

## **GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

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

**Wednesday, December 7, 2022**

**12:30 p.m.**

**BMU 205**

- MEMBERS PRESENT** – Jade Tsao, Krystal Alvarez, Josh Rubinoff, Autumn Alaniz-Wiggins, Chloe Renner, Mujtaba Azam, Gianna Echavez-LaRocca, Allison Wagner  
**MEMBERS ABSENT** – Jay Friedman, Kaylee McAllister-Knutson  
**OTHERS PRESENT** – Kendra Wright, Jon Slaughter, Eliza Miller (recorder), Hugh Hammond, Curtis Sicheneder, Katrina Robertson, Windy Van Dam, Amanda Dubner
- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The Chair, Tsao, called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.
- II. **MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION** – The meeting started with the reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition Statement.
- III. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Approval of the 12/7/22 regular meeting agenda. **Motion to approve the 12/7/2022 regular meeting agenda, as presented (Alaniz-Wiggins/Renner) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the 11/16/22 regular meeting. **Motion to approve the minutes of the 11/16/22 regular meeting, as presented (Wagner/Rubinoff) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Alaniz-Wiggins announced Wellness Belongs to Everyone in The Well from 4 to 6 p.m. Wagner announced that Michelle Davis is hosting the study session in Selvester's today. She also announced that a new HFA Senator has been appointed (Alvarez joined the meeting at 12:32 p.m.).
- VI. **PUBLIC OPINION** – Limited to items on the agenda, three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – Krater said happy end of the semester.
- VII. **STUDENT ACADEMIC SENATE (SAS) REPORT** – Action Items forwarded to the Government Affairs Committee from the Senate stand approved unless overturned by a 2/3 + 1 Committee action.
- A. Student Academic Senate (SAS) Committee – Wagner said SAS approved the agenda and minutes
1. SAS Actions of 12/6/22
    - a. Approved the 12/6/22 regular meeting agenda.
    - b. Approved the 11/29/22 regular meeting minutes.
    - c. Approved the Revised Resolution for the 2022-23 Student Academic Senate Meetings, as presented.

### **VIII. BUSINESS**

- A. Action Item: Approval of Revised Resolution for Establishing Time and Location for Associated Students Government Affairs Committee Meetings for Academic Year 2022-23. **Motion to approve the Revised Resolution for Establishing Time and Location for Associated Students Government Affairs Committee Meetings for Academic Year 2022-23, as presented (Wiggins/Renner) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- B. Action Item: Approval of revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Events and Diversity Programming Allocation Council Policy, including title change to Student Organization Event Allocation Fund Policy. **Motion to approve revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Events and Diversity Programming Allocation Council Policy, including title change to Student Organization Event Allocation Fund Policy (Renner/Echavez-LaRocca) 7-0 -0 MSC.**
- C. Action Item: Approval of revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Duties for all Senators, Commissioners, and Executive Vice President, effective beginning the 2023-24 elected representative term.

Addition to Duties and Responsibilities: Shall participate in the peer-mentoring program facilitated by the Connection Coordinator. **Motion to approve revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Duties for all Senators, Commissioners and Executive Vice President, effective beginning the 2023-24 elected representative term. Addition to Duties and Responsibilities: Shall participate in the peer-mentoring program facilitated by the Connection Coordinator (Wagner/Wiggins).** Wright explained that previously she asked the elected representatives to revise their duties with current committee names and responsibilities and the added participation in the new peer mentoring program. She said due to timing issues, GAC is being asked to approve the addition of the peer mentoring duties only for all of these positions. She said the fully revised duties for individual roles will be approved at a later time. **7-0-0 MSC.**

- D. Action Item: Approval of revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Duties for Director of Social Justice and Equity, effective beginning the 2023-24 elected representative term. Addition to Duties and Responsibilities: Shall participate in a peer-mentoring program facilitated by the Connection Coordinator supporting underserved, underrepresented, or intercultural students. **Motion to approve revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Duties for Director of Social Justice and Equity, effective beginning the 2023-24 elected representative term. Addition to Duties and Responsibilities: Shall participate in a peer-mentoring program facilitated by the Connection Coordinator supporting underserved, underrepresented, or intercultural students (Wiggins/Rubinoff).** Wright explained that this is slightly different than the other GAC approved positions as this role already participates in a separate peer mentoring program. Wagner clarified that this was different because this role focuses on underrepresented students. **7-0-0 MSC.**
- E. Action Item: Approval of revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Duties for Director of University Affairs, including a title change to Director of Academic Affairs, effective beginning the 2023-24 elected representative term. Also, add to Duties and Responsibilities: Shall participate in the peer-mentoring program facilitated by the Connection Coordinator. **Motion to approve revisions to Duties for Director of University Affairs, including title change to Director of Academic Affairs, effective beginning the 2023-24 elected representative term. Also, addition to Duties and Responsibilities: Shall participate in the peer-mentoring program facilitated by the Connection Coordinator (Rubinoff/Azam).** Wright explained that the Director of University Affairs role also features slightly different language for the changes proposed, including a title change from Director of University Affairs to Director of Academic Affairs. **7-0-0 MSC.**

**IX. ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS** – Alvarez said she chose Azam for the Presidential Search Committee.

**X. STAFF REPORTS** – Wright shared that Brenden Hooper is joining the team as the Chief of Staff. Final paperwork is incoming, but the role has been accepted. A formal introduction will come in the spring.

**XI. CHAIR REPORT** – Tsao said good luck with finals and to get good rest during the break.

**XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Wagner said yesterday was Michelle Davis' birthday, so wish her a happy birthday if you haven't already!

**XIII. PUBLIC OPINION** – None

**XII. ADJOURNMENT** – The Chair, Tsao, adjourned the meeting at 12:43 p.m.