

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

ASI Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Meeting #25-13

April 16, 2025, 5:10 p.m.

University Union, Bldg. 65, Room 220

Voting Members Present:

Sofia Buduchina - College of Engineering

Kayla Cavazos - College of Liberal Arts

Megan Dixon - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences (left at 6:09, returned at 6:11)

Alyson Engel - Vice Chair, College of Liberal Arts (left at 5:40, returned at 5:47)

Joe Fewel - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics (left at 6:18, returned at 6:20, left at 7:07, returned at 7:10)

Sam Finch - Orfalea College of Business

Garret Gomes - Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Evelyn Jaminet - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics

Alexis Kong - Orfalea College of Business

Ava Marino - College of Engineering (left at 6:00, returned at 6:04)

Dylan Marino - Orfalea College of Business

Katelyn Nightengale - College of Liberal Arts

Morgan Oliveira - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Jett Palmer - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics

Aaron Posternack - College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Hannah Reyes - College of Engineering (recognized 6:03)

Eva Robin - College of Engineering

Elias Romero - College of Engineering (left at 6:21, returned at 6:22)

Olivia Short - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Clark Stafford - College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Chloe Tolchinsky - Orfalea College of Business

Voting Members Absent:

Maya Fornera - College of Liberal Arts

Visruth Srimath Kandali - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics

Vacant – College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Non-Voting Members Present:

Reagan Denny – Chair, ASI Board of Directors (left 6:43, returned 6:44)

Ashleigh Spragins – ASI President

Marc Cabeliza – Chair, University Union Advisory Board

Colin Shea – ASI Chief of Staff

Michelle Crawford – ASI Executive Director

Caty Ogden – Board of Directors’ Advisor

Tracy Watson – Board of Directors’ Assistant

Ellen Curtis – Cal Poly Partners Representative

Ryan Weisenberg – University President’s Representative

Dr. Jerusha Greenwood – Academic Senate Representative

Non-Voting Members Absent:

None

Guests:

Missi Allison-Bullock – Director, ASI Programs

Heather Zacker – Director, Finance

Anna Hassey - Assistant Director – Strategic Initiatives

Justin Vastine - Director, Divisional Operations

Brandon Medeiros – Facility Planning

Elliott Halcon – Cal Poly student

Nevon Bell – Cal Poly Graduate Student

Tanner Schinderle – ASI Executive Cabinet

Peyton Kelly – ASI Executive Cabinet

I. Call to Order: Meeting #25-13 was called to order at 5:11 p.m.

- A. *Cal Poly sits on the traditional lands of the yak titʷu titʷu yak tithini Northern Chumash Tribe of San Luis Obispo County and Region. The yak titʷu titʷu 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. The chair received an anonymous letter in support for Bill #25-02 In-Office Hours for ASI President
- B. With 20 members in attendance, quorum was met.

III. **Open Forum**

- A. Nevan Bell, a Master's Program student, expressed his concern of the lack of leadership opportunities for graduate students and that these students don't feel engaged.
- B. Brandon Mederios, Facilities Planning and Capital Planning, spoke about the John Madden Football Center. The \$45M project is a 33,000 square foot building to elevate the Athletics program.

IV. **Approval of Minutes**

- A. Approval of minutes from Meeting #25-12, April 2, 2025
 - i. **Motion #1 (Palmer/Marino) "Move to approve the minutes from meeting #25-12, April 2, 2025."**
 - ii. **Motion passed majority vote with one abstention.**

V. **Representatives' Reports**

- A. **University President's Representative - Ryan Weisenberg**
 - i. Ryan Weisenberg, Senior Director of Development, leads strategic fundraising efforts for the Cal Poly Cares program.
 - ii. Full report submitted.
- B. **Academic Senate Representative - Dr. Jerusha Greenwood**
 - i. Dr. Greenwood reported that the Academic Senate Committee held their first hybrid meeting, passed two resolutions and received a presentation from the Disability Resource Center.
 - ii. Full report submitted.
- C. **Cal Poly Partners Representative - Ellen Curtis**
 - i. Ellen reported that Commercial Services was well represented at Open House and created the greatest first impression to prospective students and their supporters.
 - ii. Full report submitted.

VI. **Leaders' Reports**

- A. **ASI Chair of the Board - Reagan Denny**
 - i. Reagan acknowledged Alyson and her efforts at Open House.
 - ii. No written report submitted
- B. **ASI President - Ashleigh Spragins**
 - i. Ashleigh gave highlights from her report.

- ii. Full written report submitted.

C. Chair of UUAB – Marc Cabeliza

- i. Marc announced that Xander Levine was elected as the 2025-26 Chair of UUAB.
- ii. He reported that the UUAB approved three proposals:
 - a) Outdoor exercise program
 - b) The Forum food policy revision
 - c) New furniture for San Luis Lounge
- iii. No report submitted.

