ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS BUSINESSES COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

Monday, November 30, 2015 10 a.m. BMU 205

Members Present: Matt Zaleski, Megan Odom, Pedro Douglas, Stacie Corona, Michelle Korte, Kevin Hernandez, Brent Adams

Members Absent: Amanda Labrado

Others present: David Buckley, Mary Cox (recording), Jamie Clyde, Sarah Foisy

I. CALL TO ORDER – The Chair, Zaleski, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

II. AGENDA – No changes

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the regular meeting of 11/9/15. Motion to approve minutes of the regular meeting of 11/9/15, as presented (Corona/Adams). 7/0/0 MSC.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

V. PUBLIC OPINION – Limited to items on the agenda – None

VI. OPINIONS – None

VII. BUSINESS

A. Information Item: 9/30/15 Auxiliary Activities Fund Capital Expenditure Report – Buckley reported that the only item purchased was a TurboChef oven, which came in less than budgeted. The additional items should be purchased throughout the remainder of the year, including some improvements at Butte Station.

VIII. DINING SERVICES DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Clyde reported that they held interviews for the Executive Chef last week and will make a decision this week. She stated that the first order of business will be to work on the catering menu. Clyde reported that they are still dealing with broken equipment in the Marketplace, specifically one of the refrigerators, and they are trying to determine which type of refrigerator will be best. She will work on pricing and the proposal for the committee soon. Clyde stated that the compressor components at Butte Station went down and need to be replaced, and at Common Grounds the new espresso machine is working great, but the old machine is going down. Clyde reported that they are still receiving positive feedback from residents at Sutter and the Housing staff seem thrilled with the positive changes being made. Catering is very busy this week. Marketplace numbers are trending down, but they are seeing an increased trend in the C-stores and coffee shops. Discussion was held.

IX. CHICO STATE WILDCAT STORE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Foisy reported that they had a very successful two-day sale before the break with roughly $30,000 in clothing sales. She reported that Customer Appreciation Day is this Friday, December 4. There will be live music and food all day. Foisy also reported that the home office announced an additional two-day sale the following week. Foisy isn’t sure how that will do with the previous two sales but they will heavily push the Customer Appreciation Day.

X. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Buckley reported that last week he had a meeting with Lori Hoffman, Cindy Daley, Taylor Herren, and Deanna Jarquin to discuss the anaerobic digester. He reported that Daley has a contact with Alta Dena Farms, who purchased a massive digester over a year ago. They want to get rid of the digester and would like to donate it to the University, but there are costs involved with moving and running the machine. He stated that the digester is so large it could handle all farm waste as well as all Dining Services waste, and will produce methane gas. He reported that the farm, University, and Student Union would be committed to fund the project. He stated that Union funding would be via BMUC and SFAC, but it is Buckley’s recommendation that the majority of funds are from SFAC. He stated they are still looking into the costs, which would be approximately $150,000 to dismantle and move it, plus ongoing costs including a full-time staff person to run it. He stated that more research needs to be done, but if this machine doesn’t work out, they will continue the search and discussions. He reported that Daley is invested in this project and would like to see the farm become more sustainable. Discussion was held.
XI. VP APPOINTEE’S REPORT – No report.

XII. CHAIR’S REPORT – Zaleski reported that he met with the Investment Committee this morning, which reported a slight increase in investments. He also reported that they are considering changing the name from RAC Endowment to Board Designated Fund, but this will be discussed at the next Board of Directors meeting. Zaleski also reported that ASBC will continue to meet at this day and time next semester. He also reported that the Wildcat statue committee is still discussing the location.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

XIV. PUBLIC OPINION – None

XV. OPINION – None

XVI. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Zaleski, adjourned the meeting at 10:22 a.m.