Board of Directors Meeting Minutes November 14, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER at 12:10 PM

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Daisy Maxion, Ryan Finazzo, Mahdi Fugfugosh, Melissa Baron, Karen Parada, Hoang Dao, Zachary Meade, Dessiree Cuevas, Oscar Rubio, Martin Castillo, Erik Pinlac

Late: Myles Watkins, Kabir Dhillon, Isaiah Avila-De La Cruz, Mahad Fugfugosh

Not Present: Daejona Walker

III. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda by Z. Meade, second by M. Baron, motion PASSED.

Motion to amend the agenda to strike out the word “sping” and replacing it with “spring” in new discussion item C by Z. Meade, second by D. Cuevas, motion PASSED.

IV. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Minutes of October 10th, 2018

Motion to approve the minutes of October 10th, 2018 by Z. Meade, second by M. Baron, motion PASSED.

V. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Minutes of October 24th, 2018

Motion to approve the minutes of October 24th, 2018 by D. Cuevas, second by O. Rubio, motion PASSED.

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

Robyn is a history student and wants to talk about the retirement of Pioneer Pete. She was able to find historical documentation through her research on how the original Pioneer mascot was founded by the original associated students back in 1961 school year. The document can be accessed through the school library or the yearbook that she has access to. She wants to address that she’s very interested in this topic and has already done some research for her own historical research. K. Parada is impressed and appreciates Robyn for coming.

VII. UNFINISHED ITEMS

A. ACTION ITEM – East Bay Debates Budget

Motion to approve the East Bay Debates Budget for $1,141.88 by M. Fugfugosh, second by D. Cuevas, motion PASSED. M. Watkins states that the outcome was not how he expected it to be but he believes this is a good learning experience. Overall, he found this to be a good opportunity to meet and have them on campus.

14:03
B. ACTION ITEM – CIVIC Month Budget
M. Watkins states that this was under $100 dollars and the budget was $60 dollars. He wants to know if there are any specific rules in regards to that amount of money that doesn’t have to go through the board. E. Pinlac states that since they’re here, they might as well approve it. K. Parada wants clarification on what this is for. D. Maxion clarifies that the budget was used for snacks and printing that happened during voter registration. M. Watkins states that he believes the total cost was around $45 dollars but during Executive meeting, they set the price for $60 dollars just in case if they went over $45. Z. Meade raises some concerns by stating that they should not vote on the budget without knowing the exact amount.

Motion to amend the budget of no more than $60 dollars for the civic month budget by M. Watkins, second by I. De La Cruz, motion PASSED.

19:10
C. ACTION ITEM – Appointment of Special Interest /Non – Academic Senators
D. Maxion states that the vacant positions that have been recommended are for Alumni Relations, Senator of Diversity, Senator of International Students, and Senator of Transfer Students. The Personnel Committee has done interviews with the senators and has a list of recommendations. D. Maxion states that Jasmine is one of the names in the list because she has amazing ideas, and is active with the campus even though she’s an Alumni and a grad student.

Move to amend the main motion to appoint Jasmine Graham to Alumni Relations position by Z. Meade, second by I. De La Cruz, motion PASSED.

Motion to appoint Jasmine Graham as Senator of Alumni Relations, motion PASSED.

Motion to appoint Noor Kayed as Senator of Diversity by I. De La Cruz, second by D. Maxion, motion PASSED.

Motion to appoint Simran Pahal to Senator of International Students by D. Maxion, second by I. De La Cruz, motion PASSED. K. Parada wants to know what constitutes someone as being International and if they was double checked for this person because they would not want to appoint someone that does not fit that qualification. Z. Meade states that his understanding of International Students is that they come from another country to study and are not U.S. citizens.

Z. Meade asks why they should choose Simran over the other applications. D. Maxion states that she had good initiatives during the interview and was also part of the ASI election committee so she already has some kind of ASI experience.

Motion to appoint Danielle Feliciano for Senator of Transfer Students by K. Parada, second by D. Cuevas, motion PASSED. M. Watkins states that the reason they chose Danielle was because her spirit felt like a person they would want in the organization and one particular thing M. Watkins liked about her was that even though she did not know the ins and outs of ASI, she understood that ASI does a lot more than what people see outside.

