

# **Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of July 31, 2023**

I. CALL TO ORDER at 11:01 AM

# II. ROLL CALL

**Present**: Nolan Calara, Kushal Sheshadri, Sai Charan Attili, Erick Loredo, Carlos Martinez Aguilera, London Deguzman, Guadalupe Felix, Hailey Corum, Sharn Basi, Teresa Perez-Reyes, Saira Garcia, Charan Reddy Doolam, James Carroll, Loren Smith, Stephanie Ann Lustina, Martin Castillo, Christina Chin-Newman

Absent: Elijah Quineri, Tanya Gupta, Steve Spencer

# III. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Agenda

**Motion** to approve the agenda of July 31, 2023, by **E. Loredo**, seconded by **K. Sheshadri**, motion **CARRIED**.

# IV. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Minutes of July 17th, 2023

**Motion** to approve the minutes of July 17, 2023, by **E. Loredo**, seconded by **H. Corum**, motion **CARRIED**.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT – Public Comment is intended as a time for any member of the public to address the committee on any issues affecting ASI and/or the California State University, East Bay.

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No public comment.

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#### VI. UNFINISHED ITEMS:

A. ACTION ITEM: 2023-2024 ASI Budget

The ASI Board of Directors will be taking action on the 2023-2024 ASI Budget. **Motion** to postpone 2023-2024 ASI Budget until the next Board of Directors Meeting August 23, 2023, by **10 YES, 0 NO, 1 ABSTAIN**, motion **CARRIED**.

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I. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

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# A. DISCUSSION ITEM: 2023-2024 Policy Agenda

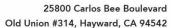
The ASI Board of Directors will be discussing on the 2023-2024 Policy Agenda.

- **N.** Calara presents and go in detail about the 2023-2024 Policy Agenda to the Board of Directors. Are there any questions?
- **G. Felix** asks are there only two priorities?
- **N. Calara** states Ashmita had three priorities as President. He believes narrowing it down to two priorities it would be easy for students to get the message, rather than having multiple priorities. The pictures are going to be change because some of them are not on the Board, as retreat is coming up soon Nolan hopes to have the Board members' photos on it.
- **C. Chin-Newman** states Nolan has a great strategic plan, as the Academic Senate does not have a plan, but they can start having one too. Christina asked Nolan if he have any meeting planned with President Sandeen?
- **N.** Calara states he had a meeting with President Sandeen last week about the convocation, and the Cozen O'Connor assessment. Is there anything you have in mind?
- C. Chin-Newman states the Academic Senate Chair has meetings with the President and the Provost. I'm unsure if our interest overlap, but we could ask her if she's willing to meet with us at the same time. I know the ideas you're interested in; we're interested in as far as student engagement and communication. I believe communication is the one that is difficult to work on and that's an issue. I believe the President, or the Vice President of Advancement can help, but when we to talk to the New University Diversity Officer Kathleen Wong Lau, she commented that it's a complex problem communicating about different events. One suggestion I have for the GS idea is to maybe invite the Program Director for General Studies, Danvy Le.
- N. Calara states yes, I have spoken with her last week.
- **C. Chin-Newman** states she is a good person to coordinate with.
- **N. Calara** states I have bi-monthly meetings with the President and Dean, but it is something ASI, and the Academic Senate can collaborate on. Please let me know and we can discuss with President Sandeen about it.
- **G. Felix** states I believe it's great you're going to do that for GS. I had Andrew Yunker for GS, and he took us to every building on campus. I believe if you included ASI in it, it would be great, because that was one of the ways I know about almost everything on campus.
- **N. Calara** states hopefully not only Andrew Yunker, but other GS professors as well. With Andrew Yunker previous ASI involvement, it would be great to reach out to him and hopefully having him for ASI retreat. Christina if you need ASI input on having an Academic Senate Policy Agenda, we would love to give you our suggestion as well. Any other questions?













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## B. DISCUSSION ITEM: CSU Multi-year Tuition Increase Resolution

The ASI Board of Directors will be discussing on the 2023-2024 CSU Multi-year Tuition Increase Resolution.

N. Calara states that the Board has discussed the CSU Multi-year Tuition Increase. Recently, him and Guadalupe attended CSSA in July, and the biggest topics was the CSU Multi-year Tuition Increase. After CSSA, there was the Board of Trustees meeting as a discussion item, and it will be an action item in September. Before it happens, several Presidents have made statements about the CSU Multi-year Tuition Increasing stating they are in opposition, or they stand against this. Instead of having Nolan making a presidential statement, he believes it is important for the Board to be involved on the tuition increase. Nolan invited his Director of Legislative Affairs, Guadalupe Felix and VP of University Affairs, Erick Loredo, on drafting the first resolution of the year, opposition of the CSU Multi-year tuition increase. Nolan asks Erick to explain whereas on the resolution.

