



ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 | 3-5:30PM

Location: SU Meeting Room 1A

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

MINUTES

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Lacson calls the meeting to order at 3:02 PM.

**II. Land Acknowledgement**

Chair Lacson reads the land acknowledgement.

**III. Roll Call**

The recording secretary completes roll call.

*Quorum met.*

**IV. Approval of the Agenda**

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to approve the agenda.*

M) Director Khehra

S) Director Gambarin

Discussion: *No discussion.*

Vote: 9-0-0

*Agenda approved.*

**V. Approval of the Minutes**

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to approve the minutes from the February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Board Meeting*

M) Director Khehra

S) Director Gambarin

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to add the guest list from the previous Board meeting to the minutes*

M) Director Guzman

S) President Multani

Vote: 9-0-0

*Amendment approved.*





Vote: 9-0-0

*Amended Minutes approved.*

*Controller Varshney is recognized at 3:08PM.*

**VI. Public Forum**

*No public comment.*

**VII. Executive Director's Informational Report (4 minutes)**

Executive Director Allen highlights CHI Day happening next week hosted by the CCCAC and the Board can volunteer to support the events.

**VIII. University Administration's Informational Report (3 minutes)**

Dr. Daniels thanks everyone for their involvement in the University President's Investiture week events last week. She also highlights the annual Pancake Breakfast event hosted by the International House coming up on Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9:30AM-12PM. She shares some details about enrollment for Fall 2024 and Admitted Spartan Day.

**IX. Student Union Informational Report (3 minutes)**

Student Union Executive Director Tamsen Burke updates the Board on some budget and finance changes through the Student Union Board of Directors as well as some policy reminders for student organizations on the Paseo and in the Student Union facilities.

**X. Chief Elections Officer Informational Report (3 minutes)**

CEO Plazola shares that Phase 1 of the SEC's marketing is finished and they are now moving towards marketing for the campaign and voting portion of their marketing. He also asks the Board to help advertise elections and help more people learn about and participate in election events. He shares that election events and marketing for them will start soon.

**XI. Action Items**

**A. Old Business**

1. Action Item: Vote to Appoint a Director at Large to Academic Senate  
(Vice President Lacson)





*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*  
M) Director Gambarin                      S) Director Guzman

Discussion: President Multani nominates Director Swaminathan and shares that she has class until 2:20 but should be able to attend from 2:20-5PM.  
Director Swaminathan accepts the nomination.

Vote: 10-0-0

*Action Item approved to appoint Director Swaminathan as a Director at Large to Academic Senate.*

2. Action Item: Vote to Appoint a Director at Large to Curriculum & Research Committee of Academic Senate

(Vice President Lacson)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*  
M) Director Gambarin                      S) President Multani

Discussion: President Multani nominates Director Swaminathan.  
Director Swaminathan accepts the nomination.

Vote: 10-0-0

*Action Item approved to appoint Director Swaminathan as a Director at Large to Curriculum & Research Committee of Academic Senate.*

3. Action Item: Vote to Appoint a Director at Large to the Undergraduate Studies Committee of the Academic Senate

(Director Doshi)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*  
M) Director Khehra                      S) Director Gambarin

Discussion: Director Doshi nominates Director Khehra. Director Khehra declines the nomination because of class schedule conflicts. President Multani emphasizes the





importance of this Committee especially due to recent issues with course cuts.  
Director Chevis-Rose self-nominates for the appointment.

Vote: 10-0-0

*Action Item approved to appoint Director Chevis-Rose as a Director at Large to the Undergraduate Studies Committee of the Academic Senate.*

4. Action Item: Vote to Appoint a Director at Large to the General Education Advisory Committee (GEAC) of the Academic Senate

(Director Doshi)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Gambarin      S) Director Guzman

Discussion: Director Doshi mentions that they meet on alternating Thursdays from 2-3PM.

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to table Action Item to the end of the meeting*

M) President Multani      S) Director Khehra

Vote: 10-0-0

*Action Item tabled to the end of the meeting.*

*Action Item reopened at 5:35PM*

Discussion: Chair Lacson self nominates for the appointment.

Vote: 9-0-0

*Action Item approved to appoint Chair Lacson as a Director at Large to the General Education Advisory Committee.*

## **B. New Business**

5. Action Item: Vote to Approve Spartan Wushu for \$2991.6

(Controller Varshney)





*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*  
M) Director Guzman                      S) Director Gambarin

*Director Shah is recognized at 3:25PM.*

Discussion: Controller Varshney yields time to Spartan Wushu to present on their funding request for travel costs to their next tournament in Arizona. President Multani asks how members are chosen to participate in the competition. Director Guzman asks what members are doing for accommodations while they are in Arizona competing.

