

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO  
BELL MEMORIAL UNION COMMITTEE MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, March 6, 2018**

**9:30 a.m.**

**BMU 205**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Zach Scott, Art Cox, Roman Aguirre, Annabel Grimm, Brayden Cleland, Gracie Pachie

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Michal Hanson, Joshua Colclazier, Trevor Guthrie and Joel Ramirez

**OTHERS PRESENT:** David Buckley, Karen Bang (recording), Curtis Sicheneder, Eliza Miller, Nani Teves, Thang Ho

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – The chair, Scott, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.
- II. **AGENDA** – Motion to approve the agenda **(Cleland/Pachie) 5-0-0 MSC.**
- III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the regular meeting of 2/20/18. **Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of 2/20/18 (Aguirre/Pachie) 5-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None
- V. **BUSINESS**
  - A. Information Item: Revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Smoking Policy – Scott said revisions are being made to this policy to align it with University policies.
  - B. Information Item: 1/31/18 BMUC and WREC/AO Combined Budget vs. Actual Summary – Sicheneder noted that the benchmark was 58.3%. He said the Student Union expensed 49.45% of the approved annual budget and generated 52.51% of projected income. He reviewed the financials with the committee.
  - C. Information Item: Facility Master Plan – Buckley said the updated Facility Master Plan was sent out to the committee last week for their review before today's meeting. He said the reason they're not voting on this document today is so that the committee can provide feedback on project priorities. He also noted that approval doesn't mean that all of these items will be done; however, FMS has to be involved on certain items and we want to get on their schedule as soon as possible. The Year 1-5 Combined sheet for the BMU and WREC was reviewed and discussed. Buckley said the Daylight Harvesting project is scheduled to be done. He also said the Recycling Warehouse was moved towards the top of the list because they are in discussions with the University regarding building a warehouse at the current FMS site. Grimm asked about seam problems with flooring at the WREC and questioned if it is still serviceable. Sicheneder said it is. Teves asked if there is something not listed, whether it can be added. Buckley explained that items can be added as it's a fluid document. He said this document is a guideline for the AS regarding upcoming projects. He said this also shows the campus that we're earmarking projects that we see coming up in the future. Buckley said a consultant that was hired by the campus to review buildings was also paid by the campus to review the BMU. He noted that we haven't heard back from them yet although he is not expecting any problems. Grimm said budgeting for WREC signage for the 10 year anniversary is a great idea.
- VI. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT** – Buckley said President Hutchinson was going to do alternative consultation for proposing an increase to campus fees for student health services, athletics, and student learning. He said she sent an email out this morning to all on campus saying that she has decided to do an advisory student referendum. Buckley said he has attended all forums and meetings regarding the proposed fee increase and one of the questions that comes up is why isn't the AS kicking in money to help offset these fee increases. He said he and Alisha Sharma have prepared a response, which is now included in the FAQ's on the proposed fee increase website. He explained that using one time money from AS reserves does not help the problem and said AS fees are for five different areas: Union, Union/WREC, Activity Fee, Dining and Wildcat Store. He noted that both the Activity Fee and Union have been very diligent to put funds away so that we don't have to ask for a fee increase for quite some time. He said AS reserves have been ear marked for capital improvement projects. Buckley said the Special Election will be held for the three areas on April 25 and 26, a week after general elections. President Hutchinson would then take that information and make a decision on how to go forward with fee adjustments, or not. He said the elections would still be advisory to the President and that she will decide how she wants to handle the issue. Discussion was held regarding the

possible \$190/semester fee increase. Cleland said he's concerned about the referendum, and would hate to see such areas as athletics disappear. Pachie said students seem to just be concerned about the fee increase, not taking into mind the effect on areas such as athletics and the health center. It was explained that in order to fund \$2 million for the health center and \$1 million to athletics, cuts would need to be made from other areas on campus if the student fee isn't increased. He said the past VP for Student Affairs and the President really tried to hold off doing a fee increase. He explained the President is mostly hearing right now from students that are against the increase, and encouraged the committee that whatever their opinion is, to make it known. The committee also discussed that students could do a "pro" campaign. Cox wondered why they didn't ask for a fee increase earlier, instead of asking for a larger amount now and he also said that other campuses charge a lot more than Chico State does. Grimm said these fees haven't been increased for 10 to 15 years and that it's necessary. Buckley said when President Hutchinson spoke with the GAC yesterday; she was advised that their website is too much. The committee suggested handing out flyers with basic, concise information. The BMUC members agreed that flyers would be a great idea. Buckley said CFAC has to come up with a pro and con statement for this and our AS students will be involved with that.

- VII. WREC DIRECTORS REPORT** – Sicheneder said regarding the pool issues that he advised the committee about previously, that they're getting ready to do repairs. He said JOC is one of three companies FMS contracts with to do smaller projects on campus. Currently FMS is working with Outback, one of their JOC, who is partnering with Holiday Pools to do these repairs. Start date of the repairs is May 21 and it will take 60 days to complete the project. • Regarding the WREC signage, Sicheneder said this is the number one item on their list and is included in the 2018-19 budget, which the committee will vote on this spring. He said if approved, they will start working on this project. He noted that the Campus Planning Committee is somewhat decommissioned; however, they will assure the WREC is not in violation of campus protocols or policies. • Sicheneder said the WREC is currently reviewing its requirement regarding appropriate fitness attire. He explained that female fitness attire has changed and tops are much more revealing than in the past. He said the WREC's current policy is that the torso is to be covered when working out in the gym. He said this comes from the standpoint of if the torso is touching pads or other places, germs can be transferred. He said this has caused recent enforcement issues as well as complaints. Sicheneder said this policy will likely be updated, but will be discussed at Sunday's student staff meeting. Sicheneder also reviewed the cleaning process at the WREC in order to avoid germs.
- VIII. ASSOCIATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – Absent
- IX. VPS' APPOINTEE REPORT** – Aguirre had nothing to report.
- X. CHAIR'S REPORT** – Scott said the March 13 BMUC meeting will be likely be rescheduled to March 27 due to a SFAC meeting already scheduled on March 13.
- XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None
- XII. PUBLIC OPINION** – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – None
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT** – The Chair, Scott, adjourned the meeting at 10:07 a.m.