

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS
SUSTAINABILITY FUND ALLOCATION COMMITTEE**

This meeting was facilitated both in-person and via an online Zoom format, consistent with the Governor's Executive Order N29-20, suspending certain open meeting law restrictions.

Wednesday, November 17, 2021**2:30 p.m.****BMU 209**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kiley Kirkpatrick, Anthony Ruiz, Sofia Askari, Michelle Borges, Jessica R Anderson, Jennifer Mauldin, Youngsu Lee, Nani Teves, Greg Wiggins, Haley French, Curtis Sicheneder

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Kaelyn Ricci, Natalie Pangilian, Faith Churchill, Matt Blazzard, Serafina Eagleton, Danielle Dessayer

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Chair, Kirkpatrick, called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.
- II. **MECHOOPDA LAND RECOGNITION:** The meeting was started with the reading of the Mechoopda Land Recognition statement.
- III. **AGENDA –** Approval of the 11/17/21 Special meeting agenda.
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES –** Minutes of the 4/16/21 Special Sustainability Fund Allocation Committee meeting.
- V. **ANNOUNCEMENTS –** None
- VI. **BUSINESS**
 - A. Information Item: Meeting objectives –Kirkpatrick said there is \$50,000 available and the objective is to discuss whether projects are able to get funding.
 - B. Information Item: Time Management Discussion – Kirkpatrick said presentations need to be kept to two or three minutes each.
 - C. Action Item: Approval of the Landscaping Equipment; a sustainable overhaul project, to proceed to funding allocation deliberation – Teves proposed a complete overhaul of the AS landscaping equipment and shared that the state of California created a law to get rid of all two-stroke landscaping equipment. She asked for \$4,104 for electric landscaping equipment. Teves said the state of California recognizes that by 2030, pollution from these super polluters will overtake the pollution from cars. She explained that not only is this bad for greenhouse gas emissions, but it is detrimental to human health. She said by switching to electric, these problems will go away locally. Used equipment will go to CalBid and raise money for the school. Teves said this project would reach a large number of goals by helping Chico State reach its climate neutrality goal, save gas costs annually, and would improve student health. **Motion to approve Landscaping Equipment; a sustainable overhaul project, to proceed to funding allocation deliberation, as presented (Mauldin/Askari).** No questions or comments from the Committee **6-0-0 MSC.**
 - D. Action Item: Approval of the Living Roofs; a learning and teaching endeavor project, to proceed to funding allocation deliberation - Blazzard said he is the Living Roof Research Assistant. He proposes that funding be made available to purchase tools to create a model of a green roof to present to the student body at Earth Day. He said this would educate the student body about living roofs as well as give them an opportunity to practice what they will be doing on a larger scale. Blazzard said he is also asking for funding for manuals from the organization Green Roofs for Healthy Cities that will be useful when it comes to implementing this project on a large scale. He said funding would also be used for signage and other illustration tools to provide education and awareness of their project for Earth Month 2022. **Motion to approve Living Roofs; a learning**

and teaching endeavor project, to proceed to funding allocation deliberation, as presented (Borges/Ruiz) No questions or comments from the Committee. **MSC 5-0-1.**

- E. **Action Item: Approval of the Green Graduation project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation** – Churchill and Pangilinan introduced their Green Graduation proposal. They said it address two issues, climate consciousness and pollution. This project would attempt to promote a sustainable lifestyle in whatever career field students go into. Pangilinan explained how glitter confetti can have an effect on the campus's waterways, wildlife, and riparian corridors. Churchill stated that students would be required to go to at least one sustainability-based event on campus in order to earn their cords. They would like the names of Green Graduates to be announced at graduation and have them listed on the sustainability webpage. They also recommended that paper confetti alternatives be offered and shared the pledge that Green Graduates would pledge to practice and the team that presents it. They then introduced their timeline. Confetti would be ordered and a list of events announced for students to attend in order for students to become Green Graduates. They would begin outreach and then would distribute confetti at Earth Day and throughout Senior week. They explained their budget, noting there approximately 4,500 students graduate each semester and by ordering 1,000 cords, a large chunk of students would be covered. **Motion to approve the Green Graduation project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation, as presented (Ruiz/Mauldin).** Anderson asked if they would need to continue to get funding going forward. Churchill said they are working on it and that is something they want to work on in the future. Teves says that she is excited about the confetti because plastic waste has been a huge problem on our campus. **6-0-0 MSC.**
- F. **Action Item: Approval of the Little Free (Campus) Library project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation** - Dessayer introduced her project, noting that they will be attempting to facilitate sharing of different types of textbooks which would give students the opportunity to share their books rather than throw them away. She presented photos of examples that she would like to replicate and said that she intends to register this library and it would then be put on a map and would invite a larger community of people to visit it. She proposed different ways it could be constructed, such as purchasing shelves and buying materials to construct a little library. She said no matter what, she intends to spend the \$45 to register it. Dessayer said her timeline projects that she will first get it set up in Sylvester's Café on campus in the building format she selects, she will register her library, and she will collect donations to use in the bookstore. She said she expects to spend about \$350-400 on materials or shelving and about \$25-50 on advertising. She offered the opportunity for continuation of the project over time. **Motion to approve Little Free (Campus) Library project to proceed to funding allocation deliberation, as presented (Askari/Mauldin).** French asked if this library would be for only textbooks or if other books can be shared there. Dessayer said it would be available for any books. Mauldin asked if students would register individual books they would be donating and Dessayer said that they will only be registering the library itself and sharing the coordinates. Anderson asked if it is intended to be an outdoor or an indoor structure and Dessayer responded that it is intended to be indoors. **5-0-1 MSC.**

VII. COMMITTEE FUNDING DELIBERATION

- A. Action Item: Approval to fund the Landscaping Equipment, a sustainable overhaul project, in the amount of \$4,104. **Motion to approve funding the Landscaping Equipment; a sustainable overhaul project, in the amount of \$4,104 (Ruiz/Mauldin) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- B. Action Item: Approval to fund the Living Roofs; a learning and teaching endeavor project in the amount of \$1,250. **Motion to approve funding the Living Roofs; a learning and teaching endeavor project in the amount of \$1,250 (Ruiz/Borges) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- C. Action Item: Approval to fund the Green Graduation project in the amount of \$3,366. **Motion to approve funding the Green Graduation project in the amount of \$3,366 (Borges/Mauldin) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- D. Action Item: Approval to fund the Little Free (Campus) Library Project in the amount of \$450. **Motion to approve funding the Little Free (Campus) Library Project in the amount of \$450 (Mauldin /Anderson) 6-0-0 MSC.**

VIII. **SUSTAINABILITY COORDINATOR'S REPORT** – Teves congratulated everyone and said because each project was below the \$4,999 limit there was no need to go to BMUC for further approval. Teves said her team would put in a request with the Financial Services Office to get funding released to them for their projects. She explained that they cannot start spending the money until around February 2 or 4, 2022. Ricci will set up a meeting to explain to them how to spend their money.

IX. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None

- X. **PUBLIC OPINION** – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – French shared that she is excited about the Little Free Library and that it could potentially be put in every college on campus to promote sharing of textbooks.
- XI. **ADJOURNMENT** – The Chair, Kirkpatrick, adjourned the meeting at 3:04 p.m.