



08/28/2024 A.S. Board of Directors Meeting

Agenda Minutes

Associated Students San Jose State University
Wednesday, August 28, 2024 at 3:00 PM PDT

@ Student Union Meeting Room 1A: <https://sjsu.zoom.us/j/85916216835>

I. Call to Order

Chair Nwokolo calls the meeting to order at 3:00.

II. Land Acknowledgement

Chair Nwokolo reads the land acknowledgment.

 [Land Acknowledgement.pdf](#)

III. Roll Call

The recording secretary completes roll call.
Quorum met.

IV. Approval of the Agenda

Motion:

Chair Nwokolo recommends a motion to approve the agenda.

Motion moved by Director Agustin and motion seconded by Director Gambarin. Vote:
12-0-0 | Agenda Approved

V. Approval of the Minutes

 [AS BOD Minutes Complete - July 30 2024.pdf](#)

Motion:

Chair Nwokolo recommends a motion to approve the minutes from July 30, 2024.

Motion moved by Director Gambarin and motion seconded by Controller Sadawarti.

Motion:

Director Agustin recommends a motion to change the language in Public Forum from addressing the "Board of Directors" to "Public Forum".

Motion moved by Director Agustin and motion seconded by Director Gambarin. Vote:
11-0-1 | Item Ammended

Motion:

Main Motion

Vote: 11-0-1 | Minutes Approved

VI. Public Forum

Public Forum is intended as an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Associated Students Board of Directors regarding any issues affecting SJSU students. Speakers are allowed 3 minutes each to speak. Please sign in on the clip board if in person or if you are online sign in using chat for minute recording purposes.

No Public Forum.

VII. Executive Director's Informational Report

Executive Director Allen shares that the HR Manager and Transportation Solutions Managers process is ongoing as the committee works to hire these positions. She shares that the Audit Committee will be meeting soon to review the audit. Executive Director Allen applauds President Lacson and Director Plazola for reaching out to the San Jose State Community regarding the Time, Place and Manner policy. She highlights a 9/11 Food Packing Event that she encourages everyone to attend. She shares excitement that Dr. Mari Fuentes-Martin will be serving as the University Representative for the A.S. Board.

 [BOD Department Reports 8.28.2024 final report.docx.pdf](#)

VIII. University Administration's Informational Report

Report begins at completion of Time Certain Item 7. University Representative Mari Fuentes-Martin introduces herself. She shares updates regarding the reorganization of the Student Affairs area. She shares changes that have occurred that include Interim Dean of Students, Dawn Lee, who will be overseeing Student Involvement, Student Conduct and Ethical Development, Ombudsperson, and the Behavioral Intervention Team. Dr. Fuentes-Martin will be overseeing Associated Students, Student Union, and University Housing. She shares she is looking forward to working closely with these organizations. She turns her report to Time, Place, and Manner. She highlights information in the Time, Place, and Manner policy regarding Public, Semi-Public, and Private Areas. She highlights work that occurred over the summer, including Orientations, and discusses many of the early events that have occurred this Fall.

IX. Student Union's Informational Report

President Lacson speaks on behalf of the Student Union. She shares that the first Student Union Board Meeting is tomorrow, Thursday August 29, from 3:00 - 4:30pm.

X. Action Items

- A. Old Business
- B. New Business

1. Action Item: Vote to Remove Rishika Joshi from Lobby Corps Committee
(Presenters: Katelyn Gambarin)

Director Rishika Joshi has a class that conflicts with Lobby Corps Meetings and will be unable to serve this semester. For the time she is unable to serve, Director Gambarin would like to offer the vacancy to any Board member who is available and passionate about advocacy.

Motion:

Chair Nwokolo recommends a motion to open the action item.

Motion moved by President Lacson and motion seconded by Controller Sadawarti.

Discussion: Director Gambarin shares that Director R. Joshi is unable to serve on this committee. She feels that this committee is important and would like to open the opportunity to another director.

Motion:

Move to remove Rishika Joshi from Lobby Corps.

Vote: 11-0-1 | Motion passes.

2. Action Item: Vote to Appoint Director at Large to Lobby Corps Committee
(Presenters: Katelyn Gambarin)

While Director Rishika Joshi is unable to serve on Lobby Corps, Director Gambarin would like to offer the vacant spot to someone else on the Board. Lobby Corps meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 4:30pm - 6:00pm.

Motion:

Chair Nwokolo recommends a motion to open the action item.

Motion moved by Director Gambarin and motion seconded by Controller Sadawarti.

Discussion: Director Gambarin again highlights the importance of having a director step into the open spot. Director Gambarin recommends Director Sinha for this position, due to her position on the Board. Director Sinha accepts the nomination.

Motion:

Motion to appoint Director Sinha to Lobby Corps.

Vote: 12-0-0 | Motion passes

3. Action Item: Vote to Remove Teairra Brown from the Academic Senate
(Presenters: Teairra Brown)

Director Brown has a class that conflicts with Academic Senate Meetings and will be unable to serve this semester. Academic Senate meets Monday 9/9, 9/30,10/14, 11/4, 12/9 from 2 to 5pm

Motion:

Chair Nwokolo recommends a motion to open the action item.

Motion moved by Director Gambarin and motion seconded by Director R. Joshi.

Discussion: Director Brown shares that due to a class conflict, she is unable to attend Academic Senate.

Motion:

Motion to remove Director Brown from Academic Senate

Vote: 11-0-1 | Motion passes

4. Action Item: Vote to Appoint Director-At-Large to Academic Senate
(Presenters: Teairra Brown)

There's a vacancy on the Academic Senate that needs to be filled by a Director available to attend the Academic Senate meetings. Academic Senate meetings take place on Monday 9/9, 9/30,10/14, 11/4, 12/9 from 2 to 5pm.

Motion:

Chair Nwokolo recommends a motion to open the action item.

Motion moved by Director Agustin and motion seconded by President Lacson.

Discussion: The Board discusses who already serves on Academic Senate. President Lacson nominates Controller Sadawarti. Controller Sadawarti accepts the nomination.

Motion:

Motion to approve Controller Sadawarti to Academic Senate.

Vote: 12-0-0 | Motion passes

5. Action Item: Vote to Remove Teairra Brown from ISA Committee
(Presenters: Teairra Brown)

Director Brown has a class that conflicts with ISA committee meetings since they take place the same day of Academic Senate meetings and will be unable to serve this semester.

Motion:

Chair Nwokolo recommends a motion to open the action item.

Motion moved by Director Gambarin and motion seconded by President Lacson.

Discussion: Director Brown again shares that due to a class conflict, she is unable to serve on ISA.

Motion:

Motion to remove Director Brown from ISA.

Vote: 11-0-1 | Motion passes

6. Action Item: Vote to Appoint Director-At-Large to ISA Committee
(Presenters: Teairra Brown)

There's a vacancy on the ISA Committee that needs to be filled by a Director available to attend the meetings. ISA Committee meetings take place on Monday 9/16, 9/23, 10/7, 10/21, 10/28, 11/18, 12/2 from 2 to 4pm.

Motion:

Chair Nwokolo recommends a motion to open the action item.

Motion moved by Director Agustin and motion seconded by Controller Sadawarti.

Discussion: The Board discusses who already serves on ISA. There is discussion about other Academic Senate Policy Committees. Controller Sadawarti asks for more information about ISA. President Lacson highlights the details of the committee. Director Khehra nominates Director Dhami. Director Dhami does not accept the nomination. President Lacson nominates Controller Sadawarti. Controller Sadawarti accepts the nomination.

Motion:

Motion to appoint Controller Sadawarti to the ISA Committee.

Vote: 12-0-0 | Motion passes

7. Discussion Item: President Teniente-Matson BOD Introduction (Time Certain: 3:15 PM) (Presenters: Ariana Lacson, Guests: President Teniente-Matson)

President Lacson will allocate some time during the meeting for Dr. Teniente-Matson to introduce herself and meet with the new 24/25 BOD for the first BOD meeting of the academic year.

