

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

Wednesday, May 1, 2019

8:30 a.m.

BMU 205

MEMBERS PRESENT- Jared Geiser, Alisha Sharma, Trevor Guthrie, Samuel Akinwande, Tania Ruiz, Alejandra Becerra-Silva, Prairie Francia, Anthony Ruiz, Mary Wallmark, Jay Friedman

MEMBERS ABSENT – None

OTHERS PRESENT – Jon Slaughter, Shar Krater, Sarah Stewart (recorder), Alex Williams, Zach Scott, Kaylee Biedermann, Jamie Clyde, Breanna Holbert, Chris Taverrite, Lupe Santana, Alejandro Alfaro Ramirez, Allyah Perez

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** - The Chair, Geiser, called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.
- II. **AGENDA** – Sharma moved Action Item D to be a Discussion Item (Sharma/Akinwande). Geiser revised the dollar amount in Action Item B from \$245 to \$3,075. **Motion to approve the amended 5/1/19 regular meeting agenda (Geiser/Akinwande) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Minutes of the 4/17/19 regular meeting. **Motion to approve minutes of the 4/17/19 regular meeting, as presented (A. Ruiz/Francia) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- IV. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** – The group wished each other a happy last GAC meeting.
- V. **PUBLIC OPINION** – None.
- VI. **BUSINESS**

- A. Action Item: Approval of EFAC allocation for \$1,694 for the 'Pre-Nursing Conference' event by the Chico State Nursing Club to be held 9/29/19 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. in the BMU. **Motion to approve EFAC allocation for \$1,694 for the 'Pre-Nursing Conference' event by the Chico State Nursing Club to be held 9/29/19 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. in the BMU, as presented (Francia/Sharma) (Guthrie left the meeting at 8:35 a.m.) 6-0-0 MSC.**
- B. Action Item: Approval of DAC allocation for \$3,075 for the 'Dia De Los Muertos' event by Nu Alpha Kappa and MEChA to be held 11/1/19 from 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. in Trinity Commons. **Motion to approve DAC allocation for \$3,075 for the 'Dia De Los Muertos' event by Nu Alpha Kappa and MEChA to be held 11/1/19 from 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. in Trinity Commons, as presented (Guthrie returned to the meeting at 8:37 a.m.) (A. Ruiz/Akinwande) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- C. Action Item: Approval of the Resolution expressing support of No Harm, Disarm campaign. Geiser gave a brief overview of the resolution that he and T. Ruiz created. Slaughter made some suggestions for changes in the wording. **Motion to approve the revised Resolution expressing support of the No Harm, Disarm campaign (Francia/Guthrie) 7-0-0 MSC.**
- D. Discussion Item: Approval of GAC's stance on the Orange Street homeless shelter – Because everyone wasn't adequately informed about this topic, it was moved from action to discussion. Wallmark shared that the Jesus Center rescinded from this shelter because they have another long-term plan in the works. She also stated that Thursday, May 9 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. in ARTS 112 there will be an open forum regarding the Orange Street shelter.
- E. Information Item: Local Agency Investment Fund and Certificates of Deposit for quarter ending 3/31/19 – Slaughter shared the Activity Fee results for the quarter of January through March.
- F. Information Item: 3/31/19 Activity Fee Fund Capital Expenditure Report – Slaughter shared that Activity Fee starts out with a \$25,000 budget. He said only \$390 has been spent.
- G. Discussion Item: Student Ballot Initiative Climate Change Education – Geiser discussed the ballot initiative that passed during AS Elections and asked how GAC would like to now encourage the University to incorporate climate change education in all fields of study. Sharma suggested that it go to BOD so that it

projects the AS's voice instead of just GAC's. Guthrie reminded everyone it would just be implemented into current classes, not be an additional class. There will be more movement on this in the fall semester.

VII. REPORTS: OFFICERS – Francia: International Festival was great. It couldn't have been done without Krater and the whole DAC team. She checked in with all participants throughout the event and everyone had a great time. Geiser thanked everyone for their hard work with the event. **Guthrie:** His professor invited him onto her radio show this week talking about higher education issues and the AS. **Sharma:** During dead week and finals week, the library is only letting the Chico State community and Butte College students in with a student ID from 8 p.m. – 2 a.m. This weekend is CSSA Sonoma and the new Director of Legislative Affairs, Breanna Holbert, will also be attending. **A. Ruiz:** He gave a speech during the Time Capsule Burial event yesterday and shared that there were a lot of great submissions placed inside. Krater, Stewart and the Alumni office helped out a lot. This year will be the final time capsule opened until 2050.

VIII. REPORTS: STAFF – Wallmark: Student Affairs staff will be tabling next week from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., giving out snacks. **Friedman:** He thanked everyone who showed up to the time capsule burial. The public phase of the Capital Campaign was launched on Saturday. He said it is a 100 million dollar campaign and they are currently at around 75 million dollars. **Krater:** AS Productions has a Nooner event today, and they will be playing Aquaman this Thursday for the last movie on the lawn. This is her last GAC meeting. The Green Events team did a great job at International Festival. She is looking forward to filling some of the vacancies out there.

IX. REPORT: EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT – He and T. Ruiz tabled at the Earth Day Festival, which was held last week. They talked about ways to reduce the use of fossil fuels. International Festival was great. He stated that it has been a pleasure to work with everyone this past year. He learned a lot about himself, the AS, the university, policy, etc. and had an amazing time. He's sad some are leaving but excited to be the new Commissioner of Sustainability Affairs. Francia said she appreciated his enthusiasm throughout the year.

X. OFFICER TRANSITION – Officer Transition was held and the new officers were invited to the table.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS – Alfaro shared that the May Day celebration is today. Santana shared that May is foster care awareness month.

XII. PUBLIC OPINION – Limited to three minutes per speaker, five minutes for entire topic – The gallery welcomed A. Ruiz to the head of the table as the new chair of GAC. Everyone thinks he will do great things.

XIII. FOR THE GOOD OF THE GROUP – Geiser said happy May Day.

XII. ADJOURNMENT – The Chair, Ruiz, adjourned the meeting at 9:23 a.m.