



# 02/11/2026 A.S. Board of Directors Meeting

## Minutes

Associated Students San Jose State University  
2/11/2026 3:00 PMPST

@ Student Union Meeting Room 1A, Zoom: <https://sjsu.zoom.us/j/85916216835>

### I. Call to Order

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

### II. Land Acknowledgement

Chair Agustin reads the land acknowledgement.

 [Land Acknowledgement.pdf](#)

### III. Roll Call

The recording secretary completes roll call.  
*Quorum met.*

### IV. Approval of the Agenda

#### **Motion:**

Chair Agustin recommends a motion to approve the agenda.

Motion moved by Director De Oliveira and motion seconded by Director Subramanyan.  
Vote: 11-0-0, Motion Passed.

### V. Consent Agenda

If passed by unanimous consent of the Board of Directors, all items listed will be approved simultaneously. Items can be pulled for separate discussion at the request of a Board member without a motion or a second.

#### A. Approval of the Minutes - 12/10/2025

 [12.10.2025 A.S. Board of Directors Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

#### B. Approval of the Minutes - 1/28/2026

 [01.28.2026 A.S. Board of Directors Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

#### C. Action Item: Remove Ishan Shah from the Campus Fee Advisory Committee (Presenters: Katelyn Gambarin)

Ishan was appointed as a member of CFAC in the Fall semester. However, he has been absent from several meetings without notice, taking away from critical student representation on the committee. As a result, I have decided it is best to remove him from this committee.

D. Action Item: Excuse Vice President Agustin from Academic Senate on 3/16  
(Presenters: Geoffrey Agustin)

Vice President Agustin is requesting excusal from Academic Senate on March 16th due to a professional opportunity from the Department of Computer Engineering. He would like to participate in a hackathon hosted by NVIDIA, which provides valuable skills and experience relevant to his career.

E. Action Item: Approve Director Tuidelaibatiki's Absences from 1/27-2/5  
(Presenters: Adi Tuidelaibatiki)

Director Tuidelaibatiki had participated in a professional development opportunity associated with Super Bowl event operations and related training shifts:

- Tuesday, January 27 (FTM 1): 5:00 PM – 11:30 PM
- Wednesday, January 28 (FTM 2): 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM
- Thursday, January 29 (FTM 3): 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM
- Tuesday, February 3: 2:00 PM – 11:30 PM
- Wednesday, February 4: 1:30 PM – 12:00AM
- Thursday, February 5: 12:00 PM – 12:00 AM

She is requesting that the Board excuse her absence. This action was recommended by the Chair due to the exceptional opportunities related to the Super Bowl.

F. Action Item: Approve Director Brown Absence from Feb 2nd - 4th

On Monday Feb 2nd, Brown attend the opening night for Super Bowl, missing Academic Senate. On Wednesday, February 4, Brown had the opportunity to participate in a professional development experience focused on Super Bowl media coverage. Because of this, she had to miss office hours and committee meetings that day.

She have included a letter of excused absence from the program that coordinated this opportunity. This action was recommended by the Chair due to the exceptional opportunities relating to the Super Bowl.

 [Teairra Brown Bay Area Class Excuse Letter - Super Bowl Day Pass Media Scholars Program.docx \(1\).pdf](#)

G. Action Item: Appoint Kaili Mallari to the Campus Fee Advisory Committee (CFAC)  
(Presenters: Katelyn Gambarin)

To maintain a student majority on CFAC, we must have six members at all times. Director Mallari has demonstrated continued interest in being a member of CFAC and has confirmed she can be present at the remaining meetings.

H. Action Item: Excuse Director De Oliveira's Tardiness to the Academic Senate for the Spring semester

Director De Oliveira serves on the Academic Senate and is bringing this item forward to the Board to request approval for his tardiness to the committee meetings. Director De Oliveira has a documented class conflict, as his required voice lesson takes place on Mondays from 2:00–2:50 PM, which will result in his late arrival to Academic Senate meetings.

VI. Public Forum

Public Forum is intended as an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Associated Students Board of Directors regarding any issues affecting SJSU students. Speakers are allowed 3 minutes each to speak. Please sign in on the clip board if in person or if you are online sign in using chat for minute recording purposes.

Guest Ali (Transtalk) spoke regarding the Title IX case and shared that they are present to advocate for the trans community. They expressed concern about whether the Board would publicly support the community and referenced a previous instance in which A.S. did not pass a resolution supporting trans athletes. They stated that the current demands represent an attack on the broader community, not just student-athletes. Guest Ali also urged University President Cynthia Teniente-Matson to publicly show support and asked the Board for assistance and acknowledgment of the community's concerns.

Guest Tristan (Transtalk) commented on the Board's responses during discussion, stating that while members are quick to applaud, they would like to see words supported by meaningful action. They expressed that individuals in positions of power who choose not to act are failing to support students.

Guest Rachel (SQE) shared that they are petitioning in support of the community due to feeling unsupported. They expressed frustration about paying tuition while feeling unheard. Guest Rachel also shared opinions regarding the proposed IRA fee, stating that students ultimately have limited decision-making power and that the final authority lies with University President Cynthia. They emphasized that students are paying attention and will continue to advocate.

Guest Javier (Transtalk) stated that the community has been facing continued attacks and asked Board members to reflect on their reasons for pursuing leadership roles. They encouraged members to stand up for students and not comply with actions they believe harm the community.

VII. Executive Director's Informational Report (4 minutes) (Presenters: Kingson Leung)

Interim Executive Director Kingson Leung expressed appreciation to all individuals who attended the gallery to share their perspectives. He highlighted various programs celebrating cultural and community observances this month, as well as several upcoming events and recent successful events. He provided updates on ongoing hiring processes and recognized Director Subramanyan for serving on multiple hiring committees. Interim Executive Director Leung also shared budget updates and encouraged Board members to review the detailed departmental reports included in his Executive Director report.

 [ED Report 2.11.2026.pdf](#)

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

University Representative Heather French acknowledged current global and local events and recognized recent incidents occurring both on and off campus that have impacted student safety and well-being. She shared information about an upcoming town hall event scheduled for tomorrow in the Student

Union Theater. She emphasized the importance of working collaboratively to ensure the campus community is best supporting students during this time.

IX. Student Union's Informational Report (3 minutes)

N/A

X. Chief Elections Officer's Informational Report (3 minutes)

Chief Elections Officer Glerys Gonzalez shared that Phase 1 of the elections process is nearing completion, with one week remaining for applications. Applications will close next Tuesday, the 17th. She provided updates on recent Student Elections Commission (SEC) meetings and noted that the SEC has been hosting and presenting informational sessions across various campus spaces. She also highlighted several upcoming elections events, including the Kick-Off event as the largest. Chief Elections Officer Gonzalez reminded Board members to refrain from discussing elections within official government spaces.

Recognized Controller Joshi at 3:21 PM.

XI. Action Items

A. Unfinished Business

1. Action Item: Final Reading for the Resolution in Support of BayPass  
(Presenters: Kaili Mallari, Rishika Joshi)

Final reading of the resolution in support of BayPass.

 [Final BayPass.pdf](#)

**Motion:**

Chair Agustin recommends a motion to open the action item.

Motion moved by Director De Oliveira and motion seconded by Director Akin.

Director Mallari shared the motivation behind introducing the resolution, including concerns and experiences shared by students. She then conducted the final reading of the resolution in support of Bay Pass. Director De Oliveira thanked Controller Joshi and Director Mallari for incorporating the edits discussed at the previous meeting. He stated that with the revisions made, he is now more supportive of the resolution. Director Gambarin also expressed appreciation to Controller Joshi and Director Mallari. She reflected on her time serving on the Board last year and shared that she is proud to see the work originally initiated by Controller Joshi progressing to this stage.

The Board agreed to a friendly amendment to revise the “Respectfully Submitted” section of the resolution.

**Roll Call Vote:**

President Gambarin - yay  
Controller Joshi - yay  
Director Paredes - yay  
Director Subramanyan - yay  
Director Rosal - yay  
Director Jha - yay  
Director Tuidelaibatiki - yay  
Director Charles - yay  
Director Akin - yay  
Director Brown - yay  
Director De Oliveira - yay  
Director Mallari - yay

Vote: 12-0-0, Resolution Passed.

**B. New Business**

**1. Discussion Item: Discussion with SJSU President Cynthia Teniente-Matson**

SJSU President Cynthia Teniente-Matson will speak with the Board about Spring 2026 campus initiatives and updates.

SJSU President Cynthia Teniente-Matson thanked the Board for their commitment and engagement in the process. She expressed agreement with Dean of Students Heather French's earlier remarks and discussed the importance of holistic student engagement.

She provided updates on several university and CSU-wide initiatives, including CSU Forward, which is being implemented across CSU campuses, and CSU Student Promise, which aims to strengthen student career pathways and post-graduate opportunities. She noted that new signage in Clark Hall will help elevate and communicate this work. She also commended the Student Wellness Center for its ongoing efforts. President Teniente-Matson discussed academic excellence initiatives, including the development of an Academic Master Plan aligned with the University Strategic Plan to address future institutional needs. She highlighted the upcoming CSU Research Symposium and shared that an AI competition will be integrated into the event. She also welcomed back the Envision Conference and stated the university's commitment to making this year's event even stronger than the previous year.

She provided updates regarding the Governor's initial proposed budget, including the timeline and the possibility of securing additional funding for the university. She also reminded the Board of the upcoming town hall meeting.

President Teniente-Matson reflected on recent campus highlights, including SJSU serving as the host campus for the Seattle Seahawks during Super Bowl weekend. She also mentioned securing tickets for upcoming events featuring Kehlani and Dom Dolla. She acknowledged a recent hate crime and other tragic incidents in the city, including cases involving homicide and suicide, and shared that a community support event will be held tomorrow.

She emphasized the university's commitment to campus safety for all students, including immigrant and undocumented students. She stated that the university is working closely with the CSU system and Board of Trustees and clarified that the current Department of Education matter is a CSU-wide issue rather than solely an SJSU issue. She explained that due to the legal nature of the case, there are limitations on what can be publicly shared.

Director De Oliveira thanked President Teniente-Matson for her attendance and updates and asked about resources and support available for undocumented students. She responded that the university continues to prioritize mental health services and ensure no reductions in those areas, while also increasing visibility and outreach within those communities. She also acknowledged Director De Oliveira's efforts regarding informational pamphlets. When asked additional questions related to the legal case, she reiterated that it is a legal matter and that the university must comply with California law, limiting what can be disclosed.

Director Mallari asked about the university's timeline for issuing a response related to the case. President Teniente-Matson stated that she could not provide a timeline but clarified that the matter originated as a directed investigation from the Department of Education and that information regarding the process is publicly accessible.

Director Rosal asked how the university would ensure safety for the trans community if sanctions were to occur. President Teniente-Matson responded that the current investigation is retrospective rather than forward-looking. She noted that in past hate-related incidents, campus-wide communications were issued and reaffirmed the university's

commitment to standing with all community members while complying with the law.

Director Mallari asked what the university is doing to support the trans community. Dr. French responded that the university is following student leadership and maintaining communication with affected community members, including planning a forum. President Teniente-Matson added that while threats have decreased compared to 2023, the university continues to monitor concerns around the clock.

2. Discussion Item: Approve \$7,000.00 to support additional Affordable Book Vouchers for Spring 2026 Program (Presenters: Kingson Leung, Rishika Joshi)

Consider unallocated non-reserve 2025-2026 revenue funds to be allocated toward remaining applicants on waitlist of Affordable Book Voucher program 2nd round of disbursements

 [Item Cover Sheet - Affordable Book Voucher Allocation.pdf](#)

Interim Executive Director Leung provided background information and details regarding the agenda item.

Point of Personal Privilege granted to Director Charles at 4:03 PM. Point of Personal Privilege granted to Director Paredes at 4:05 PM.

Director De Oliveira asked whether the Book Voucher Program funding would be increased next year. Interim Executive Director Leung responded that funding allocations are reviewed and determined annually.

President Gambarin expressed her support for the item.

Director Subramanyan shared that she had spoken directly with GSC and noted that they are supportive of the program and view it as successful.