Vote: 11-0-0

*Action Item approved to approve Spartan Wushu for \$2,991.60.*

6. Action Item: Vote to Approve UX Student Group for \$1462.47  
(Controller Varshney)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*  
M) Director Shah                      S) Controller Varshney

Discussion: The Treasurer of the UX Student Group presents on their funding request including for the attendance of a conference, promotional items, and equipment. Executive Director Allen asks whether any students in the organization are in person and clarifies that the many iSchool students do not currently pay an AS fee and may not be eligible for AS funding if their entire organization consists of online students. The Board decides to approve the funding on contingency after looking into their members.

Vote: 11-0-0

*Action Item approved to approve UX Student Group for \$1,462.47 contingent on eligibility of non-AS Fee contributing students within RSOs to receive funding.*

*President Multani is excused for a point of personal privilege at 3:45PM.*

7. Action Item: Vote to Approve Game Development Club for \$1161  
(Controller Varshney)





*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Shah                      S) Director Gambarin

Discussion: The Treasurers from the Game Development Club, AR/VR Club, and ACM SIGGRAPH Student Chapter present on their requests for funding to attend the Game Development Conference also known as GDC.

*President Multani is re-recognized at 3:48PM.*

President Multani asks for clarification on the day and time of the event.

Vote: 11-0-0

*Action Item approved to approve Game Development Club for \$1,161.*

8.    Action Item: Vote to Approve AR/VR Club for \$1161

(Controller Varshney)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Gambarin                      S) President Multani

Discussion: *No discussion.*

Vote: 11-0-0

*Action Item approved to approve AR/VR Club for \$1,161.*

9.    Action Item: Vote to Approve ACM SIGGRAPH Student Chapter for \$1161

(Controller Varshney)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Shah                      S) Director Gambarin

Discussion: *No discussion.*

Vote: 11-0-0





*Action Item approved to approve ACM SIGGRAPH Student Chapter for \$1,161.*

10. Action Item: Vote to Approve Human Factors & Ergonomic Society Student Chapter for \$2250

(Controller Varshney)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Shah

S) Director Oishi

*Director Chevis-Rose is excused for a point of personal privilege at 3:55PM.*

*President Multani moves to suspend the rules and reopen public forum*

S) Director Guzman

Vote: 10-0-0

*Public forum is reopened.*

*Chair Lacson concludes public forum and resumes meeting rules.*

Discussion: A Student Representative from the Human Factors & Ergonomic Society Student Chapter presents on their request for funding to attend a symposium in Chicago in March.

*Director Chevis-Rose is re-recognized at 4:00PM.*

Controller Varshney clarifies whether the funding only covers the registration fee for the symposium. Vice President Lacson clarifies the amount of people attending the event.

Vote: 11-0-0

*Action Item approved.*

11. Discussion Item: 2/19 Pro-Palestinian Protest Incident

(Vice President Lacson)

Discussion: Chair Lacson asks for the Board's thoughts and feelings about the recent events on campus. President Multani shares that he and Director Shah have spoken





to students that were present during last Monday's event and he has shared these students' thoughts as well as his own with the Academic Senate at their recent meeting. He also shares that he has asked for the Academic Senate to pass a Sense of Senate Resolution in regards to this event as well as other recent events that have impacted students on campus. He also clarifies that there are a lot of investigations being conducted including body cam footage, etc. Dr. Daniels also clarifies the various process of investigations being taken by the University and talks more about supporting discourse on campus. President Multani thanks Chair Lacson for her urgency in addressing the issue as soon as it happened and getting more thoughts and feedback from students. Chair Lacson yields time to a student in public forum to speak regarding his experience during the protest.

*Controller Varshney is excused for a point of personal privilege at 4:17PM.*

*Director Doshi is excused for a point of personal privilege at 4:18PM.*

12. Discussion Item: First Reading for A.S. Resolution in Support of a Permanent Ceasefire in Gaza

(Director Guzman)

Discussion: Director Guzman lets the Board know that he met with a handful of student groups regarding the resolution and shares his office hours for any other students that may want to speak with him about it. Director Guzman then conducts a reading of the resolution.