Discussion: Dr. Teniente-Matson introduces herself to the Board. Dr. Teniente-Matson shares that there are many initiatives and work that is going on regarding the Time, Place, and Manner policy and that discussions will continue to be ongoing in order to connect more regarding student needs. She highlights the opening of Spartan Village on the Paseo and the impact that has had on the downtown San Jose area. President Teniente-Matson shares an initiative she has started that she is calling the Future of Humanity and Civic Engagement. She highlights national conferences that are coming to San Jose State and encourages students to attend. She highlights further projects that involve campus and the surrounding community. She discusses the WASC Accreditation process and reminds students that they will have an opportunity to speak with the accreditation team. University Representatives Report begins at the end of this item.

8. Discussion Item: University Police Department Status and Discussion (Presenters: Leo Plazola, Guests: UPD Chief Michael Carroll)

Chief Carroll will share the status of UPD and discuss ways to strengthen ties between A.S. and UPD to improve transparency.

Discussion: Director Plazola shares updates from his liaison, University Police Chief Carroll. Director Plazola shares that he is hoping to have Chief Carroll address the Board of Directors semi regularly at future meetings. He discusses what they talked about at their first meeting, including how they can work with and get to know students and where they conduct patrols. Director Plazola shares that UPD holds a Town Hall type meeting monthly for anyone to attend. Director Plazola shares that Chief Carroll is looking forward to working with Associated Students this year.

9. Discussion Item: Muwekma-Ohlone Tribe Federal Recognition Resolution Initial Discussion (Presenters: Leo Plazola)

Director Plazola will share details on joint resolution with President Lacson, Director Gambarin and Director Sinha on Muwekma-Ohlone federal recognition and hear Board feedback.

Discussion: Director Plazola shares that he will be working on a resolution with other directors. He shares some history regarding the Muwekma-Ohlone Tribe and how they were one federally recognized and are no longer. He highlights that the Muwekma-Ohlone Tribe is continually working to become recognized and are hosting a march from San Francisco to Washington D.C. to gather support. Director Plazola highlights his goals for this resolution, including encouraging San Jose State and CSSA to adopt similar resolutions or support for this item. There is further discussion regarding the involvement of the San Jose City Council for a resolution. Discussion pauses for Time Certain Item 10. Director R. Joshi is excused for point of personal privilege at 4:29pm. Discussion resumes after Time Certain Item 10. Director Plazola encourages the Board of Directors to make sure they review any information sent to them prior to any resolution readings, to ensure that the Board is well informed. Director Gambarin thanks Director Plazola for his initiative with this resolution. President Lacson highlights the importance of seeing these issues of students and campus community members and addressing these concerns. She shares that there were members of the Muwekma-Ohlone Tribe at New Student Convocation who encouraged a call to action for their march. She calls for the Board to provide feedback on this item. She provides some history about federal recognition and the concerns of not being federally recognized lacking many rights as a tribe.

Dr. Mari Fuentes - Martin is excused at 3:56pm.

10. Discussion Item: Filipino American History Mural Project (Time Certain: 4:00 PM) (Presenters: Ariana Lacson, Guests: Alan Gouig (Filipino Alumni Network President))

President Lacson will present about the Filipino American History Mural Project which convened this past summer in hopes of creating a mural celebrating and commemorating Filipino American History.

Crowdfunding page:

<https://giving.sjsu.edu/s/1771/cf23/project.aspx?sid=1771&gid=3&sitebuilder=1&pgid=2199>

President Lacson briefly introduces the project and introduces the President of the Filipino Alumni Network, Alan. Alan introduces himself. He highlights some history around previous Associated Students and CSSA Resolutions supporting Filipino Americans. He highlights monuments that are on SJSU's campus and highlights how the Filipino Farmworker experience has been left off of some of them. There is a committee created that is working on the plan for this mural project. They currently have secured \$25,000 in funding from San Jose State and are hosting a Gala in September to raise more money. He shares some details of the site of the mural and their planned timeline. He completes his presentation by sharing how Associated Students can support this project, sharing ideas such as resolutions, funding, or committee support. Director Agustin asks a clarifying question regarding the committees that are involved in the approval and progress of this project. Director Plazola shares excitement for the project and highlights the history of Filipino American Farmworkers. He asks if any faculty members have also been reached out to, which Alan confirms that there are both faculty and staff involved in the project. Director Plazola also asks how much outreach has occurred with community members as well. Alan shares that they are working with community members and included that they are also trying to connect with news outlets.

