

Associated Students, Inc.
California Polytechnic State University
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#17-17 Meeting Minutes

May 31, 2017
5:10 p.m., UU220

Voting Members Present:

Riley Nilsen- Chair of the Board

Jun Bang – Orfalea College of Business (left at 8:32, returned at 8:36)

Lexie Bonestroo – College of Science and Mathematics

Gianna Ciaccio – College of Science and Mathematics (left at 8:38, returned at 8:39)

John D’Ambrosio – Vice Chair / College of Engineering

Chase Dean – College of Liberal Arts (left at 8:34, returned at 8:37)

Cyrus Ebadat – College of Liberal Arts (left at 8:42, returned at 8:49)

Rita Elfarissi – College of Liberal Arts (left at 7:00, returned at 7:02)

Hayley Ford – College of Science and Mathematics

Warren Fox – College of Liberal Arts (left at 7:30, returned at 7:34, left at 7:53, returned at 7:57)

John Griffin – College of Engineering (left at 7:33, returned at 7:34)

Danielle Hepperle – College of Engineering (left at 9:15, returned at 9:19)

Josh Ledgerwood – College of Engineering

Jenna Rose Lee – College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Tyler Lee – College of Architecture and Environmental Design (left at 8:55, returned at 9:01)

Tony Lopes – College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Jocelyn Lu – College of Architecture and Environmental Design (left at 8:45, returned at 8:49)

Jason Marks – College of Science and Mathematics

Lauren Molyneaux – College of Liberal Arts

Hannah Poplack – Orfalea College of Business (left at 5:48, returned at 5:52, left 6:17, returned at 8:00)

Connor Rudolph – Orfalea College of Business (left at 8:34, returned at 8:42)

Kevin Scott – College of Engineering

Haley Warner – College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Design

Roman Waskiewicz – College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences (left at 6:47, returned at 6:51)

Voting Members Absent:

Matthew Pirtle – College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Design

Paul Ponciano – College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Alice Read- Orfalea College of Business

Vacant – College of Science and Mathematics

Non-Voting Members Present:

Jana Colombini- ASI President (left at 8:32, returned at 8:41)
Kaelan Sobouti - Chair of the University Union Advisory Board (left at 8:50)
Kate Granlund - Vice Chair of the University Union Advisory Board (arrived at 8:51)
Anthony Haddad - ASI Chief of Staff (left at 7:28, returned at 7:30, left at 8:33, returned 8:41)
Dr. Gary Laver - Academic Senate Representative (left at 7:00)
Lorlie Leetham- Cal Poly Corporation Representative (left at 7:25, returned at 7:32, left at 7:40)
Marcy Maloney - ASI Executive Director
Dr. Kathleen McMahon - University President's Representative (left at 7:00)
Lindsey Lee - Board of Directors' Advisor
Tracy Watson - Board of Directors' Assistant

Non-Voting Members Absent

Elena Wasserman - Mustang News

Guests:

Tim Wetzel - Board of Directors Elect
Kristen Tran - Cal Poly student
Kendall Elliott - Cal Poly student
Ben Fletcher - Cal Poly student
Samantha Rolander - Club Sports
Mitchell Collins - Board of Directors Elect
Lindsey Mobley - The Empowerment Grant
Augustine Remedies - The Empowerment Grant
Nick Davis - The Empowerment Grant
Kimberly Halter - The Empowerment Grant
Kristin Lee - Cal Poly student
Leilani Hemmings Pallay - Cal Poly student
Stephanie Ray - Cal Poly Student
Blanca Martinez Navarro - Assistant Dean of Students
Bryan Hubain - Assistant Dean of Students / Director of Cross Cultural Center
Don Heden - Cal Poly student
Anthony Trujillo - Cal Poly student
Denaë Dupray - Board of Directors Elect

- I. **Call to Order: Meeting #17-17 was called to order at 5:12 p.m.**
- II. **Flag Salute**
- III. **Letters & Roll Call**
 - A. Riley read a letter from Neal Kogali, member of the Indian Student Association, telling his story of the racism he has experienced and expressed his reasoning for the need to create a Social Justice and Equity Committee.
 - B. Roll call was taken and with 24 members present, quorum was met.