- **E. Loredo** reads whereas of the CSU Multi-year Tuition Increase Resolution to the Board of Directors.
- **G. Felix** reads the resolved of the CSU Multi-year Tuition Increase Resolution to the Board of Directors.
- **N.** Calara reads who they are going to distribute the CSU Multi-year Tuition Increase Resolution and explain why they are being distributed to them. Are there any questions?
- C. Chin-Newman states it's an outstanding resolution. I have worked on many resolutions in the past couple of years as the Senate Vice Chair and the Faculty Diversity and Equity Leader. I believe you touched on the issue. They say it's only four or five years, but I get the impression they mean it to go on forever. For the UC system, they might confine it to inflation rates, which you would know if the inflation went down. If you keep it at 5%, even if the inflation rates went down, it would still be 5%. There could be better financial planning on their part. We still don't understand how all the students are affected and for 60% of students receiving financial aid it doesn't cover all their living costs. It glosses over these things that are preventing students from graduating. As I am on the distribution list, presuming you do pass the resolution, I could share it as an information item with the Academic Senate and it means other faculty would receive it. Do you share it over a mass email Nolan?
- **J. Carrol** states students are on mass mail if they sign up. It's as if an opt in.
- **C.** Chin-Newman states that is another way you could share the resolution because staff gets mass email.

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- **N.** Calara states for the staff perspective I'm not sure, but every time you pass a resolution, I believe it's a mass email.
- **J.** Carroll states no, it would depend on the marketing team and Carlos. In terms of how ASI best communicates important decisions.
- M. Castillo states congratulation on the first resolution of the year. There's always a costof-living adjustment that is included in things like this. My question would be to think about when you're asking for a higher minimum wage for students, when you're asking for different things, where is that going to be funded? I know, we've been talking about for a few years, a referendum on raising the ASI fee because we're starting to see how it impacts our budget when there's no adjustment to a fee over a certain period. I want to make sure you are prepared to answer the questions around what happens with the costs of living and minimum wage going up. Be prepared to answer those questions, do little research, so you're ready to answer the questions that come up,

**N. Calara** asks any questions?

27:11

VII. **SPECIAL REPORTS:** 

No special reports.

27:17

#### VIII. **ROUND TABLE REMARKS**

N. Calara states this will be my last time chairing BOD because Danny Lopez will be starting his term on August 1<sup>st</sup> as the chair. He will be starting the first meeting of the year, so congrats Danny. I will be sitting next to him as the Vice Chair. If he's absent, then I will be taking on Chair during the school year. I want to tell the Board, starting next week on Monday, Guadalupe Felix and I will have a limited availability, because we will be starting RA training from 9 AM – 5 PM. We will still be accessible by email and please let us know if anything happens. There is still BOD training going on next week. It will be led by our EVP, Kushal, so if there's a question about training, please ask him. For BOD, the school year is starting soon, so if you have events in September, please let me know, Kushal, or Danny, so we can put your event in the next BOD agenda to be approved and it must be two BOD meetings in advance.

M. Castillo states we're running a summer Rise program where incoming first year students where they take English, Math, and GS courses in the morning, and they do some team building networking in the afternoons, evening, and weekends. If you see them say hello, they're wearing a Summer Rise shirt. I want to congratulate Stephanie on orientation. They have one more freshman orientation this week and makeup orientation, but they've done a good job on short staffing this summer. Then just

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a reminder that Al Fresco is scheduled for Thursday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, from 11 AM to 2 PM. That's our huge welcome event for the entire campus, free hotdogs, ASI provides entertainment, several different departments collaborate to make it a fun event.

- **S. Basi** gives an update about the Concord Campus to the Board of Directors. I want your input on what equipment we can put in the wellness room to promote wellness activities.
- G. Felix states you can get yoga mat for a hit workout or just do yoga.
- **N.** Calara states I suggest a pull up bar or elastic band.
- **J. Carroll** states congratulation to the Board for the resolution and your hard work. I want to go off Nolan's statement about planning. I understand you have been working with Kushal about your goals and priorities, but when it comes it events and planning you must have it at least a month for the Board to approve. We will discuss about it more at the retreat, so we can do more calendaring. The policy agenda, President Sandeen has shared and Vice President Suzanne Espinoza has talked about is we know we are in a difficult time of budget concern with reduction in enrollment that means it's a great opportunity to continue collaboration. As you are doing your planning, ask yourself if you're not collaborating with another department or program, who can you collaborate with? It can build a wide network, it can increase the support of funds. I would encourage the continuous collaboration to reaching more students as well as maximizing budget and resources.
- **N.** Calara states you don't have to collaborate with other departments. If you want, you can collaborate with other Board members. Last year, many Board members collaborated with me as Director of Programming. Also, keep in mind Director of Programming and Director of Wellness, you both share the budget.
- **K. Sheshadri** states we have one last BOD training next week. I hope everyone has the list of events plans. We have some clarity on the policy agenda this week, so make sure everything is planned around that.
- N. Calara states Hailey, James, Carlos, Erick, and I will be leaving to CSUnity on August 11-14 at CSU Dominguez Hills. We have Board Fall Retreat on August 15, from 10 AM 5 PM, and August 16, from 9 AM 2 PM. You should have received the Google Calendar invite, so vote "yes" if you're going. Every Board member should be there in person, if not please communicate that to us as soon so possible. We're excited to see you on August 15<sup>th</sup>.

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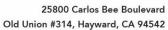
### IX. ADJOURNMENT at 11:40 AM













Minutes reviewed by: **Chair of the Board** Name: Danny Lopez

Daniel Kristofferson D. Lopez (Aug 23, 2023 15:30 PDT)

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