



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of April 20, 2022

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL

Present: Krisstina Caro, Angelica de Leon, Kabir Dhillon, Mirna Maamou, Zaira Perez, Tyler Luevano, Jasmine Domino, Ashmita Ahluwalia, Arazeli Barragan, Erik Pinlac, Martin Castillo, Mark Almeida, Steve Spencer, Andrew Yunker

Late: Andrew Pajes

Absent: Justin Withers, Neilah Peku, Tayla Beasley, Marguerite Hinrichs, Sarah Nielsen
- III. ACTION ITEM - **Approval of the Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda of March 9, 2022, by **K. Dhillon**, second by **M. Maamou**,



T. Luevano





Motion to move the Board of Directors to take action on removing Haris Muhammad from the Finance Committee by **K. Dhillon**, seconded by **M. Maamou**, motion **CARRIED**.

K. Dhillon states Haris was being addressed in the Personnel Committee meeting discussing his potential removal. He did share a letter with me which I forwarded with the Personnel Committee in which he stated that he did not want to wish to be a part of the committee anymore hence, resignation. We are accepting the resignation.

Motion to accept Haris Muhammad resignation from the Finance Committee by **K. Dhillon**, seconded by **M. Maamou**, motion **CARRIED**.

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C. ACTION ITEM: **Finance Committee Member Removal**

The Board of Directors will take action on removing Nolan Calara from the Finance Committee.

Motion to move the Board of Directors to take action on removing Nolan Calara from the Finance Committee by **M. Maamou**, seconded by **K. Dhillon**, motion **CARRIED**.

K. Dhillon states he is waiting on Erik for clarification regarding whether we are removing the Finance Committee, expediting Mirna's ability to conduct her business or not.

E. Pinlac states since she does not have any applications, we have your approval without having a committee, then she would approve these on her own. It would expedite it but I understand your concern about our team. We are removing students in order to expedite these things. It does not look good.

K. Dhillon asks is there another way to get these requests expedited?

E. Pinlac answers another way would be to have the applications approved by the Board. There was one request that Mirna mentioned this Saturday, so that one would be difficult to approve in time for their event. Otherwise, I would put it on the Board and Executive Committee for the applications to be approved.

J. Domino asks may you explain how this will help?

M. Maamou answers if Nolan is removed, then after this meeting, I can go and approve all the funding requests. If I have a committee, as soon as we can approve or process any funding request, we will have to send an agenda to members and have that posted on our website which needs at least 3 days before a meeting.



might have come in here a little bit late, my personal phone number is being given out to club members to contact me about processing club funding, which is crossing my boundary. The club funding needs to be processed, and it needs to be done. The club funding application has been closed. There are no more club funding applications that are going to be coming in, which is why I hate that we have to do this. I am not happy about it and I would have loved to work with to get the chance to be able to like to develop and make this committee grow. The only thing that I could find the Finance Committee to complete is approving club funding. The only thing that is left to do is the budget which I will work on that with Erik.

J. Domino asks who shared your personal phone number?

The Board of Directors will take action on the Resolution in Support of Senate Bill 641: CalFresh for College Students Act.

Motion to move the Board of Directors to take action on the Resolution in Support of Senate Bill 641: CalFresh for College Students Act by **J. Domino**, seconded by **A. De Leon**, motion **CARRIED**.

J. Domino states the title is CalFresh for College Students Act. The Director of Wellness and Director of Programming Council will work closely together to ensure that its resources and programming are available to students and hold the basic needs such as food, financial health, and security. It is definitely a step forward in extending our support to marginalized communities by making sure we educate ourselves on topics and what was being said as allies and policies in California that show people go hungry at an alarming rate. The Legislative Analyst's Office and their 2019 and 2020 report stated that 44% undergraduates, 20% to 26% of graduate students in California experienced food insecurity. These numbers are even worse for community college students. Food insecurity negatively impacts economic diversity. This bill will help the Senator focus on continuing to remove barriers to access our services. This is giving our students a chance and those who are on CalFresh, that they can get the full allotment to allow more funding for them so that they can get extra food. I there is a disconnect with our students and find a way to follow them through the application if they do not follow up. The numbers are static because they are not following up. It is up to Wi Fi connection to still reach out to those students and see if they go through. If it did not go through, we need to be asking them what happened. From October 1st to September 30th, 2001, we have a network to have more students on this campus and reaching out to students who are available. I think that we can do more advertising for CalFresh, because of the stigma that is around getting governmental assistance. It discourages our students to apply. This bill would remove that stigma around governmental assistance.

S. Spencer says that I was at the Student Athlete Advisory Committee conference. We are with all other universities in the conference, the CCA had a breakout session. This was the topic that popped up about nutrition and CalFresh. There are many students that do not know about it. We actually decided to make that our project, Student Voice Project Planning, and it is promoting CalFresh along with ending the stigma. One thing student athletes wanted to do was not only spread the voice among student athletes, but to spread that message cross campus.



