nwadiogu attended 50th anniversary meeting for the college. They are planning their event for April. Next meeting will be the 25th, She attended ASI RPP meeting they discussed and made changes to the Handbook and Bylaws.

Executive Director – **Shakoor** received an email from Bill Chang from IT asking if ASI Board would like an IT Liaison. Student support coordinator Linda Alfaro is no longer with the corporation.

College of Business Administration and Public Policy Representative – Valladolid hosted a virtual event meet ASI CBAPP Representative. Panel event to be hosted in March with the dean and the administrators information from the virtual event will be used for the panel.

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Event Coordinator – Truong noted university is very strict on exemptions he is moving forward with Aramark catering.

Accounting Clerk – Castaneda-Patino is working with Villanueva on final dates for wrap up Clubs & Orgs. Event. She is happy with the great turnout of clubs attending in person meetings. Zoom option still given for those who just want to listen.

Graduate Assistant – Flores asked Board members to check their emails for CHESS updates from Samantha Alvarez Chavarria on the assignments for the workshop.

Accounting and Finance Manager – Quiller noted finance budget reviewing will continue at the finance meeting, starting to look at the budget page by page for any updates/changes. She met with CDC and CIC for their budget review. Revenue sharing and changing policy will be some of the tasks in today's finance meeting.

ASI CDC Program Director - Manasala thanked Quiller for the friendship day at CDC it was amazing. She also thanked Truong, Mejia-Alezano and Yanes-Arnold, and special shoutout to Martinez, Alvarado, Lorn, and Castaneda-Patino for helping clean up. Currently they are all working on NAEYC and campus report for 2021-2022 school year.

Athletic Liaison – Nelson noted Athletics join up with ASI for food drive. Great students turn out for ASI night men's and women's basketball games. Women's basketball continues on winning streak, clinching first round in tournament with overall record 24-1 and CCAA record 18-1. Men's team has a conference record 16-13, overall record 10-15. Softball and baseball have double headers this weekend asked Board members to spread the word and attend the home games.

VI. Time Certain 12:15 p.m. – Ken O'Donnell, Vice Provost
The Board will hear from Vice Provost, Ken O'Donnell, regarding potential IRA Fee Increase O'Donnell was not able to attend.

VII. Open Forum – Agenda Items Only
Time for members of the audience to address the Board on specific agenda items only.

Samantha Alvarez Chavarria would like to add the student vouchers for Chick-Fil-A. Ogbonna thanked Cunningham for filling the role of Elections Commissioner and Alvarado will Chair Student Activities Commission. He further noted they would all be called upon to fill various spots the two commissioners were serving. It would be a great idea to have Bill Chang as I.T. Liaison. It was noted adding a liaison process would have to be through Rules Policies & Procedures (RPP) Committee. Quiller asked about two seats are empty on the Finance Commission. Mejia-Alezano noted the Finance Commission has quorum without those two. Villanueva will serve on the university planning committee. The executives are communicating and trying to

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work this through.

VIII. Unfinished Business – None

IX. New Business

A. Grade Policy Review – Discussion item

The Board will review and discuss the new Grade Policy

Samantha Alvarez Chavarria asks if there can be more information shared about the process and procedures regarding the grade policy appeal.

Mejia-Alezano noted student start with instructor when they feel they received an unethical grade, if not successful the next step would be going to the department chair. If still the issue is not resolved the next step would be contacting the Associate Dean. Grade appeal will then be sent to the committee and decision will be made in writing. Samantha Alvarez Chavarria asks if college staff is held accountable in terms of having a Grade Policy timeline on their end. There were questions and some answers were not satisfying to the Board members. Villanueva asks if there can be a collaboration done to make an infographic for the grading policy making it easier way for students to understand and follow the grade policy. Valladolid would like to find a way for all the colleges to follow the Grading Policy in a uniform way. Shakoor noted that ASI should not be involved in collaboration regarding the Grading Policy. This Grading policy is regarding transcript grade understood by the professors in their own language. Truong noted this could maybe be include in syllabus with a link for students to be more aware of this process. Nwadiogu would take this issue to the Seante meeting and see how they address and solve this situation for all the students.

B. Board of Directors/Student-at-Large Appointment – Actions Item

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

*M/Samantha Alvarez Chavarria, S/Villanueva to appoint Dakota Cortez as Multicultural Center Liaison. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

X. Open Forum – Discussion Item

Time for members of the audience to address the Board.

Samantha Alvarez Chavarria asked if a bobbled major student could walk more than one graduation. They understand students are forced to choose which major they would like to walk. They should at least be given the option to walk both even if it means paying again. Ogbonna ask the board to please come to attend the finance meeting, important decisions are being made for upcoming (2023-2024) Board budget. Villanueva class approach by Alan Nakagawa who is currently working on make a digital free press focusing on the personal and collective

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issues in CSUDH student body. Suggest it would be nice for the board to submit some pieces. This will be ongoing for the rest of this semester.

XI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:14 p.m.