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**Associated Students
San Francisco State University**

**Executive Committee
15th September, 2021
Time - 2:00 PM
Zoom call**

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Minutes**

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00PM.

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda for today's BOD meeting.

Moved by Jennifer Valencia (VP of Academic Affairs), Seconded by Fatimah Ogunmowo (VP of Internal Affairs)

Motion to add CFA (California Faculty Association) Executive Board introduction to the agenda.

Moved by Ja'Corey Bowens (VP of External Affairs), Seconded by Jennifer Valencia (VP of Academic Affairs)

Ja'Corey Bowens (VP of External Affairs) pointed out that it would be a great opportunity for all of the BOD members to meet with the California faculty Association's executive board and introduce ourselves.

Yes : 6 No: None Abstain: None

Motion is approved.

Yes : 6 No: None Abstain: None

Motion is approved.

IV. Approval of Minutes

None.

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V. Open Forum

None.

VI. Closed Session

None.

VII. Discussion Items

a. General Exec Updates - Joshua Rudy Ochoa (President)

The Committee will discuss general updates from executive officers.

Ja'Corey Bowens (VP of External Affairs), pointed out that they are working very closely to figure out the exact schedule for CSU chancellor's visit to San Francisco State University. He also pointed out that Karina sent out an email a while ago, and if anybody's interested in meeting with the chancellor then they are encouraged to follow up with the email. He also pointed out that some of the things that they would be talking about would include expanding survivor support program to the entire CSU University system, expanding healthcare services specifically designed towards serving Queer student populations, and finally they would be talking about housing and basic needs. He also pointed out that the external affairs committee is also working hard to figure out a method to mitigate the issue of heavy parking tax.

Joshua Rudy Ochoa (President), pointed out that he's very proud of the work that **Ja'Corey Bowens (VP of External Affairs)** has been doing with his position as the VP of external affairs committee.

Nia Hall (VP of Finance), pointed out the finance committee met with Gaby and Lee from student activities and events to really figure out, and learn about when student clubs and organizations are able to be registered, so that the finance committee can be open to have org funding to be open. She also pointed out that there are some revisions that are being carried out to the student or the funding handbook when considering the fact that most of the organizations would not be able to meet in person this semester. She also pointed out that Greek organizations can also request for funding just like any other student organization on campus.

James Aguilar (Chief Justice), also pointed out that the rules committee has changed its meeting times and now the committee meets on Tuesdays biweekly from 11 to 12 PM. He also pointed out that they are also reworking the grievances policy system so that it could be really used to support the needs of people who are affected and is easier for the students to understand.

Tatiana Orellena (VP of Facilities & Operations), pointed out that the facilities and operations committee has been working very closely on expanding gator groceries and a resolution is being written which is in progress. She also pointed out that as of the present moment this program is fully funded by grants and so the committee's aim is to make sure that we can progress to find a way to fund this program by just not being dependent on grants itself.

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Jennifer Valencia (VP of Academic Affairs), also pointed out that her committee is looking for a new time for meeting. Also pointed out that last week the comedy finally made a decision to meet biweekly instead of weekly. She also pointed out that the committee has been working really closely to figure out how they can better help support the college reps so that they can host open forums, reach out to different BOD members and also figure out different ways that they could be supported.

Mr. Trey Williams (Interim Associate Vice President for Student Life & Dean of Students), also posed a clarifying question to **Jennifer Valencia (VP of Academic Affairs)** saying that he is a bit unfamiliar with the use of the term in equitable academic spaces. To which **Jennifer Valencia (VP of Academic Affairs)** replied by saying that some student populations that have reached out to her have expressed issues regarding how they have faced anti-blackness, racial injustice, and how finally going through the DPRC to get their educational accommodations has been really difficult.

Tatiana Orellena (VP of Facilities & Operations), also pointed out that the DPRC process of acquiring educational aids is very tedious as you basically need a therapist to assign you your needs and how your requirements could be met and as some students don't have insurance at our campus, for them the support system is out of their reach.

Mr. Trey Williams (Interim Associate Vice President for Student Life & Dean of Students), also pointed out that if there is any support that could be provided by the Dean's office, BOD members are more than welcomed to reach out to them for any issues. **Dr. Jamillah Moore (VP of Student Affairs & Enrollment)**, also pointed out that what **Tatiana Orellena (VP of Facilities & Operations)** might be making reference to is the diagnosis code, which is usually not handed out by the student health services here at San Francisco State University as that requires a higher level of coverage which of the university is not obligated to provide, and that might limit some number of students who don't have insurance coverage to get proper support.

b. BOD Vacancy Search- Joshua Rudy Ochoa (President)

The Board will discuss how to move forward with nominations for vacant BOD positions (Education / HSS Rep) to the AS Board of Directors.

Joshua Rudy Ochoa (President) pointed out that everyone is very stressed out on the amount of work that is being expected of them as the AS student government body right now is running a deficit for the number of VPs that we have on our board. He also pointed out again that we have to get this process started as soon as possible because the respective committees are waiting for their appropriate VP allotments so that they can start the meeting, and start doing the work that they intend to do.

Ja'Corey Bowens (VP of External Affairs), asked if any of the Exec. or the BOD members could make the social justice and equity committee up and running until the next VP of social justice and equity is hired. And secondly, he also pointed out that he feels a little bit overwhelmed by the amount of work that he has been doing, and if the members are willing to

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give time to him then he might be able to take part in the social justice and equity committee.

Joshua Rudy Ochoa (President), pointed out that you can first start off by planning the interviews for the respective positions and then once we have those interviews will make the recordings available to them as we did with the previous positions and then we will bring it to the Exec. committee for approval.

Christine Amador (Leadership Development Coordinator), pointed out that **Tyler Lewis (VP of Social Justice and Equity)** wanted the committee to start meeting already and they are waiting on the selection of the vice chair so that when the VP of Social Justice and Equity is not been hired the vice chair would be able to lead the committee until then, and then after the VP of Social Justice and Equity can take over.

Jennifer Valencia (VP of Academic Affairs), pointed out that if it was possible to transfer some of the agenda items of the social justice and equity committee up to the academic affairs committee as she pointed out that some of the goals that the social justice equity committee wanted to achieve were similar to the goals of the academic affairs committee. To which **Christine Amador (Leadership Development Coordinator)** replied by saying that in practice it could be done but since a lot of the exec and board members have willfully participated in being part of the social justice and equity committee it would be unwise to do so.

Joshua Rudy Ochoa (President) also pointed out that no because our committees report to the board the board can also be the discussion place for a lot of these issues, and **Ja'Corey Bowens (VP of External Affairs)** can bring social justice and equity committee related matters to the board as discussion items and the board can figure out a separate time that could be set off to discuss these issues.

Christine Amador (Leadership Development Coordinator), also pointed out that applications for the positions of Health & Social Sciences Rep. and VP of Social Justice & Equity are now open.

c. **CFA (California Faculty Association) Executive Board introduction to the agenda - Ja'Corey Bowens (VP of External Affairs)**

Ja'Corey Bowens (VP of External Affairs), also pointed out that the California faculty Association's executive board has a chapter on each CSU university campus and hence we also have one chapter that exists. He also pointed out that, last year they released a statement regarding how we can promote equity in an educational setting, and he also added that each and every BOD member if they have the time, should go through it and read it as it entails a lot of the goals that the BOD is advocating. He also pointed out that he would love to be a liaison if anybody is interested in being a SQE (Students for Quality Education) intern under the CFA.

VIII. Action Items

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IX. Announcements

Jennifer Valencia (VP of Academic Affairs), pointed out that as this is the LatinX heritage month, we as the student government body should make it a priority to support people of color on our campus and continue to support them.

Joshua Rudy Ochoa (President), also encourages the entire BOD members to please share the application for the health and social science Rep. on their social media handles so that proper outreaching can be done optimally.

Tonee Sherrill (AS Executive Director), also pointed out that he has reached out to **Chantel Bermudez (Chief of Staff)** about the updates regarding the survivor support program, and is collaborating with her to figure out the proper expectations that needs to be set for the program and how those will be perceived by the professional staff who would be heading this program.

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:13 PM.

Respectfully submitted by:



Samarth Annigeri (Head VP Assistant)

Approved By:



Chantel Bermudez (Chief Of Staff)

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