

Call to Order: Karlos Marquez calls the meeting to order at 5:00 PM

Attendance: Cynella Aghasi (President), Karlos Marquez (Vice President), Zoe Martinez (Vice President of Finance), Trinity Morataya (Executive Assistant), and Social Sciences), Destiny Suarez (Sustainability), Rosa Martinez (College of Education, Kinesiology, and Social Work), Fausto Garcia (At-Large), Anisa Saechao (Athletics), Maria Marquez (Student Government Advisor), Joshua Costello (College of Arts, Humanities), Cesar Rumayor (ASI & SC Executive Director), Francesca Rasmus (College of Science), Santos Ayala (Graduates), Katie Rotan (Leadership Manager), Aletha Harven (Faculty Director), and Andy Klingelhofer (Interim Dean of Students)

Absent: Nicolette Padron (College of Business),

Tardy: None

Guests: Krishan Malhotra, Christine Erickson

Point Totals: 2 permanent points for Fausto Garcia (At-Large), 2 permanent points for Karlos Marquez (Vice President), 2 permanent points for Joshua Costello (College of Arts, Humanities), and 2 permanent points for Nicolette Padron (College of Business).

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve agenda for February 2nd, 2021 by Destiny, seconded by Anisa

Motion passes 10-0-0 @ 5:04 PM

Santos camera was off, vote was not counted

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes for December 8th, 2020 by Joshua, seconded by Andy

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

Santos camera was off, vote was not counted

Open Forum:

Christine states she wanted to thank those who were able to attend the student open forum with their first candidate for the Dean of Students, and they have four more candidates and hope they will provide feedback for the search committee to consider.

Announcements and Presentation:

- a. CSSA Plenary Update – *Krishan Malhotra*, ASI Governmental Relations Coordinator

Krishan lists bills that are coming soon and relevant to the CSU such as: AB 245 Educational equity which allows student to have their chosen name on their degree even if they have not legally changed their name. Krishan states currently transgender

and nonbinary students have records that do not reflect their name and/or gender and this bill will allow proper recognition. The other bill that is coming is AB 53 Election day holiday. Krishan states that current state law allows Californians to take up to two hours from work without loss of pay to cast a ballot. Krishan says this bill makes the Tuesday after the first Monday in November in an even-numbered year a state holiday for public schools and state employees. Krishan says this bill exchanges Washington Day in even numbered years with Election Day. Krishan states that some cons are that the bill may discourage mail-in voting, overwhelm polling places, and there is no discussion on the Primary's. Krishan moves on to speak about the legislative calendar and there will be a few months until there's revises and signatures. Krishan then speaks about a budget overview. Krishan first lets the BODs know that he will be discussing the state budget and how it effects the CSUs and not the ASI budget. Krishan then says for the General Fund Augmentation the current proposal is seeing an increase and ongoing general fund that includes \$111 M going to university costs, \$15 M going to basic needs and GI 2025, \$15 M to student mental health and technology needs, \$2 M learning management system alignment, and \$1 M to increase full-time equivalent student enrollment at the CSU Stanislaus Stockton Campus. Krishan moves on to one-time funding is where \$175 M go towards deferred maintenance, energy efficiency, and cost-saving facility improvements, \$30 M to emergency financial assistance for students, \$10 M to computing talent initiative administered through California State University, Monterey Bay, and \$10 M to culturally competent professional development for faculty. Krishan then states the conditions of the proposal which there is no resident tuition or fee increases at the CSU for the 2021-2022 academic year. Krishan says as of now the Board of Trustees and the Chancellor have said there will not be an increase, however if something changed tomorrow it's possible that it can be changed as well. Krishan states this budget also talks about the \$300 M that was lost last year and the CSU is currently trying to get it back. Krishan then moves onto the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC) and there is some money that is going to them to support Cal Grant and other financial aid. Krishan states in the near future they hope to see a Cal Grant Modernization Act proposed to make Cal Grants simpler to expand the amount of awards that they can offer to students. Krishan says in the budget Governor Newsom acknowledged the federal stimulus package, as well as the amount that went to California colleges, which was about \$2.9 B. Krishan says in addition to that there was a package passed in December that laid out all allocations for the country. Krishan then shows the BODs a table of how much each CSU was allocated for and the minimum amount for student grants. For Stan State the estimated minimum amount for student grants is \$6.6 M and that will be similar to the CARES Act. Krishan then reminds the BODs that the budget will be revised in May and will be finalized in June. Krishan then states it is not the CSUs intent to raise tuition, but in

