

**Elections Committee Meeting Minutes of April 15, 2021**

- I. CALL TO ORDER at **12:07 PM**
- II. ROLL CALL  
**Present:** Abhay Bilapatte, Julia Nkansah, Miriam Okekenta, Mary Katreeb, Erik Pinlac, James Carroll, Marguerite Hinrichs  
**Absent:** Kenneth Lefin, Angelica Gurrola.
- III. ACTION ITEM – **Approval of the agenda**  
**Motion** to approve the agenda by **M. Katreeb**, second by **M. Okekenta**, agenda **APPROVED**.
- IV. ACTION ITEM – **Approval of minutes April 8, 2021**  
**Motion** to approve the minutes of April 8th, 2021 by **M. Okekenta**, second by **M. Katreeb**, minutes **APPROVED**.
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT – **Public Comment is intended as a time for any member of the Public to address the committee on any issue’s affection ASI and/or the California State University, East Bay.**  
No public comment.
- VI. UNFINISHED ITEMS  
No unfinished items.
- 6:34**
- VII. NEW BUSINESS ITEM  
A. DISCUSSION ITEM – **Zoom Celebration**  
The ASI elections committee will be discussing the zoom celebration.  
**M. Hinrichs** states I am sad that no one came. **A. Bilapatte** states I was hoping those who registered would join the zoom celebration. **M. Hinrichs** ask if the students knew about the event and if they were invited? **A. Bilapatte** states yes. I am glad that we had fun between the committee and new vice



president. **J. Carroll** states it was unfortunate that we did not get more participation. I understand that some people's schedule overlapped, and I know students right now are zoomed fatigued. I sent out emails to all the appointed members and added them on the calendar invite. Therefore, they did receive a few notices and I sent a reminder email as well. In the future, we can let folks know that there is going to be a celebration at the end of the elections. It was great having our associated vice president and Dr. Suzanne Espinoza attend our zoom celebration. **M. Hinrichs** states my only concern is having engaged leadership as new leaders are coming in. I hope these students take their appointments and elections seriously, as I am curious as to why they did not show. Unless they had class or work, by any chance did we receive input as to why they did not show up? This seems very discouraging to me due to no one showing up to their celebration, in which we are honoring them. This to me is showing how they would handle their leadership position. Other than that, I believe that our zoom celebration was well planned out and we had fun. We even had the vice president and associated vice president show up to our event. I am grateful that President Sandeen did not show up to our event due to it being embarrassing that no one showed up for her to meet. **J. Carroll** states there was four or five who had RSVP'd to attend and four or five who responded no. I know when Simon popped in her mentioned in the chat that he was at work and could only say hi really quick. **A. Bilapatte** states that is great on Simon's part. Let us hope things are not the same for next year.

**12:30**

### C. DISCUSSION ITEM – **Overview and Suggestions for the ASI Elections**

The ASI elections committee will discuss this year's ASI elections and any suggestions that the committee has for the next ASI elections.

**A. Bilapatte** states J. Carroll was not in our last meeting, which is why we will be discussion this topic today. **J. Carroll** states I did not have a chance to send out the email or spreadsheet. However, Angelica and I discussed that we will be sending out a google sheet to the committees that is located under our shared folders. It will have one tab in which we can type in some pluses of what we should continue. There will also be another tab that we will list what we can do differently. I will send it by later today. Over the next couple of weeks, I would encourage everyone to add their ideas. As advisors, we will compile all this data together, and create a pre-task list for next year's committee. I was thinking of having Angelica's help with creating this in order to help us transition this information and help us get started right away for next year. **A. Bilapatte** states I believe this will be a good plan. I know this year



we used material from the previous elections and help next years committee complete everything a timely number. In the chat Dr. Marguerite mentioned that there needs to be more socials and debates during the elections. To which I would agree with, this year the total number of candidates were less, and we need to provide them with other platforms to showcase their positions.

**16:08**

#### VIII. ROUNDTABLE REMARKS

**A. Bilapatte** states this is our official last committee meeting of the semester. I would like to thank everyone in the committee for making this year's elections happen.

**J. Carroll** states I want to say kudos to everyone for making this happen. Everyone as a team has done a great job, especially when it comes to today's environment. Especially when you work very hard, and it does not turn out like you would hope. Thank you for showing up and supporting one another to keep this committee moving.

**A. Bilapatte** states Mary has mentioned in the chat thank you everyone, it has been great working with all of you.

**M. Hinrichs** states thank you everyone for participating this year and encourage everyone to come back and serve again if you are coming back next year. I want to thank J. Carroll for continuing to lead the ASI Elections Committee to glory.

**A. Bilapatte** states Julia has mentioned in the chat that is has been great working with everyone and good luck for the remaining of the semester.

**19:00**

#### IX. ADJOURNMENT at **12:27 PM**

Minutes reviewed by:

**Committee Chair**

Name: Jaulayah Hanzy



Minutes reviewed on:

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