



Finance Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: Thursday, March 12, 2026
 Location: Alhambra Room - U-SU Room 305
 Public Viewing: <https://calstatela.zoom.us/j/89882050613>

Time: 2:00-4:00 PM
 Type of Meeting: General
 Attendees: Committee Members, General Public

I. Organizational Items:

A. Call to order by: Erick Anzu, Vice President for Finance @ 2:04pm

B. Roll Call

Erick Anzu	Vice President for Finance	Present
Arwa Hammad	President	Excused Absence
Ashley Bellorin	Vice President for Community Engagement	Present
Gennesis Nuyens	Vice President for External Affairs	Present
Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Vice President for University Affairs	Present
VACANT	Chief of Staff	
Jocelyne Bravo	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	Excused Absence
Jazmine Rocha	Civic Engagement Officer	Present
Carlos Beltran	AVP for Budget, Planning, and Accounting	Emelda Becerra was present on Carlos's behalf
Cynthia Galvez	Director of Fiscal and Business Operations	Present
Fabi Avina	Director of Student Engagement and Belonging	Present
Barnaby Peake	ASI Executive Director	Present
Dena Florez	Associate Executive Director	Present
Amanda Maldonado	Administrative Coordinator	Present

A. Adoption of the Agenda

Offered By:	Ashley Bellorin	Seconded by:	Jeffry Umaña Muñoz
Motion to approve the Agenda for Thursday March 12, 2026			
Consensus reached			
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0
Abstained	0	Motion: Passed	

B. Certification of the Minutes

Offered By:	Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Seconded by:	Gennesis Nuyens
Motion to certify the Minutes for February 26, 2026			
Consensus Reached			
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0
Abstained	0	Motion: Passed	

II. **Public Comment:** We will now move on to Public Comment. This time is allotted for the public to bring up comments or concerns of interest to the committee. Please be advised that due to a set agenda, the committee will not address the items brought up at this time but will note them down for the Executive Committee's review and action.

III. Action Items

A. **MSW United - The Role of Mental Health Providers in Gender Affirming Care - 3/11/26 - \$100.00**

Erick: Wants to know if the club can further explain the benefit of the event for Cal State LA students.

Representative: 18 students attended, and the event provided students with education/training that wouldn't normally be found in a regular class on how to work with trans individuals. The funding request was to pay the speaker that spoke at the event.

Offered By:	Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Seconded by:	Gennesis Nuyens			
Motion to approve funding for MSW United - The Role of Mental Health Providers in Gender Affirming Care for \$100.00						
Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

B. Phi Alpha Theta, Eta Xi - History Student Journal Launch Party and Fundraiser - 5/15/26 - \$1,200.00
No Representative present

Erick: The club reached out to him requesting funding for the event, but the event is a fundraiser, and they need further confirmation regarding funding so will table the request for next meeting.

C. Association for Computing Machinery - Game Night Spring 2026 - 3/11/26 - \$107.86

Representative: The event consisted of 3 tournaments, and some gift cards were awarded to the students and they also provided hospitality.

Amanda: Wanted to remind the club to provide the lucky prize forms.

Offered By:	Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Seconded by:	Gennesis Nuyens			
Motion to approve funding for Association for Computing Machinery - Game Night Spring 2026 for \$107.86						
Representative Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

IV. Information Items

V. Discussion Items

A. Fee increase proposal - possible budget scenarios

Barnaby: Discusses the fee increase proposal based on the feedback they have received of potential programs and their potential cost. The cost of the programs is flexible. If the programs were to happen that would mean new student positions and full-time staff positions would open. Would like hear from the committee and their opinions. Further explains the numbers on the paper passed out. Based on the discussion the next step would be to discuss it in the next board meeting and decide on a fee proposal.

Jeffry: Believes they should do the priority ranking exercise as looking at the programs/services some might be less of a priority than others. Want things that will keep students on campus and engaged and have more opportunities for students to experience connection with their campus.

Dena: Wanted everyone to be aware that when the EF Tours happen classes are not in session.

Barnaby: Agreed that they should do the ranking and would like to know the opinions of the students to know what is more important to them so they can vote for it. Gives the option for the committee members to rank what they think are the priority.

Jeffry: Asked how much the enrollment would have to drop for the increase to not work.

Barnaby: Explains how the increase is based on enrollment and further explains some statistics about the current enrollment.

Ashley: States they don't want students to be upset by the student increase, but some might still be. But students want to see new programs they want to see new things.

Jeffry: To have students know they will get their money's worth and provide more opportunities to connect and be involved. A lot of people don't like fee increases but sometimes they are necessary. Being able to show students the benefits will maybe lead them to agree.

Jazmine: Events that are more visible on campus is what students usually base their experience as she has spoken to some student that have compared us to other campus and they usually go off the visible experience that happen on campus.

Dena: Responding to Jeff's question 27,060 would be required to break even and gradually increase to 31,000

Barnaby: Asks if there is too many options or if it provides a good range regarding the fee increase. Will collect the rankings, tally them up, and have Erick present the results. They will present 26-27 budgets and 2 elections will be held next year.

Erick: Lets everyone know that if the fee increases passes, they would see it in the year 28-29.

B. Funding Policy 204 Revisions

Amanda: Wants to let them know that it is an open discussion and any decisions made will go into effect next year. Made some clarifications on the deadline for club funding. One thing that was outlined is the no funding for meetings section as clarification is needed.

