**Call to Order:** Nicole Larson calls the meeting to order at 5:36pm

Attendance: Nicole Larson (ASI President), Carlene Dyer (Vice President), Ron Noble (Dean of Students), Cesar Rumayor (ASI/USU Executive Director), Brandon Demers (At Large/Secretary), Marvin Hooker (Student Government Advisor), Michelle Nungaray (ASI Executive Assistant), Mishaye Venerable (Athletics), Jimmye Absood (College of Education, Kineslogy and Social Work), Brenda Pedraza (Diversity), Tiffany Spaulding (College of Science), Andrea Lucero (Student Organizations), Juan Vasquez (Graduate Students), Joseph Frenandes (Business), Annmary Macias (College of Arts, Humanities and Social Science)

## Tardy:

Guest: Gabriella, and Courtney (The Vista Guest Speakers), Lindsey Putnam

**Points Total:** 3 Permint Pts and 2 Pts Pending for Graduate Students, 1 Pt Pending for Arts, Humanities and Social Science, and 2 Pts Pending for ASI President

## Approval of Agenda:

Motion made by Joseph/seconded by Andrea Motion passes 12-0-0 at 5:37pm

## **Approval of Minutes:**

Joseph moves to amend the minutes to disregard a comment made by one of the Directors Motion to amend made by Joseph/seconded by Carlene Motion passes 12-0-0 at 5:38pm

Open Forum: None

#### **Announcements and Presentations:**

a) Gabriella and Courtney give the board a presentation on The Vista, which is an apartment complex for new student housing that is being built across the University. Gabriella mentions that they just opened the office last week, and have just started giving tours. In the last week they have seen over 100 students and have signed over 60 leases. She mentions that they are located right across the street next to Rite Aid and the Pizza Factory. Gabriella informs the board that the parking is free and that is what most people are look for. She mentions that they have a Club House that is open 24 hours with a study room, theater, fitness center, pool, and a free Starbucks center that is accessible all day and night. Also they have a volleyball and a basketball court provided for the students. Gabriella mentions that the ideas they are planning are to have events going on like Taco Tuesday, Waffle Wednesday, and Nerf Gun Water Balloon Easter Egg Hunt. She mentions that all of the apartments are going to come fully furnished. They will be provided a flat screen TV, internet, couches, tables, bed, and a washer and dryer. Everyone gets their own bathroom and if anyone wants a walk in closest they can provide

one as well. She shows the board images of how the apartments will look like inside, and lets them know that they are also really active on social media. Gabriella asks the board if anyone has any questions. Annmary asks if it is pet friendly, which it is but they only have one building that allows pets. Tiffany asks if The Vista will have RA like the dorms. Gabriella mentions they are, but it will be different. As in they will be their when you need them, but won't be having weekly meetings, and looking through your apartment. Brandon asks how many students can be housed in the whole complex, which is 660 students and they only have 180 apartments. Marvin mentions if the apartments are rented out by room or apartment. Gabriella mentions it is by room because if someone drops out the other person is not responsible. Also, housing is limited to students, but if they are resent Alumni's they can get in as well. This can be verified by a Student ID, and they are doing criminal background checks as well. They also have a 6 or a 12 month lease. Nicole asks if you have to be a member to have access to the clubhouse, and they responded with guests are welcomed. Also, Gabriella mentions that they will have a call box at the gate, so the residents won't have to go down stairs to open the door. Finally, Gabriella mentions that their grand opening is on November 17<sup>th</sup>, and thanks the board members for their time.

## **Action Items:**

- a) Approval of Director of Stockton Center- Lindsey Putnam
  - a. Lindsey introduces herself to the board informing them that she is a first generation student. She mentions that the students from the Stockton Center are trying really hard, and the things they face are different from what Stanislaus students face and they all feel really abandoned. Lindsey mentions that after watching and talking to the students she started getting really involved, and was not aware that this position was available. She has been trying to help the Stockton Center without any authority. She actually sat down and talked to students and they asked her to come here and apply for this job. Some initiatives that she wants to accomplish is first for students to have someone that they can talk too, make a change, get the students' voice heard, and get something going.
    - i. Motion by Joseph/seconded by Brenda
    - ii. Motion passes 12-0-0 at 6:00pm

