

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes May 7th, 2025

- I. CALL TO ORDER at **12:12PM**
- II. [ROLL CALL](#)
Present: Nolan Calara, Erick Loreda, Charan Reddy Doolam, Kartik Tripathi, London Deguzman, Jana Ramos, Kamalathmika Chalasani, Germaine Villegas, Joe Trujillo, Rolando Munos, Sophia Dela Cruz, Venkata Anirudh, Deepthi Bhimanapati, Yashica Avhad, James Carroll, Steve Spencer, Stephanie Ann Lustina, Kabir Dhillon, Jaalam Jones, Yashica Avhad
Absent: Jenny O, My-Lan Huynh, Martin Castillo
- III. ACTION ITEM - **Approval of the Agenda**
Motion to approve the agenda of Board of Directors Meeting of May 07th, 2025 by **Y. Avhad**, seconded by **L. Deguzman**, motion **CARRIED**.
- IV. ACTION ITEM - **Approval of the Minutes of April 23, 2025**
Motion to approve the minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting of **April 23rd, 2025** by **K. Tripathi**, seconded by **C. Reddy Doolam**, 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.**

Motion to take a break for 5 minutes by **E. Loreda**, seconded by **K. Tripathi**, motion **CARRIED**.

R. Sands, a Cal State East Bay graduate from last spring who is disabled, found commencement to be a deeply emotional event, symbolizing her hard work and marking a significant milestone. As one of the first disabled students to graduate, she demonstrated to the community that disabled individuals can successfully navigate college—something widely known but often forgotten. She brought up this experience in light of the administration’s decision this semester to deny graduating intellectually disabled students from the Think B.I.G. program the right to participate in commencement. According to Ryan, these students completed the necessary work, earned their class



credits, and reached the same milestone as their peers. He emphasized that this achievement is significant for both the students and the College. Since the Think B.I.G. students were able to participate in classes and complete their education, Ryan argued they are also capable of participating in commencement. He strongly urged ASI to demand answers from the administration and to ensure that these students are included in the ceremony that acknowledges their accomplishments. He warned against allowing these students to associate their hard work with rejection and exclusion, calling it heartbreaking that an administration which invested in a program aimed at inclusion and progress would isolate the very students it was designed to support. Ryan concluded by reminding ASI that they represent all students on campus and implored them not to let this exclusion occur.

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VI. UNFINISHED ITEMS:

No unfinished items.

VII. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

A. ACTION ITEM - [Honorary Membership Candidates](#)

The ASI Board of Directors will take action on the honorary membership candidates.

Motion to approve action item A by **L. Deguzman and** seconded by **K. Tripathi**, motion **CARRIED.**

E. Borel stated that there are two candidates for honorary membership this year. One of them is **Michael Ryan Cesena**. **E. Borel** provided a brief introduction about both candidates. Michael Ryan Cesena was an ASI member himself, serving as part of the board, and also worked as a professional staff member. He served as ASI Presents Manager and, during his freshman year, was an ASI intern. Overall, Michael was described as an amazing person who contributed to ASI for a long time. He was always talking to students and board members, consistently acting as a leader, encouraging others to strive for better, and serving as a strong communicator and contributor. **E. Borel** stated that it would be more than amazing to have Michael Ryan Cesena as an honorary member.



The second candidate is **Andrew Yunker**. **E. Borel** noted that Andrew Yunker is currently a professor at Cal State East Bay, teaching GS classes in Palestinian studies. He previously served as an ASI Alumni Advisor from approximately 2017 to 2022. **E. Borel** described Andrew as a significant contributor who frequently allowed the ASI Board to speak to his classes and connect with students about ASI initiatives, events, and advocacy work throughout the academic year. He helped ensure students were informed, involved, and potentially interested in joining ASI or attending its events. **E. Borel** emphasized that Andrew Yunker acted as a bridge between the board members and students, helping to enhance communication and student engagement. **E. Borel** concluded by expressing enthusiasm for having both Michael Ryan Cesena and Andrew Yunker as honorary members.

