ASSOCIATED STUDENTS FACILITIES 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.

Wednesday, April 27, 2022  11 a.m.  BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kiley Kirkpatrick, Art Cox, Sofia Askari, Dominic Patrone, Alejandro Marquez, Jeremy Olguin, Anthony Ruiz, Randy Southall, Kaylee McAllister

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Curtis Sicheneder, Karen Bang (recording), Shar Krater, Mario Mena Zavala, Jenna Walker, James Lawrence, Teresa Clements, Jackson Tribe, Leo Kari

I. CALL TO ORDER – The Chair, Kirkpatrick, called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

II. MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION – The meeting was started with the reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition Statement.

III. AGENDA – Motion to approve the 4/27/22 regular meeting agenda, as presented (Ruiz/Askari) 6-0-0 MSC.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of 4/13/22. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of 4/13/22, as presented (Ruiz/Askari) 6-0-0 MSC.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Kirkpatrick said it’s Nation Denim Day and by wearing denim today, we are showing support for all genders against sexual assault and violence.

VI. BUSINESS

A. Discussion Item: Adventure Outings Presentation – Walker, the Program Director for Adventure Outings (AO) provided an AO presentation to the committee. She said AO has been in existence for nearly 40 years and they take students, faculty, staff and community members on outdoor adventures (Southall joined the meeting at 11:06 a.m.). She said they are currently running 24 different trips throughout northern California. Walker said they also offer a Wilderness Orientation Program, equipment rental center, oversight of the WREC climbing wall, and special events like the Banff Mountain Film Festival. In addition, they oversee the Bike Hub (previously known as the Bike Cart) located in the bookstore. They also oversee a yurt rental near Butte Meadows. Walker said pre-COVID they had approximately 3,300 participant days in the field as well as 35 student trip leaders. They currently have 17 student leaders. She provided a short video of various summer trips taken and also noted that they’ll slowly be bringing back this year the Wildcat Wilderness Orientation which helps bridge the gap between high school and Chico and provides students with opportunities to meet other students and get outdoors. Walker said the Bike Hub recently held their semiannual bike auction, noting that they acquire abandoned bikes from UPD, fix them up, then sell them at the auction so that the funds can go to the Get Outdoors Fund. She said this provides scholarships for students so that everyone has a chance to access AO trips. Walker next reviewed the benefits of AO: leadership opportunities, encourages healthy lifestyles, fosters connections, increases GPA and retention, reduces stress/anxiety, and increases life effectiveness. She said all of their trips have sold out through the end of this semester. Sicheneder explained that the reason presentations have been made to this committee from AO, Conference Services and the WREC is because ASFC oversees the buildings and the budgets for these areas, so knowing what each area does is important. He said AO is an extremely robust program and we’re on the forefront of that industry. Cox said while helping students in the Career Center with their resumes, their AO leadership and experience have helped them obtain jobs and said AO training is amazing. Kirkpatrick also noted that AO’s
equipment rentals are extremely affordable. Sicheneder said the WREC’s personal training can’t be done for free; however hourly rates are lower than in the private sector.

B. Discussion Item: 3/31/22 Combined Student Union and WREC/AO Summary Income and Expense Statement – Sicheneder said the benchmark is 75% and that the Student Union expensed nearly 60% of the approved budget and generated a little under 47% of projected income. He provided an overview of the March budget with the committee.

VII. VP APPOINTEES’ REPORT – Patrone said the last ASBC meeting was cancelled so he had no report.

VIII. ASSOCIATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Sicheneder said the AS currently has a lot of student and career positions open and highlighted those that are under the purview of this committee.

IX. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Clyde was absent.

X. CHAIR REPORT – Kirkpatrick said there are two more meetings and she will reach out to the committee members to see if they can attend the last meeting of the semester in person. She said she may also provide snacks from AS Catering.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Krater said on May 5 the AS is hosting a student celebration in the BMU Auditorium in honor of all of our AS student employees, interns and volunteers. She asked committee members to rsvp.

XII. PUBLIC OPINION – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – None

XIII. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Kirkpatrick, adjourned the meeting at 11:26 a.m.