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

Monday, October 9, 2017
4 p.m.           BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT- Dylan Gray, Alisha Sharma, Karla Camacho, Danie O'Donnell, Zuri O'Balles, Nadine Salas, Brina Covarrubias, Maggie Scarpa,

MEMBERS ABSENT – Susan Anderson, CC Carter

OTHERS PRESENT – Jon Slaughter, Shar Krater (recorder), Taylor Rogers, Ann Schwab, Katie Oliver, Alexis Curual, Jesse Erven, Joselin Medina, Marisela Preciado-Aguilar

I. CALL TO ORDER - The Chair, Sharma, called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

II. AGENDA – Motion to approve the 10/9/17 regular meeting agenda as amended with the removal of item D. (Camacho/Covarrubias) 7-0-0 MSC.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – None.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Sharma brought donuts into the office to share

V. 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. O'Donnell asked to remove the Sustainability Affairs Appointment and the Diversity Affairs appointment as neither student can continue to serve on her committee. The consent agenda was approved as amended (O'Donnell/Covarrubias) 7-0-0 MSC

2017-18 Associated Students Committee/Council Appointments

- Confirmation of appointment to Legislative Affairs Committee (LAC)
  - Executive Vice President Appointment: Cody Layton
  - Commissioner of Community Affairs Appointment: Alexis Palma
  - Director of Legislative Affairs Appointments: Trevor Guthrie and Marcus Osborne
  - Commissioner of Sustainability Affairs Appointment: Sara Bilotta
  - Commissioner of Diversity Affairs Appointment: Moses Salgado
  - Director of University Affairs Appointment: Isaiah Thurman

B. Information Item: Revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Scholarship Committee Code – Slaughter discussed the changes to this code which are mostly cleanup items to update the language and to keep it consistent with other codes that have been updated. The scholarships consist of the Maggie Pattison Award and Academic Excellence Award as examples. Discussion was held regarding the timeline for names to be brought to the committee in April and that Nan Timmons would gather the committee together for a decision. Gray and Scarpa asked what the process would be to determine other scholarship opportunities for students.

C. Information Item: CAVE Program Presentation – The students from CAVE did a presentation on the history of the program and the main three components of CAVE which are made up of the Kids Program, Community Program and Public Relations. CAVE has 67 student staff members which served 12,836 individuals last year. They have recruited 410 volunteers for the fall semester through CAVE talks, tabling and other means.

D. Information Item: CDL Program Presentation – Removed

E. Information Item: Halloween Task Force Update – The HUB is not available for the Escape Room idea and we are going to have a movie shown in the Wildcat Plaza instead. We plan to have officers sign up for shifts to give out pizza and then donuts or cookies. Ideas for additional activities included a craft table, cookie decorating, costume contest and a photo booth. If anyone is interested in heading up an activity, please
connect with Sharma. We do not currently have a rain back-up for that day. We would ask that anyone send a suggestion for the name of the event no later than Wednesday, October 11. Hocus Pocus in the Plaza, Safety and a slice, etc. Scarpa asked that we partner with Green Team events for Sustainability.

F. Information Item: DACA Task Force Update – Covarrubias sent out a video script to all of the officers that is in line with the statement that was sent out. Any edits are requested by 5 p.m. on Tuesday. Adriana Sikiric will be doing the video and editing it by the 23rd with plans on showing the video through the 27th. O'Donnell would like to show the video during the event on the 23rd. “Cal States Contact Congress” is the official title that CSSA would like each campus to stay with as a united message. CSSA has not yet taken a formal stance on the Dream Act and their support but will hope to discuss and vote on it this weekend in Sonoma. The BMU Auditorium is booked for the event on October 23 between 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. for people to make phone calls, write letters to Congress and learn more about the legislation.

G. Discussion Item: Council and Committee Appointments – Krater will be sending the individual appointment lists out to everyone this week and will ask everyone to make sure that they are filled out. She said each chair is responsible to have their council/committee filled and we still have space available for most of our appointments needed. Please let Krater or Sharma know if you have questions about the process. Sikiric can be reached at asoutreach@csuchico.edu if anyone would like help doing outreach for vacancies.

VI. REPORTS: OFFICERS AND COORDINATORS – Gray: He met with a reporter from the Orion to discuss concerns about the 2.5% administrative increase that was given from the Chancellor’s Office and students are concerned about this as tuition continues to rise. Students from Students for Quality Education also came to speak with him. He met with the Communication Animation Game Development students to discuss the possibility of moving to a different college because of the challenges that they have had with classes being removed. He will be traveling to Long Beach with the campus president later this week to discuss the Graduation Initiative.

Rogers: No report

Salas: She will be working with CAVE on the Chico Make a Difference Day which will be on October 28. A large participation from the team would be great. There is a Community Action Plan (CAP) talk which is put on through a partnership with First Year Experience. They are meeting on October 11 at 5:30 p.m. if anyone is able to attend. Discussion was held regarding the sexual assault that was reported recently at Whitney Hall.

Scarp: She has scheduled her first meeting with Nani Teves – the AS Sustainability Coordinator to discuss some of the sustainability goals. She would like to hold a panel at the This Way to Sustainability Conference in March as an AS representative.

Covarrubias: She is working on the DACA video. EFAC has one proposal to hear on Wednesday and this will be their first meeting. She continues to work on her project regarding intersections.

O’Donnell: She will be attending CSSA in Sonoma with Camacho and Gray. She will be working on the Cal States Contact Congress event this week. If anyone has any ideas please talk with her.

Camacho: Discussion was held regarding the fires impacting Sonoma and the students. We will continue to stay in touch regarding anything that we can do to support everyone impacted. She met with the Academic Senate last Thursday and there was discussion in support of a resolution regarding recipients of the DACA program. The resolution passed with minor changes. There was a request to have a written commitment from the Dean of ECC and the Dean for the College of Natural Sciences regarding the program. The minor in Information Technology was voted on during the meeting and the vote was to discontinue the minor. This has been a previous challenge brought forward to us by the College of ECC. The Masters in Geography was also discontinued; however, Camacho voted against this. She met with Jed Wyrick, Mary Wallmark, Joel Ramirez, Melanie Bassett and others to discuss the opportunity to move documents over to OrgSync – this would include minutes and the applications. This would be a pilot program with ECC to see if it works as intended.

VII. REPORTS: STAFF – Slaughter: No report

Krater: Will have Sharma send out information for Chico Preview Day which will be held on October 21.

VIII. REPORT: EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT – Sharma said that she will be sending out meeting requests for Chico Preview Day, Make a Difference Day, Halloween and the DACA video. Thank you to everyone who was able to participate in the search for the AS VP Search committee.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Scarpa said that her CLIC department is doing an event from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

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

XI. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP – Shout out to Covarrubias for her work on the DACA support video.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Sharma, adjourned the meeting at 5:34 pm.