ASSOCIATED STUDENTS
STUDENT ACADEMIC SENATE

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

Friday, March 3, 2024
9:00 a.m., BMU 205

Zoom Meeting ID: 862 6862 1806
Password: SAS24

I. CALL TO ORDER
Meeting called to order by Arisman at 9:03 am.

II. MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION: “We acknowledge and are mindful that CSU, Chico stands on lands that were originally occupied by the first people of this area, the Mechoopda, and we recognize their distinctive spiritual relationship with this land, the flora, the fauna, and the waters that run through campus. We are humbled that our campus resides upon sacred lands that since time immemorial has sustained the Mechoopda people and continues to do so today.”

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approval of the 3/8/24 regular meeting agenda. Action Requested: Motion to approve the 3/8/24 regular meeting agenda, as presented. Madan approves, Landry seconds. Motion passes 6-0-0. *Vazquez joined the meeting after the approval of agenda.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the 2/23/24 regular meeting. Action Requested: Motion to approve the Minutes of the 2/23/24 regular meeting, as presented (attached, page 2-3). Wiggins motions, Landry seconds. Motion passes 7-0-0.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

VI. PUBLIC OPINION: Limited to items on the agenda, three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic.

VII. BUSINESS ITEM
A. Information Item: University Housing Room and Board Fee Increases
Corinne Knapp from University Housing came to notify the committee that room and board fees are increasing. Due to rising costs, the only solution to continue providing university housing was to increase the cost of on-campus housing. Chico State now ranks 18th out of the 23 CSUs for average housing cost. The total increase will be approximately 12.48% to ensure sustainable funding. They also asked for a 6.95%-12.07% increase for the 2025-2026 academic year, and the final amount is to be determined based on wage increases, utilities, etc. The rate increase requested was to be able to maintain and operate all university housing, and so that University Housing did not have to draw from reserves. The increase will benefit students by having increase flex cash and meals regarding the meal plans that are included with university housing.

*Alaniz-Wiggins left the meeting before member reports.

VIII. REPORTS: MEMBERS
A. Behavioral and Social Sciences
Not present.
B. Humanities and Fine Arts
No report.

C. Business
   Held Council of Representatives meeting with club representatives.

D. Natural Sciences
   Collaborating with Senator from ECC on Women in STEM event.

E. Communication and Education
   Shared application with students for a council that helps the college plan events. Also working on Faculty of the Year awards.

F. Engineering, Computer Science, and Construction Management
   Helping students answer questions about the Senator role within AS Government.

G. Agriculture
   Finished with Student Learning Fee committee, able to fully fund almost all projects. Working on Excellence in Ag awards ceremony.

H. AS President
   Not present.

I. Chair of Academic Senate or designee
   Not present.

J. Provost or designee
   Not present.

K. All non-voting members
   No reports.

L. Chair
   No report.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS
   No announcements.

X. PUBLIC OPINION – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic.

XI. ADJOURNMENT
   Meeting adjourned at 9:40 am by Arisman.