Director De Oliveira clarified his question, specifically asking about the possibility of increasing funding to support waitlisted students.

Re-recognized Director Charles at 4:08 PM.

Controller Joshi stated that funding decisions could be further discussed at the committee level. Director De Oliveira asked whether data from previous years was available for review, and Controller Joshi responded that such data should be accessible.

Director Akin stated she would be in favor of the item.

Interim Executive Director Leung added that the allocated funds were distributed within eight minutes, demonstrating high demand. He acknowledged that it is not always possible to guarantee funding for

every applicant but expressed appreciation for the opportunity to support additional students.

3. Action Item: Approve \$650.00 from Committee Fund for Safety and Support for all Spartans Campaign (Presenters: Jhony De Oliveira)

Director De Oliveira is requesting funds to help with printing of the pamphlets to distribute to faculty and staff members.

 [Safety and Support for all Spartans.pdf](#)

**Motion:**

Chair Agustin recommends a motion to open the action item.

Motion moved by Director Brown and motion seconded by Director Akin.

Director De Oliveira provided updates on the campaign, including the rationale for requesting additional funding.

President Gambarin asked whether efforts were being made to distribute the pamphlet virtually to increase accessibility. Director De Oliveira responded that campaign materials and videos have already been shared on social media and distributed electronically. He also noted that several offices have requested physical copies.

Director Akin clarified whether the 1,000 printed pamphlets are designated for SJSU, and Director De Oliveira confirmed that they are.

Re-recognized Director Paredes at 4:15 PM.

Director Brown expressed her support for the funding request and shared that the College of Humanities and the Arts has expressed appreciation for the availability of physical copies.

**Motion:**

Vote: 12-0-0, Motion Passed.

4. Discussion Item: Resolution to Support and Advocate for a Permanent and Safe Space for the UndocuSpartan Center (Presenters: Jhony De Oliveira)

Director De Oliveira is wanting to work on a resolution to advocate for a safe, secure and permanent center for the Undocuspartan center. He would like to discuss this initiative with the board to get members feedback, ideas and/or concerns.

Director De Oliveira asked the Board whether members would be interested in assisting with drafting a resolution should the matter move forward.

President Gambarin shared that Director De Oliveira initially became involved with Lobby Corps under her committee and expressed support for the idea, stating she would be willing to help with the drafting process. Dr. French provided related updates, including information about office relocations and the ongoing Space Optimization Study. She explained that some delays were due to a recent retirement and shared that the conversation is expected to be revisited. She also offered to keep the Board informed of any changes or updates.

Director De Oliveira clarified the purpose and intent behind the proposed resolution.

Director Mallari expressed enthusiasm for the idea and welcomed support from any Board members interested in contributing.

Interim Executive Director Leung added that Ana from UndocuSpartan had reiterated similar information regarding the matter.

Chair Agustin thanked Director De Oliveira for bringing the item forward for discussion prior to a formal reading.

Point of Personal Privilege granted to Director Akin at 4:24 PM.

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

### A. President

President Gambarin shared updates from the University Committees on which she serves. She provided an overview of the CFAC meeting held earlier that morning and discussed feedback that will be incorporated moving forward. She also highlighted upcoming meetings and encouraged Board members to complete and submit the A.S. Interim Executive Director Evaluation.

Point of Personal Privilege granted to President Gambarin at 4:28 PM.

 [K.Gambarin Board Report - 02\\_11\\_2026.docx.pdf](#)

### B. Vice President

Vice President Agustin provided updates on the Spartan Speaker Series. He also shared that he is serving as the student representative for the Leadership Gala and discussed progress on the A.S. 55 rebrand initiative. He highlighted the committees he has been participating in and noted several upcoming meetings.

Re-recognized Director Akin at 4:30 PM.

 [G.Agustin Board Report - 2.11.2026.pdf](#)

### C. Controller

Controller Joshi provided updates regarding funding matters and expressed appreciation to the committee for their support and collaboration.

 [R.Joshi Board Report-02.11.2026.pdf](#)

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

A. Director of Academic Affairs

Director Paredes provided updates from her committee, including concerns that were raised and discussed.

