

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Monday, March 1, 2023

2:30 p.m.

BMU 205

Members Present: Krystal Alvarez, Johnathan Montes, Michelle Davis, Autumn Alaniz-Wiggins, Dr. Tracy Butts, Allison Wagner, Ann Sherman, Dr. Isaac Brundage

Members Absent: Jade Tsao (excused)

Others Present: Jamie Clyde, Karen Bang (recording), Hugh Hammond, Thang Ho, Katrina Robertson, Shar Krater, Kendra Wright, Leah Mercer, Curtis Sicheneder, Jon Slaughter, Lexi Extein, Steve Novo, Teresa Clements, Keith Crawford, Oscar Cisneros, Anna Paladini, Charlie Foor, Sarah Wilson, Windy Van Dam, Saul Garfia Pinon, Kristin Chelotti

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The Chair, Alvarez, called the meeting to order at 2:31 p.m.
- II. **MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION** – The meeting was started with the reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition Statement.
- III. **AGENDA** – Approval of the 3/1/23 regular meeting agenda. **Motion to approve the 3/1/23 regular meeting agenda (Montes/Davis) 8-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the 2/15/23 regular Board meeting. **Motion to approve the minutes of the 2/15/23 regular Board meeting, as presented (Wagner/Montes) 8-0-0 MSC.**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Davis said the Women Like You Leadership Symposium is this Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. She said a lot of representatives from the AS will be there and invited everyone to attend. Davis is one of the MC's at the event and Alaniz-Wiggins is one of the speakers.
- 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 – Alvarez reviewed the approved items.
 1. GAC Actions of 2/22/23
 - a. Approved the 2/22/23 regular meeting agenda.
 - b. Approved the 2/8/23 regular meeting minutes.
 - c. Approved Consent Agenda – 2022-23 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments Confirmation of appointments to Legislative Affairs Council (LAC)
 1. Commissioner of Sustainability Affairs Appointment: Mujtaba Azam
 2. Director of University Affairs Appointment: Ally Lubas
 - B. Associated Students Facilities Committee – Davis reviewed the approved items.
 1. ASFC Actions of 2/17/23
 - a. Approved the 2/17/23 regular meeting agenda.
 - b. Approved the minutes of the 2/3/23 regular meeting, as presented.
 - C. Associated Students Businesses Committee – No meetings held. Montes said an Investment Committee meeting was recently held.
- VIII. **BUSINESS**
 - A. Information Item: Statement release regarding United States Presidential Executive Order 9066 Day of Remembrance – Alvarez said this was brought to her attention at CSSA's January Plenary when the AS

President from San Jose brought up that they want to annually do a Day of Remembrance event regarding that in 1942 Japanese Americans were detained and put in concentration camps throughout the U.S. She said even though the date has passed, she'd like to send out a message on behalf of the AS recognizing the API community. The statement was displayed on the screen for the Board's review and Alvarez noted that she also gave it to the Asian & Pacific Islander Council (APIC) for their review. Davis asked who the statement would be sent out to and Alvarez said it would be sent out via AS Marketing and our various AS platforms. Sherman and Dr. Butts had suggested revisions for the statement. **Motion to suspend the rules to turn this Information item into an Action Item – Statement Release regarding United States Presidential Executive Order 9066 Day of Remembrance (Alaniz-Wiggins/Wagner) 8-0-0 MSC. Motion to amend wording of this Action Item (Montes/Brundage) 8-0-0 MSC.** Various revisions to the statement were made and the finalized version is as follows:

A Message from the Associated Students Regarding the Day of Remembrance of Executive Order 9066
On February 19th, 1942, Executive Order 9066 was signed by President Franklin Roosevelt. This order would forever change the fate of many Japanese Americans as it called for the removal and relocation of these citizens from their homes, livelihoods, and communities to specialized internment camps. Over 250,000 people's lives, businesses, relationships, and livelihoods were destroyed by this single order. February 19th marks a day of remembrance as the Executive Order was signed that day. We believe that it is crucial to support and uplift all of our Asian American and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) students, staff, & faculty and to learn from the mistakes of the past in order to build a more just and inclusive community for all. We want to educate and ensure that all students, at Chico State and beyond, are aware of the history. The Associated Students Board of Directors stands in solidarity with our AAPI community from the adverse effects that have happened directly or indirectly due to EO9066 and we stand against all forms of anti-Asian hate, xenophobia, and discrimination.

Thang Ho, the APIC Chair, said they appreciate this recognition and Day of Remembrance, especially with the anniversary. He said their community often feels that they're invisible on campus and being recognized is nice. Ho said it's obviously a very tragic part of their history and having it being remembered is part of reminding to not repeat this history again. He thanked the Board on behalf of the API community. Per Hammond, before Sherman left the meeting at 3:05 p.m., she messaged him via Zoom chat that she approved of this item.

Motion to approve Statement Release regarding United States Presidential Executive Order 9066 Day of Remembrance (Montes/Alaniz-Wiggins) 7-0-0 MSC.

- B. Discussion Item: Associated Students Executive Order 2023-01 – Alvarez said this was for the appointment of Austin Landry as the College of Communication and Education Senator.
- C. Discussion Item: Review of Investments – Quarter ending 12/31/22
 - 1. Local Agency Investment Fund – Robertson reviewed the report, noting \$123,768 of interest earned with an annualized return on investment of 2.07%.
 - 2. Board Designated Fund – Robertson explained the report and noted YTD earnings of \$9,457 and annualized earnings percentage at 1.17%.
- D. Director of University Affairs Report – Wagner had no report.
- E. Director of SJ&E Report – Alaniz-Wiggins said their first meeting was held two weeks ago and everything is going well. She said Women of Color is coming up for Women's History Month. She said Black History Month was successful, noting there was good collaboration between the AS and affiliated divisions on campus.
- F. University Vice Presidents' Reports – Dr. Brundage said his division is starting Strategic Planning, have hired an organization to assist with this and they will be reaching out to students to get them involved in the process. He also noted that the Enrollment Continuum is happening. He said a forum was held at the end of the last semester, and information received, including from students, has been summarized. Various teams have been working on this information. He said a question was brought up regarding what students can do to assist with enrollment and he said Monday night he met with the presidents of fraternities and sororities regarding way to get involved and assist with enrollment. He reminded that we're in the midst of an enrollment crisis which affects our budget. He said if every person at Chico State (students/faculty/staff) were to recruit one student to come to Chico State, it would solve our enrollment problem. • Dr. Brundage said campus safety has been a priority and they have been working with different forums. He said one was held recently regarding support areas for students. He noted the faculty and staff forum did not go so well and they learned from that. He said at the student forum that students provided some of the best information and it was a lot more productive than the

faculty and staff forum. Dr. Brundage said he wasn't able to attend the last AS Board meeting but heard there were some concerns regarding the Board's role at the student forum. He said they wanted the Board to be a part of the forum and it was not their intention to use the AS as a pawn. He said they're very serious about campus safety and if anyone feels the AS was mis-used, he would like to meet with them. Dr. Brundage said he is committed to making sure we have as safe a campus environment as possible and wants the AS students to be involved. He apologized on behalf of himself as well as the Cabinet if anyone was offended. Dr. Brundage said at least 78 high school guidance counselors from all over the state will be on campus this Friday to help assist with more students coming here. ● Dr. Brundage said Choose Chico is later this month (March 25) and they're hoping for student and community involvement with this event. ● Dr. Brundage said Whitney Hall is coming off line next academic year as the building is old and a lot of maintenance needs to be done to it. He said they're looking at alternate spaces for approximately 600 students such as some off-campus locations. He said they're working to make sure they will provide a residential education experience as much as possible at the average same cost as students currently pay. Alvarez asked if the Wildcat Gaming Lobby in Whitney Hall would be moved elsewhere and Dr. Brundage said they're working on finding the best location for the gaming room.

G. Faculty Representative Report – Dr. Butts said tomorrow and Friday Distinguished Alums celebrations will be held across campus. She said each college, and Alumni have all chosen a Distinguished Alum and there will be opportunities to meet with each of them at each college. A recognition ceremony will be held Friday afternoon.

H. Executive Director's Report – Clyde said regarding the dining component at Whitney Hall that she and Tom Rider have had multiple meetings with Corinne Knapp, Executive Director of University Housing & Food Service. She noted that Knapp used to work in AS Dining so understands our structure and has been great to work with. She said Knapp understands removal of 550 beds equates to approximately \$2 million of lost revenue for Dining Services which causes a very direct effect to what it does to on-campus dining. Clyde said on-campus dining doesn't exist without the residential component with it because that revenue that comes in offsets the loss that we operate here on campus. She said they've had a lot of support from Dr. Brundage, Juanita Mottley and Corinne Knapp, and she feels as optimistic as possible in a bad situation. ● Clyde said one of the things they've talked about many times is what our dining offerings on campus look like, and possibly offering new concepts such as Taco Bell, for example. She said they've tried this before but were unsuccessful, noting they had two partners that were hopeful but we couldn't financially make it work. A Request for Proposal (RFP) website for Retail Food Service Operations was displayed. Clyde said Rider has started meeting with people and giving tours of the Marketplace. She noted that she can't share information at this time during the RFP process. Alaniz-Wiggins asked if there's any impact to dining on campus being open to the public. Clyde said we actually lose money, noting as an auxiliary we're positioned to service students, and the way we charge is less than what we bring in. She said the Marketplace runs at an average annual loss of \$500,000 to \$600,000. Alaniz-Wiggins said she meant Sutter Dining and Clyde said they're open to the public as well, which is a newer service being offered. She said it's not widely used by the public and the strategy for next year is to promote it more. She explained that the more revenue that comes in, such as food trucks revenue, offsets Dining's costs. The Wildcat Den was discussed. ● Clyde said she would be supporting all her fellow women at Friday's Women Like You Symposium.

I. President's Report – Alvarez had no report.

IX. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Wright shared that the Moonlit Safety Walk will be held Tuesday, March 7 beginning at 6 p.m. in BMU 210 and invited everyone to join them for this event. She said they will walk campus and the north avenues area, noting they walked the south campus areas previously. ● Alaniz-Wiggins reminded to donate today as today is Giving Day. ● Paladini said the Cats in the Community Day of Service Campaign was launched today to honor Cesar Chavez Day and his legacy of service. She said they hope to have at least 200 students volunteer on March 31 from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

X. **PUBLIC OPINION** – None

XI. **ADJOURNMENT** – The Chair, Alvarez, adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.