



ASI Board of Directors Minutes

Associated Students Inc., California State University, Fullerton

8/25/2026 1:15 PMPDT

@ ASI Boardroom, Titan Student Union

Meeting Details

Meeting Called By: Deniz Suzer, Chair

Meeting Type: Regular

Meeting Attendees: Members, Staff, Public

Meeting Link: <https://fullerton.zoom.us/j/89914939298>

CSU, Fullerton students, and members of the public may submit comments regarding any item posted on this agenda or matters of importance to the student body through the [Public Comment Form](#).

Comments will be reviewed by the Board Leadership, and submissions received prior to the meeting and that are applicable to the governing body will be read during the meeting.

1. Call to Order (Suzer)

Chair Suzer called the meeting to order at 1:17 pm.

2. Roll Call

Attendance

Present:

Members: Jocelyn Ambrose, Shine Aung, Eugenie Bassilly, Jessica Collins, Amir Dabirian, Yahir Flores, Alisa Flowers, Keoni Guerrero, Joshua Lopez, Savannah Miller, Anirudh Mukherjee, Mia Phao, Emma Rodriguez, Luca Romero, Manaswini Surusomayajula, Deniz Suzer, Jennifer Tran, Amy Westen

Liaison Members (Non-Voting): Dave Edwards, Sydney Hernandez, Chris Le, Cesar Mendoza, Ava Montano, Sydney Yee

According to the ASI Policy Concerning Board of Directors Operations, attendance is defined as being present prior to the announcement of Unfinished Business and remaining until the scheduled end of the meeting.

* Indicates that the member was in attendance prior to the start of Unfinished Business but left before the scheduled end of the meeting.

** Indicates that the member was in attendance for a portion of the meeting, but not in attendance prior to the announcement of Unfinished Business.

* Early Departure: None

**Late Arrival: None

3. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to approve the meeting agenda by unanimous consent.

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Motion:

The meeting agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

4. Consent Calendar

There was one item on the Consent Calendar. The Calendar was adopted by unanimous consent.

A. 6/1/2026 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

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5. Public Speakers

Members of the public may address the Board of Directors on any item appearing on this posted agenda or matters of importance to Cal State Fullerton students.

There were four Public Speakers.

Aiden spoke to the Board regarding the challenges facing students in the College of the Arts. They shared updates regarding programs that are coming up through the College of the Arts. They encouraged the Board to attend the events to experience what students are accomplishing in the College.

Portia spoke to the Board about the impact of IRA changes and cuts to current and future Arts students at CSUF. The changes have been devastating to students, and the hope is there are improvements for incoming students.

Hailey also spoke to the Board about IRA cuts, noted that the number of students attending the meeting is just a fraction of the students impacted. Many students were promised to receive certain benefits that will no longer be provided and asked the Board for help.

Austin Ysaïs, Director of Student Programs and Engagement welcomed students back for the fall semester and shared upcoming events including a kickoff to welcome week, the Farmer's Market started this week, and All Day ASI will be coming next week.

6. Executive Senate Reports

None

7. Time Certain

A. 1:30 pm: Phenicia McCullough, VP & Dr. Cecil Chik, AVP Human Resources & Inclusive Excellence

Chair Suzer invited Vice President Phenicia McCullough, and Dr. Cecil Chik, Associate Vice President of Human Resources & Inclusive Excellence to the speakers podium. A copy of their presentation is appended to the minutes.

VP McCullough welcomed the Board back and gave an overview of HRIE's organizational structure, describing her role as supporting students, staff, and employees across payroll, the Office of Civil Rights and Equity, benefits, retirement, risk management, and student employment. She encouraged board members to promote open student employment positions on campus.

Dr. Chik described the Cultural and Institutional Excellence Office's focus on belonging, learning and development, and community building. She announced the opening of a new Women's Resource Center adjacent to the DRC centers in the library and invited the Board to the DRC Welcome Event on September 2, 2026 (11 a.m.–2 p.m., Center Quad and Humanities Quad). She noted the new Staff Development Center on the second floor of the bookstore, and described recent improvements to the student employment website, which now includes on-the-job training and professional development resources in addition to job listings.

Chair Suzer opened the floor to questions.

- Montano asked for clarification regarding the COOP flyer and the Southwest Airlines relationship. Dr. Chik shared Southwest is a sponsor for DIRC and provides services to benefit the Cultural Centers.
- Hernandez asked about the student employee survey and how it is used. VP McCullough shared an overview of the administration of the survey.
- Bassilly asked about the student success and labor concerns regarding faculty labor issues. VP McCullough shared that the campus's first goal is to put students first and to ensure support for faculty.
- Collins asked about DIRC and what the main goals for the year are and how they differ from the previous year. Dr. Chik shared goals are rooted in community, "home away from home". Goals continue to focus on community building and to move into career readiness through a more holistic approach to serving students on campus and to prepare for the future.

 [Item 7.A ASI Board Fall 2026.pdf](#)

B. 2:00 pm: Joya Salas, Director & Greg Pongetti, Living Collections Curator, Arboretum & Botanical Garden

Chair Suzer invited Director Joya Salas, and Greg Pongetti, Living Collections Curator from the Arboretum and Botanical Garden to the speakers podium.

Director Salas greeted the Board and provided a brief overview of her start with the Arboretum. Pongetti shared the following highlights from the Arboretum:

- ASI supports the student assistants at the Arboretum and has done so for many years.
- The Arboretum conducts fundraising internally and through the campus funding events.
- The fall plant sale is coming soon.
- Evening stroll event free to Titan's and members of the Arboretum.
- 31 Interns working on field work, promotion, creating and interpreting content for the Arboretum. Some of the activities include the following:
 - Fruit harvesting occurs every Thursday. Donates fruit to ASI Food Pantry and collaborates on composting as needed.
 - Harvest flowers grown at the Arboretum. Donated flowers to Cal Poly Rose Parade Float last year.
 - Senior Design students work on projects throughout the year, along with a number of other student research and studies of insect, animal, and plant life at the Arboretum.
- ASI funds cover a portion of student wages. Of the \$85,000 in wages, ASI provided \$75,000.
- Reviewed several upcoming events.

