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

Tuesday, October 20, 2015 1 p.m. BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charlie Curtis, CC Carter, Haley Holmes, Ismael Figueroa, Nicole Kowalczyke, Amanda Labrado, Clarisse Austria, Kathleen Moroney, Art Cox.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: David Buckley, Lea Youngkamp (recording), Jamie Clyde, Sally Parenti, Curtis Sicheneder, Deborah Lemmo, Jon Slaughter, Marilyn Hoag, Thang Ho.

I. CALL TO ORDER – The chair, Curtis, called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

II. AGENDA – Motion to approve the 10/20/15 agenda (Kowalczyke/Austria) 5/0/0 MSC.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the 10/6/15 regular meeting. Motion to approve the minutes of the 10/6/15 regular meeting (Labrado/Austria) 5/0/0 MSC.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

V. PUBLIC OPINION – None

VI. OPINIONS – None

VII. BUSINESS

A. Action Item: Approval of $8,000 budget increase for purchase of marquee. Motion to approve $8,000 budget increase for purchase of marquee, as presented (Labrado/Austria) 5-0-0.

B. Information Item: Replacement of WREC pool heater – Sicheneder explained the need to replace the pool heater. Discussion was held regarding which heater should be purchased, and the pros and cons of each. Sicheneder explained the difference between the two, and how beneficial each would be. Solar power will be acceptable for now because it is off season, but a new one will be necessary in the near future. Discussed importance of the WREC services and students’ ability to use them. It was noted that a lot of money is paid for these services, so we need to maintain the quality.

C. Information Item: Composting – Curtis explained the issues we are having with Recology, our composting company. Campus has too high of a percentage of contaminated recycled items such as compostable plates, forks, napkins, etc., in relation to actual food compost ratio. He explained that the local composting infrastructure that exists in Butte County doesn’t have the ability to compost said materials. Because there’s not enough food to compost, they can’t compost the other items. We could potentially be charged more for these contaminants because they effect Recology’s profit. Signs are currently up around campus and by composting and trash cans to inform students that currently only food composting is being done. He said we must compost more food, stop using the compostable products, or look into composting these items ourselves. Buckley said that composting on our own is expensive. Carter suggested working with community members and restaurants to use their compost as well. Kowalczyke suggested getting our own compost system as well as working with community vendors. Sierra Nevada’s composting model would not be effective for us because CSU, Chico has a lot more material to be composted. Further discussion will be held in the near future.

D. Information Item: 6/30/15 Student Union Fund Capital Expenditure Report – Buckley provided a brief overview of the Student Union Fund Capital Expenditure Report. More information was included in the agenda packet and was handed out to committee members.

E. Information Item: BMUC Technology Presentation – Ho presented to the committee about the digital communication software, called Four Winds Interactive. This software allows you to upload media or any visual communication via software. He showed screens from various universities as examples and explained the various capabilities. Austria questioned how many would be purchased and Ho said two touch screen kiosks would be available in the BMU mezzanine, as well as three others.
Curtis said the new marquee will be compatible with this system and it totally enhances students’ interactive ability.

VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT - None

IX. WREC DIRECTORS REPORT - None

X. ASSOCIATE UNION DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT - None

XI. VPS’ APPOINTEE REPORT – None

XII. CHAIR’S REPORT – Curtis questioned if committee members were available to meet beginning with a 12:30 p.m. start time, ending at 2 p.m. Committee members indicated they were available to meet beginning at 12:30 p.m. A Special meeting will be held at 1 p.m. on October 27 in order to catch up on items.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

XIV. PUBLIC OPINION – None

XV. OPINION – None

XVI. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Curtis, adjourned the meeting at 1:55 p.m.