the case where they have to Krishan would like the BODs what steps are next. Krishan then shows the five options which are increase state funding to cover full operating budget request, increase tuition to partially cover the operating budget request while continuing to advocate for more state funding, cost avoidance, efficiencies & program reallocation, in lieu of additional state funding or potential tuition increase, reduce program and services, both academic and non-academic, and use operating fund designated balances and reserves in the short term to minimize the impact of a budget reduction. Krishan moves onto systemwide affairs and states Loren J Blanchard, Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs was hired as President for University of Houston Downtown, in the meantime Dr. Fred E. Wood will be serving as interim, Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs. Krishan states the Food Pantry Resolution passed to the Board of Directors for February which allows student from any CSU going to any other CSU to have access to their food pantry. Krishan then brings up SWANA which stands for South West Asian North African. Krishan states there are students who are fighting to have a SWANA section on Cal State Apply because as of right now if students are from those specific regions they are classified under white which is not accurate. Krishan then announces the upcoming events which are CSU Advocacy Week, February 1st-February 5th, Immigration under the Biden Administration Webinar in collaboration with the Department of Social Service, February 10th 12pm- 1:30pm, CSSA Plenary, February 13th-February 14th, CSSA Plenary, March 6th, and CHESS, March 7th-March 12th.

Action Items:

- a. Approval of the revised ASI Budget Formulation Policy and Procedures – *Zoe Martinez*, ASI Vice President of Finance

Zoe states her and the Vice Chair of Finance, Teresa, have made some revisions to the policy. Zoe tells the BODs the changes were very minor like changing USU to SC because the Student Center did have a name change. Zoe states they also changed the policy to say ‘the first meeting of Spring Semester’ instead of the end of January. Zoe says they also changed the name changes of the President and Chair and added in the Vice President of Finance and Vice Chair of Finance since their positions are fairly new. Zoe then adds that Cesar also added the strategic plan and priorities because they will be aligning the funding with that.

- i. Motion to approve the Approval of the revised ASI Budget Formulation Policy and Procedures – *Zoe Martinez*, ASI Vice President of Finance by *Destiny*, seconded by *Anisa*
- ii. Motion passes 10-0-0 @ 5:22 PM

- Santos camera was off, vote not counted

b. Approval of the ASI Budget Formulation Timeline – *Zoe Martinez*, ASI Vice President of Finance

Zoe shares with the BODs that they will be going over the budget formulation timeline for the upcoming operating ASI budget. She states today is their first BOD meeting and she hopes she gains approval that way she can begin working on the budget from tomorrow until March 22nd. Then from March 22nd to March 26th professional staff will meet with Cesar on their prospective budgets. Zoe states there will also be budget hearings on April 2nd, 16th and 23rd for the budget committee to review the committee has until April 30th to make any additions or cuts. Zoe says they will have the first reading of the proposed budget to BODS on May 4th and it will go to Budget committee again to approve the budget. Then the Board of Directors get to vote on the budget and if it gets approved they are then sent to the Campus President and VP's for review and approval.

- i. Motion to approve the Approval of the ASI Budget Formulation Timeline – *Zoe Martinez*, ASI Vice President of Finance by Cynella, seconded by Francesca
- ii. Motion passes 11-0-0 @ 5:24 PM

Discussion:

Director Reports:

- a. Director, At Large: *Fausto Garcia*

No Report

- b. Director, Athletics: *Anisa Saechao*

Anisa shares with the BODs attended a SAAC meeting at the end of January. She states there was a new faculty athletic representative appointed who works closely with the Athletic Director, Terry Donovan. Anisa states that Stan State athletes received the highest GPA with an overall 3.275 and there are 42 NCAA honorable athletes within Stan State's athletic department. Anisa announces there will be a Make A Wish drive in April from the 26th to 29th and they are still trying to decide whether they want to work together or make a competition between the teams. Anisa states they will also hold a food drive at the end of February on the 22nd and when she receives more information she will update the BODs. Anisa then tells the BODs that there is no positive updates about athletes returning to play in the spring because they have to wait until students are allowed back on campus.

