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

Wednesday, March 10, 2021

2:30 p.m.

Via Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT- Breanna Holbert, Ella Snyder, Anthony Ruiz, Nick Blackwell, Kiley Kirkpatrick, Logan Lee, Mary Wallmark, Jay Friedman

MEMBERS ABSENT – Edgar Hernandez (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT – Jon Slaughter, Katie Peterson, Sarah Fenton (recorder), Hugh Hammond, Eliza Miller, Karen Bang

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - The Vice Chair, Holbert, called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.m.
- II. **MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION** – The meeting was started with the reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition statement.
- III. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Motion to approve the 3/10/2021 regular meeting agenda (Lee/Snyder) 4-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the 2/24/2021 regular meeting. **Motion to approve minutes of the 2/24/2021 regular meeting, as presented (Snyder/Blackwell) 4-0-0 MSC.**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Holbert said on Monday she sent a GroupMe message about the California State Student Association (CSSA) Police Task Force if anyone is interested in being part of it. CSSA Executive positions have opened for anyone who wishes to apply. (Kirkpatrick joined the meeting at 2:35 p.m.) Wallmark said Dr. Troy Klein is doing a talk tonight at 5 p.m. about COVID-19 vaccines. Kirkpatrick said the Safety Walk is tonight at 5:30 p.m. and unregistered students can still participate. Blackwell said the This Way to Sustainability conference is March 25 and 26, and it is free to register.
- VI. **PUBLIC OPINION – Limited to items on the agenda, three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic** – None.

VII. 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.

Revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes

1. Deletion of the Diversity Affairs Council Event Funding Policy.
2. Revisions to Diversity Affairs Council Code – effective for the remainder of the 2020-21 elected Officer term.
3. Revisions to Social Justice and Equity Committee Code – effective beginning the 2021-22 elected Officer term.

2020-21 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments

Confirmation of appointment to Diversity Affairs Council (DAC)

-Commissioner of Diversity Affairs Appointment: Efran Yanez

Confirmation of appointment to Sustainability Affairs Council (SAC)

-Commissioner of Sustainability Affairs Appointments: Molly Fowler and Shannon Martin
(Ruiz left the meeting at 2:38 p.m.)

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented (Snyder/Lee) 4-0-0 MSC. (Ruiz re-joined the meeting at 2:39 p.m.)

- B. Discussion Item: Associated Students Library Collaborations – Snyder said Patrick Newell, Dean of the Library, reached out to her and Holbert about the Library Advisory Committee and how he would like to see the Committee be more student-centered. Newell came to the last Student Academic Senate (SAS) meeting to present this information. Snyder then formed a sub-committee with a few Senators to work on brainstorming how to execute this idea.
- C. Discussion Item: 2019-2020 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments – Resignations
Resignation from Community Affairs Council (CAC)
-Commissioner of Community Affairs Appointment: Grace Hastings

VIII.REPORTS: OFFICERS – Ruiz: The Legislative Affairs Committee (LAC) met today and reviewed legislation that was passed at the CSSA plenary meeting. **Snyder:** She said SAS meets this Friday and they are working on revisions to the SAS Code.

IX. REPORTS: STAFF – Wallmark: She said as of yesterday we are now in the red tier, meaning that up to 100 people can be outside and distanced. Student Life and Leadership is in hopes of booking outdoor spots on campus for club meetings. They can now hold up to 25% capacity for indoor rooms. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) says vaccinated people can be in a room with other people who were vaccinated without a mask on. Shurmer Gym is currently a testing site. Symptomatic people should go to the Student Health Center. Front-line jobs are being prioritized for vaccine availability. She told the group to have a fabulous spring break and get tested when you come back. After spring break Rec. sports will be open again with practice and limited intramural sports. The fields will be used for these activities.

X. REPORT: PRESIDENT – Holbert said balancing the roles of Executive Vice President and President is harder than expected. She apologized if she hasn't gotten back to anyone because of this and encouraged the group to text and call her if they need anything.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Blackwell said that Sustainability Fund Allocation Committee (SFAC) funding is open. Ruiz said the House passed the new Stimulus check plan. College dependents will now be eligible.

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

XIII.FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP – Snyder said it's raining. Ruiz said Spring Break is next week. Peterson said there is a Government Affairs R&R tomorrow. She reminded the group to rest and finish strong with this semester after the break. She thanked everyone for all they do and reminded them that they do make a difference. Blackwell said he's going camping this weekend.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The Vice Chair, Holbert, adjourned the meeting at 3:09 p.m.