



ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS' SPECIAL MEETING

[May 1st, 2024 | 8-9:00 AM]

Location: A.S. Government Conference Room, Student Union 2300

Zoom Link (Optional): <https://sjsu.zoom.us/j/85916216835>

Minutes

I. Call to Order

Chair Lacson calls the meeting to order at 8:03am.

II. Land Acknowledgement

Chair Lacson reads the land acknowledgement.

III. Roll Call

The recording secretary completes roll call.

IV. Approval of the Agenda

Chair Lacson recommends a motion to approve the agenda.

M) Director Guzman S) Director Gambarin

Discussion: Director Guzman motions to strike Executive and Director reports.

S) President Multani

Vote: 9-0-0

Main Motion:

Vote: 9-0-0

Agenda approved.

V. Approval of the Minutes

No minutes to approve.

VI. Public Forum

No public forum.

VII. Action Items

A. Old Business





1. Action Item: Vote to Approve A.S. Bylaws for 2025-2026

(Director Gambarin)

Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open the item.

M) Director Gambarin S) Director Guzman

Discussion: Director Gambarin leads the discussion regarding approving the By-Laws for 2025-2026. She begins with highlighting friendly amendments related to grammar and title changes. The Board determines these edits are friendly to the body.

Director Chevis-Rose is recognized at 8:11am.

Director Gambarin moves to the second group of amendments highlighted that involves removing or adding items for consistency of the By-Laws. There is discussion regarding adding the title of Chair of Athletics Engagement and if the title should be specifically listed in the by-laws, as it is not a determined position yet.

Director Gambarin moves to amend language in Article III, Section IV, 9.j to state “include but are not limited to: students with disabilities, LGBTQIA+,...”

S) President Multani

Vote: 10-0-0

Amendment approved.

Director Gambarin moves to amend bylaws by adding vice chair duties within the Finance Committee section in Article IV, Section V, Subsection C.

S) Director Guzman

Vote: 10-0-0

Amendment approved.

Director Gambarin moves to remove SWANA center representative from Multicultural Advisory Committee.

S) Director Swaminathan

There is discussion if this should happen as there is an active initiative, even though there is no center yet. Director Guzman highlights since the committee is comprised of centers, it should be added when there is a SWANA center created.

Vote: 10-0-0

Amendment approved.





Director Gambarin moves to add International House Student Representative as an at-large voting member to Multicultural Advisory Committee.

S) Director Guzman

Vote: 10-0-0

Amendment approved.

Director Gambarin moves to amend to add “article V, Section II and Article III Second I of the A.S. Bylaws” to Article VI, Section IV, Subsection A, 2 which highlights where to find specific information related to that section within other areas of the Bylaws.

S) Director Guzman

Vote: 10-0-0

Amendment approved.

Director Gambarin moves to amend Article III, Section V, Subsection F, 1 to be “words to be added shall be italicized in blue text, omission of words shall be indicated by a red line passing through the words.”

S) Director Guzman

Vote: 10-0-0

Amendment approved.

Director Gambarin moves to amend Campus Life Affairs Meeting to meet weekly on Friday.

S) Director Guzman

Discussion: There is discussion about confining the Campus Life Affairs meetings to only Friday and there is a recommendation to make the language state meeting weekly.

Director Gambarin motions to amend the amendment to state “campus life affairs shall meet weekly”

S) Director Guzman

Director Oishi is recognized at 8:28am on Zoom.

Vote: 11-0-0

Original amendment:

Vote: 11-0-0

Amendment approved.





Director Gambarin leads discussion regarding an amendment that would add a statement to Article V, Section I, Subsection A 3.b: “Should a candidate run unopposed an encounter widespread abstention or lack of votes (less than 50% of the voting population), their position shall be vacated.

The Board discusses if this should be added or not, and what the implications might be for future elections. There is discussion that some campuses have a similar process, while there is concern that this could dissuade students from running in the elections.

Director Guzman motions to change the word abstention to vote of no confidence and remove lack of votes.

S) Director Gambarin

Vote: 11-0-0

Director Gambarin motions to change less to more than 50% and change “voting population” to “voter turnout”

S) Director Guzman

Director Oishi left meeting at 8:38am

Vote: 10-0-0

Original Amendment now reads: “Should a candidate run unopposed and encounter widespread vote of no confidence (more than 50% of the voter turnout), their position shall be vacated”

Vote: 10-0-0

Amendment approved.