- c. Director, Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences: *Josh Costello*

Josh states he will be attending the first ALTC meeting on Monday February 8th.

- d. Director, Business: *Nicolette Padron*

- e. Director, Diversity: *Vacant*

- f. Director, Education, Kinesiology, and Social Work: *Rosa Martinez*

Rosa states she attended a meeting with Maria and Zoe along with some committee members from the Child Center group and within that discussion involved the Child Development Center's goals for student parent needs and community.

- g. Director, Graduate Students: *Santos Ayala*

Santos states he attended the Security Advisory Committee and one of the topics they discussed were about providing a quarterly newsletter to inform students on what is going on such as the two-factor login.

- h. Director, Residential Life: *Vacant*

- i. Director, Science: *Francesca Rasmus*

Francesca states she met with the Career Center to find out if she can plan a Career center for the College of Science and when she was having that discussion they showed her how to access HireStanState which is a program through every student's portal that offers internships and job opportunities. Francesca then met with Maria and they decided for her to reach out to other CSUs to see what they are providing as far as career fairs and she is halfway done.

- j. Director, Student Organizations: *Vacant*

- k. Director, Sustainability: *Destiny Suarez*

Destiny reports that when meeting with the Council of Sustainable Futures they discussed the Turlock Community Garden and how they had four clubs, departments, or professors on campus who purchased a plot, but due to COVID those plots are saved until it's safe to go back on campus. Destiny also reports that there are plots for refugee families and tells the BODs if they know anyone who is interested to let her know. Destiny then reports that Wendy is working with other CSUs to have a big Earth Day. Destiny clarifies that these are only being talked about and not have been planned. Destiny then reports that the sustainability departments are working on making a forum for many grants individual students instead of clubs since clubs are already receiving a lot of scholarships and funding. Destiny then reports they were able to contact the Kiss the Ground producers and they will be showing on April 12th

at 6 pm. Destiny also states she is working with the Student Center to do an art competition.

1. Dean of Students: *Andy Klingelhoef*

Andy states he appreciates those who were able to attend the student open forum with their first candidate for the Dean of Students as well. Andy then asks the BODs if they can to please attend the upcoming forums. Andy then tells the BODs to watch out for opportunities to meet with the candidates for the Director of Campus Recreation and the Director of SLD and Director of Housing which will be coming next month.

m. Faculty Director: *Aletha Harven*

No Report

Executive Reports:

a. ASI Vice President of Finance: *Zoe Martinez*

Zoe states she hopes everyone saw her on the ASI Student Government Instagram Page partaking in the Take Over Tuesday's series. Zoe then thanks the BODs for approving the policy and timeline. Zoe states she met with Assembly man Flora and Megan from Senator Borgeas in regards to the California Budget. She also attended Academic Senate last week. Zoe reported that she attended the open forum as well and encourages all the BODs to go to the next. Zoe then states she met with the Child Center committee like Rosa mentioned and states before COVID around 32% to 37% of Stan State students are student parents and some things that were requested of ASI is to provide a student assistant position that could work in the new center instead of funding the program. Zoe then reports they also received a Campus grant which allows students to have lower rates for their students within the child development center. Zoe says her biggest concern going into the meeting was why were students on the lowest priority rank and the answer was because typically students couldn't afford the rate, because they were expensive but now with the grant they are going to make it a priority to be able to put student higher on the rank. Zoe says she will be attending UEPC on Thursday and sitting on the search committee for the Housing Coordinator and the first meeting is on February 15th. Zoe states she is working on getting a breakdown of the graduation application fee which is \$60. Zoe states she has received the draft of the WPST resolution and tells those who are involved with the ad hoc committee to look at their emails for availability.