M. Almeida shares, actually, we have a CalFresh Outreach Coordinator position posted right now online. We are hiring for that position and have almost 20 applicants.





was the support team system. Each executive member has their own team, and the way that was structured was that members who had ASI experience with people, held a close knit group people you can rely on them for emotional support, ASI support, and bounce off ideas with. We wished the Winter Retreat were in person but we still made it work. We also did performance evaluation plans. If your evaluations have been collected and those results are there. There was a lot of the community university wide committees as I am pleased to say we now have a complete list of all the university wide committees. Those are all the committees you need to keep track of unless you know any new ones come up. I am working with transitions. It only got to me yesterday that I can talk about everything about this role. Everyone else have either already met with their successor or





F. Director of Programming Council

T. Luevano states it feels like just yesterday we were at retreat and now we are giving out final report. As I am reflecting, I remember the day AJ came to me and said, “I think you would be a great fit for this ASI position!” to which I



also the Model UN Conference held a week to that event. We were able to create our ideas and meet in person to select discussion topics. I met with Julian to transition to this position to which she will be great in! She is taking on the last initiative regarding Mental Health Awareness Month. There is also Suicide Prevention Week and the national campaign, You are Not Alone. This allowed students to share their stories which I have been living that. Personally, reading other people's stories makes me realize that I am not alone and it will get better. I did the best of what I had despite my mental and emotional state, I was still pushing. There were areas in my committee that could have performed more but I did not want to be that person that consistently asks for things to be done.

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H. Director of Wellness

A. Ahluwalia states I was not sure what I was doing, especially last semester because I had an internship. I would miss my work meetings because I needed to attend Board meetings or attend it during my lunch. I was distant last semester to which I made an effort to be present everyday this whole semester. I come into the ASI office more than some of my classes which I know is bad but its because I really love my role. When I first started, I was nervous when meeting with everyone at the Health Center and the RAW. They have a lot of resources. One of the first things I worked on was the toiletry bag which Jennifer Luna asked if I was going to take the initiative. It was executed and the Health Center along with the RA



to invite the Advising and Communications team to make those connections. I was able to plan for a town hall as well as the Financial Literacy event which the turnout was amazing. There were a few concerns that came up but that is okay. I also attended the Academic Senate meetings and that was a learning process to see what was being talked about and being that voice for students. For Fall and Spring semester, I have been advocating for students that had issues with their professors. I was unable to execute my college event but I am hopefully going to execute the next event as I already have speakers for it.

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K. Senator of CEAS

K. Caro states next we have the Senator of the College of Education and Allied Studies, Justin Withers, who is unable to make it today.

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L. Senator of CLASS

K. Caro states next we have the Senator of College of Letters, Arts, and Social Sciences, Neilah Peku, who is unable to attend today but did complete a presentation which I will present on her behalf. Neilah did start the CLASS Instagram in Fall 2021. She sent numerous emails in order for the Instagram account for CLASS to be created. She wants to create a sense of community among CLASS students because each of the colleges have their own Instagram page. She met with the associate Dean to speak about coordination running the account and helping to create content. She held a town hall also in Fall 2021 and it was virtual. She conducted many student centered surveys. The Associate Dean gave short advising presentations and students in the town hall shared their frustrations and negative experiences. They were confused as to who their advisors were and not sure where to find a list of advisors for their contact information. There were short to no responses from their advisors and a lot of them were not familiar to their degree audit report. She had a one on one conversation with a student to help them navigate the degree audit report and advising contact information. Next week, she will be having her distress event as her Spring event. She is also collaborated with the Director of Programming as well as the Academic Senators. She wanted to create an event before finals where class students can connect and get to know their peers on campus. There will be



activities and giveaway with prizes from our current inventory. She will also have





IX. ROUND TABLE REMARKS

T. Luevano states in regard to room reservations I wanted to clear up on where the Board should go if they have any issues regarding that. I am available to help out as there is a section that we do need as Michael Ryan had mentioned that we need to type in. I have done this a few times. We can have someone to talk about that and where to go if a board member needs to have a room reserved through the university union or any room on campus. Who should we contact?

M. Castillo answers you should contact Cecilia Grima for Campus Events or through Jennifer Cueva for University Union.

K. Dhillon states after this event we have Cookie Decorating with the president at 2:00 PM in Pioneer Dining. President Sandeen provided the recipe for the cookies that we are decorating. There is coffee and hot chocolate so definitely be sure to come out. As Erik had mentioned the Jamboree was a tremendous success and shout out to the ASI Presents team for putting that together. Please respond to the calendar invite in regard to the consultant on Friday. Our last Board of Directors meeting for this academic year will be on May 4th and we are asking the Board to wear your ASI polo. We are also administering the Oath of Office for the new Board as they have already been invited to the meeting. It is also the end of an era in a sense for a lot of us in this room. We have been with ASI for so long so there is closure with this.

A. De Leon states that CSSA is having elections and there are a couple of people that are running. If you have any questions about that or we want to know who might be taking these positions please let Jasmine know. it has been an interesting campaign. As you may have seen the email we have been working really hard for the ASI Banquet and it is 13(t)13(t)





spoken word artist and it was a magnificent event. I did count and we have 17 week days of school left so please keep that in mind. Our last Board of Directors meeting will be next Wednesday and we do have a Senate meeting that is tomorrow.

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X. ADJOURNMENT at **1:35 PM**

Minutes reviewed by:

Chair of Board

Name: Kristina Caro

Minutes approved on:

05-04-2022

Date: