



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, April 27, 2022

2:30 p.m.

BMU 205

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

MEMBERS ABSENT – None

OTHERS PRESENT – Jon Slaughter, Karen Bang (recording), Katrina Robertson, Mario Mena Zavala, Eliza Miller, Krystal Alvarez, Jade Tsao, Jackson Tribe, Shar Krater

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - The Chair, Burns, 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 4/27/22 agenda (Lawrence/Love) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the 4/13/22 regular meeting. **Motion to approve the Minutes of the 4/13/22 regular meeting, as presented (Lawrence/Young) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Young said they have two weeks left as elected representatives.
- VI. **PUBLIC OPINION** – Limited to items on the agenda, three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – None
- VII. **BUSINESS**
 - A. Action Item: Approval of the Activity Fee Fund Budget, including Activity Fee Administration, Capital Expenditures, Government Affairs Office and Elections Budget, estimated results 2021-22 and proposed budget 2022-23. **Motion to approve the Activity Fee Fund Budget, including Activity Fee Administration, Capital Expenditures, Government Affairs Office and Elections Budget, estimated results 2021-22 and proposed budget 2022-23, as presented (Lawrence/Borges) 7-0-0 MSC.**
 - B. Action Item: Approval of confirmation of appointments to the 2022 AS Scholarship Committee - Executive Vice President Appointments: James Lawrence, Austin Lopic and Tyler Jenkins. **Motion to approve confirmation of appointments to the 2022 AS Scholarship Committee – Executive Vice President Appointments: James Lawrence, Austin Lopic and Tyler Jenkins, as presented (Love/Espinoza) 6-0-1 MSC.** Young questioned who Burns reached out to regarding these appointments and Burns said she reached out to everyone in the group chat and they were the first available, and also graduating, so there won't be a conflict of interest.
 - C. Discussion Item: 3/31/22 Activity Fee Fund Budget vs. Actual – Slaughter reviewed the report with the committee, noting a benchmark of 75%. He said Total Revenues were under the benchmark due to the way we collect our campus fees. He also noted that what we have not invoiced for will be returned to us. Other Expenses were at 70.15% (Wallmark joined the meeting at 2:37 p.m.). Slaughter noted that AF Operational Expenses were a little over due to COVID bonuses. He said Total Expenses were at 71.47% and said as usual, Activity Fee is doing great. Burns thanked him for all of his help this year.

VIII. ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS – Davis said the last Legislative Affairs Committee meeting of the semester was held today. She said a voting center will be located in the BMU for the primary election on June 6 and 7 and volunteers are needed to help run it. She explained that a short orientation would be held on June 3 and that she would send the information to elected representatives to share with other students. • Quezada Haro said on May 14 an event on diversifying student leadership, catering towards the student population joining committees would be held. He said this would provide the chance to talk about different opportunities on campus.

- Lawrence said on April 15 SAS passed a resolution regarding all Student Academic Senators, or their designee, from each college becoming members on University Academic Senate. In addition, it is being requested that the AS President sit on the Executive Committee which sets the agenda for the University Academic Senate. Young said Tyler Jenkins is diligently working with our senators to connect with all the faculty senators to request their support of the addition of more students to University Academic Senate. He requested that if GAC members know any of the University Academic Senators, to reach out to them as well to help get this passed. Lawrence said the reason this is being pushed forward is so that all students would be represented at University Academic Senate. • Young reminded everyone to connect with their successors, so that knowledge and legacy can once again be built up.

IX. STAFF REPORTS – Peterson congratulated regarding passing the budget today and finishing up the school year. She said this has been a historic year, coming back from the pandemic. She also reminded elected representatives to meet with the student stepping into their role. Peterson requested placing documents in Box so others can access them. She said on May 5 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in BMU 203 is the Transition Celebration to congratulate and celebrate the work of this year's elected representatives, and welcome the new members. She said immediately following that event is the Student VIP Celebration for all of the AS student employees, interns and volunteers. She noted they are asking for RSVPs in order to get a head count. Peterson congratulated everyone and said she's excited to finish out the semester with them. • Wallmark reminded that tomorrow is Wildcats on Wheels noting they will meet behind Sutter Hall between 3 to 3:30 p.m., then ride to the Gateway Science Museum for snacks and free entry at the museum to see the Science of Bikes display. Participants will receive free t-shirts.

X. CHAIR REPORT – Burns said next week will be their last GAC meeting of the semester and reminded that it will be a short meeting due to the Special Board meeting immediately following.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

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

XIII. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP – None

XV. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Burns, adjourned the meeting at 2:51 p.m.