Associated Students, Inc.
California Polytechnic State University

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ASI Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Meeting #27-04

Wednesday, September 30, 2026, 5:10 p.m. PST

Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, University Union (Bldg. 65), Room 220

Cal Poly Maritime Academy, Physical Education & Aquatics Center (PEAC), Room 217

Meeting ID: 876 3490 7586

Voting Members Present:

Alli Aguiar – College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Riley Balmaceda – Bailey College of Science and Mathematics Alternate

Hanna Birdsong – College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Diego Castillo - College of Liberal Arts

Tiffany Chau – Orfalea College of Business

Jenesis De Jesus - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Tommy Fewel - Orfalea College of Business

Jack Flath – College of Engineering

Addison Godfrey - College of Liberal Arts

Sophia Gonzalez - Bailey College of Science and Mathematics (left 7:07 p.m., returned 7:10 p.m.)

Sophie Gunter - Orfalea College of Business

Naomi Jung – College of Engineering

Hudson Kammerer – College of Liberal Arts

Sam Katz - College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Ben Muro - College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Ginger O'Grady – Bailey College of Science and Mathematics

Diego Pardo – College of Engineering

Liz Quintero-Rubio – College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Stone Ramage - College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Justin Szeto - Orfalea College of Business (left 7:03 p.m., returned 7:05 p.m.)

Nimisha Thakur – Vice Chair, College of Engineering

Gia Espejo – ASI Maritime Academy Council Vice Chair

Billy Plampin – ASI Maritime Academy Director

Vacant – Bailey College of Science and Mathematics

Vacant – College of Liberal Arts

Vacant – College of Engineering

Voting Members Absent:

None

Non-Voting Members Present:

Olivia Short – Chair, ASI Board of Directors

Tanner Schinderle – ASI President

Peyton Kelly – Chair, University Union Advisory Board

Weston Patrick – ASI Chief of Staff

Carlos Arencibia – Chair, ASI Maritime Academy Council

Michelle Crawford – ASI Executive Director

Dr. David Groom – University President's Representative

Jess Dozier– Cal Poly Partners Representative

Michelle Robinson – Cal Poly Partners Representative

Catherine Ogden – Board of Directors' Advisor

Tracy Watson – Board of Directors' Assistant

Non-Voting Members Absent:

Samuel Frame – Academic Senate Representative

Guests:
Max Hoffstadt – Cal Poly Student

Karen Kelly - Cal Poly Facilities Planning Project Manager

Cynthia Lambert – Strategic Enrollment Management Student Success

Jack Narbaitz – Cal Poly Student

Aditya Padinjarel – ASI Maritime Academy Council

Steve Madera – Vice Chair, University Union Advisory Board

I. **Call to Order: Meeting #27-04 was called to order at 5:10 p.m.**

Cal Poly San Luis Obispo Land Acknowledgement

Cal Poly sits on the traditional lands of the yak titᵘ titᵘ yak tiłhini Northern Chumash Tribe of San Luis Obispo County and Region. The yak titᵘ titᵘ yak tiłhini have a documented presence in this area for over 10,000 years. The tiłhini 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.

Cal Poly Maritime Land Acknowledgement

For thousands of years, this land has been the home of Patwin people. Today, there are three federally recognized Patwin tribes: Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community, Kletsel Dehe Wintun Nation, and Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation. The Patwin people have remained committed to the stewardship of this land over many centuries. It has been cherished and protected, as elders have instructed the young through generations. We are honored and grateful to be here today on their traditional lands.

II. Letters & Roll Call

A. Olivia read a letter from Maximilian Hoffstadt calling for the re-evaluation and amendment of Cal Poly's ban on skateboards, scooters, and micromobility devices. The letter requested reconsideration of the campus prohibition and cited alignment with the Cal Poly Circulation Master Plan, accessibility, sustainability, equity, and enforcement concerns.

B. With 23 voting members present, quorum was met.

III. Open Forum

A. Max Hofstadt spoke in support of revising the campus micromobility prohibition and offered to work with Board members on a future resolution.

B. Karen Kelly, Facilities Planning, Project Manager, provided a construction update on the Linda and Stewart Resnick Student Success Center. The three-story, 36,000-square-foot facility is intended to provide flexible academic, meeting, event, lounge, and support-program space. Construction began in September 2025 and is anticipated to be completed in October 2027. The project is pursuing LEED Gold certification.

