

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

Monday, December 4, 2017

4 p.m.

BMU 205

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

MEMBERS ABSENT – Susan Anderson

OTHERS PRESENT – Jon Slaughter, Shar Krater, Radhika Kataria (recorder), Taylor Rogers, Zach Scott, Nan Timmons

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - The Chair, Sharma, called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.
- II. **AGENDA – Motion to approve the 12/4/17 regular meeting agenda (Camacho/O'Donnell) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – None
- IV. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – None
- 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.

Revisions to Associated Students Corporate Codes

- Deletion of Program Over-Expenditure Policy

Approval of Consent Agenda: (Camacho/Gray) 7-0-0 MSC.

- B. Action Item: Approval of EFAC allocation in the amount of \$1,590 for the 'Suture Clinic' event by the Pre-Medical Association to be held on 4/16/18 in ARTS 111/112. This clinic is also known as "Emergency Survival 101." The Pre-Med Association provides real life medical scenarios where you might have to help another in need. There is value and impact to this event for outdoor enthusiasts as well as within the college. They use bananas and pigs feet to learn how to do the suture procedures. **Motion to approve EFAC allocation in the amount of \$1,590 for the 'Suture Clinic' event by the Pre-Medical Association to be held on 4/16/18 in ARTS 111/112, as presented (O'Donnell/Scarpa) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- C. Information Item: Activity Fee Fund Budget vs. Actual for October 2017 – Sharma explained that we are in the fourth month of the fiscal year. When reviewing this budget we are looking for 33%. The Activity Fee budget is on track for this time of year.
- D. Information Item: Revisions to Associated Students Corporate Code - Activity Fee Time Capsule Policy – Continuing the review of codes and policies that Slaughter, Karen Bang and Krater have been working on. The changes to the policy are mostly clarifications, updating the name of the council and purpose.

REPORTS: OFFICERS – Gray: Met with The Orion today and they discussed the proposed tuition increase. The Orion would like to establish a line of communication. He hasn't heard back from the President's office regarding specific dates to go over the proposed increase. The life-size clay model of the Wildcat Statue is ready and they will bronze it next. We are still on track for a spring installation. **Camacho:** She and Rogers are doing research on Open Education resources. She met with Jed Wyrick and as per word about a potential tuition increase they formulated an idea of having a Civic Engagement Day where faculty and students go to Sacramento and talk to representatives. At EPPC they had the Associate Dean of Academic Programs give a presentation about the Executive Orders taking place in the CSU system. She and Gray met with a faculty member on Friday regarding water bottle sales and would like a group of students to work together to formulate a plan to encourage students to bring their own reusable water bottle. At the Academic Integrity Council, they have quorum so they can start moving forward with their agenda and are hoping to have one more meeting before the end of the semester. Student Academic Senate (SAS) met last Friday and passed a resolution for inclusive bathrooms and facilities. SAS will also be moving their meeting date and time next semester. **O'Donnell:** Legislative Affairs Committee

had its first meeting with quorum. Dylan Saake came in to talk about Title IX. There will be a survey in the spring regarding sexual assault. This week they will talk about criminal justice reform in California. **Salas:** Community Affairs Council met and had great student turnout. Traditionally, Cats in the Community is focused on only service. There are transportation limits to getting more students into the community. She looked at other potential activities to expand the day and is looking into potentially getting a mural drawn in downtown Chico. There are no ordinances or special processes they have to go through to get this approved but would need a potential business owner's approval for the site. They are starting to plan their "Cocoa with the POPO" event, which is a popular event on other campuses. Mexican hot chocolate would be served at this event and a Q and A session with the Chico State and City of Chico police would be held. **Rogers:** ASBC was cancelled today. We did not do the textbook scholarships this semester due to issues with how students were being selected. Next semester they will start distributing textbook scholarships and it will be done through applications. He will partner with groups on campus to divide the money. They are looking into a system to make it efficient and divided as evenly as possible. They will also focus to give them to AS employees who have had a certain length of employment. **O'Balles:** Her goal is to have a panel of black faculty and staff members speak for Black History Month in February. DAC will be moving for spring to Tuesday afternoons. DAC had its final meeting and she will be reaching out for follow-up presentations next semester. Last week, she and Salas discussed potential ideas for Cesar Chavez weekend after attending a campus meeting. **Covarrubias:** This Thursday at 5:30 p.m. is the Event Funding Info Night. There are many student organizations who don't understand the process of getting funding for their events. Moving forward, they will begin hosting this event on the first Thursday of the month. **Scarpa:** Sustainability Affairs Council is meeting at 6:30 p.m. after her symposium and they will select a vice chair. The last meeting they had, they created two sub-committees: Education and Outreach and Zero-Waste. She wants them to focus on a campaign to get students to bring their own containers and water bottles. They had the SFAC meeting and she enjoyed being involved in a funding cycle. She moved to increase the This Way to Sustainability funding. She was accepted with a student from the AS Sustainability Coordinator assistant, Amanda and they are doing a comparative analysis on sustainability in the CSU system. She wants to try to collaborate with the Education Outreach Team for Sustainability. Would love to do a sustainable tour. She has discussed an idea with Rogers for AS Dining to work towards sustainable tickets. **Scott:** SFAC funded \$76,000 to student sustainability programs. These projects range from the Farm to Pantry program, BMU Recycling Bin project and Enhancing the Ecological and Agricultural Value of Bats Project, amongst others. The Living Wall received funding for the continued second floor remodel project. The WREC De-stress event will be happening this week with a variety of activities. SAS and BMUC are working together on the Study Hours during finals week.

VII. REPORTS: STAFF – Slaughter: GSEC just had the Queer Conference and it was very successful. They are continuing the talks of GSEC becoming a contract program for next year. The department of MCGS is eager to become the parent place for GSEC and they would be housed over at Meriam Library. The AS is reviewing the use of space in the building and specifically on the lower level. **Krater:** They are in the final stages of finalizing the new hire of the CAVE coordinator. **Carter:** This is his last GAC meeting and he shared the succession plans. Kimberly Scott will become the Interim Director for Student Life and Leadership for approximately six months. They would look to hire another Director for Student Life and Leadership and a Director for the CCLC. Malcolm McLemore will be transitioning away from FSA and his energy will switch to the Male Initiative program for underrepresented, first-generation males. Abbie Paige will oversee FSA, Panhellenic and the MGC with the hopes to hire someone in that area during the spring. Scott will be splitting time at both SL&L and the WREC. Lastly, Milton Lang will be starting as the new VP of Student Affairs and the students should prioritize creating a positive relationship with him.

VIII. REPORT: EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT – Sharma said the retreat dates are set and almost everyone can make it. This is the last GAC meeting of the semester. Next week is finals week and there will not be official office hours. O'Balles mentioned councils and committees and we will be recruiting for new members next semester based upon changing meeting times. Sharma would like to review the process for recruiting members. Adrianna Sikiric is the outreach person and works in the mornings, if anyone needs her assistance. Timmons sent out the Civic Engagement survey so please finish it by Friday. She has been working with the Counseling and Wellness Center and wants to see new ways to support student mental health. We will continue the conversation next semester on what this can look like. CC's reception will be held 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS – The Presidents Leadership's Reception is on Thursday at 4 p.m.

X. PUBLIC OPINION – None

XI. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP – Sarah Stewart just got engaged!!!!

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Sharma, adjourned the meeting at 5:09 p.m.