

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

Monday, October 30, 2017

4 p.m.

BMU 205

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

MEMBERS ABSENT – CC Carter, Susan Anderson

OTHERS PRESENT – Jon Slaughter, Shar Krater, Sarah Stewart (recorder), Taylor Rogers, Nan Timmons, Marisela Preciado-Aguilar

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - The Chair, Sharma, called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.
- II. **AGENDA – Motion to approve the 10/30/17 regular meeting agenda** – Sharma moved information item D down to E added information item D: 2017-18 Policy Agenda. She also added discussion item F: Pizza in the Plaza Debrief. **(O'Donnell/Camacho) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the 10/16/17 regular meeting. **Motion to approve minutes of the 10/16/17 regular meeting, as presented (O'Donnell/Scarpa) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Gray and Salas will be leaving the meeting early for 'Town and Gown'.
- V. **BUSINESS**
 - A. Action Item: Approval of DAC allocation in the amount of \$2,950 for the Chico Unity Torah event by the Chabad Student Group to be held on 11/12/17 in BMU 203. **Motion to approve DAC allocation in the amount of \$2,950 for the Chico Unity Torah event by the Chabad Student Group to be held on 11/12/17 in the BMU 203, as presented (O'Donnell/Salas)** – Scarpa inquired if there would be food at this event and O'Balles confirmed that there will be food, but DAC did not fund it. **7-0-0 MSC.**
 - B. Action Item: Approval of EFAC allocation in the amount of \$1,936.03 for the 'Chico State Stock Pitch Competition' event by The Investors Club to be held on 12/1/17 in Kendall 207/209. **Motion to approve EFAC allocation in the amount of \$1,936.03 for the 'Chico State Stock Pitch Competition' event by The Investors Club to be held on 12/1/17 in Kendall 207/209, as presented (Camacho/O'Balles)** – Discussion was held regarding the \$250 that was allocated for the purchase of A-Frames. The group talked about the possibility of this organization renting them from a company or reserving them through SLL for free. Sharma inquired if we have funded the purchase of A-Frames in the past and Krater clarified that items which are only a direct profit for the club usually aren't approved because we don't benefit from the opportunity to keep them. Slaughter mentioned that we would need to see if SLL or Guy Rents would even have them available first before not funding the purchase of the A-Frames. Gray suggested that an email get sent to the organization urging them to look into renting the A-Frames first. Camacho mentioned just allocating more money toward posters and not fund the A-Frames but discussion was held not to go that route. Krater liked the idea of not funding inventory for groups and it was decided that they would fund the purchase of the A-Frames with the stipulation of Covarrubias reaching out to the organization in an attempt to have them rent the A-Frames first. **7-0-0 MSC.**
 - C. Action Item: Revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Deletion of Student Advisory Panel Code. **Motion to approve revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes – Deletion of Student Advisory Panel Code, as presented (Camacho/O'Donnell).** Gray inquired where all deleted documents live and Slaughter informed him that Karen Bang has a file. **6-0-1 MSC.**
 - D. **Information Item: 2017-18 Policy Agenda** – The Executive Committee met and decided to make a Policy Agenda to serve as a formal list of goals for things that GAC would like to focus on this year. The agenda is based on three or four big topics that each will go further into depth. The big topics that will be chosen will reflect both what the GAC team comes up with together, as well as the top three issues that affect students, which was discussed at their retreat. Sharma wanted to create this to be able to look back at and have a public document for future student officers to see and know what to expect. Camacho mentioned simplifying the policy agenda due to people having confusion on the format it was in from last year. Email suggestions

will get sent to Gray, Sharma, or Camacho based upon everyone's position in office. Scarpa asked if there was a draft for the 2017-18 year yet and Sharma clarified that this policy agenda is what will be created for the 17-18 year. Camacho asked why the policy agenda comes from GAC and not BOD and Sharma informed her that it's because this policy agenda is for GAC specifically. Krater mentioned that there will be a strategic plan for each individual area of the Associated Students.

- E. Information Item: Activity Fee Fund Budget vs. Actual for September – Benchmark for the end of September is 25%. We are almost at 51% for our total revenues and almost at 19% for total expenses meaning that both are excellent and favorable. Other expenses are at 9.18%, total Activity Fee operational expenses are at 15.21%, Government Affairs is at 18.85%, total campus programs are at 39.20% but have expected income to offset those expenses to be recorded in future months, and total community programs are at 22.84%.
- F. Discussion Item: Pizza in the Plaza Debrief – Sharma did a SWOT analysis for everyone at the table to give their input on what they saw or how they felt about the event. SWOT stands for strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats. Each of the topics were shared around the table and discussed for how they could make the event even better next year. Some suggestions for next year were made such as having security type people there, using napkins instead of paper plates, and having more advertisement showing that Government Affairs is who put the event on. Discussion was held regarding whether it's a better idea to have one event going on, or multiple events going on such as a movie, games, and dance party. Both opinions were agreed upon and will be re-visited next year.

VI. REPORTS: OFFICERS AND COORDINATORS – **Gray:** None. **Camacho:** SAS will be voting on a resolution on Friday in regards to honors societies and SAS codes. SAS passed a resolution regarding Executive Orders 1100 and 1110 which is a public document and anyone can look at it. EPPC will meet on Thursday. **O'Donnell:** LAC appointments are needed. **Salas:** CAC appointments are needed. **Scarpa:** None. **O'Balles:** MAC night is next week on November 9 from 6 - 9pm and doors open at 5:30pm. 12 groups are performing. She needs the team to help get the word out via word of mouth or other opportunities to advertise that they may know of. Tech forms go out this week for all groups who are performing. She wants to make a video to the song "Rise" to play at the beginning of the event as people are coming into the auditorium. Sharma suggested that she connect with our Outreach and Marketing Coordinator for that video. There are three DAC funded events coming up within the next week. **Covarrubias:** She's trying to create an opportunity that if student officers or clubs and organizations attend a Wildcat ROAR training or a Safe Place training then they will receive money for their clubs. This means there will be more student representation that is ROAR trained and Safe Place trained. **Scott:** Absent. **Rogers:** None.

VII. REPORTS: STAFF – **Anderson:** Absent. **Slaughter:** None. **Krater:** None.

VIII. REPORT: EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT – Sharma said her EVP email is down and to contact her at her alternate email address until it is fixed. The AS Programs Fair scheduled for November 9 has been canceled and postponed. Halloween is tomorrow.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Camacho shared that Breana Holberg in the College of Agriculture is the first African American student to hold the FFA president position. Scarpa is speaking next Wednesday on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act in ARTS 106.

X. PUBLIC OPINION – None.

XI. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP – Sharma and the Outreach and Marketing Coordinator are working on Associated Students swag. O'Balles congratulated Camacho on her DACA renewal. Sharma gave a shout out to everyone that helped out with the DACA event.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Sharma, adjourned the meeting at 5:31 p.m.