

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of November 20, 2019

- I. CALL TO ORDER at **12:15 PM**
- II. ROLL CALL
Present: Daisy Maxion, Kabir Dhillon, Bronte Kuehnis, Melissa Baron, Siddharth Valecha, Brittney Golez, Yajaira Ortega-Huerta, Lynn Vu, Antoinette Milano, Martin Castillo, Erik Pinlac, Tyler Schoh, Michael Lee, Andrew Yunker.

Late: Riley Miller, Patricia Regalado, Daisy Padilla, Euridice Sanchez-Martinez.

Absent: Omer Shakoor, Mark Almeida, Marguerite Hinrichs.
- III. ACTION ITEM - **Approval of the Agenda**
Motion to approve the agenda of November 20, 2019 by **K. Dhillon**, second by **Y. Ortega-Huerta**, motion **CARRIED**.
- IV. ACTION ITEM - **Approval of the Minutes of November 6, 2019**
Motion to approve of the minutes of November 6, 2019 by **L. Vu**, second by **K. Dhillon**, motion **CARRIED**.
- V. 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.**
No Public Comment.
- VI. UNFINISHED ITEMS:
 - A. ACTION ITEM - **Resolution in Support of S. 2612**
The Board of Directors will take action on the Resolution in Support of S. 2612.
Motion to adopt support of S. 2612 by **K. Dhillon**, second by **Y. Ortega-Huerta**, motion **CARRIED**.
D. Maxion states that this resolution is a continuation of HR425 bill that we supported. Senator Dianne Feinstein and Senator Lindsey Graham created a bill that will have Isabel and her family become permanent residence. This bill just shows that California State



University East Bay supports the bill. We will continue support Isabel because she is an alumni and former Director of Concord Campus.

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VII. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. DISCUSSION ITEM - **Elections Code Revisions**

James Carroll and Sia Saquee will be discussing to the Board of Directors on revisions being made to the ASI Elections Code.

J. Carroll states that the previous Elections Committee went through revisions of the Elections Code to make some changes. It is a good thing to have when coming off an election. In the summer we met with Executive Board to talk about the revisions and hear any additional feedback. What we are presenting now is an updated document. We have articulated every change and a couple changes were grammatical. In Article IV, where it talks about Declaration of Candidacy the bullets that were worded was really about an old paper method. So, they had to declare their candidacy, then they had to be verified and then apply. We cleaned up the wording to reflect being able to use BaySync. In reality, the Declaration of Candidacy is with their application and then they sign it at the end. There is no change in the process other than using technology in how people apply. The Elections Committee through my office would help verify eligibility. But if there had been somebody running that in the past has been removed from the Board we didn't feel that it was an appropriate decision for the Elections Committee to take. We wanted to make sure that the Elections Committee is not evaluating; rather, it would go through the VP of Student Affairs or through Personnel Committee. The reality is anyone who applies has a voice in that process and we just wanted to remove us from making the determination of someone who has been removed from the Board. In the original code there was a section on campaigning and some publicity. Then there was a whole other section on flyers and publicity. We found some duplications and it was confusing. We basically put both together. It breaks down campaigning, what is allowed and what is not allowed. We didn't change anything other than adding additional clarity. Such as places and locations that candidates are not allowed to campaign at. **S. Saquee** states that it was done because in the last election there was a big issue that came up. The elections code was not clear that people can not campaign in certain places but it was on other campus policies. **J. Carroll** states that in Article VII talks about the ballot process. The language was generally okay but where we needed to make a change was the wording. It was still referencing the concept of paper ballots and physical polling stations. As, we know most students are voting online. The other things you will see are small wording clarification. **S. Saquee** states that Item XII, was added because grievances



and appeals come up and we would like for them to go to the VP of Student Affairs. It is because if there are any conflict of interest where people who are found in the grievance are on the Board then the Board might not be able to meet quorum. It would affect the conflict of interest. **J. Carroll** states if you look at the hearing and grievance process it does say that students can appeal the decision of the Elections committee. If a candidate had a grievance about members in the Elections committee they can take it directly to the Board. If a candidate wants to grieve a decision of a sanction that the Elections committee has decided through a hearing. What we decided to do on the language was if a student wants to appeal the candidacy sanction they would have to appeal it in writing. It would be written to AVP and Martin Castillo who then would decide with the Board. We tried to create a Segway that is clearer and more transparent. They would officially have one person who they would submit it to and Martin would be representing the Board. **S. Saquee** states that the updated Election Codes will be put on the website so students can easily find it. We will be having a sheet with all the rights for students when elections start happening. So, they know what is allowed and what is not allowed because not everyone is going to go to the website. It will just have the key things that they need to know. When we have candidate sessions we will have them sign that they have read the Codes and that they will abide by the Codes during the elections. **J. Carroll** states that it will reinforce clarity with the Codes and it will also increase accountability. With them signing we can highlight some additional things. It is just another way to hit from all the angles so they feel set up for success but then people across the campus know that there is accountability. **D. Maxion** asks how will they let the student population know about these rules? **J. Carroll** states that there will be a Students Right Guide. We will try to create a one pager that can be marketed. **S. Saquee** states that they can work together with the Marketing team and then post it on social media. **J. Carroll** states that students in Housing need to know that candidates can't go to their dorm asking about campaign. If the Board has suggestions how we can continue to market it. As soon as we have the committee up and running they will continue to work on it. **M. Castillo** asks if this is the final document? If not, then how does the Board provide additional feedback. **J. Carroll** states that it is up to the Board if there is any additional clarity that needs to be added. **M. Castillo** asks what is their deadline? **J. Carroll** states they don't have a specific deadline. Ideally, we will have the recommendations for the Elections committee at the beginning of January. Ideally, by February 1, 2020 it should be completed so that it can be posted on the website. **K. Dhillon** states that in Article IV subsection B, states that standards for VP and Chair that have to serve a term but it is no longer an eligibility requirement. It is no longer a standard for the Chair only for VP's. **J. Carroll** states that the Board will have



