

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

Thursday, October 10, 2019

5 p.m.

BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT- Anthony Ruiz, Trevor Guthrie, Alejandro Alfaro Ramirez, Breanna Holbert, Allyah Perez, Jared Geiser, Lupe Santana, Sydney Puccetti, Mary Wallmark

MEMBERS ABSENT – Jay Friedman

OTHERS PRESENT – Jon Slaughter, Katie Peterson, Sarah Fenton (recorder), Chris Taverite, Kaylee Biedermann, Logan Lee, Ella Snyder

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - The Chair, Ruiz, called the meeting to order at 5 p.m.
- II. **AGENDA** – Ruiz added Information Item C: Revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Duties for the Commissioner of Diversity Affairs and Information Item I: GAC Meeting Time Discussion. **Motion to approve the revised 10/10/19 regular meeting agenda (Puccetti/Holbert) 5-0-1 MSC.**
- III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the 10/3/19 regular meeting. **Motion to approve minutes of the 10/3/19 regular meeting, as presented (Guthrie/Perez) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Biedermann reminded everyone to get their flu shot and be mindful of others if you are sick.
- V. **PUBLIC OPINION** – None.
- VI. **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.

2019-20 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments

Confirmation of appointments to Event Funding Allocation Council (EFAC)

-Commissioner of Student Organizations and Resources Appointment: Eduardo Amezquita

Approval of Consent Agenda: (Guthrie/Santana) 6-0-0 MSC.

- B. Action Item: Approval of revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Diversity Affairs Council Code. **Motion to approve revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Diversity Affairs Council Code, as presented (Guthrie/Alfaro Ramirez) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- C. Information Item: Revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Duties for the Commissioner of Diversity Affairs – Santana shared the changes in wording for the duties of her role.
- D. Information Item: STAAND Subcommittee Update – Holbert shared updates of what the subcommittee talked about at the last meeting regarding what they would like to do moving forward. She is going to talk to Parsons-Ellis and Odom to see if they have any input and would like to use the Campus Equity Resolution and White Supremacy Resolution to create their own resolution. The end goal is to take their resolution to CSSA and also see if other campuses have dealt with similar instances. Changing CSU policy would be the ultimate goal.
- E. Information Item: Keeping it Local Campaign – Guthrie said a digital photo campaign will be organized. Students from different areas will take pictures and give quotes for why they like to keep Halloween local. His hope is that first and second year students see them and have positive thoughts around Halloween on campus.

- F. Information Item: Office Hours Consistency – Ruiz shared that officers and senators are constantly changing their office hours and sometimes the day-of, with barely any notice. He made the point that students come in to meet with them and they need to be there. The front desk and staff don't know where they are if they don't have their phones on them so communication and keeping their Outlook calendars up to date is important.
- G. Information Item: Front Desk Role in AS Government Affairs – Ruiz shared that there has been confusion with the role of the front desk staff and what the officers should and shouldn't be asking of them. Fenton shared the true role of the front desk and what their responsibilities consist of with helping out officers and senators. She and Peterson asked everyone to please be sure to come to them with any requests for the front desk to ensure the best allocation of time.
- H. Information Item: 2019-2020 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments – Resignations Resignation from Event Funding Allocation Council (EFAC)
-Commissioner of Student Organizations and Resources Appointment: Dunavyn Deguzman-Loya
- I. Information Item: GAC Meeting Time Discussion – Guthrie mentioned that this committee can go back to meeting every other week. Emergency Government Affairs Committee meetings can be held if necessary on the off-weeks. This will be an action item on next week's agenda to return to bi-weekly meetings. The group agreed that items should be placed on an agenda as soon as possible so that they don't back up.

VII. REPORTS: OFFICERS – Guthrie: Going to the GI 2025 Symposium next week, followed by CSSA Fresno. He is going to set up mid-semester one-on-one meetings with everyone and asked the group to accept the calendar requests. **Santana:** Tomorrow is National Coming Out Day. The front desk helped make buttons that have different sayings on them for how people self-identify. **Alfaro Ramirez:** Monday is an anti-racism series talk in Kendal Hall 207/209 from 12 - 1 p.m. Quantitative Reasoning tabling is coming up and he needs volunteers to help with that. **Geiser:** The Sustainability Affairs Council is focusing on what they want to work on for the 2019-2020 year. Campus Sustainability Day is October 23 on Trinity Commons. SFAC workshops are happening on October 16 at 5 p.m. in BMU 209. **Holbert:** October 25 is the Great Debate. She asked the group if they would be able to table for this event as her committee is unable to. **Biedermann:** The corn hole tournament is October 25 at 3 p.m. on Yolo field. Guthrie and President Hutchinson will be throwing the first bean bag. The Bell Memorial Union Committee discussed the WREC today and how it can be even more inclusive for students.

VIII. REPORTS: STAFF – Wallmark: Tomorrow morning at 9 a.m. in BMU 220G is another installation of voting and Census education and outreach plan. Student Life and Leadership has hired a half time independent consultant. **Peterson:** The first deadline for the councils and committees internship unit is Monday by midnight. Spooky Cookies and Checkers competition is October 16 in BMU 220. Monday at 10 a.m. there will be a Grand GAC debrief in BMU 220D.

IX. REPORT: EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT – Ruiz said Make a Difference Day is October 26. He asked the group who would be able to commit to attend. Biedermann shared a few examples of what she has done over the past two years when she attended. Wallmark mentioned that the event is open in Wildcat Sync and waivers can be signed there ahead of time. Ruiz asked everyone to let him know by Monday whether or not they can commit.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Guthrie reminded everyone to check their officer emails daily and keep their calendars current. He mentioned that his former professor, Sue Hildebrand, is running for Butte County Supervisor.. Biedermann reminded everyone to be mindful of political issues or language in the office.

XI. PUBLIC OPINION – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – None.

XII. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP – Slaughter appreciates looking at the schedule and cutting down the Government Affairs Committee meeting times.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Ruiz, adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.