Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of July 17, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER at 11:04 AM

II. ROLL CALL

Absent: Elijah Quineri, Martin Castillo, Steve Spencer, Christina Chin-Newman

III. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Agenda
Motion to approve the agenda of July 17, 2023, by C. Aguilera, seconded by K. Sheshadri, motion CARRIED.

IV. ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Minutes of July 3th, 2023
Motion to approve the minutes of July 3, 2023, by K. Sheshadri, seconded by T. Perez-Reyes, motion CARRIED.

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.
3:08

VI. UNFINISHED ITEMS:
No unfinished items.
3:18

I. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. INFORMATION ITEM: Oath of Office
The 2023-2024 elected Board of Directors will take the ASI Oath of Office, Guadalupe Felix takes the Oath of Office as the Director of Legislative Affairs.
Erick Loredo takes the Oath of Office as the VP of University Affairs.
Sai Charan Attili takes the Oath of Office as the VP of Finance.
Saira Garcia takes the Oath of Office as the Director of Wellness.
Sharn Basi takes the Oath of Office as the Director of Concord.

11:00

A. DISCUSSION ITEM: 2023-2024 ASI Budget
The ASI Board of Directors will be discussing on the 2023-2024 ASI Budget.
J. Carroll states Doris and himself will answer questions the Board has regarding the 2023-2024 ASI Budget. James presents and gives an overview of the 2023-2024 ASI Budget to the Board of Directors.
C. Aguilera asks on the third bullet point $205,306.25, is that how much we’re going over?
J. Carroll states correct. James goes in detail about the 2023-2024 budget adjustments to the Board of Directors.
N. Calara states I’ve been vocal about the CSU Multi-Year Tuition Increase, but increasing the ASI fee will benefit the organization if the fee increase supports the students. ASI is a service to students; we provide scholarships to our Board and professional staff. I believe this would be beneficial if we advocated for the potential fee increases.
J. Carroll states the Board of Directors will have to spend the early fall deciding what we need to do to not reduce services. James goes in detail about the 2023-2024 budget adjustments. Are there questions or comments that Doris and I can prepare for the next couple of weeks?
N. Calara asks if we decide to increase the ASI fee, would we try our efforts this year or next year? Are we going to do it through a referendum or alternative consultation?
J. Carroll states it’s to be determined and it will be determined by the Board. Michael Ryan and I are gathering information of what the timeline will look like if we move forward this year or would it delay and move to the next year. We’ll present to the Board in the fall and that’s when the Board will decide the next steps. There are two paths’ students can do and it’s based on the CSU policy. You can do a referendum, a general population vote or the alternative consultation, which the UU and R.A.W. just went through. They met with student groups, focus groups, they did survey, and all the data. It then goes to the Campus Fee Advisory Committee, and then it goes to the university President for the final decision. If we took it to a vote in a referendum, the campus Advisory Committee has to say, “yes, we as a collective would support you doing a referendum vote” before we take it to the students, or the alternative consultation. The difference is you bypass a general vote, but you must show the data, and this is one thing the UU and R.A.W. did. When you look at our elections, our
student’s participation in elections has been low. When you look at the last three or four years, the UU and R.A.W. had more student evaluations from the focus groups they did, then we would have students that voted. In theory, the UU and R.A.W had more direct student voice in their process than if we would have just had students vote. The final say is President Sandeen must stamp off to say, “yes, I support the fee increase.” The benefit is we would be sharing with her early in the process, so she would be informed of what it looks like. The thing with the timeline we must be mindful of is if you’re going to do a fee increase, it would have to be finalized at least almost a full semester, if not a year before it goes to students to be implemented because universities must publish their fees in advance of students applying. That’s what we’ve seen with the UU this last year. They did they’re increase in the spring semester, it got approved and it will not go in effect until a year from then. This is why we’re mapping out the timeline to present it back to the Board and it will be the Board to decide if we want to move forward this academic year. The closest we could have a fee increase if we moved forward would be spring 2025.

**N. Calara** asks any questions?

### VII. SPECIAL REPORTS:

**A. July CSSA**

**G. Felix** presents and go in details about CSSA to the Board of Directors.

### VIII. ROUND TABLE REMARKS

**N. Calara** states today meeting was a lot of information’s and he hope the Board takes care of themselves throughout the week. He reminds the Board that there will be BOD training next week and they will have special guests attending the training. Last week, Nolan, Kushal, and James talked to the Student Health & Counseling Services addressing food and housing security. Nolan will be talking to the Student Health & Counseling Services addressing health services and told the Board they are welcome to join the meeting. The meeting will be on July 20th, 2 PM – 3 PM in person. Lastly, Nolan wants the Board to stay inform about the CSU tuition increase and to inform students because it affects the whole CSU community.

**C. Martinez Aguilera** states Nolan and I decided to make an ASI TikTok account because it is one of the biggest app. This is a better way for us to reach out to students with anything that’s going on in our community. When you post, please repost, tag the account, and share it with your friends and students.
N. Calara states I don’t want the Instagram and TikTok to just be me, so if you have an idea or want to post on the Instagram and TikTok let us know.
E. Loredo states as VP of University Affairs, he will be meeting one on one with the Senators. Erick will send out the email to all the Senators for dates to do one on one.
C. Martinez Aguilera states he will be sending an email today about the Instagram introduction.
N. Calara congratulate Erick on his first BOD meeting.
C. Martinez Aguilera asks the Board to review the budget, so they are informed on the decision they are making.
N. Calara asks are there any roundtable remarks?

1:10:23

IX. ADJOURNMENT at 12:14 PM
1:10:29

Minutes reviewed by:
President/CEO and Chair
Name: Nolan Calara

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