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ORGANIC COTTON RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Pesticide use in California has risen in ten years; and

WHEREAS, Pesticides, herbicides, and fertilizers are contaminating the soil and ground water; and

WHEREAS, The Environmental Affairs Council is a strong advocate of organic farm practices; and

WHEREAS, The Sustainable Cotton Project estimates that the average acre of California cotton grown in 1995 received some 300 pounds of synthetic fertilizers or 1/3 pound of fertilizer to raise every pound of cotton. A rough breakdown includes:

200 pounds of nitrogen,60 pounds of phosphorous and40 pounds of potash

Synthetic fertilizers have been found to contaminate drinking wells in farm communities and pose other long-term threats to farmland. Additionally, to those 300 pounds of fertilizers applied to California cotton, the average acre is treated with 13 pounds of active ingredients including; pesticides; herbicides; insecticides and defoliants; therefore be it

- **RESOLVED,** That the Associated Students (AS.) Government Affairs Committee (GAC) recommends purchasing and selling organic cotton clothes in the Bookstore; and be it further
- **RESOLVED,** That the AS. Government Affairs office purchase organic cotton tee shirts for all events where quantities above thirty-six tee shirts are purchased such as: Celebration of People Parade, Earth Month, AS. Elections and any other bulk purchases of tee shirts; and be it further
- **RESOLVED,** That the AS. will promote the use of organic cotton on campus and in the community by, implementing an educational campaign about the negative effects of pesticides aimed at the consumers of cotton products; and be it finally;
- **RESOLVED,** That this resolution be widely distributed by electronic means to the President's Cabinet; Academic Senate; Deans; Department Chairs; Faculty, Staff Council of California State University; in addition to the California State Student Association (CSSA).



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ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 15, 2000

8:30 AM

BMU 314

MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Elsom, Jeffrey DeFranco, John Amis, Angelina Countess (9:05 AM), Jennifer Wendell (8:50 AM), Stephanie Rahlfs, Teddy DeLorenzo, Paul Moore.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dennis Graham (excused).

OTHERS PRESENT: David Buckley, Dorothy Sarten, Nancy Caporale, Bill Jones, Jim Moon, Jon Slaughter, Steve Cox, Scott Schuhwerk, Jeff Iverson, Dolly Brown, Greg Bard, Karen Bang, Ann Wesner.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Richard Elsom, at 8:40 AM.

II. AGENDA

The Chair pulled item VII.F.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of April 26, 2000

Correction #1: page 4, Item VII.C.: Motion was to approve the Revised 1999-2000 and Proposed 2000-2001 Administrative Copy Machine Budget, not the Business Office Budget

Correction #2: page 5: Delete "Tape Side A ends, and Tape Side B Begins."

Motion to approve the minutes of 4/26/2000 as corrected (Amis/DeLorenzo) MSC 6-0-0.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

V. OPINION

Elsom was of the opinion it was very nice to see Rahlfs.

VI. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Action items forwarded to the Board of Directors from the standing committees stand approved unless overturned by a 2/3+1 Board action.

A. Government Affairs Committee

- 1. GAC Minutes of 4/19/2000.
- 2. GAC Actions of 5/10/2000.
 - a. Approved the Astrobright No Use Policy Resolution
 - b. Approved the Revised 1999-2000 and Proposed 2000-2001 Budget for the GAC Office
 - c. Approved the Activity Fee Budget
- GAC Actions of 5/12/2000.
 - a. Approved the changes to the Activity Fee Council Code and to the Multicultural Council Code
 - b. Approved the compensation adjustment for the appointed Coordinators
 - c. Approved Activity Fee Summary
 - d. Approved Organic Cotton Resolution

B. Bell Memorial Union Committee

- 1. BMUC Minutes of 3/29/2000 (Info. Only Actions reported 4/12/00)
- 2. BMUC Minutes of 4/12/2000
- 3. BMUC Actions of 5/10/2000
 - a. Approved Office Space for Food Service Director as presented