



ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

March 13th, 2024 | 3-5:30PM

Location: SU Meeting Room 1A

Zoom Link (Optional): <https://sjsu.zoom.us/j/85916216835>

MINUTES

I. **Call to Order**

Chair Lacson calls the meeting to order at 3:04 PM.

II. **Land Acknowledgement**

Chair Lacson reads the land acknowledgement.

III. **Roll Call**

The recording secretary completes roll call.

Quorum met.

IV. **Approval of the Agenda**

Chair Lacson recommends a motion to approve the agenda.

M) Director Shah S) Director Gambarin

President Multani moves to remove Action Item 9

S) Director Guzman

Vote: 11-0-0

Amendment approved.

Vote: 11-0-0

Amended Agenda approved.

V. **Approval of the Minutes**

Chair Lacson recommends a motion to approve the minutes from the February 28th, 2024

Board Meeting

M) Director Guzman S) Director Shah

Vote: 11-0-0

Minutes approved.





VI. Public Forum

Student Representative Salma from Students for Justice in Palestine speaks on her thoughts regarding the Ceasefire Resolution. She shares that she appreciates the effort in drafting the resolution but feels that it should be less neutral in advocating for a ceasefire and include other sources such as World Health Organization, Amnesty International, and Human Rights Watch. She concludes by saying that if SJP doesn't agree with all the wording on the resolution, they will not be signing on.

Student Representative Maryam from Muslim Student Association speaks on her thoughts regarding the Ceasefire Resolution. She feels that if the Resolution is to remain neutral to appeal to all sides, it should not be put together at all.

Student Representative Fatema from Ahlul-Bayt Student Association shares that she was one of the signers of this Resolution in its early stages but is concerned that her signature cannot be removed after the fact considering the Resolution has gone through edits that she doesn't agree with. She states that if this Resolution passes with her signature without any edits to the current wording that she agrees with, she will be vocal against the Resolution because their voices weren't taken into more consideration.

Student Representative Samuel from Students Supporting Israel speaks on his thoughts regarding the Ceasefire Resolution. He shares that unless the Resolution can add some specific statements advocating for the surrender of Hamas and stable democracy in Gaza, SSI cannot support the Resolution even though many in the Jewish community may support a ceasefire.

VII. Executive Director's Informational Report (4 minutes)

Executive Director Allen thanks everyone who attended today's meeting and spoke during public forum. She also thanks everyone who attended CHESS over the weekend. She also shares some events happening on campus such as the Family Movie Night as part of Commuter Week programming as well as CHI Month events. She also highlights the Spartans' Got Talent event and recruitment as well as A.S. 55 nominations being open.

VIII. University Administration's Informational Report (3 minutes)

No report.

IX. Student Union Informational Report (3 minutes)

No report.

X. Chief Elections Officer Informational Report (3 minutes)





CEO Plazola shares updates about elections events such as the Elections Kick-Off that happened on Monday with roughly 80 attendees as well as the upcoming Meet the Candidates event and Debates. He shares that the SEC is now targeting voter engagement with their marketing. CEO Plazola also reminds everyone about refraining from elections discussions in the office and asks any current board members that aren't running again to not involve themselves in the elections process such as endorsing candidates.

XI. Action Items

A. Old Business

1. Discussion Item: Sustainability Campaign

(Director Oishi)

Discussion: Director Oishi shares the current plans for the various events and collaborations throughout the month and asks the Directors for any thoughts and suggestions.

Director Gambarin is excused for a point of personal privilege at 3:28PM.

President Multani suggests having Adobe collaborate for a virtual kick-off event since Director Oishi is looking for ideas for a virtual event to start the campaign during spring break.

Director Gambarin is re-recognized at 3:30PM.

Time Certain Action Item 13 opened at 3:30PM.

Time Certain ends and discussion item reopens at 3:57PM.

President Multani is excused for a point of personal privilege at 3:57PM.

Director Oishi concludes by asking anyone with any ideas or suggestions to get in touch with her ASAP so that she can continue with finalizing the marketing materials and spreading the word about the events.

B. New Business

2. Action Item: Vote to Approve Indian Student Organization for \$7304.20

(Controller Varshney)





Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item

M) Director Doshi S) Director Shah

Discussion: Controller Varshney shares that ISO got an updated quote from UPD for safety for their event. Executive Director also asks for clarification on their insurance communication from FD&O.

Controller Varshney moves to amend the item to increase the funding amount by \$400 for a total of \$7704.20

S) Director Oishi

Vote: 10-0-1

Amendment approved.