N. Calara asked if anyone had any comments on the candidates before proceeding to a vote. **J. Trujillo** then spoke, expressing strong support for the candidacy of **Andrew Yunker**. He stated that he had worked with Andrew throughout his entire year, as well as during a year and a half of being in classes with him. Joe described Andrew Yunker as both a professor and, in a sense, a coworker, emphasizing that Andrew is very supportive of students both inside and outside the classroom. He mentioned that he had never heard anything negative about Andrew Yunker and consistently witnessed him going out of his way to ensure that students' voices are heard. **J. Trujillo** shared that Andrew had helped him in his role as Senator of CLASS and had promoted student advocacy. Like **E. Borel** mentioned, Andrew Yunker allowed students to present in his classrooms, and **J. Trujillo** appreciated him as a perfect connection to students someone who truly understands them and dedicates his energy to them. He concluded by stating that these qualities should definitely be considered in the decision-making process.

K. Dhillon stated that, having worked with both **Michael Ryan Cesena** and **Sirene Cano**, he believed both were deserving of honorary membership, noting their great impact on students and ASI. He then raised concerns about the nomination process, beginning by sharing comments from his colleague, **Desiree Cuevas**, who was originally going to speak during public comment. He quoted her concerns from the last Personnel Committee meeting, highlighting that, according to policy, nominees should go through the Honorary Membership Committee and then to the Board of Directors, rather than through the Personnel Committee. Since it had been a couple of years since the last honorary member



was selected, **K. Dhillon** emphasized that Sirene Cano should be considered a perfect third candidate. He noted her major contributions, including strengthening the relationship between ASI Presents and the Board, and handling tabling events without hesitation over several years. **K. Dhillon** stated Desiree's concerns about the third candidate being sidelined and mentioned that he had reviewed the last Personnel Committee meeting. He agreed with the concern about bias, especially in cases where committee members knew only two of the candidates and not the third. He stated that the policy outlines that the Honorary Membership Committee is responsible for thoroughly reviewing and presenting candidates to the Board and that the Personnel Committee overstepped its authority by giving endorsements or making final decisions. He clarified that both he and Desiree were the original authors of the policy and, although it had been updated in 2023, it still does not give the Personnel Committee authority to make final endorsements. The policy, according to him, specifies that the Honorary Membership Committee should forward nominees directly to the Board of Directors.

K. Dhillon then spoke in support of **Sirene Cano**, recalling her significant contributions to ASI Presents. He explained that she effectively acted as the lead student essentially a student manager during a time when ASI Presents managed 20 to 50 events annually, including Spring Mayhem, the predecessor to East Bay Jam. He described her work as having a profound impact on students. He concluded by stating that the policy allows for the nomination of additional honorary members with a two-thirds vote and reiterated that the Personnel Committee should not have final say in the nomination process. He recommended that the Board review the policy, reconsider the third candidate, and ensure fairness and adherence to proper procedure.

N. Calara thanked everyone for their comments and expressed a strong belief that the Personnel Committee can improve in the coming year by reviewing policy and ensuring everything is properly in place moving forward. On behalf of the committee, **N. Calara** apologized for any comments that may have seemed biased toward certain members and acknowledged that they could have done a better job. He appreciated the feedback and clarified that the Personnel Committee came together as a collective to agree upon the candidates they believed were fit. He concluded by reaffirming a commitment to do a much better job in the future, acknowledging that there is always room for improvement.

L. Deguzman clarified that, for the sake of transparency, the Personnel Committee had the item regarding honorary membership on their agenda, which included three candidates along



with a brief bio outlining their service to ASI. The committee made their decision as impartially as possible based on the information they had at the time. One of the major challenges they faced, which was also documented in the meeting minutes, was the limited scope of information available about each candidate. As a result, the committee did their best to narrow it down to two candidates, guided by their understanding of the honorary membership policy, which they interpreted as allowing for the recommendation of one to two candidates to the Board. In the interest of efficiency and timing, they chose to proceed with two nominees. **L. Deguzman** acknowledged that this might have been a lapse in judgment and identified it as an area for future improvement in the selection process. He thanked everyone for their comments and input.

