

To: ASI Board of Directors
From: Miguel Guerrero, CSSA Liaison
Subject: April 2023 CSSA Plenary

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April California State Student Association (CSSA) Plenary

The April CSSA Plenary meeting was held virtually over Zoom on Saturday, April 1st, from 9:30am – 3:20pm, and Sunday, April 2nd, from 9am – 11:10am. The meeting consisted on taking actionable stances on four legislative bills, discussion over systemwide policies, approval of the CSSA budget for 2023-2024, and information regarding the upcoming CSSA executive officer elections and future meetings for the 2023-2024 year. The next and final CSSA Plenary meeting of the year will be held at CSU Bakersfield, on Saturday, May 6th and Sunday, May 7th.

Bills and Legislative Action

The Legislative Affairs Committee discussed and recommended stances of either support, oppose, or Co-Sponsor on a total of 4 bills to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors then took action and voted on these items. These are as follows:

- [AB 607](#) (Karla) – Public Postsecondary Education: Course Materials (*Support*)
- [AB 644](#) (Jones-Sawyer) – Postsecondary Education: Campus Safety: Hate Crime: Surveys (*Support*)
- [AB 1390](#) (McCarty) – California State University: University of California: Graduation Requirements: Service Learning (*Oppose*)
- [AB 1630](#) (Garcia) – Planning and Zoning: Housing Development Approvals: Student Housing Projects (*Co-Sponsor*)

Systemwide Action

The Systemwide Affairs Committee had a central discussion on recommendations from the CSSA regarding the campus' engagement of students in Campus Dining Services. These recommendations will be formalized into a letter that will be sent to the following: Chancellor's Office, Associated Students Presidents, Campus Presidents, Auxiliary Organization Executive Committee, Vice Presidents of Administration and Finance, and Vice Presidents of Student Affairs. The recommendations are divided into categories: Basic Needs, Campus Dining Advisory Committee, Exemptions, Student Success, Sustainability, and Transparency.

The committee further discussed the [CSU AA2009 – 02: Student Participation in Policy Development Policy](#). Input was gathered by the committee on examples of what issues are associated with student governance and participation, with some examples being proper training for staff and administrators, transparency of meetings, intimidating/discouraging environment, conflicting with students' schedules, and making sure that Associated Students remains part of the conversation at these committees. [CSU EO – 1053: Policy on Student Mental Health Policy](#) was also further elaborated on during the meeting.

Financial Action

The Finance Committee has reviewed a draft of the CSSA's annual budget proposal, which included a breakdown of the budget through different categories of function. Included in the breakdown is the projected Student Involvement and Representation Fee (SIRF) breakdown for 2023-2024, which indicates that there will be a projected revenue of \$1,576,018. This projection is a -5% difference from the SIRF revenue that came in this year: \$1,659,768, and is caused by the transition from the COVID-era virtual meetings to a post-pandemic shift to more in-person meetings and events. The committee also reviewed the fiscal expenditure statement for the month of March. As of March 25th, the CSSA has \$646,162 available left in their budget, which is \$110,629 down since the beginning of the month, and is caused by the expenses of hosting the CHESS conference, operational costs, salaries, and other miscellaneous expenses. This amount is subject to change from any further expenses occurred during this month and will update at the next plenary meeting.

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors met at the end of the Plenary and took the following actions:

- Voted on the Bills that were recommended by the Legislative Affairs Committee. (*See Results above*)
- Approved the recommendation by the Finance Committee to adopted the 2023-2024 Annual Budget.
- Approved the recommendations from the Systemwide Affairs Committee on the following actions:
 - Campus Dining Services – Student Engagement
 - Student Participation in Policy Development Feedback
- Approved the revision of the Elections Policy that was recommended by the Internal Affairs Committee.
- Provided informational updates regarding the 2024/2025 Plenary Calendar schedule.
- Informational updates towards CSSA Policies and reports from Executive Officers, Staff and Liaisons.

If there are any questions regarding any of the items in which I discussed in my report, please reach out to me at asicssarep@csus.edu and I will get back to you with the appropriate response as soon as possible. Thank you.