IV. **Open Forum**

- A. Dr. Humphrey spoke on behalf of the division of Student Affairs, thanking members for their diligent work and an exceptional year. He stated that the Veteran's Success Center, Undocumented Students and Health & Wellbeing resolutions that passed have been in line with the student experience. He stated that he is looking forward to working with next year's board.
- B. Many students spoke in support of the Social Justice & Equity Committee resolution.

V. **Approval of Minutes**

- A. **Minutes from meeting #17-16, May 17, 2017**
 - i. **Motion #1 (Bonestroo/Waskiewicz) "Move to approve the minutes from meeting #17-16, May 17, 2017."**
 - ii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**

VI. **Leaders Reports**

A. **Chair of the Board - Riley Nilsen**

- i. Club Sports Annual Report Presentation
 - 1. Riley introduced Sam Rolander to present the annual end-of-year report for Club Sports.
 - 2. Sam gave an overview of athletic achievements, community outreach and community service efforts. He reviewed the funding allocation stating that the total amount for funding Club Sports Council was \$82,000. Expenses included \$21,000 for student assistants, \$21,000 for insurance, \$39,000 for individual team allocation, and \$1,000 for Club Sports Council programming and events. He stated that next year they will consider the cost of adding new teams, hosting a small business conference, participation in fundraisers, and a blood drive to expand the program. He thanked members for their time and consideration.

B. **ASI President -Jana Colombini**

- i. Jana informed members that an operating agreement has been signed by ASI and the university defining ASI's role and what the oversight is. ASI will continue to be a student lead organization. The document is a five year term and Jana stated that President Armstrong reassured her that it would continue to be signed after each term.
- ii. Jana was proud to say that as ASI President, she accomplished everything in her platform.

C. **ASI Chief of Staff -Anthony Haddad**

- i. Anthony reported that the Mustang Way: Legacy Week and the Mustang Dugout events were a success. He stated that the farmers market event provided healthy food options to purchase. He announced that the last event, Poly Performs has been canceled due to lack of interest.
- ii. He was proud to announce that the Executive Cabinet completed 53 projects and events this year.

D. **Chair of UUAB -Kaelan Sobouti**

- i. Kaelan reported that UUAB approved the 2017-18 UU Budget.
- ii. He stated that architects from Omni Design shared charrettes of the plans for the integration of Mustang Station and Mustang Lanes. They are requesting feedback from students.

- iii. He stated that at their last meeting, UUAB will receive the final presentation of the findings from the Marketing and Branding Ad Hoc Committee. They will also receive updates on the Solar Tree, the Doerr Field and the Mustang Station projects.
- iv. Recommendations will be considered for more charging stations and an endorsement of a memo from the Executive Director for future projects.
- v. Kaelan stated that UUAB will be discussing new membership fees for Recreation Center memberships.
- vi. **Motion #2 (Scott/Griffin) "Move to amend the agenda to move the Representative's Reports after the Executive Director's Report."**
- vii. **Motion passed unanimous standing vote.**

VII. Executive Directors' Report –Marcy Maloney

- A. Marcy announced Spring Stampede on June 3 featuring performances by Flosstradamus and Alt9.
- B. She reported that the ASI assessment program is completing the first year of implementation. The program is to assess professional growth of student staff.
- C. She reported on summer projects including wood floors at the Recreation Center, upgrade of the fire alarm system in the University Union and the I-Field project.

VIII. Representatives' Reports

A. University President's Representative – Dr. Kathleen McMahon

- i. Dr. McMahon stated that first year enrollment is 1,200 more students than expected. The university anticipates approximately 700 students to make the decision to come to Cal Poly. She stated that it will be challenging; however, great effort is being made to make sure housing is secure and more classes are added. She reiterated that there will not be a negative impact for students graduating on time.
- ii. She reported that controversial speaker, Lauren Southern, came to Cal Poly. She stated that she had met with the student planners of the event on expectations and potential protests. She stated that multiple groups expressed themselves, but overall the event went well.

