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**Minutes**

**Board of Directors**

**Friday, August 29, 2025, 12:00 – 2:00 PM**

**Loker Student Union (LSU) 324 & 325**

- I. Called to order at 12:07 p.m. by Chasity Cowan, Chairperson.
- II. Roll Call  
**Voting Members Present:** Chastity Cowan, Edgar Mejia-Alezano, Elliot Gonzales, Krysten Tyler, Rosemary Ortega, Kathryn Heidi Santos, Arwin Ordonez, Timothy Kolke, and Neel Ahir  
**Non-Voting Members Present:** Liat Vorobiev, Terry McGlynn, Logan Baughman III, and Gilbert Hernandez  
**Advisors Present:** Rasheedah Shakoore, Michellena Lakey, Kevin Truong, Morelia Castenda-Patino, Emma Burke, Jackeline Granados, and Christopher Ashley.  
**Advisors Absent:** Candace Manansala  
**Visitors:** Alani Alexander, Edwin Ordonez, Janneane Rosales, Ronny Castellanos, Moises Nogates Jaramillo, Chauncey Williams, Elvis Hernandez, Christopher Perkins-Pearson, Dr. Ruma Chopra, and Shamshad Elimu
- III. Approval of Agenda – Action Item  
\*M/Ordonez, S/Santos to approve the agenda as submitted.  
**VOTE: UNANIMOUS**
- IV. Approval of Minutes (August 1, 2025) – Action Item  
\*M/Kain-Arther, S/Ponce-Mendoza to approve the minutes of August 1, 2025, as submitted. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS**
- V. Time Certain – 12:40 PM, CSUDH, Academic Affairs – Dr. Ruma Chopra.  
The Board will hear from the Chief of Staff of Academic Affairs, Ruma Chopra. Chopra thanked the Board for having her. She wanted to introduce herself as the newly appointed CSUDH Academic Affairs Chief of Staff. She is trying to meet students and understand how to connect and collaborate with the Board members. She wants to understand how her department can help students thrive. A little bit about her background, she is an English major, a Historian, and studied the American Revolution and Slavery. Chopra worked at multiple campuses and is now here to help and together with the students learn about CSUDH. She wanted to start with ASI, run and operated by students, to help students.

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VI. Reports

**Organizations Commissioner** – Kain-Arther met with Castaneda-Patino and Tyler to understand his role as the organization's commissioner.

**Student Activities Commissioner** – Ordonez met with Event Coordinator Troung to start planning for his event for the upcoming semester. College Natural and

**Behavioral Science Representative** – Kolke is currently working on his CSUnity report.

**Executive Vice President** – Gonzales is working on Commission appointments. Gonzales chaired his first ASI Personnel Committee meeting, where they discussed pay equity for staff, and the committee approved these equal pay raises.

**Alumni Liaison** – Hernandez attended the LEAD Retreat. They brought previous ASI members to speak with students. They are planning three dinners with Toros Event, the dates are TBA.

**Academic Senate Liaison** – McGlynn noted that at the Senate Retreat, they discussed concerns involving AI, institutional budget cuts, and issues related to Immigration Services and ways to protect community members. He asked who would be representing ASI at the Academic Senate meetings.

**President's Designee** – Vorobiev mentioned that University Housing is working with a third-party vendor on housing needs and student concerns. There is a Budget Town Hall scheduled for September 4<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 a.m. at the University Theater. September 30<sup>th</sup>, there will be a fall enrollment meeting that everyone is welcome to attend location TBD.

**Graduate Assistant** – Granados reported that Internship Applications have started coming in. Granados is scheduled to meet with the CDC for their orientation.

**Marketing and Public Relations Coordinator** – Burke hosted ASI Internship on Tuesday.

**Executive Director** – Shakoor noted that the audit is almost done. ASI received its continuation award for the CCAMPIS grant, which is \$3,000. She reported that ChatGPT is free for campus members.

**CDC Program Director** - Manansala announced that CDC hired a new Preschool Teacher who is a CSUDH alumnus. The enrollment at the CDC is nearly full, and they are working on four more families who are in the process of enrolling. The CCAMPIS Grant for the CDC has also been approved again.

**Associate Director** – Lakey reported that two new professional staff members have been added and announced the resignation of our Event Coordinator, for whom we are currently working on an appointment. Our first Toro Tuesday of the year is coming up, and encourages BOD to come and assist with tabling. Commuter outreach September 23, 2025, 3:45- 5:00 p.m.

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**ASI President** – Mejia-Alezano has a meeting with the campus dining staff, who will attend the next Board of Directors meeting, further advancing the mission to address food insecurity issues. Mejia-Alezano suggested that the campus dining department collaborate with Toro Care for students in emergency housing to provide emergency food. He suggested that the Board of Directors get their own complementary meal card.

**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**

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

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

Gonzales noted that there were three appointments.

**Elvis Hernandez** – College of Education Representative

**Chauncey Williams** – College of Health & Human Services & Nursing Representative

**Christopher Perkins-Person** – University Housing Liaison

\*M/Ordonez, S/Santos to appoint Christopher Perkins as ASI University Housing Liaison. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

\*M/Kain-Arther, S/Ponce-Mendoza to appoint Elvis Hernandez as ASI College of Education Representative. **VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

\*M/Ordonez, S/Gonzales to appoint Chauncey Williams as ASI College of Health and Human Service Representative.  
**VOTE: UNANIMOUS**

Candidates were welcomed and congratulated.

Shakoor performed the Oath of Office and presented the newly appointed candidate to the Board.

**IX. New Business – None**

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- X. Open Forum – Discussion Item  
Time for members of the audience to address the Board.  
The next Board meeting is on September 12, 2025
- XI. Adjournment  
Meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

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