



Finance Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: Thursday, February 12, 2026
 Location: Alhambra Room - U-SU Room 305
 Public Viewing: <https://calstatela.zoom.us/j/89882050613>

Time: 2:00-4:00 PM
 Type of Meeting: General
 Attendees: Committee Members, General Public

I. Organizational Items:

A. Call to order by: Erick Anzu, Vice President for Finance @ 2:04pm

B. Roll Call

Erick Anzu	Vice President for Finance	Present
Arwa Hammad	President	Present
Ashley Bellorin	Vice President for Community Engagement	Present
Genesis Nuyens	Vice President for External Affairs	Present
Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Vice President for University Affairs	Present
VACANT	Chief of Staff	
Jocelyne Bravo	College of Health and Human Services Rep.	Present
	Board Member	
Carlos Beltran	AVP for Budget, Planning, and Accounting	Present
Cynthia Galvez	Director of Fiscal and Business Operations	Present
Fabi Avina	Director for Center for Student Involvement	Present
Barnaby Peake	ASI Executive Director	Present
Dena Florez	Associate Executive Director	Present
Amanda Maldonado	Administrative Coordinator	Present

A. Adoption of the Agenda

Offered By:	Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Seconded by:	Ashley Bellorin			
Motion to approve the Agenda for Thursday February 12, 2026						
Consensus reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

B. Approval of the Minutes

Offered By:	Ashley Bellorin	Seconded by:	Jocelyne Bravo			
Motion to certify the Minutes for January 29, 2026						
Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

II. **Public Comment:** We will now move on to Public Comment. This time is allotted for the public to bring up comments or concerns of interest to the committee. Please be advised that due to a set agenda, the committee will not address the items brought up at this time but will note them down for the Executive Committee's review and action.

III. Action Items

A. **MSW United - Valentine's Day Welcome Back Food Social - 2/14/26 - \$288.59**

Erick: Can the club further explain the benefit of the event

Club Representative- Guadalupe: The event will help build bonding skills, foster community, and promote inclusivity to uplift the overall mood of the students.

Offered By:	Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Seconded by:	Genesis Nuyens			
Motion to approve funding for MSW United - Valentine's Day Welcome Back Food Social for \$288.59 Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

B. [English Graduate Student Association](#) - Significations Conference Spring 2026 - 4/24/26 - \$1,350.00

Erick: Wants to know if someone is there to represent the club and explain benefits of the event.

Representative: Interested in reviving the club they want to put on events and professional activities that bring the graduate students together. They also invite undergraduates to join. They need funds for a speaker, catering, and office supplies.

Genesis- Asked: Had a question regarding attendance as the expected attendance is 70 and 40 of those are from CSULA so who are the other 30.

Representative- Responded: The other 30 are students from other universities.

Arwa- Asked: Question regarding the criteria for the applications being accepted.

Representative- Responded: They don't really turn people away as it's not very competitive, but they do have rubric when it comes to applications.

Erick: Reminded the club that they only fund \$15 for catered meals per CSULA student

Amanda- Added: Suggested the club to have a sign-in sheet where CSULA students put their information.

Offered By:	Genesis Nuyens	Seconded by:	Ashley Bellorin			
Motion to approve funding for English Graduate Student Association - Significations Conference Spring for \$1,350.00 Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

C. [Association for Computing Machinery](#) - Pro Dev Workshop #1-4 - 2/18-4/15/26 - \$400.00

Erick: Wants to know if someone is there to represent the club and explain benefits of the event.

Representative- Alejandro: They are hosting multiple workshops with a speaker aimed to help establish and support students here. The funding is to pay the speaker.

Offered By:	Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Seconded by:	Ashley Bellorin			
Motion to approve funding for Association for Computing Machinery - Pro Dev Workshop #1-4 for \$400.00 Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

D. [Association for Computing Machinery](#) - 2D Adventure Game Workshop #1-4 - 2/10-3/24/26 - \$88.32

Representative- Charlie: Open to all students to learn about gaming and be able to work together building team working skills

Erick: If club can make some sort of list of the students who attend

Offered By:	Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Seconded by:	Genesis Nuyens			
Motion to approve funding for Association for Computing Machinery - 2D Adventure Game Workshop #1-4 for \$88.32 Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

E. [American Society of Microbiology](#) - 3MT Competition - 3/05/26 - \$557.39

Erick: Wants to know if someone is there to represent the club and explain benefits of the event.

Representative- Seshan: They are inviting graduate and undergraduate researchers from STEM in a competition to present their research. This will help students improve public speaking skills.

Ashley- Asked: Question regarding attendance.

Representative- Seshan- Responded: Included extra 10 expected attendees is case the professors wanted to bring anyone outside of CSULA

Arwa: Asked- If it is open to view to all CSULA students

Representative- Yahan- Responded: Students from all majors are welcome to present but they are focused on STEM majors

Offered By:	Genesis Nuyens	Seconded by:	Arwa Hammad			
Motion to approve funding for American Society of Microbiology - 3MT Competition for \$557.39 Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

F. Film Productions Student Club - Lights, Camera, AI: How AI is Redefining Filmmaking - 2/20/26 - \$1,300.00

Representative: The symposium is targeted at students so they can learn more about filmmaking and AI. 11 speakers will attend, and 4 workshops will be held.

Amanda- Wants the club to make a sign in sheet

Offered By:	Ashley Bellorin	Seconded by:	Jocelyne Bravo			
Motion to approve funding for Film Productions Student Club - Lights, Camera, AI: How AI is Redefining Filmmaking for \$1,300.00 Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

G. Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Club - First General Meeting - 2/05/26 - \$57.00

Erick: Wants to know if someone is there to represent the club and explain benefits of the event.

Representative: The event is open to all majors to learn about AI with different workshops and activities.

Arwa: Asked- Can they further explain if the event was a meeting

Representative: Responded- The event was not a meeting as it was open to all students

Offered By:	Jocelyne Bravo	Seconded by:	Ashley Bellorin			
Motion to approve funding for Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Club - First General Meeting for \$57.00 Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

H. 2025-26 Budget Revisions

Erick: Speaks about the budget revision approved by BOD and the changes made specifically focused on the highlighted areas. Investment income increased along with ASI endowment. No live scans were needed so the budget was not spent. Dues and subscription increased. Equipment increased from no budget as new Macs were needed. He explains why this adjustment was made.

Dena: Sent out an Email that further explains the reason for the purchase of new Macs

Barnaby: Added that the current macs have outdated chips. He explained that the decision to buy the macs also comes with apple care which is better in the long run because the university requires apple products to have apple care. They are using unused funds and relocating it to pay for the new Macs.

Jocelyne: Talks about the different chips options when it comes to buying Macs.

Barnaby: Explains how computers need to be able to process a lot of things meaning the chip must be the most recent upgraded one.

Erick: The most recent computers will also last the longest as they will be a while until they need to upgrade again.

Arwa- Asked: If there is a possibly of changing to PC if it's better in the long run

Barnaby: Believes that macs are better when it comes to marketing as most marketing teams have apple products.

Erick: The budget for supplies/services increased as certain parts of the website, specifically the pdfs being used were not compatible with disability software which is required by the state.

Barnaby: Added that was part of the reason the website is getting upgraded.

Erick: GIA decreased, Specialized training increased, marketing and advertisement increased, and programing increased. Student org direct funding decreased as they do not believe they will need that funding.

Offered By:	Genesis Nuyens	Seconded by:	Jocelyne Bravo			
Motion to approve the 2025-26 Budget Revisions Consensus Reached						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

IV. Informational Items

V. Discussion Items

A. Fee Increase Proposal - possible budget scenarios

Barnaby: Discusses the different increase proposals discussed in the previous meeting. Asked the committee to answer some questions anonymously regarding goals for ASI. The results are not absolute they are just to get a feeling of is wanted. Majority anonymously picked for ASI to significantly increase programs and services. Majority picked large scale events and variety of programs as the focus of ASI. Majority felt \$500,000 is an appropriate budget for programming.

Ashley: Explains that different people want different events so it would be hard for them to decide which one to pick.

Barnaby: Responded- They would be able to pay for those different events with the budget.

Dena: Speaks about past budget and enrollment. Also want the committee to think about what kind of campus they want to be seen as.

Genesis- Asks the committee to keep in mind that certain funding should be revised as some things should not be their responsibilities but the university

Barnaby: Details regarding fee increases will be shared along the way and tell them that if increase is approved it won't come into effect until 3 years later. If no increase is made ASI won't exist in the future. Majority picked a higher budget for club funding.

Dena: Asks Student Reps if Higher GIA payments result in more dedication to their roles and help keep students on. Majority picked higher GIA payment. Majority chose to expand educational workshops for leadership and financial wellness.

Jocelyne: Explains how the opportunities she has encountered is because she was actively looking for them. Believe, they should advertise more to their department, helping students know what's going on.

Dena: Says that it's important to put the student leader in spaces where they can network and collaborate as well as the staff

Barnaby: Believes having more students who work on campus due to the convenience could lead to more campus engagement. Suggested hiring student mentors and bringing back compensation for going to meetings.

Dena: Explains that students who work on campus have a higher graduation rate. Even though student workers are limited to 20 hours per week.

Jocelyne: Adds that some students like the convenience of the on campus job more than the limitations it comes with.

Barnaby: Asks about micro grants and what they believe they should help students with. Also asks if and what legal information aid should be offered by ASI. Suggestions were given about any priorities they may believe they should focus on.

Majority picked parking and transportation costs. Majority picked Immigration.

Asheley: Has concerns regarding parking costs for staff. Also believes that students will get upset either way about the fee increase.

Jeffry: Suggests that they do a better job at promoting their open finance meetings. Feels that students will get upset if they feel like it coming out of no where so they should more vocal with it letting student feel like they are heard by listening to concerns.

Arwa: Adds that students should not be upset as long as they are made aware.

Dena: Agrees and explains how students will get something back for their money.

Barnaby: Wants to invite more students to attend finance meetings. Suggests they go to the students and not wait for them to come to us.

VI. Reports

A. Committee Members

B. Advisors

VII. Adjournment

Offered By:	Jeffry Umaña Muñoz	Seconded by:	Gennessis Nuyens			
Motion to adjourn the meeting @ 4:00 pm Consensus reached.						
All in Favor	All	Opposed	0	Abstained	0	Motion: Passed

CERTIFICATION

Official Minutes taken for the ASI Finance Committee Meeting of the Associated Students, Inc., Cal State Los Angeles held Thursday, February 12, 2026, at Alhambra Room - USU Room 305 and were approved by consensus by the ASI Finance Committee on Thursday, February 26, 2026.

Prepared by:

Maria Delgado- Recording Secretary

Chief of Staff