

Call to Order: Maria Marquez calls the meeting to orders at 5:01PM.

Attendance: Maria Marquez (President), Michelle Nungaray (Vice President), Cesar Rumayor (ASI/USU Executive Director), Alessandra Ramirez (Student Organizations), Andrea Sandoval (Residential Life), Katie Rotan (Leadership & Student ASI Government Manager), Teresa Serna (Executive Assistant), Alec Austin (At Large), Matthew Lopez Phillips (Dean of Students), MiShaye Venerable (Secretary/Diversity), Kassandra Lopez (College of Science)

Absent: Monique Bravo (Environment) and Sandra Lezama (College of Business)

Tardy: Rosa Martinez (College of Education, Kinesiology, and Social Work) @ 5:01 PM and Akia Walker (Athletics) @ 5:07 PM

Guests: Vice President Oliverrez

Point Totals: 4 Pending Points for the Director of Athletics, 4 Pending Points for the Director for the College of Business, 7 Pending Points for the Director for the College of Science

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve made by Alessandra/seconded by Andrea

Motion passes 10-0-0 @ 5:02 PM

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes for August 28, 2018 made by Alessandra/seconded by Andrea

Motion passes 10-0-0 @ 5:03 PM

Open Forum:

Announcements and Presentations:

- a. What is CSSA? – Wonuola Olagunju

Wonuola explained a brief overview of what CSSA (California State Student Association) is. She explained that it is a nonprofit student organization and is recognized by the California State student of trustees. She explained some history of how originally CSSA was where the presidents of each campus would meet to discuss each of their individual campuses. She stated that there is a meeting once a month to discuss student issues and issues that each university has on their campus. She then explained that they meet to discuss higher issues in order to strategize ideas to improve the college experience. She stated that they also discuss political issues such as bills in the senate or house to see which benefit the CSUs and help decide which way to vote. She also explained some of the values of CSSA such as improving college textbook affordability, food insecurity, and having student participation. She explained that once a year there is an event called “Chess” where she stated there is a meeting and the representatives lobby to the legislators for the budget for the CSUs. She explained that they are working on trying to increase the budget more and more every year. Dean Matthew then asked if it still costed students to be a part of CSSA and if it were still an opt-out option versus and opt-in option.

Wonuola responded that it is an opt-out/opt-in option and explained that it was in the two-dollar fee that every student pays. She then showed the CSSA website and explained to the board that they can look through the website to also get a better understanding of CSSA. She then added that every board of trustee of the 23 of them at the meeting must sit on two mandatory committees as well as there being additional optional committees. She stated that she sits on the Social Justice committee and Student Trustee committee.

b. Voter Education – Vice President Oliverez

Oliverez explained that she wanted to talk to the board about an idea to doing a Voter Education Forum and doing a few more other things such as streaming some of the different candidate debates that are coming up. She asked the board about how they felt about doing some things about voter education in order to inform the students. She then gave the idea of having a nonpartisan organizations come and talk about the issues and possibly provide both sides of each candidates that are running for office. She then explained the importance about being a well-informed voter and told the board that the Turlock Journal will be live streaming the debate on their youtube channel. She gave the following dates of September 20th from 6:30 PM – 8:PM for the date. Then, she gave the date for the congressional debate being September 22th from 10AM-11:30AM. She also expressed to the board that she would love to cosponsor it with the board as well and anyone else that is interested on the hopes of increasing voter education. Alec then asked if the Denham and Harder debate would be open to the public. Oliverez responded that she believes it may actually be open to the public. Alec then asked if it would be possibly a good idea to take a group of students to the debate. Oliverez responded that she believes that would be a great idea if doable. Alec then stated that he is sure it may be possible because of the democratic and republican club. Oliverez stated that she could possibly look in to reaching out to the advisor of the club to see about setting up transportation to get people there and to work on doing something closer to October. Maria stated that in previous years the governmental relations coordinator would display who is running, what they are running for, and what they are standing for against other candidates in order to just inform students of the upcoming elections. Mishaye expressed her feelings of importance of Voter Education and how there should possibly be an evening event such as a voter education trivia game night to make the event feel less like a class. She explained how it could be fun and would also express the importance of voter registration. Katie stated that the “Warriors Rock the Vote” would consist of the first three being to get students to register and the remainder would be focused on voter education leading up until November. Oliverez asked if it would make sense to possibly organize a committee. Cesar explained that the problem is that even though the elections are going on, they are still trying to form the governmental relations side of the house so there will actually be a group of 5 or 6 students with Wonuola and Katie who do that for the students. He explained that they may have to help until the group is recruited and that there may need to be some education in the room first to explain what is going on. He also expressed the difficulty of how students may not care as much because they do not live in the same area as the university. He stated there could possibly be things such as education for the board then proceeding with events to at least get out the idea of how important educating themselves and being able to come to the board to help get educated as well as making sure to go out and vote on that day. Dean Matthew stated that there may be a

