

## **SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EQUITY COMMITTEE**

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

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**Thursday, March 7th, 2024,**  
**4:00pm-5:00pm BMU 209**

**Zoom Meeting ID: 601 410 8111**  
**Password: 406346**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER 4:08 PM**
- 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 3/7/24 regular meeting agenda. **Action Requested: Motion to approve the 3/7/24 regular meeting agenda.** Knox, Gowda (4-0-0)
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Approval of the 2/22/24 regular meeting minutes. **Action Requested: Motion to approve the 2/22/24 regular meeting minutes, as presented (attached).** Knox, Partida (4-0-0)
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS: Welcoming Gowda to SJEC Meeting**
- VI. **PUBLIC OPINION –** Limited to items on the agenda, three minutes per speaker, five minutes for the entire topic.
- VII. **BUSINESS**
  - a. **Action Item:** Approval of \$250 to allocate to Queer Prom GSEC **Action Requested: Motion to approve \$250 to Queer Prom-GSEC** Knox, Gowda (4-0-0)
  - b. **Information Item:** Global Student Society, Ramadan Event
    - GSS Presents by Ryan: Ramadan March 13, 6:30 to 8:30 expecting 70 people, open to catering with 2 presentations (what is Ramadan & Islam + a Kahoot) happening in Sylvesters
    - GSS Represented organization for international students (GSS Prom, Ramadan, etc.) Diverse, inclusive, and collaborative. Helping Global students with Chico state’s community
    - Intentions with SJEC – what is being requested? Answer – help with catering for the event
    - Kendra “AS Provides funding up to \$3,000” GSS has met with Shai. GSS wants to host Ramadan and eat together to provide community. The first event will help break their fast while the second event will be connecting international students and chico state students. GSS is asking for additional funding outside of AS allocation.
    - Alibaba Catering (budget spreadsheet will be sent soon)

- **Requesting only allocation around \$750-\$800 for both events**
- **Restating values and mission of SJEC “bridge of connecting students with forms of advocacy while spreading cultural awareness...support students in advocacy purposes in related to contracted programs, student orgs, etc.”**
- **Navigating the event being March 13<sup>th</sup> but approval won't happen till the 22<sup>nd</sup>**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> event will happen in April – Autumn is allocating \$1,500 in total for both events so for next week's events**
- **The 2nd event is Autumns, which is \$650 and \$750. This includes cultural games, hennas, photo background, and more.**
- **Cindy McCay is the advisor**
- **SJEC will discuss the requested allocation (view spreadsheet) next meeting March 28<sup>th</sup> will be an action item**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> event is happening 2<sup>nd</sup> week of April**
- **Full, partial, 1 quarter, 50 percent, 75 percent, or 100 percent of allocation**
- c. Discussion Item: [Cultural/Heritage Awareness Displays](#)
  - **Currently Womens History Month**
  - **Upcoming Arab Heritage Month April 1<sup>st</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>**
  - **SJEC will now have a decided time to put displays up together**
  - **Requesting materials from GSS can provide us with an email list of Arab identifying students to provide more information**
  - **EDI can also be used as a resource/initiatives**
  - **EDI is focused on spreading mental health resources, open to the opportunity for cultural awareness**
  - **GSS Celebrated the first Ramadan event, this will be the first time SJEC has highlighted this cultural**
  - **EDI Partnership with Autumn to have the option to allow those who don't eat during the event time**
  - **Inter faith, cultural, and religion awareness, and announcement on prayer spaces on campus (in the works)**
- d. Discussion Item: Budget with the committee
  - **Checking funding standings**
- e. Discussion Item: International Festival- Continued
  - **Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup>**
  - **Looking for answers by next Tuesday before spring break**
  - **Larger outreach to community as it is on a Tuesday**
- f. Discussion Item: Culturally Relative Food Pantry
  - **Allocate funds of \$1,200**
  - **How transactions will work: potential collaborations EDI & CCLC with Basic Needs**
  - **Difference between raising awareness vs integrating various food permanently**
  - **Integrating food into the pantry but the funding is lacking**
  - **Due to the amount of funding, cultural food would be on a shelf**
  - **Partida's comment: This will start what students have asked for a while, allow connection with local vendors to inform students on where to go.**
  - **Kendra's comment: transaction, money, and allocation wise we're on a reimbursement**
  - **Leah agrees to the reimbursement & Basic Needs to able to purchase items on their own and receive a reimbursement after**
- g. Discussion Item: BMU Art Gallery
  - **How to receive submissions for upcoming months? Will revisit next meeting**

**VIII. Chair Report:**

- **BMU Mosaic project**

- **US Border Patrol situation**
- **EDC**
- **Artwork BMU 3<sup>rd</sup> floor – BSU taking charge of expressing concerns**

**IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Partida will be attending a conference to discuss his experiences at a Hispanic Serving Institution**

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

**XI. ADJOURNMENT – 5:02 PM**