

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

#24-09 ASI Board Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2024

5:10 p.m., UU220

Voting Members Present:

Marc Cabeliza - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences (left at 7:00 p.m.)

Kayla Cavazos - College of Liberal Arts (left at 6:32, returned at 6:35 p.m.)

Reagan Denny - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences (left at 6:21)

Scott Drouin - College of Liberal Arts

Alyson Engel - College of Liberal Arts

Joseph Fewel - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics (left at 6:11, returned 6:18 p.m.)

Chloe Fiske - Orfalea College of Business (left at 6:32 p.m.)

Evelyn Jaminet - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics (left at 6:32, returned at 6:37)

Alexis Kong - Orfalea College of Business

David Lopez-Larios - Orfalea College of Business

Ava Marino - College of Engineering (recognized at 7:24 p.m.)

Maya McClain - College of Liberal Arts

Varun Menon - Orfalea College of Business (left at 6:39 p.m.)

Jett Palmer - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics (recognized at 6:05 p.m.)

Aaron Posternack - College of Architecture and Environmental Design (recognized at 7:19)

Rachel Reade - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Ethan Robin - College of Engineering

Ashleigh Spragins - Orfalea College of Business (recognized at 6:06 p.m.)

Sujanya Srinath - College of Engineering (left at 7:20, returned at 7:24 p.m.)

Zachary Van Blarcom - Orfalea College of Business

Voting Members Absent:

Sofia Buduchina - College of Engineering

Vacant - College of Architecture and Environmental Design

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Non-Voting Members Present:

Siddharth Kartha- Chair, ASI Board of Directors

Sam Andrews - ASI President

Aaron Fernandes - Chair, University Union Advisory Board (left at 6:40 p.m.)

Tyler Coari - ASI Chief of Staff

Dr. Jeffrey D. Armstrong - University President

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

Tiffany Kramlich – Cal Poly Corporation Representative
Michelle Crawford - ASI Executive Director
Megan Schuler-Jones – Board of Directors’ Advisor
Tracy Watson - Board of Directors’ Assistant

Non-Voting Members Absent

Guests:

Dr. Jo Campbell – University President’s Designee
Jen Haft – Assistant Vice President, Divisional Operations
Andrea Burns – Cal Poly Corporation
Russell Monteath – Cal Poly Corporation
Justin Vastine – Director, Divisional Operations
Xander Levine – ASI Executive Cabinet
Sydney Lehr – ASI Executive Cabinet

- I. **Call to Order: Meeting #24-09 was called to order at 5:16 p.m.**
 - A. *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 17 in attendance, quorum was met.
- III. **Open Forum**
 - A. None
- IV. **Approval of Minutes**
 - A. **Approval of minutes from meeting #24-08, January 24, 2024**
 - i. Director McClain made a friendly amendment under committee reports stating that Director Cavazos gave the report.
 - ii. **Minutes stand approved as amended.**
 - iii. **Motion #1 (Srinath/McClain) “Move to surepresentative’s.3.3 of the standing rules as it pertains to time limits of representatives reports.”**
 - iv. **Motion passed unanimous hand vote.**
- V. **Representatives’ Reports**
 - A. University President’s Representative – Dr. Jeffrey D. Armstrong
 - i. Chair Kartha reported that ASI has not collected summer fees from students since pre-covid. The Officer Team requested financial support from the university to mitigate operational expenses and he announced that ASI received \$550,000 approved by President Armstrong to maintain operating expenses.

- ii. President Armstrong shared a presentation on University Updates including personnel searches, budgets, enrollment, and student fees. He spoke about the vision and where Cal Poly is headed for students, staff, faculty, and campus spaces. He stated that year round classes have been delayed to summer 2025 and shared the priorities of launching the transition to year round. He talked about housing projects, student success center, and the Mustang Business Place that will move 200 staff members to free up space on campus for classroom spaces. President Armstrong fielded questions from members.
 - iii. Full report submitted.
 - iv. Director Pi was recognized at 6:05 p.m.
 - v. Director Spragins was recognized at 6:06 p.m.
- B. Academic Senate Representative – Dr. Jerusha Greenwood
- i. Full report submitted
- C. Cal Poly Corporation – Tiffany Kramlich
- i. Tiffany Kramlich, Cal Poly Corporation, Director of Human Resources, gave a presentation on Cal Poly Partners Culture Work and the employee engagement survey asking 12 questions related to culture descriptors. With an overall 18% participation, she asked members to share ideas of how to get students to participate in surveys. Cultural descriptors include collaborative, supportive, innovative, accountable, engaging, and respectful. She spoke about culture champions that engage employees to be influencers to demonstrate and be role models.

VI. Leaders Reports

- A. **Chair of the Board – Siddharth Kartha**
 - i. No Report submitted
- 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. Michelle gave highlights from her report.
- B. She reminded members that during election season, the Student Government office is a safe zone and no candidate discussions can take place in the office.

VIII. Old Business

- A. None

IX. New Business

- A. Director Posternack was recognized at 7:19 p.m.
- B. **Action Item: Ratification of new director, Ava Marino, to fill the vacancy in the College of Engineering**

- i. **Motion #2 (Jaminet/Engel) “Move to ratify new director, Ava Marino, to fill the vacancy in the College of Engineering.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed by unanimous hand vote.**
 - iii. Director Marino was recognized at 7:24 p.m.
- C. **Action Item: Approve the 2023-24 ad hoc committee on the Bylaw Review Operating Rules**
- i. **Motion #3 (Kong/Drouin) “Move to approve the 2023-24 ad committee on the Bylaw Review Operating Rules.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.**
- D. **Action Item: Approve the 2024-25 ASI Election Timeline (revised)**
- i. **Motion #4 (Engel/Lopez-Larius) “Move to approve the revised 2024-25 ASI Election Timeline.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.**
- E. **Action Item: Annual New Projects and Initiatives Policy Threshold Amount of \$6,000**
- i. **Motion #5 (Robin/Palmer) “Move to approve the annual New Projects and Initiatives Policy Threshold amount of \$6,000.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.**
- F. **Action Item: Inactive Account Consideration: MBA Student Association Club**
- i. **Motion #6 (McClain/Cavazos) “Move to approve the inactive account consideration: MBA Student Association Club.”**
 - ii. Director McClain explained that the club went inactive after two years following Covid. To reactive an account, it requires board approval to transfer their funds from ASI into their club account.
 - iii. **Motion passed unanimous hand 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. Absent
 - ii. Full report submitted.
- C. ASI External Affairs Committee – Reagan Denny
 - i. Full report submitted.
- D. ASI/UU Internal Review Committee – Jett Palmer
 - i. Full report submitted.
- E. ASI Recruitment and Elections Committee – Marc Cabeliza
 - i. Director Van Blarcom reported that the information session was well attended. He asked for members to volunteer to help with the upcoming information booths. He stated that candidate filing opened with over 200 clicks on the application. Candidate filing closes on February 26.
- F. ASI Club Funding Liaisons – Kayla Cavazos and Maya McClain
 - i. There is \$3,519.18 left in Club Funding.
 - ii. The Business and Finance Committee will review a request for using general reserves for additional money for Club Funding.

XI. **Announcements**

XII. **Adjournment**

A. **Meeting adjourned at 7:33 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 21 day of February 2024

ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors by ***Unanimous vote*** on February 21, 2024

ASI Secretary

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