IV. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of minutes from Meeting #27-03, September 16, 2026

i. **Motion #1 (Katz/Pardo) "Move to approve the minutes from meeting #27-03, September 16, 2026."**

ii. **Members accepted two friendly amendments; motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.**

V. Representatives' Reports

A. University President's Representative – Dr. David Groom

i. Full report submitted.

ii. Additional updates included:

a) Strategic Enrollment Management and Student Affairs has been renamed to Strategic Enrollment Management and Student Success.

iii. In response to questions from a previous meeting:

a) Dr. Groom stated that Career Services reviews career fair participants and requests that each participating organization have at least one open position, even if applications or interviews are not conducted at the fair.

b) He reported that the University will collect stakeholder input on the West Campus development during October and expects to determine in November whether to proceed. Dr. Groom directed members to the University website for current information.

B. Academic Senate Representative – Dr. Samuel Frame

i. No report submitted.

ii. Absent

C. Cal Poly Partners Representative – Jess Dozier & Michelle Robinson

i. Full report submitted.

ii. Jess Dozier & Michelle Robinson discussed the transition to a semester schedule, dining operations, and the continued need to balance service levels with the self-funded model.

iii. They reported plans to expand dining options and hours as new housing capacity comes online and described continued work to address microwave access in high-demand locations.

iv. Jess reported improvement in staffing but noted that Campus Dining remains approximately 80 student employees below desired staffing. They are considering more flexible shift structures.

v. Michelle reported that new robots will have Grubhub delivery to campus locations beginning on October 5, 2026. Representatives also noted ongoing menu rotation and a focus on maintaining affordability and healthy options.

VI. Leaders' Reports

A. Chair of the Board – Olivia Short

i. Full report submitted.

ii. Olivia reported that legislation is moving through administrative review; the Sage and Monarch Scholarship selection process is underway; and ASI students and staff will attend Cal Poly Maritime Academy fall training.

iii. The Board discussed whether a word limit for letters read during meetings should be added to the Board standing rules. Caty confirmed that a standing-rule amendment could establish such a limit.

B. ASI President – Tanner Schinderle

i. Full report submitted.

ii. Tanner gave highlights from his report and added that the grocery shuttle provided 2,693 rides in the preceding two weeks, bringing the four-week total to 4,955 rides.

iii. Other additions included a shared-campus pathways mobility working group has been formed with three student representatives.

iv. He announced that ASI and Transportation and Parking Services (TAPS) confirmed an airport transportation pilot for fall and winter breaks. Eligible students within a seven-mile radius of campus may use Uber vouchers for trips to and from the airport, paying no more than $10 per trip. TAPS will fund the amount above the student contribution for the pilot program. Promotion was anticipated in mid-October, with the fall-break request deadline anticipated to be November 2.

v. Tanner reported on a campus space-planning session and stated that Yuki Murphy will be invited to a future workshop to discuss campus space utilization.

C. **Chair of UUAB – Peyton Kelly**

i. Full report submitted.

ii. Peyton gave highlights from her report.

D. **Chief of Staff – Weston Patrick**

i. Full report submitted.

ii. Weston gave highlights from his report.

E. **Chair of AMAC – Carlos Arencibia**

i. Full report submitted

ii. Carlos gave highlights from his report.

VII. Executive Director's Report – Michelle Crawford

i. Full report submitted.

ii. Michelle announced that Missi Allison-Bullock, Director of ASI Programs and Services, announced her retirement, effective October 9, 2026. An interim transition plan was implemented to support programs. She stated that she will take 45 to 60 days to evaluate organizational needs before determining a permanent replacement structure for Missi's position. The interim coverage plan is expected to remain in place for much of the academic year.

iii. She reported that ASI submitted one-time funding proposals to the Student Success Fee Opportunity Advisory Committee, for Rose Float vehicles and a bandsaw, Cal Poly Maritime Academy proposals for operational vehicles and improvements to Morrow Cove. Tanner submitted a proposal for additional funds for Club Funding.

VIII. Old Business

A. None

IX. New Business

A. **Action Item: Accept Peyton Kelly as the 2026-27 University Union Advisory Board Chair**

i. **Motion #2 (Szeto/Fewel) "Move to accept Peyton Kelly as the 2026-27 University Union Advisory Board Chair."**

ii. **Motion passed unanimous roll call vote.**

X. Committee Reports

A. ASI Business and Finance – Nimisha Thakur

i. Report submitted.

B. ASI Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Justice – Benjamin Muro

i. Report submitted.

C. ASI External Affairs – Tommy Fewel

i. Report submitted

D. ASI/UU Internal Review – Addison Godfrey

i. Report submitted.

E. ASI Recruitment and Election – Hudson Kammerer

i. Report submitted.

F. ASI Club Funding Liaisons – Stone Ramage and Jack Flath

i. Report submitted.

XI. Announcements

XII. Adjournment

A. The meeting adjourned at 7:21 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/Majority vote* on _____.

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ASI Secretary

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