to review those pieces. **B. Kuehnis** states that they can reintroduce it in the next meeting and make edits. **J. Carroll** states that it might be easier to do all of that in a new document. **E. Pinlac** thanks James and Sia for working on the Codes. If the Board has any updates, please review it because it will be up for approval in the next Board meeting. Get your suggestions in before the meeting otherwise the meeting will be running long. **K. Dhillon** asks if they can get the document in a google document. That way they can add their suggestions. **J. Carroll** states that the new document is in Word but you can add it into google. I just want to make sure that the Board has the final version to keep it. **B. Kuehnis** states that it would be easier for us to edit and contribute to the document if it is in a google document.

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B. INFORMATION ITEM - East Bay App

Mia Kagianas from Modo Labs will present to the Board of Directors information on the East Bay app.

M. Kagianas states that the CSU East Bay app is powered by company called Modo Labs. We are pioneering some initiatives that focus on student needs. In 2017, she was the ASI President at Sacramento State. They used the mobile app to fight some food insecurities and housing insecurities. When she joined Modo Labs she became fascinated how student dollars are being protected on campus. After some research, she found that there is mismanagement of student dollars from their involvement in the University. Also, poor transparency and oversight from the University. She has been working on a project, Market Place. It is a tool that college campus across the CSUs are using to help student commerce as well as University commerce. It has peer to peer market place that helps with student to student transaction. It also has a Market place for Student organizations. In which, student organization dollars can be managed and provides transparency. Lastly, the Market Place provides tools for the University to use. There is a lot of work ahead of us. We need to start the conversation about the vulnerability of student dollars in ways we haven't thought of before. We want to empower student leaders and Students at Large to get involved in student organizations. Hoping to partner up with all of you and start the conversation. The issues are big but what better group to help the student. **B. Morales** asks if Modo Labs is the content management system. **M. Kagianas** states that the company that was spun out of MIT. A lot of templates are already prebuilt. **M. Baron** states that ASI has been working on an app but is it possible to have a module inside their app. **M. Kagianas** states yes, it would all be in one place and centralized. We are trying to bring awareness to the accessibility that the app has with Market Place. Authorized student user will be able to post about fundraisers and then students can



go in to purchase. **M. Kagianas** states that the Market Place can delineate funds to specific group. It can generate reports weekly, daily or quarterly on how much each organization has made. **B. Golez** asks if there is a prototype for East Bay or if we can download another school's application just to see. **M. Kagianas** states you can download San Francisco State or CSUN. However, to see Market place you need a student ID. **B. Golez** states that the structure of the campus helps build the app. Will you be working with Student Life since they handle a lot of the Student clubs and organizations? **M. Kagianas** states that they will work with Student life and it typically varies. **E. Pinlac** states that this is a great system but we aren't really involved with student organizations club accounts. As Board, members if you feel strong about it bring it up to you clubs and organizations and to Student life. **M. Kagianas** states the goal here was to bring awareness to it but we will continue to work with student life. **B. Golez** asks if they are working with IT or is this a partnership with ASI. **M. Kagianas** states the goals was to bring people together. We wanted you all to be involved in some way.

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C. ACTION ITEM - [Committee Appointments](#)

The Board of Directors will take action on appointing Concord Campus Committee members.

Motion to appoint Arianna Miralles, Carlos Ruiz, and Tony Dinh to the ASI Concord Campus Committee by **K. Dhillon**, second by **Y. Ortega- Huerta**, motion **CARRIES**.

A. Milano states they are volunteering right now until they are appointed. Arianna is looking to take my place for next year. They are real go getters and they are appreciated. They are all part of the Nursing program but they try to make them selves available even if they have a huge load. **E. Pinlac** states it is hard getting participation from the Concord Campus so if you have them appoint them as soon as you can.

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D. DISCUSSION ITEM - **CSSA Updates**

The Director of Legislative Affairs will update the entire Board of Directors on CSSA.

