

Policy on Honorary Membership

BACKGROUND

Per the ASI Bylaws, Article V, Section 3¹ provides for Honorary members, and states "Honorary members shall have the following rights:

- a) Admission to all activities sponsored in whole or in part by Associated Students, Inc. at student rates, subject to conditions as may be established by the Associated Students, Inc.;
- b) Petition the Associated Students, Inc. Board of Directors (Chair, Executive Officers, Directors, and Senators of the Academic Colleges) and appear before it."

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to outline and articulate the criteria for Honorary Membership granted by the ASI Board of Directors.

POLICY

Requirements

Honorary Membership Nominations may be granted to, but not limited to:

- University President or any on campus faculty or staff member that has been integral to the success of ASI.
- An ASI Student Government Officer who has made a contribution of outstanding and lasting importance to the organization and/or CSUEB.
- An ASI Student Government Officer must be in good standing with the university and CSUEB ASI
- Any ASI or Cal State East Bay Alumni.
- Any ASI Professional Staff or ASI student employee
- A member of the greater community that has partnered with ASI.

Procedures

All Honorary Members shall be nominated by anyone including but not limited to: Current ASI board members, ASI Alumni, ASI Professional Staff, Students, University Staff and Faculty.

¹ California State University, East Bay Associated Students, Incorporated. *Bylaws*. Retrieved from: <u>https://www.csueastbay.edu/asi/files/docs/asi-government/board-documents/by-laws.pdf</u> 1



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25800 Carlos Bee Boulevard Old Union #314, Hayward, CA 94542 **Commented [1]:** What are the benefits of honorary membership including for how long this membership is bestowed? Is this documented anywhere? For example, does this mean that an honorary member would be allowed the same benefits as a current-year paying member (current CSUEB student) including voting in elections, etc.?

Commented [2]: Great question, the only thing the Bylaws currently state is Honorary members can attend events and petition the Board and appear before it-- I can add that in. It does not state how long the membership is for. As for other rights and voting-@erik.pinlac@csueastbay.edu do you know if Honorary members have the other rights current students have?



Applications will be collected from the beginning of fall semester through January 31st. Review of applications will begin in February.

There shall be a application review committee established consisting of 5-6 people that would be comprised of some of the following listed:

- Vice President of University Affairs
- ASI Academic Senators
- ASI Senators at Large
- ASI Executive and Associate Directors
- At least One ASI Alumni or other relevant party

Members of this committee shall make recommendations to the Board of Directors on the membership nomination.

The ASI Board of Directors shall vote on the honorary membership nomination. Honorary membership shall be granted on a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

If the honorary membership is approved, a certificate shall be issued, and a media release statement shall be published and distributed by whatever means the ASI Vice President of Communications or the ASI Communications department deems reasonable. Honorary memberships are not necessarily given each year, but more than one such honor may be awarded in any given year.

There shall be a maximum of 2 honorary memberships per year. The board may expand the number of Honorary Membership for any given year with a 2/3rd vote by members of the Board.

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This revision shall become effective for the Board term '23-'24.

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