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

Wednesday, August 23, 2017  3:30 p.m.  BMU 205

Members Present: Dylan Gray, Alisha Sharma, Taylor Rogers, Zach Scott, Karla Camacho, Teddy Delorenzo, Pedro Douglas, Robbi Stivers

Members Absent: None

Others Present: David Buckley, Karen Bang (recording), Jamie Clyde, Thang Ho, Shar Krater, Susan Jennings, Leah Railey, Jon Slaughter, Nan Timmons, Katrina Robertson

I. CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by the Chair, Gray. Introductions were made.

II. AGENDA – Motion to approve the 8/23/17 agenda (Scott/Rogers) 7/0/0 MSC.

III. MINUTES – Minutes of the 5/3/17 and 5/10/17 regular meetings and the 8/7/17 Special meeting. Motion to approve minutes of the 5/3/17 and 5/10/17 regular meetings and the 8/7/17 Special meeting, as presented (Scott/Sharma) 7-0-0 MSC. Stivers joined the meeting at 3:33 p.m.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Robbie Stivers introduced himself.

V. 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 – Sharma reviewed the items with the Board.
   1. GAC Actions of 8/21/17
      a. Approved the 8/21/17 agenda.
      c. Approved Resolution for Establishing Time and Location for Government Affairs Committee Meetings for the academic year 2017-18, as presented.
      d. Approved appointment of Zach Scott to the Public Arts Committee for the Wildcat Statue, as presented.

B. Bell Memorial Union Committee – No meetings held. Scott said they’re recruiting for this committee.

C. Associated Students Businesses Committee - No meetings held. Rogers said they’re also recruiting for this committee.

VI. BUSINESS

A. Action Item: Approval of Resolution for Establishing Time and Location for Associated Students Board of Directors Meetings for the academic year 2017-18. Motion to approve Resolution for Establishing Time and Location for Associated Students Board of Directors Meetings for the academic year 2017-18, as presented (Camacho/Sharma) 8-0-0 MSC.

B. Information Item: Pouring Rights RFP – Buckley explained that every five years a Request for Proposal (RFP) is sent out for who will have beverages on campus. He said we currently contract with Pepsi. Buckley noted the RFP will be sent out to Pepsi and Coke within the next month or so and explained they are the only two companies that have the volume to do this. He said approval from the Board will be needed in order to go forward with the RFP process. Buckley explained within the RFP that these companies are asked for financial support, and what they’ll be paying for the product. He said the contract will not be total exclusivity; there could be a 10% or 20% non-Coke or Pepsi product, which means Coke or Pepsi won’t give as great of a deal. Buckley said vending is currently contracted with a third party; however, it is being included as an add-on to the RFP. He said in addition, they are requesting vendors to provide bids with and without bottled water. He advised that the Board will need to decide if they want to move forward with students’ recommendation 1 ½ years ago to not have bottled water on campus, explaining that we will need to see the financial impact of this change. Buckley reviewed the current Pepsi contract with the Board. He said in the last RFP, we put a minimum of $45,000 in financial support to go to Athletics, but not a minimum of what was going to the AS. He said Anita Barker of Athletics would prefer going forward with this again. Buckley explained the RFP process, noting they hope to wrap up by the first of November. Delorenzo asked
about the bottled water situation and Clyde said this seems to be a stressor for both companies. Buckley said if we don’t sell bottled water, and there are no additional sales in sugar drinks, the AS could lose up to $60,000. Stivers stressed the importance of the formal RFP process.

C. Information Item: Career Salary Adjustment – Buckley said typically when we’ve made salary adjustments in the past, it’s done during the annual budgeting process. He said since the campus adjustments transpired after the AS budget process, the AS BOD did not discuss salary increases beyond the 3% general salary increase (GSI) which was effective 7/1/17. He explained that the AS is required to be comparable in compensation to the University. He noted; however, that “comparable” doesn’t mean equal to. He reviewed past pay increases of both the AS and the University. He said in May 2017 the University implemented a Staff Salary Adjustment Program that provided “equity” adjustments between 3-3.5% to staff depending on their length of service. In addition, University employees were awarded a 2% salary increase on 6/30/17. He advised the University bargaining units (excluding CFA) are currently negotiating a salary increase effective 7/1/17. He said CFA negotiated their contract and they received their adjustment on July 1. Buckley said for 2017-18 we awarded a 3% GSI; no pay adjustments as of 6/30/17 were given. Buckley said the cost impact is being reviewed by the staff directors and a report will be presented to the Board that estimates the cost for an additional GSI to closer match what was awarded by the campus. He noted they are considering adjusting the top end of the pay ranges and an estimated 3% GSI would cost the AS approximately $160,000 (salaries and benefits). Discussion was held.

D. Information Item: Executive Orders 2017-04 and 2017-05 – Both Executive Orders were reviewed and discussed.

E. Information Item: Board Orientation – Buckley provided an overview of the AS budget as well as revenues and fees for each area. He provided a short overview of the Board’s responsibilities, noting this was discussed in further detail during Jeff Carter’s presentation to the Board. He explained that the AS is an auxiliary of the University and provided a breakdown of the 2017-18 Budget Total Revenue. Various facilities and locations were next reviewed. Buckley also reviewed the major topics that have happened over the last six to seven years and noted the 2017/18 Initiatives/Topics. He also noted upcoming opportunities and challenges the Board will be dealing with. Discussion was held.

F. Director of University Affairs Report – Camacho reported that during June she, Sharma and Gray attended the CSSA Plenary Meeting in Monterey. She said she was elected as Civic Engagement Officer for the Northern Region. She noted the July CSSA meeting was held in Long Beach and in August they attended CSUnity at Fresno State. Camacho said AS Chico has placed a bid to host the September 2018 CSSA Plenary Meeting. Camacho said the College of Engineering, Computer Science and Construction Management Senator position is open and they’re in the process of filling it. She said EPPC starts this Thursday. Camacho said they are in the process of filling University student appointments in the next few weeks.

G. Director of Legislative Affairs Report – N/A

H. University Vice Presidents’ Reports – Douglas said on Thursday of last week the move-in for residential housing was done in one day, the same as last year. He said over 2,000 students were moved in to the residence halls. He said they’re looking into the traffic problems they had this year. Douglas said that evening Cabinet and others did a walk-about. He reminded students to not leave a friend alone when they’re out. Stivers said he has been working hard on their budgets as they go forward. He explained there is some money in the budget for the Graduation Initiative, keeping students on task for graduation. Regarding the walk-about that was held, he stressed the importance of safety. He said it seemed like there were large groups of people walking around, looking for things to do and noted the importance of structured activities. Stivers said they’re in the process of hiring a new Police Chief. He said he looks forward to the upcoming year and working with the AS. He said President Hutchinson and the Cabinet are all supportive of the AS.

I. Executive Director’s Report – Buckley said there is concern regarding a planned river float possibly being held this weekend, so students can avoid the Labor Day alcohol ban. He said the Financial Services Office construction crews should be done by September 11, and then we can start moving offices in.

J. President’s Report – Gray said the Director of Legislative Affairs is vacant and applications for this position are due Monday. He said he will be reaching out to other Board members to form an interview panel for the applicants. Gray said in addition to the CSSA meetings Camacho mentioned earlier, he also attended the
Panetta Institute for Public Policy in Monterey, where he learned a lot and reaffirmed his mission and purpose. He said they also went to the Chancellor’s Office in Long Beach this summer and spoke with some of the Vice Chancellor’s there; insight regarding the Graduation Initiative was provided. Gray said Bidwell Bash will be Sunday, September 3. The Wildcat Statue will be hopefully unveiled in April 2018. He said he’s looking forward to working with everyone.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sharma said she will not be at the next Board meeting as she will be in Sacramento with the committee for the Vice President of Student Affairs search. Camacho said the first Student Academic Senate will be held Friday, September 1 at noon.

VIII. PUBLIC OPINION – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – Krater congratulated Gray for his first successful meeting.

IX. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m. by the Chair, Gray.