ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS’ MEETING
August 25, 2021, 3:00 p.m.

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AGENDA

I. Call to Order

Vice President Chuang called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

II. Land Acknowledgement

Vice President Chuang read the land acknowledgement.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The Vice President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

VI. Roll Call

The Parliamentarian took roll on a separate sheet.
Quorum was met.

V. Approval of the Agenda

Vice President Chuang recommended a motion to approve the agenda.

Motion to Open: M) Director Cramer S) Director Maldonado

No Discussion

Motion to Approve: M) Director Maldonado S) Director Echeandia
Vote: 11-0-0
Motion Passed

VI. Approval of the Minutes

Vice President Chuang recommended a motion to approve the minutes.

Motion to Open: Director Cramer S) Director Maldonado

No Discussion

Motion to Approve: Controller Molina S) Director Echeandia
Vote: 11-0-0
Motion Passed
VII. **Public Forum**

S. Vora presented on an application that was created from SJSU students that will help SJSU students. The application helps users make friends and find study groups. Students will be able to match with other students of similar classes and majors. The application is only for SJSU students. Users are reached via Sammy App and Social Media. Currently, they are only on IOS and hope to expand to Android in September. They hope to expand to colleges in the area; Santa Clara and Dominguez Hills. They look to AS to assist in reaching more students with the reach AS has with their social media platforms. S. Vora asked to download the application and to contact them with any questions or concerns. President Kaur asked S. Vora how can AS help. S. Vora responded with how AS knows communication the best and can assist with reaching other students on campus. G. Altawil thanks AS and asks for assistance for reaching students as well. Director Walker informed the presenters that once they are recognized they can apply for AS funding. S. Vora stated they appreciate the board’s time.

VIII. **Executive Director’s Informational Report** (4 minutes)

Dowell informs of the grand opening of the AS Community Garden that will be happening in September. September 24th from 12-1 for AS. The CCCAC received two new partnerships. Diana Victa was elected president-elect for California Council of Cultural Centers in Higher Education. The government office has an in-service schedule. The board of directors had their retreat and establish their goals. GSC has closed down book vouchers. We will look at any unused vouchers and possibly give them to students on the waitlist. GSC sold 1500 clipper cards. Audit will be complete next month. Everyone has received the prevention training for COVID-19. For the PTC, the big printer that was funded by last year’s board is now up and running. We want to reach out to orgs and help with printing projects. We e-wasted a lot of old parts and equipment over the summer. Transportation created a resource guide for students that can be found on their website. Questions may be directed via email or telephone.

IX. **University Administration’s Informational Report** (3 minutes)

Dr. Daniels greets the people on the call. States title and what to look forward to when doing these reports at the board meetings. Highlights: successful move-in and we are about 88% capacity in the residence halls. Parents are living their children in great care. There was a new student convocation with great attendance that happened last Monday. They informed students on what to expect for college and their first year. The convocation was for first time freshmen and transfers. Week of welcome started this week. They hope students went through and picked up some T-Shirts and goodies. Students are happy to be back. Weeks of welcome are the first five weeks of the classes. 12 PM tomorrow they are welcoming the athletes. Be aware of COVID protocol for the athletic games this year. Student Affairs is supporting ticket vouchers. Enrollment is up! Freshman enrollment is 4,275. We are up about 6% of our graduate students. I look forward to seeing everyone on campus.

*Director Allen recognized at 3:23 PM*

X. **Chief Elections Officer Informational Report** (3 minutes)

XI. **Action Items**
A. Old Business
B. New Business
   a. Action Item: COVID-19 Vaccination Requirement Policy (Executive Director Dowell)

   **Motion to Open:** Director Walker
   **S** Director Pablo

   We, as AS, have to create a policy for COVID-19 Vaccination. It is similar to the SJSU policy. We have to have our own policy and all policies for AS will have to be approved by the board. It follows the procedures for employees who may need to take time off from work to get the vaccine or go with a child to get the vaccine. Employees that request exemption must send a request to HR. When an employee takes time off to receive a vaccine, they must provide proof of vaccination to HR which will be kept filed and locked. All writing was looked over by legal professionals for wording.

   President Kaur asked what will happen if staff members are not vaccinated after October 1st? Dowell stated that we have already been checking the vaccination of our employees and know if an employee has been vaccinated or exempted. However, if they are not vaccinated or exempt by the deadline then they can have consequences up to termination.

   **Motion to Approve:** Controller Molina
   **S** Director Echeandia
   **Vote:** 12-0-0
   **Motion Passed**

   b. Action Item: November 17th Board Meeting (Chair Chuang)

   **Motion to Open:** Director Maldonado
   **S** Director Echeandia

   Vice President Chuang states the board from 2020-2021 approved the board meetings for the 2021-2022 academic year. On November 17th, 2021 there is a board meeting but on the same day there are also four committee meetings. I recommend the board change their meeting date. Executive Director Dowell encourages the board to change the date to November 24th, 2021.

   **Motion to Move Board Date to November 16th, 2021:**
   **M** Director Chuang
   **S** Director Echeandia
   **Vote:** 7-4-1
   **Motion Fails**

   **Motion to Move Board Date to November 24th:**
   **M** President Kaur
   **S** Director Cramer
   **Vote:** 11-0-1
   **Motion Passed**

   c. Action Item: Vote to Approve In-Service Dates (Chair Chuang)

   **Motion to Open:** Director Pablo
   **S** Director Echeandia

   The Vice President displayed the In-Service dates for the academic year. They are every third Friday of the month from 2-5 PM.

   **Vote:** 10-1-0
   **Motion Passed**
d. Action Item: Vote to Approve the A.S. Blog name (Director Pablo)

Motion to Open: Director Pablo  S) Director Echeandia

Director Pablo displays the different blog names and explains that he met with the Marketing Director to discuss the reasoning behind creating it. There will be themes every month that will be assigned to each month. The blog is to reinforce organizational values, increase visibility, and discuss current issues. We would like to have about a length of 500-800 words per blog post and have 8 blog posts in the academic year. 4 posts in the Fall and 4 posts in the Spring.

Motion to Approve “The Spartan Voice” Blog Name

Vote: 7-5-0
Motion Passed

e. Action Item: Appoint Designee to University Library Board (President Kaur)

Motion to Open: Director Walker  S) Controller Molina

President Kaur has a time conflict with this meeting. It is a policy committee. There will need to be a representative at the meeting. Anyone that is a student senator is not eligible to sit on the committee. Nominations occurred. Director Rios spoke about the importance of the committee and that they need someone from AS to be there to be the student voice. Director Rapanot self nominates. President Kaur seconded the nomination. Director Rios informs Director Rapanot on the times of the committee and how the chair is able to meet outside of the meeting time to inform members who may not be able to attend in-person.

Motion to Appoint Director Rapanot by Chair Chuang.

Vote: 12-0-0
Motion Passed

f. Discussion Item: In Response to International Crises (President Kaur)

President Kaur, Chair Chuang, and Controller Molina came together to speak about the events happening in Afghanistan (Regime Change) and Haiti (Earthquake). President Kaur stated the reason for focusing on these countries is because of (1) the takeover of Kabul by the Taliban and (2) how there is a large Afghan population in Fremont and surrounding areas. President Kaur recognizes that there are other areas that need aid and one of those areas is Haiti. They had an earthquake of 7.2 and 19 aftershocks of 4.2 or more. Our board goals state the importance of volunteerism and philanthropy. AS can hold clothing drives in numerous locations. Locations such as; tabling on 7th St. Plaza, SJSU Cares, Department Offices, and Solidarity Network. We would like to start collecting donations next week and until October. Donation bins location across campus. We were also thinking about collaborating with members of the community.

Advocacy Efforts: Addressing the current situation, accommodating students, connecting students to financial and housing relief resources, mental health resources, and educating faculty and students on the situation and establishing a course. There is also an emergency fund with SJSU Cares.
Director Cramer thanked the executive board for their presentation and offered their help for anything. Directory Rapanot brought up pulling resources and using the AS Grand Re-opening to set up an extra table to ask students about donations. It would be a great opportunity to spread awareness. Director Echeandia stated the presentation was great. Director Echeandia asked can AS make an outstanding donation? He also requested a copy of the presentation. Controller Molina stated as a 501c3 we cannot donate directly to the effort but we can collect donations and give it to another organization. We cannot directly donate to another organization from our funds. Our funds can only be used to directly affect SJSU students. Director Allen offered the idea of bingo fundraisers via IG Stories. Director Guerrero thanked the executive board for the presentation and shared an email she received about Afghan scholars that are at risk. She said she would forward the email to the AS Board to read it in its entirety. President Kaur thanked Director Guerrero and shared that we can use SJSU Cares funds for SJSU students. President Kaur confirmed that this is a board initiative and not just executives. We want the students to know that their full board is there for them. Director Walker spoke about an ISA meeting where individuals are trying to raise money for Afghanistan. Chair Chuang will be sending out an email to the board asking for sign ups.

XII. Executive Officer Reports (4 minutes each)

A. President

The board report has business from the Summer. The instruction and student affairs meeting happened on Monday and there were discussions on the add/drop deadline. President Kaur had a meeting earlier that day with President Papazian and Vice President Day. Stress that students must get vaccinated before October 1st or they will be dropped from their classes. Those dropped students will also not be able to access on-campus facilities. President Kaur met with the Afghan Student Association with Vice President Chaung and Controller Molina. The association shared some advocacy efforts that will be shared with Vice President Day.

B. Vice President

The Vice President attended the professional standards committee and spoke about RTP policies and creating subcommittees. RTP is reappointment tenure and promotion policy for professors and staff members on campus. The first subcommittee is focusing on service in the Fall semester. The second subcommittee is focused on equity and academic assignment. The third subcommittee is focused on RSCA. It is reviewing existing RTP guidelines. They also discussed past decisions on W’s and credit/no credit.

C. Controller

The first finance committee will meet next week on September 1st. The first RSO training for AS Funding will be happening Friday, August 27th. On August 31st, 2021 the board of directors will be tabling at the Student Org Fair.

XIII. Directors’ Reports (3 minutes each)

A. Director of Academic Affairs
a. **Academic Affairs**: First meeting is coming up on September 1st. I am recruiting for students-at-large and I have one meeting with one potential student tomorrow. I am currently working on the agenda that will focus on the transition of students coming back to campus. I have yet to attend any university meetings because they have not yet happened. I attended the first curriculum and research meeting. There will be referrals throughout the year. I did have my 1:1 with the Government and Leadership Coordinator.

B. **Director of Business Affairs**

   a. **Operations Committee**: I have not gotten a concrete time for the meeting because of a class conflict. I have meetings set up for potential students to join as a student-at-large. I met with Chair Chuang to discuss the goals of the operations committee.

C. **Director of Co-Curricular Affairs**

   b. **Programming Board**: Programming Board has not yet met and we are discussing meeting dates with the Vice Chair. I am working with Henderson Hill and others for planning Homecoming Royalty. I am working with AS staff on the AS House Grand Re-Opening. I have reached out to the resident hall association to discuss timelines and collaborative measures. I will be reaching out to RSOs in the future. I am also in contact with marketing for Homecoming royalty.

D. **Director of Communications**

   I met with Edilbert from Marketing on next steps for my position. I was updated on the account information for all social media accounts. I was taught different initiatives that were occurring for the AS board in regards to promoting. Marketing wants to create videos of the board. Director Pablo reminds the board to set up meetings with marketing to create individual meet-the-board videos. I have been working with Director Walker on the social media post for the gubernatorial election.

E. **Director of Intercultural Affairs**

   I have not had any AS Committee meetings yet. I did have a meeting with the UndocuSpartan Resource Center. We were discussing that DACA is a temporary solution and we want to work on permanent solutions for citizenship. MOSAIC has reached out about the Spartan Community Fund. Director Guerrero will create a presentation for them.

F. **Director of Internal Affairs**

   I had a meeting with the records management advisory council. They keep records on each important event and the student involvement. I had an organization and government meeting.

   a. **Internal Affairs Committee**: If any board member has edits for the Bylaws please reach out prior to the Internal Affairs meeting.
G. Director of Legislative Affairs

a. Lobby Corps: I have about 4 potential members for Lobby Corps and I am hopeful that they will become members.

I have met with Director Pablo to record videos on the Gubernatorial recall. I will be making an educational report on the event I attended in Louisiana. I am on the Police Chief Selection Committee. I am currently in the process of scheduling a meeting with Vice President Day, Charlie Faas and my liaison. The recall election is coming up fast. CSSA report is in the written board report.

H. Director of Student Resource Affairs

a. Campus Life Affairs: We will meet with for the first time next week and I have two students that have applied for the committee. I will be meeting with them next week and hopefully have the board approve the students-at-large. I can only have 2 students sit on the committee. I have not met with the Academic Senate or Student Success yet. I have a meeting with all liaisons next week. Office Hours will be from 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM Tuesdays and Thursdays.

I. Director of Student Rights and Responsibilities

Over the summer I met with the Basic Needs Advisory Committee and we went over the survey results of the student population. We are currently discussing what next steps to take to assist students who do not have the necessary resources and needs to get to where they want to be at. Director Kumar met with ISA to discuss the add/drop deadline.

J. Director of Sustainability

I met with the Environmental Programming Board. They have a lot of events happening this Fall. I will be letting everyone know as soon as possible. They asked if I would like to host an event in October. They also asked about Indigenous Peoples Day and if we had any plans. I spoke to Transportation Solutions Staff and will be working with them after they hire staff to work on initiatives from my predecessor.

XIV. Ad Hoc Committees

XV. Closed Session

XVI. Announcements

Dowell stated on September 23rd from 12 PM - 2 PM will be the Grand ReOpening of the AS House. It is to showcase AS to all the students on campus. Please share with students and friends.

President Kaur stated that this weekend is Pride. There will be a parade (Sunday) and festival (Saturday). We, as AS, cannot donate funds but I will provide organizations that individual board members may donate to.
Director Allen stated that he is working on making a resource guide for students and asked board members if they have any information on different hours of centers on campus to reach out.

III. XVII. Adjournment

Vice President Chuang recommended a motion to adjourn the meeting.

M) Director Allen        S) Director Walker

Vote: 12-0-0
Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 4:32 PM

Nina Chuang, Chair
A.S. Board of Directors

9/3/2021
# 2021-2022
Associated Students
Board of Directors

Date: 25 August 2021

## ROLL CALL

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