

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

#24-13 ASI Board Meeting Minutes

April 24, 2024

5:10 p.m., UU220

Voting Members Present:

Trey Bernard - College of Liberal Arts (recognized at 5:47)
Sofia Buduchina - College of Engineering
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
Chloe Fiske - Orfalea College of Business
Evelyn Jaminet - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics (recognized at 5:49)
Alexis Kong - Orfalea College of Business
David Lopez-Larios - Orfalea College of Business (left at 5:55, returned 6:03.)
Ava Marino - College of Engineering (left 5:55, returned 6:25)
Jack Nguyen - College of Architecture and Environmental Design (recognized at 6:29)
Jett Palmer - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics
Aaron Posternack - College of Architecture and Environmental Design
Rachel Reade - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences (recognized at 5:38)
Ethan Robin - College of Engineering
Victor Sepulveda - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics
Ashleigh Spragins - Orfalea College of Business
Sujanya Srinath - College of Engineering
Clark Stafford - College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Voting Members Absent:

Varun Menon - Orfalea College of Business
Zachary Van Blarcom - Orfalea College of Business

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
Dr. Jo Campbell - University President Representative

Dr. Jerusha Greenwood – Academic Senate Representative
Ellen Curtis – Cal Poly Partners Representative
Carol Brizendine - ASI Executive Director Representative
Caty Ogden – Board of Directors’ Advisor
Tracy Watson - Board of Directors’ Assistant

Non-Voting Members Absent

Meghan Schuler-Jones – Assistant Director – PR, Leadership, and DEI

Guests:

Ashley Shoals – Director, ASI Children’s Programs
William Slarinsky – Cal Poly Student
Colin Shea – Cal Poly Student
Sydney Lehr – ASI Executive Cabinet
Alexander Levine – ASI Executive Cabinet
Dani Day – University Union Advisory Board

A. Call to Order: Meeting #24-13 was called to order at 5:12 p.m.

- i. *Cal Poly sits on the traditional lands of the yak titʻu titʻu yak tiʻhini Northern Chumash Tribe of San Luis Obispo County and Region. The yak titʻu titʻu yak tiʻhini have a documented presence in this area for over 10,000 years. The tiʻhini 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. The Chair received 11 letters in support of Resolution #24-03: Resolution Calling for Expansion of the Physical Space Allocated to the Cal Poly Transfer Center.
- B. With 19 in attendance, quorum was met.

III. Open Forum

- A. Sydney Lehr, ASI Secretary of Accessibility, spoke in support of Resolution #24-03 stating that the space for the Transfer Center does not allow their wheelchair due to space constraints. With the growing number of students using the center, it is important that they have a larger space. Sydney encouraged members to vote yes on the resolution.
- B. A student expressed their concern for Turning Point USA stating that Cal Poly needs to look at who is coming to campus. Their concern for the safety of students on campus needs to be addressed and she asked members to “protect our students.”

IV. Approval of Minutes

- A. **Approval of minutes from meeting #24-12, April 10, 2024**
 - i. Minutes stand approved as written.

V. Representatives’ Reports

- A. University President's Representative – Dr. Jo Campbell
 - i. Full report submitted.
- B. Academic Senate Representative – Dr. Jerusha Greenwood
 - i. Full report submitted.
- C. Cal Poly Partners – Ellen Curtis
 - i. Full report submitted.
 - ii. Ellen mentioned the Crowd Funding Campaign, a meal voucher program. She added that \$2,500 will be donated to the Cal Poly Food Pantry.

I. Leaders Reports

- A. **Chair of the Board – Siddharth Kartha**
 - i. Full report Submitted
- B. **ASI President – Samuel Andrews**
 - i. No report submitted.
- C. **Chair of UUAB – Aaron Fernandes**
 - i. Full report submitted.
 - ii. Director Reade was recognized at 5:38 p.m.
- D. **ASI Chief of Staff – Tyler Coari**
 - i. Full report submitted.

II. Executive Directors Report –Carol Brizendine

- A. Full report submitted.

