

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

#24-08 ASI Board Meeting Minutes

January 24, 2024

5:10 p.m., UU220

Voting Members Present:

Sofia Buduchina - College of Engineering (left at 6:20, returned 6:29 p.m.)

Marc Cabeliza - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Kayla Cavazos - College of Liberal Arts

Reagan Denny - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Scott Drouin - College of Liberal Arts

Alyson Engel - College of Liberal Arts

Joseph Fewel - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics (left at 6:18, returned 6:21 p.m.)

Chloe Fiske - Orfalea College of Business (recognized at 7:21 p.m.)

Evelyn Jaminet - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics

Alexis Kong - Orfalea College of Business

David Lopez-Larios - Orfalea College of Business (recognized at 5:37 p.m., left at 6:42, returned 6:45 p.m.)

Jett Palmer - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics

Rachel Reade - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Ethan Robin - College of Engineering

Ashleigh Spragins - Orfalea College of Business

Sujanya Srinath - College of Engineering - Serving as Chair

Voting Members Absent:

Maya McClain - College of Liberal Arts

Varun Menon - Orfalea College of Business

Kelly Pi - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics

Aaron Posternack - College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Zachary Van Blarcom - Orfalea College of Business

Vacant - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Vacant - College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Non-Voting Members Present:

Sam Andrews - ASI President (left at 6:27, returned 6:33 p.m.)

Aaron Fernandes - Chair, University Union Advisory Board

Tyler Coari - ASI Chief of Staff (left at 6:34, returned at 6:39 p.m.)

Dr. Jo Campbell - University President's Designee

Dr. Jerusha Greenwood - Academic Senate Representative (left at 6:45 p.m.)

Dan Banfield – Cal Poly Corporation Representative (left at 6 p.m.)
Michelle Crawford - ASI Executive Director
Megan Schuler-Jones – Board Advisor
Tracy Watson - Board of Directors' Assistant

Non-Voting Members Absent

Siddharth Kartha- Chair, ASI Board of Directors

Guests:

David Hart, Cal Poly Student
Ava Marino, Board of Directors Elect
Javier Barajas, University Housing
Heather Zacker – ASI Director of Finance
Juliette Duke - University Housing
Demetri Golpashin, Whiting Turner
Kim Patten, Steinberg Hart
Nicole Friend, Steinberg Hart
Ava Ammari
Mia Nin
Jack Nguyen
Daniella Day, University Union Advisory Board
Ethan Gutterman

- I. **Call to Order: Meeting #24-07 was called to order at 5:11 p.m.**
 - A. Vice Chair Srinath stated that Chair Kartha was not feeling well so as Vice Chair, she will fill the role. She stated that Chair Fernandes will assume the roll of administrative duties, and as interim Chair, she will not have voting rights.
 - B. *Cal Poly sits on the traditional lands of the yak tiṭu tiṭu yak tithini Northern Chumash Tribe of San Luis Obispo County and Region. The yak tiṭu tiṭu yak tithini have a documented presence in this area for over 10,000 years. The tithini peoples have stewarded their ancestral and unceded homelands which include all the cities, communities, federal and state open spaces within the San Luis Obispo County region. These homelands extend East into the Carrizo Plains toward Kern County, South to the Santa Maria River, North to Ragged Point, and West beyond the ocean's shoreline in an unbroken chain of lineage, kinship, and culture.*
- II. **Letters & Roll Call**
 - A. With 13 in attendance, quorum was met.
- III. **Open Forum**
 - A. Vice Chair Srinath read a letter from a community member expressing her concern with the police brutality after the incident at the Recreation Center.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes**
 - A. **Approval of minutes from meeting #24-07, January 10, 2024**
 - i. **Minutes stand approved as written.**

V. Representatives' Reports

A. University President's Representative – Dr. Jo Campbell

- i. Housing Future Plan Presentation
 - a) Jo Campbell, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Executive Director of University Housing, and team provided members with an overview of the Student Housing Expansion project.
 - b) Dr. Campbell introduced the team from University Housing and Steinberg Hart. She shared a presentation on the Housing Future Plan, the mission and vision of University Housing, and the strategic plan priorities for 2023-26. She stated that the Interhall Council is the Student Government of University Housing and vote on recommendations and work with campus partners. Jo explained the funding improvements and the budget development process. The team from Steinberg & Hart and Whiting-Turner introduced the Future Housing Plan explaining the guiding principles and the project priorities. 3,000 new beds will be added with the new construction and the renovation of the red brick dorms.
 - c) They gave an overview of the meeting schedule, the modular building components being considered for the new construction, and the red brick dorms renovations. They shared the Mentimeter and encouraged students to use the QR code for feedback. They encouraged members to attend the Wednesday Big Room Sessions to share comments or concerns.
- ii. Full report submitted.