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D. ACTION ITEM – Resolution for the Retiring and Replacement of Pioneer Pete
Motion to approve the resolution for the retiring and replacement of Pioneer Pete by K. Parada, second by I. De La Cruz, motion PASSED. D. Cuevas states that Amelia who is part of PACC emailed her saying that she has been working on a poll on Bay Sync for potential mascots. M. Watkins states that in the last Executive meeting, they talked about how they
wanted to move along with this and some of the things they wanted to add on to this was history, education, and asking for feedback. **M. Watkins** states that one of the things he added in reform to that this morning was “we commit to lead the process of replacing Pioneer Pete by educating students on the history of the CSU East Bay mascot, providing a platform for students to voice suggestions, concerns, and questions in regard of the new CSU East Bay mascot and develop thoughtful and in depth opinions for students to discuss and vote upon to decide the new CSU East Bay mascot.” **Z. Meade** states that designating the task to the ASI Senate is fine but he would rather have it through Executive committee than Senate. **M. Watkins** states that by putting this on Ex. Comm. without the necessary help would be taking ASI away from a lot of things such as initiatives that could be accomplished for students. **Motion** to amend the resolution by changing the format for one of the numbers there; instead of it being bold, it should just be regular add the word “the” in #1 so it should say “educating students on the history of the CSU East Bay mascot, add the letter “s” by making the word “mascot” into “mascots”, change the word “develop” into “developing” by **Z. Meade**, second by **K. Parada**, motion **PASSED**. **I. De La Cruz** says the original resolution was passed by the academic senate which says “the University will set up a task force with board campus representation to find the appropriate image as in a new mascot for CSU East Bay.” **I. De La Cruz** states that there is language in the original amendment passed by the academic senate to set up a task force but the specifics are not given and he’s wondering if the specifics should be given. **M. Watkins** responds saying that when they were in Ex-Comm., they were asking themselves what they want to do and what their purpose is. **M. Watkins** reads the resolution which states that the resolution points them towards the right direction. **M. Fugfugosh** call to question the resolution to return, second by **D. Cuevas**, motion **PASSED**.

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**E. DISCUSSION ITEM – Resolution for the Creation of a Digital Suggestion Box**

**Z. Meade** gives a presentation on the possibility of purchasing/creation of a student suggestion box. The point of this is to create opportunities for students who are not able to attend committee meetings or voice their comments to the Board of Directors. **Z. Meade** shares an idea that he would like to put in the procedure such as creating a category and only comment on that subject alone which would be a method of narrowing down the comments to one idea at a time and designate different board members to only one category. **E. Pinlac** agrees and thinks it’s a good idea to do this online and he’s hoping to do it close to no cost. **E. Pinlac** thinks that students should have the option to be anonymous or not. **K. Parada** also thinks this is a great idea and they can come back to it when they have more answers.

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**VIII. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**A. DISCUSSION ITEM – Help Me Harlem! Program Proposal**

Sia Saaque, who is the Program Director for Student Housing gives presentation on a possible program in collaboration with TNT. **S. Saquee** states that they have events every Thursday night for residence and they want to bring in a higher education speaker who has performed at other schools. Initially, the speaker was for Student Housing but now they want to spread it out
because he has a message for everyone. He has a platform for students where he found it difficult to adjust to college life which most students can relate to. S. Saquee plays a video to show that provides more information about him and what he does. S. Saquee states that she can come up with $2,350 dollars and is asking for $2,000 from ASI to support this event since this will be a campus wide event. The event will take place on February 6, 2019 from 3-8 PM. He will have a leadership section, dinner with all the student leaders of Housing and ASI and then the evening will have a Q & A section which would be open to all the students. K. Parada loves the idea and it ties into something she is also trying to do in February. E. Pinlac mentions that they’ve had this speaker in the past to talk about sexual assault and awareness event. M. Watkins states that they have $11,000 dollars for board initiative budget beginning of the year but after other club events, they will still have $7,725 dollars for board initiative past this.

