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**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, October 28, 2020

2:30 p.m.

Via Zoom

Members Present: Bre Holbert, Jennifer Mendoza, Anthony Ruiz, Ella Snyder, Austin Lopic, Kaylee Biedermann, Tracy Butts, Ann Sherman, Sandy Parsons-Ellis

Members Absent: Jennifer Mendoza (excused)

Others Present: Jamie Clyde, Karen Bang (recording), Susan Jennings, Jon Slaughter, Tom Rider, Shar Krater, Hugh Hammond, Katrina Robertson, Katie Peterson, Leah Railey, Curtis Sicheneder, Thang Ho, Rhiannon Tice, Kristin Chelotti, Lauren Lathrop, Ember Funk, Keith Crawford, Eric Gallagher, Alex Smith

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The Chair, Holbert, 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 10/28/20 regular meeting agenda. **Motion to approve the 10/28/20 regular meeting agenda, as presented (Biedermann/Lopic) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the 10/14/20 regular Board meeting. **Motion to approve Minutes of the 10/14/20 regular Board meeting, as presented (Biedermann/Snyder) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Lopic said Happy Wednesday. Biedermann said tomorrow is the last day drive-through flu shots at the Health Center. Snyder said this week is spring class registration so help out students as much as possible and remind them to register. Holbert said the University sent out tips regarding how to interact during Halloween this year. Lopic said to check out the Halloween video that the Chico State Police Department did.
- 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. Holbert reviewed the approved items for the three committees. Holbert said these items were passed at each of the committees.
 - A. Government Affairs Committee
 1. GAC Actions of 10/21/20
 - a. Approved the 10/21/20 regular meeting agenda.
 - b. Approved Minutes of the regular meeting of 10/7/20.
 - c. Approved Consent Agenda:
 - 2020-21 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments**
 - Confirmation of appointment to Community Affairs Council (CAC)
 - Commissioner of Community Affairs Appointment: Lauren Jaramillo
 - Confirmation of appointment to Sustainability Affairs Council
 - Commissioner of Sustainability Affairs Appointment: Carl Nelson
 - B. Bell Memorial Union Committee – Biedermann reviewed the items that were approved at BMUC. She reminded that there is a ballot box in front of the BMU auditorium.
 1. BMUC Actions of 10/20/20
 - a. Approved the 10/20/20 regular meeting agenda.
 - b. Approved Minutes of the regular meeting of 10/6/20.
 - c. Approved purchase of storage containers for Adventure Outings in an amount not to exceed \$30,000, as presented.
 - d. Approved increasing previously approved budget of \$50,000 by \$30,000 for the WREC climbing gym flooring, for a total revised cost of \$80,000, as presented. (Parsons-Ellis joined the meeting at 2:41 p.m.).
 - C. Associated Students Businesses Committee – Lopic said the agenda was amended to include an information item.
 1. ASBC Actions of 10/26/20
 - a. Approved the 10/26/20 regular meeting agenda.

- b. Approved Minutes of the regular meeting of 10/12/20.

VIII. BUSINESS

- A. Consent Agenda – *All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and are enacted by one motion without discussion. A member of the committee who desires a separate discussion of any item may pull that item from the Consent Agenda.*

Revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes:

1. Student Academic Senate Code.
2. Duties for the College of Agriculture Senator.
3. Duties for the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences Senator.
4. Duties for the College of Business Senator.
5. Duties for the College of Communication and Education Senator.
6. Duties for the College of Engineering, Computer Science and Construction Management Senator.
7. Duties for the College of Humanities and Fine Arts Senator.
8. Duties for the College of Natural Sciences Senator.

Approval of the Consent Agenda: **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented (Snyder/Ruiz) 7-0-1 MSC.**

- B. Discussion Item: 8/31/20 Activity Fee Fund Budget vs. Actual – Slaughter said the August benchmark was 16.6%. He noted Total Revenues at 54.79%, Total Expenses at 12.12%, Net Increase (Decrease) at -224.56%. He said performance wise, Activity Fee is doing very well.
- C. Discussion Item: 7/31/20 and 8/31/20 Combined Student Union and WREC/AO Summary Income and Expense Statements – Biedermann said the Student Union expensed 8.22% of the approved annual budget and generated 1.69% of projected income. She reviewed the various areas of the statement.
- D. Discussion Item: 8/31/20 Dining Services Financials – Lopic reviewed Dining Overall, noting that Dining has a different contract with Housing now, so Dining Overall is different than what was approved in Spring 2020. He also reviewed Sutter Dining, Cash Ops and Butte Station summaries
- E. Discussion Item: 8/31/20 AS Wildcat Store Financials – Lopic reviewed the financials, noting Income at \$91,999, Net Increase of \$16,064 for the month, and Commission Income of \$89,577 YTD.
- F. Discussion Item: 8/31/20 Follett Wildcat Store Financials – Lopic reviewed each area and noted that overall, August sales were down 42%. Lathrop explained Herff Jones grad packets and said the bookstore purchased items separately and made packages of cap, stole and tassels to buy, or they could be purchased individually. Discussion was held regarding gowns for spring graduation and beyond.
- G. Director of University Affairs Report – Snyder said SAS meets this Friday. She said at their last SAS meeting the senators approved the idea regarding how they wanted to propose the senator scholarship increase and this now moves forward to GAC for their review. Snyder said EPPC and FASP meet this Thursday. She said the resolution in support of people of color and in opposition of police brutality was passed at Academic Senate.
- H. Director of Legislative Affairs Report – Ruiz said that CSSA met two weeks ago and the Finance Committee is analyzing the student at large travel policy and application process as they want more students to be able to attend CSSA when it's held in person again. He said CHESS will be virtual, possibly free. He noted that the legislative cycle has ended and this upcoming one will be the first in a two-year session, Ruiz said some of the CSSA sponsored legislation from previous years have been adopted. AB 1460 has been signed by the Governor – Ethnic Studies Requirement for CSU Graduation Requirements. CSSA student feedback is being requested. He reviewed the CSSA sponsored legislation that has not been heard yet due to COVID caused delays. Regarding the Ballot Bowl, Chico State is #1 in registrations for students per capita.
- I. University Vice Presidents' Reports – Sherman said the University Budget Committee meets this Friday and will discuss ways in which they can start to look at provisional budgets. She explained the state budget process, noting Chico State doesn't know how much money they'll get until sometime in August. She said the problem is that Academic Affairs, and all the deans, need to know what kind of courses they're offering in the fall, back in March. She said this year she's trying to align this by shifting the budget and aligning the budget plan to better

