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Minutes
Board of Directors
Friday, November 15, 2024, 12:00 – 2:00 PM
Loker Student Union (LSU) 324 & 325

- I. Called to order at 12:07 p.m. by Efrain Contreras, Chairperson.
- II. Roll Call
Voting Members Present: Efrain Contreras, Jhanella Martinez, Marcelo Cowo, Scarlet Grave, Rohan Sonawane, Alexandra Huitzacua, Michelle Gonzalez, Janet Alvarez, Elliot Gonzalez, Treanna Campbell, Madrid Ruiz, and Gyanan Kolasani.
Voting Members Absent: Edgar Mejia-Alezano and Kyrsten Tyler
Non-Voting Members Present: Sheela Pawar, Gilbert Hernandez, Koatzin Kamil Cruz, and Ariel Mujica,
Non-Voting Members Absent: Matthew Smith and Keisha Calbert
Advisors Present: Michellena Lakey, Kevin Truong, Morelia Castaneda-Patino, and Elaine Estrada.
Advisors Absent: Rasheedah Shakoor, Raven Emmert, and Candace Manansala
Visitors: Imari Taylor, Jones, and Shamshad Elimu
- III. Approval of Agenda – Action Item
*M/Gonzalez, S/Sonawane to approve the agenda of November 15, 2024 as submitted. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS**
- IV. Approval of Minutes (October 18, 2024) – Action Item
*M/Gonzalez, S/Sonawane to approve the agenda of October 18, 2024 as submitted.
VOTE: UNANIMOUS
- V. Time Certain – 12:30 PM Gilbert Hernandez, Senior Alumni Relations Specialist
The Board will hear from the CSUDH Alumni Relations regarding the Toro Connect Program
Hernandez explained that this presentation was about Toro Connect, a program that connects students with mentors who are alumni of CSUDH. These alumni volunteer their time and expertise to assist students in various ways. They come from diverse backgrounds and career paths. Hernandez highlights the benefits of having a mentor, stating they can inspire, connect, and help with networking opportunities.

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VI. Reports

ASI Executive Vice President – Cowo created a new Team Chart. He attended the University Space Committee meeting.

ASI Vice President of Finance – Martinez attended the University Budget Committee (UBC). Emmert accompanied her meeting with the Bulletin. Martinez attended the Student Activities Commission meeting they awarded BSU funding for registration to a conference.

Director of Legislative Affairs – Grave noted tabling for Elections and the “Know Before You Vote” event went well.

International Students Representative – Kolasani met with his dean to discuss the GRE report.

Director of Student Services – Sonawane met with Estrada to discuss his future goals. He met with the Career Center. He attended the SFAC meeting.

Alumni Liaison – Hernandez mentioned they had two dinner events with the Toros, where students had the opportunity to meet with an alumnus who shared insights about his work in the City of Carson, Diaz, discussed his role as Deputy District Attorney, in Orange County, with five students. Alumni Relations will soon have an Open House for students to come in and ask questions.

Elections Commissioner – Gonzalez

College of Education Rep. – Campbell met with her dean they discussed ways to engage students. She met with Emmert to discuss the upcoming survey.

Graduate Assistant – Estrada asked Board members to start working on the State of Affairs report, which she forwarded to them. They should return their reports as soon as possible. The Marketing and Social Media Intern resigned. Next week is the last Leadership Development session.

Marketing & Public Relations Coordinator – Emmert (Lakey Reported) – Emmert has ASI LA Kings Night on November 20th. Election packets are now available both digitally and in person. On December 15th, she compiled a report on what she heard during the listening tour and will present it at the next meeting.

Lakey Report – Lakey mentioned that employees are almost done with the Workplace Violence Prevention Compliance training. Board members, please submit the independent training checklist as soon as possible. We have hired a temporary Accounting Clerk who will start on December 2nd.

College of Business & Public Policy Rep. – Ruiz attended the CBAPP family work-life Balance Workshop. He is looking forward to a meeting with the dean of his college.

Accounting Specialist – Castanedo-Patino mentioned that there was a treasurer boot camp designed to guide all treasurers in how to effectively use their club funds. They

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hope to conduct more of these sessions in the future. Next week, there is a meeting with the LEAD office to ensure that clubs receive the support needed.

- VII. Open Forum – Agenda Items Only
Time for members of the audience to address the Board on specific agenda items only. None.
- VIII. Unfinished Business – None
- IX. New Business – None
- X. Open Forum – Discussion Item
Time for members of the audience to address the Board. None.
- XI. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

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