



**STUDENT UNION, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Meeting Minutes  
September 14, 2021  
4:00 pm**

**This is a hybrid meeting.**

**In-person: Student Union Inc. Building, Conference Room 6**

**Telecommute meeting by Zoom Video Conference.**

*This meeting was facilitated in person and through an online Zoom format, consistent with the Governor's Executive Order N25-20, suspending certain open meeting law restrictions.*

**Voting Members Present:** Isaiah Andrews, Hoon Cho, Anoop Kaur, Joshua Reyes, Aarushi Sharma  
**Voting Members Absent:** Charlie Faas, Dr. Sonja G. Daniels  
**Non-Voting Member Present:** James Figueroa, SUBOD Trainee, Soumya Trivedi, SUBOD Trainee, Tamsen Burke  
**Guests Present:** Kathleen Prunty, Peter Lee

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Director Andrews called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Director Andrews asked Kelly Goldsmith to take the roll. Kelly Goldsmith completed a verbal roll call.

**III. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 AGENDA**

Director Andrews asked for a motion to approve the September 14, 2021 Student Union Board of Directors Meeting agenda.

**Director Anoop motioned to approve the agenda; Director Reyes seconded the motion.**

**Vote on the Motion: 5-0-0 Motion Passed**

**IV. APPROVAL OF AUGUST 31, 2021 MEETING MINUTES**

Director Andrews asked for any changes to the August 31, 2021 STUDENT UNION, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES. No changes requested.

**Director Cho motioned to approve the meeting minutes as presented; Director Sharma seconded the motion.**

**Vote on the Motion: 5-0-0 Motion Passed**

**V. PUBLIC FORUM**

**No public comment.**

**VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

Tamsen Burke spoke briefly about the daily average usage of Spartan Recreation (4500) and the Student Union building (5000-7000) by students, faculty, and staff. She spoke about two successful events, RecFest at Spartan Recreation which highlighted club and intramural sports, fitness, outdoor adventures, and aquatics. The Compean Diaz Student Union Living Room series kickoff event which was organized by Ariana Martinez. She commended both teams for two outstanding first events.

Ms. Burke provided an update to the Board on changes to meeting policies governed by AB 361 related to the Brown Act. AB 361 is under consideration by the Senate. The Student Union Board of Directors meetings will continue in a hybrid meeting model until there is a change in requirements.

**VII. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Approval of the Recommendation of Board of Director Position(s)**

Director Reyes, Chair of the Personnel Committee, stated that the Committee would like to recommend Soumya Trivedi for the vacant Student Board of Directors position. He briefly discussed Ms. Trivedi's application and qualifications.

Director Andrews discussed the Personnel Committee's recommendation for one of the vacant Faculty Member Representative positions, Kathryn Blackmer Reyes. The Directors reviewed her application and qualifications.

Ms. Tamsen explained that Peter Lee has been identified as the Community Member representative and is waiting for the President to approve that appointment. Ms. Burke introduced Peter Lee and asked him to share some of his experiences and how he will be able to serve the board. Mr. Lee discussed his experience as a student at SJSU and that he has been looking for an opportunity to be involved on campus. Former Board of Director Nicholas Ayala made the recommendation to the Board in Summer 2021 upon his departure. Mr. Lee is excited to be a part of the work being done by the Board and to also have the opportunity to continue to give back to his alma mater.

Director Andrews asked for a motion to approve Soumya Trivedi as the Student Representative.

**Director Reyes motioned to approve the recommendation of Soumya Trivedi for the Student Board of Director position; Director Sharma seconded the motion.**

**Vote on the Motion: 5-0-0 Motion Passed**

Director Andrews asked for a motion to approve the recommendation to the President for the appointment of Kathryn Blackmer Reyes as one of the Faculty Representatives. Ms. Burke explained that there are currently two vacant Faculty Representative positions on the board.

**Director Reyes motioned to approve the recommendation to the President for the appointment of Kathryn Blackmer Reyes; Director Sharma seconded the motion.**

**Vote on the Motion: 5-0-0 Motion Passed**

**B. Selection and Approval of the Facilities & Programs Committee Vice-Chair for AY 2021-2022**

Director Andrews stated that Director Faas sent an email requesting to be appointed as a member of the Facilities & Programs Committee and then have Traci Ferdolage, Senior Assistant Vice President, Facilities Development & Operations, appointed as his designee.

Director Cho nominated himself for Vice Chair.

Director Cho explained why he would like to be Vice Chair. Kathleen Prunty was attending on Director Faas's behalf. She explained the request by Director Faas to have Traci Ferdolage appointed as his designee.

**Director Andrews motioned to approve the nomination of Director Cho as Vice Chair; Director Kaur seconded the motion.**

**Vote on the Motion: 4-0-1 Motion Passed.**

Yes: Director Andrews, Director Kaur, Director Reyes, Director Sharma,  
Abstain: Director Cho

**C. Approval of Audit Committee Recommendation to Approve the June 30, 2021 YE Audited Financials**

Director Kaur, Audit Chair, explained that the Student Union is waiting for the actuary to be able to finalize items related to OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits). She recommended a motion to table this item until the next meeting when we will have the finalized items related to OPEB.

Director Andrews asked for a motion to table this item.

**Director Reyes motioned to table this item; Director Andrews seconded the motion.**

**Vote on the Motion: 5-0-0 Motion Passed.**

**VIII. DISCUSSION**

**A. Student Union Bylaws Review**

Tamsen Burke explained that the Bylaws were last revised October 26, 2004 so she will be reviewing them with each committee of the SU Board of Directors. All recommendations will be brought to the Board for discussion and approval. The Committees will be discussing if the bylaws are viable at this time in regards to the way that the Corporation is functioning. Ms. Burke recognized that this will be a lengthy process and that it will be a unified approach. All committee recommendations will be brought to the Board at the same time so the Board will be reviewing and approving all the recommendations at one meeting.

Director Kaur recommended that the Personnel Committee look at the number of student board member positions on the board and consider increasing the number. She also requested the Committee consider possibly offering a stipend to student board members for their service. Ms. Burke, Director Hoon, and Director Andrews, acknowledged the recommendation. Ms. Burke explained any other recommendations can be brought up

during the specific committee meeting.

**IX. BOARD OF DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Director Kaur reminded everyone that the AS Board's donation drive for the international crises with Hadi and Afghanistan will continue until the end of October and to please spread the word. Ms. Burke explained the Annual Report is being worked on and once completed it will be posted on the website. She also explained that there will be an active calendar posted on the website that will list details on current events and activities for students. Ms. Burke announced that two graduating seniors from San Jose State were hired in the Marketing Department. Zainab Nisa will be the new Marketing Supervisor and Leila Dela Cruz will be the new Marketing Coordinator.

**X. MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Director Andrews asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**Director Reyes motioned to adjourn the meeting; Director Sharma seconded the motion.**

**Vote on the Motion: 5-0-0 Motion Passed.**

**Meeting adjourned at 4:46 PM.**