Director Gambarin motions to remove amendment that was made to Article V, Section II, Subsection A, 3.a.

S) Director Swaminathan

Discussion: Director Gambarin shares that she feels this should be removed at this time as it made need a larger discussion regarding potential implications.

Vote: 10-0-0

Amendment approved.

Discussion moves back to an amendment for Article III, Section IV, 12.i regarding Athletics Engagement.

Director Gambarin amends the amendment to change Chair of Athletic Engagement to “advocate for athletics engagement through the Campus Life Affairs Committee”





S) Director Guzman

Director Khehra is excused at 8:41am.
Vote: 9-0-0

Original Amendment:
Vote: 9-0-0
Amendment approved.

Director Khehra is re-recognized at 8:43am.

President Multani motions to add the language “Maintain regular relationships and communication with campus partners, administration, alumni, and community leaders to promote and maximize the organization’s mission, yearly goals, and opportunities for student success” underneath president responsibilities.

S) Director Guzman
Vote: 10-0-0
Amendment approved.

Director Gambarin amends to remove letter p from Vice President on Internal Affairs to under President responsibilities.

S) President Multani
Vote: 10-0-0
Amendment approved.

Director Oishi is recognized via zoom at 8:49am.

President Multani recommends a motion to remove the President responsibility for attending Budget Advisory Committee (n. iii).

S) Director Guzman
Vote: 11-0-0
Amendment approved.

Director Gambarin motions to amend language under President’s responsibility from Vice Chair of A.S. Lobby Corps to an Ex-Officio member of Lobby Corps.

S) President Multani
Vote: 11-0-0
Amendment approved.

President Multani motions to remove line e. from the president responsibilities.





There is discussion from the committee about this item and whether or not this is an important responsibility of the president. Director Guzman shares that the President and Director of Legislative Affairs.

No second.

President Multani motions to remove line a. from A.S. Director of Business Affairs.

S) Director Gambarin

Vote: 11-0-0

Amendment approved.

Main motion to approve A.S. Bylaws for 2025-2026.

Vote: 11-0-0

Motion passes.

There is discussion regarding next steps due to current meeting ending time.

Chair Lacson recommends a motion to table Discussion Item 2.

M) President Multani

S) Director Gambarin

Vote: 11-0-0

Chair Lacson recommends a motion to table Discussion Item 3.

M) President Gambarin

S) Director Guzman

Vote: 11-0-0

2. Discussion Item: First Reading of the A.S. Board Member Accountability System
(Director Gambarin)

Item Tabled

3. Discussion Item: First Reading of the A.S. Bylaws for 2024-2025
(Director Gambarin)

Item Tabled.

B. New Business

XIV. Ad Hoc Committees

XV. Closed Session





XVI. Announcements

President Multani wishes everyone luck on Finals.

Advisor Pulido reminds the Board of Directors to complete their transition documents by tonight.

Director Gambarin reminds the Board that they have access to these documents and should be providing feedback on their positions and the items as a whole prior to them being voted on.

XVII. Adjournment

Chair Lacson recommends a motion to adjourn the meeting.

M) Director Swaminathan S) President Multani

Discussion: No discussion.

Vote: 11-0-0

Meeting adjourns at 9:01am.

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Ariana Lacson

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Ariana Lacson, Vice President
Associated Students, SJSU

5/1/2024

Date



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ROLL CALL

NAME	Attendance
President Multani	X
Vice President Lacson	X
Controller Varshney	A
Director Doshi	X @ 8:07am
Director Tikawala	X via Zoom
Director Chevis-Rose	X @ 8:11am Zoom
Director Swaminathan	X
Director Shah	X
Director Guzman	X
Director Brown	X via Zoom
Director Khehra	X via Zoom
Director Oishi	X @ 8:26am via Zoom
Director Gambarin	X
Non-voting Members	
Executive Director Vicki Allen	X
Dr. Sonja Daniels	A
Guests	
Kingson Leung	
Janely Pulido	

Legends:

X – Present

A – Absent