

# ASSOCIATED STUDENTS FACILITIES COMMITTEE

*This meeting was facilitated both in-person and via an online Zoom format*

**Friday, February 17, 2023**

**12 p.m.**

**BMU 205**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Michelle Davis, Art Cox, Randy Southall, Kaylee McAllister-Knutson, Mia Sanchez-Bejar, Telma Cruz, Melanie Lopez

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Katie Chai (excused), Megan Kurtz

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Curtis Sicheneder, Lexi Extein (recorder), Shar Krater, Hugh Hammond, Thang Ho, Keith Crawford, Eliza Miller, Victor Trujillo, Teresa Clements, Atlas Jackmon

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The Chair, Davis, called the meeting to order at 12 p.m.
- II. **MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION** – The meeting was started with the reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition Statement.
- III. **AGENDA** – Approval of the 2/17/23 regular meeting agenda. **Motion to approve the 2/17/23 regular meeting agenda, as presented (Cruz/Sanchez-Bejar) 5-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the regular meeting of 2/3/23. **Motion to approve minutes of the regular meeting of 2/3/23 as presented (Cruz/Sanchez-Bejar ) 5-0-0 MSC.**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Krater announced that Atlas Jackmon is the new AS Sustainability Coordinator, and she encourages others to collaborate with them.
- VI. **PUBLIC OPINION** – None
- VII. **BUSINESS**
  - A. **Discussion Item: Revision to the release of funding for SFAC Project: Agrivoltaics Project at the University Farm.** – Davis showed a report on recent updates on this SFAC proposal. She stated that last year SFAC awarded \$172,000 to the Agrivoltaics Project at the the University Farm. The project's goal is to build solar panels on the Farm over crops to have more renewable energy sources. Funding for the project was divided into three separate phases. Individuals in charge of this SFAC project have requested to reallocate \$70,000 into a different phase of this project. This change will allow FMS to simultaneously build the framework and install in the ground to which the solar panels and motors created by the students in the Engineering Capstone will be attached. As chair of SFAC, Davis has agreed to grant this request. So, while no new money will be given to this proposal, the Agrivoltaics project will receive \$70,000 of its funds earlier than initially granted. Cruz asked how long the project will go. Davis said they recently broke ground on it. Krater explained that this Capstone project, which was supposed to be started last year, was pushed back, leaving the Fall 2022 semester to finetune and work with FMS. They began the project in January and are shooting that by the end of December 2024 everything would be completed. It was expected that January 2024, the first two phases would be completed, and if successful the final phase would allow them to replicate on a larger scale. Sicheneder reminded ASFC that projects of \$5,000 or more that are awarded from the Sustainable Fund Allocation fee, it comes to this committee for secondary approval, needs to be cleared by this committee. At this time, it has already come to this committee, it's just different timing for money release.
  - B. **Information Item: WREC Oasis name change.** – Hammond announced that the Owl recorder is restarting at 12:06 p.m. The meeting was paused by Davis and resumed at 12:07 p.m. Davis said in terms of the Oasis name change, when they originally applied for funding to create the Oasis, that Oasis was a place name that was never intended to be the final name. In recent weeks there have been conversations on

possible new names. The short list of contenders includes: The Retreat, WREC Retreat, WREC Resort, The Edge, The Park, The Patio. There was originally a longer list, but they have narrowed it down. These are all suggestions and Davis asked for further suggestions or comments, saying in the future it will come back to ASFC for a final vote. McAllister-Knutson asked if there have been conversations about putting this on the AS Election Ballot to let students include their input on the name change. Davis asked Sicheneder if that is a possibility and he said ASFC is who names the buildings; however, they could explore social media ideas. Other names were not listed were because they were too closely associated with other things. McAllister-Knutson said looking ahead it would help improve engagement and money available to student orgs and voting by incentivizing students to have the chance to vote on name as well. Cruz agreed that she likes the idea of taking a poll or voting. Davis said we are expecting to finish construction around April and asks if the name needs to be picked beforehand. Sicheneder claimed they have no name yet but it would be beneficial for the opening. At this time there's no plan to put a sign with the name up. Sanchez-Bejar liked the idea of adding being able to vote on the name to the ballot to bring in more voters and stated last three name options are cool. Lopez also liked last three listed names and believes it will help promote the space. Davis asked if this was a student involved name change what that would look like. McAllister-Knutson recommends Davis' team comes up with select approved names, and as student representatives act as their voice. Sicheneder asked for date of election. Miller answered April 4<sup>th</sup>. Sicheneder says with estimated finish date being end of March, that may be too close. He wants to explore social media options with Davis. Davis suggested a survey on Instagram or poll with options. McAllister-Knutson said in the future this may work for other projects. Sicheneder agreed for future projects it could work. Davis said the two first names listed were the more favorable, those being The Retreat and WREC Retreat. Cox said he was recently walking with students and described it as the WREC Patio because it came to mind. Sicheneder agreed that students just reiterated interest in the name from students on Zoom. Cruz asked what exactly is going in the space. Davis explained it's an outdoor wellness space, water feature, there's a fire pit, and overall relaxing space for students to enjoy the outdoors. McAllister-Knutson said with the name WREC Patio makes it obvious that this is only for people with access to the WREC. Cruz likes the WREC Retreat name as well for similar reasons. Sicheneder notes that The Well isn't accessible to campus faculty or staff to use, for students only. The WREC has a fee for non-students as well and that's something to consider. Davis asked for final thoughts. She said a survey for students may help out with name choice. This item will come back to ASFC to talk about future plans.

**VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Absent**

**IX. ASSOCIATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT –** Sicheneder said Conference Services is looking at raising prices, which hasn't been done even with inflation since the pandemic. He said the Bike auction this semester is April 13<sup>th</sup>. Those bikes are from UPD and the bike hub sells them to students, and the money goes to Outdoor Fund that supplies students with Adventure Outings scholarships. Sicheneder said 39 cubic yards of concrete were recently poured for footing of the unnamed Oasis. He introduced Crawford as the AS Risk Manager, which is unique in AS Auxiliaries, he is one of three. Crawford deals with request for proposals, contracts, insurance, McKee Act training. He said he's been in this position for a year and we're happy to have him. AOA was happy to see him.

**X. CHAIR REPORT –** Davis said if any ideas come forward regarding Oasis name change please email her. Next ASFC meeting scheduled for March 3<sup>rd</sup>. She will not be in attendance because she will be working Women Like You Leadership Symposium, asked all to stop by.

**XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS –** McAllister-Knutson said that AS, OPS, GA and SLL are hosting our kickoff on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Explained that pink shirt day is for anti-bullying campaign and explained backstory of child that was bullied for wearing a pink shirt before friends stood up to bullies by wearing pink shirts as well. 11 am on February 22<sup>nd</sup> taking a picture with campus photography promoting Women Like You. Asks all to come in pink shirts out front of Kendall Hall. Sanchez-Bejar asked for date clarification and McAllister-Knutson clarified the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Krater gave shout out to Sicheneder and Crawford. Explained AOA is Auxiliary Organization Association, the body that oversees the 23 campuses and 87 auxiliaries that we have. Sicheneder is joining the Executive Committee. Crawford is joining the CSU Risk Management Association. We have great representation state-wide. Jackmon shared Creek Cleanup next Thursday. On the 28<sup>th</sup> McAllister-Knutson is hosting CatsConnect workshop to teach people how to navigate it hands-on. Please share with orgs, offices or individuals to aid them in collecting data and such. It was posted on announcements today.

- XII. PUBLIC OPINION** – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – Clements said that Crawford brought up The Edge, which is an apartment complex, so probably not a great option for new Oasis name. She said we are trying to promote AS so potentially putting AS in front of the name could be another possibility. Davis asked her to clarify if she means shifting away from WREC Oasis and moving toward AS Oasis. Clements said that she wants to share the AS with all and get the word out. Sicheneder explained the average student has little knowledge on who pays for what and who runs the facilities, and it would be nice to be under AS “umbrella”.
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT** – The Chair, Davis, adjourned the meeting at 12:25 p.m.