way to get a bus route and gather the students then get on the bus and go to the debate. He then asked Cesar if in the past people had to register to get into the debate. Cesar explained that Stan State used to host them at the university but he is unsure if the university is planning on doing anything. Maria explained that the democratic and republican club would bring them to MSR however there is not as much space as there used to be. Cesar stated that he believed Harder would be coming to the campus either this week or the next. Alessandra clarified that it would be this Thursday. Cesar expressed that the difficulty is if they were to sponsor then it would look as though they are picking sides. Cesar stated that there is a possibility to live stream it if they can find a venue. Dean Matthew stated that he could check the diversity center to see of the possibility of streaming there and that it may seat around fifty people. Michelle asked if it could be streamed in the Amphitheatre. Cesar then responded that 6:30 would still be too bright outside to be able to show the debate. Katie stated that even if student affairs assisted with the event of “Warriors Rock the Vote” they could make it more of a campaign as well.

Action Items: None

Discussion: None

Director Reports:

- a. Director, At Large: *Alec Austin*
Alec discussed that he has been working on more of the nutritional hurdles that is face on campus and what is being done to benefit students nutritionally. He stated that he plans to take it towards those working with Chartwells and implement ideas where we can raise healthy eating habits on campus such as labelling nutritional information next to the food on the menus like caloric intake.
- b. Director, Athletics: *Akia Walker*
Akia informed the board that Cross Country has a home meet this Saturday and invited the board to come support the team at River Oaks Golf Course in Ceres.
- c. Director, Business: *Sandra Lezama-Vasquez*
No Report
- d. Director, Residential Life: *Andrea Sandoval*
Andrea discussed that she met with Jennifer and Heather and stated that they have the same mindset towards her initiatives such as more of a community based housing and moving towards networking as well. She stated she will be setting up a meeting with Heather in the future to talk more about it.
- e. Director, Stockton Center: *Vacant*
- f. Director, Students Clubs & Organizations: *Alessandra Ramirez*
Alessandra stated that she went to the club fair and was able to talk to the clubs that were out there and how she was able to talk to them more about her position. She stated that in October she is going to go to each club and present to inform them on what ASI does and get some feedback on what they want in order to see how to improve. She also stated that she has been working on the election code and has been calling other schools to see how they run their elections and brainstorming some ideas to increase voter turnout.

- g. Director, Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences: *Braden Palma*
No Report
- h. Director, Science: *Kassandra Lopez*
Kassandra explained that she met with the dean and spoke about initiatives that Merrill and herself collaborated on. She stated they passed on a task force with initiatives. She also stated that the dean wanted to work on the Child Development Center and maybe providing child care because they understand that it is a big issue for students and funding. She stated they brainstormed about fundraisers and activities to raise money. Maria then ask how Merrill's textbook rental is going. Kassandra stated that they spoke about it but are going to go into further detail next time they meet.
- i. Director, Education, Kinesiology, and Social Work: *Rosa Martinez*
Rosa stated that she would greatly appreciate feedback on any ideas she may be presenting to the board in the future.
- j. Director, Environment: *Monique Bravo*
No Report
- k. Director, Graduate Students: *Vacant*
- l. Dean of Students: *Matthew Lopez Phillips*
Dean Matthew stated that they are trying to keep the diversity center open as much as they can. He stated he received today the team faculty member's schedules along with Mishaye's schedule in order to schedule a meeting with the faculty leads. He also stated they are planning on hiring a few students to keep it open as well. He then explained that he is trying to open it up more for clubs and organizations that have a diversity or affinity stint so they can meet in the space. Dean Matthew reminded the board that they have PCBI tomorrow where they will be giving updates where the Director position is in HR and is slated to go to CRC which is a committee that approves all commissions.
- m. Faculty Member: *Vacant*

Executive Reports:

