Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of January 17th, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER at 12:05 PM

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Nolan Calara, Kushal Sheshadri, Erick Loredo, Carlos Martinez Aguilera, London Deguzman, Guadalupe Felix, Saira Garcia, Hailey Corum, Sharn Basi, Tanya Gupta, Elijah Quineri, Charan Reddy Doolam, Ashley Depappa, My-Lan Huynh, Steve Spencer, Stephanie Ann Lustina, Christina Chin-Newman, Danny Lopez

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like to table on the same days which are likely to be Tuesdays. She adds that she would post them on the tabling spreadsheets, for those who wanted to sign up.

N. Calara states that this is a good start off event for the year for the Concord Campus and expresses his excitement. Also, adds that S. Basi will be graduating this year and there could be a new person for Director of Concord.

Motion to approve \$400.00 from the Concord Hospitality Food Budget Tabling, by **13 YES**, **0 NO**, **0 ABSTAIN**,



Doris set aside about \$600.00 from the Hospitality Non-Food Budget for this event at the beginning of the year and S. Basi will be using only \$390.00 from the budget. S. Basi asks Lauren and her team if they could edit the dates on the flyer for the Concord Campus. **N. Calara** says to email Lauren as she does not attend these meetings, but he is sure that she'll include the Concord dates.

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B. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: Food Waste Reduction Efforts

The ASI Board of Directors will be discussing the Food Waste Reduction Efforts. **H. Corum** discuss about working on decreasing food waste on campus specifically in the dining common. She reached out to the campus sustainability manager, Jennifer Sanchez, who asked energy and utilities manager who directed them to contact Cal Recycle for information. However, Cal Recycle couldn't provide insights and suggested contacting Pioneer Kitchen. Jennifer is going to be talking with Pioneer Dining for updates. H. Corum mentions



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VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS

No special Reports.

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IX. ROUND TABLE REMARKS

N. Calara states that he made a statement about ASI response to CFA strikes. He would like to seek input from the board, advisors, mentees before mass communicating the information to students.

D. Lopez states starting with the next Board of Directors, there is an expectation for all Board Members to attend in person and be punctual. Valid excuse will be considered, but consistent attendance is emphasized to focus on business incentives for more efficient operations. Failure to comply may result in consequences from Personnel.

C. Martinez-Aguilera raises concern about the statement, suggesting that it appears to encourage students to participate in picket lines. He expresses that this might not be suitable, as it could impact students attending on-campus classes, causing delay in reaching classes or campus.

L. Deguzman emphasizes the importance of financial aid workshops going live this week and want to raise awareness about the workshops. He adds that it is important for students to complete their FAFSA and DACA on time. The workshops are available on csueastbay.edu, and recordings are available for those unable to attend this week.

H. Corum responds to **C. Martinez-Aguilera** regarding concerns about picket lines. She states that students can walk around the picket lines and drive to alternative parking spaces on campus. The timeline of students being affected by staff not being treated equally is important than students needing to walk to the other side of the campus.

C. Martinez-Aguilera states the plan was to have two picket lines on each side of the campus, potentially affecting students who have classes during that time.

H. Corum asks the purpose of a strike.

C. Martinez-Aguilera states that efforts are being made to reach agreement for better resources for the faculty

encourage both parties to return to the negotiation table to get a fair contract, rather than focusing on joining picket lines.

C. Chin-Newman expresses gratitude for the drafted letter of support. Jeff Newcomb, CFA Chapter President, was invited to today's meeting and apologizes for not coming. She understands if ASI decides to revise the statement based on feedback. She emphasizes that individual faculty and students will make decisions regarding picket lines, highlighting varying situations. **C. Chin-Newman** clarifies that campus access won't be restricted during the strike, acknowledging potential traffic restrictions. She is working on the Senate Newsletter and it's going to include the links to the FAQ 's. There are two FAQ 's you could include, there's the CFA FAQ and the official university, FAQ from the management. She clarifies the misleading messages about CFA's funding request leading layoffs and clarifies the stance against student fee hikes and appreciates efforts to address misinformation.

S. Spencer suggests simple word changes to the statement to address concerns and create a more inclusive message. He proposes adding a statement at the end encouraging students to join while respecting and honoring everyone's individual stance. **S. Spencer** acknowledges the challenging times and expresses uncertainty about his feeling but commend the Board Member for their work. He emphasizes the diverse opinions and suggests that stating respect for individual stances would be beneficial in the statement.

C. Chin-Newman states it would be helpful for students to understand that the union represent not only the professors that teach in the classroom, but also coaches, librarian faculty, counseling faculty that work in mental health services. She highlights the unpredictability of strikes, citing a pervious instance where plans were canceled last minute due to a settlement. **C. Chin-Newman** emphasizes the potential impact on counseling appointments and suggest clarifying this to students. She mentions the possibility of a third-party intervention, possibly from California State Legislators, could resolve the situation. **C. Chin-Newman** encourages alternative ways to show supports, such as contacting elected representatives, and emphasizes the uncertainty of the strike's duration, which could extend beyond a week.

N. Calara states from the recommendations from the Board Members is to include the FAQ 's from the CSU and CFA in the links below. He will modify the sentence about recommending joining picket lines to include a statement that students also have the freedom to not participate but could expect heavy traffic or limited services, especially in the library or the Student Health Center due to librarians and counselors participating in the strike.

S. Spencer states he received a letter from a student from their teacher encouraging them to drop a kinesiology class due to uncertainties related to the strikes. They told all student athletes to not change their schedules or drop classes. He seeks guidance on how to address this issue.

H. Corum states that she was in a kinesiology class right before the



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Daniel Kristofferson Lopez (Feb 12, 202413:26PST)