Representatives from ISO present their funding request. President Multani suggests not funding the food and Director Swaminathan suggests decreasing the color packets given to students to help decrease the total funding amount and make it more feasible for AS to support the event. The Directors ask for other clarification in discussing how the funded cost can be decreased. Chair Lacson clarifies that any student organization approved for funding from AS must make the event free for students. As a result, ISO will have to fund the remaining cost themselves from their existing reserves.

President Multani moves to remove the cost of the food line item and the Zip Cars and U-Haul from the total funding while keeping the cost of UPD for a total funding amount of \$4480

S) Director Shah

Controller Varshney yields time to ISO to clarify the costs of specific line items.

Vote: 7-0-4

Amendment approved.

Vote: 10-0-1

Action Item approved to approve Indian Student Organization for \$4,480.00.





3. Action Item: Vote to Approve A.S. Resolution in Support of a Permanent Ceasefire in Gaza

(Director Guzman)

Director Shah moves to table Action Item indefinitely until Director Shah and Director Guzman can meet with the groups to further discuss the Resolution

S) Director Guzman

Vote: 11-0-0

Action Item tabled indefinitely.

4. Action Item: Vote to Appoint Conrad Avery as a Student at Large from Finance Committee

(Controller Varshney)

Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item

M) President Multani

S) Director Swaminathan

Discussion: Controller Varshney shares that Conrad reached out to him with interest in joining the committee and has stated that his schedule works with the Wednesday afternoon meeting days and times.

Vote: 11-0-0

Action Item approved to appoint Conrad Avery as a Student-at-Large to Finance Committee.

Chair Lacson passes the gavel to Director Gambarin at 4:31PM and is excused.

5. Action Item: Vote to Appoint Sishir Mattipalli as a Student at Large from Finance Committee

(Controller Varshney)

Chair Gambarin recommends a motion to open Action Item

M) Director Shah

S) Director Guzman





Discussion: Controller Varshney shares that Sishir also reached out to him with interest in joining the committee and he moved his class schedule in order to be available during meetings which shows his commitment and interest.

Vote: 10-0-0

Action Item approved to appoint Sishir Mattipalli as a Student-at-Large to Finance Committee.

Controller Varshney is excused for a point of personal privilege at 4:32PM.

President Multani moves to amend the name in the Action Item from “Sishit” to “Sishir”

S) Director Guzman

Vote: 9-0-0

Amendment approved.

6. Action Item: Vote to Appoint Artur Gafurov as a Student-at-Large to Internal Affairs

(Director Gambarin)

Chair Gambarin recommends a motion to open Action Item

M) Director Guzman S) Director Shah

Discussion: Chair Gambarin explains that Artur’s schedule has been changed so he is now once again able to serve on the committee.

Vote: 9-0-0

Action Item approved to appoint Artur Gafurov as a Student-at-Large to Internal Affairs.

7. Action Item: Vote to Remove Nivegna Lagadapti from the Student Success Committee of Academic Senate

(President Multani)

Chair Gambarin recommends a motion to open Action Item





M) Director Shah S) President Multani

Discussion: President Multani shares that Nivegna can no longer keep up with the commitment of the committee.

Vote: 9-0-0

Action Item approved to remove Nivegna Lagadapi from the Student Success Committee of Academic Senate.

8. Action Item: Vote to Remove Venkata Sai Krishna from the Program Planning Committee of Academic Senate

(President Multani)

Chair Gambarin recommends a motion to open Action Item

M) Director Tikawala S) Director Shah

Discussion: President Multani shares that they withdrew from the committee because of other commitments.

Vote: 9-0-0

Action Item approved to remove Venakata Sai Krishna from the Program Planning Committee of Academic Senate.

9. ~~Action Item: Vote to Remove Barbara Boone from the Program Planning Committee of Academic Senate~~

(President Multani)

10. Action Item: Vote to Remove Yashasvi Khotha from the Student Fairness Committee of Academic Senate

(President Multani)

Chair Gambarin recommends a motion to open Action Item

M) Director Guzman S) Director Swaminathan

Discussion: President Multani shares that Yashasvi has a class conflict and can no longer attend meetings.





Vote: 9-0-0

Action Item approved to remove Yashasvi Khotra from the Student Fairness Committee of Academic Senate

11. Action Item: Vote to Move or Cancel our March 27th, 2024 BOD Meeting
(President Multani)

Chair Gambarin recommends a motion to open Action Item

M) Director Oishi S) Director Tikawala

Discussion: President Multani shares that he was hoping to move or cancel the meeting so that anyone interested in attending the Spartan Success Series event he is putting on could do so. However, many important items have been tabled at today's meeting and Director Shah also shares that she will be bringing up some other important Action Items at the next meeting and asks that the meeting still be held and everyone who can attend to please do so.

