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**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO
BELL MEMORIAL UNION COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, February 8, 2021

2:30 p.m.

Via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kaylee Biedermann, Chase Arrington, Ange Bledsoe, Kaitlyn Xiong, Annabel Grimm, Ronin Beck, John Thomas Barron, III, Art Cox

MEMBERS ABSENT: Triston Haverty (excused), Victorina Jeffers

OTHERS PRESENT: Jamie Clyde, Karen Bang (recording), Curtis Sicheneder, Hugh Hammond, Shar Krater, Susan Jennings, Katrina Robertson, Eliza Miller, Katie Peterson

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The Chair, Biedermann, called the meeting to order at 2:36 p.m.
- II. **MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION** – The meeting was started with the reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition statement.
- III. **AGENDA – Motion to approve the 2/8/21 agenda, as presented (Arrington/Beck) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – N/A
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Biedermann said she hoped everyone had a good time watching the Super Bowl yesterday.
- VI. **BUSINESS**
 - A. **Discussion Item: BMUC Networking Event** – Biedermann said she held one of these events last spring and would like to make this an annual event. She explained that the Student Union fee is a large fee that students pay and that it's important to explain to students how their fees are being used, as well as to show the great things that we are still offering. Last year she invited representatives from the various Student Union programs and rented a room in the BMU for the event. Biedermann requested suggestions for an online version as well as the event date. Clyde said last year's event was great, and now that we're dealing with the COVID pandemic, there have been a lot more questions about where dollars are going at this time. She noted that Mary Wallmark is putting on an information series for incoming students, as well as current students, and suggested Biedermann could tag on to that. She also suggested that Biedermann could work with Anna Paladini, the AS Marketing Manager, and put together a video which could be placed on the website so more students could access it. Grimm said this is a great idea and suggested holding the event the sooner the better, so students can learn about and take advantage of the services we are providing. Peterson suggested considering the information Town Halls at the end of February and explained that they cover many things and would be a perfect spot to talk about our resources. She said Biedermann could join in on that effort. After discussion, Biedermann scheduled the BMUC networking event for the evening of Wednesday, March 3. Sicheneder said he would be happy to get the word out about the event. Biedermann said to email or text her with suggestions or input for the event.
 - B. **Information Item: Wellness Center** – Sicheneder said the Wellness Center was listed in the Master Facility Plan. He said they would like to get construction going to be ready for fall and said he received a quote for construction costs from FMS and third party contractors in the approximate amount of \$1.3 million. He said we had allocated \$1.5 million. Sicheneder said they will need to discuss naming the space, the entrance, colors, etc. Clyde said although it's positive news to be under budget, she warned that the project would probably come in higher. She said they will be trying to utilize the existing space as much as possible, instead of knocking the space down and starting from scratch. She said costs would be talked about further at budget time. Clyde said the remodel will be a long process and we may as well make use of our time and go forward with this project, starting this summer. Biedermann asked if BMUC needs to vote on this, and Clyde said currently no vote is needed. She said she and Sicheneder wanted to make sure that the committee is involved with this project and the next time they'll vote or discuss funds would be during budget review and approvals.

- C. Discussion Item: 12/31/20 Combined Student Union and WREC/AO Summary Income and Expense Statement – Sicheneder said the benchmark is 50%. He provided an overview, noting the Student Union has expensed 27.12% of the approved annual budget and generated 47.2% of projected income. He noted expenses will start creeping up as maintenance and repairs are being done, as well as expenses associated with WREC 2.0.
- D. Discussion Item: Local Agency Investment Fund and Certificates of Deposit for quarter ending 12/31/20 – Clyde explained that this report is provided quarterly. The Student Union portion was reviewed and Clyde said the low interest rate of 0.63% is due to having these funds placed in a safe investment.

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT – Clyde said that they’re moving forward with logoing and branding, and unfortunately had a rocky start. Their next meeting is on February 18. She explained that they have many different sub groups that are adding more voices to the table, as well as a core group that she and Biedermann sit on that help guide conversations. • Clyde said it was announced today that 20% to 30% of classes will be held on campus this fall. She said a gatherings matrix is being prepared which will define what can be done in each specific tier. She said gatherings have been the most challenging area for the AS and noted each of our areas have very specific guidelines, Clyde said the BMU has had many starts and stops and the matrix is a concise way to show when we will be allowed to open up the BMU to house meetings for clubs and organizations. She said the definition of gatherings is very tricky; however, the majority of services that the AS offers will be available in one way or another if we’re at the lower tier this fall.

VIII. WREC DIRECTORS REPORT – Sicheneder said WREC 2.0 has been going two weeks now and is limited to 100 students at any given time, with 60 being the closest they’ve gotten. He explained the process for students to be able to work out at the WREC. He said they’ve had challenges with the security team as well as students entering after hours and they are working to keep the equipment and students safe. • Sicheneder said the EOC approved Adventure Outings to do 12 person workshops on the third floor of the parking garage and these will start rolling out soon. In addition, Colin Chambers from the WREC was approved for setting up safety classes as well. Sicheneder said in order to be prepared for allowing more students in to the outdoor space, they are working on an internal matrix.

IX. VP APPOINTEE’S REPORT – Barron said ASBC met last Monday, February 1. He said the Dining Services Director is focusing on getting a delivery system set up on campus. They are currently delivering to residence hall students and are working on utilizing a way to deliver to students off campus.

X. CHAIR’S REPORT – Biedermann said she sits on the Campus Facility Use Committee and they are working on a matrix regarding the various restrictions at various buildings on campus. • Biedermann said they have begun working on the spring SFAC deliberation meeting and Miller said SFAC applications will be available next Monday, workshops starting next Tuesday. Proposals are due March 5 and the SFAC deliberation meeting will be on Friday, April 16 from 2 to 5 p.m. Biedermann noted the application has been updated a bit. Miller said they’re going to begin doing workshops again regarding applying for funds. • Biedermann said she would continue working on the BMUC networking event and would get in touch with Anna Paladini for promotional materials. • Biedermann said she is sitting on the Presidential Task Force and is also a student representative on the Board of Governors, which meets two weeks from today.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

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

XIII. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Biedermann, adjourned the meeting at 3:12 p.m.