 [E. Paredes Board Report 2.11.2026.pdf](#)

B. Director of Business Affairs

Director Subramanyan provided updates from the committee she has been serving on. She also shared that she has been engaged in discussions regarding incidents that occurred over the past weekend.

 [S.Subramanyan Board Report - 02.11.2026.docx .pdf](#)

C. Director of Co-Curricular Affairs

Director Jha shared updates on upcoming events that will be hosted.

 [S.Jha Board Report - 02.11.26.docx.pdf](#)

D. Director of Communications

Director Rosal emphasized her priority of maintaining transparency and shared plans to post on social media about resources available for students. She also discussed additional upcoming social media materials to support initiatives being hosted by Board members.

 [Bella Rosal - Board Report.docx \(4\).pdf](#)

E. Director of Intercultural Affairs

Director Tuidelaibatiki provided updates on the meetings she has attended.

 [A.Tuidelaibatiki Board Report 02.11.2026.pdf](#)

F. Director of Internal Affairs

Director Charles provided updates from the committees she has been a part of. She also shared about recent one-on-one meetings and other meetings she has attended.

 [L.Charles Internal Affairs Board Report 2 5 2026.docx.pdf](#)

G. Director of Legislative Affairs

Director Akin shared that she will be increasing her office hours within community centers. She provided updates on Lobby Corps' visit to City Hall and shared details about the upcoming CHESS conference. She also noted that she will be participating in an upcoming Title IX forum. Point of Personal Privilege granted to Director Mallari at 4:49 PM.

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H. Director of Student Resource Affairs

Director Brown shared updates regarding Black History Month programming and discussed projects that she and her committee will be working on. Re-recognized Director Mallari at 4:51 PM.

 [T. Brown Board Report 2-11-2026.docx.pdf](#)

I. Director of Student Rights and Responsibilities

Director De Oliveira shared updates regarding the emails and conversations he has been having related to his pamphlet initiative. He also noted that his advising support has transitioned from Diana to Kingson.

 [J.de Oliveira Board Report 02-11-26.docx](#)

J. Director of Sustainability Affairs

Director Mallari shared details about the upcoming clothing swap she will be hosting. She also provided updates on meetings she has attended related to the Bay Pass Resolution. Point of Personal Privilege granted to Director De Oliveira at 4:56 PM.

 [K.Mallari Board Report 2.11.2025.docx.pdf](#)

XIV. Announcements

XV. Adjournment

**Motion:**

Chair Agustin recommends a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:58 pm.

Motion moved by Director Akin and motion seconded by Director Tuidelaibatiki. Vote: 10-0-0, Meeting Adjourned.



Geoffrey Agustin  
2026-02-18 20:53 UTC

**2025-2026**  
**Associated Students**  
**Board of Directors**

**Date: 2.11.2026**  
**ROLL CALL**

NAME	Attendance
President Gambarin	X
Vice President Agustin	X
Controller Joshi	X (@ 3:21 PM)
Director Paredes	X
Director Subramanyan	X
Director Rosal	X
Director Jha	X
Director Tuidelaibatiki	X
Director Charles	X
Director Akin	X
Director Brown	X
Director De Oliveira	X
Director Mallari	X
<b>Non-voting Members</b>	
Interim Executive Director Kingson Leung	X
University Representative Heather French	X
Sam Brown - Recording Secretary	X

**Legends:**

X – Present

A – Absent

**Guests:** Janely Pulido, Diana Victa, Abby Escobar, Diana Garcia Rodriguez, Oli Harter, Tristan Tanner, Rachel Abeyta, Javier Ruiz, Sean Peterson, Chris Jensen, Alina Ta, Dulce Ramos, Alexander Noffsinger, Deltha Sisophon, Yo-Lee Gorman, Michael Perkins, Anai Avalos, Arden Guo, Iris Yip, Beverly Corriere, George McIntyre, Mijia Wen, John Kepley, Zachary Winters, Natalia Rodriguez, Dylan Newman, Kalyani Blackwell, Dario Guzman, Diego W, Sam Jeffs, Mijia Wen, Michelle Mcdonald, Matt Newman