



# ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, INC.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FULLERTON™

## Governance Meeting Minutes October 12, 2017

### CALL TO ORDER

Jesse Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 02:31 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Members present: Rodriguez, Gelrud, Jakel, Sheppard, and Snyder

Members absent:

**\*\*Indicates that the member was in attendance for a portion of the meeting, but not in attendance prior to the announcement of Unfinished Business. [According to the by-laws, a member of the board who is not in attendance prior to the announcement of Unfinished Business is considered not to be in attendance.]**

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**(M)** Jakel **(S)** Sheppard moved to approve the agenda as presented.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

### Time Certain

### PUBLIC SPEAKERS

Rodriguez stated that each public speaker would be allocated 1 minute to speak. Michael Gandara spoke regarding supporting the resolution. Gandara shared students concerns towards Milo's Yiannopoulos' Appearance at CSUF. Elijah Grubbs supported the resolution. Grobbs shared his opinion and concerns towards Milo Yiannopoulos.

Kaitlin Alcautara urge to support the resolution. Alcautara, expressed her concerns and opinions towards Milo Yiannopoulos.

Ryan Young supported the resolution. Young expressed his opinion towards Milo Yiannopoulos.

Kindsey Warwick spoke on behalf of the Graduate Counseling Student Association. She expressed how the entire staff believed it was essential to support positivity.

Nicole Chavez expressed her opinion and concerns towards Milo Yiannopoulos.

Liz Sanchez, spoke on behalf of Students for Quality Education (SQE). Sanchez encouraged the committee to attend the Unity Block Party where positivity was the focus. There were workshops and activities accessible to students. Sanchez expressed the support towards the resolution.

Brittany Gos stated she worked with a coalition of students who promote social change. Gos expressed support of the resolution..

Dennio Salgado spoke on behalf of the Latina Student Physiological Association (LSPA). Salgado stated that the LSPA was involved with the Unity Block Party. Salgado informed the committee that students and faculty led the workshops.

Brooke Paz, College Republican, event coordinator spoke on behalf of her college. She expressed her opinion towards not denouncing Milo Yiannopoulos appearance at CSU Fullerton.

Ryan Hoskins, expressed his opinion towards free speech. Hoskins asked the committee to stay neutral.

Logan Vournas, previous Vice President from Cal State Long Beach. They asked to support resolution by not staying neutral.

### REPORT:

**Director of Administration**

No report.

**REPORTS- Chair**

Rodriguez informed the committee that he was working on an ASI Resolution Recognizing Indigenous Peoples Day.

Gelrud stated that he was interested in potentially being a co-sponsor.

**Unfinished Business**

- a. **Discussion: Policy Statement 506, Concerning Elections Commissioner** (M) Rodriguez (S) Sheppard moved to table discussion item infidelity.

**New Business**

- a. **Action: Policy Statement 506, Concerning Elections Commissioner** **Governance 17/18 008** (M) Snyder (S) Sheppard moved to consider striking Policy Statement concerning Elections Commissioner.

Rodriguez yielded to Jakel.

Jakel asked, why was Policy Statement 506 needed to be struck.

Rodriguez stated that the information regarding Elections Commissioner was included in the Policy Statements and the Bylaws.

Rodriguez yielded to McDoniel to elaborate.

McDoniel stated that 2016-2017 Board of Directors assessed the ASI Bylaws and not Policy 506.

The information regarding the Elections Commissioner was included in the Policy Statement and the Bylaws.

McDoniel stated that it is safe to strike since it is stated in the Bylaws.

**Governance 17/18 008, Motion passed.**

- b. **Action: Approval of ASI Resolution Denouncing Milo Yiannopoulos' Troll Academy Tour** **Governance 17/18 009** (M) Sheppard (S) Gelrud moved to consider approving ASI Resolution denouncing Milo Yiannopoulos Troll Academy Tour.

Rodriguez informed the committee they would review the resolution and allow questions. Rodriguez would yield to Elizabeth Jimenez Perez, College of Humanities and Social Sciences Director to answer questions. Rodriguez stated that the committee would make amendments and approve individually. Finally, the committee would approve the resolution as a whole.

Rodriguez yielded to Jimenez Perez.

Perez expressed her opinion towards Milo Yiannopoulos.

Perez continued to review the resolution.

Rodriguez yielded to Jason Bonney, College of Health and Human Development Director.

Bonney asked, how can the Students for Quality Education (SQE) state they support all students when they do not support the Black Initiative?

Rodriguez explained the intent of the Unity Block Party to be a peaceful party to celebrate diversity, community, and education hosted by students for SQE and several supporting student organization in an effort to endorse a positive celebration of diversity and community empowerment.

Rodriguez yielded to Jakel.

Jakel asked, what is your goal in passing the resolution?

Rodriguez yielded to Jimenez Perez to answer Jakel's question.

Perez stated that the goal is to protect students who were feeling threatened and continue to support the communities.

Rodriguez yielded to Sheppard.

Sheppard asked, is our goal to protect all communities on campus or to not support one specific group on campus.

Jimenez Perez answered it is ASI's duty to protect the specific community that was being targeted.

Rodriguez asked if there are any amendments to the Resolution.

Sheppard suggested for the resolution to follow ASI mission statement and to continue supporting students. Sheppard suggested for the resolution to have a focus on supporting students versus denouncing Milo Yiannopoulos' Appearance at CSU Fullerton.

Rodriguez stated that the purpose of the resolution was to denounce Milo Yiannopoulos appearance. Rodriguez clarified that any changes to the rhetoric would defeat the purpose of the resolution.

Rodriguez yielded to Jakel.

Jakel stated that the resolution does not stand with ASI Mission statement,

The Associated Students, CSUF, Inc. (ASI) is the recognized student government at California State University, Fullerton, advocating student interests on-campus and in local, state and national forums. The ASI strives to develop relevant and quality-minded services, facilities, and experiences, which are responsive to members of the campus and surrounding communities.

The ASI fosters meaningful student development opportunities through leadership, volunteer, and employment experiences. In addition to out-of-classroom learning opportunities, the ASI provides campus community members with important social, cultural, and recreational opportunities as well as a wide range of programs and services. In recognition of its responsibility to enhance student life, the ASI encourages and supports the activities of all California State University, Fullerton recognized student organizations whose activities stimulate individual and group participation within the university community

Rodriguez yielded to Gelrud.

Gelrud asked what action would the resolution implement.

Rodriguez stated that the resolution does not state Milo Yiannopoulos is not allowed to appear at CSUF. ASI would take a stance that Milo Yiannopoulos actions does not align with ASI priorities and values of student government.

Rodriguez yielded to Jakel.

Jakel stated that the resolution champions on diversity for ethnicity and genders for all community differences throughout all the whereas. However, the resolution lacked diversity and political ideology throughout.

Rodriguez yielded to Bonney.

Bonney asked what financial burden would ASI take by housing the event?

Rodriguez clarified that the University would be responsible for the cost of security.

Bonney asked if the College Republicans and SQE were a recognized groups?

Rodriguez clarified that the College Republican are a recognized group on campus and SQE is not.

Snyder shared that students are concerned about physical safety.

Rodriguez yielded to Bonney.

Bonney asked who will take the burden of security expenses for the Unity Block Party?

Rodriguez stated that the University Policy Department

Jimenez Perez clarified that the Unity Block Party was hosted by numerous recognized student organizations. Faculty, administrators and students have contributed for something beyond Milo appearance

**Amendment #1 to Governance 009 (M) Rodriguez (S) Gelrud moved to add an amendment after the Executive Order. The amendment reads the following:**

*WHEREAS, CSUF University Policy Statement 100.06 stated that it is imperative that we foster a climate where civility is valued, appreciated and expected and where all members of the community are treated with dignity, respect, and care.*

Rodriguez moved to roll call.

Motion passed.

**Amendment #2 to Governance 009 (M) Rodriguez (S) Sheppard moved to add the following Whereas:**

*WHEREAS, at an event at the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Yiannopoulos "used his platform to mock at transgender student, displaying her name and photo prominently onscreen.*

Rodriguez moved into roll call

Motion passed.

Rodriguez elaborated on the amendments. The amendments were added to site Milo's history on harassing students and publicly targeting students individually.

Rodriguez yielded to Gelrud.

Gelrud stated that he would like to add a whereas that would state ASI would not support violence.

