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

Tuesday, December 1, 2015 12 p.m. BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charlie Curtis, Haley Holmes, Ismael Figueroa, Amanda Labrador, Kathleen Moroney, Art Cox.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Nicole Kowalcyke, Clarisse Austria, CC Carter.

OTHERS PRESENT: David Buckley, Lea Youngkamp (recording), Jamie Clyde, Sally Parenti, Curtis Sicheneder, Deanna Jarquin, Kaitlin Haley, Taylor Herren.

I. CALL TO ORDER – The chair, Curtis, called the meeting to order at 12:32 p.m.

II. AGENDA – Motion to approve the 12/1/15 meeting agenda (Figueroa/Holmes) 4/0/0 MSC.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the 10/27/15 special meeting and 11/3/15 regular meeting. Motion to approve the minutes of the 10/27/15 special meeting and 11/3/15 regular meeting, as presented (Cox/Labrado) 5/0/0 MSC.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Clyde introduced Vic Trujillo, the new Recycling Coordinator.

V. PUBLIC OPINION – None

VI. OPINIONS – None

VII. BUSINESS

A. Information Item: Campus Compost Program – Herren and Haley presented regarding Campus Waste Management Sustainable Solutions. They are reevaluating the current system that we have here at CSUC to find some sustainable solutions for our current composting problem. Recology used to take the campus compost but due to contaminants in the plastic products we use, it’s no longer the best option. They have been researching other schools and compost systems that could be used as a model for us. They discussed an anaerobic digestion system that would be an innovative and efficient system that we could use. They brought up Associated Student’s role in this project, and noted that multiple other programs such as College of Agriculture, University Farm, campus waste and others would all have to work together to make this happen. We are dealing with waste from the campus itself, as well as the University Farm. They presented our current situation, which is the need for campus collaboration. Discussions are being held with FMS, COA and AS, as well as a potential site at University Farm. They are also working on proposal development through researching the equipment, maintenance, and facility needs, as well as a budget and business model. The soil produced would go to the University Farm, but so much would be produced, that it could be sold to local farmers as well. Discussion was held regarding which system would be best, and at what price, considering the recycling habits for our campus. It would be an expensive investment, but would solve our composting issue campus wide internally. Discussion was held and Buckley explained that the AS would be responsible for paying the majority of the cost for the system, with slight funding coming from the University and other outlets. Curtis reiterated that this project must be a campus effort incorporating many areas of Chico State.

B. Information Item: 9/30/15 Student Union Fund Capital Expenditure Report – Buckley reviewed the report with the committee. He said he just found out that the Building Repair and Replacement Fund has been on going, and the University wants this money to be saved for major, large scale projects instead of lower end repairs.

C. Information Item: Local Agency Investment Fund and Certificates of Deposit for quarter ending 9/30/15 – Buckley reviewed the report with the committee.
VIII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT - Buckley did not give a report.

IX. WREC DIRECTORS REPORT – Sicheneder said he is currently working on overall evaluations for the WREC. He said discussion is being held regarding allowing faculty and staff’s partners to also have access to the WREC. The fee was set at $25 more than students pay for it in tuition, and will rise slightly for spring semester, so faculty and staff are paying the same gap more than students do to use the facilities. Sicheneder said an external risk management audit was done at the beginning of the semester and he is working on formulating student waivers. It was also brought to his attention that Adventure Outings should have language in line with AS language that is used in its programs. The Bike Cart is closed for the semester, and will reopen spring semester. Sicheneder said the UV system for the pool will be installed during finals week. Sicheneder said a water leak was found at the WREC, so water usage exceeded the water allotment. Repairs have been made and water allotments are back on track.

X. ASSOCIATE UNION DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT – Parenti said that SFAC will meet on Monday to look over 6 proposals, and funding will either be allocated or not. Anything over $5,000 will have to be approved by BMUC. New tables that we ordered have been cleaned, will be put away this afternoon, and the bill will be paid. Rainbo Warehouse is being cleaned out. Charging station tables have been added upstairs in the BMU and have gotten good student feedback so far. If it is a success, three more tables will be added. Facilities Management is in contact with a contractor for the marquee. Conference Services is slowing down, but there are still big events coming up in the BMU.

XI. VPS’ APPOINTEE REPORT – Labrador reported that she was absent from the last ASBC meeting, but that the merging of Catering and Conference Services was approved. Follett approved a sale for the CSU Wildcat store, so that money was received.

XII. CHAIR’S REPORT – Curtis said he and others went on a field trip to Oroville to see a nice turf sporting facility, to potentially upgrade the Yolo field area. This could be a really sustainable option, seeing that we wouldn’t have to water the grass anymore. Brief discussion.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Curtis said next week’s BMUC meeting is the last meeting of the semester. SFAC will be held Monday of next week, before BMUC. He is still confirming schedule for next semester.

XIV. PUBLIC OPINION – None.

XV. OPINION – None.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Curtis, adjourned the meeting at 1:48 p.m.