Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of August 4, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER at 2:01 PM

II. ROLL CALL
   Present: Angelica De Leon, Kabir Dhillon, Mirna Maamou, Jose Simon Carmona, Erik Pinlac
   Absent: Zaira Perez, Martin Castillo

III. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Agenda
    Motion to approve the agenda of August 4, 2021, by M. Maamou, second by K. Dhillon, motion CARRIED.

IV. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Minutes of June 23, 2021
    Motion to approve minutes of June 23, 2021, by J. Simon Carmona, second by K. Dhillon, motion CARRIED.

V. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Minutes of the Minutes of July 7, 2021
    Motion to approve minutes of July 7, 2021, by J. Simon Carmona, second by K. Dhillon, motion CARRIED

VI. 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
    2:20

VII. UNFINISHED ITEMS:
    No unfinished items
    2:23

VIII. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

   A. DISCUSSION ITEM – Honorary Membership Nomination: Brittney Golez
      The Executive Committee will discuss the Honorary Membership of Brittney Golez.
K. Dhillon states for the next step of the Honorary Membership Nominations, the two have something in common with each other which is that they’re both VP communications and Academic Senators. The achievements that are being highlighted with Brittney is her advocacy for the ASI mobile app and transforming ASI social media as we know it now. A lot of the work we are currently doing with that have been a result of Brittney and Karen’s efforts on clearing up our social media policy, defining what it looks like and implementing that. In addition, Brittney also established the Collegiate Advisory Board for this College of Business. That was started under her, and it was something very successful. I think it speaks volumes to the effects that she has had as both an Academic Senator and a VP of Communications.

A. De Leon says thank you Kabir. Any other discussions or questions? I have something to add, there is a sense of individuals in ASI that do what is expected of them and then there are people that do more than what is expected, and I feel that Brittney is a model for that kind of person that does more than what is needed. I think within each of her roles in ASI, she took advantage of the time that she had to make the biggest impact in which I believe she deserves this membership.

A. De Leon asks any more discussion? Alright, so we will move on to discussion item B.

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B. DISCUSSION ITEM – Honorary Membership Nomination: Karen Parada
The Executive Committee will discuss the Honorary Membership of Karen Parada.

K. Dhillon says that going along the lines that is very similar to the last honorary of nomination. Again, Karen is another person who did more than what was expected of her. When she came into the role of VP of Communications, Erik can clarify this historically, but I believe she was one the most who also did more than expected in this role. She set the standard for what was expected for VP Communications. She took that role and made it successful. This role was VP of Internal before VP of Communications, but Karen transformed the role to what we know as it is today. She and Brittney created the social media policy a couple of years back, finalized it, had the role of the Senator of Science, and had done a lot of advocacies in that role. I think relationships with the College of Science had gotten solidified because of Karen. Because of her impacts, Senators of science would go to her for support because she worked in the College of Science, and she was a huge resource. She built that relationship between the Dean’s office, College of Science and ASI and those relationships are strong because of her efforts. Another thing she also advocated for, was starting the conversation about how many finals are in a day. Karen brought up the fact that there are sometimes three finals in a day, which is ridiculous, there shouldn’t be more than three finals in a day. It is a lot of work for students and so, Karen started that
conversation that hasn’t been completely wrapped up and it is still being worked on and it is almost finalized. When she was Senator for Alumni Students, in my opinion, she was one of the most successful Senator of Alumni relations, again, she established that relationship with alumni in the office, engaging with them and I believe she worked on a bench with alumni relations, so again, going above what was expected of her, being an example for other leaders after her and making an impact for both inside and outside ASI. Some of the things she did were programming events that became signature events, for example, breakfast with ASI, that was something she introduced.

A. De Leon says thank you Kabir. Any discussion?

E. Pinlac adds that I was just going to say that we have had a long history with Karen. She been in multiple roles in ASI, and she’s always been involved even if she wasn’t officially part of ASI in some capacity. She was the first person to bring logistics to our social media because prior to her, we didn’t business accounts for Instagram or Twitter, so we couldn’t track who we are following and brought scheduling to our post. I feel she laid a great foundation for so many areas in social media and the Department of Science, prior to that we didn’t have a relationship. To be honest, all we did was meet with the Dean and that was it but now it is a lot more integrated, and I would love to see more of our college centers build a relationship as well.

M. Maamou responds that everything has already been said, I just want to agree with what everyone has said. Echoing off that, I feel that she done so much and it’s true, she is always involved, she has been a great guide, a great resource in every way, and I believe that the Senator of Science position will always be successful because of her.

A. De Leon says thank you Mirna, any more discussion? I want to add that when I think of Karen, I think of two different things, one is structure and the other is relationship. Just like what Erik said, she brought a lot of structure and organization to social media, to communications and to her role. I was able to be a Senator when she was Senator of Alumni relations, and she created a guide and foundation for that position because right now they’re a newer position and it’s not one that is explored often. I remember vividly when she was in that position, that she was trying to find organization around what that position does. Going off what Kabir and Mirna had mentioned, she builds great relationships, and it puts ASI in a good position because with those relationships growing, as an organization, we are able to better serve students. I believe she does both of those well. She is involved on campus even if she no longer has a position in ASI, she has been involved in different organizations on campus and she holds a lot of leadership positions. I have been able to work with her in different capacities to see how she works, and it is inspiring to see that. I agree with what
everyone has said, she deserves this membership, and I know she has a soft spot for ASI, so I believe she will be back. Any more discussion?

10:28

IX. SPECIAL REPORTS:
No special reports

X. ROUND TABLE REMARKS
A. De Leon says that as she mentioned yesterday, starting next week, we will be taking a rest week for two weeks, and we will be back August 23, 2021. After speaking with some people, we think it would be best to take a break from all meetings, personnel, and executive committees. Executive committee won’t be meeting until that week of August 23, 2021 or after that week, depending on the way the board meetings work. Get all your work done this week and then take the next few weeks to settle into school. That is my update, we will be sending out some emails for that. My other update is that I am working with Zaira on tabling for ASI, she has some stuff going on in her personal life, so I am helping with tabling. You may have seen the email I sent out about August 17, 2021, if you are available or if you could ask your support group to sign up for a time slot to table for ASI, that would be great. It’s the orientation’s team welcome back festival and it is a good opportunity for all of us to show students what ASI is about and what we offer and to get our faces out there as much as possible, if you can text your support groups after this to remind that. There are also other tabling opportunities, so I will be working with Zaira to make sure we are signed up. Those are my updates and roundtable remarks.

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XI. ADJOURNMENT at 2:30pm

Minutes approved by:
President/CEO
Name: Angelica de Leon

Minutes approved by:
October 13, 2021
Date: