Associated Students, Inc.

California Polytechnic State University

UNIVERSITY UNION ADVISORY BOARD

#27-05 Meeting Minutes

October 29, 2026, 10:30 a.m. PST

Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Recreation Center, Bldg. 43, Room 109
Join Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 870 6458 1061

Voting Members Present
Peyton Kelly, UUAB Chair
Sofia Ochoa, College of Architecture & Environmental Design
Zoya Nomani, Bailey College of Science & Mathematics
Kameryn Hawes, College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences
Audrey Peterson, President's Designee
Ginger O'Grady, Board of Directors Designee
Anthony Palazzo, University President's Representative

Voting Members Absent:
Steve Madera, Vice Chair, College of Engineering
Vacant, Orfalea College of Business
Vacant, College of Liberal Arts
Vacant, Faculty Representative
Vacant, Alumni Representative

Non-Voting Members Present:
Michelle Crawford, ASI Executive Director
Meghan Schuler-Jones, ASI Assistant Director-Government Affairs & Student Success, UUAB Advisor
Ron Skamfer, ASI Director–Facilities Management
Robyn Wallman, ASI Director-Recreational Sports
Davia Rusco, Administrative Assistant II-Notetaker

Non-Voting Members Absent:
Indigo Craig, ASI Maritime Academy Council, UUAB Liaison (AMAC)
Pat Rosemas, Administration and Finance Designee

Guests:
Sierra Sims, Assistant Coordinator-Facility Operations

I. Call to Order

a. Meeting #27-05 called to order at 10:32 a.m.

II. Letters & Roll Call

a. Roll call was taken; quorum was met.
b. No Letters

III. **Open Forum**

a. None

IV. **Approval of Minutes**

a. Meeting #27-04 October 15, 2026

i. **Motion #1 (Hawes/O'Grady) "Move to approve the 27-04 UUAB Minutes from October 15, 2026."**

ii. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

V. **Reports**

a. Chair Report – Peyton Kelly

i. Student Government officers met with President Armstrong this week. A communication regarding the topics discussed is forthcoming.

ii. Peyton Kelly met with Vice President Terrance Harris.

iii. Three candidates have applied to fill the CLA representative position, and Peyton anticipates appointing a member soon.

iv. AMAC – Indigo Craig

a. Absent, no report given.

b. Executive Director's Report – Michelle Crawford

i. At the October 28 Board of Directors meeting, Olivia Short read a letter regarding Anderson Pool and its diving wells. Michelle Crawford clarified that decisions regarding Anderson Pool are outside the Board of Directors' purview.

ii. ASI is preparing for the anticipated severe weather this winter.

iii. Facilities Update — Ron Skamfer

a. Ron Skamfer has received requests to reopen the diving wells at Anderson Pool. Associated risks are under review.

b. Fencing and windscreens were installed at the pickleball courts.

c. Fright Fest is scheduled for Friday, October 30.

d. Día de los Muertos displays will be installed in the University Union Plaza on Monday, November 2.

e. Jill Baxter visited Cal Poly Maritime Academy this week to evaluate custodial-service needs.

f. Morrow Cove and the PEAC now have DirecTV service.

g. The Facilities team is preparing ASI-managed facilities for the anticipated rain.

h. Ron is reviewing exterior lighting at ASI-managed facilities. Some lights operate by photocell, while others are controlled by timers.

i. All 22 underwater lights at the PEAC pool require replacement. Ron received a quote from Lincoln Aquatics totaling $23,419. In response to a member question, Ron confirmed that no additional bids had been obtained but stated that the quote is within the anticipated market range.

j. Ron thanked members for their participation in the successful recent facilities trip.

k. Full report was submitted.

c. University President's Representative Report – Anthony Palazzo

i. Anthony provided an update on the Building A student housing project, which remains on schedule for winter-break occupancy. Construction of the Building B modules is underway in Tracy. The project schedule has been compressed and remains on track. Anthony noted that, because of the scale of the installation, Cal Poly has become a leader in modular student housing construction.

ii. In response to a member question, Anthony provided an overview of the modular housing project, including the decision-making process, construction method, and overall project scope. Eight buildings are planned in total. Building B is expected to be ready for student occupancy in fall 2027, and Building C is anticipated to open in winter 2029.

iii. Solano Campus

a. The pier project is progressing. Anthony provided an update on the project timeline and costs. The project is currently ahead of schedule, which may be beneficial given the anticipated winter rain.

b. Temporary mitigation measures have been implemented for the stormwater management system, as several buildings experience flooding during periods of heavy rain.

iv. Cal Poly San Luis Obispo Campus

a. Cal Poly Facilities Maintenance has completed remediation work in preparation for the anticipated winter storms.

b. The Shepard Reservoir, which experienced wall failure several years ago and caused damage to the upper Sports Fields turf, has been reinforced to reduce the risk of failure or overflow during heavy rain. Two-foot retaining walls were also installed to direct any overflow away from the turf fields.

d. Faculty Representative's Report – Vacant

VI. Old Business

a. None

VII. New Business

a. **2026 UUAB Facilities Trip Recap Presentation**

i. Peyton Kelly thanked Ron Skamfer and Sierra for coordinating the UUAB Facilities Trip.

ii. Peyton provided an overview of the trip and its purpose.

iii. Peyton reviewed programs and services Cal Poly Maritime Academy students would like to see offered on their campus.

iv. Members shared observations from the recent UUAB visits to Cal Poly Maritime Academy, San Francisco State University, and San José State University.

v. Each member presented slides highlighting notable facilities, programs, and practices observed at the campuses visited.

vi. Anthony commented on the Cal Poly branding currently being implemented at Cal Poly Maritime Academy.

b. **UU Programs Overview**

i. Robyn Wallman and Meghan Schuler-Jones presented an overview of University Union-funded programs and services, including the Craft Center, Public Relations and Marketing, and Student Success.

ii. Craft Center: Robyn reviewed the Craft Center's staffing, instructors, class offerings, mobile bike repair cart, fee structure, and typical user population. Community members are not eligible to use the Craft Center. The Makers Market will be held December 1–3, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., in Chumash Auditorium at the University Union.

iii. Public Relations and Marketing: Meghan reviewed the department's full-time and student staffing, functional areas, and marketing services. These services include web content, social media, branding, campuswide messaging, print materials, digital displays, and other communications support. Michelle noted that Public Relations and Marketing has a Strategic Plan initiative focused on improving outreach to students at both campuses.

iv. Student Success: Meghan provided an overview of Student Success, including its staffing model and efforts to ensure programs and services are inclusive and accessible. Student Success also facilitates Student Government training. Meghan discussed Cal Poly's progress toward becoming a Hispanic-Serving Institution, as well as an initiative examining Student Government's role within the University's broader framework. She also provided background on prior Student Success efforts and current initiatives.

VIII. Liaison Reports

a. BOD Representative – Ginger O'Grady

i. The Board of Directors met on Wednesday October 28.

a. Dr. Frame, representing the Academic Senate, announced that the academic calendar will transition to 15-week semesters.

b. Allen Coe presented an overview of club-related matters.

c. The Board approved the election timeline.

d. The AMAC Operating Rules were approved.

e. President Armstrong discussed future land development, including plans for the West Campus. He stated that Cal Poly does not plan to develop the Lemon Grove. A potential Amtrak station is under consideration as part of the broader development plan, with an estimated 50 percent likelihood of moving forward. Development activities will not disrupt designated areas until a suitable replacement location has been identified or appropriate mitigation has been completed.

b. President's Designee – Audrey Peterson

i. Facilities Night Walk: On Tuesday October 27th ASI Executive Cabinet with facilities hosted a night walk to assess lighting on campus at night and safe pathways for student safety.

ii. Election Day Event: Secretary of Civic Engagement, Talie Krantz, will be hosting an event in the UU Plaza on November 3 (Election Day) to help provide voting resources for students and celebrate the importance of voting. The event is 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

iii. Unity Night: Planned by Secretary of DEIJ, Lily Rodriguez, and the ASI DEIJ Committee, Unity Night is a community event held at the UU Plaza that celebrates the diverse identities and cultures on campus by promoting different clubs and organizations on campus. The main goal of this event is to highlight these identity and culture-based clubs while creating a space for students to learn more about the campus community. Event is Wednesday, November 4, 2026, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, UU Plaza

iv. Financial Literacy Workshops: Secretary of Health & Wellbeing, Esha Salwan, will be hosting a series of workshops focused on building financial literacy in areas such as budgeting and savings, investing, credit cards and credit scores, and navigating student financial aid. These workshops will be held in collaboration with campus partners such as SECLOC, the Office of Financial Aid, and Campus Basic Needs.

1. Monday, November 2nd, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, Chumash Auditorium (Right)
2. Monday, November 9th, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, Chumash Auditorium (Right)
3. Monday, November 16th, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm, Chumash Auditorium (Right)

v. A Plan to Vote booth was scheduled for Wednesday, October 28, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the University Union Plaza.

vi. In November, Secretary of Accessibility Josiah Staley will lead a transit survey in collaboration with Transportation and Parking Services and SLO Transit. The survey will collect student feedback regarding alternative transportation options and will address SLO Transit, the Mustang Shuttle, micromobility, ASI alternative transit programs, and a potential second-year student parking restriction. The survey will open November 2 and close November 20.

c. University Wide / Academic Senate Committee

d. Student Club Council

i. None.

e. Staff Reports

i. Recreation Center Programs

1. Robyn – Rec Sports

a. A total of 132 students participated in the Cal Poly Maritime Academy Terror Truck event this week.

b. Cal Poly Maritime Academy is planning a Halloween event.

c. Fright Fest at the Cal Poly San Luis Obispo campus is scheduled for Friday evening. Crate stacking has been canceled due to the forecasted inclement weather.

d. The Floating Pumpkin Patch event was held in the Recreation Center Leisure Pool on October 25, with 25 students participating.

e. Last week's surf trip was canceled and has been rescheduled for November.

f. Cosmic Climbing is scheduled for next week.

ii. ASI Events

1. No report given.

iii. Facilities

1. Ron – Director Facilities Management

a. Thanked everyone for the good facilities trip.

IX. Announcements

a. Announcements given.

X. Adjournment

a. The meeting was adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

Submitted by: _____ Date: _____
Davia Rusco, Administrative Assistant II

Submitted by: _____ Date: _____
Peyton Kelly, Chair UUAB