III. Old Business

- A. None

IV. New Business

- A. **Action Item: Ratification of new director, Trey Bernard, to fill the vacancy in the College of Liberal Arts**
 - i. **Motion #1 (Marino/Drouin) “Move to approve ratification of new director, Trey Bernard, to fill the vacancy in the College of Liberal Arts”**
 - ii. **Motion passed unanimous hand vote.**
 - iii. Director Bernard was recognized at 5:47 p.m.
- B. **Action Item: Approve the 2023-24 ASI Board of Directors Standing Rules and Accompanying Standing Committee Operating Rules-Revised**
 - i. **Motion #2 (Robin/Fewel) “Move to approve the 2023-24 ASI Board of Directors Standing Rules and accompanying Standing Committee Operating Rules-Revised.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- C. **Action Item: First Read of Bill #24-01 Implementing Transition Reports as a Duty of the ASI Officers**
 - i. **Motion #3 (Cabeliza/Lopez-Larius) “Move to open discussion on Bill #24-01: Implementing Transition Reports as a duty of the ASI Officers.”**

- ii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
 - iii. Sam stated that the goal of this bill is to implement procedures and create continuity during the transition of ASI Officers. It is the duty of the ASI Officers to author transition reports in collaboration with their respective subordinates before the end of their ordinary terms.
 - iv. Question was raised about first and second reads of a bill. Siddharth clarified that the first read is discussion only and second read is where amendments can be made.
 - v. **Motion #4 (Cabeliza/Buduchina) “Move to close first read of Bill #24-01 Implementing Transition Reports as a duty of the ASI Officers.”**
 - vi. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- D. **Action Item: Updates to the Orfalea Family and ASI Children’s Center Policy Manual**
- i. **Motion #5 (Spragins/Sepulveda) “Move to approve updates to the Orfalea Family and ASI Children’s Center Policy manual.”**
 - ii. Director Robin asked whether parents were involved in the process. Ashley Shoals, Director of ASI Children’s Programs, stated that it was presented to the Parent Advisory Council and parents who are part of the review process.
 - iii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- E. **Action Item: Resolution #24-03: Resolution Calling for an Expansion of the Physical Space Allocated to the Cal Poly Transfer Center**
- i. **Motion #6 (Drouin/Posternack) “Move to approve Resolution #24-03: Resolution calling for an expansion of the physical space allocated to the Cal Poly Transfer Center.”**
 - ii. Authors of the resolution stated that this is a chance for ASI to advocate for students. The Transfer Center needs a larger space to allow the growing number of students to gather to study or provide events for the transfer student community. Members commended the authors for their work on the resolution. Some expressed concern with the limited space on campus and how many groups on campus need more space.
 - iii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- F. **Action Item: Acceptance of Marc Cabeliza as the 2024-25 Chair of the University Union Advisory Board**
- i. **Motion #7 (Engel/Sepulveda) “Move to accept Marc Cabeliza as the 2024-25 Chair of the University Union Advisory Board.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed unanimous hand vote.**
- v. **Committee Reports**
- A. ASI Business and Finance Committee – Sujanya Srinath
 - i. Sujanya reported that the committee will continue reviewing the budget and will see a proposal to allocate \$200,000 from General Reserves for the Children’s Center facility improvements.
 - B. ASI Diversity and Inclusion Committee – Sofia Buduchina
 - i. 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. Marc announced the success of this year’s ASI Elections with 4,011 votes and a 19.8% voter turnout. He stated that not everyone is a winner and to be mindful of others.
 - ii. He stated that general recruitment has opened for Chief of Staff, Executive Cabinet, and UUAB membership.
 - iii. Marc announced the updated outreach competition where the first place team will receive a dinner with Michelle and a personalized ASI jacket.
- F. ASI Club Funding Liaisons – Kayla Cavazos
 - i. Director Cavazos reported that \$110,360.02 has been allocated in Club Funding and \$46,736.20 has been reconciled.

VI. **Announcements**

VII. **Adjournment**

A. **Meeting adjourned at 6:27 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 _____.

ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors by *Unanimous vote* on _____.

ASI Secretary

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