K. Dhillon responded by thanking **L. Deguzman** for the clarification and affirmed that it made sense. As an advisor, he noted that his role is to highlight such observations so that constructive feedback can be considered. He agreed that the lack of information was a key issue and suggested that the policy could be improved by specifying what information should be included. He acknowledged the challenge mentioned in the discussion that committee members were familiar with **Michael Ryan Cesena** and **Andrew Yunker**, but not with the third candidate, **Sirene Cano**. He pointed out that it is reasonable for such situations to occur, especially when candidates include older ASI alumni or individuals not personally known to current members. He reiterated that this was a teachable moment and emphasized the importance of clear information coming from the Honorary Membership Committee, as they are tasked with collecting applications, reviewing them, and making informed recommendations to the Board.

J. Carroll provided a point of information for the record regarding the policy. He clarified that, as **K. Dhillon** previously mentioned, the policy does not explicitly state that honorary membership nominations must go through the Personnel Committee. However, he explained that the reason the process took that route was due to the requirement that voting items undergo both discussion and action. Since the Honorary Membership Committee is not an official ASI committee meaning it is not formally recorded or recognized like other standing committees it could not fulfill the discussion requirement necessary for board action.

J. Carroll suggested that the Board consider revising the policy language for clarity. He proposed two options: either the Honorary Membership Committee be made an official ASI committee, which would allow it to present discussion items that could proceed to action by the Board, or, alternatively, the policy should clarify that the Honorary Membership



Committee makes a recommendation to the Personnel Committee, which would then present the item for action at the next Board of Directors meeting. He offered this context to help clarify the steps taken and to address any confusion about the process used.

N. Calara stated that they would move on to a vote and acknowledged that there may have been some biases pointed out during the Personnel Committee meeting. He explained that, when reviewing the minutes, he personally tried to look beyond those biases and focus on identifying the two candidates he believed should move forward. He reflected on past experiences with honorary memberships, noting that in previous years, many candidates were approved without much justification. That, he said, was why he, along with **E. Loredó** and a few other board members, had worked on revising the policy last year. While he acknowledged that the policy still has flaws, he saw this as an area for future improvement. Compared to the past structure, however, he expressed satisfaction that the current process demonstrated at least some reform. In regard to Sirene's candidacy, he implied that the revised structure provided a more deliberate and considered approach.

K. Dhillon offered a point of clarification regarding the honorary membership policy. As the co-author of the policy, he explained that although honorary membership had always been mentioned in ASI's bylaws, it was never actively implemented until around 2019. The first honorary member was Joshua Charles Peckham, a former ASI Board member. The need for a formal policy arose when then-President Royster was nominated to receive the honor, prompting the creation of clear guidelines.

K. Dhillon noted that the initial process did not include a cap on the number of recipients per year; it was handled through Executive Committee discussions and voted on periodically. He emphasized that the award is meant to be a high honor not something given to everyone. The reason for the initial high number of recipients was that the policy and practice were new, so there was a backlog of deserving individuals being honored. He shared that he personally led the nominations for nearly all of the past recipients, sometimes submitting them in batches, though he acknowledged that the current board is not obligated to follow that same method. He reiterated that the individuals who received the award in prior years were highly deserving. In the past, ASI used to produce statements explaining each nominee's qualifications and accomplishments, which helped justify their selection. **K. Dhillon** suggested that the absence of such explanatory statements this year may be contributing to confusion or uncertainty about why certain individuals were nominated. He concluded by offering to list the reasons each past recipient was honored and emphasized



that the written statements previously used speak for themselves. He thanked the board and asked if there were any further discussions on the topic before moving forward.

Motion to nominate **Michael Ryan Cesena** and **Andrew Yunker** the honorary membership candidates, Motion **CARRIED** by 11 YES.

