

To: ASI Board of Directors  
From: **Caroline Tah-Espens, CSSA Liaison**  
Subject: Advisor Reports

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**Spring 2025 Office Hours:**

Monday: 10 am -3 pm

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**Orientation**

The July CSSA meeting served as an orientation for all newly elected ASI Presidents and campus representatives. Attendees received an overview of the California State Student Association (CSSA), its purpose, and the various committees available for participation.

The CSSA represents over 430,000 students across the 23 CSU campuses, serving as the official student voice to the Governor, State Legislature, and CSU Board of Trustees. It facilitates communication and collaboration among campus student associations, addressing both campus-specific and statewide issues impacting CSU students.

**July California State Student Association (CSSA) Plenary**

The July CSSA Plenary meeting was held in person on Sunday July 20, 2025. The attendees were our ASI President Aranjoy Kaur, Executive Vice President Richard Angulo and myself as CSSA Liaison. This one-day event marked the first meeting of the Board of Directors for the new academic year.

During the meeting, the Board of Directors approved the consent agenda and meeting minutes. Additionally, four liaison reports and six staff and officers' reports.

Some of the key take ways were:

- Jeanne Tran Martian, representing the CSU office of the Chancellor, announced the upcoming launch of an OpenAI Student Ambassadors Program. This initiative will be implemented across CSU campuses and will include discussions on the ethical boundaries of artificial intelligence.
  - A new mandatory training is being introduced in response to Senate Bill 920. This training will address Time, Place, and Manner policies and is currently planned to be delivered as an online, self-paced module due to cost considerations.
  - Another new training, aimed at addressing hazing, will be mandatory for all athletics teams and fraternity/sorority members.
- Elizabeth Boyd, representing the Academic Senate, emphasized the importance of cultivating a strong working relationship between CSSA and the CSU Board of Trustees. She encouraged all CSSA members and students to engage with their respective trustees.
- Cynthia Aguinaga provided an overview of this year's audit, which is scheduled for approval at the upcoming plenary meeting.

The Board held an election for the CSSA committees of the year. Sacramento will be represented in the Audit, Student Trustee and Finance Committee. Please note that elections for Special Officers were postponed to the August plenary session. This concludes the July plenary meeting notes. The next one will be held in person in August at CSU Fullerton

### **Lobby Corps**

Lobby Corps held its first meeting of the semester on September 2, featuring guest speaker Professor Jackson, who delivered an informative presentation on effective letter writing and resuming building. We are pleased to announce upcoming guest speakers, including Carol Gonzales, who will present *Lobbying 101*, and Anh Phoong, who will share her personal journey to becoming an attorney.

We invite you to attend our next committee meeting on **Tuesday, September 16**, from **4:30 PM to 5:30 PM** in the **Folsom Room at the University Union**.

### **City Ambassadors**

City Ambassadors are dedicated to advocating on behalf of students, raising awareness about issues affecting higher education, and supporting voter registration efforts at a local level.

Last semester, City Ambassadors hosted several guest speakers, including city council members, and conducted trainings on topics such as immigration rights and local government advocacy. This semester city ambassadors will be focused on voter registration and prop 50.

### **Office of Governmental Affairs (OGA)**

My duties in the OGA office have been daily task that continue to support and supplement the work for the ASI Board of Directors. My task includes attending CSSA plenary, creating and distributing CSSA plenary reports as well as attending Lobby Corps and City Ambassadors.

### **Events and Calendar Items**

- August 25-First Day Back to School
- September 2-Lobby Corps
- September 3-Working Board
- September 8-Tabling for Lobby Corps
- September 10-Tabling for Lobby Corps
- September 10-Borad Meeting
- **September 13-CSSA Plenary (virtual)**

### **Announcements**

- Lobby Corps will be meeting Tuesday September 8, 2025 from 4:00pm-5:00pm
- City Ambassadors will be meeting Tuesday September 18, 2025 from 4:00pm -5:00pm

If there are any questions, comments or concerns, please reach out to the CSSA Liaison, Caroline Tah-Espens at [asicssarep@csus.edu](mailto:asicssarep@csus.edu) and I will get back to you with the appropriate response as soon as possible. Thank you.