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

Thursday, September 26, 2019

8 a.m.

BMU 205

Members Present: Trevor Guthrie, Teddy Delorenzo, Bre Holbert, Alejandro Alfaro Ramirez, Ann Sherman, Anthony Ruiz, Sandy Parsons-Ellis, Kaylee Biedermann, Chris Taverrite

Members Absent: None

Others Present: David Buckley, Karen Bang (recording), Jamie Clyde, Susan Jennings, Tom Rider, Shar Krater, Katrina Robertson, Katie Peterson, Leah Railey, Curtis Sicheneder, Megan Odom, Lupe Santana, Steve Novo, Lauren Lathrop, Melissa Jerez, Ricardo Tovar, Teresita Curiel

- I. CALL TO ORDER The Chair, Guthrie, called the meeting to order at 8 a.m.
- II. AGENDA Guthrie added as Discussion Item A: Discussion regarding Customs and Border Control at Career Center Fair. Also, Information Item J: Audit Committee recommendation regarding the June 30, 2019 Audited Financial Statements and Report to the Board of Directors. <u>Motion to approve the 9/26/19 revised agenda (Biedermann/Taverrite) 8/0/0 MSC.</u>
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES Minutes of the regular meeting of 9/12/19. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of 9/12/19, as presented (Holbert/Ruiz) 8/0/0 MSC.
- IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS None
- 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 Ruiz said they now have quorum at all councils and committees. He said the possibility of holding elections a few weeks earlier is being discussed at GAC. Grand GAC will be held at Trinity Commons at 5 p.m. on October 3.
 - 1. GAC Actions of 9/12/19
 - a. Approved the 9/12/19 revised agenda.
 - b. Approved Minutes of the 9/5/19 regular meeting.
 - c. Approved revised Consent Agenda:
 - 2019-20 University Committee Appointments

Confirmation of appointment to Campus Fee Advisory Committee

- AS President Appointment: Duncan Young

2019-20 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments

Confirmation of appointments to Legislative Affairs Committee (LAC)

- Executive Vice President Appointment: Damian Arceo
- Director of Legislative Affairs Appointments: Michelle Borges and Tatiana Ybarra
- Commissioner of Diversity Affairs Appointment: Logan Lee
- Director of University Affairs Appointment: Michelle Davis
- Commissioner of Community Affairs Appointment: Tarvn Burns

Confirmation of appointments to Community Affairs Council (CAC)

- Commissioner of Community Affairs Appointments: Madisyn Gutierrez-Urban, and Gandeep Singh
- Commissioner of Diversity Affairs Appointment: Tyler Jenkins

Confirmation of appointments to Sustainability Affairs Council (SAC)

- Commissioner of Sustainability Affairs Appointments: Kirshna Labayna, Michal Hanson, Alyssa Myers, Leilani Alva, Amanda Widgay, and James Kolnes

Confirmation of appointments to Diversity Affairs Council (DAC)

- Executive Vice President Appointments: Emonnie Jones and Deanna Hill
- Confirmation of appointment to Event Funding Allocation Council (EFAC)
- Commissioner of Student Organizations and Resources Appointment: Thomas Pursell
- 2. GAC Actions of 9/19/19
 - a. Approved the 9/19/19 revised agenda.
 - b. Approved Minutes of the 9/12/19 regular meeting.
 - c. Approved Consent Agenda:
 - 2019-20 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments

Confirmation of appointments to Event Funding Allocation Council (EFAC)

- Commissioner of Sustainability Affairs Appointment: Alex Smith

- Commissioner of Student Organizations and Resources Appointment: Thomas Purcell Confirmation of appointments to Community Affairs Council (CAC)
- Commissioner of Community Affairs Appointments: Claire Renar and Sandra Martinez
- Commissioner of Sustainability Affairs Appointment: Kaylee Coca Confirmation of appointment to Diversity Affairs Council (DAC)
- Commissioner of Diversity Affairs Appointment: Isaiah Thurman
- B. Bell Memorial Union Committee No meetings held (Sherman joined the meeting at 8:06 a.m.).
- C. Associated Students Businesses Committee
 - 1. ASBC Actions of 9/23/19
 - a. Approved the 9/23/19 agenda.
 - b. Approved Minutes of the 4/22/19 and 4/29/19 regular meetings.
 - c. Approved Resolution for Establishing Time and Location for Associated Students Businesses Committee Meetings for the academic year 2019-20, as presented.