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B. ACTION ITEM - [VP of Internal Affairs Candidate](#)

The ASI Board of Directors will take action on the VP of Internal Affairs Candidate.

E. Lored began by sharing their experience of interning alongside **K. Tripathi**, the Director of Committees, under Rolando Munos, who served as Vice President of Internal. They discussed personnel and reviewed the candidates, ultimately identifying Rolando Munos as the best fit. **E. Lored** pointed out that Rolando is currently serving as the ASI Senator of Science, and emphasized that the position for Vice President of Internal will be vacant over the summer a critical period where leadership is needed. Providing background, **E. Lored** noted that Rolando is a first-year Computer Science student who transitioned from community college, where he served in student government as a web designer. This gave him prior exposure to student governance. **E. Lored** praised Rolando for being an analytical person, effective at organizing, and fostering an environment where people feel encouraged to share ideas. He also highlighted Rolando's communication skills and noted that **K. Tripathi** too, had positive things to say about him.

K. Tripathi added that the position of Vice President of Internal Affairs is an executive role and, with it being vacant, it is urgent to fill it as soon as possible. Rolando, they noted, meets all the criteria and is available during the summer, which is essential for helping with board member training and managing important summer responsibilities. One of Rolando's proposed initial projects is to assist in transitioning the board from using Blue to Office 365, a campus-wide shift. He also aims to enhance ASI's social media presence by making content more concise and appealing, and hopes to produce more video content with the help of a new videographer, which would potentially increase engagement and visibility on platforms like Instagram.



For transparency, **K. Tripathi** shared that there were three applications for the position: Rolando Munos, Yashica Avadh, and Kushal Reddy. The final recommendation to the board was to appoint Rolando Munos.

E. Lored shared that one of the major points discussed during the Personnel Committee meeting was the intention to transition the Vice President of Internal Affairs role to place greater emphasis on policy and resolution writing not a complete shift, but a prioritization of that aspect. They explained that Rolando Muñoz was seen as especially well-suited for this due to his analytical nature and his ability to interpret and revise policy, which would be instrumental in updating documents for the future board. This focus on policy work was one of the key reasons for recommending him for the position.

K. Tripathi added that another responsibility of the Vice President of Internal Affairs is to serve as the lead for all academic senators. Since Rolando is currently serving as an academic senator and is familiar with the Academic Senate, the committee believed he would be a strong leader for his fellow senators. They also highlighted his current role as a mentee and Senator of Science and his experience with statewide advocacy, reinforcing the belief that he would be the best candidate for the role.

Motion to appoint **Rolando Munos** as the Vice President of Internal affairs by **N. Calara**, Motion **CARRIED** by **11 YES**.

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C. INFORMATIONAL ITEM - Oath of Office

The ASI Board of Directors will be informed about the Oath of Office.

The ASI Board of Directors 2025-2026 takes the Oath of Office.

D. INFORMATIONAL ITEM - [Trivia Takeover](#)

The ASI Board of Directors will be informed about Trivia Takeover.

Motion is made to postpone the INFORMATION ITEM – D to next B.O.D meeting by **N. Calara**, seconded by **K. Tripathi**, motion **CARRIED**.



E. INFORMATIONAL ITEM - [Open Education Access Tabling](#)

The ASI Board of Directors will be informed about Open Education Access tabling.

K. Chalasani reported on the tabling event for Open Education Access, which took place on May 1st, 2025. She noted that many students at the university are not aware of the free educational materials and resources available to them. To help raise awareness, the event provided a QR code that students could scan to access a website offering those free resources.

R. Munos added that the event was held in high-traffic areas, which encouraged natural student engagement. He explained that students were not required to sign in; they could simply stop by, pick up some giveaway items, and learn about the resources. He shared that many students were interested in the flyers and scanned or saved the QR code for later use. Reflecting on what could have been improved, **R. Munos** suggested that more printed materials could have been provided specifically, information about ASI itself, in addition to the educational resources. He also mentioned the importance of promoting Pioneer Tuesdays and better informing students about ASI's location and role on campus. Items given away at the event included go-bags, ponchos, and other merchandise ordered from Custom Ink. **R. Munos** concluded that overall, the event was a success.