B. Academic Senate Representative – Dr. Gary Laver

- i. Dr. Laver reported that discussion items with the Academic Senate included:
 - a) Establishing alternatives for GWR
 - b) Blended Programs policy
 - c) Definition of student success
 - d) Office hour policy
- ii. Dr. Laver commended the Board on their honorable work and thanked them for allowing him to serve as the Academic Senate representative for two years.

C. Cal Poly Corporation Representative – Lorie Leatham

- i. Lorie gave an update on projects including the Vista Grande groundbreaking on June 12, Starbucks kiosks, more variety at Bishops Burgers, new salad bars, and expanding breakfast options.
- ii. She reported that 19 Metro will be upgraded and have a new name. She stated that Metro Express has been successful as a grab and go option.

- iii. She stated that results from the code survey on building 19 have been received. The retrofit will bring the building up to code.

IX. Old Business

A. Action Item: Chair of the ASI Board of Directors Nominations

- i. **Motion #3 (Waskiewicz/Lopes) “Move to open nominations for Chair of the Board.”**
- ii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- iii. Ms. Warner withdrew her nomination. There were no more nominations.
- iv. **Motion #4 (Waskiewicz/Rudolph) “Move to close nominations.”**
- v. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**

B. Action Item: Bill #17-02 ASI Bylaws Amendment – The Voting Integrity of the Recruitment and Development Committee

- i. **Motion #5 (Bonestroo/Ebadat) “Move to approve Bill #17-02 The Voting Integrity of the Recruitment and Development Committee.”**
- ii. **Motion #6 (Bonestroo/Griffin) “Move to amend Article IV: Implementation, Section 4.3.5.2.2 by adding after the word unbiased, “that members may send a request to the ASI Chair of the Board to move them to a different committee and/or”**
- iii. Lexie stated that there was concern that if a member is passionate about a candidate, they, themselves, can ask to be moved to another committee if requested.
- iv. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- v. Riley stated that they will now vote on the main motion.
- vi. Cyrus stated that the Internal Review Committee recommended a do pass.
- vii. **Motion passed majority vote.**

C. Action Item: Bill #17-03: ASI Bylaws Amendment – Implementation of ASI Social Justice and Equity Committee

- i. **Motion #7 (Ciaccio/Dean) “Move to approve Bill #17-03 Implementation of ASI Social Justice and Equity Committee.”**
- ii. Members stated that they appreciated the students that spoke during open forum and hearing the different perspectives. If the committee is implemented, it would be a monumental way to represent students and create positive change.
- iii. Cyrus stated that the Internal Review Committee took a unanimous neutral stance. He gave pros and cons from the committee as follows:
 - 1. Pros
 - (1) A new avenue and platform for underrepresented students to be engaged with and involved in ASI
 - (2) Providing continuity and structure from year to year regarding social justice and equity concerns which allows for continuous growth
 - 2. Cons
 - (1) A co-chair of a committee that does not fall under the corporate umbrella is unprecedented
 - (2) There is a lack of specified action items for this committee
 - (3) Questioned if this is the best use of ASI resources or if there are other avenues to meet these needs

(4) The committee purpose does not fall under the purview of current standing committees

- iv. Cyrus stated that the committee was in agreement that the purpose of the bill is important and valuable but questioned the method by which the potential committee's goals can be achieved. The Internal Review Committee was hesitant to establish a permanent standing committee with no prior testing and evaluation of "stepping stone" solutions. Alternatives discussed included creating another Ad Hoc Committee, or creating a subcommittee of the Outreach & Communication or External Affairs committees. A subcommittee could assess the needs of a group that focuses on social justice and equity, and ensure that it will be productive, successful, and a good use of ASI resources.
- v. Rita & Chase reiterated the importance of upholding the values of ASI by creating tangible change and supporting marginalized students. Lexie stated that she was moved by the students that spoke during open forum; however, this bill is an injustice to them. She suggested that ASI create an Ad Hoc committee to reach out to all colleges and the Deans to reach every student and find out what we can do to help them and how to do it right. She recommended a no vote.
- vi. Members encouraged next year's board to explore other mechanisms for equity and getting students around the table to discuss the best direction.

