

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BUSINESSES COMMITTEE

This meeting was facilitated both in-person and via an online Zoom format, consistent with the Governor's Executive Order N-1-22, suspending certain open meeting law restrictions.

Monday, May 9, 2022

2 p.m.

BMU 205

Members Present: Austin Lopic, Michelle Korte, Anita Barker, Jessica Nigel, Megan Odom, Stacie Corona

Members Absent: Dominic Patrone

Others Present: Jamie Clyde, Karen Bang, (recording), Tom Rider, Katrina Robertson, Mario Mena Zavala, Corinne Knapp, Connie Huyck

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The Chair, Lopic, called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.
- II. **MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION:** The meeting began with the reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition Statement.
- III. **AGENDA** – Approval of the 5/9/22 regular meeting agenda. **Motion to approve the 5/9/22 regular meeting agenda (Odom/Barker) 6/0/0 MSC.**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of the regular meeting of 5/2/22. **Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of 5/2/22, as presented (Corona/Barker) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Lopic said happy Monday and happy last ASBC meeting of the academic year. Rider said Sally the Salad Making Robot arrived, although it hasn't been set up yet. He said the vending machines purchased via HEERF funding are in transit to campus.
- VI. **BUSINESS**
 - A. Discussion Item: Local Agency Investment Funds (LAIF) and Certificates of Deposit for quarter ending 3/31/22 – Robertson reviewed the Auxiliary Business line of the LAIF report, noting an investment balance of \$7,148,650 with interest earned of \$5,199. She also reviewed the Auxiliary Business section of the Certificates of Deposit report, noting an investment balance of \$200,000 and interest earned of \$1,183. Lopic asked if they've looked at Ibonds due to their high rate of return. Robertson said she hasn't and will look into them. She noted that she needs to keep in line with the AS Investment Policy by keeping the funds in safe investments.
 - B. Discussion Item: 3/31/22 Auxiliary Activities Fund Capital Expenditure Report – Robertson said at this point, no capital expenditure purchases have been. It was noted that the Electric Vehicle and Marketplace grill have been removed from Capital Expenditures and there will probably be no capital expenditure purchases through the end of the year.
- VII. **AUXILIARY BUSINESSES DIRECTOR REPORT** – Rider said it has been his pleasure to work with Lopic the last two years and it has shown him that the Vice President of Business & Finance (VPB&F) role, coupled with his own position, is vital. He noted appreciation for the time Lopic invested in both the business and him personally. • Odom asked for an update regarding the possible pizza business going into the Marketplace. Rider said a walkthrough was done last Friday, including measurements, drawings and plans. He said very little actual structure modifications will need to be done to the building and he has reached out to FMS who handles the CAD drawings. They will provide details regarding electricity, drains, plumbing, actual measurements, etc. and this information will be provided to Sheru Singh who has an architect who works with him on his designs. Rider said that will provide a starting point on what the cost will be and it was noted that the Board will need to approve the contract. Clyde said the construction piece is very critical to this and explained that it's good that less construction is needed.

- VIII. CHICO STATE WILDCAT STORE DIRECTOR REPORT** – Lopic said due to supply chain constraints, graduation items won't be available for pick up until Wednesday and explained the situation. Rider said Herff Jones handles these orders, not the bookstore.
- IX. VP APPOINTEES' REPORT** – Patrone was absent. Clyde said at the last ASFC meeting a presentation about Adventure Outings (AO) was done. She the transformational experiences students have on the AO trips is very unique. She noted that a woman from the community who went on one of the AO trips reached out and talked about the wonderful experience she had.
- X. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT** –Clyde said last week was the beginning of the end regarding year-end celebrations. She said an Elected Representatives Transition Celebration was held last Thursday, as well as a Student Employees VIP Celebration. She said the OPS team put together the VIP celebration which consisted of lots of pictures, a big thank you, directors and managers all serving, mashed potatoes bar, chocolate candy "martinis," and other treats. She said it was a high-class event and they had a great turnout. Clyde said we could not do what we do without all of our students, and that it was great to take this opportunity to appreciate them. Clyde said Katie Peterson, Brooke McCall, Joe Dorgali and Daisy Rolon did an amazing job on this event. • Clyde thanked the committee, said this has been quite a year, and a lot of good conversations were held. She said she has been friends with Lopic since before his freshman year as he was an EOP mentee of hers. She said when this position opened up, she let him know about it, and told him to go for it. Clyde said Lopic has brought much to the VPB&F position, that she has always been able to count on him and that he has been a rock in the AS. She said it has been fun to watch him grow and transition over the past four years.
- XI. CHAIR'S REPORT** – Lopic said it has been an interesting three years; explaining that he served as the joint appointment to ASBC and BMUC his first year as a student, then COVID shut everything down. He said he then took on the VPB&F role but due to COVID was not able to transition easily. He expressed appreciation for everyone's continued support, noting it was immensely helpful. Lopic thanked everyone for providing very valuable feedback, as well as looking forward in times of immense change. He also thanked Nigel for her consistency in attending the ASBC meetings. Odom said she would stay in touch with him regarding his job search and Corona said it was fun being on this committee with him. She thanked him for his assistance with moving HEERF funds as well as for the time he spent on the committees and searches for the University. She said later on we'll look back at the COVID years and all that it entailed. Barker said it has been fun to work with him, and that it has been impossible for all of us to know how to meander the last couple of years and the real life experience he had, he learned all of that in a crash course and it will serve him well. She said Lopic is incredibly good at advocating for his people but also hearing different perspectives. Barker said it has been a great experience for her to be on this committee as Athletics and the businesses work together.
- XII. MINDFUL MINUTE** – One minute of meditation was skipped.
- XIII. TRANSITION** – Lopic said Johnathan Montes is in the process of being appointed as the new VPB&F. He transitioned to Corona, the Vice Chair of ASBC.
- XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Lopic said commencement starts next Wednesday and they are still in need of volunteers.
- XV. PUBLIC OPINION** – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – Ho said he's proud of Lopic, especially as an EOP student.
- XVI. ADJOURNMENT** – The Vice Chair, Corona, adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m.