E. Loredó shared that they were present at the event for a short time and acknowledged that it was the first event as board members for both **R. Munos** and **K. Chalasani**. He commended them for doing a great job, noting it was encouraging to see them engaging with students, representing ASI, and effectively explaining the concept of Open Education Access. He gave a shout out to both of them and expressed hope that they would continue organizing similar events in the future.

N. Calara suggested a quick round of applause for **R. Munos** and **K. Chalasani**. He congratulated both new board members and expressed his excitement to see their leadership develop moving forward.



VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS

- [Academic Senate](#)

R. Munos provided a detailed report on the recent Academic Senate meetings, which took place on April 15, April 29, and May 6. He began with an overview of topics discussed that are relevant to students, including new curriculum timelines, accessibility compliance policies, academic dishonesty policies, budget reviews and resolutions related to proposed cuts, and program reviews such as the guaranteed admission initiative with the Oakland Unified School District. He explained that accessibility regarding textbooks and instructional materials was a key item, with policies CIC 47, AC 16, and FEC 5 being consolidated to revise the existing 2007–08 policy. The revision adds explicit requirements for alternative formats and image descriptions. Some senator officers have been tasked with forming implementation task forces. **R. Munos** emphasized the importance of ASI advocating for funding for captioning and assistive technologies, as well as supporting student representation on the task force. The compliance deadline for this initiative is April 26th, 2025. Next, he addressed academic integrity and assessment updates. He noted that the updated academic dishonesty policy, FAC 25, had its second reading on May 6 and is expected to be voted on by May 20th, 2025. He also discussed a course evaluation exemption update requiring each instructor to receive at least one student evaluation per term. These evaluations are available on My Compass, though many students are unaware of this. He suggested ASI could raise awareness about where students can access and submit feedback. **R. Munos** then spoke on the budget outlook and advocacy regarding workload. He referenced the "pencil budget," which reflects proposed state budget cuts, and noted that a Senate resolution opposes removing faculty workload reductions. A potential \$11 million cut was mentioned, and he recommended ASI work with administration, faculty, and students to increase awareness and track legislative revisions. Regarding diversity and international student wellbeing, he shared that visa revocations had been reinstated and individual travel risk advisories were distributed. Training protocols for supporting undocumented students are ongoing, and a four-part webinar on the topic has been archived. He stressed the importance of supporting international and undocumented students for retention and campus safety and suggested advocating for emergency funds for future visa-related issues.

Finally, he discussed the Enrollment and Student Success Initiative, including guaranteed admission agreements with the Oakland Unified School District to strengthen diversity



pipelines. He mentioned other nonprofit initiatives like “Say A Word Promise” that aim to improve K–12 to higher education transitions, though these were not discussed in the Academic Senate. He also mentioned the launch of the “Pioneer One Stop” branding to streamline student services and an upcoming deal board redesign expected to go live in fall 2025.

R. Munos concluded by encouraging anyone who wanted more information to reach out to him, acknowledging the large volume of content covered in the meetings.

J. Trujillo began by expressing that **R. Munos’s** Academic Senate report was one of the most comprehensive he had heard. He added further information about the Pioneer One Stop Shop, explaining that it is primarily intended to serve newly admitted students and those just starting at the university. He emphasized its relevance to ASI, noting that ASI members frequently receive questions about financial aid, check redemption, and similar student services. The Pioneer Desk is being developed to centralize these inquiries and streamline access to support.

