

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

#24-06 ASI Board Meeting Minutes

November 15, 2023

5:00 p.m., UU220

Voting Members Present:

Sofia Buduchina - College of Engineering (left at 6:00, returned at 6:02)

Marc Cabeliza - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences (recognized at 6:11)

Kayla Cavazos - College of Liberal Arts

Reagan Denny - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences (recognized at 6:11)

Scott Drouin - College of Liberal Arts

Alyson Engel - College of Liberal Arts (left at 5:50, returned at 5:55)

Joseph Fewel - College of Science and Mathematics

Alexis Kong - Orfalea College of Business

Alaina Ortiz - College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Jett Palmer - College of Science and Mathematics

Aaron Posternack - College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Rachel Reade - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences (left at 6:10, returned at 6:14)

Ethan Robin - College of Engineering

Sujanya Srinath - College of Engineering

Zachary Van Blarcom - Orfalea College of Business (left at 5:57, returned 6:00)

Voting Members Absent:

Angela Gutierrez - College of Engineering

Maya McClain - College of Liberal Arts

Kelly Pi - College of Science and Mathematics

Ashleigh Spragins - College of Engineering

Vacant - Orfalea College of Business

Vacant - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Vacant - College of Science and Mathematics

Vacant - Orfalea College of Business

Vacant - College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Non-Voting Members Present:

Siddharth Kartha- Chair, ASI Board of Directors

Sam Andrews - ASI President

Aaron Fernandes - Chair, University Union Advisory Board

Tyler Coari - ASI Chief of Staff (left at 6:11)

v. **Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

v. **Representatives' Reports**

- A. University President's Representative – Dr. Joy Pedersen
 - i. Full report submitted.
 - ii. Dr. Pedersen stated that the Multicultural Center Dedication was well attended.
 - iii. The Off-Campus Housing week resource fair will be held at the end of November.
- B. Academic Senate Representative – Dr. Jerusha Greenwood
 - i. Full report submitted.
- C. Cal Poly Corporation – Ellen Curtis
 - i. Full report submitted.
 - ii. Ellen announced that Taco Bell is now open, and the Thankful event was well attended.
 - iii. She encouraged members to take the Dining Survey.
 - iv. She shared a presentation showing the process of changing the brand name of Cal Poly Corporation (CPC). They recently completed a brand strategy sprint to identify ways to better communicate their purpose as a mission-driven non-profit auxiliary. Research revealed that there is general confusion on campus about what the corporation does, and its name added to this issue. Also, the word “corporation” conjured up a negative image for many. A new name could help communicate the corporation's role on campus more accurately. She stated that the new name will launch in winter 2024 as Cal Poly Partners.

vi. **Leaders Reports**

- A. **Chair of the Board – Siddharth Kartha**
 - i. No report submitted.
 - ii. ASI Insurance and Risk Management Report
 - a) Carol Brizendine, ASI Director, Business Services presented the ASI Insurance and Risk Management Report. She stated that risk management involves identifying, analyzing, and taking steps to reduce or eliminate the exposures to loss faced by an organization or individual. She shared the general principles, who is responsible, risk financing strategy, and ASI insurance program. The total annual premium for 2023-24 equals \$33,093.
 - iii. Fall Quarter Club Funding Update
 - a) Director Cavazos presented the fall quarter club funding update. She explained the purpose, who is eligible, and the terms of funding. She reviewed ASI Club Co-Sponsorship (\$450), ASI Club Event Co-Sponsorship (\$1,650), ASI Club Sport Funding, College Club Council Funding, and College Club Council Event Co-Sponsorship funding. The total 2023-24 funding is \$25,000 allocated by the Board of Directors and an additional \$65,930.11 from ASI Reserves for a total amount available of \$90,930.11. Year to Date, \$68,170.09 has been allocated to clubs and \$6,700.86 has been reconciled.
 - b) Directors Denny and Cabeliza were recognized at 6:11 p.m.
 - c) Chair Kartha stated that Directors Fulton, Santos, and Logrono have resigned from the ASI Board of Directors.

B. ASI President – Samuel Andrews

- i. No report submitted.

C. ASI Chief of Staff – Tyler Coari

- i. Full report submitted.

D. Chair of UUAB – Aaron Fernandes

- i. Full report submitted.

VII. Executive Directors Report –Michelle Crawford

- A. Full report submitted.
- B. Michelle stated that Brailsford and Dunlavey will be on campus for focus groups during Business and Finance, UUAB, and Board workshops.
- C. She announced that ASI received \$25,000 towards the Leadership Endowment.

VIII. Old Business

- A. None

IX. New Business

- i. **Action Item: Endorsement #24-01, 2024-29 ASI Strategic Plan**
 - a) **Motion #3 (Srinath/Engel) “Move to approve Endorsement #24-01, 2024-29 ASI Strategic Plan.”**
 - b) **Motion passed by unanimous vote.**
- ii. **Action Item: Recommendation to use ASI General Reserves in the amount up to \$45,000 to fund the ASI Needs and Feasibility Study.**
 - a) **Motion #4 (Drouin/Van Blarcom) “Move to approve the recommendation to use ASI General Reserves in the amount up to \$45,000 to fund the ASI Needs and Feasibility Study.**
 - b) **Motion passed by unanimous vote.**
- iii. **Action Item: Approval of the 2024-25 ASI Elections Candidate Packets**
 - a) **Motion #5 (Denny/Cabeliza) “Move to approve the 2024-25 ASI Elections Candidate Packets.”**
 - b) **Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

X. Committee Reports

- A. ASI Business and Finance Committee – Sujanya Srinath
 - i. Full report submitted.
- B. ASI Diversity and Inclusion Committee – Sofia Buduchina
 - i. The Diversity and Inclusion Committee is continuing to research a location for a quiet space and will be reviewing language changes for unifying words. Meeting guests included the Cozen Team and Dr. Patten.
- C. ASI External Affairs Committee – Reagan Denny
 - i. Full report submitted.
 - ii. The External Affairs will have a presentation on the Safety Enhancement Zone at their next meeting.

- D. ASI/UU Internal Review Committee – Jett Palmer
 - i. The Internal Review Committee meetings have been canceled due to lack of agenda items.
 - ii. Director Palmer stated that he will be chairing the Ad hoc Bylaw Review Committee.
- E. ASI Recruitment and Elections Committee – Marc Cabeliza
 - i. Full report submitted.
- F. ASI Club Funding Liaisons – Kayla Cavazos and Maya McClain
 - i. No report submitted.

XI. **Announcements**

XII. **Adjournment**

A. **Meeting adjourned at 6:49 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 January 23, 2024.

ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors by ***Unanimous vote*** on November 15, 2023.

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