

Call to Order: Cristina Guevara calls the meeting to order at 5:03 pm

Attendance: Sandra Loza (Vice President), Jordan Elzie (Athletics), Noriel Mostajo (At Large), Charisse Narain (Business), Logan Martinez (Student Orgs), Cristina Guevara (Environment), Cymoril Sonico (Science), Bianca Gonzalez (Arts Hum.& SS), Ron Noble (Dean of Students), Andrea Lucero (Residential Life), Maria Marquez (Government Coordinator), Marvin Hooker (Interim SG Advisor), Cesar Rumayor (ASI/USU Executive Director),

Tardy: Nicole Larson (President),

Absent:

Guests: Provost Strong, Suzanne Espinoza, Tiffany, Maggie White, Natalie Dykzeul

Point Totals: Athletics has 1pt, Social Science has 6pts, Residential Life has 6pts, Dean of Students has 6pts, President has 1pt, Vice President has 1pt, Business has 6pts, and Std Club and Orgs has 12pts.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion made by Noriel /seconded by Andrea.
Motion passes 10-0-0 at 5:03pm

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Sandra/seconded by Bianca
Motion passes 10-0-0 at 5:03pm

Open Forum: NONE

Announcements and Presentations:

- a) Academic Advising Task Force- V.P. Espinoza-Passed around the Advising Report to the board and described on how the board got to these decisions. Recap, the President asked for this Task Force to give students and others a chance to weigh in on improvements that can be done on campus. It became very early that students were having difficulty registering for courses and advising was a problem. They did surveys, took in comments from faculty, staff, and students. The committee met with various directors and different key individuals on campus to gather info. They had a focus group to help students identify the concerns on campus. Looked at every report in the last 10 years from surveys of all kinds, noticed a pattern that wasn't addressed in some way in this report. They have had open forums about feedback to find out where they are. The senate has reviewed this report, and tied it in with the student success committee to work together. Provost- the annual summit is important to understand the movement needs to move forward as a complicated issue, since advising is decentralized across all departments (SSS PACE, Honors, ARC, etc.) It is a lack of integration on how we advise and we need to revisit these recommendations on how to access these issues. We have recommended different software that would allow for easier advising on students. There was some conversation about it in Academic

Senate, and there was some talk about having this to provide an early alert system to get to students quickly and help them. There is a call for a Demand Analysis so we can have a set schedule. Provost feels like this would be an effective source and it would free up additional sources. ASI is the last step they receive for the Student Success plan and this document, to go to the President. At this time they are having discussions with PACE and why it is having a strong impact on those students, early alert and the impact they are getting from advisors, getting attention from faculty and making them go above and beyond to stay eligible. They notice that the free printing in PACE is essential to students and that is a worry for some students. We want what is working well for PACE we want to work for all students. The board asked questions regarding the software, and are we just choosing one based on our price range, or a software based on the functionality to get the job done. V.P. Espinoza mentioned that there was 6 different software's they looked at and 2 were beyond out of our price ranges but 100,000 of dollars. But would like to have a software to have an early alert, access to advisors so they are capable to seeing this issue as well. Rigorously evaluated all the software and saw the 50,000 a year was doable for our school. Another board member mentioned something about the transfer students and how they will be notified. Provost pointed out bullet point 6. Cesar asked about bullet point 15 &16 and not mentioning the 2 other colleges. Provost explained that business has their own advising and education has their idea of advising especially with the credential programs and it didn't feel like it needed to be involved. Reasons for taking our time is to change the atmosphere and value advising on this campus. Would like it to be a hallmark on this campus and once we create this ethic we can move on towards these 22 issues.

- b) Student Advocate- Josh Palmer introduced himself as the new student advocate reminding student that Jerrell was the past advocate. He informed the board about what his position does i.e. grade appeals, sexual harassment, academic appeals (denied into a program) and discrimination. He reminded the board that these cases are all confidential and he works closely with the Dean of Students. He was a past board member here for 2 years and is aware of the current atmosphere with CSSA. He also mentioned that Title 9 is going through changes at this time and he will keep us updated with those changes. Office is next to Natalie Dykzeul's stop by and say hello. Please if you have any questions or want to inform students have them head up to his office.
- c) CSSA Report- The past CSSA was held at Cal State Maritime, Noriel did an awesome job as our voting member. Here are some highlights, CSSA voted for a resolution in support as canvasas instituting dream resource centers, discussed priorities for the 2016-2017 budget development, discussed the Student Trustees application process beginning next month, our executive officers have mid-year evaluations, talked about voter registration and voter education, and CSSA promoted their website that promotes voting platforms. They drafted a letter to Congress regarding Safe Campus Act, and CSSA stands against it because it does not adequately protect the rights of survivors on our campuses. They also took a neutral stance on Senator Glazier's Natural Promise Act. This was on the news yesterday and was on the floor as a BILL. Basically, this will be voted on as a 4 year promise if students take 15 units a semester and completely pass all of them and no violations, they won't be charged higher

tuition in the 4 years they have been there. The classes that you have to stay in the next year it would be “free.” CSSA is unsure how this would be possible, this is really ambiguous.

