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

Thursday, February 2, 2017 8 a.m. BMU 205

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

MEMBERS ABSENT – Bro Dumas (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT – Shar Krater, Jen Halford, Becca Chanes (recorder), Nicole Coffield, Rachel Ballard, David Buckley, Karla Camacho, Krishna Labayna, Mark Stemen, Jen Halford, Dollie Partida, 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 2/2/17 regular meeting agenda (Pratt/Jacobs) 6/0/0 MSC.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – None

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

V. BUSINESS

A. Information Item: KCSC and FLO presentations – KCSC Director of Programming, Nicole Coffield, presented about the KCSC ideals and their goal to broaden student musical horizons. Some benefits of being a part of KCSC include building valuable networking skills, improving speaking skills, making students become more comfortable on campus and helping students practice for their future career paths. Their goals include working with more AS groups and other clubs on campus to have more live shows and game nights and be more of a voice on campus.

B. Information Item: Review of minimum wage impact – David Buckley presented to the Board of Directors about the impending minimum wage increase for all areas and how this will impact our budgets.

C. Information Item: Local Agency Investment Fund and Certificates of Deposit for quarter ending 12/31/16 – Nguyen went over the Schedule of Investments and Earnings from October – December 2016.

D. Information Item: 2016-17 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments – Resignations

   Resignations from Diversity Affairs Council – Gray has reached out to many people about these vacancies with changing their meeting times.

   - Commissioner of Diversity Affairs Student appointment: Sherman Stacey
   - Executive Vice President Student appointment: Samantha Bautista

Nguyen said the committee would be taking a recess in order for a Special one item GAC meeting to be held. Motion to take a recess at 9:02 a.m. (Jacobs/Gray) 6-0-0 MSC. At 9:07 a.m. the chair announced the recess had ended and called the meeting to order.

VI. REPORTS: OFFICERS AND COORDINATORS – Fleet: There is a vacancy for the College of Business Senator. The Student Academic Senate will review applications on February 13, 2017. The University committees have started convening and she intends to make an advisory board. The Academic Senate Retreat is today and she and Pratt met with Betsey Boyd. The Student Academic Senate had its first meeting. They talked about the Senate budget and reviewed the policy agenda. The Senate will be tabling later today with coffee in the gauntlet.

She attended CSSA in San Luis Obispo with Pratt, Dumas and Camacho. Pratt: The Academic Senate retreat is today. He has the report from attending CSSA and this will be attached to his BOD report. He will be meeting with The Orion and Enterprise Record about access to public information on our website. He continues working on a
resolution for messages of solidarity with Gray. He continues to work on a system wide protest for the increase in tuition with other AS Presidents from the CSU. He will be speaking with President Gayle Hutchinson to push for two more students to go to Hill Day in addition to the AS President. He is working on the CHESS Advocacy and how office delegations will work with Dumas. Scott: He had a successful Community Affairs meeting in regards to Cats in the Community formulating a more cultural side and keynote aspect of the event. The target dates are all set and the council is broken up into committees. The Campus Safety Walk will hopefully be scheduled for the week before Spring break. He discussed a “Battle of the Dorms” idea to support can donations for the pantry.

Gray: He has scheduled a cultural reception for February 9 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in BMU 220G, with food provided by AS Catering in hopes for organizations to meet diverse leaders on campus. Programming for this event includes introductions, icebreakers, games and dinner. Ten organizations have RSVP’d so far. The project of the flags hanging in solidarity with students for countries that have been banned are in the works. He is working on the document that will be along those flags. It is Black History Month so please come out in support. Sharma: She has posted sign-ups for Club Kick Off. They have gotten about 20 organizations to sign up with a potential cap of 40 organizations. Sign-ups are located on the Government Affairs page on Wildcat Sync. Jacobs: No report. Ballard: Rachel, the AS Election Coordinator Student Assistant, talked about tabling for elections on Thursday, February 9, 2017, Monday February 13, and Wednesday February 15. She will be making a Doodle to find a good time for everyone to table. Scudieri: She has been working with Sharma on her events along with Fleet on the Senator opening. She met with Ballard about marketing for AS Elections. Partida: She talked about FLO meetings, the ice cream social and the new mentorship program.

VII. REPORTS: STAFF – Carter: He expressed his appreciation for Gray for reaching out to President Hutchinson. Shout out to the students for advocating on behalf of their constituents. He expressed concern on the UC Berkeley incident and advised all present to remember our right for free speech and our right to protest yet not in a violent way. Krater: She requested everyone to update their Outlook calendar per Sarah Stewart’s email.

VIII. REPORT: EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT – Nguyen reported he had a meeting with Billy Harkness about moving Wildcat Way programming to AS Productions. The conclusion was that it was not realistic as they don’t have the capacity to staff the event and the officers need to continue to show their presence at these events. He is working on the branding guidelines for Internal Government Affairs office. He will be going to CFAC to discuss the Basic Needs Project tomorrow to talk about food and housing insecurity. He attended the alumni board meeting on Saturday and got a lot of good feedback about AS.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

X. PUBLIC OPINION – None

XI. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP – Fleet gave a shout out to Sharma and Scudieri for advertising for the College of Business position. Krater gave a shout out to Nguyen for using his voice to advocate for students at the rally regarding the potential tuition increase. Krater introduced Becca Chanes as the new minute taker. Sharma gave a shout out to Scudieri for working closely with her on her spring event. Nguyen gave a shout out to Anderson for helping with his Portland possibilities and inviting him to join the Chico State Portland Alumni network on Facebook. Camacho gave a shout out to everyone who has shown support toward her.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Nguyen, adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.