vii. **Motion failed majority vote.**

D. **Action Item: Bill #17-04: ASI Bylaws Amendment - Composition of the ASI Board of Directors**

- i. **Motion #8 (Bonestroo/D'Ambrosio) "Move to approve Bill #17-04: ASI Bylaws Amendment - Composition of the ASI Board of Directors."**
- ii. Lexie stated that the amendment will make a formalized change for equal distribution of representation on the Board. With a limit of 24 members, it will create more accountability with a better director to student ratio.
- iii. Cyrus stated that the Internal Review committee recommended a do pass.
- iv. Gianna, Jenna and Rita abstained stating that more voices provide representation and by limiting the number of seats would lose good students. Jana stated that by abstaining, you are taking away representation and limiting a vote for your college.
- v. **Motion passed majority voice vote.**

x. **New Business**

A. **Action Item: Amend Previously Adopted Bill #17-01**

- i. **Motion #9 (Bonestroo/Lee) "Move to amend previously adopted bill #17-01."**
- ii. Lexie explained that the amendment would strike Section 7.4.2.8 and insert Section 7.4.2.10. She stated that due to a mistake in sections, this amendment will keep all of the duties of the ASI President and add the duty of "development" as originally intended.
- iii. **Motion passed majority voice vote.**

B. **Action Item: Club Co-Sponsorship Allocation Distribution for FY 2017-18**

- i. **Motion #10 (D'Ambrosio/Rudolph) "Move to recommend allocating \$80,000 to ASI Club Sports Funding and \$95,000 to ASI Club Funding."**
- ii. John stated that the Business & Finance Committee recommended a do pass.
- iii. Motion passed unanimous voice vote.

C. **Action Item: Approval of Revisions to the ASI Cub Sports Funding Procedure**

- i. **Motion #11 (Ford/Rudolph) “Move to approve revisions to the ASI Club Sports funding procedure.”**
 - ii. Haley stated that the revisions would ensure that ASI club funding is available to enhance the cultural, educational, social and recreational opportunities for a broad range of Cal Poly Students. She stated that as club funding liaisons, they have noticed that the current use of Club Sports funding needs to be adjusted. In particular, student assistants are being paid with money that is intended to benefit a broad range of Cal Poly students.
 - iii. Cyrus stated that the Internal Review Committee recommended a do pass.
 - iv. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
 - v. The Chair called a 15 minute recess at 7:00 p.m.
 - vi. Roll call was taken and with 23 in attendance and quorum was met.
- D. **Action Item: ASI Club Event Insurance Assistance Procedure**
- i. **Motion #12 (Rudolph/Ford) “Move to approve the ASI Club event insurance assistance procedure.”**
 - ii. Haley stated that the procedure would allow clubs to apply for insurance that Cal Poly is no longer providing.
 - iii. Cyrus stated that the Internal Review Committee recommended a do pass.
 - iv. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- E. **Action Item: ASI Club Event Insurance Assistance Application**
- i. **Motion #13 (Rudolph/Ford) “Move to approve the ASI Club event insurance assistance application.”**
 - ii. Conner explained that the application accompanies the insurance procedure.
 - iii. Cyrus stated that the Internal Review Committee recommended a do pass.
 - iv. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- F. **Action Item: Approval of the ASI Reserves Proposal Recommendation**
- i. **Motion #14 (D’Ambrosio/Lee) “Move to approve the ASI reserves proposal recommendation.”**
 - ii. John stated that the Business & Finance Committee recommended a do pass. He stated that the proposal recommends that \$225,000 of ASI reserves will be contributed in the amount of \$24,000 for bike racks, \$76,000 for upgrading desks in building 10, and \$125,000 for upgrading campus lighting.
 - iii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
 - iv. Riley stated that the University Police Department announced that they will match the \$24,000 for additional bike racks.
- G. **Action Item: Endorsement #17-07 – Assembly Bill 1062 – Postsecondary Education: Trustees of the California State University**
- i. **Motion #15 (Warner/Waskiewicz) “Move to approve Endorsement #17-07 Assembly Bill 1062 – Postsecondary Education: Trustees of the California State University**
 - ii. Haley stated the bill proposes to increase the number of student representatives on the California State University Board of Trustees from two members to four members. Increasing the number of student representatives on the CSU Board of Trustees would give students a greater and more powerful presence in the oversight of the CSU system.
 - iii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**