D.Maxion states that she will only talk about things that she wants to bring back to campus. She had a bill idea that we can mandate across the CSUs regarding UndocuAlly training to our Faculty and Staff. It would help out students in receiving more support. Another point that was mentioned was the Fixed Financial Aid Advocacy. It will be one of our many points at CHESS. **Y. Ortega- Huerta** states they are looking at where in California there is Housing insecurities. The Board passed the E.A.T.S Act and the S.3018 Degrees not Debt Act. The



Finance committee only revised the budget and reserves policy. We will be coming up with a final budget by next semester. **D. Maxion** states that we are on mark for our graduation rates. The Board of Trustees votes has been delayed until January because they needed more discussion. The Ethnic Studied requirement is a bill to implement it as graduation requirement across the CSUs. Fullerton has held focus groups so I would take a look at that. Maybe we can host a focus group at East Bay. They also brought up the affordability within textbook. CSU Channel Island has started an initiative called Major Z which is a program that is free for students. They have documents and resources tailored to students with majors so they won't have to pay for textbooks. If there is anything you have to say or initiatives you want to bring forward. **E. Pinlac** states if she wants to make focus groups on campus regarding Ethnic Studies to reach out to Marguerite. **L. Vu** asks what type of students will be in these focus groups. **D. Maxion** states that if this bill would have passed it would have been three units. **M. Lee** states that it has been brought up to the Senate. We had a small group give a response. We are keeping an eye on it. I do think students should get involved. I suggest to reach out to the Ethnic Studies program. **D. Maxion** asks if Michael Lee supports the bill. **M. Lee** states that he is favor for students having more exposure to classes that help us become better citizens. But I am against the idea of a bill telling me what to teach. **M. Baron** states that it feels that almost every year there is a class that is added to the GEs. The GEs are supposed to compliment our major and it seems that the GEs are becoming their own thing. **Y. Ortega-Huerta** asks if the Ethnic Studies requirement would be in the GEs or part of major requirements. **M. Lee** states that it doesn't add any more units and it does not to the total requirement units of GEs. We would have to redo the GE unit distribution. Major departments are getting adjusted to the new GE's requirements. There is always pros and cons. **A. Milano** states that it is about the cost as well. Every time there is something added there is another cost to it. **M. Lee** states that there would not be an added cost. **Y. Ortega-Huerta** asks if this will be furthered discussed in Senate. **M. Lee** states that it will and it will also be discussed at State Wide Senate. It will likely be in our agenda in the future. If you would like me to take a message to the Senate. **D. Maxion** states that they were informed about the Census 2020. She has created a Census Task Force with in ASI. It Consist of Kabir, Daisy, Petr, Sid, Riley, Yajaira, Ashley, and Zaira. We are working on how we will do our outreach for April 1, 2020. CSSA has some Constitution edits. Sustainability Officer and Social Justice Equity Officer are still available in CSSA so let students know. **Y. Ortega-Huerta** states that she will be working with Brian to post it on the ASI website. That way everyone has access to it.

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VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS:

No Special Report.

IX. ROUND TABLE REMARKS:

M. Lee states that he was impressed with the students that showed up to the Chancellors open discussion. He heard from various sources that the Trustees thought the students were very professional, polite and thoughtful. You all made a big impression.

T. Schoh states the women's cross-country team made it to Nationals. It is the first time for many of them to be there. We will be renting two vans for people to go so if you can please attend. It is free but please RSVP. We will be providing breakfast so please spread the word.

E. Pinlac states this is our last meeting before Thanksgiving break. Relax and have some fun because finals are coming up. Staff will be here but I don't expect any of you to have office hours.

E. Sanchez-Martinez thanks everyone who came to Our Bodies, Our minds. It was a successful event. We have another event and this year it will be Scoops and Studies or Sweets and Studies. I will send the exact times and dates. Please help promote it when the flyer is done.

D. Padilla states she is having an event tomorrow with Pioneer Promise at 2:45pm. It will be in North Science 321 and there will be snacks.

L. Vu thanks everyone who has supported the Toiletries Initiative. Our Athletic department has made a video supporting the initiative. The Women's basketball game at 5:30PM and Men's basketball team at 7:30PM. They are using their game to host a drive and promote the drive to athletes, athlete's family and fans. I highly encourage you to show support.

B. Kuehnis states if you are going to get an excuse for one of the meetings please send the memo in 48 hours before. Make sure you are dresses in business casual if you aren't dresses in CSUEB or ASI gear. Meeting on December 4th will likely start at 1PM so please be on time.

R. Miller states that the newsletter is almost done. I will be reaching out for pictures or tips and tricks you may want to share. Just keep an eye out for that email.

M. Lee states that the issue about students having three exams in one day is still moving along in the Senate. The numbers were wrong and they are being ran again with a different formula.

D. Maxion states that when we met with all the CSUs our school got a shout out. For having the most student engagement in the Chancellors open discussion. We got our point across in a respect manner. Thank you to all for all the hard work that you have put in and will continue to put in. Keep pushing and take care of yourself. Please rest, drink water and keep studying.



X. ADJOURNMENT at **1:32 PM**

Minutes reviewed by:

Chair of the Board

Name: Bronte Kuehnis

Minutes approved on:

12-4-19

Date:

