Tuesday, October 27, 2015

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

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Nicole Kowalczyke,

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

I. CALL TO ORDER – The chair, Curtis, called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

II. AGENDA – Motion to approve the 10/27/15 Special meeting agenda (Labrado/Austria) 5/0/0 MSC.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

IV. PUBLIC OPINION – None

V. OPINIONS – None

VI. BUSINESS

A. Action Item: Approval of revisions to Resolution for Establishing Time and Location for Associated Students Bell Memorial Union Committee meetings for Fiscal Year 2015-16. Motion to approve revisions to Resolution for Establishing Time and Location for Associated Students Bell Memorial Union Committee meetings for Fiscal Year 2015-16, as presented (Labrado/Austria) 5-0-0 MSC. Curtis explained this was in regards to the new meeting start time of 12:30 p.m.

B. Action Item: Approval of replacement of WREC pool heater in an amount not to exceed $140,000. Motion to approve replacement of WREC pool heater in an amount not to exceed $140,000, as presented (Cox/Austria) 5-0-0 MSC. – This vote does not make a specific motion to a specific heater, but approves the amount which can cover the more expensive heater. Sicheneder explained that he is available for any further questions if anyone has any.

C. Action Item: Approval of BMUC appointments to Sustainability Fund Allocation Committee: Clara Buchholtz, Marielva Medrano and Taylor Wetzel. Motion to approve BMUC appointments to Sustainability Fund Allocation Committee: Clara Buchholtz, Marielva Medrano and Taylor Wetzel, as presented (Labrado/Holmes) 5-0-0 MSC. – Curtis explained that student appointees to SFAC must be approved by BMUC. He explained the role of SFAC. All names listed above are already heavily involved in sustainability, and have been selected to be on SFAC. The application process for these positions are similar to how other committees are formed.

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT – In regards to SFAC, Buckley explained that any proposals of $5,000 or more must be approved by BMUC. Buckley said the Strategic Plan will be brought to BMUC to review and respond to regarding the We Wills. The initiatives regarding diversity and sustainability were discussed. He said other topics could pop up through planning, which could drive needs and where we would like to allocate resources. Buckley said the catering manager position is currently vacant. He discussed combining Conference Services which falls under the Student Union and Catering which falls under Dining, and explained how this one model would be beneficial for both departments, create better efficiencies and also better serve the students and campus. Buckley said when they have staff vacancies they don’t just immediately replace the positions; they look at different models to confirm if the position is still needed, and what else the person could do, etc. He said their main goal is how they can serve students better. Buckley said the students started talking last year about the policy of food in the building and Dining is trying to come up with a more affordable menu for the student organization meetings. He said Clyde is still working on a
menu for this. • Buckley updated the committee regarding various staff vacancies. He explained they will be under budget due to these vacancies.

VIII. WREC DIRECTORS REPORT- Sicheneder reported that Adventure Outing trips for this semester are above 80% full which is a record. He explained the Wildcat Wilderness Orientation. The Annual Bike Auction took place, with proceeds going back to Adventure Outings, to be used for a scholarship fund for students to attend AO trips. Sicheneder updated the committee regarding various WREC events. He also noted that Fix-A-Flat Day will be coming up, to repair students’ bike tires for free. Sicheneder said the WREC’s October water bill was high due to a leak, and they are in the process of having the leak repaired.

IX. ASSOCIATE UNION DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT- Parenti said Conference Services has been busy and updated regarding various events which have taken place within the BMU. She said that 450 new meeting room chairs will be ordered, with an allotted budget of $65,000 for this purchase. She said lighter weight tables have been ordered, and they are considering buying new cocktail tables as well. In addition, laptops and projectors are also in need of replacement. Parenti said the marquee will hopefully be up and running in spring 2016.

X. VPS’ APPOINTEE REPORT – Labrador reported that ASBC has been discussing purchasing new security cameras for the exterior of the BMU as well as in the Marketplace and cost will be approximately $32,000. The Follett scholarship textbook allotments have been in the works in ASBC.

XI. CHAIR’S REPORT– Curtis said regarding catering, that officers want to look for solutions so that student organizations are not turned away from having events due to the price. A survey was developed to evaluate this situation and get feedback from students. The next step in this process is to talk with Student Life and Leadership regarding a way to distribute these surveys. • Curtis said SFAC will meet this week now that appointed positions have been filled, and discuss the direction they would like to go for the year. He explained the SFAC proposal process. • Curtis said as a follow up to the Four Winds presentation last week, the committee needs to decide how to make the BMU more welcoming and student friendly. In addition to student feedback, the committee needs to look at how to improve student involvement so that the BMU is not just a facility. Curtis said when students and others walk in to the BMU they should be able to see information regarding what is happening on campus. Monitors on the mezzanine level could be installed to disseminate information via Four Winds.

XII. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

XIII. PUBLIC OPINION – None

XIV. OPINION – Buckley said it’s nice to make it all the way through the agenda. Curtis reminded the committee that beginning next week, BMUC meetings will begin at 12:30 p.m.

XV. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Curtis, adjourned the meeting at 1:46 p.m.