

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Monday, November 6, 2023

2:30 p.m.

BMU 205

Members Present: Autumn Alaniz-Wiggins, Johnathan Montes, Vincent Sy, Dr. Tracy Butts, Mia Arisman, Jamie Clyde, Allison Wagner, Christian Sullivan

Members Absent: Dr. Isaac Brundage

Others Present: Chela Mendoza Patterson, Karen Bang (recording), Kyle Alsberry, Kendra Wright, Katrina Robertson, Thang Ho, Leah Mercer, Tom Rider, Lexi Extein, Kristin Chelotti, Steve Novo, Shar Krater, Sarah Wilson, Brooke McCall, Colin Chambers, Craig Clavano, Teresa Clements, Anna Paladini, Katey VonMosch, Zackary Machado, Imani Martin

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The Chair, Alaniz-Wiggins, called the meeting to order at 2:34 p.m.
- II. **MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION** – The meeting was started with the reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition Statement.
- III. **AGENDA** – Approval of the 11/6/23 regular meeting agenda. **Motion to approve the 11/6/23 regular meeting agenda, as presented (Sy/Sullivan) 8-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the 10/23/23 regular meeting. **Motion to approve the minutes of the 10/23/23 regular meeting, as presented (Wagner/Arisman) 8-0-0 MSC.**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None
- VI. **PUBLIC OPINION** – Limited to items on the agenda, three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – 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 11/3/23 – Alaniz-Wiggins reviewed the approved items.
 - a. Approved the 11/3/23 regular meeting agenda.
 - b. Approved Minutes of the 10/20/23 regular meeting, as presented.
 - c. Approved Consent Agenda regarding 2023-24 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments:
Confirmation of appointments to Campus Engagement Council
Commissioner of Student Engagement and Advocacy Student Appointments: Athena Vivas, Michael Arredondo and Sonia Soto Quintero
Director of Social Justice and Equity Student Appointment: Tara Purcell
Commissioner of Legislative Affairs Student Appointment: Adela Castillo
Confirmation of appointments to Community Affairs Council
Commissioner of Community Affairs Student Appointment: Katherine Mclaughlin, Grant Rooney, Madison Kelley, Itzel Saucedo and Misti David.
 - d. Approved the 2024 Associated Students Election Procedures.
 - B. Associated Students Facilities Committee
 1. ASFC Actions of 11/6/23 – Sy reviewed the approved items and said they also reviewed contract programs.
 - a. Approved the 11/6/23 regular meeting agenda.
 - b. Approved Minutes of the 10/23/23 regular meeting, as presented.
 - C. Associated Students Businesses Committee
 1. ASBC Actions of 11/1/23 - Montes reviewed the approved items.

- a. Approved the 11/1/23 regular meeting agenda.
- b. Approved Minutes of the regular meeting of 10/4/23, as presented.

VIII. BUSINESS

- A. Action Item: Approval of Resolution to enter into transaction with the California Department of Education for the purpose of providing child care and development services and to authorize the designated personnel to sign contract documents for Fiscal Year 2024-25, the Continuing Funding Application, and all related contract documents. **Motion to approve Resolution to enter into transaction with the California Department of Education for the purpose of providing child care and development services and to authorize the designated personnel to sign contract documents for Fiscal Year 2024-25, the Continuing Funding Application, and all related contract documents, as presented (Arisman/Sullivan) 8-0-0 MSC.**
- B. Discussion Item: 2022-23 Annual Report – Wright shared hard copies of the 2022-23 Annual Report with the Board. She noted it can be found in the “About Us” section on the AS Chico website. Wright thanked Eliza Miller and AS Marketing for their preparation of this document. Alaniz-Wiggins requested copies be provided to Cabinet as well.
- C. Discussion Item: Update to AS Student Pay Grades – Mercer said minimum wage keeps increasing in the State of California, going up to \$16/hour on 1/1/24. She said because there’s a formula to determine each pay grade, she’s not bringing this item to the Board for action, just informing them annually of the new pay grades for the students. If the formula is changed; however, she would bring it to the Board for action.
- D. Discussion Item: 6/30/23, 7/31/23 and 8/31/23 Dining Services Financials – Montes provided an overview of June. He noted there was a contribution of \$64,684 to CSU, Chico. Montes explained that \$300,000 is normally paid from the AS to the University; however, it’s temporarily on hold. Robertson said it has been on hold the past couple of years due to COVID and decreased enrollment. She said Dining usually contributed \$108,000 of the amount and on top of that, we contribute 2.25% of our sales, which is the contribution Montes mentioned. Clyde said the \$300,000 historically has been split between the bookstore and dining and that due to COVID they were able to negotiate modifying that, which is true for this year as well. At the end of the year there was a \$111,398 net reduction and a deal was struck between the campus, University Housing and the AS. She said all kicked in some money, and the University forgone the \$300,000 portion. Clyde said she’s currently working on a deal to keep this agreement for the AS for the next three years. Montes next reviewed the August financials. He pointed out that “Option C Budget” is now included in the financials. Robertson said ASBC requested this and it’s more of what a true budget is currently supposed to be looking like, compared to what was prepared almost a year ago. (Wagner stepped out of the meeting at 2:56 p.m.).
- E. Discussion Item: 6/30/23, 7/31/23 and 8/31/23 AS Wildcat Store Financials – Montes said for June Income was at \$45,214. Net Increase of \$161,288 YTD, and Commission Income at \$430,039 YTD. Montes next reviewed the July financials. For August, he noted Income at \$81,392. Net Increase of \$13,064 YTD and Commission Income YTD at \$75,292 (Wagner returned to the meeting at 3:01 p.m.).
- F. Discussion Item: 6/30/23, 7/31/23 and 8/31/23 Follett Wildcat Store Financials – Robertson reviewed with the Board and said for the month of June the bookstore was down overall 3.8%. For July they were down overall 1%, and for August were down in all departments. She noted upcoming sales being held in the bookstore.
- G. Director of Academic Affairs Report – Arisman reported that the Student Academic Senate (SAS) meeting was held two weeks ago. She said Ryan Patten, the Dean of the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, and Chair of the Academic Scheduling Advisory Committee, attended the SAS meeting. He told them the Advisory committee is discussing revising the Executive Memorandum regarding finals exams. She said they’re seeking a student lens on this so he worked with SAS on a student survey which would be shared with students to gather their thoughts on final exams.
- H. Director of Social Justice and Equity Report – Sullivan said they held their meeting this morning and discussed some initiatives they’ve started, and collaborations with certain programs, such as the Cultural Fashion Show taking place Monday in PAC 134 at 5 p.m. He also noted the Multicultural Showcase on 11/15. A Vice Chair for their committee was also approved. He advised that the CCLC Internship application will be open from 11/10 to 11/17. Sullivan said he is providing the opportunity to the Black Student Union to share space in the Government Affairs Office for one of their meetings. He said regarding Cozen O’Connor Title IX, he and Alaniz-

Wiggins will be co-facilitators for the 11/14 event. He said the Native American Heritage Awareness Month display is now set up in the BMU.

- I. University Vice Presidents' Reports – Clyde said she, Tom Rider, Stacie Corona and Sara Rumiano met last week with Chartwells to discuss their financials in detail. She said they still need to talk with Chartwell's accountant, as they didn't get the information they were looking for. Clyde said it's projected that if Chartwells can't come in and increase what we do in Dining by about 20%, then we wouldn't make anything additional. She said Rider will be setting up another meeting so they can dive deeper into this to assure this would be the right move for the AS and campus. • Clyde said a special University Budget Committee meeting is being held to focus on the fee funded programs because across the whole CSU, they're getting pummeled due to the low head count. She noted that the AS, Athletics, Health Center, and somewhat Housing are affected by fee funded programs. • Clyde said labor negotiations are still happening, noting CFA has been authorized to strike. • Clyde said Mary Wallmark, who has worked on campus for over 30 years, is retiring. Her last day on campus will be 12/8, and a retirement party will be held on 11/17 at 3 p.m. • Clyde said regarding the Title IX AVP search, they've been using Grand River Solutions as a consultant and the search will start in approximately the next month. • Clyde said regarding the Cozen Report, there has been a lot of talk on other areas of concern, such as not outright violations. She said alternative resolutions were discussed at Cabinet, and a case study will be done with a group of about 20 people from a department willing to talk about conflict, and how conflict can be positive. • Clyde said summer sessions are going to state-support, which gives the AS the ability to put a fee that's associated with this. Clements said information has been presented to Stacie Corona, and they're moving on that. Clyde welcomed Dr. Patterson to the table.
 - J. Faculty Representative Report – Dr. Butts said she didn't have a report today.
 - K. Interim Executive Director Report – Dr. Patterson congratulated Dr. Butts regarding the Office of the College of Humanities and Fine Arts Halloween win. She said it's good to be back in the Board Room, and good to see what student leaders are doing today. Dr. Patterson said the Associate Executive Director search is moving along. She said three finalists were on campus last week, and someone will hopefully be in that role soon.
 - L. President Report – Alaniz-Wiggins said CSSA was this weekend at Maritime Academy. She said important issues were discussed, such as the cut to stateside's budget of approximately 5% each year, for a total of 15%. She said Chico State is one of 8 campuses having their budget cut. She said enrollment numbers are an area of concern. Alaniz-Wiggins said a representative from the Chancellor's Office talked about GI 2025 reimagined and students had a chance to give feedback. She said she's working on the 10% Project on this campus of obtaining student voices either on video or survey format, which can be shared statewide. • Discussion was held regarding what the AS will be doing if the CFA goes on strike. Clyde said the picket line would probably be at Kendall Hall and anything the AS would probably be offering would probably be within this building. Dr. Patterson said it's also symbolic for management to try and not cross a picket line, noting we honor their right to voice their concerns. Wright explained the difference between the AS Student Union and the labor law union. She said conversations are being held to ensure that student services aren't interrupted, such as providing food for students. Clyde said negotiations are happening at the Chancellor's Office, CSU level, not here on campus. • Regarding the Cozen O'Connor event, Alaniz-Wiggins said it will be held in the BMU. She also noted the AS is increasing partnerships with the Orion, as a trend has been noticed that students don't know about important hot topic issues until they see them in the Orion.
- IX. CLOSED SESSION** – Pursuant to Education Code Section 89307 (c)(1): Personnel Matter. The Board went into Closed Session at 3:34 p.m. (Alaniz-Wiggins left the meeting at 3:56 p.m.). The Board came out of Closed Session at 3:57 p.m. and Wagner stated that no Action was taken during Closed Session.
- X. ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None
- XI. PUBLIC OPINION** – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – None
- XII. ADJOURNMENT** – The Vice-Chair, Wagner, adjourned the meeting at 4:01 p.m.