ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO
GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 10, 2016

8 a.m. BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT - Vu Nguyen, Michael Pratt, Jake Jacobs, Tammi Fleet, Bro Dumas, Dylan Gray, Alisha Sharma, CC Carter, Susan Anderson, Zachary Scott

OTHERS PRESENT –

MEMBERS ABSENT –

OTHERS PRESENT – Shar Krater, Jen Halford, Radhika Kataria (recorder), Brett Rahtz, Andrew Roberts, Dollie Partida, Jamie Clyde, Jen Halford, Gabby Scudieri

I. CALL TO ORDER - The Chair, Nguyen, called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.

II. AGENDA – Motion to approve the 11/10/16 regular meeting agenda (Dumas/Sharma). 6/0/0 MSC.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the 10/20/16 and 10/27/16 regular meetings. Motion to approve the minutes of the 10/20/16 and 10/27/16 regular meetings, as presented (Jacobs/Dumas). 6/0/0 MSC.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – “Sustainability and a Slice” is coming up on the 16th. Pizza with the Provost will be in the office today. Next Wednesday, the Center for Entrepreneurship is putting on a competition. MAC night is next Tuesday.

V. BUSINESS

A. Discussion Item: Organic Cotton Policy Resolution – Jacobs sent out an email last week to a few people to set up a meeting. He will have the meeting next Friday the 18th and everyone who wants to join please contact him. This item will come back after Thanksgiving Break as a discussion item.

B. Discussion Item: Update on Activity Fee Funding Council procedures – Jacobs sent out an email for this meeting. This meeting will occur right after the Organic Cotton Policy meeting. This meeting will be about the funding process for events that are similar with multiple funding requests. If anyone wants to be included, please reach out to him.

C. Information Item: University diversity update – Dylan moved this to next week.

VI. REPORTS: OFFICERS AND COORDINATORS – Fleet: She is still working on a Senate logo. Dumas: LAC has been meeting but there is not quorum anymore due to one member quitting. They have been talking about the proposed tuition increases. Pratt: He will be meeting with a few people to finalize the draft document on Shared Governance. That document will come to several different constituency groups and then back to this group. They have come up with ideas about Tuition increase awareness. Scott: Will meet with Ann Schwab to get Cats in the Community agenda moving. His council’s goal is getting the Police Student Advisory Board running and a movie screening. Gray: If anyone can help him with marketing for MAC night, please do so. For the multicultural reception after MAC night, there will be a full three course meal set up. He is thinking about moving this reception to a different time and partnering up with the CCLC. Sharma: She went to the GSEC Women’s Conference this weekend and she got be on one of the panelists. GSEC has a few events coming up. EFAC has started to have conversations about an event they want to put on in spring. Jacobs: Sustainability in a Slice will be a really cool event and if anyone can help him decorate please do so. Roberts: They are looking at remodeling the Financial Services Office over the summer. If anyone has any ideas please let him know. They are still working on furniture for the lower level of the BMU. His committee has been working on two different projects. SFAC will be meeting the first Friday of December. Rahtz: The next ASBC meeting is on Monday at 11:30 a.m. They are on the cusp of sending out textbook scholarship applications to the university students. They want to also have a program for student employees. Parida: FLO is going great and they have all chose all the FLO mentors.

VII. REPORTS: STAFF – Anderson: None Carter: President Hutchinson has put up the announcement that they are hiring for Provost and Vice President for Business and Finance. The CCLC met with the Academic Senate Executive Council, and it was a great opportunity to understand what the groups were about. He wishes events like this would happen more often so students can be more aware. The elections are over so please be aware that some of the things said by the president elect ignite fear in several students. The rhetoric has scared the life
out of them in terms of what their future looks like. He has had multiple people report harassment to people of color in the last few days. If anyone has peers out there that engaged in this behavior, he hopes they can correct their behavior. Please be mindful that these things are occurring, even though the election was over. The conversation Carter had with students yesterday was about establishing safety in the avenues around campus where these students live and making sure students are safe getting to and from school. He cannot emphasize how fearful and scared people are. Slaughter: Absent Krater: Along with Carter, she was at the meeting for a little bit with the CCLC, and then she was at Diversity Affairs Council and met with GSEC. She is still processing yesterday. She wants to get to a place where she can have a conversation with people and meet them where they are and not demonize them, she supports students and anybody who wants to use their voice to speak out against this. GSEC opened themselves up yesterday as a safe space. She likes the idea of coming together as a body and saying that they support their students. Next week is Trans Week of Resilience and there will be events all week from the GSEC. December 1st will be the ‘Lip Sync Showdown’ from the GSEC. They had a conversation at Academic Senate and the GSEC program came up. She asked everyone if they have concerns or questions about their programs, get them involved in the conversation. Halford: She thinks sometimes in the business of life, we may think things are only happening to other people and not oneself. As elected officers, please be mindful with your words. She encourages everyone to love each other and take action.

VIII. REPORT: EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT – Nguyen shared a few inspirational quotes with the group. He takes this as an opportunity to know they can leave a legacy. He states it is extremely hard to walk across campus and see people you see every day with smiles, look scared. There is a lot of uncertainty and fear right now; one person can make all the difference. Reach out if anyone needs a hug, tell people that you care about them, and be good to each other. In terms of his update, they will have an appreciation mixer before Board of Directors next week. They are having conversations about training and outreach and they will have Activity Fee programs give presentations soon.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Tomorrow is Veterans’ Day and everyone should be mindful to show their support. The applications for WLI Spring certificates went live yesterday and everyone should have received an email about Midpoint Training on January 21st.

X. PUBLIC OPINION – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – None

XI. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP – None

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Nguyen, adjourned the meeting at 8:53 a.m.