Controller Varshney is re-recognized at 4:40PM.

President Multani moves to table Action Item indefinitely.

S) Director Guzman

Vote: 10-0-0

Action Item tabled indefinitely.

12. Discussion Item: Bylaws Updates
(Director Gambarin)

Discussion: Director Gambarin shares updates on the Director responsibilities changes and the accountability system and asks for the last round of feedback and suggestions from the rest of the Board by this weekend so she can move forward with making the final changes.

13. Action Item: Vote to Approve Child Development Center (CDC) Fees (Time Certain: 3:30PM)
(Executive Director Allen)





Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item
M) President Multani S) Director Guzman

Vote: 11-0-0

Action Item opened.

Discussion: CDC Director Jane presents their tuition increase proposal for next year.

Director Shah is excused for a point of personal privilege at 3:37PM.

President Multani shares some suggestions about fees for staff and faculty.

Director Shah is re-recognized at 3:39PM.

Controller Varshney asks for clarification on the change in revenue from last year to this year due to the opening of a new classroom, as well as the details of the accreditation. Some Directors share concerns about how high the cost for students is already. Executive Director Allen clarifies the importance of the accreditation and explains more about the breakdown of fees and how fees get offset for and from certain groups. Chair Lacson comments that these fees are still lower compared to other resources in the area and Director Jane adds that parents look for quality over price to ensure safety and being able to trust the place they leave their children with for long periods of time each day. Controller Varshney shares his concern that student fees might be serving parents other than students with children in the CDC who might also be affected by the general CSU tuition increase. Director Guzman asks for clarification on what basis the tuition increase was decided on. Director Jane also clarifies that these tuition increases don't affect student parents which is a separate fee voted on by the Board each year. Directors ask CDC Director Jane to provide them with some breakdowns and details for them to make a more informed decision at the next Board meeting.

President Multani moves to table this item to the next Board meeting
S) Director Guzman

Vote: 11-0-0

Action Item tabled until the next Board meeting.





XII. Executive Officer Reports (4 minutes each)

A. President

President Multani shares updates about the Athletics Board, the Tower Board, and his experience at CHESS over the weekend.

a. Personnel Committee

Nothing to report.

B. Vice President

Nothing to report.

a. A.S. 55

Chair Gambarin shares Vice President Lacson's request for Directors to spread the word about nominations as well as nominate people themselves for AS 55.

C. Controller

Controller Varshney reports that \$120,569.01 has been approved to RSOs so far.

a. Finance Committee

No report.

XIII. Directors' Reports (3 minutes each)

A. Director of Academic Affairs

Nothing to report.

a. Academic Affairs Committee

Director Doshi shares that the Provost's Office has offered to do some analysis based on the survey data so that the Academic Affairs committee can discuss accordingly. She notes that the survey should be sent out soon. She also shares about discussions regarding recruitment for Students-at-Large as well as discussions about changing the start time of finals.

B. Director of Business Affairs

Director Tikawala shares about working with the Search committee for appointing a Garden Coordinator, as well as setting up banners outside other AS departments to promote the Print Center's resources and services.

a. Operations Committee

No report.

C. Director of Co-Curricular Affairs





Director Swaminathan shares discussions regarding an AI event at the start of the Fall 2024 semester as well as connecting with the Dean of Business Affairs for a department-wide innovation event. She also highlights a couple policies passed by the Curriculum and Research Committee regarding humane care standards in the research departments on campus.

a. Programming Board

Director Swaminathan shares more details about their collaboration event with RSOs and Academic Affairs for Wellness Week at the end of the month.

D. Director of Communications

Director Chevis-Rose shares updates on social media engagement and updates, his experience at CHESS, as well as updates to social media regarding the Resource Fair and Spartan Community Fund, and collaborating with Academic Affairs to spread the word about the survey.

E. Director of Intercultural Affairs

Director Shah asks everyone to engage with the post about the Spartan Community Fund on social media. She also shares about receiving funding from Programming Board for a Nowruz table which will be set up in the Student Government Office for a couple days and then moved to either the CCCAC if possible or at the MOSAIC. She also shares about meeting with previous Directors from the 2014-2015 school year who passed the original divestment resolution regarding a possible Boycott resolution for this year.

a. Multicultural Affairs Committee

Director Shah shares that Dr. Fuentes-Martin and Dr. Dukes attended the meeting.

