

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO
GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 9, 2018

8 a.m.

BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT- Jared Geiser, Alisha Sharma, Samuel Akinwande, Tania Ruiz, Alejandra Becerra-Silva, Prairie Francia, Harley Mulengwa,

MEMBERS ABSENT –

OTHERS PRESENT –Shar Krater, Sarah Stewart (recorder), Alex Williams, Colette Young, John Reid, Jamie Clyde, Sally Miller, Jackie Hansen

I. CALL TO ORDER - The Chair, Geiser, called the meeting to order at 8 a.m.

II. AGENDA – Motion to approve the 10/9/18 regular meeting agenda (Akinwande/Francia) 5-0-0 MSC.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the 10/2/18 regular meeting. **Motion to approve minutes of the 10/2/18 regular meeting, as presented (Becerra-Silva/Francia) 5-0-0 MSC.**

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Geiser shared that Campus Sustainability Day is next Tuesday from 10am – 2pm. He suggested that Government Affairs table during the event to encourage students to vote and take this opportunity to recruit students for councils and committees. Sharma asked Geiser to e-mail the group with sign up times.

V. 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.

2018-19 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments

Confirmation of appointment to Diversity Affairs Council (DAC)

- Commissioner of Community Affairs Appointment: Michael Euceda Carcamo

Confirmation of appointments to Community Affairs Council (CAC)

- Commissioner of Community Affairs Appointments: Karla Guzman and Kaylee Biedermann, and Kaylena Santos

Confirmation of appointment to Sustainability Affairs Council (SAC)

- Commissioner of Sustainability Affairs Appointment: AJ Samra

Approval of Consent Agenda: (Francia/Akinwande) 6-0-0 MSC.

B. Action Item: Approval of appointment of Jonathan Willis to the Senator of the College of Engineering, Computer Science, and Construction Management (ECC) position. **Action Requested: Motion to approve appointment of Jonathan Willis to the Senator of the College of Engineering, Computer Science, and Construction Management (ECC) position (Becerra-Silva/Francia) 6-0-0 MSC.**

C. Action Item: Approval of appointment of Rebecca Solis to the Senator of the College of Humanities and Fine Arts (HFA) position. **Action Requested: Motion to approve appointment of Rebecca Solis to the Senator of the College of Humanities and Fine Arts (HFA) position (Francia/Mulengwa) 6-0-0 MSC.**

D. Information Item: Child Development Lab (CDL) Program Presentation – Sally Miller presented on behalf of the Child Development Lab. She shared barriers that some students face while having children and going to college and how the goal of CDL is to increase the graduation rate for those students. They are the only National Association of Educated Young Children (NAEYC) accredited program and serve as a lab school for the CSU Chico students in various majors. By being accredited, they were able to achieve the Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS) grant which is monetary over a four year time period. CSUC

students have priority registration for the childcare spots. There are currently about 46 children in the program. The University needs to know about any contracts or changes that happen within Modoc or Aymer J Hamilton before they can be made as these are campus buildings. Geiser asked if there will be more room for children after receiving the grant and Miller shared that it would require a new building.

- E. Discussion Item: Wildcats Vote! – Geiser shared that this event is October 22 in Colusa 100. He will send out an email for tabling sign-ups. Krater already sent the outlook request to everyone. Wallmark shared that there will be a candidate panel that Sharma and others will be on. Sharma suggested creating a video which Adriana Sikiric can put together about why it's important to vote. The video could be based on things that are harder to do than vote.
- F. Discussion Item: Halloween – Geiser shared that officers are expected to attend “Pancake at the Disco”. It will be silent disco with three or four DJ's who will compete for listeners. Headphones are being provided by an outside company. Pancakes were popular among students so that will replace donuts as the food portion. Sign-ups will be sent out later for this event. Officers and senators who worked Bidwell Bash will get preference on shifts first. Fraternity and Sorority Affairs and CADEC will be handing out water to students during that weekend.
- G. Discussion Item: GAC Meeting Time for the Spring Semester – Geiser is concerned that students at large are not able to make it to the 8 a.m. GAC meeting. After the pros and cons were discussed of moving this meeting to a different day and time next semester, Sharma shared that students will come to meetings if they want to no matter the time and that agenda topics have a lot to do with student interest in attending. Krater mentioned that career staff may not want to meet past 5:30pm. Williams suggested everyone sending Geiser their tentative schedules to get an idea of the possible times. Priority registration will take place on October 17 for the officers and senators. Akinwande stated that his major determines the class schedule.
- H. **REPORTS: OFFICERS – Akinwande:** The Title IX Committee meeting reported numbers back for students who have been victims of sexual assault. There is a 37% increase from the year before which is high and this may be due to students reporting things that happened from previous years. Students are more empowered to share their stories and this information will soon be released to the public. He attended Academic Senate last week where Strategic Plan and Master Plan updates were given. Over 2,000 students gave their feedback. **Francia:** The Diversity Affairs Council now has quorum and can start voting on proposals. The initial training for her members is Wednesday afternoon and she is still recruiting for more members. **Mulengwa:** He met one of the Vice President of Business and Finance candidates from San Luis Obispo. Attended the Diversity Summit which was a great experience. He emailed multiple students who showed interest in EFAC and has received a response for one person who is able to join. **Becerra-Silva:** She reached out to Sean Murphy with the information to promote our councils and committees. Sometime during November 26 - 30 will be “Coffee with the Cops.” Becerra-Silva requested that officers not show up in uniform so that students are not intimidated. November 8 is the tentative date for the Safety Walk which is after daylight savings which helps with student turnout as it gets darker earlier. If the event is rained out we will still meet on campus to discuss safety issues. **Ruiz:** She went to the campus sustainability meeting which was a nice introduction to a reinvigorated action plan. There was open-ness to articulating sustainability past science and expand it with more student involvement. Tom Rider is working with her to start utilizing punch cards for reusable cups on campus. **Williams:** Went to the University Budget meeting. University Advancement and Student Affairs are less than 10% of the total university budget. She covered issues with the money that goes into the Greek system and how that can be addressed. There is a published document that is currently being revised by CFAC that shows where the money from the proposed fee increase is being distributed. CFAC this year votes for the budget of the following year. The Student Learning fee has a link that Williams will send out to the group. **Sharma:** The search continues for a Vice President of Business and Finance and there are two more meetings for the final two candidates. She asked everyone to respond to her email requests for attendance. A link will be sent out requesting input for each of the candidates. CSSA Fresno applications are due by 9 a.m. tomorrow. Tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. will be a groundbreaking event for the new Physical Science building. She will be in San Diego next week for the Graduation Initiative 2025 Symposium. The Pumpkin Drop will be in Trinity Commons instead of Butte Hall. Applications will be going out in November for the Student Advisory Board on Campus Climate which will begin in January. Milton Lang received the title of Chief Diversity Officer.

VII. REPORTS: STAFF – Wallmark: Wallmark said the Wildcats Vote! event will have eight tabling stations and she would love AS Government to be at one of them. She shared numerous ways that this event is being promoted and what is being offered as an incentive to students who attend. The Pumpkin Drop event is on Halloween day. **Krater:** Geiser will work with Stewart on how many members each officer still needs for their council or committee. Three class talks will be required for each officer to complete in the next week. Chico Preview Day is

October 20 and Geiser will send out an e-mail. Wallmark suggested officers contact clubs who have interest in something that their council or committee is part of.

VIII.REPORT: EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT – He attended the monthly Basic Needs meeting and the big topic is homelessness. The Wildcat Pantry will be getting a sustainability grant that will help provide food for students. Student housing was discussed and how everyone can help. It was suggested that the AS would buy a house or create a tiny house village. The monthly meetings are in ARTS 228 and he will send out the date of the next meeting. They also talked about having a Dental Day for students who can't afford dental care. Went to the Campus Sustainability Committee meeting last week which President Hutchinson was at. During the campus sustainability forum planned for November 9, the university wants to hear from the students on how they can be more sustainable.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None.

X. PUBLIC OPINION – None.

XI. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP – Sharma asked everyone to practice self-care with mid-terms coming up.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Geiser, adjourned the meeting at 9:19 a.m.