*Controller Varshney is re-recognized at 4:21PM.*

*Director Doshi is re-recognized at 4:24PM.*

Chair Lacson clarifies that amendments can be proposed during this discussion, and anyone can speak to Director Guzman regarding any changes they would like to suggest. President Multani talks about the mental and physical health crisis happening in Gaza due to there being no fully working hospitals there anymore and how that connects to him as a student pursuing a career in healthcare and why he wants to support this resolution. Director Shah shares that this resolution is important because it is an important step in helping students on campus feel safe whether they are affected by an incident on campus or affected by the loss in Palestine itself. Director Gambarin also shares her support of the resolution and makes some suggestions. The Board also points out some grammatical and verbiage errors for







Director Guzman to make changes accordingly. Director Guzman and Executive Director provide some clarification and context on the sources included in the resolution.

*Director Khehra is excused for a point of personal privilege at 4:39PM.*

13. Action Item: Vote to Remove Antonio Maldonado as a Student at Large from Finance Committee

(Controller Varshney)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Guzman                      S) Director Shah

Discussion: Controller Varshney says that Antonio graduated in December and is no longer a student at the University.

Vote: 10-0-0

*Action Item approved.*

14. Action Item: Vote to Remove Antonio Maldonado as a Student at Large from Operations Committee

(Director Tikawala)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) President Multani                      S) Director Shah

Discussion: Chair Lacson clarifies that Antonio is no longer a student.

Vote: 10-0-0

*Action Item approved.*

15. Action Item: Vote to Remove Ella Cherrier as a Student at Large from Finance Committee

(Controller Varshney)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Shah                      S) Director Gambarin





Discussion: Controller Varshney says that she has a class time conflict and can no longer attend meetings.

Vote: 10-0-0

*Action Item approved.*

*President Multani yields time to Executive Director Burke who shares her retirement announcement with the Board. The Board thanks her for her work and leadership.*

16. Action Item: Vote to Remove Nathan Connick as a Student at Large from Finance Committee

(Controller Varshney)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Guzman

S) Director Gambarin

Discussion: Controller Varshney shares that he has a time conflict and can no longer attend meetings.

*Director Khehra is re-recognized at 4:47PM.*

Vote: 10-0-1

*Action Item approved.*

17. Action Item: Vote to Appoint Akhil Rao to the Student Fairness Committee of Academic Senate

(President Multani)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Doshi

S) Director Gambarin

Discussion: President Multani clarifies that there were a lot of vacancies because previously appointed students could no longer serve, and he is hoping to appoint students that can serve year-long terms. He shares that Akhil is very involved, knowledgeable, and a good communicator.

Vote: 11-0-0

*Action Item approved.*





18. Action Item: Vote to Appoint Adrienne Belardes to the Student Fairness Committee of Academic Senate

(President Multani)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Shah                      S) Director Guzman

Discussion: President Multani shares that she applied during the last round of applications and she participates in a lot of advocacy and is a good communicator and can serve a full year term.

Vote: 11-0-0

*Action Item approved.*

19. Action Item: Vote to Remove Director Doshi from Internal Affairs

(Director Gambarin)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Shah                      S) Director Gambarin

Discussion: Director Gambarin shares that Director Doshi has other commitments and can no longer serve on Internal Affairs.

Vote: 11-0-0

*Action Item approved.*

20. Action Item: Vote to Approve A.S. Resolution in Support of Mandatory Opioid Overdose Reversal Training

(Director Gambarin)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Gambarin                      S) Director Shah

Discussion: Director Gambarin clarifies some minor adjustments made since the first reading and she plans on making some amendments to add others who have signed on since the Action Item was submitted for the agenda. Director Gambarin conducts





a reading of the resolution. Director Shah supports this resolution and commends Director Gambarin for taking tangible action to address this issue.

*Director Gambarin moves to amend the title of the Resolution to clarify that this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Resolution being passed this academic year.*

S) Director Guzman

Vote: 11-0-0

*Amendment approved.*

*Director Gambarin moves to amend the support list to include supporters who signed on after the resolution was submitted*

S) Director Guzman

Valeria Alcaraz, Lambda Sigma Theta, President  
Rocky Anderson, Alpha Phi Alpha, President  
Tanya Dhillon, Women's Club Water Polo, President  
Shawheen Fahr, Interfraternity Council, President  
Alana Jarboe, Women's Club Soccer, President  
Bryanna Lazo, Alpha Omicron Pi, President  
Bryan McCray, Black Student Union, President  
Sarab Multani, Associated Students, President  
Julie Phan, SJSU Club Tennessees, President

*Chair Lacson, Director Shah, Director Oishi, and Director Swaminathan are added to the supporters list.*

Vote: 11-0-0

*Amendment to add Directors to the supporters list approved.*

Vote: 11-0-0

*Amended supporter's list approved.*

Vote: 11-0-0

*Amended Action Item approved.*

21. Action Item: Vote to Appoint a Director at Large to Internal Affairs





(Director Gambarin)

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to open Action Item*

M) Director Gambarin                      S) Director Guzman

Discussion: Director Gambarin clarifies that Internal Affairs meets every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at 4:30PM. The Board discusses their commitments to try and find some availability.

