



GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

This meeting was facilitated both in-person and via an online Zoom format, consistent with the Governor's Executive Order N-1-22, suspending certain open meeting law restrictions.

Wednesday, January 26, 2022

2:30 p.m.

BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT – Taryn Burns, Duncan Young, James Lawrence, Michelle Borges, Michelle Davis, Delaney Love, Melvin Quezada Haro, Jay Friedman, Mary Wallmark

MEMBERS ABSENT – None

OTHERS PRESENT – Jon Slaughter, Katie Peterson, Karen Bang (recorder), Hugh Hammond, Eliza Miller, Katrina Robertson, Windy Van Dan, Mike Dills-Allen, Robert Utter

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - The Chair, Burns, called the meeting to order at 2:34 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 1/26/22 agenda (Quezada Haro/Young) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the 12/8/21 regular meeting. **Motion to approve the Minutes of the 12/8/21 regular meeting, as presented (Love/Borges) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Young said the Government Affairs training is this Saturday as well as a luncheon with members from the various AS committees and councils. Peterson said Boba Bingo is tomorrow at 4 p.m. in the BMU Auditorium. Wallmark said that on February 1 and 2 COVID boosters will be available in the BMU Auditorium from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. She noted that 42 volunteers will be there to assist with check-in.
- VI. **PUBLIC OPINION** – Limited to items on the agenda, three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – None
- VII. **BUSINESS**
 - A. Discussion Item: My Chico State Mobile App - Burns said Dills-Allen and Utter are here today to present the new My Chico State Mobile App. Dills said there's a bit of a gap from where they are, and where they want to be regarding Chico State's mobile presence and this is an attempt to close that gap. He noted that the current app is not working. He said in addition to being able to register for class, access financial aid, change class schedules, look at final exam schedules, etc., it will also be ADA compliant, so now everyone will have access. Utter said this is a huge improvement on the current mobile app, and showed a preview of the first page of the app, which also links out to other websites. He said the My Student Center is the most exciting button as it's where students will be able to do everything that they do in PeopleSoft. Due to COVID related projects that came up, Utter said they're not sure yet when the app will be finalized; hopefully by next semester. Young said the AS has an app which students need to download to gain access to the WREC and suggested reaching out to connect with the AS team regarding this item. Discussion was held. Wallmark said the ability for students to use their mobile devices during in-person orientation is huge. Various campus apps were discussed. Dills-Allen said they'd connect with the AS when ready to launch a communication campaign/social media push. Burns noted appreciation for the app being ADA compliant.
 - B. Discussion Item: 11/30/21 Activity Fee Fund Budget vs. Actual – Slaughter said the benchmark is a little less than 42% and revenues are at 10% due to billing the campus differently than in the past. He said in the January report the campus allocation of fee income should jump to 50%. Activity Fee Operational Expenses were reviewed. Total Expenses at 37.07%. The Indirect Income line was reviewed and explained.
- VIII. **ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS** – Davis said the Legislative Affairs Council meeting will be held next Wednesday, February 2 from 12 to 1 p.m. She said CSU Advocacy Day is coming up and she has a meeting

on Friday to learn more about how the AS can help with that. • Borges said the Sustainability Affairs Council meeting is next Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. • Quezada Haro said the Social Justice and Equity (SJ&E) Committee will be meeting next Friday and he has scheduled a time to table on campus to get students opinions on what SJ&E means to them. He said he'll also set up another event for students to join and see what it's about. • Love said the Community Affairs Council will meet next Wednesday at 5 p.m. • Lawrence said the Student Academic Senate meeting is Monday at 3 p.m. and they'll discuss the Vice Chair appointment, code revisions and possibility of appointing a graduate student to SAS. He also noted that interviews for the HFA and Natural Sciences Senators positions will be held Friday. • Young said he's pushing through with various projects. He said there will be a grant presentation at the next Board meeting by a faculty member that could serve the interests of the AS.

- IX. STAFF REPORTS** – Wallmark said students continue to be really compliant with masking. She noted that there have been a number of positive tests all over campus and they have yet to have a direct exposure turn into an infection in the work place because people are wearing masks, and most everyone has been vaccinated. From a staff standpoint, she said they're waiting and watching, and putting on programs safely. Wallmark said that last year after three weeks, students dropped off and she said she is telling students that if they're not receiving the opportunities and education that they expected, they need to speak up and demand it so they can get the experience they want and need. • Peterson said the Commissioner of Student Engagement and Advocacy position is open and available on the AS website, closing at noon on February 7. She thanked the students for being proactive in filling their councils and committees and reminded them to provide her with agendas 72 hours before their meetings in order to stay in compliance with the Gloria Romero Open Meeting Act. Peterson said the WLC office coordinator position will hopefully be filled soon and explained the duties of the position. She noted that Joe Dorgali, who previously worked for AS Dining, was hired as the Student Events and Programs Coordinator. She also updated regarding the ambassadors and program coordinators. She said changes to the 220 space should be completed by the end of February. Peterson said Anna Paladini is moving on to a new job next week and requested sharing marketing operations with her (Peterson). She said on February 14 the Intent to File packets will be up and ready for elections and a special event for this will be held that day. Peterson said the first Town Hall will be held at 4 p.m. in BMU 203 on February 15. She said Yvette Zuniga, who used to work for the AS, is now the Associate Director in the Office of Diversity and Inclusion. She also noted that the five ambassadors can assist with helping push for various events and meetings.
- X. CHAIR REPORT** – Burns said over the next few weeks representatives for the various contract programs will be attending GAC to share about their programs and why GAC's support is needed. She said they'll be very busy with budgets but let her know of anything important.
- XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Young said regarding the upcoming elections, that they should reach out to students on their committees and councils as they have experience, and encourage them to apply for positions.
- XII. PUBLIC OPINION** – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – None
- XIII. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP** – Burns said Happy Wednesday.
- XV. ADJOURNMENT** – The Chair, Burns, adjourned the meeting at 3:07 p.m.