- H. **Action Item: Ratification of the ASI/UU Summer Board of Directors**
 - i. **Motion #16 (Bonestroo/Molyneaux) “Move to ratify the ASI/UU Summer Board of Directors.”**
 - ii. Summer Board members selected are as follows:
 - 1. Sergio Dimas, College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences
 - 2. Ana Padilla, College of Architecture and Environmental Design
 - 3. Denae Dupray, College of Engineering
 - 4. Ruby Ludford, College of Liberal Arts
 - 5. Tim Wetzal, College of Science and Mathematics
 - 6. Adriana Le, Orfalea College of Business.
 - iii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- I. **Action Item: Ratification of the ASI Chief of Staff**
 - i. **Motion #17 (Bonestroo/Waskiewicz) “Move to ratify the 2017-18 ASI Chief of Staff.”**
 - ii. Lexie stated that she has no doubt that Mr. Raffish will do an outstanding job.
 - iii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- J. **Action Item: ASI Chair of the Board Elections**
 - i. **Motion #18 (Bonestroo/Lee) “Move to open ASI Chair of the Board elections.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
 - iii. Riley explained the election process which includes an introduction of the candidates, five minute presentations by each candidate, a question and answer session, discussion and debate, followed by a randomized voice vote election. Daniela Czerny and Rita Elfarissi gave their presentations and answered questions from members.
 - iv. Hanna asked to seek recognition at 8:00 p.m.
 - v. Kate Granlund asked to seek recognition and sit in for Kaelan at 8:51 p.m.
 - vi. Riley stated that the candidates had the opportunity to either stay in the room or leave during the deliberation; the candidates left the room escorted by Marcy at 9:00 p.m.
 - vii. Members deliberated on candidates and ended at 10:30 p.m.
 - viii. **Motion #19 (Waskiewicz/Lee) “Move to close the Chair of Board elections.”**
 - ix. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
 - x. A randomized roll call vote was taken and Daniela Czerny was named as the 2017-18 ASI Chair of the Board.

XI. **Committee Reports**

- A. **ASI Business and Finance – John D’Ambrosio**
 - i. John thanked his committee members for their hard work this year.
- B. **ASI External Affairs – Haley Warner**
 - i. Haley thanked members of External Affairs for their hard work and determination to serve students to the best of their ability. She also thanked members for endorsing AB 1062. This is a positive end to a successful year with students working

to take a step to make Cal Poly a leader in student representation across the CSU system.

C. **ASI/UU Internal Review - Cyrus Ebadat**

- i. Cyrus thanked the committee members, Co-Chair Kate Granlund, and staff for their support.

D. **ASI Outreach and Communication - John Griffin**

- i. John thanked the committee members and volunteers for their help throughout the year.

E. **ASI Recruitment and Development - Lexie Bonestroo**

- i. Lexie thanked the committee for their dedication and hard work throughout the year.

F. **ASI Club Funding Liaisons - Hayley Ford and Connor Rudolph**

- i. Conner stated that it was a fantastic year.

XII. **Announcements**

XIII. **Adjournment -Meeting adjourned at 10:17 p.m.**

CERTIFIED As the true and correct copy, in witness thereof, I have set my hand and seal of the Associated Students, Inc. this ___ day of ___ 2017.

ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors by ***Unanimous/Majority vote*** on _____, 2017

ASI Secretary

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Submitted by: _____
T. Watson - August 18, 2017