Director Swaminathan self nominates for the appointment.

Vote: 11-0-0

*Action Item approved to appoint Director Swaminathan as a Director at Large to Internal Affairs.*

22. Discussion Item: Spartan Squad

(President Multani)

Discussion: President Multani asks for the Board's feedback on the name Spartan Squad. Director Guzman feels that Spartan Nation sounds more professional. President Multani clarifies that he pitched the name change but they are waiting to hear back about whether the change is possible. President Multani also talks about the point of this relaunch being to help engage more students in University athletics and help create a better experience for students at games and increase a sense of belonging for students. Director Gambarin asks whether this could be proposed as an Ad Hoc committee for AS and President Multani clarifies that they are currently looking at it through Campus Life Affairs but he is open to setting up an Ad Hoc committee for it.

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to extend this meeting until 6PM*

M) Director Guzman                      S) Director Shah

Vote: 11-0-0

*Meeting extended.*

*Chair Lacson passes the gavel to Director Gambarin and is excused for a point of personal privilege at 5:23PM.*

23. Discussion Item: Sustainability Campaign





(Director Oishi)

*Director Oishi moves to table Discussion Item to the next meeting*  
S) Controller Varshney

Vote: 10-0-0

*Discussion Item tabled.*

*Chair Gambarin passes the gavel back to Vice President Lacson at 5:26PM.*

24. Discussion Item: Bylaws Updates

(Director Gambarin)

Discussion: Director Gambarin discusses changes she has implemented based on previous feedback regarding accountability systems. She then explains the rearrangement and changes to the positions and responsibilities and asks for feedback from the Board.

*Director Khehra is excused at 5:31PM.*

She and President Multani clarify that the accountability system with infractions will hopefully help to dissolve Executive Committee because it has been so hard to find a time to meet and it takes so much time to prep for the meeting.

*Controller Varshney is excused at 5:35PM.*

*Action Item 4 is reopened at 5:35PM.*

## **XII. Executive Officer Reports (4 minutes each)**

### **A. President**

President Multani shares that Finance Committee has now approved over \$90,000 and the budget process is also underway. There are also some conversations happening regarding the University Budget. President Multani also shares that the University raised \$1.8 million and there are about \$1 million in scholarship funds that haven't been allocated to students. He shares about his experience being involved in the President's Investiture events last week. He talks about his work on a Ceasefire





Resolution at the CSSA level. He also gives updates on the panel he has set up for the Spartan Success Series event.

**a. Personnel Committee**

*Nothing to report.*

*Director Oishi shares her report at 5:42PM in between President Multani and Chair Lacson's reports.*

*Director Oishi is excused at 5:43PM.*

**B. Vice President**

Chair Lacson says she will share updates in her next Board Report from discussions in the Professional Standards Committee regarding recent events shares but current discussions have revolved around SOTES and other policies. She also gives updates on marketing for MyVoice and incentives for people who participate in the program. She asks everyone to continue to attend every meeting and to schedule their 1-on-1s with her for March.

**a. A.S. 55**

Chair Lacson shares that marketing is being finalized and the nominating deadline is April 5<sup>th</sup>.

**C. Controller**

*No report.*

**a. Finance Committee**

*No report.*

**XIII. Directors' Reports (3 minutes each)**

**A. Director of Academic Affairs**

Director Doshi shares about her participation in a CS panel where she could express her opinion about various aspects of the CS department. She also talks about changes she made to the survey she's working on based on the Provost's feedback and including an incentive for filling it out as well.

**a. Academic Affairs Committee**

*Nothing to report.*

**B. Director of Business Affairs**

*No report.*

**a. Operations Committee**





*No report.*

**C. Director of Co-Curricular Affairs**

Director Swaminathan shares that she was sworn in this morning and has been working on recruitment for Programming Board.

**a. Programming Board**

She talks about current social media campaign for Black History Month highlighting Black student artists. She also shares plans for events during Wellness Week in May including a collaboration with Academic Affairs. They are also working on an event tailored towards business majors and the entrepreneur community, possibly something along the lines of Shark Tank. She also talks about collaborating with Director Oishi for her Sustainability Month event and Director Brown for his Campus Resource Fair. She also shares some brief discussions she has had with President Multani regarding a collaborative event between AS, the Research and Innovation Center, the Career Center, and the Library to hold a tech summit type of event on campus next semester.