**Amendment #3 to Governance 009 (M) Gelrud (S) Jakel** moved to add an amendment after the Executive Order. The amendment reads the following:

*WHEREAS, California State University Fullerton is a marketplace of ideas, ASI does not condone events or rhetoric that in light of violence, destruction, or physical harm.*

Motion passed.

Rodriguez stated that the amendment fits well with the resolution.

Rodriguez moved to roll call to approve resolution with amendments

**Governance 17/18 009, motion passed.**

**ROLL CALL**

ROLL CALL VOTES			Amend #1	Amend #2	Amend #3	
		008	009	009	009	009
<b>COMM</b>	Gelrud	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
<b>CBE</b>	Jakel	YES	YES	YES	YES	Abstain
<b>ARTS</b>	Sheppard	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO
<b>ECS</b>	Snyder	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
<b>HSS</b>	Rodriguez	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
<b>Results</b>		5-0-0	5-0-0	5-0-0	5-0-0	3-1-1

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/MEMBERS' PRIVILEGE**

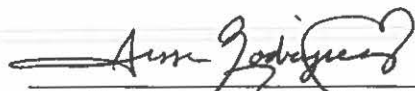
Gelrud informed the audience that the resolution would be on the Board of Directors agenda, Tuesday, October 24, 2017.

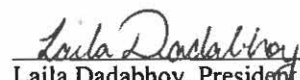
Gelrud stated that the resolution is important. No one's rhetoric should be policed, however destruction should not be promoted.

Rodriguez stated that this conversation is not easy to have but is needed. Staying silent is as bad as not doing anything.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:29 pm.

  
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 Jesse Rodriguez, Vice Chair Secretary

  
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 Laila Dadabhoy, President / CEO

  
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 Kristyne Robles, Recording Secretary

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, CSUF, INC.  
POLICY STATEMENTS**

**ASI POLICY STATEMENT #506**

**POLICY CONCERNING ELECTIONS**

Polling Station Locations

The Election Commissioner is able to use his/her discretion, based on data collected from previous elections and other factors, in designating the location, quantity of polling locations and hours of operation for the polling stations for each ASI Election. The ASI Election Commissioner is to report to the ASI Board of Directors no later than the 8<sup>th</sup> week of the Spring semester to announce any change(s), answer any questions, and to provide the following information:

- (1) Number of polling stations,
- (2) Locations of those polling stations,
- (3) Changes to ASI Elections rules and policies,
- (4) Election statistics from the previous election,
- (5) Promotional Plan (including but not limited to promotional items, posting locations, and presentation outlines), and
- (6) Status of hiring the Elections Assistant, Elections Campaign Coalition, and Elections Polling Assistants.

The Ballot

1. The ballot will consist of an information page, separate from the actual ballot, which will include photographs and candidate statements of candidates who filed for candidacy as well as write-in candidates.
2. Official as well as write-in candidates will have the opportunity to submit a photo and candidate's statement to the Election Commissioner for the information page of the ballot by one week prior to the first day of general elections.

Approved as policy statement on March 02, 2004  
Amended: March 08, 2005  
Amended: February 28, 2006  
Renumbered from #049, November 28, 2006  
Amended: May 31, 2007  
Amended: February 7, 2012  
Amended: January 28, 2014



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**A Resolution On Denouncing Milo Yiannopoulos' Appearance at CSU Fullerton**

**Sponsor:** Elizabeth Jimenez Perez and Jesse Rodriguez

**Co-Sponsor:**

**WHEREAS**, The Associated Students, Incorporated (ASI) is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization that operates as an auxiliary organization of California State University, Fullerton; and

**WHEREAS**, ASI is governed by the ASI Board of Directors, sets policy for the organization, approves all funding allocations to programs and services, and advocates on behalf of student interests on committees and boards; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the mission of ASI to provide students and campus community members with important social, cultural, and recreational opportunities as well as a wide range of programs and services; and

**WHEREAS**, during the Spring 2017 academic semester there were 15,742 Hispanic, 857 Black, and 8,057 Asian students enrolled in CSUF, totaling 78% of students enrolled, some of which identified as undocumented:<sup>1</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, ASI passed a "Resolution in Support of Undocumented and DACA Students" and will support and advocate for the protection of all undocumented students on campus;<sup>2</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, ASI passed a "Resolution in support of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning Student Life,"<sup>3</sup> and will support students who are members of the LGBTQ community;<sup>4</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, ASI passed a "Resolution in Support of Black Student Success at California State University, Fullerton,"<sup>5</sup> and

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.fullerton.edu/analyticalstudies/facts/demographics.php>

<sup>2</sup> <http://asi.fullerton.edu/downloads/government/resolutions/05092017%20Resolution%20in%20Support%20of%20Undocumented%20and%20DACA%20Students.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> <http://asi.fullerton.edu/downloads/government/resolutions/inSupportLesbianGayBisexualTransgenderQueerQuestioningStudentLife.pdf>

<sup>4</sup> <http://asi.fullerton.edu/downloads/government/resolutions/inSupportLesbianGayBisexualTransgenderQueerQuestioningStudentLife.pdf>

<sup>5</sup> <http://asi.fullerton.edu/downloads/government/resolutions/inSupportBlackStudentSuccess.pdf>

**WHEREAS**, Article I, of Chancellor White of the California University (CSU) System’s memorandum states, “The California State University (CSU) is committed to maintaining an inclusive community that, values diversity and fosters tolerance and mutual respect. We embrace and encourage our community differences in Age, Disability (physical and mental), Gender (or sex), Gender Identity (including transgender), Gender Expression, Genetic Information, Marital Status, Medical Condition, Nationality, Race or Ethnicity (including color or ancestry), Religion (or Religious Creed), Sexual Orientation, and Veteran or Military Status, and other characteristics that make our community unique.”; <sup>6</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, Chancellor White of the California University (CSU) System, released Executive Order 1097 and a Policy “Prohibiting Discrimination, Harassment and Retaliation, Sexual Misconduct, Dating and Domestic Violence, and Stalking against Students”; <sup>7</sup>

**WHEREAS**, The College Republicans of CSUF will be hosting the *Troll Academy Tour* in October of 2017, and

**WHEREAS**, Milo Yiannopoulos has put students in jeopardy by publicly sharing information regarding their gender and citizenship status and reportedly planned to publicly name undocumented students at his cancelled UC Berkeley University event, <sup>8</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, security measures and precautions for Yiannopoulos’ appearance at UC Berkeley costs approximately \$800,000,<sup>9</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, Security for Yiannopoulos’ event cost Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo and the California State University (CSU) System approximately \$55,000;<sup>10</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, over 5,000 students and community members have signed a petition “No Alt-Right Speakers or Hate Groups at CSUF”<sup>11</sup>, therefore let it be

**RESOLVED**, that ASI officially denounces Milo Yiannopoulos’ *Troll Academy Tour*, in order to demonstrate that ASI will continue to uphold its previously passed resolutions by supporting marginalized communities on campus, and let it be further

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<sup>6</sup> <https://www.calstate.edu/eo/EO-1096.pdf>

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.calstate.edu/eo/EO-1097-rev-6-23-15.htm>

<sup>8</sup> <http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/uc-berkeley-protests-milo-yiannopoulos-publicly-name-undocumented-students-cancelled-talk-illegals-a7561321.html>

<sup>9</sup> <http://www.aljazeera.com/news/2017/09/milo-yiannopoulos-security-cost-berkeley-800000-170925080606054.html>

<sup>10</sup> <http://www.ksby.com/story/34415517/security-for-yiannopoulos-event-cost-cal-poly-csu-more-than-55000>

<sup>11</sup> <https://www.change.org/p/mildred-garcia-no-alt-right-speakers-or-hate-groups-at-csuf>

**RESOLVED**, ASI shall publicly support the *Unity Block Party: A Peaceful Party to Celebrate Diversity, Community, and Education* hosted by Students for Quality Education (SQE) and several supporting student organizations in an effort to endorse a positive celebration of diversity and community empowerment, and let it be finally

**RESOLVED**, that this resolution be distributed to the California State University Board of Trustees, California State Student Association, the Governor of California, the California State Senator of the 29th district, the California State Assembly Member of the 65th district, and the following CSU Fullerton departments, divisions, and/or entities for their support and consideration: Office of the President, the President's Advisory Board, Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, Office of the Vice President of Administration and Finance, Office of the Vice President for University Advancement, Office of the Dean of Students, the Academic Senate, and California Faculty Association.