VI. BUSINESS

- A. Customs and Border Control at the Career Fair Odom, Director of the Career Center, said they knew U.S. Customs and Border Control Marine and Air Division were going to be at the Career Fair and they also attended last spring's Career Fair. She said she reached out last week to advisors at Leaders Educating for the Advancement of Dreamers (LEAD) and the Director of the Dream Center so they could inform those students that would be most affected. She said they were not here on enforcement business; they were here to recruit. Guthrie said this doesn't send a good message to our students and they should be made to feel unwelcome. Odom said they're a Federal agency, and could not be disallowed from attending the fair. Guthrie said he and Santana sent a statement out regarding this yesterday and although we cannot bar them from coming, we should explore ways to help our students feel safer. Ruiz said this went viral on social media and students are under the assumption that Chico State invited them to attend. Odom said they weren't actively soliciting them to attend and explained they use a database called Handshake, which allows companies to register. Parsons-Ellis said this was brought to her attention by a couple of faculty members and noted Odom's team works closely with the directors and advisors of LEAD, and things were calm with those students. She said what might have happened was that people received some misinformation and it was spun before the campus had an opportunity to respond. She said the Dream and LEAD advisors went to the fair and talked with the recruiters to make sure everyone was on the same page and that Dream students attended the Career Fair. Parsons-Ellis noted that campus supports all students and expressed concern when we say we're going to make this particular employer unwelcome. She noted we have to be careful because we represent all students and can't insert our own personal beliefs. Delorenzo said the University of Arizona had the same issue last semester when the U.S. Customs and Border Patrol attended their Career Fair and also because a campus group invited them. She said that campus sent warnings out to the campus and to students. She suggested in the future advising students via Student Announcements and expressed concern about content based filtering which would make it look like we're picking and choosing. She said a precedent could be set by dissuading one group, which then means the next administration could do the same thing for something else. Delorenzo said she would like to see discussion about specific options of what can be done. Parsons-Ellis said they parked offsite and Odom said she also contacted the Counseling Center and the facilitator of the Dream Support Group. She said the facilitator went to the Dream Center several times yesterday to check in. It was noted that the people that were upset were not undocumented students, but allies. Alfaro Ramirez said ICE is a terrorist organization, and sided with Guthrie, noting a strong statement should be made and they should make them feel unwelcome. Holbert said the presence of Border Control triggers people as a symbol of hate and that is why numerous allies were upset. She suggested titling announcements for Student Announcements as, "Presence of US Border Patrol on Campus" in order to get their attention. Jerez, a CFA intern, said there was consensus from allies and other folks that this is not ok and was told by the CFA President that UPD wasn't informed that Border Control was on campus, and they should have been informed. Alfaro Ramirez said per AB 21, that whenever ICE comes on campus, UPD is to be informed. Sherman explained that UPD has to be notified if something is happening, not when Human Resources people are on campus. Guthrie said he would reach out to the University of Arizona and explore ways to move forward. He said this will be discussed at GAC and will then move up to the Board.
- B. <u>Information Item: 2020 Health Insurance Premiums</u> Buckley said an email was sent to the Board with information regarding this item. He said they completed discussions with the broker and also found out that Enloe physicians will not accept Cigna insurance so we can't consider going with them. He explained self-

insurance and said it's too much of a gamble financially to go with at this time. Buckley reviewed the recent history of insurance coverage, noting that historically the premium has mostly been split 50-50 between the AS and employees. He showed what costs would be if split 80 (AS) – 20 (employees) and also reviewed the cost to AS Areas. Buckley explained that staff directors think that splitting 50-50 or 60-40 would be too expensive for employees due to the 39% increase. He said because the increase is so dramatic this year, they're struggling to pass along a huge portion of this cost to employees. He next reviewed a summary of the increases for HMO, PPO and PPO High if at 80-20. Buckley expressed concern that the AS will lose staff because they cannot afford the increased costs and said they're recommending the 80-20 split even though it's a big hit to AS areas. Sherman asked if employees can opt out and Railey said the AS has chosen not to allow that because of the way it factors into affordability of minimum essential coverage, regarding providing cash in lieu. Discussion was held.