B. Academic Senate Representative – Dr. Jerusha Greenwood

- i. Dr. Greenwood gave a summary of the highlights of the CFA agreement, with the caveat that the CFA membership has not voted on this agreement, and it will not go before the CSU board of trustees until their meeting in March.
 - a) 5-percent General Salary Increase for all faculty retroactive to July 1, 2023.
 - b) 5-percent General Salary Increase for all faculty on July 1 in 2024 (contingent on the state not reducing base funding to the CSU).
 - c) Raising the salary floor for our lowest-paid faculty in salary Ranges A and B: \$3,000 increase in the minimum pay for Ranges A and B retroactive to July 1, 2023; additional \$3,000 increase in the minimum pay for Range A on July 1, 2024.
 - d) Salary Step Increase (SSI) of 2.65% for 2024-25.
 - e) Increasing paid parental leave from six to 10 weeks.
 - f) Increasing protection for faculty who have dealings with police by providing for a union rep in those interactions.
 - g) Improving access to gender-inclusive restrooms and lactation spaces, and a pathway to monitor issues of access.
 - h) Providing support for lecturer engagement in service work.
 - i) Extending the current contract for 2022-24 one year to June 30, 2025.
- ii. She reported that the academic senate of the CSU met last week and passed several resolutions having to do with the implementation of AB 928, the Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act, notation of subject matter waiver program completion on student transcripts, the Unit 3 strike, the senate's support for CalPERS fossil fuel divestment, and different positions on legislative bills.

- a) She stated that it is also very likely that Cal Poly will receive additional representation at the ASCSU based for full time equivalent faculty data. They will know more in March.

C. **Cal Poly Corporation – Dan Banfield**

- i. Dan Banfield, Chief Financial Officer, introduced himself and explained the Mortgage Assistance Program (MAP) as part of the 2015 Master Plan priority to provide housing for faculty and staff. The program provides assistance in mortgages, down payments, and second mortgages where Cal Poly Corporation can guarantee loans to home buyers in Bella Montana.
- ii. Russell Monteath, Director of Commercial Services, announced that 1901 opened and stated that five of the eight locations are open within 1901. The new facility provides 800 seats inside and 200 seats outside.

VI. Leaders Reports

A. **Chair of the Board – Siddharth Kartha**

- i. No Report submitted
- ii. ASI Club Services Presentation
 - a) Trisha Sanchez, Assistant Coordinator of Club Services gave a presentation showing the history of Club Services and stated that the program is subsidized through ASI Fees. She provided program highlights including the implementation of the Procurement Card and stated that over 12,000 students are involved in at least one Recognized Student Organization (RSO.) She reported that the Club Funding Liaisons are reviewing policies and looking at an electronic payment process to replace Venmo.

B. **ASI President – Samuel Andrews**

- i. No report submitted.

C. **ASI Chief of Staff – Tyler Coari**

- i. Full report submitted. Chief of Staff Coari gave highlights of his report.

D. **Chair of UUAB – Aaron Fernandes**

- i. No report submitted.

VII. Executive Directors Report –Michelle Crawford

- A. Full report submitted.
- B. Michelle reported that the Children’s Center is serving 95 students with dependents on campus. The state of California has implemented Pre K, and Kindergarten classes for free. They are looking into how the Children’s Center can relicense through the State of California to provide services. She stated that proposals are forthcoming.
- C. She announced that ASI received a \$100,000 donation to the Leadership Endowment Fund to provide leadership development and eventually student leader scholarships.
- D. She reported that the full time staff will receive a 5% cost of living increase retroactive to July 1.
- E. Michelle encouraged members to attend the Student Government Coordinator Candidate Open Forum.
- F. She announced the Strategic Plan Working Groups have been implemented.

VIII. Old Business

- A. None

IX. New Business

- A. **Action Item: Approve the 2023-24 ASI Alumni Council Operating Rules**
 - i. No motion, action item fails. This item was approved at the last meeting.
- B. **Action Item: Updates to the 2023-24 ASI/UU Internal Review Standing Committee Operating Rules**
 - i. **Motion #1 (Palmer/Drouin) “Move approve the updates to the 2023-24 ASI/UU Internal Review Standing Committee Operating rules.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.**
- C. **Action Item: Ratification of new director, Chloe Fiske, to fill the vacancy in the Orfalea College of Business**
 - i. **Motion #2 (Cavazos/Engel) “Move to ratify new director, Chloe Fiske, to fill the vacancy in the Orfalea College of Business.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed by unanimous hand vote.**
 - iii. **Director Fiske was recognized at 7:21 p.m.**
- D. **Action Item: Ratification of new director, Varun Menon, to fill the vacancy in the College of Engineering**
 - i. **Motion #3 (Robin/REade) “Move to ratify Varun Menon, to fill the vacancy in the College of Engineering.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed by unanimous hand vote.**

X. Committee Reports

- A. ASI Business and Finance Committee – Sujanya Srinath
 - i. Vice Chair Srinath stated that the Business and Finance Committee discussed the recommendation of \$6,000 threshold for projects and initiatives to remain the same.
 - ii. She stated that the committee is reviewing the budget and a discussion item for the Mustang Shuttle will be brought to the board.
- B. ASI Diversity and Inclusion Committee – Sofia Buduchina
 - i. Full report submitted.
- C. ASI External Affairs Committee – Reagan Denny
 - i. Director Denny stated that Flex Your Right efforts will begin soon and if you are not yet trained on voter registration to see her.
- D. ASI/UU Internal Review Committee – Jett Palmer
 - i. Full report submitted.
- E. ASI Recruitment and Elections Committee – Marc Cabeliza
 - i. Full report submitted.
- F. ASI Club Funding Liaisons – Kayla Cavazos and Maya McClain
 - i. Director Cavazos stated that there is under \$10,000 left in Club Funding.
 - ii. A full review of policies and procedures for Club Funding is underway.
 - iii. She reported that the Business and Finance Committee will review the request for using general reserves for additional money if funding gets to \$5,000

XI. Announcements

XII. **Adjournment**

A. **Meeting adjourned at 7:35 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 February 8, 2024.

ASI Secretary

ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors by ***Unanimous vote*** on February 7, 2024

ASI Secretary