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

Friday, February 19, 2021 10:30 a.m. Via Zoom

Members Present: Bre Holbert, Anthony Ruiz, Austin Lapic, Tracy Butts, Ann Sherman, Ella Snyder, Kaylee Biedermann, Sandy Parsons-Ellis
Members Absent: None
Others Present: Jamie Clyde, Sarah Fenton (recording), Jon Slaughter, Thang Ho, Susan Jennings, Shar Krater, Leah Railey, Katie Peterson, Katrina Robertson, Hugh Hammond, Eliza Miller, Lauren Lathrop, Cheri Chastain, Leta Stock, Tom Rider, Curtis Sicheneder

I. CALL TO ORDER – The Chair, Holbert, called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m.

II. MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION – The meeting was started with the reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition statement.

I. AGENDA – Approval of the 2/19/21 regular meeting agenda. Motion to approve the 2/19/21 regular meeting agenda (Lapic/Snyder) 8-0-0 MSC.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the 2/5/21 regular Board meeting. Motion to approve Minutes of the 2/5/21 regular Board meeting, as presented (Lapic/Snyder) 8-0-0 MSC.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Slaughter said after the Board passed the updated Bylaws last December, it was found on pages 9 and 10 that title changes need to still be made for the two Officer positions that were altered. He said if the Board sees no problem with this, they won’t have to vote on it again and Karen Bang can move forth with updating and publishing the finalized Bylaws. The Board was OK with this.

IV. PUBLIC OPINION – Limited to items on the agenda, three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – None.

V. 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 2/10/21
   a. Approved the 2/10/21 regular meeting agenda.
   b. Approved Minutes of the regular meeting of 1/27/21.
   c. Approved Consent Agenda

2020-21 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments
Confirmation of appointments to Events and Diversity Programming Allocation Council (EDPAC)
- Commissioner of SOAR Appointments: Allison Harvey, Mario Talamantez and Jennifer Mendoza
- Commissioner of Diversity Affairs Appointment: Madison Latham
- Commissioner of Sustainability Affairs Appointment: Thomas Hubbard

B. Bell Memorial Union Committee
1. BMUC Actions of 2/8/21
   a. Approved the 2/8/21 regular meeting agenda.

C. Associated Students Businesses Committee
1. ASBC Actions of 2/15/21
   a. Approved the 2/15/21 regular meeting agenda.
b. Approved Minutes of the regular meeting of 2/1/21.

VI. BUSINESS

A. Action Item: Approval of Endorsement of CSU, Chico Climate Action and Resilience Plan 2.0. **Motion to approve Endorsement of CSU, Chico Climate Action and Resilience Plan 2.0, as presented (Sherman/Snyder).** Sherman said Chastain has been making sure there is good input. She said she is happy that this is coming forward and appreciates everyone’s work. **7-0-1 MSC.** Chastain said she will now be removing the draft watermark from the document and getting it out sometime next week.

B. Discussion Item: CSSA President and Chair visit to CSU, Chico AS Board of Directors meeting on March 5 – Ruiz said the California State Student Association (CSSA) President and Chair will be attending the March 5 BOD meeting which will be great because the potential Senator compensation increase will be on that agenda. There will be a moment during the meeting to give them a virtual tour of the Associated Students (AS) and Government Affairs. Holbert reminded the group that attendance is important for this meeting. Ruiz mentioned that CSU, Chico hasn’t hosted a CSSA plenary meeting since fall 2018.

C. Discussion Item: 12/31/20 Activity Fee Fund Budget vs. Actual – Slaughter said the benchmark is at 50%. Total expenses is only at about 23% spent. Reasons for this are because modifications have been made after it was approved last spring. Savings have also come from having no student staff. Overall, Activity Fee is looking good. Clyde shared that being potentially partially open in the fall would then increase spending for the second half of the year as the AS would be doing hiring to get buildings back open.

D. Discussion Item: 12/31/20 Combined Student Union and WREC/AO Summary Income and Expense Statement – Sicheneder said most expense line items are at or below the benchmark. He said utilities are behind the 50% mark due to the timing of billing, but water is almost at budget due to emptying and refilling the WREC pool in November.

E. Discussion Item: 12/31/20 Dining Services Financials – Lapic provided an overview of the Dining financials noting that this budget is meant to have a Net Income of $0.

F. Discussion Item: 12/31/20 AS Wildcat Store Financials – Lapic shared where we currently are for income, expenses and transfers, net decreases for the month and year to date, and commission income.

G. Discussion Item: 1/31/21 Follett Wildcat Store Financials – Lapic shared the sales updates for textbooks, general books and un-imprinted gifts, general merchandise, technology sales, graduation/convenience/health and beauty, online sales, and overall totals for the month of January noting that the store was down 47% or $388,816. Dr. Butts inquired about the return of the McGraw Hill Connect Packages as many students purchased a package only to have their instructors tell them to return it and purchase it online instead, when the package through the bookstore is indeed cheaper. She suggested having someone from the bookstore get on the chair’s meeting calendar about this.

H. Discussion Item: 12/31/20 Corporate Services Budget vs. Actual Income and Expenses – Jennings said the corporate services areas are reimbursed by the areas of the AS. She shared where we are for income and expenses noting that each area is under the benchmark except corporate insurance.

   1. **Local Agency Investment Fund and Certificates of Deposit** – Jennings said this is for the second quarter. She shared the average investments, interest earned, annualized return and investment balance for each area.
2. **Board Designated Fund** – Jennings gave an overview of the totals, emphasizing the quarter to date earnings, year to date earnings and annualized rate of return.

J. **Director of University Affairs Report** – Snyder said Student Academic Senate (SAS) met last week and each Senator has been getting feedback from their colleges to see what they need to focus on this semester. She had a few university committee meetings this past week. Academic Senate was cancelled this past week. She asked the group to spread the word that Intent to File packets are now live for AS Elections.

K. **Director of Legislative Affairs Report** – Ruiz said the Legislative Affairs Committee (LAC) will be meeting on Wednesdays from 12 – 1 p.m. every other week. The California Higher Education Student Summit (CHESS) is coming up and 25 students can attend. The CSSA Legislative Affairs meeting last weekend voted to endorse AB-245 which is about Educational Equity. The CSSA Legislative Affairs Committee also voted to endorse AB-53 which would make Election Day a holiday for University staff and students.

L. **University Vice Presidents’ Reports** – Parsons-Ellis said there are 110 students living in housing. A few students tested positive who were asymptomatic. Surveillance testing will start with athletes after spring break. A testing center will be on campus in Shurmir Gym two days a week. Half the time it will be open to the whole community and half the time it will be open to on campus folks only. They’re keeping students engaged as much as possible and looking forward for the Activity Matrix to be approved by the President to get a jump start on fall engagement for students. Clyde said the COVID-19 vaccines are not mandatory and neither is getting tested. Those who have symptoms get sent home to help keep any spread low. Sherman said there was concern about the Academic Senate meeting that was cancelled this week and she would like to answer any questions. Snyder said the four student members who sit on Academic Senate felt there wasn’t good reason to cancel the meeting especially with business on the agenda that needed to be pushed forth. Sherman said we don’t have a lot of latitude being in the purple tier but as we move down hopefully more opportunity will open up. She gave a brief overview of the old Physical Sciences building coming down, then Butte Hall being demolished and rebuilt. Lapic noted that Glenn is after Butte Hall. Snyder inquired about making suggestions for upgrades to the Library.

M. **Faculty Representative Report** – Dr. Butts said she’s finalizing her fall schedule.

N. **Executive Director’s Report** – Clyde said she will talk more in depth about this at the next BOD meeting but Employer Group came to them to do another compensation study and see where we are compared to market. The two different areas that will be looked at are ranges and addressing seniority components. She is still working on the Dining contract with the two Vice Presidents as it is anticipated to have 20 – 30% capacity back on campus for fall.

O. **President’s Report** – Holbert said she will send everyone a written report by the end of today and she is more than happy to meet with anyone who has questions for her.

VII. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Miller said the Sustainability Fund Allocation Committee (SFAC) funding cycle for this semester is open. There is $50,000 available in total and students can request up to $5,000. Proposals are due March 30 to her and she asked everyone to spread the word. Snyder reminded the group to tell everyone about Intent to File packets which are now available for AS Elections. Peterson said the second Instagram Live with a Leader is at 4 p.m. on Monday.

VIII. **PUBLIC OPINION** – None.

IX. **ADJOURNMENT** – The Chair, Holbert, adjoined the meeting at 11:46 a.m.