



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 19, 2015
 Time: 3:34pm
 Type of Meeting: Special
 Location: U-SU Board Room, 303
 Attendees: B.O.D. Members & General Public

i. Organizational Items:

Call to order by: Chair Ejmin Hakobian, A.S.I. President

b. Roll Call

Ejmin Hakobian	President	xPresent
Samuel Garza	Vice President for Administration	xPresent
Nicole McCue	Vice President for Academic Governance	xPresent
Antonio Canzona	Vice President for Finance	xPresent
Jason Fontenette	Vice President of External Affairs and Advancement	xExcused Late
Joselyn Diaz	Secretary/ Treasurer	xPresent
Megan Marie Dia	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	xExcused Late
Luis Chavez	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	xPresent
Cynthia Alvarez	College of Business & Economics Rep.	xExcused Late
Sean Weerasinghe	College of Business & Economics Rep.	xPresent
Gregory Bates	College of Arts and Letters Rep.	xPresent
Ashley Foskey	College of Arts and Letters Rep.	xPresent
Tashebia Guyton	Charter College of Education Rep.	xPresent
Vacant	Charter College of Education Rep	xPresent
Karapet Karagezian	College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep	xUnexcused Absent
Vacant	College of Engineering, Comp. Science & Technology Rep.	xPresent
Jannah Mae	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	xPresent
Hanz Legaspi	College of Natural & Social Sciences Rep.	xPresent
Ethian Ting	Community Affairs Representative at Large	xPresent
James Steele	Campus Affairs Representative At Large	xPresent
Frances Tsai	Chief Justice	xPresent
Dr. Jennifer Miller	University President's Designee	xPresent
Intef W. Waser	Executive Director	xPresent
Marcus Rodriguez	Director of Programs and Leadership	xPresent
Dena Florez	Office Manager of Administration & Services – RS	xPresent
Guests of the Gallery		

c. Approval of Agenda:

Offered By:	Jannah Mae	Seconded by:	Samuel Garza
Motion to approve the adoption of the Agenda for Thursday November 19, 2015 with the proposed amendments			
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0
		Abstained	0
Motion: Passed			

Offered By:	Antonio Canzona	Seconded by:	Sean Weerasinghe
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Motion to Amend the Agenda to add a Discussion Item for the possible purchase of Podium Microphones						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

d. Approval of Minutes (action):

Offered By:	Sean Weerasinghe	Seconded by:	Hanz Legaspi			
Adoption of minutes for Thursday, November 5, 2015 Hanz Legaspi – name misspelled Luis Chavez – name misspelled						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

II. Public Forum

a. This time is allotted to members of the public to address the board.

- ✦ Dr. Nancy Wada-McKee: I just want to introduce Dr. Jennifer Miller to the BOD. She will be the University President's Designee to A.S.I. Board. She is our brand new Dean of Students, this is her first week of work, and some of you have already met her. Dr. Jennifer Miller is the Dean of Students she has been here two days already. We look forward to having her bring a strong student development focus to everything we do here at the university. Her last position was at CSU Channel Island where she was Director of Assessment and Student Affairs Division and really was the right hand of Vice President of Student Affairs. She is an amazing person. She also held positions at UC Riverside, University of Michigan, and she has a Doctorate from Claremont Graduate University. I hope you all welcome Dr. Jennifer Miller to our campus.
- ✦ Andre Leon: I am an Undergraduate Academic Senator. I have a concern for the gallery. I firmly believe that A.S.I. can only be successful if it works in coordination with the faculty and administration. Because of this it concerns me that neither the A.S.I. President, VP of Finance, nor VPEAA made an appearance at the hour and a half lunch gallery President Covino hosted today for the express purpose of establishing strong relations with A.S.I. I feel that everyone who attended got a lot out of the meeting. This is just a concern I would like to express to gallery and to the Board of Directors.
- ✦ Ejmin Hakobian: If there any concerns in regards to a specific person please send an email prior to the meeting and let's not use the public forum as a platform for complaints. The reason for me not attending the lunch.....
- ✦ Frances Tsai: Point of order. This time is for the public to address the committee.
- ✦ Cynthia Alvarez: Can I address the Board as a Club member?
- ✦ Ejmin Hakobian: No, only as a public member
- ✦ Cynthia Alvarez: It would be a non-ASI Member. I have a comment to make and it was a good one.
- ✦ Ejmin Hakobian: Point of Order, please do not disrupt the meeting.

