Elections Committee Special Meeting Minutes March 21, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER at 12:24 PM

II. ROLL CALL
   Present: Sia Saquee, James De La O, Imani Davis, Masoud Hamidi, James Carroll, Erik Pinlac
   Absent: Bomani Howard, Khushboo Malhotra, Marguerite Hinrichs

III. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Agenda
   Motion to approve the agenda by M. Hamidi, second by I. Davis, motion PASSED.

IV. ACTION ITEM - Approval of Minutes March 21, 2019.
   Motion to approve the minutes of March 21, 2019 by I. Davis, second by J. De La O, motion PASSED.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT – Public Comment is intended as a time for any member of the public to address the committee on any issues affection ASI and/or the California State University, East Bay.
   No Public Comment.

VI. UNFINISHED ITEMS

   a. DISCUSSION ITEM- Marketing Updates- (Kushboo and Imani) 15mins
      I. Davis believes that there aren’t any marketing updates. In order to create marketing updates we have to talk about the events that are coming up. S. Saquee states that she can talk about the Instagram. I. Davis states that they will be releasing the video sometime this weekend. Khushboo should be releasing it. It is a countdown and we will be beginning on Sunday. She adds that Margarit said they can’t post videos on individual days at different times. S. Saquee asks if they received the videos from emails. I. Davis said she did not receive any emails with videos from ASI, although she is not sure if Khushboo did. J. Carroll asks to share the posts on social media for marketing. He suggests getting the logins and putting it in a folder, so that they don’t lose it again.

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   b. DISCUSSION ITEM- Updates on Volunteer Recruitment (Bomani) 10mins
      J. Carroll would like the Sign Up Genius link emailed to everyone in the community; so that community members can go in and sign up for their shifts on Monday, Tuesday, and
Wednesday of next week. He suggests sharing the Sign Up Genius link to the community member’s network, in order to get more volunteers. I. Davis asks if they are signing up through an app. J. Carroll said there are two separate ways to sign up. They decided to look into the links for signing up and making sure there is only one. I. Davis asks if there is a flyer or post on social media for recruiting volunteers within their network. M. Hamidi said he posted a flyer, without the dates and time, on the shared drive under the volunteer folder. J. Carroll wants the Sign Up Genius link to be emailed to everyone by the end of the meeting. M. Hamidi said he reached out to individuals that did not provide any pictures for their bios. He adds that there were just videos and other correspondents going on, but it did not have anything to do with their bios; there were 10 or 11 people that did not send in their pictures. I. Davis said that for their social media, they put no photo available for people that did not provide a photo. She adds that they can still edit the post and put the bios in the caption. I. Davis said they had a hard deadline for the ballot, and there were 10 people that did not submit photos. E. Pinlac suggests giving $25 flex for a certain amount of hours. J. Carroll suggested a thank you recognition for people that volunteer. E. Pinlac concludes that there will be some sort of flex dollars for volunteers. I. Davis suggests adding compensation in the email, even though they don’t know what it is or how much it is yet. S. Saquee says that they advertised workers needed, and if she was the individual, then she would be expecting a reply. J. Carroll suggests looking at the email after the meeting so that they can verify the message.

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VII. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

a. DISCUSSION ITEM- Updates on Candidate Forums (Kushboo and Imani) 15mins

E. Pinlac said Senator of College of Sciences was very thankful that the committee donated the food that was going to be used on the Wednesday candidate forum but was cancelled due to rain. Otherwise, it seemed like the first day of the forum which was Tuesday had a good turnout. I. Davis said the majority of the people on the slates were there, only one person was not from slates. All of Empower, all of Evolve, and all of Transport East Bay were there. Only two showed up from Revive the Bay. One showed up from Innovate CSUEB. She states that some of the candidates, especially from Empower, kept being in the way of people when getting food. S. Saquee that they ran out of food towards the end which meant that they had a good turnout. E. Pinlac says in the future, they will try to have it on a Wednesday, so that is not impacted. As well as, having alternate location depending on the weather.

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b. DISCUSSION ITEM- Campaign Violations/Grievances (Sia and Masoud) 20mins

E. Pinlac reviewed last meetings grievances. He reviewed that they should get consent from the department in order to post flyers. He said the grievances were against
Transform East Bay and Revive the Bay. There was consensus on the last one. He states that the next one is submitted by Kabir Dhillon, in relations to being removed from a group me. **J. Carroll** summarizes that Mahdi had sent a meme directly to Kabir that implied “nice try” in a mocking tone. The screenshot, attached to the email, showed the string of the group me in which Kabir was added by a member, and Mahdi specifically removed Kabir from the group me. **I. Davis** said that Patricia should not have been added to the group me, and Mahdi perceived it as candidate type thing instead of them actually joining the club on campus. **S. Saque** said that the club should be directly involved in the grievance rather than the Elections Committee. **I. Davis** said the purpose of removing them from the group me, was that Mahdi deemed the group as his people, and Kabir was trying to get the club to vote for him. She adds that Kabir and Patricia have been attending Black cultural group meetings to try to get votes. **J. Carroll** said to balance out between fact and true versus assumptions. **E. Pinlac** says Kabir and everyone has access to the elections codes. **E. Pinlac** states that they are going to follow the student life and leadership and they have not made an assessment on it yet because they want to look further and possibly reach out to the clubs and organizations regarding this matter. He adds that the next grievance was from Dessiree Cuevas, VP of Communications. She feared the removable of lawn signs, and she brought the issue forward in hopes that it gets resolved properly before voting. **E. Pinlac** states that it might have been the facilities that removed the lawn signs. **I. Davis** said that some of the candidates from Transfer East Bay had their signs lying on the ground. **M. Hamidi** said he would like to continue to encourage folks that have their signs removed to record it; however, the challenge is put to an action on the grievance. **M. Hamidi** states that they can let the running candidates know to be aware of their actions. Also, everything they do is being documented, recorded and will come to the desk of the Elections Committee. **I. Davis** recommends telling the candidates to have some sort of proof or research before bringing it to the committee. **E. Pinlac** said that the committee has to do some of the research, and they don’t want to send aggressive emails and discourage people from submitting grievances. **I. Davis** concludes that most of the grievances are under investigation. **E. Pinlac** adds that they will send emails to the people that submitted grievances.

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c. **ROUNDTABLE REMARKS**

**E. Pinlac** states that everyone signs up on the Sign Up Genius that was sent in the group chat on the days they are going to volunteer to work. He adds that all the ballot stuff will be put together tomorrow. He asks everyone to check all emails, check BaySync for pictures of as many candidates as possible. Whoever is missing a picture will get the little grey missing person. **J. Carroll** asks if they should give the candidates a second chance to submit their pictures or stick to the hard deadline. He adds that they have to send it tonight or tomorrow morning.
d. ADJOURNMENT at 1:14 PM.

Minutes Reviewed by:
Committee Chair
Name: Sia Saquee

Minutes Approved on:
3-28-19
Date: