

Senate Meeting Minutes of December 3, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER at **4:02 PM**

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Kristina Caro, Jose Simon Carmona, Arazeli Barragan, Justin Withers, Tayla Beasley, Jilian Manlapaz, Jill Nelsen, Erin Quineri, Jazzmin Matthews, Jacoby Young, Zandrae Chan, Omar Alvarez Espinosa, Kristopher Disharoon

Late: Isaac Ibarra

Excused: Neilah Peku, Emily Flores, Ashley Medeiros, Anjelica de Leon, Tyler Luevano

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

Motion to approve the agenda of December 3, 2021, by **O. Espinosa**, second by **J. Nelsen**, motion **CARRIED**.

IV. ACTION ITEM - **Approval of the Minutes of November 19, 2021**

Motion to approve the agenda of November 19, 2021, by **J. Matthews**, second by **J. Manlapaz**, motion **CARRIED**.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT – **Public Comment is intended as a time for any member of the public to address the Senate on any issues affecting ASI and/or the California State University, East Bay.**

No public comment.

2:51

VI. UNFINISHED ITEMS:

A. ACTION ITEM- **Transfer Student Funding Request**

The Senate will take action on a funding request for the Senator of Transfer Students.

O. Espinosa begins with the pilot of the series I wanted to host was yesterday. There were 18 people during the peak of the event. I received feedback from 9 different members which were positive feedback. Some of the things students were able to takeaway were how to find new study methods and they felt very relaxed with some of the activities we held such as



receiving coloring books from the Transfer department. It was very successful, and I invite any members who attended to speak on that.

J. Matthews attended Omar's event and it was very successful. It was a lot of fun and I met new people as I get to know more people in it. You did a really great job and it helped me when it comes to ideas for my event. Congrats Omar!

K. Caro asks if there are other questions or discussion.

Motion to approve the Senate to take action on a funding request for the Senator of Transfer Students, by **ALL**, motion **CARRIED**.

6:00

VII. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. DISCUSSION ITEM- Resolution in Support of S.2755 - College Completion Fund Act of 2021

The Senate will discuss the Resolution in Support of S.2755 - College Completion Fund Act of 2021.

J. Manlapaz states that this resolution was written by Erin and me, it is in support of the College Completion Fund Act of 2021. The College Completion Fund Act would authorize the Secretary of Education to award grants to the state to empower public institutions of higher education to provide student support services to students from low income backgrounds, historically underrepresented students, first generation college students, parent students, students with disabilities, and student veterans. The support services could include career coaching, counseling, and making use of career pathways, and improving transfer student success which supports student retention and college completion. As a diverse campus community, I think it is important to support such acts that can help students receive as much support as they can to succeed and complete their college degree.

E. Quineri adds that Cal State Easy Bay prides itself on its diversity and we do have a lot of students who represent these groups such as veteran students, transfer students, and students from underrepresented groups. As Jilian said, it is important that we support these acts that they ensure that students are attained in their education and that they graduate. Underneath is resolved statements, you will see that we are encouraging the university to do things such as providing support to students in areas with mental health, childcare, transportation, work based learning opportunities, food and housing opportunities. We also encourage the university to gather data on the students' academic progress and to use that data to continue serving and supporting these student groups.



J. Carmona congratulates them on making their first resolution for the Senate, especially in this semester.

K. Caro asks if there are any questions or discussion.

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VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS:

A. Vice President of University Affairs

J. Carmona had a meeting with faculty. It was a casual meeting for us to meet face to face and get ideas going. There was a lot that I missed in terms of really explaining which is why I am sending a formal document on It's On Us and Hey Be Nice. I encourage everyone to read it and see if you have any ideas or suggestions for those 2 events. I think some of the perspective that each of you have would be really great for Hey Be Nice, especially for the corresponding days. Keep an eye out for my email either by the end of this week or Monday before the semester ends.

B. Chair

K. Caro shares their big accomplishment was being appointed as Chair. I prepare the agendas and chair the meetings which is what I have been doing and becoming familiar with. I have been trying to send out materials earlier therefore I do not have to worry about meeting deadlines. Some goals I have for the next semester is to work more closely with you all, whether it be planning events or helping you write resolutions.

C. Senator of CBE

A. Barragan shares their big accomplishment was hosting my own townhall as it went as best as it could even though there were some difficulties. It was a great learning experience. Another accomplishment was having a financial literacy workshop as I was able to make connections for future workshops. I am talking with people to plan for this upcoming semester for another financial workshop. I really like working with the other Senators and seeing everyone become appointed. I am looking forward next semester with my workshops and resolution writing.

D. Senator of CEAS

K. Caro shares that unfortunately Justin had to leave early, but I will be presenting it on his behalf. His accomplishment from this semester is having his town hall and having discussions with the Dean. He was able to connect with people, counselors and he started preparing for next semester. Speaking of next semester, his goal for next semester is to work on programming with emphasis on diversity and college readiness. He also wants to work with different departments in his college, not just kinesiology and he wants to work closely with the Dean to achieve one of the Dean's goals to create surveys and have more outreach.

E. Senator of CLASS



K. Caro states that Neilah was unable to attend today so we will be moving forward to the next person.

F. Senator of Science

T. Beasley achieves this semester is completing my town hall. My goals for next semester, I want to plan more events. I am speaking with the Dean of the College of Science to have more events in the works. I am waiting to see what will happen with the situation of COVID. I would love to plan more events and have more student involvement.

G. Senator At Large

J. Manlapaz shares their big accomplishment is having a small giveaway because I never knew how to plan events. It was fun to plan this with Tyler and Ashmita. Also, there are a few packages left over if anyone would like to pick them up from the ASI office next week by bringing your Bay Card. I am working with Zaira to post that on Instagram. I was making connections with campus staff this semester which I found to be important. This is to have more information from the staff's perspective and how we can get them to support or fix the issues on campus. I spoke with Andrew Yunker about having First Year students more acclimated to campus life and I want to highlight that we should make an effort to get them to attend events. They are our main target when it comes to attendance for future events. One of the things we could do is come into classrooms and ask if we can announce our events which would increase attendance. My next semester goals are to work with everyone more on what we could do as far as events, resolutions, and ideas.

H. Senator of Alumni Relations

K. Caro shares that Emily is unable to attend but I will be presenting on her behalf. She would like to apologize for being unable to make it this week and wish you all the best of luck on finals. This semester, she has been working on meeting and building relationships with the President of the Alumni Association as well as getting more insight on how past senators in her position worked while being in her position. With that, she was able to come up with ideas on how she wanted to go about with her position as well as what events she would like to host for students and involving engagement from our alumni. Her goal for next semester is to successfully execute the events that she would like to host, and it is called the Truth of Being which is having a panel of alumni who are currently working in their work field, they are able to share their experiences, and give more insight on what comes with each career, whether that be in nursing, law enforcement, human resources and etc. For these events, she would love to collaborate with all of the Senators of each college therefore next semester she will be reaching out to all of you and seeing if you can work together to help get these events out there for students with the help of our alumni.

I. Senator of Athletics



J. Nelsen shares that I have been busy this whole semester. My biggest accomplishment is the Athletics this semester as well as the fundraising that we have pushed with teams across the whole department. My goal is to have more time in the Spring and plan more events based on my mental health as this semester, I was trying to balance everything. I have been talking to other athletes about what they want such as speakers for careers in life after athletics.

J. Senator of Commuter Student

E. Quineri shares that the biggest thing was drafting this resolution with Jillian and with the help of A.J I thought that this is really good opportunity for me to get something rolling. I was working initially with Directors Josh and Andrew to get a campaign, or some sort of event or giveaway done. It would have happened this week, but everything became hectic. Moving forward into the next semester, I am looking forward to reaching out to more of our commuter students from both campuses and fulfilling that overall goal that I have about making sure that commuter students have found an identity and community with East Bay.

K. Senator of Diversity

J. Matthews shares that I accomplished this semester is making more campus connections with faculty and staff. I spent time in a lot of meetings as the Senator of Diversity and during those times, I am the only student. I am happy that I am able to represent my campus and be in the room. Things that I look forward to for next semester is my availability. Hopefully, I am planning on having a lot more availability and in the works of planning my event with the DISC. It is going to be a talk and I have not decided on what topic as I am stuck in between two, but I am super excited about that. Attending Omar's and our events inspired me to think of what I am going to do. Omar had a really good turnout I also look forward to working more with the other senators as well.

L. Senator of Greek Life

J. Young shares this semester, I spent time getting used to the role and planning events for Spring semester. I was able to collaborate with Heather who is the Assistant Department Lead for Student Life and Leadership. I spoke to her about the goals I had for this semester for Greek Life and how we can run things accordingly. Recently, I was able to collaborate and promote funding for clubs and organizations. There should be a post on Instagram about that. Some goals for Spring semester are to roll out our Greek Takeover Tuesday Spotlights starting January 25th. These will be posted weekly on the CSUEB Greek Life page. I am hoping to plan an event by the end of Spring semester to get to know the clubs and Greeks where it would be a get together. Everyone can meet and hang out to promote Greek unity. Also, I want to work on doing mini photo shoots with organizations to have an inventory of stock photos for the future and promotion wise.