D. ASI Chief of Staff – Colin Shea

- i. Full written report submitted.

VII. Executive Directors’ Report – Michelle Crawford

- A. Michelle reminded members that during the election season, integrity and representation is directly tied to serving ASI.
- B. She reported that she is hosting a Cal Maritime Update. She stated that there is a proposed Poly Escapes restructure and she reminded members to ask questions about the budget.
- C. No written report submitted.

VIII. Old Business

- A. None

IX. New Business

A. Action Item: Approval of the 2024-25 ASI Standing Committee Operating Rules

- i. **Motion #2 (Jaminet/Buduchina) “Move to approve the 2024-25 ASI Standing Committee Operating Rules.”**
- ii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**

B. Action Item: Approval of Reserves Strategy Proposal

- i. **Motion #3 (Cavazos/Fewel) “Move to approve the Reserves Strategy Proposal.”**
- ii. The proposal is to allocate up to \$90,000 from the ASI General Reserves to support the purchase of a Food Pantry vehicle for Campus Health and Wellbeing and facility/safety improvements at the ASI Children’s Center.
- iii. Michelle explained that due to ASI reserves being more than the policy limit, she prefers to have the Board of Directors make the recommendation when allocating funds. Alyson stated that the Business and Finance Committee recommended a do pass by unanimous vote to approve the allocation of \$90,000 from the ASI General Reserves.
- iv. **Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.**

- C. **Action Item: Approval of Proposal to Approve Regular Full-Time Position Coordinator I – Craft Center**
 - i. **Motion #4 (Dixon/Romero) “Move to approve the proposal for a regular full-time position Coordinator I – Craft Center.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- D. **Action Item: Approval of Proposal to Approve Regular Full-Time Position Coordinator I – Facility Operations (Recreation Center)**
 - i. **Motion #5 (Cavazos/Stafford) “Move to approve a regular full-time position Coordinator I – Facility Operations (Recreation Center.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- E. **Action Item: First read of Bill #25-01 Cal Poly Solano Non-Voting Student Representation on the ASI Board of Directors**
 - i. **Motion #6 (Stafford/Short) “Move to open first read of Bill #25-01 Cal Poly Solano non-voting student representation on the ASI Board of Directors.”**
 - ii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
 - iii. The purpose of the bill is to amend the ASI Bylaws to include a Cal Poly Solano non-voting student representative to the ASI Board of Directors beginning in the 2025-26 academic year. The non-voting student representative will act as a liaison, sharing updates on Cal Poly Solano student life, advocating for student needs and concerns and fostering collaboration and a shared sense of purpose across campuses.
 - iv. **Motion #7 (A. Marino/Dixon) “Move to close first read of the Bill #25-01 Cal Poly Solano non-voting student representative on the ASI Board of Directors.”**
 - v. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**
- F. **Action Item: First read of Bill #25-02 In-Office Start Date for ASI President**
 - i. **Motion #8 (Stafford/Romero) “Move to open first read of Bill #25-02 In-Office start date for ASI President.”**
 - ii. Director Finch stated that from a former marketing student assistant perspective, it is important for the ASI President to be in person for SLO Days. First impressions from the ASI President is important to incoming students. Question was raised about the scholarship and Michelle stated that it would need to go to the Business and Finance Committee for discussion. Ashleigh stated that she didn’t have anything to do during the summer and should be at the discretion of the President whether they can have the opportunity for a professional internship for personal growth. Members agreed that the ASI President should find ways to keep busy, perhaps pursuing a local internship or building relationships with stakeholders. Others stated that the elected position is a privilege and should be taken as a viewpoint of service.

- iii. **Motion #9 (Palmer/Engel) “Move previous question.”**
- iv. Chair Denny stated that this requires a 2/3 vote.
- v. **Motion passed unanimous hand vote.**
- vi. **Motion #10 (Engel/Dixon) “Move to close first read of Bill #25-02 In-Office start date for ASI President.”**
- vii. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**

X. **Committee Reports**

- A. ASI Business and Finance Committee – Alyson Engel
 - i. Full written report submitted
- B. ASI Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Justice – Sofia Buduchina
 - i. Full written report submitted
- C. ASI External Affairs – Morgan Oliveira
 - i. Full written report submitted
- D. ASI/UU Internal Review – Jett Palmer
 - i. Full written report submitted
- E. ASI Recruitment and Elections – Sam Finch
 - i. Full written report submitted.
- F. ASI Club Funding Liaisons – Hannah Reyes and Alexis Kong
 - i. Full written report submitted.
- G. Club Funding Review Ad Hoc Committee – Alexis Kong
 - i. Full written report submitted

XI. **Announcements**

XII. **Adjournment**

- A. **The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 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 5 day of May 2025

Adopted at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors by *Unanimous vote* on April 30, 2025

ASI Secretary

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