#### Discussion:

a) Carlene updates the board on the Food Pantry. She mentions since the last conversation with the Hunger Network there has been a tweet going around from a member of the faculty. She mentions that they are kind of in a place where they are ready to start and have a Food Pantry available, but they don't want to step on anyone's toes from the Hunger Network. With this being said they are not sure where to go from here and are looking from some feedback from board. They could just start a Food Pantry and have it ready to go by November 1<sup>st</sup>, which is the day they want to lunch, or wait to hear back

from the Hunger Network and collaborate together so we can all be on the same page. Cesar mentions that he and Carlene are getting the sense that instead of collaborating together with the Hunger Network, they feel like they are stepping into their area and are taking over. He mentions they already got a tweet from a Faculty member saying that ASI is taking over, and that is the last thing they want to do. He mentions the big issue is that they can just start a Food Pantry or wait to collaborate with them, and they just need a little sense of clarification and direction. Cesar mentions that when they met up with them to discuss how to build a food pantry they were surprised to hear that they already had one in DBH and in the Honors Program, but they had the understanding that they were not allowed to advertise it. Ron mentions that they were not happy with the little space they were given and wanted to move out of their and be in bigger better place. Ron is surprised because he thought they were ready to partner up with us for those reasons. Ron mentions that they have a meeting schedule with them on the November 2<sup>nd</sup>. Jimmye ask why are they not allowed to advertise. Ron mentions that one of the members came to him and they had a conversation, and somewhere along the lines they got the impression that Ron told them they cannot advertise. When in fact what he had advised them to do was to come up with a plan to make their resources go further and as to who they are trying to reach out to. He asked them if they are trying to reach out to everybody, or just want to serve people who need it. Lindsey mentions that she really feels when you are trying to meet the need to a society and organization that is working towards something, and if they feel like we are taking over then that just means that we are moving faster then they are. She mentions it just shows their lack of being involved, and you can't take over when you are joining a program to help people. Lindsey feels that it is just a reflection maybe on their lack of effort and they are feeling over shadowed. Lindsey really thinks that we should just go ahead with the food pantry and not worry about the politics of the situation. Brandon agrees with Lindsey, because he would not feel comfortable if one of the 23% students came up to him and asked him what we are doing about it. He would not feel comfortable telling them that we would have one already, but we are working on collaborating and not stepping on anyone's toes. Brenda asks if we are ready to take over what exactly would ASI be doing. They mention that we have enough space to provided, people to help, and a lot of resources we can use. Lindsey asks if there is any way we can branch this out to the Stockton Center, because they have plenty of facility we can use. Jimmye asks who would be supplying the food. Cesar responds with the original plan they have, which is if the executives have their own line item they can use they can use funds and can use that to start it. They have been looking into their Spring Programing in how we can get donations, like tying Homecoming into a food drive. Ron suggest to the board that we should just move forward with the Food Pantry, and we should still reach out to the Hunger Network informing them what we are doing and see if they want to partner up with us. Nicole mentions how about we create an external/internal committee with some members of the board. Invite members from each of the clubs and have kind of an advisory steering committee of the Food Pantry, and

meet once a month and have a shared governance aspect of it. Also, Nicole mentions that we will continue with good faith, and will keep the board updated on this issue.

b) Nicole updates the board members about the Transit. She notes that the plan will be implemented in January when the Transit System is open up. She mentions that we need to make sure that we are head of the game, and are marketing and educating students about it. There will be a meeting on November 3rd @11am in the Warrior Conference Room and the board members should feel free to come. Lindsey mentions that this is a main issue at the Stockton Center and if they maybe we could link this to the Stockton Center. Cesar mentions that the issue they are having is if people would prefer a 30 min loop or consistency. Joseph personally believes that we should be focusing more on consistency, because that is one of the main issues with any public transit. Jimmye agrees with Joseph and go with consistency because he rather have a bus knowing when it is always going to be there. Tiffany, Annmary, and Lindsey agree as well because students need something that is going to be reliable. Brandon would prefer having the 30 minute loop, because even though you do miss the bus the longest you would only wait would be 30 minutes for the next bus.

# **Closing Comments:**

- Carlene thanks everyone for touring the pool with her.
- Cesar mentions to the board that the Vice Chair of Trustee lunch is tomorrow @12pm
- Brenda mentions that the department that she works for are partnering up with Hunger Network. They are going to have a Cal Fresh project and if anyone is interested just let her know, so she can sent out an agenda.
- Marvin mentions that Watch fliers came in and if the board members can please promote the event.
- Brandon ask if anyone is available this Thursday to attend a club meeting, and one or two people is perfect.
- Nicole thanks those who went out to support her during her soccer game
- Nicole mentions that the Stan State Gets Me There is a group of 5-10 students to connect them and encourage them to get there. Also, Marge did not write the questions that were shown at the last board meeting.
- Nicole congrats Lindsey and welcomes her to the board
- We are having a meeting Nov 8<sup>th</sup> from 5-6pm before the Watch Event @6:30pm, and take the transit together. Also, no meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup>.

### Adjournment:

Noble motions to adjourn, seconded by Carlene. Vote to adjourn was unanimous. Larson adjourns the meeting at 6:55pm.

Minutes approved by:	Date: 11-7-16
Nicole Larson, President	
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Minutes prepared by: Michelle Nungaray, Executive Assistant

Date: 11 - 2 - 16