- a. Secretary/Director, Diversity: *Mishaye Venerable*:
Mishaye presented to the board about campus wide committees and their reports. She explained that everyone is required to sit on at least one campus wide committee, for example, the campus safety committee. She stated they will be getting their committee assignments on Friday then stated some expectations such as arrive 5-10 minutes early, look presentable, come prepared, and also when they sit on these committees that there may be things that they started working on years ago. She stated the importance to ask questions in order to be up to date with whatever is going on in the committee. She explained that after committee meetings, each member is required to send in a report and CC Cesar as well as way to keep everyone informed about the university. She gave some advice on some ways to take notes during the meetings. She then explained the point system and its purpose being to keep members

accountable and ways to accrue points. She then discussed how to appeal pending points and the process of appealing such points as well as some reasons for excusable points. Michelle asked how long they have to send in the report. Mishaye then responded that committee reports must be turned in within 72 hours after they meet. Dean Matthew stated the importance of sitting on the committees and how being there is to be the voice of the students. Maria then stated that it is important for the board to voice their opinions and ask questions. Alec then asked if they will be assigned committees or if there would be a list to choose from. Maria stated that the board will get an email with that information no later than next week on Wednesday. Michelle emphasized that the meetings are mandatory and that points will be accrued if absent. Alessandra asked what would happen if a member receives a certain amount of permanent points. Mishaye explained that if a member reaches twelve permanent points then a member is officially removed from the board. Mishaye then explained that everyone is required to attend ASI event so points are accrued for those as well. Vice President: *Michelle Nungaray*

Michelle stated that she has a meeting with Cesar next with to discuss the bike share program as well as a meeting with Dean Matthew as well to discuss about her mental health initiative.

b. President: *Maria Marquez:*

Maria explained that she met with Jill about student emergency funds and has asked what is the process. She explained that she was informed that there is no particular process however student affairs is working on that for a student to access the student emergency funds. She then passed around the student request form which she explained is a form for students to request access to use this fund. She states that she still has follow up questions and that they discussed other ways on how the campus is planning on addressing student basic needs. She then stated that once those processes are fully implemented on our campus, she will be sharing with the board. She explained that her and Katie are working on a student basic needs flier to have everything on one page such as the food pantry or who to talk to if a student does not have a place to stay for the night. She explained that she will be reaching out to Jill or Dean Matthew to receive more information on the subject. She then reminded the board to make sure to submit to Jocelyn their “Why I Wear Red” and the importance for the board to take a role in that campaign. Lastly, she thanked the board for coming out last week during Welcome Week. She also stated that she will be looking into Parking issues as well. Dean Matthew then informed Maria that to inform anyone struggling with food insecurity to contact the Dean of Student’s office and he will meet with them. Maria then passes the gavel to Mishaye because she must leave the meeting.

Other Reports:

a. Interim Leadership & Student Government Manager: *Katie Rotan:*

Katie thanked those who came out to the Warrior’s Giving Back blood drive and stated that the goal was to collect 79 pints and ended up collecting 83

lifesaving pints. Also, they registered 105 donors and 79 out of those donors were first time donors. She then stated that they will be planning one for spring semester and that it will be a two-day blood drive on March 26 and March 27. She then stated they are hoping to bring a third mobile unit for the blood drive to make it faster for the students and the wait times. She then reminded the board that they are finishing up their backpack drive and that they will be delivering those items on September 14th to the local schools. She also reminded the board to sign up for their lifeskills workshops and that it is mandatory for student assistants to attend 2 out of the 5. She then stated that tomorrow Kylie, Herself, and Wonuola will be in the quad for Warriors Rock the Vote. She encouraged the board to come out and talk to the students during that time. She also stated that she will try to send out the group photos from retreat.

b. Executive Director: *Cesar Rumayor*:

Cesar asked the board to please fill out the paper going around for the semester grade checks. He then stated that they just announced the campus dining services and the two companies that are coming for a presentation and encouraged the board members who are interested in food service to attend and they are will be presenting on September 17 from 3-5PM and September 18 from 3:30-5PM in MSR130. He then asked the board if anyone would be able take part in the WASC Accreditation film tomorrow out in the quad from around 12 to 12:30. He also stated that the board could bring friends as long as they are wearing red Stan State. He then stated that they are working with the University Dreamers Committee and that our dreamer students are trying to create a video of either the life of a dreamer student or resources for dreamer but it may be something that ASI provides for free to the students. He explained that once gets more information, he will present it to the board.

Closing Comments: None

Adjournment:

Dean Matthew motions to adjourn, seconded by Akia. Approved 11-0-0. Venerable adjourns the meeting at 5:59 PM.

Minutes approved by: _____ Date: _____

Maria Marquez, President

Minutes prepared by: _____ Date: _____

Teresa Serna, Executive Assistant

