

**Legislative Affairs Committee Minutes of February 13, 2020**

- I. CALL TO ORDER at **12:19 PM**
- II. ROLL CALL  
**Present:** Yajaira Ortega, Miguel Rogers, Mounika Thorupunuri, Karen Iniguez, Bidemi Animashaun, Julissa Madrid, Imaad Ghazali, Madison Jeong  
**Late:** Asim Watts
- III. ACTION ITEM - **Approval of the Agenda**  
**Motion** to approve the agenda by **J. Madrid**, second by **I. Ghazali**, motion **CARRIES**.
- IV. ACTION ITEM - **Approval of the Minutes – January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020**  
**Motion** to approve the minutes of January 23, 2020 **M. Thorupunuri**, second by **K. Iniguez**, motion **CARRIES**.
- 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.**  
No Public Comment.
- VI. INFORMATION ITEM:  
A. CONGRATULATIONS- Asim Watts has officially been appointed to the committee.  
**Motion** to table Information Item A until Asim gets to meeting by **K. Iniguez**, second by **M. Thorupunuri**, motion **CARRIES**.
- 2:38**  
**Y. Ortega** states that he is officially part of the committee. Welcome to the committee and congratulations.
- 5:31**  
B. LEGISLATION- The committee will research legislation for CHES.  
**Y. Ortega** states that some have researched legislation for CHES. I will follow up with CSSA. Starting with AB-148, AB-8, AB-48, SB-2, SB-461 (ROTH) they want us to oppose



AB-930. I bring this up to CSSA and will keep all of you updated to see if we can use them in our elevator speeches.

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**Motion** to bring back Information Item A by **M. Rogers**, second by **M. Thorupunuri**, motion **CARRIES**.

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- C. CIVIC ENGAGEMENT – The committee will brainstorm future Civic opportunities. **Y. Ortega** states that Mounika was able to compile a list of future Civic Engagement activities. CSSA has a hashtag on social media when it comes to posting about legislation. I will check back in with all of you once I get a yes on your proposed items. Have students call, write or email any elected official to share why legislation budget is important. I want us to feel comfortable in contacting elected officials. The civic activities are a guidance and not an expectation. It is an opportunity for us to be more knowledgeable and get us known on campus. It is an idea and how we can do it on our campus. If you have an idea on how to reach more students let us know. **K. Iniguez** suggest getting sororities and fraternities involved because they have many connections. **Y. Ortega** states that we can also work with the Senator of Greek Life. But if you all have any connections with any Greek organizations keep them in mind. That way we can collaborate in the future. Sometimes they host events that we already do. **K. Iniguez** states that we can start contacting organizations that way we can work together, rather, than being divide. **A. Watts** asks if they are still trying to do the freshmen awareness with the Census. **Y. Ortega** states yes. **A. Watts** states that we can go to the dorms and go door to door. **K. Iniguez** suggest offering food. **J. Madrid** states that the freshmen dorms have a lobby area. **Y. Ortega** asks the team feels if they feel that the idea will be possible before Voter Registration on February 18. **A. Watts** states yes. **Y. Ortega** asks when the door knocking will take place. **J. Madrid** suggest to talk after the meeting in order to look at everyone’s schedule. **K. Iniguez** states that they can go into Juniper, Sequoia and the first floor of Tamapolis. **Y. Ortega** states that we can go in pairs and have an iPad available in order for student to complete the form at that moment.

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VII. SPECIAL REPORTS

- A. Voter Registration committee members will update the committee on tabling event. **Y. Ortega** states that we registered twenty-five new people. The President on campus came out to support so I would like to say thank you for playing an essential role. Our last tabling event will be Tuesday, February 18, 2020 and you can practice your talking skills. **K. Iniguez** states that some people would say that they were registered but when you offered



to check if they are, they would say that they have class and walkway. **Y. Ortega** states that she is going to volunteer at the Police Station and Fire Department station from 6:00AM until 8:00PM. I will be helping people with any Spanish assistance needs. **J. Madrid** states that if the graphics were done for the Census poster. **Y. Ortega** states that she will discuss it in the next section. We also need to have a date secured for Voter Registration, in order to start posting the posters. I know everyone is working hard on contacting future assembly and councilor members, but we need the date first to make it possible. **J. Madrid** asks if they can get more ASI Ipads. **Y. Ortega** states that ASI only has two Ipads. **A. Watts** asks that if they can use their phones or Ipads. **Y. Ortega** states that yes but you will be responsible for it. **Y. Ortega** states that on Tuesday she will work on making a big poster with a QR code in order to people scan it and do it on their phone. **K. Iniguez** states that at times people don't completely scan the code so it might not work. **M. Thorupunuri** states that we can give out prizes or snacks to people who complete the forms. **Y. Ortega** states that it is a good idea. I would suggest getting the Ipads and walking students through the process. **A. Watts** states that by doing a mass email we can reach a bigger audience. **Y. Ortega** states that Tuesday will be the last day to register to vote for the Primaries but not too late to vote for the November elections. Again, we can send out mass emails in order for students to be updated and have a chance to register.

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- B. Census committee members will update the committee on their project. **Y. Ortega** states to let everyone know what you have done and how you would need support. **J. Madrid** asks what email they are supposed to use and if they will be receiving more information. **Y. Ortega** states that tabling for Census will start in March. The email will go out by March 3, 2020. The first day for Census tabling is Tuesday March 10, 2020. What snacks or prizes should be at tabling. **K. Iniguez** states that everyone liked the mugs. **Y. Ortega** states that there were a variety of snacks that students can choose from. **K. Iniguez** asks if they will be needing to put in order through Chartwells if they will be getting wings and celery sticks. **Y. Ortega** states that she will be putting it in and asking Sneh. March 10, 17, 24 and 31 are the days we will be tabling. We are hoping to change our tabling strategies not only in front of the bookstore but as well as in the RAW. At some point, we will split the committee and some will be tabling at the RAW while others are in front of the bookstore. We will be tabling from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM. I will be needing some helping with bring items down from the office.

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- C. Civic committee members will update the committee on their project  
**Motion** to table Item C - Civic committee members will update the committee on their project by **J. Madrid**, second by **I. Ghazali**, motion **CARRIES**.

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VIII. ROUND TABLE REMARKS

**Y. Ortega** congratulates Asim on being nominated into the committee. Tabling is going great but know that you are being watched by the University. In the next tabling event the Comms Department will be joining us.

**A. Watts** states that one of the days we table in March is Black Tuesday. There will be a lot more foot traffic at the RAW since they move Black Tuesday in front of the RAW. That's another opportunity to reach another demographic.

**Y. Ortega** states that there will be lot of people to talk to but keep in mind that the music will be loud. We just need to at least scope it out once. If we aren't tabling I highly suggest checking out Black Tuesdays during University Hour. Maybe we can look into collaborating with some Devine Nine organizations.

**J. Madrid** states she can ask her roommate if they will be interested in collaborating with us during the Census.

**Y. Ortega** states if by next meeting she can have an update.

IX. ADJOURNMENT at **12:49 PM**

Minutes Reviewed By:  
Director of Legislative Affairs & Chair  
Name: Yajaira Ortega-Huerta

Minutes Approved On:  
Date:

