

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS SUSTAINABILITY FUND ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

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

Friday, April 4, 2025

2:00 p.m.

BMU 205

Members Present: Jaiden Grivette, Matthew Brosnan, Ashley Arce, Adin White, Adrian Ayala, Jon Timko, Jillian Leach, Jon Simmons, Ethan Kahn,

Members Absent: Michelle Mussuto

Others Present: Eliza Miller (Recording), Kendra Wright, Dr. Mark Stemen, Joseph Dorgali, Charlotte Love, Beatrix Teaney, Alenuse Pinto, Sage Crossin, Faris Vezhappilly Mohammed, Ibbad Mohammed.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Grivette called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm
- II. **MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION STATEMENT**- The meeting was started with a reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition Statement
- III. **AGENDA** – Approval of the 4/4/25 Regular Meeting Agenda. **Action Requested: Motion to approve the 4/4/25 Regular Meeting Agenda (White/Kahn) 6-0-0 MSC. This vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the 12/6/24 Sustainability Fund Allocation Committee meeting. **Action Requested: Motion to approve the minutes of the 12/6/24 SFAC meeting, as presented (Arce/White) 6-0-0 MSC. This vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea**
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None.
- VI. **PUBLIC OPINION:** Limited to items on the agenda, three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic. – None.
- VII. **BUSINESS**
 - a. **Information Item: Meeting Objectives** – Simmons shared that this meeting occurs twice a year, and we have seen an increase in proposals over the last semester. He also reviewed the meeting process with the committee and gallery.
 - A. Action Item: Approval of the Enhancing Bike Safety with Helmets/Heads Protected project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation. **Action Requested: Motion to approve the Enhancing Bike Safety with Helmets/Heads Protected project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation and funding vote. (White/Kahn)** Charlotte Love presented her proposal to the committee. Her proposal is to make bike helmets and bike safety resources

available for free during residence hall move in. Kahn asked who will be handing out the helmets. Love clarified that she and some other staff from Green Campus would be handing the helmets out. Grivette asked approximately how many helmets they will be able to purchase. Love clarified that they don't have an exact quantity because they will be purchasing at wholesale pricing through the Bike Hub. Ayala asked if UPD would join the event to help register bikes; Love clarified that UPD is already planning to table nearby during move-in. Grivette called for the vote: **6-0-0 MSC This vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea.**

- B. Action Item: Approval of the Cool Cat Closet project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation. **Action Requested: Motion to approve the Cool Cat Closet project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation and funding vote.(Timko/ Kahn)** Beatrix Teaney and Alenuse Pinto presented updates on their previously funded project, "Cool Cat Closet," and shared how their new request for funds will help them build on the success of their previous proposal, including additional storage solutions and equipment to use for mending and upcycling garments. Grivette called for the vote: **6-0-0 MSC This vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea**
- C. Action Item: Approval of the Sustainable Options for Menstrual Care and Gender Dysphoria Enhancing project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation. **Action Requested: Motion to approve the Sustainable Options for Menstrual Care and Gender Dysphoria project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation and funding vote.(White/Kahn)** Sage Crossin presented their proposal to offer free eco-friendly menstrual and gender-affirming items. This is to help students acquire high-quality reusable items that may otherwise be out of reach due to cost. Kahn asked how they would be advertising. Crossin shared that GSEC will be supporting the marketing and serve as the pick up location for the products. Grivette called for a vote: **6-0-0 MSC This vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce - Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea.**
- D. Action Item: Approval of the Wildcat Bites project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation. **Motion to approve the Wildcat Bites project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation and funding vote (White/Kahn).** Faris Vezhappilly Mohammed and Ibbad Mohammed presented their proposal for an app to share access to available leftover food after events on campus. White asked how this differs from the existing text notifications for leftover food. They shared that they are working with Tom Rider, AS Director of Auxiliary Businesses, to make this a better version of the existing system. Ayla asked how they would verify that only students are using it. The team shared that they plan to integrate SSO for verification. Grivette called for a vote: **6-0-0- MSC This vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea.**
- E. Action Item: Approval of the Food Truck Power Supply Improvement project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation. **Motion to approve the Food Truck Power Supply Improvement project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation and funding vote.(White/Kahn)** Jon Simmons shared a proposal to access SFAC funds to address the food truck generators on campus and give them funding access. He shared that since the AS had brought the food trucks here to campus, he strongly felt it was the AS's responsibility to provide them with access to power and help reduce the impact of the use of generators on campus. He shared that additionally, the power hookups installed through this project would

be available for other uses like campus events. Grivette called for a vote: **6-0-0 MSC Vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea**

