



Student Advocacy Committee Minutes 20-01

Friday, September 27, 2019 2:30

ASI Conference Room USU 3700

Student Advocacy Committee
 2019-2020

Members

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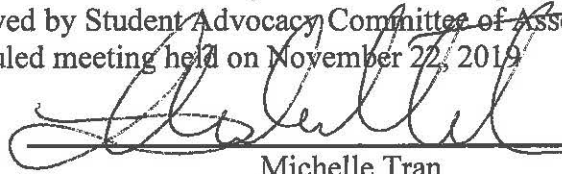
Ashley Fennell
oc.. Director, Government Affairs & Initiatives

ITEM	SUBJECT	PRESENTER
01	Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 2:31 pm	Michelle Tran Chair
02	Roll Call Present: Shay, Keith, Gabby, Tim, Emily, Shovan, Inique, Rylee, Devon, Nick, Arianna, Genesis, Eliese, Richard, Michelle Jason Schreiber, Annie Macias serving for Ashley Fennell	Michelle Tran Chair
03	Recognition of Guests Jaelyn Freeman, Kenny Tran, Mariana Rosales, Veranee Cinnapong,	Michelle Tran Chair
04 Action	Approval of Agenda Richard Motions to approve the agenda Devon-2 nd None opposed, abstained Motion carries	Michelle Tran Chair
05 Action	Approval of Minutes Gabby motions to approve the minutes Keith -2 nd None opposed, abstained Motion carries	Michelle Tran Chair
06 Information	Open Forum None	Michelle Tran Chair
07 Information	Overview of Student Advocacy Committee Description: Vice President SUA Michelle Tran will present an overview of the Student Advocacy Committee as well as roles and responsibilities of committee members. Fiscal Impact: None Presenter reviewed ASI bylaws for Student Advocacy Committee (SAC) specifically highlighting duties and responsibilities. She explained the overall process of SAC meetings. She mentioned members should come to meetings with information both for and against proposals and be ready to discuss those stances. She further clarified that any and all proposals can be brought to her, she will simply ensure the members are given the proper template for said proposal.	Michelle Tran Vice President of Student & University Affairs
08 Information	CSSA September Plenary Report Description: President Kenny Tran and Vice President SUA Michelle Tran will provide a review of the CSSA September Plenary and items to consider. Fiscal Impact: None Kenny recognized the success of the first CSSA plenary meeting hosted by CSUSM the past weekend. Michelle went over the priorities of CSSA listed in the CSSA packet provided and shown during the meeting. This serves as an ongoing template as to what topics should be discussed in SAC meetings. Discussion of the "4 th year math" requirement ensued and questions regarding the impact this would have on inner city schools and/or schools with less expendable money. A number of different courses can fulfill the 4th year math requirement. However, the contention presented was that schools in more	Michelle Tran Vice President of Student & University Affairs Kenny Tran President

	<p>wealthy districts can offer many courses that will meet this requirement however those without the same money would only be able to offer potentially one making it a disproportionate burden to students at schools with less income.</p> <p>Michelle acknowledged these concerns and explained the room for flexibility that is within this requirement. A main point of concern is if there is currently enough resources to even introduce the requirement.</p> <p>Jason and Annie encouraged the members to do their due diligence on this topic as it effects many and its implications are vast. Contacting teachers, deans, and students was highly encouraged.</p> <p>Michelle discussed the Basic Act where \$500 Million dollars in competitive grants will be added to address basic needs. Currently there are basic needs legislation in act on a state level but this would be the first on a larger educational level. This was an act Michelle and Lobby Corps lobbied for last academic year.</p> <p>Questions about the Basic act were asked and it was said the main focus of the funding would be towards Pell Grants and FAFSA Michelle answered questions and explained the transparency bill wants to overturn a ban that prevents the tracking of different graduation outcomes. Michelle offered herself to answer any more questions and encouraged the members to look out for a census that is coming out as this will be a big talking point around the implications of collecting data. Specifically, there are more data collection in areas where they typically don't have information on. This is for the purpose of finding ways to serve these communities.</p> <p>Michelle clarified that SAC decides the campus position that Kenny will use to vote at CSSA on behalf of CSUSM. There is no current date for when these acts and bills will become action items at CSSA.</p>	
<p>09 Discussion</p>	<p>Dining Hall Update Description: President Kenny Tran will provide CSUSM Dining Facility updates to the committee. Fiscal Impact: None Kenny presented the information given and explained the coronation will present at the next BOD meeting with more in-depth and accurate information. Many members express a shared concern about the proposed pricing. Members expressed the concern that this will do little not nothing to combat food insecurity and in fact could contribute to food insecurity, as this is not an affordable price point for college students. The committee discussed pricing and it was questioned why pricing for different years was differing. It was also discussed as to who will be required to purchase a meal plan. The members appreciated the sustainable aspects of the proposal as well as the food options such as vegan and gluten-free foods. The plan to roll out the dining hall in Fall 2020 and its location will be under the Quad.</p>	<p>Kenny Tran President</p>
<p>10 Discussion</p>	<p>Recommendations for Lobby Corps Policy Agenda Description: In the development of a policy agenda, committee members shall make recommendations of advocacy priorities for Lobby Corps to consider. Fiscal Impact: None Michelle explained she wants SAC to help decide what issues Lobby Corps should focus on, she took notes on the board and the topics of interest were: housing insecurity basic needs mental health parking reform disabled student- heightened elevator access</p>	<p>Michelle Tran Vice President of Student & University Affairs</p>

