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

Tuesday, December 8, 2015 12:30 p.m.  BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charlie Curtis, CC Carter, Haley Holmes, Ismael Figueroa, Amanda Labrador, Clarisse Austria, Art Cox.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kathleen Moroney, Nicole Kowalczyke

OTHERS PRESENT: David Buckley, Lea Youngkamp (recording), Jamie Clyde, Sally Parenti, Curtis Sicheneder, Deborah Lemmo, Jon Slaughter, Jenna Walker, Keith Crawford.

I. CALL TO ORDER – The chair, Curtis, called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m.

II. AGENDA – Motion to approve the 12/8/15 meeting agenda (Labrado/Holmes). Motion to amend the current agenda to include Action Item B amount to be revised from $9,387 to $3,755 (Labrado/Cox) 5-0-0 MSC.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the 12/1/15 regular meeting. Motion to approve the minutes of the 12/1/15 regular meeting, as presented (Austria/Labrado) 5-0-0 MSC.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

V. PUBLIC OPINION – None

VI. OPINIONS –

VII. BUSINESS

A. Consent Agenda
   All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and are enacted by one motion without discussion. A member of the committee who desires a separate discussion of any item may pull that item from the Consent Agenda.
   
   1. Sustainability Fund Allocation Committee Meeting – 12/7/15
      a. Approved the minutes of 4/29/15.
      b. The following were approved to proceed to funding allocation deliberation:
         1) Bike Repair Kits for Residence Hall Front Desks
         2) Food Security Project
         3) Tiny House Competition
         4) Hydration Stations
         5) Upcycling Project

   2. a. The following were approved for funding:
         1) Bike Repairs Kits for Residence Hall Front Desks in the amount of $1,516.
         2) Food Security Project in the amount of $3,755.
         3) Tiny House Competition in the amount of $15,000.
         4) Hydration Stations in the amount of $13,000.
         5) Upcycling Project in the amount of $500.

      Motion to approve Consent agenda (Labrado/Holmes) 5-0-0 MSC.

B. Action Item: Approval to fund Food Security Project in the amount of $3,755. Motion to approve funding Food Security Project in the amount of $3,755 (Labrado/Cox) 5-0-0 MSC.

C. Action Item: Approval to fund Tiny House Competition in the amount of $15,000. Motion to approve funding Tiny House Competition in the amount of $15,000 (Austria/Figueroa). Curtis explained
briefly about this engineering project in which students will be competing. There is an education aspect in this, teaching how you can live comfortably in this way, and with less space. It is currently being built at the farm, and then will be taken to the competition, but will be managed by the Agriculture Department. Once the competition is over, it would either fund next year’s competition, would be sold, and funds would come back to the University, or donated to someone in our community. They have received a lot of donations in the form of materials and funds in order to get as many materials as possible. **5-0-0 MSC.**

D. **Action Item:** Approval to fund Hydration Stations in the amount of $13,000. **Motion to approve funding Hydration Stations in the amount of $13,000 (Labrado/Holmes).** Curtis described the hydration stations that will be used on campus. They will be distributed throughout campus in various buildings, for continuity sake. FMS fee is $4,000 to install them all, and we must comply with labor wages. The rest of the money will be used for marketing purposes. Each station will be $2,000, so a total of three water fountains will be purchased. This project and funding will take the burden off FMS, and will be used as the standard water system, to reduce plastic bottle consumption, and have a reusable bottle for water. **5-0-0 MSC.**

E. **Information Item: Adventure Outings Presentation** – Jenna Walker and Keith Crawford from Adventure Outings presented regarding their current programs. They presented an overview of programs which include trip programs, orientations, equipment rentals, climbing gym and special events. It was noted that AO served approximately 15,000 people this year. Students start out as unpaid interns, which can turn into paid leadership positions. There are around 50 student staff members, and they have gotten over 2,500 hours of leaderships experience. The trips program is most popular, and has been filling at 80% capacity. Some of the trips available are backpacking, rock climbing, kayaking, camping, rafting and caving. The Wildcat Wilderness Orientation Program was explained, which is directed mainly at college freshman. Programs help students gain experience, leadership, confidence, and make them comfortable with themselves and their new found freedom. Benefits of AO are experience, leadership, encouragement of healthy living, foster connections, and reduce stress and anxiety. AO is reaching a point where they are maxing out on their resources regarding growth, and budget.

F. **Information Item:** 10/31/15 Student Union and WREC Summary Income and Expense Statements – Sicheneder explained the WREC Summary Income Statement, and programs income includes group exercise classes, safety courses, and locker rentals etc. Electricity and power bills are always going to be low because of being two months behind. Parenti reviewed the Student Union report and explained student programming being low due to reimbursements that haven’t been received yet. Graphics income hasn’t been completely posted yet. Income is high right now for recycling income, and rent from ATMs and other incomes. Salary wages are low, but positions are slowly being filled.

G. **Information Item:** Appointment of Haley Holmes as Vice Chair of BMUC – Curtis explained that as Chair of BMUC he is to appoint a Vice Chair, and he appointed Haley Holmes.

VIII. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT** – Buckley said that the Board approved a salary compensation study to be completed early February. He said results of the study will then go to the Board for their review and approval.

IX. **WREC DIRECTORS REPORT** – Sicheneder said that UV installation and boiler installation for the WREC pool will be taking place during finals week. The pool date will be reopened on December 18; by January 18 it will be fully refilled and heated.

X. **ASSOCIATE UNION DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT** - Parenti said she is working on some last minute purchases, and hopefully will be done this week. She talked to the vendor for the marquee and it will be coming in the spring. Tax on the equipment installation will be $1,400 increase in cost, which will then be brought back to BMUC to be voted on.

XI. **VPS’ APPOINTEE REPORT** – Labrado reported that ASBC met yesterday and they discussed that the footbridge closure led to a decrease in Holt Station revenue. She said the Catering and Conference Services
merger will create a revamp in the system but it will be more efficient. The Wildcat Store is going to start baking to make it smell good, to help increase revenue.

XII. CHAIR’S REPORT- Curtis said that a meeting was held last week to discuss composting. He explained that compostable items biodegrade in 10 years, but can’t be mixed with food scraps. He said this meeting highlighted issues regarding the campus managing their waste stream and conversations regarding better waste management will continue. Buckley said we’re still looking at other aerobic or anaerobic machines that are comparable to what Sierra Nevada has.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Curtis said based upon talking with others on campus and doing a self-assessment both professionally and personally, personal constraints have led him to decide that he can no longer serve as the Vice President of Facilities and Services. He said it has been an incredible honor serving in this position. Curtis said that students on campus need someone that can give this position their undivided attention. He said that effective December 15, 2015, he’ll be resigning his position. Curtis said it has been an incredible honor to work with everyone and the biggest part of this experience has been working with professional staff. He thanked everyone.

XIV. PUBLIC OPINION – None

XV. OPINION – Buckley thanked Curtis for his commitment and dedication to his position and appreciated all that Curtis has been trying to accomplish. He noted Curtis has represented the students well, especially during the Chancellor’s Office Presidential Search Forum. Buckley thanked Parenti for her 30 plus years of service and it was noted that a reception will be held Tuesday for her. He thanked her for her work and dedication to students. Carter said he respects Curtis’ decision and his leadership has been phenomenal. Carter said a lot of what the BMU is, is because of Parenti’s hard work; she has helped create a space that people can be proud of. Curtis said Parenti has played an incredible mentorship role for him and he truly appreciated working with her.

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