

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

Tuesday, September 25, 2018

8 a.m.

BMU 205

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

MEMBERS ABSENT –

OTHERS PRESENT – Shar Krater, Sarah Stewart (recorder), Alex Williams, Jill Willis, Christina Davis, Marley Smith-Peters, Adela Gutierrez-Diaz, Elybeth Alcantar, Jamie Clyde

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - The Chair, Geiser, called the meeting to order at 8 a.m.
- II. **AGENDA – Motion to approve the 9/25/18 regular meeting agenda (Francia/Akinwande) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the 9/18/18 regular meeting. **Motion to approve minutes of the 9/18/18 regular meeting, as presented (Francia/Akinwande) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Geiser shared the Mission Statement of the Government Affairs Committee.
- 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

Approval of Splitting the Consent Agenda Items: (Mulengwa/Francia) 6-0-0 MSC. Geiser shared the pros and cons of choosing a student internally, Chris Taverite, to be appointed to ASBC instead of postponing the appointment and opening up the opportunity to a more broad audience since there are more applicants now.

Confirmation of appointment to Associated Students Businesses Committee (ASBC)

-Government Affairs Committee Appointment: Christopher Taverite

Approval of Consent Agenda ASBC Appointment: (Sharma/Akinwande). Williams shared that Taverite was chosen because other applicants had listed ASBC as their third choice and this committee is important to be fully engaged in and take seriously. She feels that Taverite would be a great advocate as he is a big part of the College of Business and can be a voice for them. She said also that his persistence in showing interest in sitting on ASBC is why she's encouraging this appointment. **6-0-0 MSC.**

Confirmation of appointment to Bell Memorial Union Committee (BMUC)

-Government Affairs Committee Appointment: Caitlin Wirth

Approval of Consent Agenda BMUC Appointment: 6-0-0 MSC.

- B. Information Item: Community Legal Information Center (CLIC) Program Presentation – Marley Smith-Peters presented on behalf of CLIC. She is the outreach coordinator and does all of the events. They have 11 departments and approximately 80 students. The program is unique and some students come to Chico State specifically to take part in CLIC. She said CLIC is ran under four supervising attorneys. 'Pasta Palooza' is on October 10 from 4 – 8 p.m. at Riley's.
- C. Information Item: KCSC Radio Program Presentation – Jill Willis and Christina Davis presented on behalf of KCSC Radio. They shared history on the program including how it opened in 1951. They have Promotions staff, Music staff, Production staff, and Library staff. Krater is the advisor of this program.

- D. Information Item: 2018-19 Policy Agenda Draft – Discussion was held regarding the proposed Policy Agenda. Sharma drafted the agenda and David Buckley, Zach Scott, and Geiser reviewed it. Sharma shared that it is her duty to create the policy agenda but she wanted to have the officers' opinion. An email will be sent out to everyone next week with the policy agenda attached. She shared the three priorities which encompass what the officers came up with. Wallmark shared that going out to the students as a group of officers is what really gets that connection with students. Krater shared that Trevor Guthrie has been showing initiative on connecting with students. Sharma mentioned having a master contact list for our programs and student contacts in organizations would be helpful.
- E. Information Item: Halloween – This event will be on Saturday, October 27. Krater shared that a meeting with Hugh Hammond will be scheduled this week which will be open for any officers to sit in on. Sub-committees will be created to assist in different areas of the event. Officers who were not present at Bidwell Bash or CSSA will not receive priority to be absent. Wallmark received survey results showing that officer attendance at events impacts the student experience. Wallmark suggested dressing up the Wildcat statue.
- F. Discussion Item: CSSA Chico debrief – The team shared the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats (SWOT) of the event. Discussion was held with feedback they received from attendees. After reflecting on the event, the officers were proud of everyone's efforts that helped out. Wallmark asked if an Emergency Alternative Plan (EAP) was created.

VI. REPORTS: OFFICERS – Sharma: The Pumpkin Drop event which is put on by the Physics Department has had some concerns raised due to the location and some sensitivity that may be tied to it due to recent events. Dr. Lang and President Hutchinson have this on their radar and are trying to come to a conclusion on how to move forward. Wallmark shared that parent sign-ups are already happening at Butte Hall. The goal is not to cancel the event, but rather to relocate it. CSSA Board of Trustees is currently looking at budgeted compensation salaries and those policies. This is comparing our current President's salary to other sister universities. The policies are being reviewed on how the President's salary should be determined whether it be one rate across the board, or based upon performance, etc. Sharma would like to wait until the October CSSA for everyone to have further discussion on this. Geiser has been speaking to the AS President from CSU, San Jose and getting more information. Sharma said after the incident with the soccer player, Dr. Lang has created a Student Advisory Board for Campus Climate, which would hold 13 students who have met membership requirements, to meet monthly and be facilitated by a staff member. It is a goal for them to start meeting as soon as January. She sat on the Curriculum Advisory Board who is talking about the GE Pathways. Teddy Delorenzo will be sitting on the panel for the Director of Legislative Affairs candidates. **Williams:** ASBC has a full committee. James Ryan is scheduled to be approved tomorrow at the Board of Directors meeting. **Akinwande:** Student Academic Senate will elect their vice chair and the vacant senator positions will be filled by next week. **Francia:** DAC appointments are her priority.

VII. REPORTS: STAFF –Krater: Francia and Mulengwa have a date of October 2 at 5 p.m. to get their councils filled in order to complete training on time.

VIII. REPORT: EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT – Geiser said National Voter Registration Day is today. He said the Master Plan town hall session will be today and tomorrow. He encouraged everyone to let the constituents know about this as well as attend and give feedback about what is important to our students. There will be free pizza for students who attend.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sharma wished everyone a Happy Voter Registration Day.

X. PUBLIC OPINION – None.

XI. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP – Becerra-Silva asked if there was a form or anywhere that Dreamer students can go to express their thoughts on voting. Ruiz mentioned a group where students who can vote come together with students who cannot vote and have that dialogue. Geiser said thank you to everyone for CSSA Chico and gave a shout-out to AS Dining.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Geiser, adjourned the meeting at 9:13 a.m.