President Lacson shares that she is potentially looking at drafting a resolution in support of this project. She reminds the Board that they have been invited to the Gala and hopes that this presentation helped educate the Board more on this project.

Chair Nwokolo asks Alan if local elected officials have been connected with. Alan highlights local councilmembers, candidates, and assemblymembers who have shown up for support.

President Lacson is excused for a point of personal privilege at 4:38pm.
Director Augustin is excused for a point of personal privilege at 4:38pm.

11. Discussion Item: Board of Directors' Accountability System Presentation (Presenters: Katelyn Gambarin)

Director Gambarin will present the Accountability System and how it works.

 [Board Accountability Presentation.pdf](#)

Discussion: Director Gambarin directs the attention of the Board to a presentation she has provided regarding the Accountability System for the A.S. Board of Directors. Director Gambarin discusses what the accountability system is and why it was created. She highlights the point system, different types of absences or infractions and their point values. She highlights the importance of communicating in a timely fashion in regards to absences. Director Gambarin shares some potential scenarios. Director Agustin is re-recognized at 4:40pm. President Lacson is re-recognized at 4:42pm.

There is discussion amongst the Board of Directors regarding details of the accountability plan.

Director A. Joshi is excused for a point of personal privilege at 4:49pm.

Director A. Joshi is re-recognized at 4:52pm.

Director Plazola asks Director Gambarin about when this plan takes effect and who aside from Vice President Nwokolo would be supporting keeping track of this system. There is discussion about who should determine when this system should take place. There is a question about if the effective date of the policy can be voted on.

President Lacson shares that she would like to meet with the Executive Board team to discuss the implementation process. Director Plazola encourages the Chair Nwokolo to make this topic a priority. Director Agustin asks if point values will be public to the Board of Directors.

Director Plazola is excused for a point of personal privilege at 5:03pm.

Director Brown and Director Sinha are excused for a point of personal privilege at 5:05pm. Director Plazola is re-recognized at 5:05pm.

12. Discussion Item: Letter of Recognition for Dr. Sonja Daniels (Presenters: Katelyn Gambarin)

Details: Dr. Daniels served as the Associate Vice President to Student Affairs for 8 years and has been instrumental in the creation of many programs that have enhanced the student experience at SJSU.

 [Dr. Sonja Daniels LOR.pdf](#)

Discussion: Director Gambarin shares that Dr. Sonja Daniels was the former University Representative to Associated Students and has provided a wealth of work for the campus community and students. She felt it would be good to recognize the work that she contributed to the campus community and has drafted a letter of recognition for her. There

is discussion about if this will be the final format of the letter. Director Gambarin shares that there is a nice certificate format that they would add the letter language too.

President Lacson shares that there has also been discussion about creating a video that could involve students and staff that have been impacted by her work here and posted to social media. There is further discussion about creating a video and having staff and faculty provide words or video clips to be shared.

Director Brown is re-recognized at 5:10pm. Director Sinha is re-recognized at 5:11pm. Director Dhama is excused for a point of personal privilege at 5:13pm. Director Dhama is re-recognized at 5:18pm.

Motion:

Chair Nwokolo recommends a motion to extend the meeting to 5:45pm.

Motion moved by President Lacson and motion seconded by Director Gambarin. Vote: 10-1-0 | Motion passes

13. Discussion Item: Systemwide Time, Place, Manner Policy & SJSU Addendum Policy (Presenters: Ariana Lacson)

President Lacson will discuss the details of the Systemwide CSU TPM policy and SJSU Addendum policy and how it correlates to the student advocacy experience.

Discussion: President Lacson asks the Board who has looked at the Time, Place and Manner Policy. She encourages the Board to listen to students questions or concerns that could be brought to the Board regarding this policy. She shares some feedback she had received from Cal State Student Association executives regarding this policy. President Lacson reads a statement from CSSA representative Tara, who is also a San Jose State Student. President Lacson encourages everyone to look through the details of the policy, including the addendum, as it highlights specific details to San Jose State, including how to reserve various public spaces. Director Gambarin discusses the concealment of identity section of the policy and is hoping that this can be clarified further by administration. Director Plazola reminds the Board that there has been a statement of neutrality shared with the student population and that he encourages the Board to remain neutral at this time, especially while they gather

feedback from students. He encourages everyone to listen to feedback first.

