

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of June 15th, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER at 11:02AM

- II. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** - We would like to recognize that while we gather at California State University East Bay located in Hayward, CA, we are gathered on the ethno-historic tribal territory of the intermarried Jalquin (hal-keen) / Yrgin (eer-gen) Chochenyo-Ohlone-speaking tribal group, who were the direct ancestors of some of the lineages enrolled in the Muwekma Ohlone Tribe of the San Francisco Bay Area, and who were missionized into Missions San Francisco, Santa Clara and San Jose.

It is important that we not only recognize the history of the land of the Jalquin/Yrgin on which we gather to learn and participate, but also recognize that the First People of this region – the Muwekma Ohlone People, are alive and thriving members of the Hayward and broader Bay Area communities today.

It is of great importance to acknowledge the significance of this Holše Warep (hol-sheh wah-rehp) ~ Beautiful Land to the indigenous Muwekma Ohlone People of this region. We ask everyone who attends or visits Cal State University East Bay in Hayward, to be respectful of the aboriginal lands of the Muwekma Ohlone People, and consistent with their principles of community and diversity strive to be good stewards on behalf of the Muwekma Ohlone Tribe, on whose land you are their guests.

1:16

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Casey Pangilinan, Matthias Dempsey, Harshvardhan Mukesh Patel, Yashica Avhad, John Christian Tecson, Martin Castillo, Erik Loreda

Absent: James Carroll

1:37

IV. **ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda of Executive Committee meeting on June 15th 2026, by **H. Patel** seconded by **M. Dempsey** Carried.



1:59

V. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Minutes of June 10, 2026

Motion to approve the Minutes of Executive Committee meeting on August 10th 2026, by **M. Dempsey**, seconded by **Y. Avhad**. Motion Carried.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comments.

VII. UNFINISHED ITEMS:

No unfinished items.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

2:38

A. ACTION ITEM: Oath of Office

- **Avalina Arnold** will take the Oath of Office for the position of Director of Wellness & Recreation.

A. Arnold was formally sworn in as the Director of Wellness and Recreation. During the ceremony, she recited the official ASI oath of office, affirming her commitment to faithfully fulfill the duties of her position, uphold student rights and academic freedom, strengthen cooperation between ASI and university administration, and work toward the betterment of California State University, East Bay and Associated Students Incorporated.

4:39

B. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: 26'-27' Proposed Timeline for Vacant Senator at Large Position

- Executive Vice President **Pangilinan** will review the proposed timeline for the Senator at Large Position for the 26'-27' academic year.
- **Application opens** and marketed by ASI communications on **June 11th, 2026**
- **Priority deadline** for application is **June 17th, 2026 @11:59pm**
- **Priority interviews** will be scheduled from **June 18th to June 23rd 2026**.
- **Proposed application discussion** held on **June 24th, 2026 ASI Executive Committee meeting**



- **Proposed application action** taken on **June 30th, 2026 ASI Executive Committee Meeting**
Chair **C. Pangilinan** presented the proposed timeline for filling the vacant Senator-at-large position for the 2026–2027 academic year. She reported that interviews had already been scheduled for three applicants and that the application would remain open through June 17, 2026. Additional interviews would be conducted as needed following the priority deadline. The committee was informed that applicant discussions are expected to take place at the next Executive Committee meeting, with final action anticipated at the June 30, 2026 meeting. The objective is to have the selected individual in place and ready to begin training alongside the Board of Directors.

IX. SPECIAL REPORTS:

A. SPECIAL REPORT: [Panetta Institute 2026 Education In Leadership Seminar](#)

President M. Dempsey will give a report on the 2026 Panetta Institute Seminar

President **M. Dempsey** presented a report on his participation in the Panetta Institute Education and Leadership Seminar held at California State University, Monterey Bay. He shared several key lessons from the seminar, emphasizing that leadership begins with service and is rooted in helping others rather than seeking authority or recognition. He also highlighted the importance of active listening and empathy in understanding and representing constituents effectively. **M. Dempsey** discussed the value of collaboration in creating meaningful results and stressed that integrity, accountability, and sound judgment are essential qualities of effective leaders. He noted that students across California remain engaged in addressing issues such as educational affordability, artificial intelligence, and civic participation. The seminar further reinforced the need for young leaders to pursue opportunities in government, nonprofit organizations, advocacy, education, and community leadership. **M. Dempsey** concluded by sharing a message from California State Assembly Speaker **R. Rivas**, who stated that leadership begins when individuals choose to serve, listen, and work together to solve problems.

X. ROUND TABLE REMARKS:

During roundtable remarks, committee members congratulated **A. Arnold** on her appointment to the Board of Directors and expressed enthusiasm about working alongside her. Members also reflected on the board's progress since the beginning of June, noting the team's productivity and collaborative spirit. Appreciation was expressed for the commitment and participation of all board members, with optimism shared regarding the work ahead during the upcoming academic year.





XI. ADJOURNMENT at 11:10 A.M.

Minutes reviewed and approved by:

Chair/Executive VP/Chief of Staff Name:

Casey Pangilinan

[Casey Pangilinan \(Jul 15, 2026 13:36:23 PDT\)](#)

Minutes approved on:

07/15/2026

Date:

