Senate Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER at 4:01 PM

II. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Krisstina Caro, Jose Simon Carmona, Arazeli Barragan, Justin Withers, Jilian Manlapaz, Emily Flores, Erin Quineri, Jazzmin Matthews, Zandrae Chan, Ashley Medeiros, Omar Alvarez Espinosa, Kristopher Disharoon, Tyler Luevano

Late: Tayla Beasley, Jacoby Young

Absent: Isaac Ibarra

Excused: Neilah Peku, Jill Nelsen, Anjelica de Leon

III. **ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda of November 19, 2021, by A. Barragan, second by Z. Chan, motion CARRIED.

IV. **ACTION ITEM - Approval of the Minutes of November 5, 2021**

Motion to approve the agenda of November 5, 2021, by A. Barragan, second by O. Espinosa, motion CARRIED.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT - Public Comment is intended as a time for any member of thepublic to address the Senate on any issues affecting ASI and/or the California State University, East Bay.

No public comment.

3:30

VI. **UNFINISHED ITEMS:**

No unfinished items.

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VII. **NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:**

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- A. DISCUSSION ITEM Transfer Student Funding Request
 - The Senate will discuss a funding request for the Senator of Transfer Students.
 - **O. Espinosa** requests \$2,000 for the purpose to use on expenditures for 3 to 4 events for transfer students. I have an example budget for each event which will have some stress goodies such as stress balls, energy drinks, fidget toys, and a motivational quote. That is estimated about \$200 with catering being coffee and pastries. Depending on availability, we will look at what

or form a word for it. We will discuss what personal actions people can take after this and they are invited to share. There will be an audience moment where students can come up and raise their hand to share what is on their mind or how they are feeling. Then we can have a discussion about that as we approach closing. We will end with the counselor discussing the different resources that students can benefit from in the way of counseling like an emergency crisis and couples counseling, because we have a lot to offer the students. We will end by raising down the energy of the group with a gratitude practice and or a breathing moment. That is a little bit of the structure and some things to do with marketing such as promoting flyers throughout housing, and I am in touch with the President of Resident Housing Association. Bringing it back to a full circle, this is the level of detail that I want in these events, and I have made various contacts throughout the past month.

transfer student departments. That is where my energy is for the upcoming semester. I do plan on having more events that are hybrid which I would love help from the Senator of Online Students or someone who sees how we can help these students. I know that I am going to host through transfer students programs. I am meeting with one of their ambassadors this upcoming week then I will be providing suggestions on this event and how they can contribute or what ways they can contribute to similar events for online students. My focus for the most part will be on housing and the help from other people to expand and extend to those who are remote.

- **A. Barragan** states you are emphasizing housing but people who are not in housing, would they be able to attend? Even for future events where people do not live on campus because most of transfer students are commuters.
- **O. Espinosa** answers one of the things I discussed with Kristopher is how I can target and be more specific with those students. We are mostly a commuter school and I understand the statistics show that undergraduates consist about 63% or 67% of transfer students. For this upcoming one, it will be taking place at Lassen Hall, and it will be only allowed for those who are residents. I am currently in touch with Pioneer Kitchen so I can reserve a spot for an upcoming for any student. That is dependent on the venue that I choose which is why I am reaching out to people who can make an appearance even if they are not in housing.
- K. Caro states I know this week, this is a discussion item then our next meeting on December 3rd, we are voting on it as an action item. I am unsure if this effects your December 2nd event. Do you know anything about that Kris?
- **K. Disharoon** answers that it should not because it is not in the budget for this event but for the ones next semester.
- **K.** Caro asks if there are any other questions or discussion.

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VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS:

No special reports.

17:11

IX. **ROUND TABLE REMARKS**

K. Caro states I am working with the graphic designer for ASI because I want all of you on our ASI website. We need to have our headshots taken and put on the ASI website as well as on the screen outside of the University Unions. I am trying to decide whether to do that after Winter break or before finals weeks which is next week. I will be sending an email which we can vote on

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a date we are all available. Also, I sent out an email on Wednesday so if you all check your emails and state what you will be saying in your special report. If you have any questions, feel free to let me or Simon know. Since you all have access to your Senate email address now, you should also have access to Slack which you can download on your phone or laptop. Slack is a good resource for you all to get in touch with me or some of our staff members. For myself, I have been sending Slack messages to Erik every day for any questions that I have which I receive an answer quickly. When you are sending your weekly updates, I have only been receiving a few. You should also be sending them to AJ, Kabir, Simon, and myself. There is one to send at 5:00 PM today which you can send after this meeting. I am trying to set a new meeting time for next semester as I do not prefer meeting on Fridays at this time. Last year, they had it during UU hours which I am going to try to push that. I wanted to let everyone know so that you can work it out in your schedules which the times would be 12:15 PM to 1:15 PM on either Tuesday or Thursday. I am aiming to have them on Thursday. Nothing is official but if that does not work for you, please let me know as soon as possible. Simon and I would like to have personal check ins aside from the Senate meetings.

- **J. Carmona** states that the check in will be the first time we meet face to face, or it can be on Zoom. I would love to check in and get an update on the task list or how things are going especially with the semester ending soon. If you are busy during the week, I understand but want to make sure things are taken care of, but we can accommodate to meet on the weekends. We will be sending emails on what time works.
- **O. Espinosa** mentions that I included the link for the event form, or would you want me to send you that link for when you send out an email to everyone?
- **K.** Caro answers I can copy this to include it.
- Z. Chan states that I will want to make

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J. Manlapaz states that they recently attended the Campus Safety Walk. If anyone has any concerns that you have observed on campus, please let me know because I want that to be