14. Informational Item: 2024 Panetta Institute Leadership Seminar Recap (Presenters: Geoffrey Agustin)

Director Agustin will discuss his experience at the 2024 Panetta Institute Leadership Seminar with the Board of Directors, sharing key takeaways that will allow the Board to function more efficiently.

Director Agustin presents information regarding his attendance at the 2024 Panetta Institute Leadership Seminar. He highlights the history of the seminar, who attends this program, and key takeaways from the institute, including keeping personal and professional separate, understand morality, and have the courage to say no. Director Agustin shares some issues facing the CSU system.

XI. Executive Officer Reports (4 minutes each)

A. President

President Lacson highlights various committees she has been serving on, including Academic Senate related committees. She highlights the various liaisons, administration, and staff that she has been meeting with, including President Teniente-Matson, VPSA Mari Fuentes-Martin, and other members of the Presidents cabinet.

 [A.Lacson Board Report-8.28.24.docx.pdf](#)

Motion:

Director Agustin moves to table board reports.

Motion moved by Director Agustin and motion seconded by Director Plazola.

Vote: 11-0-0 | Board Reports Tabled

B. Vice President

 [08-28-24 Vice President C. Nwokolo Board Report .pdf](#)

C. Controller

 [24-25 Controller's Board Report.docx.pdf](#)









XII. Directors' Reports (3 minutes each)

A. Director of Academic Affairs

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B. Director of Business Affairs

 [Aug 28, 2024 - Director of Business Affairs Board Report.docx.pdf](#)

- C. Director of Co-Curricular Affairs
 [8 28 24 Board Report Template.docx.pdf](#)
- D. Director of Communciations
 [G. Agustin Board Report - 8.28.24.pdf](#)
- E. Director of Intercultural Affairs
 [8 28 2024 24-25 Board Report Template.docx.pdf](#)
- F. Director of Internal Affairs
 [08-28-24 A. Joshi Board Report.docx.pdf](#)
- G. Director of Legislative Affairs
 [08 28 K.Gambarin Board Report.docx.pdf](#)
- H. Director of Student Resources Affairs
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- I. Director of Student Rights & Reponsibilities
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- J. Director of Sustainability
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XIII. Ad Hoc Committees

No Ad Hoc Committees.

XIV. Closed Session

No Closed Session.

XV. Announcements

President Lacson reminds everyone to attend Weeks of Welcome events.
 President Lacson shares that she is meeting with President Tentiente-Matson and VPSA Mari Fuentes-Martin next week and to provide her with any feedback she can bring to the meeting.
 Director Gambarin shares information about the DC Scholars Program.
 Director Brown reminds everyone that the first football game is tomorrow and encourages the Board to come for the charge.
 Chair Nwokolo reminds everyone to complete the form for 1 on 1 meetings.

XVI. Adjournment

Motion:

Chair Nwokolo recommends a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:45pm.

Motion moved by Director Gambarin and motion seconded by President Lacson. Vote:
11-0-0 | Meeting Adjourned

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chima Nwokolo', with a stylized, cursive script.

Chima Nwokolo
2024-09-05 15:46 UTC

2024-2025
Associated Students
Board of Directors

Date: 8.28.2024
ROLL CALL

NAME	Attendance
President Lacson	X
Vice President Nwokolo	X
Controller Sadawarti	X
Director Khehra	X
Director Dhami	X
Director Agustin	X
Director Swaminathan	X
Director Sinha	X
Director Gambarin	X
Director Plazola	X
Director R. Joshi	X
Director A. Joshi	X
Director Brown	X
Non-voting Members	
Executive Director Vicki Allen	
Dr. Mari Fuentes-Martin (University Representative)	
Guests	
Abby Escobar (Recording Secretary)	
Kingson Leung	
Janely Pulido	
Jim Westbrook	
Michael Carroll	
President Teniente-Matson	
Anai Avalos	
Edilbert Signey	
Diana Victa	
Alan Gouig	
Israel Archie	
Alex Luu	

Legends: X – Present

A – Absent