Erick: Adds that in previous meetings people have asked for what they consider is a meeting as it is not specified. This is so students can have a general understanding

Jeffry: Believe they can do a sub section but also think it would be hard to describe what is a meeting and what is not. Suggest instead adding limited funding for only 2 general meetings per semester as an option.

Dena: The focus is to support RSO so they are treated like business and wants to teach clubs to be financially self-sustaining. Agrees that the first meeting is important but believes they are not enabling clubs to be self-sustaining.

Jeffry: Does think they should be capped and wants to be able to provide more supports to the student clubs for fundraising.

Dena: Invites members to attend a funding workshop. Suggest they have a workshop but require clubs to come prepared with a laptop and their plans for the semester.

Jeffry: Adds they could have members from the Finance committee attend so it can be interactive.

Amanda: In the fall they had RSO funding workshop where they showed the foundation, but it was not done in the spring. Suggests they bring it back next semester.

Barnaby: Wants the members to be able to define the difference between a meeting and an event. But they do think that they should fund some meetings because some of them are for recruitment.

Fabi: Explains when looking at what general meeting means in terms of reserving a room at the USU it says a recurrence of a meeting that concerns the internal operation of the organization is a general meeting. When they change the layout of a space or when they meet at a different time than normal is when it's not considered a general meeting.

Jeffry: Agrees with that definition as it is easy for clubs to understand.

Barnaby: Adds that sometimes logistics could also give indication to whether it's a meeting or an event that is something that they could also take into consideration.

Erick: Likes the definition as this would make it easier for students and helps the process be more understandable.

Barnaby: Asks the club members if they mean funding for meetings would no longer be prohibited instead it would have limitations.

Amanda: Also addresses another section for marketing supplies.

Jeffry: Agrees and suggests setting a time limit.

Erick: Agrees the time limit for tablecloth funding should have a time limit

Barnaby: Suggested that they could figure out a way to store the items through the summer to give to clubs at the beginning of the year.

Jeffry: Offers the idea of setting up a pick-up date for the clubs that do decide to leave their stuff as some clubs may not be interested in this.

Cynthia: Ask how they would keep track of the items and what would happen if something was damaged or harmed.

Erick: Responded there could be a spreadsheet created and states that if something were to happen if they put into place the time limit, the club would be responsible if it falls before the time limit.

Dena: Also wants a system where at the end of the year or semester the club returns the items for the new members to inherit.

Jeffry: Explains how the volume inventory wouldn't be great since it would be based on the funding requests club have. They would only be able to store it with ASI if they directly came for funding and suggested that they only store it at the end of the year then release it to club at the beginning of the year but after being released it would then be the club's responsibility to store it.

Erick: Wants to do the first come serve method and if don't have space for something they could help the club find somewhere.

Fabi: Suggests the clubs can ask for funding for branded items only if they are new organizations.

Erick: Asked what the case would be for a club that's had their items for a while.

Jeffry: Does not wish to overcomplicate the funding request so asks if there is a way to separate it from the funding request.

Barnaby: Agrees and states it would be helpful for the clubs who are just looking to fund any branded items.

C. 2026-27 Funding Pricelist updates

Amanda: As mentioned, there is no recommended changes, and the budget will be discussed in later meetings as there is not a lot of funds for RSO. Small changes were made to travel and supplies.

Erick: Asked what the average price for good quality table cloth.

Barnaby: Responded for a good quality branded table cloth the average price is \$150- \$200.

Erick: Believes the budget should be \$200-\$250 since it is a onetime purchase for the clubs.

Jeffry: The items should be specified and believes \$150 is a more reasonable budget.

Amanda: Clarifies that this is only a discussion.

D. RSO Banking Policy

Amanda: States how this is the second year having banking under ASI. Explains the new policy and how all RSO are under the University. Further talks more about account balances, revenue, Prohibited expenses, equipment, student organization travel, and prepayment.

VI. Reports

A. Committee Members

Jeffry: Shared that they went to the fee advisory committee as there is some concern they need to bring up regarding ASI. Questions have come up about the student success fee and IRA fee. Wants to help university find a way to attend these meeting and approach some of the concerns. In hopes that they can make progress.

Fabi: States that are in the process of switching their platform over the summer. Golden Eagle awards are happening May 7th and lets them know that they can nominate student organizations.

Erick: Had a meeting with Barnaby and came up with the idea of conducting a survey for student orgs so they can get feedback. Wants to structure the survey for students who are not in clubs to take it and will present is next week to the committee.

Jeffry: Believes they should combine the two surveys and should target student officers as they would have more knowledge.

Erick: Agrees and because every student is in a club or has asked for funding they would include different options for them.

B. Advisors

Dena: The timeline was presented, and the 26-27 budget will be presented at the next finance meeting. Had a meeting with some of the advisors. Seems like they are on schedule.

VII. Adjournment

Offered By:	Gennesis Nuyens	Seconded by:	Jeffry Umaña Muñoz			
Motion to adjourn the meeting @ 3:34 pm Consensus reached.						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

CERTIFICATION

Official Minutes taken for the ASI Finance Committee Meeting of the Associated Students, Inc., Cal State Los Angeles held Thursday, March 12, 2026, at Alhambra Room - USU Room 305 and were approved by consensus by the ASI Finance Committee on Thursday, March 26, 2026.

Prepared by:

Maria Delgado- Recording Secretary

Arwa Hammad - ASI President