**D. Director of Communications**

Director Chevis-Rose talks about the Black History Month Spartan Showcase as well as promoting the Resource Fair happening next week.

**E. Director of Intercultural Affairs**

Director Shah talks about the recent Spartan Community Fund meeting to fund NAISSC for their Native Student Mixer. She is also working on updating the Amah Mutsun Tribe Resolution and she is getting feedback from Native and Indigenous Faculty. She is also meeting with her liaisons to maintain good communication between AS and the ODEI Office. She is also planning to work with Director Chevis-Rose to share the money allocated through the Spartan Community Fund on social media.

**a. Multicultural Affairs Committee**

*Nothing to report.*

**F. Director of Internal Affairs**

Director Gambarin asks everyone to give their input on the changes for the Bylaws. She also shares about attended the Spartan Speaker Series Event with Former Secretary Castro. She also asks for any input others may have on Academic Senate meetings changing to hybrid modalities.







**a. Internal Affairs Committee**

*Nothing to report.*

**G. Director of Legislative Affairs**

Director Guzman shares about attending CSSA on February 17<sup>th</sup> and thanks President Multani for his work with the Ceasefire Resolution at that level. He also shares that CSSA Officer applications are open and invites anyone interested to apply.

**a. Lobby Corps**

Director Guzman shares about discussions regarding the Ceasefire Resolution as well as legislator and bills of interest updates, and CHESS prep updates.

**H. Director of Student Resource Affairs**

*Nothing to report.*

**a. Campus Life Affairs Committee**

Director Brown talks about the Resource Fair happening next Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-2PM. He also mentions that the committee is starting to plan their April event which will be a collaboration with Director Oishi for Sustainability Month.

**I. Director of Student Rights and Responsibilities**

*No report.*

**J. Director of Sustainability**

*Director Oishi shares her report after President Multani's report at 5:42PM due to needing to leave for class.*

Director Oishi shares that she is collaborating with 4 RSOs on campus and there are 9 planned events throughout the month for the Sustainability Campaign. Programming Board is supporting with the last event of the campaign and Director Oishi will share more about the month's plan at the next Board meeting.

**XIV. Ad Hoc Committees**

*No Ad Hoc Committees.*

**XV. Closed Session**

*No closed session.*

**XVI. Announcements**





President Multani asks for feedback on a Sense of the Senate Resolution regarding recent campus incidents.

Director Gambarin asks everyone to take care of themselves as a lot of students are getting sick recently.

Chair Lacson asks everyone to submit their Board Reports on time.

Director Gambarin reminds everyone to submit their agendas and cover sheets for committees on time as well.

Executive Director Allen reminds everyone that Government Administrative Specialist Escobar will be out next week so all submissions for meetings and any other correspondence can go to Executive Director Allen.

**XVII. Adjournment**

*Chair Lacson recommends a motion to adjourn the meeting*

M) President Multani

S) Director Brown

Discussion: *No discussion.*

Vote: 8-0-0

Meeting adjourns at 6:00 PM

DocuSigned by:

*Ariana Lacson*

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Ariana Lacson, Vice President  
Associated Students, SJSU

3/8/2024

Date



**2023-2024**  
***Associated Students***  
***Board of Directors***

**Date: February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**ROLL CALL**

NAME	Attendance
President Multani	X
Vice President Lacson	X
Controller Varshney	X @ 3:08PM
Director Doshi	X
Director Tikawala	A
Director Swaminathan	X (attended on Zoom)
Director Chevis-Rose	X
Director Shah	X @ 3:26PM
Director Guzman	X
Director Brown	X
Director Khehra	X
Director Oishi	X
Director Gambarin	X
<b>Non-voting Members</b>	
Executive Director Allen	X
Dr. Daniels	X @ 3:09PM
<b>Guests</b>	
Kyle Nguyen	AR/VR Club
Guzel Abdubek	Game Dev Club

Jonathan Chen	Computer Graphics Club (ACM SIGGRAPH)
Yi-Lin Chen	Human Factors & Ergonomics Student Chapter
Kolso Rivera	Spartan Wushu
Dane Paul Andre	A.S. Marketing
Edilbert Signey	A.S. Marketing
Wahhab Salemi	CCCAC
Ange Grate	CCCAC
Mario Diaz	CCCAC
Ada Ochuru	CCCAC
Executive Director Tamsen Burke	Student Union
Janely Pulido	A.S. Government
Jim Westbrook	A.S.
Kingson Leung	A.S.
Irene Miller	UX Student Group
Samuel Aranovich	Students Supporting Israel

Legend:

X – Present

A - Absent