Chair Gambarin shares Vice President Lacson's report at this time (4:59PM).

F. Director of Internal Affairs

Director Gambarin shares about attending CHESS, and reminds everyone about this Friday's In-Service and Academic Senate meetings on Monday. She also shares that she will be attending a Women's Leadership and Policy summit over the weekend. She also asks everyone to take care of themselves.

a. Internal Affairs Committee

Director Gambarin reiterates her request for feedback and thoughts about the bylaws which will have an upcoming first reading.





G. Director of Legislative Affairs

Director Guzman thanks all the Directors that attended CSSA and CHESS over the weekend. He also gives updates on specific bills that were voted on during the events of the weekend. He shares about meetings with State Representatives and State Senators during Advocacy Day on Monday in Sacramento.

a. Lobby Corps

Nothing to report.

H. Director of Student Resource Affairs

Director Brown shares discussions with his liaisons.

a. Campus Life Affairs Committee

Director Brown shares updates and feedback about the Campus Resource Fair and the debrief that happened in the committee meeting on Friday after the event. He also shares about discussions for the collaboration event with Director Oishi for Sustainability Month and a separate event for sharing resources regarding sustainability on campus.

I. Director of Student Rights and Responsibilities

No report.

J. Director of Sustainability

Director Oishi shares that she has been working on the Sustainability Campaign and thanks Programming Board and Campus Life Affairs for their funding and support.

XIV. Ad Hoc Committees

No Ad Hoc Committees.

XV. Closed Session

I. Action Item: Vote to Approve the Appointment of A.S. Executive Director Vicki Allen as the Interim Student Union Executive Director for 8 Weeks (with Memo of Understanding)

(President Multani)

Chair Gambarin recommends a motion to open Action Item, enter a closed session, and invites Recording Secretary





M) Director Guzman

S) Director Oishi

During closed session, Chair Gambarin recommends a motion to extend this meeting by 10 minutes to end at 5:40PM.

M) Director Guzman

S) President Multani

Vote: 10-0-0

Meeting is extended by 10 minutes to end at 5:40PM.

Open Session Discussion resumes. Advisors and attendees re-enter the meeting room.

Director Shah is excused at 5:36PM.

Director Doshi is excused for a point of personal privilege at 5:38PM.

Director Brown is excused for a point of personal privilege at 5:38PM.

Chair Gambarin recommends a motion to extend the meeting by 5 minutes to end at 5:45PM.

M) Director Guzman

S) President Multani

Vote: 7-0-0

Meeting is extended by 5 minutes to end at 5:45PM.

Director Brown is re-recognized at 5:39PM.

Recording Secretary completes roll call vote:

1. President Multani – Aye
2. Vice President Lacson –
3. Controller Varshney - Abstain
4. Director Doshi –
5. Director Tikawala – Aye
6. Director Swaminathan – Aye
7. Director Chevis Rose – Aye
8. Director Shah –
9. Director Guzman – Aye
10. Director Brown – Aye





- 11. Director Khehra –
- 12. Director Oishi – Aye
- 13. Director Gambarin –

Vote: 7-0-1

Action Item approved to appoint AS Executive Director Vicki Allen as the Interim Student Union Executive Director for 8 Weeks (with Memo of Understanding)

Director Doshi is re-recognized at 5:41PM.

XVI. Announcements

Executive Director Allen shares that lunch will be provided during the In-Service on Friday. President Multani shares updates about his final initiatives to close out the year.

XVII. Adjournment

Chair Gambarin recommends a motion to adjourn the meeting

M) Director Guzman

S) Director Swaminathan

Discussion: *No discussion.*

Vote: 9-0-0

Meeting adjourns at 5:44PM.

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Ariana Lacson

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ROLL CALL

NAME	Attendance
President Multani	X
Vice President Lacson	X
Controller Varshney	X
Director Doshi	X
Director Tikawala	X
Director Swaminathan	X
Director Chevis-Rose	X
Director Shah	X
Director Guzman	X
Director Brown	X
Director Khehra	A
Director Oishi	X
Director Gambarin	X
Non-voting Members	
Executive Director Allen	X
Dr. Daniels	A
Guests	
Kingson Leung	AS Advisor
Janely Pulido	AS Advisor
CDC Director Jane Zamora	AS CDC

Samuel Aranovich	Students Supporting Israel
Silky Nigenda	Honors X
Maryam A	Muslim Student Association
Sofia Calderon	Meeha
Salma	SJP
Fatema	ABSA
Sishir Mattipalli	Candidate for Finance Committee

Legend:

X – Present

A - Absent