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

Thursday, April 14, 2016
12:30 p.m. BMU 205


MEMBERS ABSENT: Clarisse Austria, CC Carter

OTHERS PRESENT: Lea Youngkamp (recording), Jamie Clyde, Curtis Sicheneder, Deborah Lemmo, Steve Riccomini, Thang Ho

I. CALL TO ORDER – The chair, Roberts, called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

II. AGENDA – Motion to approve the 4/14/16 meeting agenda (Labrado/Figueroa) 6/0/0 MSC.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the regular meeting of 4/7/16. Motion to approve the minutes of the 4/7/16 regular meeting (Kowalczyke/Holmes) 6/0/0 MSC.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

V. PUBLIC OPINION – None

VI. OPINIONS – None

VII. BUSINESS

A. Information Item: Student Union Budget (including Capital Expenditures), estimated results 2015-16 and proposed budget 2016-17 – Clyde reminded everyone that the budget doesn’t show the increase in minimum wage which was recently approved by the Governor. She said the Board will have to discuss what actions will be taken for the initiative which was passed to stop selling plastic water bottles on campus. It has been estimated that $80,000 could potentially be lost in revenue. The committee will be voting on the budget at next week’s BMUC meeting.

B. Information Item: Corporate Services Fund and Area Reimbursements Summary – Clyde asked the committee if they had any questions or clarifications these funds which were discussed in detail at last week’s BMUC meeting. There were no questions.

C. Information Item: WREC water saving measures and summer schedule – Sicheneder explained to the committee regarding how successful their water saving measures have been at the WREC. He reported that the pool will now be opened Saturday’s again, and is confident that the WREC will still be meeting water saving requirements. Students’ reports show that they prefer later hours at the gym, resulting in the WREC staying open from 9 a.m. -10 p.m. and on Fridays over the summer. Sicheneder noted the WREC has been able to save a lot of water and money due to their decision to stop providing towels.

D. Information Item: Turf field presentation – Riccomini, a representative from the Recreational Sports Department provided a presentation to the committee regarding the turf field project. He explained the intramural sports program, and how much of a need there is for a new field. He reported that due to over use and lack of proper maintenance, outdoor activity opportunities for students aren’t being maximized. His proposal to implement turf would double the field availability, expand programs to students, and could be utilized in all weather conditions, year-round. He said this would be great to save water, and could be potentially lit up to increase security on that side of campus. The estimated cost would be about $6 million to purchase and install the field behind the current stadium.

E. Information Item: Old Conference Services location presentation – Clyde presented her proposal to revamp the old Conference Services space into an Urban Market Concept. Organic food and
beverages are trending high right now, and students' wants are reflecting that. Her idea is to turn that space into a fresh, sustainable, convenient and healthy grab-and-go marketplace which would be similar to stores like Whole Foods and Trader Joe's. It would be seen as an extension of the current Marketplace, where food could be bought and taken to class, or to be taken home to cook. This store could be run by one person due to its size, and could bring our campus closer to its Real Food Challenge goals. This proposal has been designed to satisfy prepared food trends, and improve on efficiency with grab and go food options for students.

VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT – Buckley was absent.

IX. WREC DIRECTORS REPORT – Sicheneder said that the WREC has been having an increased amount of problems regarding usage of rooms. He said the Banff Mountain Film Festival was last weekend and was very successful. Next year it will be extended to a two day event. • Sicheneder said the survey had a lot of student respondents and the data will be provided as soon as possible. • Sicheneder said the landscaping in the front of the WREC wasn’t planned out as well as it could have been. Plans are being formulated to update this space. • Sicheneder said the bike auction will take place on April 21 starting at 3 p.m. in the SSC plaza. Tough Cat will be taking place tomorrow at the WREC, which is an indoor triathlon.

X. ASSOCIATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT - Clyde said that for Choose Chico they had a cupcake display with over 1,000 cupcakes. Catering and Conference Services have been extremely busy preparing and working the weekend events, which have been very successful. Diversion Excursion will be happening in the dorms to purge all recyclable materials at the end of the year.

XI. VPS’ APPOINTEE REPORT – Labrado had no report.

XII. CHAIR’S REPORT - Roberts said that next week the vote on the budget will be taking place. He said updating of the BMU basement lounge area is going well so far, he has been working diligently with Clyde to move the project along. If you have any questions please feel free to stop by and see him, or email him.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

XIV. PUBLIC OPINION – Ho reported that he and his staff went to Sacramento State’s campus to see some technological updates that have been implemented there, and see which could be brought to our campus.

XV. OPINION – None

XVI. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Roberts, adjourned the meeting at 2 p.m.