

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Wednesday, October 29, 2025, 2:30 p.m.

BMU 205

Members Present: Tia Saunders, Tracy Butts, Mahraya Davis, Jamie Clyde, Beatrix Teaney, Akylai Murzakulova, Miguel Sueki, Isaac Brundage, Kureha Takayama

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Jon Simmons, Thang Ho, Eliza Miller (recording), Kendra Wright, Katrina Leach, Anna Paladini, Keith Crawford, Ben Spiess, Brooke McCall, Melody Leppard, Christina Hammans, Amanda Dubner, Windy Van Dam, Mandy Billyos, Teresa Clements, Leah Mercer, Cassie Flannigan, Charlie Arroway, Christina Jewell, Kaylee McAllister-Knutson,

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The Chair, Saunders, called the meeting to order at 2:31 pm.
- II. **MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION** - The meeting started with reading the Mechoopda Land Recognition Statement.
- III. **AGENDA** – Approval of the 10/29/25 Regular Meeting Agenda. **Motion to Approve 10/29/25 Regular Meeting Agenda as presented. (Murzakulova/Sueki) 9-0-0 MSC**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Approval of the 10/15/25 meeting minutes. **Motion to Approve the 10/15/25 meeting minutes, as presented (Teaney/Murzakulova) 8-0-1 MSC**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**— None.
- VI. **PUBLIC OPINION** – None
- VII. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS** – Action Items forwarded to the Board of Directors from the standing committees stand approved unless overturned by a 2/3 + 1 Board action.
 - A. Government Affairs Committee
 1. GAC Actions of 10/17/25
 - a. Approved the 10/17/25 regular meeting agenda
 - b. Approved Minutes of the 10/3/25 regular meeting, as presented (attached, page 7).
 - c. **Approved 2025-26 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments**

Confirmation of appointments to Campus Engagement Council
-Commissioner of Student Engagement and Advocacy Appointment: Miko Kilma
-Commissioner of Student Engagement and Advocacy Appointment: Swasti Sharma

Confirmation of appointments to Legislative Affairs Council
-Director of Social Justice and Equity Appointment: Johnny Garcia

Confirmation of appointments to Sustainability Affairs Council
-Commissioner of Sustainability Affairs Appointment: Yasin Sensoy
 - B. Associated Students Facilities Committee
 1. ASFC Actions of 10/23/25
 - a. Approved the 10/23/25 regular meeting agenda
 - b. Approved Minutes of the 10/9/25 regular meeting, as presented.

C. Associated Students Businesses Committee

1. ASBC Actions of 10/14/25

- a. Approved the 10/14/25 regular meeting agenda
- b. Approved Minutes of the 9/30/25 regular meeting, as presented

VIII. **BUSINESS**

- A. Discussion Item: Audit Committee recommendation regarding awarding of audit and tax services to Aldrich CPAs + Advisors LLP for fiscal years ending June 30, 2026, through June 30, 2028. – Leach and Clyde reviewed the recommendation provided to the Board from the AS Audit Committee for the next tax and audit services agreement. After undergoing an RFP process, the Audit Committee ultimately provided a recommendation to continue utilizing Aldrich for the agreement through 2028. This item will be voted on at the next meeting.
- B. Discussion Item: Revisions to AS Corporate Codes: Procurement Card Policy – Leach reviewed the proposed changes to the Procurement Card Policy, as presented. Proposed changes include some minor cleanup changes, as well as the addition of new position titles, increases to spending limits, and updating processes as a result of the new Concur software. Clyde added that she and Leach reviewed these changes to ensure they follow all applicable campus requirements.
- C. Discussion Item: Revisions to AS Corporate Codes: Capital Expenditure Purchases and Fixed Asset Policy.- Leach reviewed proposed changes for the Capital Expenditure Purchase and Fixed Asset Policy, as presented. Proposed changes include adjustments to the processes for approving and purchasing capital expenditures. These changes were also reviewed to ensure they meet campus requirements.
- D. Information Item: Reporting of Updated Student Pay Grade Effective 1/1/2026—Mercer shared that the California minimum wage will increase to \$16.50 on January 1st, 2026. Mercer reviewed how this increase affects the four AS student pay grades.
- E. Information Item: 7/31/2025, 8/31/25 Dining Services Financials– Leahch reviewed the July and August financials for AS Dining Services. For July, the YTD Total operating income was \$637,176, and YTD cost of sales was \$44,004. Total operating expenses for July were \$297,793, resulting in a net income of \$33,020. As of August 31, the YTD Total operating income was \$1,512,876 and YTD cost of sales was \$227,722. Total expenses through August were \$830,176, resulting in a net income of \$524,685.
- F. Information Item: 8/31/25 AS Wildcat Store Financials -Leach reviewed the AS Wildcat Store financials for the month of August 2025. For August 2025, total income was \$54,760, and total expense was \$53,123.
- G. Information Item: 3/31/2025, 4/30/2025, 5/31/2025, 6/30/2025 Follett Wildcat Store Financials – Leach reviewed March through June financials for the Follett Wildcat Store. As of fiscal year end, June 30, 2025, YTD Course material income was \$827,068 and general merchandise income was \$2,073,293 for a total YTD income of \$2,900,361. Total income was down 3.2% over last year, but textbook sales were up 13.7% over last year due to the expansion of the Immediate Access Program.
- H. Information Item: 9/30/25 Activity Fee, Student Union, Auxiliary Activities, and Corporate Services Fund Capital Expenditure Reports. Leach reviewed the capital expenditures by area for the quarter ending 9/30/25. The Activity Fee did not make any capital purchases in the first quarter of the year. The Student Union spent \$47,877 between the BMU and the WREC. Union capital purchases included a red light therapy machine for The Well, a new auditorium lighting control board, and an emergency custodial equipment purchase. For Auxiliary Activities, there were no expenditures for the first quarter, nor were there for Corporate Services.
- I. Director of Academic Affairs Report—Takayama shared that Vice Chair Weiland Chaired the Student Academic Senate while she was attending the GS 2025 symposium with Dr. Brundage. She is working with the senators to gather information about their academic colleges and the needs of their students.
- J. Director of Social Justice and Equity Report—Davis shared that they had their first Social Justice and Equity Meeting last week. At the meeting, they approved \$500 to MEChA to help them hold their Dia de los Muertos event. She also shared updates on the auditions for the Multicultural showcase, which just wrapped up.

- K. University Vice Presidents' Reports—Dr. Brundage expressed his appreciation to Director Takayama for her great representation at the GI 2025 Symposium. He shared updates on the new Course Auditor that is currently rolling out. He shared that an FAQ is available online and encouraged students to contact Financial Aid or the Registrar if the FAQ doesn't address their specific questions or concerns. He shared some of the efforts on campus to help ensure students have access to food while funding for SNAP and EBT is on hold. He reviewed the three goals of the strategic enrollment plan. He thanked everyone for their participation in the town hall earlier today. He also shared some updates on Student Affairs' efforts to help keep Chico State students safe this Halloween weekend, including sharing safety tips, making Narcan and test strips available, offering alternative programming, and distributing snacks and water.

VP Clyde also touched on some potential efforts to support students with food security during the upcoming funding pause through ASBC. She shared that partnerships are already happening. Clyde shared some of the successes of the Immediate Access Program, including that 2998 students have saved \$177,475 in textbook costs across 63 sections representing 41 courses. She hopes this program can expand going forward after a very successful year-long pilot.

Clyde shared that the meeting was ending at 3:30pm for training due to scheduling conflicts.

The rest of the reports were skipped due to time-certain adjournment.

~~L. Faculty Representative Report~~

~~M. Executive Director's Report~~

~~N. President's Report~~

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS –

V. PUBLIC OPINION—

IX. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Saunders, adjourned the meeting at 3:30pm.