

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

Monday, April 9, 2018

4 p.m.

BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT- Alisha Sharma, Karla Camacho, Margaret Scarpa, Zuri O'Balles, Brina Covarrubias, Kimberly Scott

MEMBERS ABSENT –Danie O'Donnell (excused), Nadine Salas (excused), Susan Anderson

OTHERS PRESENT – Taylor Rogers, Jon Slaughter, Shar Krater (recorder), Nan Timmons, Adriana Sikric, Alejandro Alfaro, Brooke Banks, Karyn Cornell

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

II. AGENDA – Motion to approve the 4/9/18 regular meeting agenda as presented (Camacho/O'Balles) 4-0-0 MSC.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of the 3/5/18 and 4/2/18 regular meetings. **Motion to approve minutes of the 3/5/18 and 4/2/18 regular meetings, as presented (Camacho/Covarrubias) 4-0-0 MSC.**

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

V. BUSINESS

- A. Action Item: Approval of EFAC allocation in the amount of \$4,000 for the 'Chico Forensic Conference' event by the Anthropology Graduate Student Association to be held 11/3/18 – 11/4/18 in the BMU Auditorium from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. **Motion to approve EFAC allocation in the amount of \$4,000 for the 'Chico Forensic Conference' event by the Anthropology Graduate Student Association to be 11/3/18 – 11/4/18 in the BMU Auditorium from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., as presented.** Krater explained that we have funded this event for a few years and the proposal did not meet the Sliding Scale requirements and that the funding is mostly for the speaker support including flights and hotel expenses. **(O'Balles/Camacho)** Limited discussion was held by the committee with members sharing their own experience with this event. Slaughter shared that they had helped identify remains from 9-11 and Scott shared that this group had partnered with Adventure Outings to do a trip to the Battle of Little Big Horn where they identified some of the unknown soldiers. **4-0-0 MSC.**
- B. Action Item: Approval of EFAC allocation in the amount of \$2,025 for the 'NextGen Wildcats' event by the Graduate Business Association to be held 5/4/18 in BMU 203 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. **Motion to approve EFAC allocation in the amount of \$2,025 for the 'NextGen Wildcats' event by the Graduate Business Association to be held 5/4/18 in BMU 203 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., as presented.** This group is focused on local high school seniors. The teams compete with the help of mentors to run a simulated business. **(Scarpa/Covarrubias)** Limited discussion was held regarding the students who apply to Chico State after attending this event. **4-0-0 MSC.**

Banks and Cornell came in to discuss Item H. The Committee agreed to move Item H up on the agenda.

Covarrubias left the meeting at 4:19 p.m. Quorum was lost. Meeting stopped. Covarrubias returned at 4:49 p.m. and the meeting continued.

- C. **Information Item: Activity Fee Fund Overview, estimated results 2017-18 and proposed budget 2018-19** – Slaughter reviewed a question from the last meeting including one on officer compensation. He explained the difference from the original budget and where the notes in the budget book would further explain the change. He encouraged everyone to come forward with questions today or this week and let the group know that we are scheduled to approve the budget at the next meeting.
- D. **Information Item: Activity Fee Administration Budget, estimated results 2017-18 and proposed budget 2018-19** – Discussed under item V. C.
- E. **Information Item: Activity Fee Capital Expenditures Budget, estimated results 2017-18 and proposed budget 2018-19** – Discussed under item V. C.
- F. **Information Item: Government Affairs Office Budget, estimated results 2017-18 and proposed budget 2018-19** – Discussed under item V. C.

- G. Information Item: Elections Budget, estimated results 2017-18 and proposed budget 2018-19 – Discussed under item V. C.
- H. Information Item: Adjustment to Campus-Based Student Fees (Referendum) – moved up on the agenda after item B.
- I. Discussion Item: Officer and Senator Transition Period – Sharma shared that the Training Orientation Team will be getting together this week to go over the details for transition. Two weeks from today, we will have our new team identified. The new officer and senators will have an orientation day on April 22.

VI. REPORTS: OFFICERS – Scarpa: She has heard that we are looking to replace the Chiller Boiler in the BMU and is interested in a place at the table during the discussion. Slaughter clarified that we are on the University system but it is possible that through the BMUC, the campus is replacing equipment that is currently servicing our building. She is busy with CLIC, AS Sustainability, her current position and the March for Science is happening on April 14 where she will be speaking. She is looking for engaged tabling activities for Earth Day and Camacho recommended finding earth worms. They usually table with sustainable condoms but they are out of stock. **O’Balles:** There will be 17 groups participating at International Festival. A band, Sang Matiz, has been contracted. There is a Capoeira group that will perform along with The African Diaspora Organizations. The posters will be complete by Friday. We have two meetings this week for participating groups. **Camacho:** The Academic Senate Constitution Ad Hoc met to review the constitution. We will be proposing that an additional four students receive a seat and a vote on the Academic Senate. On April 3 she went to Sacramento to testify at the Budget Sub Committee 2 hearing. In conversation with Assembly member McCarty, she voiced that the CSU is receiving the same amount of funding as the UC, but the CSU has more students. CSSA had opposed this bill, so we are very content to know that our efforts in advocating our dissent were successful. She received an email from Marcos Montes, VP of Legislative Affairs for the CSSA, about the Advocacy Day on May 7. She went to Long Beach for the April CSSA Plenary Meeting. In the University Affairs Committee, we discussed the Student Bill of Rights draft that Michael Pratt crafted, and we are hoping that it will be approved by the CSSA Board of Directors. During the Legislative Affairs Committee meeting, we took a stance of support on the following bills: AB 2477, SB 346, SB 918, and SB 1471. We also voted to support AB 2771 and SB 1225. These positions were also approved by the CSSA Board of Directors, so we will be working on trying to promote their approval. We also discussed the proposed 2018-2019 budget. We selected the CSU President, Administrator, Trustee, and Faculty of the year. **Sharma:** The Students for Quality Education trip to Sacramento was last Wednesday and it was an awesome event with a huge turnout. The University Awards Reception is tomorrow afternoon from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Becca Chanes is receiving an award. She met with President Hutchinson last week about the referendum. She is following up to see if the video is happening. She encouraged the group to attend the Dining Services Director presentations. We are on the 10 day countdown until the statue is unveiled. Each area is doing a separate countdown with related facts. The memorial services for Zach Baggins are tonight at 6 p.m. and another student that we lost, Kyle Elliott, will have services on Friday/Saturday.

VII. REPORTS: STAFF – Scott: Adulting 101 on Sustainability will be Thursday and they will be giving out stainless steel straws. **Slaughter:** We are doing five interviews including the Dining Services Director, the two positions for the Wildcat Leadership Institute and the Student Programs and Events Coordinator. **Sikric:** She is working on Elections videos and other projects that the officers need help with including marketing the Wildcat Statue.

VIII. REPORT: EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT – N/A

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Scarpa shared that the Community Water Forum will be about salmon and they will have free pizza. The 5th Annual Trans Conference is on Saturday, put on by the Gender and Sexuality Equity Center. KCSC Radio played in the Marketplace today which is a huge win for the station. Choose Chico went really well and Sharma thanked everyone who was able to be there.

X. PUBLIC OPINION – Alfaro asked for clarification on two bills that Camacho had mentioned – AB2479 and SV320. Alfaro asked if the general student body had access to the salaries for all AS employees and Slaughter shared where that information lives on our website.

XI. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP – Sharma reminded everyone to practice self-care. Congratulations to Camacho for the Student Advocate of the year through CSSA.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The Vice Chair, Sharma, adjourned the meeting at 5:26 p.m.