N. Calara followed up with a few additional points in response to **R. Munos’s** summary. He highlighted the importance of the May Revision to the governor's budget, which significantly affects funding for higher education, including the CSU system. He explained that the current proposed budget includes a 7% to 8% cut, which could have severe consequences for programs and services. While he and London were unable to attend, several student leaders from the 23 CSU campuses had gone to Sacramento earlier in the week to advocate for increased funding in the May Revision. He encouraged everyone to stay informed, noting that they are in communication with Derek Atkin and will share updates when the May Revision is released in the coming days. Next, **N. Calara** asked incoming academic senators to raise their hands. Addressing those who did, he urged them to take notes in a format similar to **R. Munos’s**, which he praised as very digestible and helpful. He reminded them that their role as academic senators is critically important because the Academic Senate discusses key items that impact the university's operations. He stressed that they are the face of ASI in those meetings and that their advocacy is both valued and essential. He concluded by encouraging them to continue sharing clear and accessible information and expressed his support and anticipation for their contributions in the coming year

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- [Education City Symposium](#)

L. Deguzman began his report by recapping the **Education City Symposium**, which he and **N. Calara** attended. The event brought together administrators from local school districts such as Hayward, San Leandro, and Oakland, as well as university officials, including the university president. A key topic discussed was Mayor Salinas's "Education City" initiative, which aims to build a seamless K–12 to higher education pipeline, ensuring increased access to education for local students.

A central focus of the symposium was **workforce housing for educators**, aimed at improving quality of life and increasing recruitment and retention of teaching talent. **L. Deguzman** noted this could benefit CSUEB by attracting experienced professors and promoting awareness of the university through events like Science in the Park. He also emphasized the proposal for **free or low-cost dual enrollment** programs for high school students, which would boost university enrollment and student access to higher education.

In breakout groups, **L. Deguzman** worked primarily with Chabot College instructors and Hayward Unified School District administrators. Their discussions emphasized strengthening students' **cultural identity**, creating **mental health and academic support programs**, and advocating for **affordable housing**. He also spoke on the need for **partnerships with businesses and schools** to share budget responsibilities, mitigate deficits, and resist **gentrification**, particularly in areas like Oakland. Another priority discussed was **guaranteed job pathways** for public school students through grant programs and company partnerships, including internships for students as young as 15 or 16. **L. Deguzman** also stressed the importance of **safe spaces** for K–12 students after school and on weekends, noting the risks some students face, such as gang involvement. Shifting to the **CSSA May Plenary**, **L. Deguzman** noted that CSU leaders, including Vice Chancellor Perez, engaged with student government leaders to prioritize system-wide funding goals. Consultants like Deloitte have been hired to gather input from CSU's 460,000 students and 29,000 faculty, with \$960,000 allocated for this initiative. **L. Deguzman** shared that he voted to prioritize **career-aligned internships, basic needs, mental health, and academic support**. He then highlighted a significant **Trans rights resolution** authored by the ASI President of San Jose State. Initially rejected by her board, she revised and reintroduced it at CSSA, where it eventually passed unanimously. The resolution condemns hate and discrimination, supports Trans and non-binary students in athletics, calls for a CSU-wide



task force, and urges lawmakers to defend trans rights in areas such as military service and public accommodations. **L. Deguzman** closed by describing a new resolution to participate in reforming the **United States Student Association (USSA)**-a national coalition of student governments aimed at amplifying advocacy across the country. He encouraged everyone to get involved and expressed hope for stronger unified action.

Following this, **N. Calara** added a few points from his own breakout group at the Education City Symposium. He noted that many teachers in the Hayward Unified School District struggle with long commutes and that President Sandeen proposed the idea of an **Education City Village** - affordable housing specifically for educators to live and work in Hayward with their families. He emphasized that the symposium's broader theme was about **retaining and supporting the local community** through all levels of education.

N. Calara also highlighted the importance of **student inclusion** in the Education City conversation, advocating for student voices to be central in shaping the initiative. Reflecting on the **CSSA May Plenary**, he expressed appreciation for CSU Stanislaus's hospitality and noted that this was his final CSSA meeting. He voiced excitement for the future of ASI's representation at CSSA and commended London and the incoming Vice President of External Affairs.

