

Associated Students, Inc.  
California Polytechnic State University  
San Luis Obispo

Resolution #25-03

RESOLUTION TO REAFFIRM SHARED GOVERNANCE

- WHEREAS: The ASI Board of Directors serves as the official voice of students at California Polytechnic State University (Cal Poly), San Luis Obispo, and
- WHEREAS: The Chancellor's Office passed Coded Memorandum AA-2009-02<sup>1</sup> on local responsibility for student participation; and
- WHEREAS: The coded memorandum encourages best practices to ensuring "that associated student body organizations are involved in campus policy development as full participants;"<sup>1</sup> and
- WHEREAS: The coded memorandum also states that campus "presidents will provide these officially recognized associated student body organizations an opportunity to offer opinions and make recommendations about campus policy and procedures that have or will have an effect upon students;"<sup>1</sup> and
- WHEREAS: The CSU Board of Trustees passed a resolution<sup>2</sup> on Student Participation in Policy Development that officially approves the above statements from AA-2009-02;" and
- WHEREAS: The California State Student Association (CSSA) Shared Governance Resolution reaffirms "the expectation of consistent collaboration among students, faculty, staff, and administration in making decisions that impact the campus and its community"<sup>3</sup>; and
- WHEREAS: The CSSA also remarks, "students are key stakeholders on any university campus and as such are subject to direct and indirect impacts made by university policies, procedures, and decisions"<sup>3</sup>; and
- WHEREAS: The Office of the President emphasizes a "greater culture of transparency, collaboration, and accountability"<sup>4</sup> in the university's strategic plan to enhance student success; and
- WHEREAS: The Academic Senate recognizes the "collegial form of shared governance... based on historic academic traditions that have been recognized by the people of the State of California through their legislature."<sup>5</sup>; and

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1 <https://calstate.policystat.com/policy/9823399/latest/>

2 <https://www.calstate.edu/csu-system/board-of-trustees/resolutions/bot-resolutions-jul2001.pdf>

3 <https://drive.google.com/file/d/12sLSYRGG8335542DGInv-EReXNZmxi1L/view?usp=sharing>

4 <https://www.calpoly.edu/strategic-plan>

5 [https://content-calpoly-edu.s3.amazonaws.com/academicsenate/1/images/CONSTITUTION\\_BYLAWS\\_2024.pdf](https://content-calpoly-edu.s3.amazonaws.com/academicsenate/1/images/CONSTITUTION_BYLAWS_2024.pdf)

WHEREAS: The Cal Poly Partners “conduct several quantitative and qualitative student surveys throughout the year,”<sup>6</sup> as part of their value in collaboration with partners and colleagues<sup>7</sup>; and

WHEREAS: The Office of Student Affairs works in partnership with key campus entities, including Associated Students, Inc., to drive their mission of “sustain[ing] meaningful partnerships and collaboration”<sup>8</sup>; and

WHEREAS: The Office of the Provost, on behalf of Academic Affairs, is “proud to work with students, faculty, and staff to ensure the Cal Poly experience is exceptional for all members of our campus community”<sup>9</sup>; and

THEREFORE  
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RESOLVED: ASI urges campus partners to implement a holistic, representative, and frequent review process of large-scale campus initiatives by associated student leaders; and

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RESOLVED: ASI hereby requests continued incorporation of the student perspective within our campus partners’ organizational cultures, structures, and processes; and

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RESOLVED: ASI encourages campus partners to actively engage in the student governance process by attending relevant ASI Student Government meetings, fostering direct communication and transparency between students and university leadership; and

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RESOLVED: All campus partners review the guidelines outlined in AA-2009-02 and ensure adherence to the best practices established by the Chancellor’s Office for student participation in campus policy development; and

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RESOLVED: All offices and partners to which ASI Student Government legislation is directed shall acknowledge receipt of such legislation by providing an official letter of confirmation; and

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RESOLVED: ASI administration shall document and publish these official acknowledgments as an accountability measure; and

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6 Confirmed by Dawn Ventura, Associate Director of Marketing & Communications.

7 <https://calpolypartners.org/mission-vision-and-values/>

8 <https://studentaffairs.calpoly.edu/vision-mission-values>

9 <https://provost.calpoly.edu/>

FURTHERMORE  
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RESOLVED: This resolution be sent to University President Jeffrey D. Armstrong, Cal Poly Partners Chief Executive Officer Cody VanDorn, Cal Poly Partners Associate Executive Director Andrea Burns, Academic Senate Chair Jerusha Greenwood, Interim Vice President for Student Affairs Cynthia Vizcaíno Villa, Interim Dean of Students David Groom, Vice President for Academic Affairs Cynthia Jackson-Elmoore, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs- Campus Life Jo Campbell, ASI Executive Director Michelle Crawford

Certified as the true and correct copy, in witness thereof, I have set my hand and Seal of the San Luis Obispo Cal Poly Associated Students, Inc. this 8 day of April 2025.

ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors at San Luis Obispo Cal Poly Associated Students, Inc. this 2 day of April 2025.

Attest:

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ASI Secretary

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Signed:

ASI Chair of the Board

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Signed:

ASI President

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