match with the operating cycle of Academic Affairs planning. She said they are doing some provisional planning well in advance, and getting some provisional budgets set, then will adjust when they know what's happening with the state budget. • Sherman encouraged everyone to check out last year's AASHE Sustainability Conference speakers online. • Parsons-Ellis said the first meeting for the President's Task Force Steering Committee on Policing was held, with another meeting scheduled for next week. • Parsons-Ellis said she hopes our students take advantage of the Halloween programming by AS and other areas. She said she and Holbert sent out the annual Halloween email regarding being safe. She expressed concern for students' safety, noting that there has been an increase in violent crimes in Chico.

- J. Faculty Representative Report – Dr. Butts said the students in the Art Education internship class, along with the Turner Museum and Monca have produced free art kits for local children which will be available in the next couple of weeks. She said if submitted, their artwork will be included in a virtual Monca exhibition.
- K. Executive Director's Report – Clyde said they were able to get two live events approved; the Boo-rito event this Friday, as well as the distribution of pumpkins last week. She said the WREC has expanded to now include the spa. • Regarding Follett, Clyde said she talked with their VP and what they're essentially offering us is a reduction in commissions that they offer us. She said Follett pays a very low cost for utilities, and there is also the commission base (some of that goes into debt service of the Union and to campus). With sales being down as low as they are, they are hurting on all those different levels. She said Follett is asking us to reduce the commissions by 2.7 percentage points, and they would like to eliminate the 90% guarantee. They would also like to extend the contract for another two years and they wouldn't increase the commission until campus is back to its normal student count. Clyde said this item would be brought back to the Board for approval.
- L. President's Report – Holbert said she was happy that Cabinet and AS student Board members were able to meet Monday. She said they didn't get the opportunity to discuss where we go from here, and they'll all need to come to the table with more research done about what they all do. She said they hope to meet again by the end of November. Holbert said a take-away from the meeting with Cabinet was that the AS needs to survey students again regarding what they are going through and what's important to them. • Holbert said the AS Town Hall will hopefully be scheduled for the week after Thanksgiving. • Holbert said she sits on the UPD Task Force and will provide more information at the next Board meeting. She said she also sits on the Middle Leadership Academy Cohort and their goal is to help faculty have a space to teach their classes equitably. • Holbert said she is also working on AS policy to see what is equitable – including looking at the Director of Legislative Affairs and Community Affairs roles and how it would look if these roles were flip-flopped. Holbert said she is the Vice Chair of Systemwide Affairs at CSSA and they are working on some policy changes and resolutions.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Ruiz congratulated Biedermann on her health administration internship at Kaiser. Biedermann said it's in Roseville and she's really excited! • Snyder said she met with Patrick Newell regarding the Library Advisory Committee that hasn't met much over the past few years. They want to propose a different structure and idea for the purpose of this committee. A meeting was held with representatives from other campuses regarding their libraries and their Library Advisory Committees. She noted other campuses do things a lot differently than what we do and said she feels like we lack in a lot of different ways in where we could be providing different student resources to help encourage student engagement and involvement, and change the overall culture of the University. She said North Carolina University created an amazing Library Advisory Committee that restructured and remodeled their library, including areas specific for student engagement and student clubs. She said enrollment and interest in the University skyrocketed because of this. She is meeting with Betsy Boyd to see about revising or creating a new EM regarding Chico State's committee and incorporating more student voice and various AS officers to be a part of it.

X. PUBLIC OPINION – Smith said Academic Senate passed a resolution against violence against black folks, which he said was an amazing resolution with actionable items about staff and faculty. He noted concern about the lack of student actionable items and is looking for help from the AS and other areas on campus to create a resolution from the student side of things regarding how students can best support black students on this campus. Holbert agreed that there needs to be some more on what the student voice is, and the AS should be involved, noting it might take some time to put together a subcommittee. Smith said he's reaching out to every student body group.

XI. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Holbert, adjourned the meeting at 3:41 p.m.