ASSOCIATED STUDENTS, CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO
BELL MEMORIAL UNION COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 23, 2018  11 a.m.  BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT: Zach Scott, Lydia Alessandra Rojas, Emily Dimopoulos, Gilberto Maldonado, Cristina Perez, Caitlin Wirth, Zachary Schmechel, Annabel Grimm, Art Cox

MEMBERS ABSENT: Joel Ramirez

OTHERS PRESENT: Karen Bang (recording), Jamie Clyde, Curtis Sicheneder, Thang Ho, Eliza Miller, Colette Young, Katrina Robertson

I. CALL TO ORDER – The chair, Scott, called the meeting to order at 11 a.m.

II. AGENDA – Motion to approve the 10/23/18 agenda, as presented (Schmechel/Maldonado) 7-0-0 MSC.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – None.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Scott said the tour of the BMU would be done after reports.

V. BUSINESS

A. Action Item: Approval of revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – BMU Third Floor Art Gallery Policy. (Grimm joined the meeting at 11:02 a.m.) Motion to approve revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – BMU Third Floor Art Gallery Policy as presented (Schmechel/Perez) 8-0-0 MSC.

B. Information Item: Budget Overview – Clyde provided an overview of the BMUC budget, first reviewing the organizational chart of the AS and the Board’s responsibilities. She said BMUC is the governing board for the Bell Memorial Union and the WREC. This committee sets policies, approves budgets and approves the BMU Strategic Plan. She noted the WREC and Union are two separate operations and reviewed the various areas they support. Sicheneder advised that although Recreational Sports resides in the WREC, they are actually a University program. Clyde explained that each student currently pays $814 annually for the Student Union fee. She noted if funds come from the Sustainability fee, they cannot be used for WREC programming. She said average student enrollment is between 16,900 and 17,350 and the total 2018-19 fee collected is $13,538,448. Expenses for 2018-19 as well as reserves were next reviewed. Proposed 2018-19 Student Union Fund planned purchases were discussed. Grimm suggested that committee members receive a copy of the budget and Clyde said she’d send it out.

C. Information Item: Facility Master Plan – Clyde explained the Facility Master Plan, noting the types of projects that last year’s committee chose. She said if every item on the list was done, it would cost approximately $19,000,000 and we don’t have that amount of funds. Clyde said priorities for the BMU are A/V equipment in meeting rooms, carpeting, roof, and sun enclosure of Marketplace patio. For the WREC items, Sicheneder said wellness expansion, track wall, and locker room door openings. Clyde said the only item currently budgeted for is the carpet. If they move forward with any of the other items, they will bring them to the BMUC for approval. Scott said the committee will need to reprioritize which items they think will benefit students the most. Sicheneder noted that some of the items on the list are already completed.

D. Tour of the BMU – After the meeting, a tour of the BMU was provided to committee members.

VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT – Absent.

VII. WREC DIRECTORS REPORT – Sicheneder updated the committee regarding various events. Regarding WREC user data, Sicheneder said it’s important that our users are a mirror of our campus makeup. He said there are approximately 160 WREC student employees, and we came under as a percentage slightly under those identifying as white and Asian within the campus population. For all other identified ethnicities, we were above that of the campus. Sicheneder said Adventure Outings (AO) staff are attending the Association of Outdoor Recreation Conference in Utah. He said the Bike Auction was recently held and profits from this event go to the Get Outdoors fund; students can apply for scholarships for AO trips via this fund. Sicheneder said at a recent meeting at Sacramento State that National Intramural Recreational Sports held a wellness
seminar. He explained that Sacramento State built their recreation center with their student health center as one location.

VIII. ASSOCIATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Clyde said over 1,200 students attended this weekend’s Chico Preview, which was held mainly in the BMU. Clyde said Eliza Miller has officially taken on her new role as Program Coordinator for the BMU and Activity Fee. She noted Sustainability has been doing a Zero Waste Challenge, which runs through 10/31. Clyde said the Wildcat Leadership Institute is looking into holding a Women's Conference on 2/15/19 in the BMU auditorium. Speakers from throughout campus will be speaking at this event and both men and women are welcome to attend this event. Regarding expenses, Clyde said the security camera project was a capital project on last year’s budget, although it hasn’t happened yet. She said she has an official quote from FMS for $60,000, which is the exact amount budgeted and this project will be done this year. Clyde said benches for the third floor area outside of CAVE were purchased through FMS, although they missed the deadline of last year’s capital expenditures. They will be purchased through this year’s budget for $18,000, budgeted for $20,000. Clyde said she and Sicheneder will be coming back to the committee regarding the WREC track wall repair and a software update that’s needed for the BMU HVAC system. In addition, the purchase of a lift will be brought to the committee as the amount increased.

IX. VPS' APPOINTEE REPORT – Schmechel reported that at yesterday’s ASBC meeting the committee approved moving forward with a branded concept of bringing Panera to the Marketplace. Clyde said they hope to finalize by this summer and this item would come to BMUC regarding rent, space allocation, etc.

X. CHAIR'S REPORT – Scott questioned if committee members wanted hard copies of the agenda packets and Maldonado and Dimopoulos requested their own packets. Scott thanked the SFAC members for attending the recent training. SFAC project request packets are due this Thursday and will be emailed to the SFAC members for ranking. The SFAC meeting will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. on November 9. Scott said Government Affairs is hosting the Pancakes at the Disco event Saturday, October 27 from 11 p.m. to 2 a.m.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

XII. PUBLIC OPINION – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – None

XIII. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Scott, adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.