II. COMMITTEE FUNDING DELIBERATION

- A. Action Item: Approval to fund the Enhancing Bike Safety with Helmets/Heads Protected in the amount of \$5,000. **Motion to approve funding the Enhancing Bike Safety with Helmets/Heads Protected project in the amount of \$5,000 (White/Kahn)** Simmons shared that due to some confusion around the submissions, projects that were intended to be below the SAFC threshold for approval were submitted at one dollar more than desired. This results in those projects needing approval by the ASFC before funding, which extends timelines for students to begin working on their projects. He shared that SFAC has the authority to modify budgets to address concerns such as this by amending the motion on the table. **Motion to amend budget to \$4,999 (White/Kahn) 6-0-0 MSC. Vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea Approved with amended budget 6-0-0 MSC. Vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea.**
- B. Action Item: Approval to fund the Cool Cat Closet in the amount of \$5,000. **Motion to approve funding the Cool Cat Closet project in the amount of \$5,000 (Kahn/White). Motion to amend budget to \$4,999 (White/Kahn) 6-0-0 Vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko – Yea. Approved with amended budget 6-0-0 MSC Vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea.**
- C. Action Item: Approval to fund the Sustainable Options for Menstrual Care and Gender Dysphoria project in the amount of \$3,984.60. **Motion to approve funding the Sustainable Options for Menstrual Care and Gender Dysphoria Enhancing project in the amount of \$3,984.60 (White/Kahn).** Simmons shared that though the budget was very thorough, he was concerned about a 10% buffer for changes in costs between approval and purchasing. Leach asked Crossin if they had accounted for tax and shipping in their budget, and Crossin shared that they did. **Motion to amend the budget to \$4,500 (White/Kahn) 6-0-0 MSC Vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko – Yea Approved with amended budget 6-0-0 MSC Vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea**
- D. Action Item: Approval to fund the Wildcat Bites project in the amount of \$4,884. **Motion to approve funding the Wildcat Bites project in the amount of \$4,884 (Kahn/White) 6-0-0 MSC Vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea**
- E. Action Item: Approval to fund the Food Truck Power Supply Improvement project in the amount of \$330,000. **Motion to approve funding for the Food Truck Power Supply Improvement project in the amount of \$330,000 (Kahn/White) 6-0-0 MSC. Vote was taken by roll call: Kahn - Yea, Brosnan - Yea, Arce -Yea, White - Yea, Ayala - Yea, Timko - Yea**

VIII. **SUSTAINABILITY COORDINATOR’S REPORT**— Simmons shared that he is reviewing the SFAC process to help encourage more participation in this process. He also updated that the agrivoltaics project that was approved by this committee a number of years ago has officially been installed on the farm.

IX. **CHAIR REPORT-** Grivette expressed her appreciation to Vice Chair White for helping spread the word about SFAC. She also appreciated the entire committee for their time spent on this process.

- X. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**—Kahn shared that the farm is hosting a line dancing event tonight. Simmons shared that we will have our sustainability coordinator starting over the summer and she will be in place for the next funding cycle. White expressed his appreciation to GEOG 440 and reaffirmed how important sustainability is to the students on campus, as demonstrated by the success of the class' advisory measure in the AS Election.

- XI. **PUBLIC OPINION** – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic. – Mark Stemen shared appreciation to the AS for bringing forth their own solution the the issue of generators on campus.

- XII. **ADJOURNMENT** – Grivette adjourned the meeting at 3:13 pm.