Chair Suzer opened the floor to questions.

- Collins asked about the remaining intern capacity. Pongetti shared there are open opportunities.
- Mendoza asked about the intern program and asked when it started and how many students can participate. Pongetti shared the program started in 2022-23 and the highest number of interns was 37.
- Surusomayajula asked how the internships benefit students and what would the workload encompass daily. Pongetti shared students come from a variety of majors. It is a team cohort program. The work includes weeding, harvesting, and creating promotional flyers/social media updates.
- Flores asked about the impact and participation and if there is data. Pongetti shared there has been an impact report provided in the past. They participate in campus events and rely on word-of-mouth for promotion.
- Bassilly asked how are marketing efforts extending beyond campus. Pongetti shared the marketing team provides press release for upcoming events, they also participate in the Fullerton Farmer's Market.
- Lopez asked how the partnership with the Pantry will expand with further development of the ASWI. Pongetti shared that he would like to know more about the Wellness Initiative and explore how the collaboration can grow.
- Phao asked whether interns can return to different teams in future semesters. Pongetti shared internships are available for course credit or to return as a lead intern. Many student interns return to lead an intern group or sign up to intern in a different area.

8. Unfinished Business

None

9. New Business

A. Action: Resolution to Approve the ASI Board and Committee Meeting Schedule Fall 2026 and Spring 2027 (Suzer)

The Board will consider approving the Fall 2026 and Spring 2027 ASI Board and Committee Meeting Schedule.

BOD 014 26/27 (Mukherjee-m/Lopez-s) A motion was made and seconded to approve the ASI Board and Committee meeting schedule for Fall 2026 and Spring 2027.

Chair Suzer reminded members to review the schedule of meetings and to plan accordingly.

Suzer yielded to Dr. Edwards for comment.

Dr. Edwards reviewed the schedule and explained that the each semester the Board is required to set meeting dates for the full board and all standing committees.

Chair Suzer opened the floor to questions.

There were none.

Chair Suzer opened the floor to discussion.

Suzer reminded any Committee Designees of their requirement to attend the meetings, and to reach out if unable to serve.

Without objection, the Board moved to a Roll Call Vote.

 [Item 9.A A Resolution to Approve the ASI Board and Committee Meeting Schedule Fall 2026 - Spring 2027.pdf](#)

Motion:

BOD 014 26/27 Roll Call Vote: 18-0-0 The motion to approve the ASI Board and Committee meeting schedule for Fall 2026 and Spring 2027 was adopted.

Motion moved by Anirudh Mukherjee and motion seconded by Joshua Lopez.

- B. Action: Resolution to Appoint Environmental Sustainability Commission Leaders (Suzer)

The Board will consider appointing Katie Wong as Environmental Sustainability Commission Director, and Bryanna Farias as Environmental Sustainability Commission Coordinator effective immediately through May 31, 2027.

BOD 015 26/27 (Westen-m/Tran-s) A motion was made and seconded to appoint Katie Wong as Environmental Sustainability Commission Director, and Bryanna Farias as Environmental Sustainability Commission Coordinator effective immediately through May 31, 2027.

Chair Suzer yielded to Christopher Le, Chief Campus Relations Officer to review the interview and selection process.

Le reported that he, Ingrid Mata and Sarah Hippard, from Student Government, conducted interviews over the second half of the summer and recommended Katie Wong as Director (fourth-year Biology major with prior leadership roles, including Associated Students at Cypress College) and Brianna Ferris as Coordinator (background in environmental studies and student advocacy, along with fashion club, family child care center volunteering, and school ambassador experience). Both candidates completed training.

Chair Suzer opened the floor to questions.

There were none.

Chair Suzer opened the floor to discussion.

There were no points of discussion.

Without objection, the Board moved to a Roll Call Vote.

 [Item 9.B Bryanna Farias Commissions Application Redacted.pdf](#)

 [Item 9.B A Resolution - Appointment of ASI Commission Leaders \(ESC\) - 26.27.pdf](#)

 [Item 9.B Katie Wong Commissions Application Redacted.pdf](#)

 [Item 9.B ESC Appointed Remaining Positions.pdf](#)

Motion:

BOD 015 26/27 Roll Call Vote: 17-0-1 The motion to appoint Katie Wong as Environmental Sustainability Commission Director, and Bryanna Farias as Environmental Sustainability Commission Coordinator effective immediately through May 31, 2027 was adopted.

Motion moved by Amy Westen and motion seconded by Jennifer Tran.

- C. Action: Resolution to Approve Financial Institutions and Signatories 2026-27 (Suzer)

The Board will consider approving the Financial Institutions and Signatories for the financial accounts and investments held by ASI for 2026-2027.

BOD 016 26/27 (Phao-m/Guerrero-s) A motion was made and seconded to approve ASI Financial Institutions and Signatories for 2026-2027.

Chair Suzer yielded to Dr. Dave Edwards to review the resolution.

Dr. Edwards explained that bank signatory authorization must be updated annually and, in this case, also due to accounting staff changes. Authorized signers include Dr. Edwards; Associate Executive Director Keya Allen; Interim CFO Carolyn Ehrlich (previous CFO, serving temporarily while a permanent hire is finalized); returning retired Accounting Manager Lusia Komala; and the Senior Accountant Christine Chen. Bank of America checking account signers additionally include the CSUF Vice President for Administration and Finance, the CSUF Controller, and the ASI Treasurer.

Chair Suzer opened the floor to questions.

There were none.

Chair Suzer opened the floor to discussion.

There were no points of discussion.

Without objection, the Board moved to a Roll Call Vote.

 [Item 9.C Resolution to Approve Financial Institutions and Signatories 08252026.pdf](#)

Motion:

BOD 016 26/27 Roll Call Vote: 18-0-0 The motion to approve ASI Financial Institutions and Signatories for 2026-2027 was adopted.

Motion moved by Mia Phao and motion seconded by Keoni Guerrero.

10. Reports

A. College Reports

None

B. Executive Reports

I. Executive Officers

The Executive Officers provided a summary of their written reports. The reports are appended to the minutes.

- President ~ Cesar Mendoza
- Vice President ~ Sydney Yee
- Chief Campus Relations Officer ~ Chris Le
- Chief Governmental Officer ~ Sydney Hernandez
- Chief Inclusion & Diversity Officer ~ Ava Montano

C. Board Leadership Reports

The Board Leadership provided a summary of their written reports. The reports are appended to the minutes.

- Chair ~ Deniz Suzer
- Vice Chair ~ Yahir Flores
- Treasurer ~ Manaswini Surusomayajula
- Secretary ~ Eugenie Bassilly

 [Item 10.C BOD Leadership Report - 08252026.pdf](#)

11. Announcements & Member's Privilege

Dr. Edwards shared information regarding DiscoverFest occurring this week. He reminded attendees to be mindful of the extreme weather conditions and to plan accordingly. Campus will be preparing to support the event and attendees with additional resources.

12. Adjournment (Suzer)

Chair Suzer adjourned the meeting at 2:32pm.



Eugenie Bassilly
2026-09-10 02:16 UTC

Board Secretary



Erika Perret-Martinez
2026-09-09 23:24 UTC

Recording Secretary

Roll Call 2026-2027

08/25/2026 ASI Board Meeting Attendance

Attendance		Board Members		
			Present	Absent
ARTS	LOPEZ	JOSHUA	1	
ARTS	RODRIGUEZ	EMMA	1	
CBE	AMBROSE	JOCELYN	1	
CBE	SURUSOMAYAJULA	MANASWINI	1	
COMM	COLLINS	JESSICA	1	
COMM	ROMERO	LUCA	1	
ECS	GUERRERO	KEONI	1	
ECS	MUKHERJEE	ANIRUDH	1	
EDU	FLORES	YAHIR	1	
EDU	TRAN	JENNIFER	1	
HHD	MILLER	SAVANNAH	1	
CHAIR	SUZER	DENIZ	1	
HSS	PHAO	MIA	1	
HSS	WESTEN	AMY	1	
NSM	AUNG	SHINE	1	
NSM	BASSILLY	EUGENIE	1	
ACA. SENATE REP.	DABIRIAN	AMIR	1	
UNI. PRES. REP.	FLOWERS	ALISA	1	
			Present	Absent
			18	0

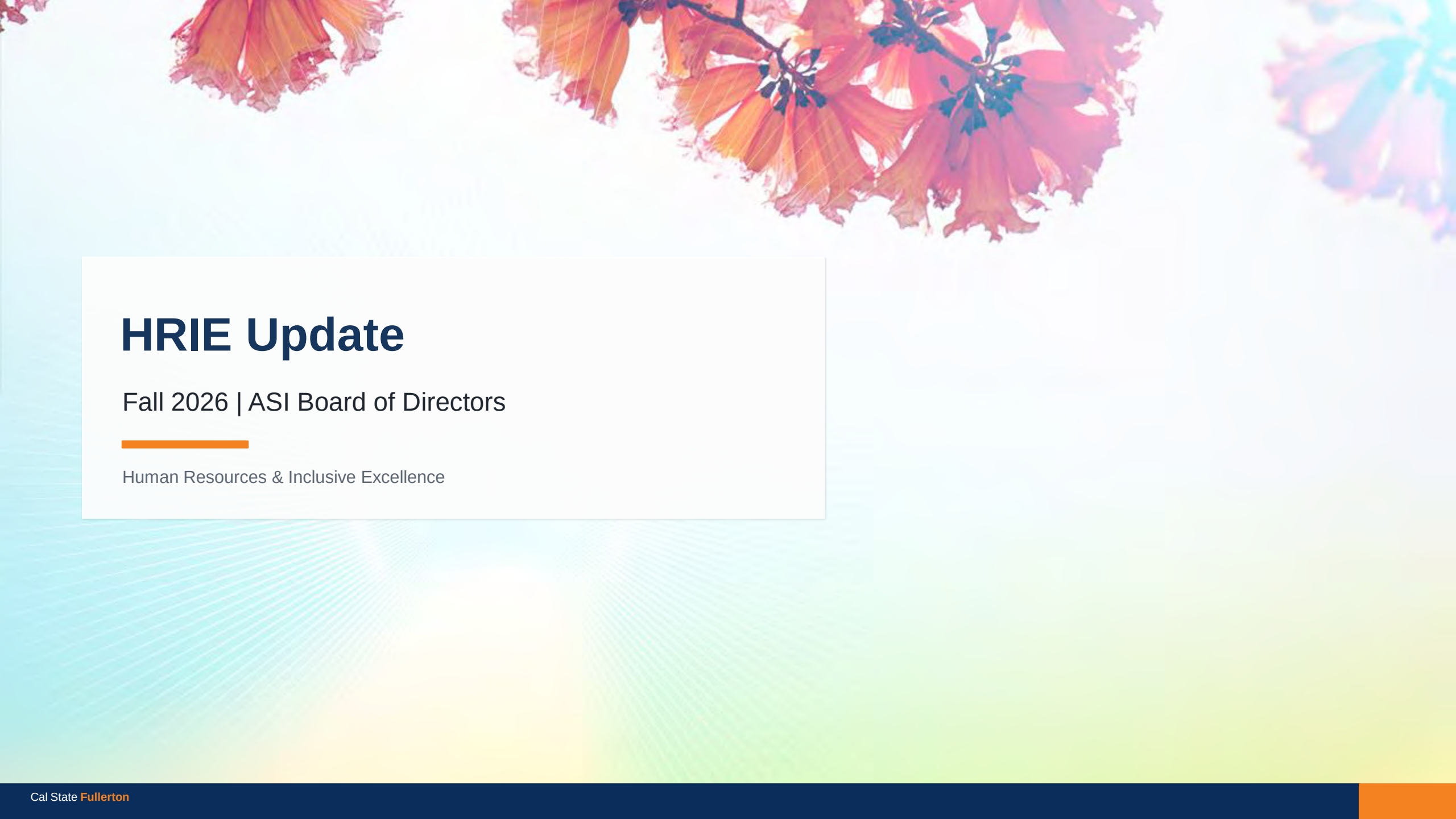
Attendance		Liaisons		
			Present	Absent
EXEC. DIRECTOR	EDWARDS	DAVE	1	
CGO	HERNANDEZ	SYDNEY	1	
CCRO	LE	CHRIS	1	
CIDO	MONTANO	AVA	1	
VICE PRES	YEE	SYDNEY	1	
PRES	MENDOZA	CESAR	1	
			Present	Absent
			6	0

*Recording Secretary: Erika Perret-Martinez

		014 Action: Resolution to Approve the ASI Board and Committee Meeting Schedule Fall 2026 and Spring 2027			
			YES	NO	ABSTAIN
ARTS	LOPEZ	JOSHUA	1		
ARTS	RODRIGUEZ	EMMA	1		
CBE	AMBROSE	JOCELYN	1		
CBE	SURUSOMAYAJULA	MANASWINI	1		
COMM	COLLINS	JESSICA	1		
COMM	ROMERO	LUCA	1		
ECS	GUERRERO	KEONI	1		
ECS	MUKHERJEE	ANIRUDH	1		
EDU	FLORES	YAHIR	1		
EDU	TRAN	JENNIFER	1		
HHD	MILLER	SAVANNAH	1		
HSS	PHAO	MIA	1		
HSS	WESTEN	AMY	1		
NSM	AUNG	SHINE	1		
NSM	BASSILLY	EUGENIE	1		
ACA SEN REP	DABIRIAN	AMIR	1		
UNI PRES REP	FLOWERS	ALISA	1		
CHAIR	SUZER	DENIZ	1		
			YES	NO	ABSTAIN
			18	0	0

		015 Action: Resolution to Appoint Environmental Sustainability Commission Leaders			
			YES	NO	ABSTAIN
ARTS	LOPEZ	JOSHUA	1		
ARTS	RODRIGUEZ	EMMA	1		
CBE	AMBROSE	JOCELYN	1		
CBE	SURUSOMAYAJULA	MANASWINI	1		
COMM	COLLINS	JESSICA	1		
COMM	ROMERO	LUCA	1		
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CHAIR	SUZER	DENIZ	1		
			YES	NO	ABSTAIN
			17	0	1

		016 Action: Resolution to Approve Financial Institutions and Signatories 2026-27			
			YES	NO	ABSTAIN
ARTS	LOPEZ	JOSHUA	1		
ARTS	RODRIGUEZ	EMMA	1		
CBE	AMBROSE	JOCELYN	1		
CBE	SURUSOMAYAJULA	MANASWINI	1		
COMM	COLLINS	JESSICA	1		
COMM	ROMERO	LUCA	1		
ECS	GUERRERO	KEONI	1		
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EDU	FLORES	YAHIR	1		
EDU	TRAN	JENNIFER	1		
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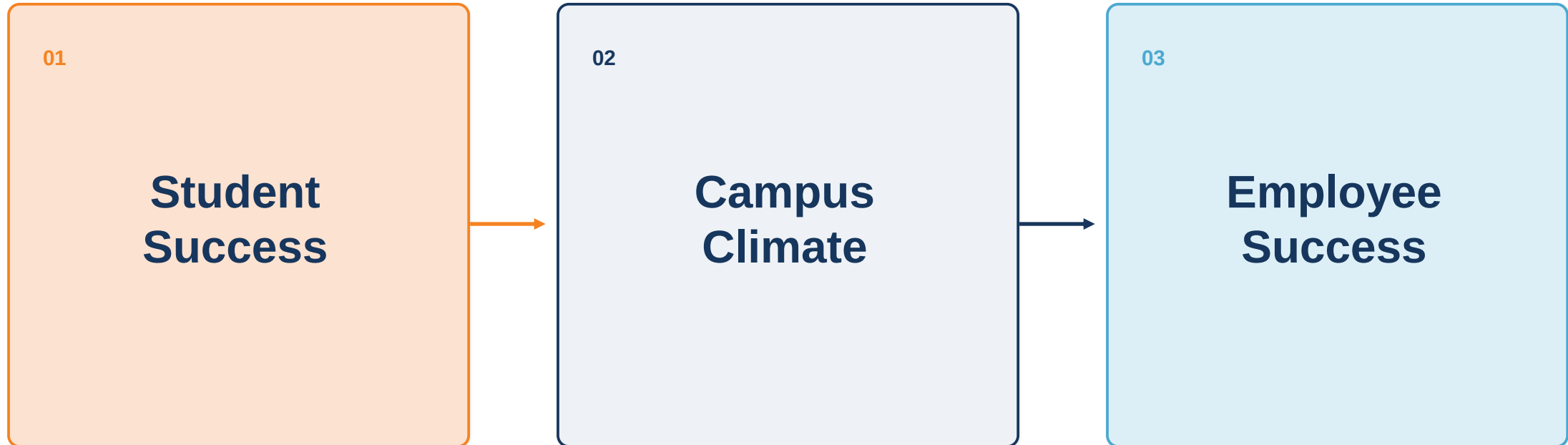
HRIE Update

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Human Resources & Inclusive Excellence

Culture and Institutional Excellence (CIX)

Three connected priorities that shape the CIX portfolio



Student and employee success are advanced through a strong, connected campus climate.

How CIX Advances Success

A shared strategy for students, employees, and the campus community

- 01 Student Success**

We contribute to student success by creating learning experiences that foster a sense of belonging, strengthen aspirations, and build the confidence needed to achieve academic and professional goals at Cal State Fullerton and beyond.

- 02 Employee Success**

We advance employee success and strengthen Cal State Fullerton as an employer of choice by cultivating a workplace culture of engagement that fosters belonging, leadership development, and community building.

- 03 Shared CIX Emphasis**

Across both strategic focuses, CIX uses belonging, learning and development, and community building as core strategies for advancing student and employee success.

BELONGING • LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT • COMMUNITY BUILDING

Women's Resource Center

A new location, with the same commitment to student connection and support



A space designed for connection, learning, and community.

PLS 140

DIRC Welcome

Start the semester with community, connection, and campus resources

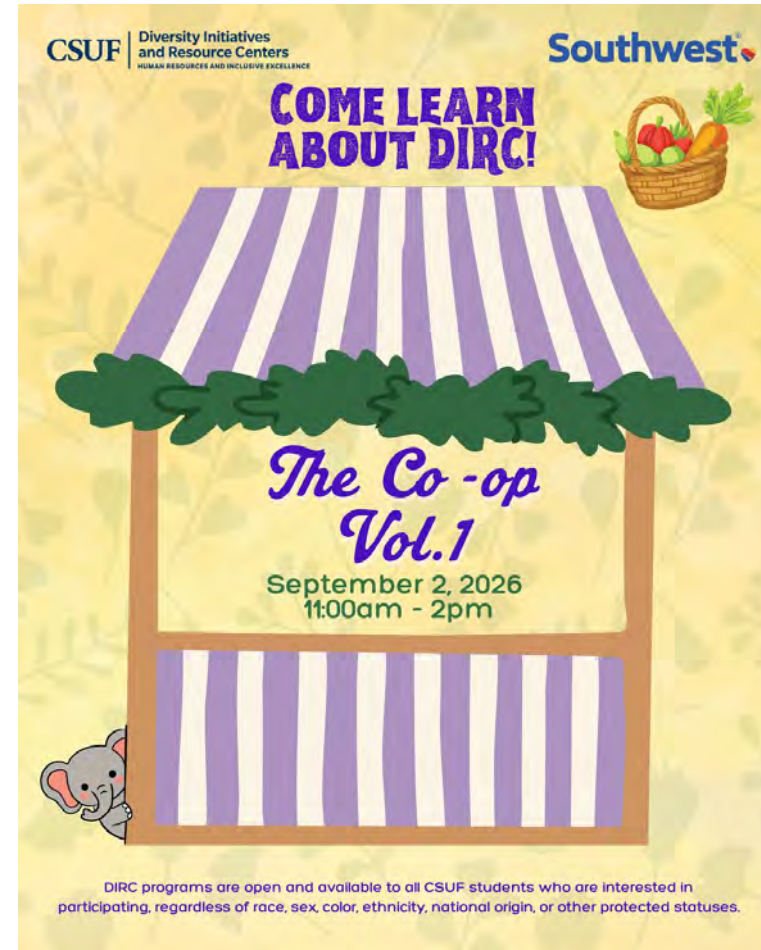
SEPTEMBER

02

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Central Quad + Humanities Quad

Come learn about DIRC and connect with the campus community.



Student Development Center

Celebrating a new location and the community behind it



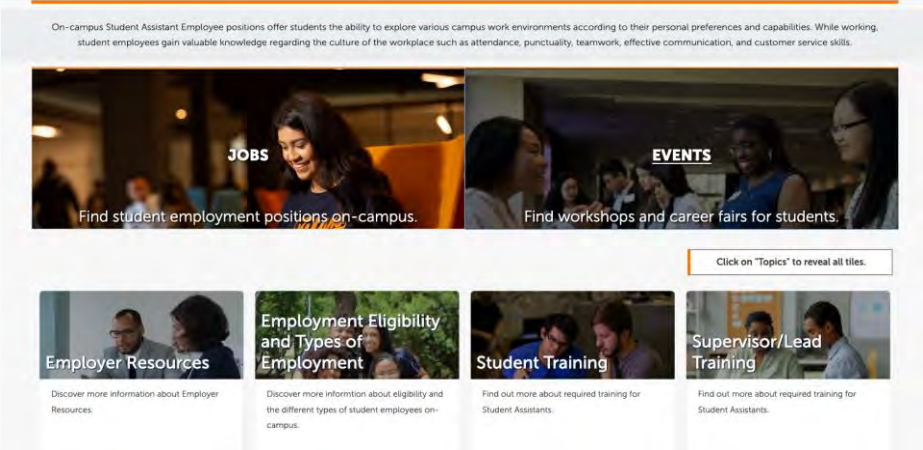
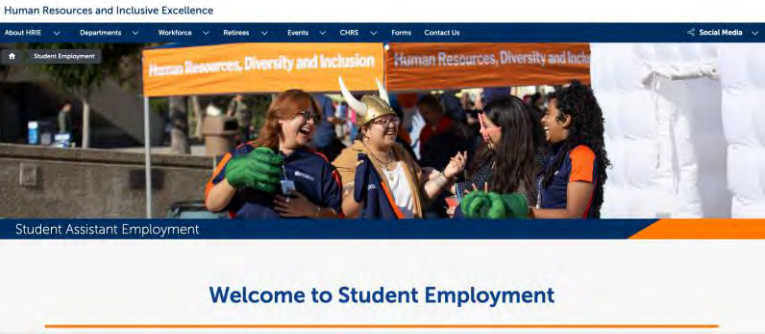
NEW LOCATION

A renewed space for staff development, leadership, and connection.

SDC

Student Employment Website

A clearer starting point for jobs, resources, training, and support



SCAN TO
EXPLORE



Student Employment

Jobs • Resources • Training

Questions & Conversation

Thank you for your leadership and partnership.



Resolution to Approve the ASI Board and Committee Meeting Schedule Fall 2026 – Spring 2027

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

WHEREAS, ASI is governed by the ASI Board of Directors who set policy for the organization, approve all funding allocations to programs and services, and advocate on behalf of student interests on committees and boards; and

WHEREAS, ASI Bylaws state in Article III, Section 3, Clause 2 (a-b) that the Board of Directors shall typically hold regular meetings, at such times as the Board shall set by resolution, on Tuesdays throughout the academic year. The Board of Directors standing committees shall hold regular meetings throughout the academic year; and

WHEREAS, all meetings shall be in accordance to ASI Bylaws and ASI Policy; therefore, let it be

RESOLVED, the ASI Board of Directors approves the meeting schedule for fall 2026 and spring 2027 as outlined herein; and let it be finally

RESOLVED, this resolution shall be posted publicly and distributed to applicable ASI leadership and departments.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Associated Students Inc., California State University,
Fullerton, on the twenty-fifth day of August in the year two thousand twenty-six.

Chair, Board of Directors

Secretary, Board of Directors

ASI Board and Committee Meetings ~ Fall 2026

START DATE	MEETING	CHAIR	DAY	YEAR	LOCATION	TIME START	TIME END	DURATION
8/25/2026	ASI BOARD OF DIRECTORS	Deniz Suzer	Tuesday	2026	Boardroom	1:15 PM	3:45 PM	2:30
8/27/2026	FINANCE COMMITTEE	Manaswini Surusomayajula	Thursday	2026	Boardroom	1:15 PM	2:30 PM	1:15
8/27/2026	GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE	Yahir Flores	Thursday	2026	Boardroom	2:30 PM	3:45 PM	1:15
9/3/2026	FACILITIES COMMITTEE	Eugenie Bassily	Thursday	2026	Boardroom	1:15 PM	2:30 PM	1:15
9/3/2026	PROGRAMS ASSESSMENT	Eugenie Bassily	Thursday	2026	Boardroom	2:30 PM	3:45 PM	1:15
7/23/2026	AUDIT	Amy Westen	Thursday	2026	Virtual/BOD	2:00 PM	3:00 PM	1:00

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ASI Board and Committee Meetings ~ Spring 2027

START DATE	MEETING	CHAIR	DAY	YEAR	LOCATION	TIME START	TIME END	DURATION
1/20/2027	ASI BOARD OF DIRECTORS	Deniz Suzer	Tuesday	2027	Boardroom	1:15 PM	3:45 PM	1:15
1/22/2027	FINANCE COMMITTEE	Manaswini Surusomayajula	Thursday	2027	Boardroom	1:15 PM	2:30 PM	1:15
1/22/2027	GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE	Yahir Flores	Thursday	2027	Boardroom	2:30 PM	3:45 PM	1:15
1/30/2027	FACILITIES COMMITTEE	Eugenie Bassily	Thursday	2027	Boardroom	1:15 PM	2:30 PM	1:15
1/30/2027	PROGRAMS ASSESSMENT	Eugenie Bassily	Thursday	2027	Boardroom	2:30 PM	3:45 PM	1:00
2/20/2027	ELECTIONS JUDICIAL COUNCIL	Faye Adebajo	Friday	2027	Boardroom	9:30 AM	10:30 AM	1:00
TBD	AUDIT	Amy Westen	TBD	2027	Virtual/Boardroom	TBD	TBD	

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	1/26/2027	1/28/2027	1/28/2027	2/4/2027	2/4/2027	2/19/2027	TBD
	2/9/2027	2/11/2027	2/11/2027	3/4/2027	3/4/2027	2/26/2027	
	2/23/2027	2/25/2027	2/25/2027	3/25/2027	3/25/2027	3/5/2027	
	3/9/2027	3/11/2027	3/11/2027	4/22/2027	4/22/2027	3/12/2027	
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	4/6/2027	4/8/2027	4/8/2027				
	4/20/2027	4/22/2027	4/22/2027				
	5/4/2027						
No Meetings: President's Day - 2/15/2027 ~ Campus Closed Spring Recess - 3/29/2027 - 4/2/2027 Farm Worker's Day - 3/31/2027 ~ Campus Closed Semester Exams: 5/15/2027 - 05/21/2027 Commencement: 05/24/2026 - 05/27/2026							

APPOINTMENT OF THE ASI COMMISSION LEADERS 2026-2027

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 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, ASI's mission is 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, per policy, it is the responsibility of the Board of Directors to confirm all presidential appointments by a majority vote to positions that receive financial awards, scholarships, or any other material compensations for service; and

WHEREAS, the student(s) presented have completed their respective interview and selection process and have been selected by the Chief Campus Relations Officer and ASI President; therefore, let it be

RESOLVED, ASI approves the appointment of Katie Wong as the Environmental Sustainability Commission (ESC) Director and Bryanna Farias as the Environmental Sustainability Commission (ESC) Coordinator, effective immediately through May 31, 2027; and let it be finally

RESOLVED, that this Resolution be distributed to applicable ASI departments and staff.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Associated Students Inc., California State University, Fullerton on the twenty-fifth day of August in the year two thousand and twenty-six.

Chair, Board of Directors

Secretary, Board of Directors

Environmental Sustainability Commission

Mission:

Promotes sustainability awareness through education, advocacy, and programming while advancing environmentally responsible practices across campus.

Katie Wong (Director)

- 4th-year Biology Major
- Current school involvement: undergrad research w/ Dr. Paig-Tran, Internal Director (TitanThon), Director of Pr & Recruitment, and Titans and Professors Assistant (Women's Business Association)
- Community College ASI positions held: student trustee, executive vice president, interim secretary, and senator



Bryanna Farias (Coordinator)

- 3rd - year Geography Major with an emphasis in Environmental Studies
- Previous student government, advocacy experience, and volunteer work
- Passionate about implementing environmental practices
- Leadership experience



Resolution to Approve Financial Institutions and Signatories 2026-27

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WHEREAS, ASI is governed by ASI Board of Directors, who set policy for the organization, approve all funding allocations to programs and services, and advocate on behalf of student interests on committees and boards, and

WHEREAS, ASI Policy Concerning Reserves and Investments dictates that the ASI Executive Director is to annually present to the ASI Board of Directors, for its review and action, a listing of the financial institutions with which ASI bank and investment accounts are held and provide the names and titles of individuals proposed as authorized check signers on all such accounts, and

WHEREAS, the ASI Board of Directors for the 2026-27 Academic year will begin its term June 1, 2026, and therefore let it be

RESOLVED, the ASI Board of Directors authorizes the following individuals to conduct business with Bank of America and Local Area Investment Fund as to any and all ASI accounts:

ASI Associate Vice President and Executive Director, Dave Edwards
Associate Executive Director, Keya Allen
Interim Chief Financial Officer, Carolyn Ehrlich
Chief Financial Officer, TBD
Interim Accounting Manager, Lusia Komala
Senior Accountant, Christine Chen;
and let it be

RESOLVED, the ASI Board of Directors authorizes the following individuals as signatories on all ASI Bank of America checking accounts:

ASI Associate Vice President and Executive Director, Dave Edwards
ASI Associate Executive Director, Keya Allen
ASI Interim Chief Financial Officer, Carolyn Ehrlich
ASI Chief Financial Officer, TBD
ASI Interim Accounting Manager, Lusia Komala
ASI Senior Accountant, Christine Chen
CSUF Vice President for Administration & Finance/Chief Financial Officer, Laleh Graylee
CSUF Controller Michael Au-yeung
ASI Board of Directors Treasurer, Manaswini Surusomayajula; and let it be finally

RESOLVED, the ASI Board of Directors authorizes the Associate Vice President and Executive Director to update the financial institution signatures. They will add the new ASI Chief Financial Officer name after hiring ends. They will also remove the Interim Chief Financial Officer effective fall 2026.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Associated Students Inc., California State University, Fullerton, on the twenty-fifth day of August in the year two thousand twenty-six.

Chair, Board of Directors

Secretary, Board of Directors

August 25, 2026
ASI Board of Directors
Executive Officers Report

PRESIDENT: Cesar Mendoza

EVENTS/MEETINGS/TRAININGS ATTENDED:

- 6/1-6/5: ASI Installation & Training
- 6/10: Jewel Plummer Cobb Walkthrough
- 7/18-7/19: CSSA Plenary
- 7/24-7/25: Top 3 Retreat
- 8/16-8/17: CSUnity
- 8/18: Onboarding Training
- 8/18-8/19: ASI Welcome Video
- 8/20: CSFPF Board Dinner
- 8/21: Elevate Conference

Meetings Attended:

- 6/16: IRA Task Force Meeting
- 6/16: Meeting with President Rochon
- 7/22: Government Relation Meeting
- 8/18: ASI Career Week Discussion

Summary: Hi everyone, I hope you all had a restful and/or eventful summer break! Since school ended, it's been a busy one on my end, from CSSA Plenary and the Top 3 Retreat to meeting with President Rochon and attending CSUnity, and I'm excited to bring that momentum into the new year. Now that school's back in session, I hope everyone's ready to hit the ground running. Deniz, Sydney, and I have some exciting goals we can't wait to get started on, and I hope you're all just as excited to work on your own initiatives for your colleges. Lets get to work!

VICE PRESIDENT: Sydney Yee

EVENTS/MEETINGS/TRAININGS ATTENDED:

- 6/1: ASI Installation & Training
- 6/17: ASI Scholarship Approval Process
- 7/10: Rebecca 1:1 Check-In
- 7/24: Top 3 Retreat
- 8/6: Media Inquiry w/Christina Cardenas & Amy Blumenthal
- 8/15: CSUnity Conference
- 8/17: ASI Welcome Video & Scholarship Video Shoot
- 8/18: Career Week Discussion
- 8/19: Governance Ambassador interviews
- 8/25: ASI Campus Partner Resource Fair

PROJECTS:

- CalMatters reporter interview on financial aid delays
- Finalize Governance Ambassador Appointments
- ASI Scholarship Video

SUMMARY: Hi everyone, happy first week of the semester! This summer, Cesar, Deniz, and I took time to solidify our goals for the year and review your ideas and feedback as well. If you filled out the feedback form and have any more input, reach out to any of us online or stop by my office. We have an exciting and busy year ahead of us, so let's start off the year strong and stay on top of our classes!

CHIEF CAMPUS RELATIONS OFFICER: Chris Le

EVENTS/MEETINGS/TRAININGS ATTENDED:

6/1-6/2: ASI June Training

8/5-8/6 ASI Aug Training

8/13: Rebecca 1:1

SUMMARY: Hi everyone, it was great seeing you guys earlier this month for training! Leading up to this point, my commissions and I have been brainstorming initiative ideas for UAC and ESC. Coming up with a plan/vision for campus sustainability month and an event or campaign revolving around student well-being. I'm excited to kick off this school year and see what we accomplish as a team this year!

CHIEF GOVERNMENTAL OFFICER: Sydney Hernandez

EVENTS/MEETINGS/TRAININGS ATTENDED:

- 6/1-6/7 Panetta Leadership Seminar
- 6/15 Meeting with Rebecca and Ingrid
- 7/1 Meeting with Jeff and Dave
- 7/10 1:1 with Rebecca
- 7/18-7/19 CSSA July Plenary at the CO
- 7/22 Government Relations Introductory Meeting
- 7/22 Civic Engagement Working Group (CEWG) Meeting
- 8/4 Legislative Meetings in Sacramento with Gov't Relations team
- 8/5-8/6 Training
- 8/15 CSSA August Plenary at CSUN
- 8/16-8/17 CSUnity
- 8/18 Introductory Meeting with Academic Senate Chair Dabirian
- 8/19 CEWG Meeting
- 8/20 Lobby Corps Meeting

PROJECTS:

- Two Lobby Corps initiatives: Semester-long voter engagement, and a roundtable event to inform voters.
- "What is CSSA" social media posts and CSSA plenary recaps for more transparency and visibility to our systemwide advocacy.
- Building relationships with various campus departments/partners to see how we can collaborate on Ballot Bowl and different projects this year.

- CSSA Updates: [2026/2028 Policy Agenda Form](#) submissions are due September 1, and the [CSU Systemwide Committee](#) interest form submissions are due September 11.

SUMMARY:

Happy fall semester! It was nice to get a chance to meet everyone during our August training, and I'm looking forward to continuing to get to know you all and working together this year. I spent the summer focusing on building campus relationships and working with Lobby Corps on our initiatives leading up to the Midterm Election on November 3. My goal is to make Ballot Bowl and voter engagement a shared effort within ASI, and am planning to work with each of you/your colleges on educating, registering, and engaging as many students as possible for this election season and beyond. It's going to be a great year!