	grad initiative sexual assault violence awareness Committee will further deliberated and members will connect with Michelle.	
11 Information	Announcements Genesis: Kids Zone will hopefully be implemented this semester during Cougar Fest. There is a babysitter list and registry for students who want to be on-call as babysitters. Jason: Wednesday 9am in palm court - donuts with the dean event. ASI will have a table. November 12 th roundtable USU ballroom talking about success stories U-Hour	Michelle Tran Chair
12 Action	Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at the will of the chair at 3:48pm	Michelle Tran Chair

I, Michelle Tran 19/20 ASI Vice President of Student & University Affairs and Chair of Student Advocacy Committee hereby certify that the above minutes were approved by Student Advocacy Committee of Associated Students, Inc., at a regularly scheduled meeting held on November 22, 2019



 Michelle Tran

11/8/20

 Date

Tips for Committee Members/Attendees

1. Read the agenda and attachments before the meeting
2. First reading items: ask questions, air concerns, make suggestions
3. Between meetings: ask questions, air concerns make suggestions.
Build support for or against. Prepare amendments.
4. Second reading items (ACTION): Have a positions: aye or nay.
Questions not disallowed, but less appropriate. Questions may not get answered.
5. Debates are principally about proposals, not about people who wrote them.
6. Visitors should sign in before the meeting.
7. Reports: listen and ask questions on the report.

CSSA September Plenary Report
September 21-22, 2019
Location: CSUSM

To the Student Advocacy Committee,

This past CSSA plenary was the first standing meeting of the academic year, and remarkably located at CSUSM. Thank you to board members who volunteered in the organization of the conference. The items reviewed among the CSSA board are listed below for CSUSM and ASI board members to consider. Attached are links provided in the CSSA agenda.

CSSA Policy Agenda: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1gatUhwjHtHkskJGZWm2jsqvaqaUn0G/view>

Systemwide Affairs to Consider:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1k3OE9ohWrkHA9WPkgnuwqBMLUe1suzvS>

- Quantitative Reasoning Requirement
 - Background
 - <https://www2.calstate.edu/csu-system/board-of-trustees/PastNotices/Documents/20190819-10-Day-Meeting-Notice-Ed-Policy-Open-Forum-August-29-2019.pdf>

Legislation to Consider:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1KzZbkC0AFaxo3C4mThcg2c3MIwCFEII>

- S.2225 (Harris) – Basic Assistance for Students in College (BASIC) Act
 - Would establish a \$500 million competitive grant program that would be awarded directly to higher education institutions to identify and address their students basic needs. The legislation defines basics needs as food, housing, transportation, child care, and technology.
 - Recommended bill position: SUPPORT
- S.800 (Cassidy/Warren) – College Transparency Act
 - Would overturn a 2008 ban on the federal data system to prohibit tracking of employment and graduation outcomes of college students. The legislation aims to provide better information about college patterns, post-collegiate outcomes, higher-education costs, and federal financial aid. Act also strives to collect accurate reporting on student outcomes such as enrollment, completion, and post-college success

Action Passed this Plenary: N/A

Signed,

Michelle Tran
Vice President of Student & University Affairs