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B. DISCUSSION ITEM – Resolution on Spring Semester BOD Meeting Times & Setting

R. Finazzo states that the only change that was made to the previous resolution was that the number at the top is different and they will still be meeting on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. The dates are as follows January 23rd, February 12th, February 26th, March 13th, March 27th, April 10th, April 24th, and May 8th which would be their last meeting as a board. K. Parada thinks that they should just do it every other Wednesday because there’s too much time in between and that’s not a good use of their time. K. Dhillon agrees with K. Parada saying that it helps when it’s every other week. R. Finazzo states that the dates they have up there is every other week. M. Watkins states that since a lot of them get out of class at 12:15 on Wednesdays; they should start the meetings from 12:15-2 PM because they cannot be leaving class early. R. Finazzo states that he will fix the dates and do his best to figure out a way they can meet the most possible times.

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IX. SPECIAL REPORTS

A. Senator of Science (4 mins)

K. Parada states that it’s been great at College of Science. She’s been experimenting and trying to figure out how to get the Science students out of the books. She went to Ex-Comm. to request College of Science shirts and water bottles. She is hosting a free coffee and tea event for the week of Dead Week. She’s also going to table with free scantron’s every other week when there are no board meetings. She is trying to re-solve some issues with biology and winter classes which is poorly advertised and set-up.

B. Senator of CEAS (4 mins)

H. Dao states that he received positive feedback from his event that happened yesterday. His faculty member wants to keep the event as a tradition so whoever holds his position next year, he will make sure that the event stays in place.
C. Senator of CBE (4 mins)

I. De La Cruz states that one of the initiatives he started at College of Business & Economics was to coordinate meetings between all the students’ org leaders at CBE, the Dean, himself, as well as the department within the CBE called Office of Career and Professional Development. They have created that committee which is called Student Leader Advisory Board and constitution which is soon to be ratified by the group. They have also created a funding plan and are brainstorming events. As of now, their meetings are every other week but after the constitution gets ratified, it will most likely be every other month. He also delegated a student to building an improvement committee for CBE. The CBE is looking to renovate their building, re-design it and make it more comfortable for students. He also heard that CBE are hiring for people, they are trying to hire a more diverse faculty. The MBA start-up seminar also happened this past Friday which he attended and supported. Money Monday’s was postponed because he has been busy but he is working on it. He has also been attending the faculty Diversity & Equity committee which is how he found out about the resolution to retire Pioneer Pete.

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X. ROUND TABLE REMARKS

D. Cuevas encourages everyone to donate cans to can food drive. An upcoming event is Coco Cram in December 4th – 6th from 8-10 in the library.

K. Parada is frustrated because she hasn’t seen much tabling from everybody. She encourages everyone to get out there and table.

E. Pinlac states that Chris is out for the rest of the week representing ASI. E. Pinlac tells the board members to remind their classmates that there are no classes next week. He also states that he has been enjoying the board discussions and it’s a space for debate on different topics. I. De La Cruz states that he was just at a meeting with Megan and Monica from the Alumni facilitation Office and they have been in talks about EBX which is similar to TEDx. At the meeting, they wanted to know what ASI interests are and how they can help. They want a meeting together so they can set up logistics for the event. They are thinking they can have one in spring semester.

K. Dhillon states that tomorrow is the Panel at the University hour at the University Theatre. Karen and Justin will be hosting the panel and he hopes to see everyone there.

Z. Meade went to UCLA with the Residence Hall Association. He got to work with them on issues regarding our region. He got to reach out to a bunch of people in suitability efforts including a student from UCLA who started initiatives on campus. They talked about passion for Robert Rules.

M. Watkins states that he and Kabir created a policy this week called ASI volunteer policy which would give opportunities to other students to table. He and Kabir went to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo and he loved their program. Tomorrow is a community forum at the City of Hayward to hold on the future of former Cal Train Lands on Route 38. He has sent invitations to all the members and hopes some of the members can make it.

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XI. ADJOURNMENT at 1:54 PM

Minutes Reviewed by:
Chair of the Board
Name: Ryan Finazzo

Minutes Approved on:
11-28-18
Date: