GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

This meeting was facilitated both in person and via an online Zoom format.

Friday, April 4, 2025   **12:00 p.m.**   **BMU 205**

MEMBERS PRESENT – Aaron Schwartz, Chris Sullivan, Dev Kachiwala, Aishwarya Gowda, Gia Monticello, Adin White, Shari Anderson, Kaylee McAllister-Knutson, Dr. Joseph Morales
MEMBERS ABSENT – Humberto Partida, Madison Kelley
OTHERS PRESENT – Eliza Miller, Emily Berry (recording), Jon Simmons, Kendra Wright, Cirilo Cortez, Beatrix Teaney, Jasmine Saephan, Katey Von Mosch, Zion Fozo, Monique Sendze, Luke Bagwell, Brooke McCall, Jeremy Olguin

   I.   **CALL TO ORDER** – The Chair, Schwartz, called the meeting to order at 12:02pm

II. **MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION** – The meeting started with the reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition Statement.

III. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA –** Approval of the 4/4/25 regular meeting agenda as presented.
     Motion to approve the 4/4/25 agenda, as presented. (White/Sullivan) 5-0-0 MSC
     Sullivan Approves
     Monticello approves
     White approves
     Kachiwala approves
     Gowda approves

IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – None.

V.   **ANNOUNCEMENTS –** None.

VI. **PUBLIC OPINION –** Limited to items on the agenda, three minutes per speaker, nine minutes for entire topic – Fozo wanted to address the Chat GPT rollout and some worries on campus. Chat GPT uses more water and energy than other search engines, which may go against Chico State's values regarding sustainability. She then called for the potential rollout to consider this.

VII. **STUDENT ACADEMIC SENATE (SAS) REPORT** – Action Items forwarded to the Government Affairs Committee from the Senate stand approved unless overturned by a 2/3 + 1 Committee action.

     A. Student Academic Senate Committee
          1. SAS Actions: Approval of 4/3/25 Student Academic Senate agenda
              Kachiwala stated SAS talked about the new academic models for Academic Affairs. They also showed what the next steps are for students to get involved.

VIII. **BUSINESS**

     A. Discussion Item: Division of Information Technology Chat GPT Rollout (Time Certain: 12:00-12:30)
         Monique Sendze stated April 15th is the rollout date to give licenses to all stateside students, faculty, and staff. It may take a few days to implement. There will be an immersion day in Sylvesters that allows people to test the tool at 9am through 5pm on April 15th. Students are encouraged to reach out with questions or comments to doit@csuchico.edu. Sendze also wanted to discuss recently published guidelines for AI. She stated the guidelines are available on the website as the GenAI Guidelines. Schwartz asked if training was required to get access to the tools, to which Sendze stated no. Schwartz then asked for the PowerPoint slides to be reviewed. The slide about electronic

waste in particular was examined, and Sendze stated the amount of waste is negligible compared to the amount of waste already being generated by Microsoft equipment. Sullivan thanked Sendze, then asked why now for the rollout of ChatGPT. Sendze responded that the Chancellor's Office wanted it rolled out ASAP as they've already paid for the licenses. Gowda asked if there would be an increase in plagiarism and how an investigation would work with AI. Sendze stated the AI guidelines have a section that focuses on academic integrity. White referenced the next slide, about environmental impact and the only article linked on the slide that had a more laid-back approach to impacts. Sendze said the website has more information available. Sullivan wanted to know if there was training on how to cite AI sources, and Olguin confirmed that they teach students how to go in-depth with that in training. Schwartz wanted to know if his ideas were protected under this AI, to which Olguin confirmed they don't have access to chat history without a public records request. Schwartz then asked if they could see what was being entered and it was confirmed this could not be seen. Schwartz then asked how they could ensure guidelines were being followed, to which Olguin stated they are doing education and training as best they can to ensure this. Anderson left the meeting at 12:44.

B. Discussion Item: Proposed Resolution Regarding Reimagining Chico
The document and an email from Julia Boyko were reviewed.
"Whereas, Associated Students, AS serves as the official voice"…
New verbiage: Whereas, the Government Affairs Committee serves the students of California State University Chico by raising the level of consciousness and amplifying the student voice on pertinent issues. (Mission statement and citation).
White/Sullivan 5-0-0
Kachiwala approves
White approves
Gowda approves
Monticello approves
Sullivan approves

"Be it further resolved, that the Associated Students Government Affair Committee of California"
Add a comma after student representation that says open to all enrolled/eligible students.
White/Gowda 5-0-0
Gowda approves
Monticello approves
Sullivan approves
White approves
Kachiwala approves

Discussion tabled and Schwartz requested additional edits be emailed to bring it back to the following meeting due to time constraints.

C. Information Item: Activity Fee Budget Preview – Not covered.

D. Information Item: Proposed Revision to Scholarship Committee Code – Not covered.

E. Information Item: Proposed Revision to Government Affairs Committee Code – Not covered.

IX. **ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS—**
Monticello says the take back the night walk is happening April 9th at 7 to 9pm and 16th 6 to 8pm. She'll also be discussing bike path options for the campus at her next committee meeting.
White had a very successful sustainability summit.
Sullivan said CSSA is tomorrow. He will also be gone next week.
Gowda will leave the meeting next week at 1pm.
Kachiwala said there are two events April 8th 4-5:30pm in Sylvester's 100 and April 9th 5:30-6:30pm in Colusa 100.

X. **STAFF REPORTS** –
McAllister-Knutson wanted to call for representatives to consider who is represented as the student voice.

White left the meeting at 1:31pm.
Dr. Morales wanted to thank Von Mosch for the chance to serve as the Keynote speaker in Cats in the Community.

XI. DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS REPORT—
Wright will present the budget next week as an Information Item for the committee to review.

XII. CHAIR REPORT – None.

XIII.ANNOUNCEMENTS – None.

XIV. PUBLIC OPINION— None.

XV. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:33pm.