CHIEF INCLUSION & DIVERSITY OFFICER: Ava Montano

EVENTS/MEETINGS/TRAININGS ATTENDED:

- 6/1-6/5 ASI training
- 7/21 Rebecca 1:1
- 8/5-8/6 ASI Training

PROJECTS:

- Community engagement initiative: Amtrak/Metro
- SJEC Initiative: Luncheon & Calendar

SUMMARY:

Hi everyone, I hope everyone had a great summer! I enjoyed getting to know you all at our trainings and can't wait to see all the good work we accomplish this year. Looking over all the ideas discussed during our training with my commissions, I want to get the ball rolling as soon as possible.

August 25, 2026
Board of Directors
Board Leadership Report

CHAIR: Deniz Suzer

Summary: Hi guys! Great first meeting back! I don't have too much of an update yet, but I'm excited for a great year and everything we have ahead of us. I'm also looking forward to meeting with all of you during our Board check-ins with Yahir. If you ever have any questions, comments, concerns, or need anything at all, know that I'm always here for you guys!

Events/Meetings Attended:

- ASI Student Leader Training — 08/05–08/06
- CSUnity — 08/15–08/17
- Meeting with Dave — 08/24
- Meeting with President — 08/24

Committee: No Committee updates at this time.

Projects:

- Board member check-in planning
- Career Week Planning
- Agency Accounts
- Advising
- Board apparel/ quarter-zip design

VICE CHAIR: Yahir Flores

Summary: Hello everyone!

Happy start to a new academic year! I hope you all had a restful summer and are excited to officially hit the ground running. I look forward to the opportunities ahead and getting to work alongside you all.

Like you all, I began the summer by participating in the ASI Inauguration and Board Meeting, followed by our Student Government Training's and Retreat. These experiences provided an opportunity to learn more about ASI governance, student leadership responsibilities, organizational expectations, and build relationships as a team.

Towards the end of summer, I participated in a 1:1 check-in with Rebecca to reflect on my transition into the role, discuss goals, and identify areas of focus for the year ahead. Most recently, I attended an introductory Academic Senate meeting with Dr. Dabirian, Dr. Edward, and Sydney Hernandez, which provided valuable insight into university shared governance and the role students play in broader institutional decision-making.

Overall, this summer has been an important period of learning, relationship-building, and preparation, and I look forward to applying what I have learned as we enter the academic year and continue working together to serve, represent, and advocate for the CSUF student body.

Events/Meetings Attended:

- June 1st: ASI Inauguration
- June 1st: ASI Board meeting
- June 2nd: ASI Student Government Training
- June 3rd: ASI Student Government Training/Retreat
- June 4th: ASI Student Government Retreat
- June 5th: ASI Student Government Retreat
- July 7th: Yahir/Rebecca 1:1 Check-in
- August 5th: ASI Student Government Training
- August 6th: ASI Student Government Training
- August 18th: Academic Senate Meeting with Dr. Dabirian & Dr. Edward

Committee: No Committee updates at this time.

Projects: Jennifer, College of Ed. Board partner, and I have been in conversation about a partnership between ASI and the College of Education Career Center to combine the Careers in Education Showcase with the Career Center's Educator Employer Insights & Networking for Future Teachers event during Education Week. Next steps have been coordinating an in-person meeting to discuss logistics, event programming, and collaboration opportunities.

TREASURER: [Manaswini Surusomayajula](#)

Summary: Hi everyone! Welcome back. I'm really glad to see us all together again and stepping into a fresh year with new energy. Since this is our first board meeting, I don't have major updates yet, but I truly hope you're settling in well. I'm here for anything you need, whether it's support, questions, or just someone to help keep things running smoothly. Looking forward to growing together this term.

Events/Meetings Attended: Orientation Week

Committee: No Committee updates at this time.

Projects: No active projects yet, updates will begin as responsibilities roll out this week.

SECRETARY: Eugenie Bassilly

Summary: Focused on expanding student access to educational and professional development opportunities through ASI research grants, potential scholarship funding, undergraduate research opportunities, and professional/licensure support. Current efforts include exploring ways to increase awareness and utilization of ASI research grant funding, developing potential financial support for graduate/professional school application and licensure costs, and building cross-campus partnerships with neighboring CSU and UC institutions to expand undergraduate research and occupational wellness opportunities.

Events/Meetings Attended:

- ASI Training August 5th and August 6th
- CSUnity – August 16, 2026 | CSU Northridge
Attended CSUnity, hosted at CSU Northridge and organized by the California State Student Association (CSSA), which brought together CSU student leaders to engage in leadership development, systemwide advocacy, and collaboration across campuses.
- Scholarship & Student Support Exploration Discussion– August 18, 2026
Met with Susan Collins, Director of Corporate Affairs; Rebecca Hesgard, Director of Student Government; Erika Perret-Martinez, Corporate Affairs Senior Coordinator; and Jennifer Farris, Board and Governance Operations Manager to discuss the potential development of a new scholarship or funding opportunity aimed at reducing financial barriers for students pursuing graduate or professional education. The discussion focused on funding that could help offset upfront expenses such as graduate/professional school application fees, entrance examinations, centralized application service fees, and potentially professional licensure-related costs
- Research, Wellness & Student Opportunity Discussion – August 20, 2026
Met with Jeff Fehr, Chief of Organizational Operations; Sylvana Cicero, Assistant Executive Director for Wellness and Recreation; and Rebecca Hesgard, Director of Student Government, to discuss the feasibility of a pilot undergraduate research exchange program through partnerships with neighboring CSU and/or UC institutions. The meeting also included discussion of increasing awareness and utilization of existing

research grant opportunities and exploring professional/licensure support as part of the occupational wellness component of the ASI Wellness Initiative.

Committee: No Committee updates at this time.

Projects:

- Graduate/Professional School & Licensure Support (Career- Readiness) Scholarship
- Undergraduate Research Exchange Initiative
- Research Grant Awareness
- Occupational Wellness & Licensure Support