b. ASI Vice President: *Karlos Marquez*

Karlos says retreat was good in his opinion, but there is always room for improvement so if the BODs have any feedback to give him to let him know. Karlos says he hopes everyone has received their sweaters. Karlos then share with the BODs the internal committees and tells the BODs if they are unable to attend their committees to let him know. Karlos states him, Krishan, Cynella, and Zoe did some lobbying with Assembly Man Flora Karlos tells the ad hoc advising committee to be on the look out because they are receiving requests from advisors and they want feedback from student. Karlos states for the PCS Director search they are in the interview process. Karlos states he has attended the open forum and recommend the BODs to go as well. Karlos then reports he will have a meeting with Cesar and SLD to find out the red tape student clubs and organization has and how they can get rid of them. Karlos ends his report by stating he will be meeting with the Maddy institute and he is excited to be a part of the conversation discussing the Leadership Conference.

c. ASI President: *Cynella Aghasi*

Cynella updates the BODs that there are now three vacant Board of Director positions and they have been trying to promote all of the positions to see if anyone is interested. She then tells the BODs if they know anyone to give them her president email to reach out. Cynella then mentions she attended the open forums and list the link in the chat for the BODs to sign up for the other open forums. Cynella then mentions that the Student Center is turning one year old and will be hosting events all day tomorrow. Cynella then reports for Mental Health Awareness her, Katie and Maria have been working with the mental health awareness ad hoc committee which includes Rosa, Anisa, Joshua, and Fausto. Cynella then states within the Lifeskills workshops Katie has provided there's a lot that revolve around mental health and tells the BODs to use the workshops to their advantage.

Other Reports:

a. Student Government Advisor (Graduate Student): *Maria Marquez*

Maria states for social media they will be doing Titus Tips Tuesdays once again to bring more awareness and give shout outs to departments, who offer virtual services and resources to students. Maria then states for social media they started Take Over Tuesdays. Maria encourages the BODs to reach out to Trinity if they are interested in the opportunity. Maria then reports about the ASI Resolution regarding extending hours which was passed last semester. Maria states during winter break her, Santos, Jennifer, and Melannie from SC have met with campus departments to simply ask when they are able to extend their hours to provide to the evening students.

b. Leadership Manager: *Katie Rotan*:

Katie states the building is turning one year old and though they did not plan for the celebration to be online they have a list of activities throughout the day. Katie states she sent out the email for the Lifeskills workshop today and tells the BODs to check their emails and register. Katie then points out that the Taco 'Bout It event is on the list and for the BODs to make sure to register for it since it is in place of the BODs meeting. Katie reports she is working with Karlos on adding committee members for upcoming ASI Elections and they are looking for two BODs that do not plan on running or campaigning for the upcoming election. Katie says the scholarship selection committee as well and if anyone is interested to email her.

c. ASI & SC Executive Director: *Cesar Rumayor*:

Cesar says for the mascot they will follow up with athletics department and communications to see if there are any concerns about the modern modifications. Cesar states on March 1st that is when ASI begins their online merchandise store. Homecoming starts on February 22nd and advertising will start on Friday. Cesar says one thing they are trying to work on with social media is advertising on social media because they do not want to overwhelm the students. Cesar says right now they are focused on the building turning one and once that is over they start thinking about Homecoming. Cesar states they are wrapping up the Student Org Survey that Michael was working on and they should have it done by this week. Cesar says he will ask the subcommittee members to come to the BODs and present the student survey results. Cesar then reports that ASI and SC have their own separate websites and he hope it will help those who don't know the differences between the organizations

Closing Comments:

Adjournment:

Destiny motions to adjourn the meeting seconded by Rosa. Motion carries 11-0-0. Marquez adjourns the meeting at 5:57 PM.

Minutes approved by: _____ Date: _____

Karlos Marquez, Vice President

Minutes prepared by: _____ Date: _____

Trinity Morataya, Executive Assistant