III. Special Presentation:

- ✦ None

IV. Action Items: (Ejmin Hakobian passed the gavel to Samuel Garza)

a. **Finance Committee Funding Proposals-** The Board will take action on funding proposals approved at an official Finance Committee meeting held on Friday, October 30, 2015.

Society of Hispanic Engineering and Science Students- Star Wars VII: The Force Awakens- Advanced Private Screening - \$2,675

Offered By:	Sean Weerasinghe	Seconded by:	Antonio Canzona			
Motion to approve Society of Hispanic Engineering and Science Students- Star Wars VII						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

- ✦ Intef W. Weser: I would like to extend for each presentation the VPF will speak on it first and then a presentation by the club.
- ✦ Antonio Canzona: I want to mention, I forgot to change that this was an official meeting. First one will be SHESS. Are they present? The following discussion will be presented in the discussion.
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: I'm a mechanical engineering senior in the College of Computer Science and Technical Engineer. I'm the president for the Society of the Hispanic Engineering and Science students. We have a strong foundation, established back in 1975. We are the founders of this largest Hispanic

Engineering Society organization across the country with over 300 chapters. We are going to be doing an advance screening of Star wars VII, we will be at the Alhambra Theater. This will be held Thursday, December 17, 2015. We want to increase the Hispanic and minorities of STEM through our society and want to expand our organization.

- ✦ Jannah Mae De La Cuesta: Have there been any other form of fundraiser?
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: This is a fundraiser; This event is a fundraiser, what I saw was that since this is the College of Engineering and having said that Star wars is in space and is brought up by technology we agreed to fundraise by screening Star Wars VII and raise funds to expand our organization.
- ✦ Joselyn Diaz: What is the money going to?
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: We are going to take this money and put towards our next year's Society of Hispanic National Association Conference. A.S.I. has already provided to send six students. We had twelve students' masters and Undergraduate to attend to this conference that is held next year.
- ✦ Joselyn Diaz: Do you have a budget to go towards that fundraiser.
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: We will pay for the event and A.S.I. will pay for the event.
- ✦ Joselyn Diaz: Besides that money you're getting funded for, is there any other money that can go towards this funding.
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: No. We came here for the purpose of fundraising.
- ✦ Ejmin Hakobian: I believe A.S.I funded the trip, now we are doing the funding for the same trip for next year. Have you tried getting alternative funding?
- ✦ Ernesto: Yes. I've spoken to Doctor Allen. Which said we can apply for IRA funding in the winter quarter. Hopes we can get approved, however, we need
- ✦ \$3,000.00 to send six students but we took twelve students this year. That is not enough money to send our students. Opportunities that the students have got is important and the more we allow our students to get these opportunities is valid.
- ✦ Ejmin Hakobian: How would you justify students paying these fees and then A.S.I. pays for the venue and then we charge the students?
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: That to me is something that I did while I was a part of A.S.I. we charged students at an event to make sure students would go. There is no guarantee if we don't charge that students attend, therefore if we charge we know that these students are interested and will attend the event in order to get something out of the event. Which is our purpose to give opportunities through our organization. This money will be used in the best way for our Cal State LA students.
- ✦ Nicole McCue: Do you have a confirmed amount of people that will be going?
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: We reserved the entire theater that holds a total of 214 seats.
- ✦ Nicole McCue: Say there is only 150 students that show up, what will happen with the extra 64 spaces that are not filled.
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: We sold 200 already. We stopped so that we can raffle the rest to students. That is not a problem.
- ✦ Joselyn Diaz: The location of the event is at the Alhambra Theater did you contact any other theater aside from this one. I do know that you already sold 200, and agreed to it. I know there is some theaters that won't charge you to get the movie theater room, but when you're selling the tickets they take a certain percentage back and give you a certain percentage so you won't have to spend money. Future reference.
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: We are not renting the theater we are buying the seats. It's very clear that there is no other movie theater that I can contact. This theater was very specific that star wars was not going to be at a reduced price. So having access to this gives them a guarantee sell to them.
- ✦ Tashebia Guyton: The 1,250 that you already have for the students. However, you said you sold tickets?
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: We work with the college of engineering. I communicated with Dr. Allen, so she spread a mass email and made sure that everyone from our college got access. There is also a Facebook link stating our event.
- ✦ Tashebia when you said that you paid further tickets. Where is the money that you paid for the tickets? It seems to me that you're doubling, getting double payment. Because your receiving funding from A.S.I. to pay these tickets. So they paid \$12.50 for the tickets and giving \$2,000.00+
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: We are requesting funds from A.S.I to support the event. This fundraiser is for the organization and we know where we stand as an organization. I do not see how this is an issue.

- ✦ Dena Florez: Basically it's a fundraiser. So they're asking A.S.I. to cover that \$12.50 and that helps there organization
- ✦ Jannah Mae De La Cuesta: Can I hear from the finance committee about their views on this?
- ✦ Antonio Canzona: I think there is disconnect on how people are viewing what club funding is. It's meant to have the clubs do events to market themselves. In order for them to make an actual valuable event. We want more student involvement and the way we do that is we fund these clubs in order to get them exposed and gets students involved.
- ✦ Nicole McCue: You said that this fund is going towards next year for the Conference?
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: It can go to multiple events, I can't just say it'll be for that. That fund will go towards our leadership and expand our association.
- ✦ Hanz Legasipi: Though, the fundraiser does not break policy I think that the fundraiser is a liability.
- ✦ Intef W. Weser: To clarify, it does not break no policy because they are able to. If we fund them for something that is on them where they'll want to be at and choose their location.
- ✦ Ethian Ting: A.S.I. is paying for the \$2,675.00 and you guys are selling tickets at a different amount, you get the profit from that and apply it for putting it into different areas such as your convention. I think SHES is a really good organization, but I do believe they can really benefit there students. I think we should support this event.
- ✦ Sean Weerasinghe: Hanz, why do you think this is a liability to our students?
- ✦ Hanz Legasipi: Just that there was a lot of money being funded.
- ✦ Sean Weerasinghe: We also funded one group to, and there actually doing a fundraiser to have their group go to another conferences. I don't see why this is a discussion on this and of any problem in funding.
- ✦ Cynthia Alvarez: I think that I do support that we give this funding to SHES. This is a really good organization, helping students outside the classroom. Which is really important for students to do. I think the investment is more valuable.
- ✦ Joselyn Diaz: My concern with this when it comes to this, this funds we are providing for students to attend your event with the amount is \$2,675.00 as it sounds it's a great program, but one thing that it will benefit you guys is that I will prefer to help other groups funding request. Since we already funded your organization in the summer.
- ✦ Dena Florez: Last year all the clubs that requested funding got funded last year. The second thing is that each club can apply up to \$3,000.00 per club per quarter. What we funded for SHES for the trip that was for their fall last year. So this event will apply for the winter. There allowed to ask for funding for one quarter in advance. However, Ernesto did mention this money will not just go to the conference but will be used in other funds needed. I think this club is a great organization and will have many students benefit from it. It's a great way to market Cal State Los Angeles.
- ✦ Intef W. Weser: First come first serve in regards for funds. If the club comes in and meets requirements then they received there funds.
- ✦ Tashebia Guyton: How do you plan on marketing outside for your event?
- ✦ Ernesto Covarrubias: Outside marketing, will be applied through our Facebook, also we do add A.S.I. in order to market through there ends.
- ✦ Cynthia Alvarez: I just want to make a note if you guys go to the Facebook event it does say it's sold out.
 - II. Golden Eagle Automotive Racing- Star Wars: The Force Awakens Private Screening- \$1,296.00
- ✦ Robert Quiroz: I'm representing our Golden Eagle Automotive Racing club. Our club is the first official car club recognized on campus we were established about 3 years ago. I've been really proud about what the board has done for us and all the experiences that each one of us have had. I am also, very proud how far this club has gone, and today we come to you to ask for funding for this event. It's the Star Wars premiere at the LA live Regal theaters. The funds were going to be allocated with this event, we are promoting not illegal wasting and safe driving. This funding will go towards sponsoring some of our members to go to these events.
- ✦ Joselyn Diaz: It's the same as we just did, if we give it to another club for the same thing we should give it to them as well
- ✦ Nicole McCue: I'm comparing the other funding that this one is a dollar more. Which is what I was trying explain at finance.

- Robert Quiroz: The difference is the location, and the \$13.50 is the cost per ticket. Amount of seats we are reserving is 96 seats. That is what we are asking for, and once we get this approved then we will move forward and all the profit will go towards all the other events we plan on doing.
- Jason Fontenette: Is this a joint?
- Robert Quiroz: No it is not.
- Jason Fontenette: As far as the planning, it's two separate location two separate times
- Nicole McCue: What happens when you do not sell the entire 96 tickets?
- Robert Quiroz: We won't get as much funding as we have planned.
- Cynthia Alvarez: It will sell out.

Offered By:	Cynthia Alvarez	Seconded by:	Joselyn Diaz			
Motion to approve Golden Eagle Automotive Racing- Star Wars \$1,296.00						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

- Joselyn Diaz: I've been part of fundraiser like this. This money that you are asking is paying for the seats and for those tickets that are not sold then they just don't profit out of those seats.
- Antonio Canzona: The purpose of club funding's is to allow the clubs to give the students event to benefit there organization for students at Cal State LA.
- Cynthia Alvarez: I agree, with Antonio for club funding because we cannot get students involved so we need to leave that to our student organizations. Students that are passionate about that specific organization. We do need to be a lot more open to all these organizations and what it is that there are providing other students at Cal State LA.

III. Japanese Student Association- Japanese Cultural Festival Trading Card Games/ Super Smash Bros + snack event- \$1,768.92

Offered By:	Nicole McCue	Seconded by:	Hanz Legaspi			
Motion to approve Japanese Student Association- Japanese Cultural Festival Trading Card Games/ Super Smash Bros + snack event- \$1,765.92						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

- President of Association: Our club is mainly about spreading the Japanese culture. More of a gathering where people can relate to one another. This event is to educate on Japanese culture for everyone anywhere from kindergarten to all ages.
- Nicole McCue: How does this particularly strengthen what a student can do or benefit students?
- President of the Association: Creating culture and unity through the club allows students to come together and meet new people and show the Japanese culture.
- Jason Fontenette: Having some form of unity and showing them how to play what do you guys do?
- President of Association: We will have a couple laptops that will allow them to get the training and translate how to play. We are also about Alhambra card shop and probably help to teach us how to play and or any member that wants to be a part of the association.
- Joselyn Diaz: It says some of the money is going to trading cards, are these gifts you'll be giving out to those who attend? Or are these equipment or things you need for the event?
- President of Association: What we are planning on doing is if we have 50 students come then we will have winners take home these gifts and also have out raffles to give out these cards.

Offered By:	Nicole McCue	Seconded by:	Hanz Legaspi			
Motion to approve Japanese Student Association- Japanese Cultural Festival Trading Card Games/ Super Smash Bros + snack event- \$1,765.92						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

- Jason Fontenette: I do like this and the idea of this just because it's the different culture and the way they are doing this is just not culture but by entertaining and showing the culture in that way. I'm in favor.
- Nicole McCue: It's a different form of communication having this organization and I really do favor this club.
- Joselyn Diaz: It's a great fund, because we are not just having fun, but also implementing education through the culture.

- ✦ Tashebia Guyton: It's a great organization and we should fund this event. The diversity and different culture that is coming to Cal State LA is a great way to benefit other students in other ways.
- ✦ Cynthia Alvarez: I do not understand this event, but I do think people are into this type of culture.

b. **Appointment for Vacant A.S.I. and Campus Committee Positions-** Board of Directors will consider students for appointment to the following vacant A. S.I. and student committee positions.

i. A.S.I. Internal Committee Appointment(s)

Offered By:	Sean Weerasinghe	Seconded by:	Hanz Legaspi
Motion to appoint students to A.S.I. Internal Committee Positions			
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0
		Abstained	0
		Motion:	Passed

- ✦ Samuel Garza: I would like to recommend that we postpone the elections and orientations committee positions because the elections commissioner has not had time to interview all of the applicants he only had the time to interview one and there were three applicants for two positions and I would like to see a fair process. So once he is able to interview all of the applicants then we can move forward.
- ✦ Nicole McCue: On the internal committees I would like to move the wide onto the campus wide because honors convocation isn't internal it is campus wide.
- ✦ Antonio Canzona: I recommend postponing the finance committee member. Brian resigned a week ago and we give a week to reconsider and I met with him on Tuesday and got the final confirmation and haven't met with Miguel Diaz.
- ✦ Intef W. Weser: I have to stress that people apply and based on our policy we are supposed to process and interview these people. The executive have to interview and set up an appointment with the five day so I'm going to stress to get your schedules because it isn't fair to the candidates and we cannot postpone people to get them into committees.
- ✦ Hanz Legaspi: Is Nathaniel Williams being considered for the academic senate?
- ✦ Intef W. Weser: We don't have any dates.
- ✦ Antonio Canzona: Would that be a student being appointed to a student position?
- ✦ Hanz Legaspi: Brianda Chavez resigned from ASI and subsequently from her position on legislative affairs so, I'm applying for that position.
- ✦ Ejmin Hakobian: Brianda will have a week to reconsider and that has been extended to everyone so all of the board members that attempted to resign because sometimes the reason to resign can be supported better and they can usually come back so I extended that to Brianda. She resigned from the board but I don't believe she resigned from her position in that committee.
- ✦ Antonio Canzona: We are talking about getting a third B.O.D member.
- ✦ Hanz Legaspi: The code of procedures of legislative affairs allows Antonio Canzona to take a lead position of a student position so I would like to clarify that we don't need to move him to B.O.D.
- ✦ Ejmin Hakobian: If someone is a board member and it is clear that they are a board member than you cannot take a student position
- ✦ Intef W. Weser: To be more liberal in some of our policy, to make sure that student members know the position.