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IX. ROUND TABLE REMARKS

J. Carroll took a moment to recognize and thank the Board of Directors for their work throughout the year. He acknowledged the significant transitions that occurred, including both board and staff changes, and commended everyone who continued to show up and contribute. While this may have been the last official meeting, he reminded the board that their term wasn't quite over, with May being a time for wrapping up paperwork and preparing to hand off responsibilities to the incoming board. He expressed excitement for the new board members and encouraged them to carry forward the momentum. He also reminded graduating members that they remain part of the ASI community and looked forward to seeing their future endeavors, including potential involvement as alumni.



K. Dhillon offered congratulatory remarks, beginning by celebrating the end of the academic year. He encouraged each board member to be proud of their personal and collective growth and thanked them for their leadership. He also congratulated the incoming board, expressing excitement to advise and support them. To graduating students, he offered encouragement and recognition of this milestone, whether they were headed to work, graduate school, or taking a break. As a representative of the Alumni Association, he welcomed graduating members into the alumni community. He also congratulated **Michael Ryan Cesena** and **Andrew Yunker** on their honorary memberships, noting their deserving contributions. **K. Dhillon** additionally gave special recognition to **Ashley Deppapa**, who recently transitioned to Outreach, thanking her for her dedication to ASI as both a student leader and professional staff member. He closed by reflecting on his first year as an advisor and expressed appreciation for the opportunity to support the board and return next year.

L. Deguzman extended congratulations to the board for their incredible work over the year and expressed gratitude for the opportunity to carry the torch into the new term as the incoming chair. She thanked the incoming board members for their commitment and looked forward to working alongside them. London also provided an update from the CSU Board of Trustees meeting, where President Sandeen announced the **Bay Area Regional Network**, a plan to combine administrative functions of **San Francisco State**, **Sonoma State**, and **CSUEB** to reduce costs and improve access to classes and resources. She encouraged board members to stay informed and involved in advocacy efforts as these changes progress.

K. Tripathi also congratulated both the current and incoming board members. He reflected on working closely with many of them and acknowledged their hard work and impact. To the incoming board, he reminded them to check their new GroupMe chat for official communications and thanked everyone once again.

R. Munos shared an informational item, announcing the **Innovation Festival** hosted by UPCLub, happening the next day from 12 PM to 8 PM. He invited others to join him in tabling from 12 PM to 1:30 PM, noting that it would follow the standard tabling format ASI uses in the North Student Union or walkway.

J. Trujillo reiterated sentiments from the previous board meeting, expressing pride in how far everyone had come. He highlighted the progress made since a period of low admissions and student life engagement and emphasized that the current board had shown that student life is alive and thriving. He encouraged the incoming board to continue making a difference



and assured everyone that their work mattered. He offered personal congratulations to the new board and recognized the strength and legacy of the current one. He concluded by expressing his ongoing support and availability for anyone who needed guidance or advice.

N. Calara delivered heartfelt closing remarks, acknowledging that this was his final time sitting on the Board of Directors for ASI East Bay. He reflected on his pride in the collective accomplishments of the board, staff, and leadership team, including **E. Loreda, L. Deguzman, J. Carroll**, and many others. He shared how meaningful it was to see their advocacy work extend beyond campus, whether in Sacramento or Washington, D.C., and how powerful their presence had become. He recalled his own beginnings as a first-year mentee and expressed deep gratitude for the opportunity to lead such a strong board. He extended thanks to **James Carroll**, his pro staff, **Lil, Doris, Sneh, Ashley, Michael Ryan**, and others who supported his leadership journey, as well as **Stephanie, Steve Spencer** and **Mylan**. He praised the current board for their visibility and impact on campus and encouraged the incoming board to learn from and build upon the successes of the outgoing team. He expressed his hope to continue following their progress, whether through social media or in-person visits, and closed by extending special thanks to **L. Deguzman** and **K. Tripathi** for carrying the torch forward. He concluded as ASI President/CEO, and Chair, **N. Calara** thanked everyone for allowing him to serve in the role and closed with a celebratory **East Bay chant**: “East Bay- All Day!”

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X. ADJOURNMENT at 1:40PM

Minutes reviewed and approved by:

President/Chief of Staff Name:

London Deguzman

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