- C. <u>Information Item: Compensation Study</u> Buckley said some positions were not benchmarked correctly so that information has been corrected. A presentation will be provided at the next Board meeting.
- D. <u>Information Item: Executive Order 2019-04</u> Guthrie advised that due to scheduling issues, Thomas Pursell and Isaiah Thurman resigned from DAC, and Alex Smith resigned from EFAC. He noted that replacements would go through the normal agenda channels.
- E. <u>Information Item: 6/30/19 Activity Fee Fund Budget vs. Actual</u> Slaughter reviewed with the Board, noting they exceeded 100% of their income projections and total expenses were only at 83%. He said they brought \$566,677 to the bottom line and did quite well.
- F. Information Item: 6/30/19 Wildcat Store Financials Taverrite said income was at \$120,472, Expenses and Transfers were at \$45,781, Net Increase YTD of \$137,302, Commission Income \$874,354 YTD. Jennings said AS Wildcat Store financials are our internal financial statements for the Wildcat Store including collection of commission income, and external expenses that go against that. She said Follett's financial statements focus on the revenue piece of the store, which drives the commission income we receive from them.
- G. Information Item: 6/30/19 Follett Wildcat Store Financials Taverrite said overall textbooks were up 24%; however, YTD totals ended up being down 24% for the year. YTD they were down 7%, mainly due to textbooks. Novo said this campus is not HEOA compliant, explaining a law that was passed that every campus have a local entity where students can buy textbooks. Novo said once Discover is set up by campus IT, Follett would be integrated with the campus, and could see a 20% increase in textbook sales. Buckley said it will probably be at least a year before it's set up. Discussion was held regarding the problem of faculty not submitting their textbook information to the store.
- H. <u>Information Item: 6/30/19 Dining Services Financials</u> Taverrite said June YTD Net Income was at \$484,329, a 201.58% variance. Sutter Dining June YTD Net Income was \$686,588, a 37.72% variance. Cash Operations June YTD was (\$202,258), a (40.15%) variance.
- I. <u>Information Item: 6/30/19 Corporate Services Budget vs. Actual Income and Expenses</u> Jennings explained the Corporate Services area is reimbursed by Activity Fee, Student Union, the WREC and Dining for their expenditures. She reviewed the report with the Board.
- J. <u>Audit Committee Recommendation</u> Sherman said the AS has a new auditor, Aldrich CPA, and this is the first year of a three-year contract with them. She said the Audit Committee met and discussed the audited financial statements. Sherman said the auditors did not have any modifications to their opinions and did not have concerns about financial statements presented to them. She reviewed financial highlights with the Board and noted there were no Corrected or Uncorrected Misstatements noted during the course of the audit.
- K. <u>Director of University Affairs Report</u> Alfaro Ramirez said SAS would discuss the textbook issue. He said a resolution regarding denouncing white supremacy on campus would be on the October 3 Grand GAC agenda. He advised that CFA is launching a campaign statewide due to finding out that CalPERS is in part funding concentration camps at the border and they weren't aware of this previously. They will be asking CalPERS to divest of this. Alfaro Ramirez said SAS is going to be passing a resolution at their next meeting in opposition to the Fourth Year Quantitative Reasoning Proposal.
- L. <u>Director of Legislative Affairs Report</u> Holbert said she is working with Student Life & Leadership regarding the census and voter registration, noting her committee will be advocating for these.

- M. <u>University Vice Presidents' Reports</u> Sherman reported there has been a flurry of auxiliary audit reports, noting it's a complicated issue, as auxiliary audit information trickles up into the campus audits. Sherman said she would be out for the next two weeks. Parsons-Ellis introduced Teresita Curiel, who is the Director for both the Latinx Equity and Success as well as the Dream Center and asked her to comment regarding the Career Fair. Curiel said the Career Center Director advised them last week regarding Customs and Border Patrol being at the Career Fair, as she has done previously. She and her colleagues communicated via their groups to as many Dream students as they could regarding Border Patrol's presence on campus. She said she didn't receive any feedback from Dream students, and she also connected with the Counseling Center for those that might be triggered. She said they did their best to be supportive of students. She said they don't maintain a list of the undocumented students on campus so it's challenging to reach out to them.
- N. Executive Director's Report Buckley said at ASBC Follett shared their August sales report, which is down 40% in textbooks. He explained that they have given Follett a one-year extension of their contract and noted the drop in commission is a serious concern for the AS. He said when the agreement was originally made, Follett was to cover all of our bookstore expenses. He said costs are now coming out of the pockets of Activity Fee, Union and Dining and the Board will have to decide next steps soon.
- O. <u>President's Report</u> Guthrie said he met with the Dean of the College of Business regarding exploring ways of offering services for financial literacy on campus. The next Conversation Couch will be on October 8 and Parsons-Ellis will be joining him for this event. Guthrie said the Quantitative Reasoning Task Force is at work getting the word out to students regarding the proposal and what it means. Guthrie said he spoke with the Assistant County Clerk about the upcoming election and voting center and Holbert has also been in touch with them. They also spoke with the Secretary of State's office regarding voter registration and they'll work on getting students registered to vote and educated on the new voting center. He said he and Holbert were unable to attend last weekend's CSSA meeting but will be attending next month in Fresno.
- VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS Sherman said a shelter-in-place drill will be held at Glenn Hall at 2 p.m. today. Parsons-Ellis said Care Team ambassadors will be there in case needed. Krater said the AS has historically hosted voting here in the BMU free of charge and BMU 211 will be offered up free of charge for 11 days in both November and February. Biedermann said Love Your Melon is sponsoring bone marrow registration and if interested, please see her.
- VIII. PUBLIC OPINION Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic None
- IX. ADJOURNMENT The Chair, Guthrie, adjourned the meeting at 9:22 a.m.