RESOLUTION FOR A FEASIBILITY STUDY OF THE ENERGY
CONSERVATION ADVISORY MEASURE

WHEREAS, In the Spring 2007 elections, two energy conservation advisory measures were approved. The following measure was approved by 81.3% of the voters, and read:

"In order to save money, keep fees down, and help the University meet its goals of conserving energy and reducing greenhouse gas emissions, should the Associated Students encourage the University to adjust the current heating and cooling standards by 3 degrees so that University buildings will not be heated above 65 degrees or cooled below 81 degrees?"; and

WHEREAS, According to the U.S. Department of Energy the cost of energy will continue to increase; and

WHEREAS, Facilities Management and Services (FMS) has reported that the University spends more than half a million dollars annually on heating alone; and

WHEREAS, By using the formula derived by Arizona State University, the energy savings by changing three degrees in cooling alone is estimated at 2,544,960.681 kWh, which is equivalent to $152,697.64; and

WHEREAS, One of the six strategic priorities of California State University, Chico is Sustainability; and

WHEREAS, This measure should improve campus sustainability; and therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Associated Students encourages the California State University, Chico Academic Senate to request that the University conduct a feasibility study and cost analysis in consideration of the three degree change in both cooling and heating; and

RESOLVED, That the Associated Students encourages Academic Senate create and implement a survey to staff, faculty, and students following the experimental three degree change and prepare a report with FMS including both the result of studies and the survey; and

RESOLVED, That this resolution be widely distributed by electronic means to the President's Cabinet, Academic Senate, Deans, Department Chairs, faculty, staff and students of California State University, Chico in addition to the California State Student Association (CSSA).

Approved by GAC: 3/11/08
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO
GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES

Monday, February 11, 2008 2 PM BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT – Raquel Bataller-Hodges, Dan Alexander, Esmeralda Campos, Osazee Edeibir, Rob Feliciano, Amber Harris, Drew Lewis, and Julie Wright

MEMBERS ABSENT – Herman Ellis, Susan Anderson and Don Hankins

OTHERS PRESENT – Mary Cox (recording), Jon Slaughter, Denise Crosswhite, James Newman, and Nicole Zongus

GALLERY – Andrew Blansfield, Sabrina Villa, Andrew Rapattioni, Kristine Simpson, Kevin Miller, Carla Shields, Elisa Trimboli, Travis Sluys, Dan Batlin, and Desiree Tavares

I. CALL TO ORDER – The Chair, Bataller-Hodges, called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

II. AGENDA – Bataller-Hodges pulled Information Item D.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Approval of the 1/28/08 regular meeting minutes – Motion to approve the minutes of the 1/28/08 meeting as presented (Alexander/Harris). 5/0/0 MSC.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Bataller-Hodges announced the Bookstore’s “Kiss the iPod” contest on Thursday, February 14th, at 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Miller from RHA announced that they are hosting an event Wednesday, February 13th at 7 p.m. in Lassen Hall called “Sexy Singles Unite”. Simpson announced that Delta Sigma Pi is having a bake sale Monday through Thursday.

V. PUBLIC OPINION – None

VI. OPINION – None

VII. BUSINESS

A. Consent Agenda:
   All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and are enacted by one motion without discussions. A member of the committee who desires a separate discussion of any item may pull that item from the Consent Agenda.

   2007-08 Council/Committee Appointments:

   Confirmation of Appointments to Activity Fee Council
   Spencer Blair Commissioner of Activity Fee Appointee

   Motion to approve Consent Agenda as presented (Lewis/Wright). 5/0/0 MSC.

B. Action Item: Approval of Resolution for a Feasibility Study of the Energy Conservation Advisory Measure. Alexander asked that the Resolution be corrected to include (FMS) after Facilities Management and Services, and Slaughter stated that Associated Student needed to be corrected to read Associated Students. Action Requested: Motion to Approve Resolution for a Feasibility Study of the Energy Conservation Advisory Measure, as corrected (Alexander/Harris). 5/0/0 MSC.

C. Information Item: CAVE Presentation – Travis Sluys and Dan Batlin from CAVE gave a presentation about how CAVE got started, what it’s about and how students can get involved. Batlin explained that CAVE is the epitome of Leadership in Training. CAVE is in the midst of their recruitment phase for volunteers. Applications are due by February 20 in BMU 309.

D. Information Item: Diversity Fee – Slaughter announced that there may be an attempt to put on a $5 fee increase on the spring ballot for the Cross Cultural Leadership Center. Following an aggressive timeline, it could be possible to put the fee referendum through the various committees in order to be placed on the spring ballot. Discussion was held. (Edeibir and Campos arrived at 2:34 p.m.) Bataller-Hodges stated that she would like to see a more structured presentation before this is voted on. She stated that there will be a