



# ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY  
IMPERIAL VALLEY

**Wednesday, September 10, 2025**  
**NOGALES CONFERENCE ROOM – 10:30 A.M.**  
*ASSOCIATED STUDENTS MEETING MINUTES*

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

A.S. President, Andrea M. Acuña, called the meeting to order at 10:37 a.m.

## **II. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

[Abbreviated Version]

For millennia, the Kumeyaay, Quechan and Cocopah people have been a part of this land. This land has nourished, healed, protected, and embraced them for many generations in a relationship of balance and harmony. As members of the San Diego State community we acknowledge this legacy. We promote this balance and harmony. We find inspiration from this land; the land of the Kumeyaay, Quechan and Cocopah.

## **III. ROLL CALL**

- A. Voting Members Present: Andrea M. Acuña, Athenea Fuentes, Joselyn Velez, Blake Moreno, Nayeli Cano, Abril Cardenas Lopez, Kenia Neblina, Nitzia Rubio, Ailyn Ruiz, Erika Velazquez-Borboa, Javier Villegas
- B. Voting Members Absent: Josephine Zaragoza
- C. Ex-Officios (non-voting) Present: Henry Villegas, Melyssa Gonzalez
- D. Ex-Officios (non-voting) Absent: Monica Arredondo
- E. Visitors Present: Eric Curiel - Student

## **IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda for Wednesday, September 10, 2025.

**FUENTES/CARDENAS**

**CARRIED (10-0-0)**

## **V. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of Wednesday, September 3, 2025.

**FUENTES/MORENO**

**CARRIED (10-0-0)**

## **VI. PUBLIC COMMENT**

A. Eric Curiel - Student

1. Discussed national substance abuse prevention awareness month during the month of October.
2. Requested A.S.'s support for this event. The Campus Safety Committee will connect with him.

**VII. UNIVERSITY REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

- A. SDSU-IV A.S. Advisor/Dean of Students Henry Villegas
  - 1. Informed them they are finalizing the recruitment of a new Student Health & Wellness Coordinator.
  - 2. Congratulated A.S. on the campus Welcome-Backs.
  - 3. Discussed IRA committee and A.S. Involvement.
  - 4. Informed them he is looking for a student to help with Student Success Fee.
  - 5. Informed them there should have been an Emergency Alert sent to their phone numbers.
  - 6. Discussed possibility of students being involved in feeding the firefighters in remembrance of 9/11.
- B. SDSU-IV Associated Students Coordinator Melyssa Gonzalez
  - 1. Informed them they are running out of A.S. and YVM stickers as well as A.S. Keychains. Asked the Finance and Facilities committee to discuss if items should be reordered or if new designs will be selected.
  - 2. Discussed Student Union facility reservations.
  - 3. Asked them to reach out to her if they have any questions regarding committee agendas and minutes.
  - 4. Asked who is interested in going to the Oaxaca Immersion Program.
- C. SDSU-IV A.S. Executive Assistant Monica Arredondo
  - 1. On behalf of A.S. Executive, Monica Arredondo, A.S. Coordinator Gonzalez informed them on the number of attendees for the Welcome Backs. Brawley had a total of 25 attendees and Calexico had a total of 144 attendees.
- D. A.S. President Andrea M. Acuña
  - 1. Thanked them on the Welcome Backs.
- E. A.S. Executive Vice President Athenea Fuentes
  - 1. No Report.
- F. A.S. Vice President of Finance Joselyn Velez
  - 1. Informed them on updates on Aztecs Rock Hunger campaign and collaboration with committees on events that are taking place in the month of the campaign.
  - 2. Informed them that all dates for events will be motioned for next week.
- G. A.S. Vice President of University Affairs Blake Moreno
  - 1. Thanked them for helping out with the Calexico Welcome Back.
  - 2. Reminded them of YVM.

**VIII. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- A. **Latina Luncheon (Informational):** Discussed the possibility of attending the 2025 Latina Network Annual Luncheon to be held on Friday, October 10, 2025 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Individual tickets are \$60.00 and a table is \$600.00. Dr. Villegas mentioned that the Dean wants to collaborate with A.S. to split the cost.

- B. Winter Wonderland Donation Drive Collaboration (Informational):** IVROP Project ACE reached out to inquire about A.S.'s possibility in participating in the 2025 donation drive. The project assists local Imperial Valley youth identified as Foster Youth and Homeless with life skills, job readiness, college preparation, and more.

## **IX. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **A. Aztec Events: A.S. Executive Vice President, Athenea Fuentes**

#### **a. Cultural: A.S. Senators, Josephine Zaragoza, Nayeli Cano, Ailyn Ruiz**

- 1) Breast Cancer Awareness Event on Wednesday, October 29, 2025 from 3-5pm in the Student Union Building patio. Request for purchase of bracelet making supplies, drinks, and other event needs that might arise during the event. RSO Tabling. The event intends to be a space where students not only can enjoy a meal, but also express a wish/blessing with said bracelets/keychains that they can make. Food: Subway sandwiches.
- 2) Dia De Los Muertos Event on Tuesday, November 4, 2025 from 3 to 6pm at the Rollie Carrillo Quad. Collaborate with the Cross Cultural Center. Request For Purchase of candy, decorations, and other event needs that might arise during the event. Possibly have Chicax club tabling. Students can enjoy games (loteria, corn whole, & air hockey) as well as the performance by South West High Dance Club. Food: Tamales from Cardenas and a fruit platter.

### **B. Media and Marketing: A.S. President, Andrea M. Acuña, A.S. Vice President of University Affairs, Blake Moreno, A.S. Vice President of Finance, Joselyn Velez**

1. Informed on instagram posts deadline and told them to submit pictures.

### **C. Research Team: A.S. Senator, Kenia Neblina, Erika Velazquez-Borboa, Abril Cardenas Lopez**

1. Shared results for the 25-26 survey. Disneyland was the top option with Universal Studios coming in second and CA Adventure in third.

## **X. REPORTS OF ASSOCIATED STUDENTS MEMBERS/STAFF**

## **XI. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 11:36 a.m.

**FUENTES/VILLEGAS**

**CARRIED (10-0-0)**

**Approved by: Andrea M. Acuña, A.S. President**

**Prepared by: Blake Moreno, A.S. Vice President of University Affairs**