M. Senator of International Students



Z. Chan shares my biggest accomplishment is being a part of ASI and meeting the departments I will be working with. I was a part of an international student panel to share about my stay in the United States which is slightly different, but I received feedback and thoughts. It was nice that a social media page was created on the international student website for potential students, and it was a professional staff running it. That person was able to help me create my flyer for my survey as we are trying to have international students input about the issues they face on campaigns. I understand that final exams are around the corner so there will be a delay in responses. I feel lucky to meet the CIE Coordinator as we had 2 events planned out. There were clubs and organizations in need of recruitment and there was a low turnout, but it was still interesting. I am planning to create more events, surveys, and have more international students be involved in clubs. I plan to have students meet with me to collect thoughts, feedback, and opinions. Also, I want to write resolution in the next semester which I plan to share with Ashmita as she sends out the monthly newsletter to students. I plan to work with other directors and have different input.

N. Senator of Online Students

K. Caro shares that Ashley is unable to attend but I will be presenting on her behalf. Some accomplishments for this semester were that she was able to get out her students survey for students to respond about their thoughts on the online format. She also got to meet with the library committee and brainstorm ideas with them about the CORE building. Her goals for Spring semester are put together an event for online students for their classroom, and to get monthly newsletter out to students in collaboration with the online campus and online resources. She also said you all are doing amazing.

O. Senator of Residence Life

I. Ibarra shares some accomplishments from this semester is being able to meet with Kayla and Victor from Pioneer Dining and on how meals are feeding for residence life is going to continue on from now on. Also putting in information for things we would like to set up and bring back to campus since there is going to be more people next semester. A goal for next semester, I am definitely focusing more on living conditions for residents and helping them get out of the dorms.

P. Senator of Transfer Students

O. Espinosa shares I hosted office hours twice this month. I used it to promote my event and casually run into students who were promoting my event. I was able to have flyers sent out to residents. And had feedback from my event on what they would like to see again. For a flyer I made, I changed the name from Self Care to Success to Stress to Success. A lot of students wanted to see puppies on campus which I am trying to make that happen with the Director of Student Health and Counseling Services. I have an idea of what I want to do for next semester which is to involve other senators for both their ideas and execution. I cannot wait!

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IX. ROUND TABLE REMARKS

K. Caro states that headshots will be next Monday which I can help you schedule them. If not, you can go ahead and send me a picture that we can put on the website. Simon and I started doing check in earlier this week and we were able to meet with most of you. Please schedule one with us if you have not already. We are open during break but understand if you do not want to because of upcoming finals week. Our first meeting after Winer Break is January 27th and it is still uncertain if that will be in-person or on Zoom. I will keep everyone updated but make sure to check your emails whenever you can. Good luck on finals and you are all doing so great! You all seem to have great ideas for the next semester which I am proud of you all!

K. Disharoon states there are jackets for you to pick up at the desk with your names on it. Also, this is my Slack which has more channels. Under the teams section, you can be added to the ASI team. It would be great if you download Slack on your laptop, computer, and on your phone. Using Slack is helpful in terms of having you all meet with me if people are not showing up to meetings or come to meetings and not have anything to talk about. I will put reminders in here that you can click to add to your calendar. If you receive emails from me, at the bottom is my calendar link which you can set up meetings with me. There are 3 graphic designers that can help you with your posters for marketing. It will be on the Bay Sync page under forms. Sign in with you net ID and password but not your personal one. If you have any questions, feel free to ask me. You also need to plan events and what you are ordering a month in advance because you have to ask the Senate for money. There are also COVID protocols we need to follow and for the ASI Executive Director to sign off on your event. Please keep that in mind.

O. Espinosa asks so you will only see the ASI graphic design request form if we login using the Senator email?

K. Disharoon answers yes because we went through a transition over the Summer.

Z. Chan asks if we will have check in for Spring semester with you and Simon?

K. Caro answers we are trying to have them once a month. If you want more, let us know.

Z. Chan states that I am working with other organizations, and I was wondering I can promote an event from Center of International Students in the chat as this will being February.

K. Caro states I am not completely sure, but you can go ahead and meet with Kris to talk about it separately.

J. Carmona shares that I am going to the Executive Director interviews. Establish a one on one with Kris as you can see that Omar's event turned out really well. Continue to develop your professional network and I appreciate all you email in terms of meetings and updates. I am really proud of you all!

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X. ADJOURNMENT at **4:48 PM**

Minutes reviewed by:

Chair of the Board

Name: Krisstina Caro

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Krisstina Caro (Jan 28, 2022 11:10 PST)

Minutes approved on:

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