ii. University Wide Committee Appointment(s):

- c. **Elections Committee Code of Procedure Policy 004-** The committee will have a first reading of the Elections COP and review and Timeline- Presented by the Elections & Orientation Commissioner.
- d. **Policy 213 Academic/ Student Organization Travel-** The Board will take action on suggested changes approved by the Finance Committee and Bylaws Committee.
- e. **A.S.I. Direct Funding Allocation Guidelines 2015-16-** The Board will take action on suggested changes approved by the Finance Committee and Bylaws Committee.
- f. **Judicial Review Committee Code of Procedure Policy 301-** The Board will take action on the suggest changes to the policy approved by the Bylaws Committee.
- g. **Executive Director Administrative Assistant Position-** The Board will review the job description and take action on recommended changes approved by the Personnel Committee.

V. **Discussion Items:**

VI. **Information Items:**

VII. **Reports:**

- a. A.S.I President: **Ejmin Hakobian**
- b. A.S.I Vice President for Administration: **Samuel Garza**
- c. A.S.I Vice President for Academic Governance: **Nicole McCue**
- d. A.S.I Vice President for Finance: **Antonio Canzona**
- e. A.S.I. Vice President for External Affairs and Advancement: **Jason Fontenette**
- f. A.S.I Secretary/ Treasurer: **Joselyn Diaz**
- g. A.S.I. Board of Directors:
- h. A.S.I. Staff : **Dena Florez, Marcus Rodriguez, & Intef W. Weser:**
- i. University Designee: **Letycia Gomez:**

VIII. Adjournment:

Offered By:		Seconded by:				
-Motion to Adjourn meeting at _____ PM						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Associated Students, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
Summary of Actions Taken
Thursday, November 5, 2015

**I. Organizational Items:
c. Approval of Agenda:**

Offered By:		Jannah Mae		Seconded by:		Samuel Garza
Motion to approve the adoption of the Agenda for Thursday November 19, 2015 with the proposed amendments						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:		Antonio Canzona		Seconded by:		Sean Weerasinghe
Motion to Amend the Agenda to add a Discussion Item for the possible purchase of Podium Microphones						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:		Sean Weerasinghe		Seconded by:		Hanz Legaspi
Adoption of minutes for Thursday, November 5, 2015 Hanz Legaspi – name misspelled Luis Chavez – name misspelled						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:		Sean Weerasinghe		Seconded by:		Antonio Canzona
Motion to approve Society of Hispanic Engineering and Science Students- Star Wars VII						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:		Cynthia Alvarez		Seconded by:		Joselyn Diaz
Motion to approve Golden Eagle Automotive Racing- Star Wars \$1,296.00						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:		Nicole McCue		Seconded by:		Hanz Legaspi
Motion to approve Japanese Student Association- Japanese Cultural Festival Trading Card Games/ Super Smash Bros + snack event- \$1,765.92						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

Offered By:		Nicole McCue		Seconded by:		Hanz Legaspi
Motion to approve Japanese Student Association- Japanese Cultural Festival Trading Card Games/ Super Smash Bros + snack event- \$1765.92						

All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed
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Offered By: Sean Weerasinghe	Seconded by: Hanz Legaspi
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Motion to appoint students to A.S.I. Internal Committee Positions

All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed
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IX. Adjournment:

Offered By:	Seconded by:
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-Motion to Adjourn meeting at _____ PM

All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed
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CERTIFICATION

Official Minutes taken for the **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** of the Associated Students, Inc, Cal State Los Angeles held on Thursday November 19, 2015, 2015 in the University Student Union 303AB. Consensus by the A.S.I. Board of Directors on: Thursday November 5, 2015

Prepared by:



Dena Florez
Recording Secretary



Joselyn Diaz
Secretary/Treasurer