- d) Presidential Search Progress- Going well! They had the open forum last week with about 100-150 attending, had a lot of great comments that the board is taking into consideration, their next step is the resume review on April 21st, she will keep us updated when that happens.
- e) Update on the Student Union Renovation- Natalie mentions that the Union is moving forward with the construction process, and underway. Sitting on a committee for a constructor and architecture working on the financial side of things as well as informing the chancellor. They are having conversations with people because there is no time to waste. The schematic process will be done by Oct. and by Jan. it should be on the agenda for the Chancellor. Thank you all for your help, can't thank you enough for the hard work. Need help with the design process and asked the Board what they would like to do with the allocated space like Diversity, Career Centers or 24 hr study session. Discussions need to be sparked and talked about, so talk to others so we can work with incorporating it into the building. Facilities has the lead on this so sometimes I may not know but ask anyways so we can have thoughts flowing.

Action Items:

- a) ASI Board of Directors Student Success Memo- Recall our last conversation about creating a memo to the Provost about how the students. Carlene, Natalie, Marvin, Nicole, Hailey and Cesar came together to decide what you feel needs to be changed before this is sent to the Provost. We discussed what they Faculty wrote and we agreed with statements 1 and 3, and wrote verbatim what they stated. The other half is from the surveys we got from students. Cristina mentioned that she feels Diversity Center is not essential on the campus because it should be spread on the campus, but Sandra says that this is the start for where people can build their ideas and it would a place for them to stem and then outreach to others. Diversity center would fit the holistic center, and the surveys mentioned a Diversity Center.
 - a. Motion made by Jordan seconded by Sandra
 - b. Motion passes 9-1-0 at 6:00pm

Cristina Guevara Motioned to table the Section B&F.

Motion made by Charisse seconded by Noriel
Motion passes 9-0-1 at 6:01pm

Discussion:

Director Reports:

At Large

- Working on his project for Advising Resolution Recommendations with Ratios from faculty to students.
- OER(Open Educational Resources) committee- with Steven Filling who helped out with getting this Grant for CSUs. Would like to utilize the grant to help students save money with getting textbooks.
- Would like to survey students who have dealt with high textbook costs.
- Would need student representation for their future Ad Hoc committee

Athletics

- Had a meeting with Mike the A.D. about their problem with the gate and the track facilities as their practice field. It's not open because it has a lock combination, and get accused of not being athletes for hoping the fence. Originally they had the gate code in the previous years. The sports team's locker room is located under the bleachers and it is inaccessible for that concern.
- The video for athletes is being done soon, Life of an Athlete
- Working on Spring sport schedules
- Would like the pictures and collages from students to be hung on doors to show this issue is still a big deal
- Jung is someone Jay is in contact with because some teams are not receiving their team photos and students are being called in to make sure they receive those photos.
- Under construction is starting soon, so pictures in the grill will not be happening soon.

Business

- Still working with Business Frat, wants to visit in April and possible want to come in the summer. Cant promise fall because we don't know the requirements for that reason. Cesar mentioned that April might work out great to get a head start.
- Sitting on IRA and wanted to bring the issue forward to the board about a junior faculty member to reach out speakers, she doesn't know if it will reach into IRA and if it would be beneficial.

Residential Life

- Still working on Wifi
- Housing huddle is tomorrow at 7:30 giving out free tv and free food

Student Clubs and Orgs

- Talking to the Greek advisor and getting a lenient fraternity council unlike USFC because their guidelines doesn't seem to be working and seems fragmented. It seems to only suit the needs of the PanHellenic orgs. Wants to talk to Jay about having an athlete rep for each to have them be aware of the games and events happening because attendance at the sporting events are so low.
- Working with CJ and Maria about doing club of the Week to spotlight new clubs and announce what they are about to make sure people are aware of the on campus clubs we have. Also, congratulate them on their success on what they are doing. CJ mentions that they are hoping to post them on a Wednesday, the club or org to receive the benefits as to introducing themselves to the student body.

Arts, Humanities, & Social Science

- Haven't heard a response back from the Art Showcase and is trying to get in contact with them for their event because it would be a necessity for them to be there.

Science

- Elections: Since the President and Vice President are paid Executive positions, this warrants a mandatory "Criminal Background Check" prior to succession on the new ASI Board. ASI applications have been made available since the 15th.
- Enrollment Management: Post-Enrollment Requisite Check (PERC) will be an addition to the current Enrollment software, which will enhance the ability of faculty/advisors to admit/drop students during the window between Fall/Spring semesters. We also discussed considerations for additional sections in bottleneck courses, regarding Areas B1 (Physical Sciences) and B2 (Biological Sciences).
- UBAC: Making preparations for an open forum to be held next month
- College: Science Day was a success, albeit there was less attendance this year. However, they received "thank you" cards, which was a first. As for special guests (i.e., State reps), he admits that he does not know if they were there, as he was preoccupied with his own exhibit; but next month, he will be meeting with Tim Lynch, who is the Associate V.P. of Communications and Public Affairs.

His thoughts on *USU Space* and *Student Life*:

Diversity/24-hour Study/Career Center: Although he understands that it will be up to the students' choice, he believes that the students would benefit more from having a Career Center, once the new Student Union is complete. For example, he spoke about how a particular college received an internship opportunity meant for pre-med students, but the College of Science wasn't notified. As a result, news of the opportunity was past the application deadline. Therefore, as a centralized resource, job offers and internship opportunities that are normally filtered to corresponding depts. and colleges, will be made available to all students. Additionally, this will allow advisors to redirect students to the facility, instead of seeming unable to offer any helpful recommendations.

Student Life: Although the school is known as a "commuter campus", we should consider implementing other programs that don't have to be focused on schoolwork or existing clubs/orgs. These "weekend courses" are designed to use the facilities available on campus, be of little cost to students (e.g., a nominal fee for materials), and any hobby can be taught by a student or faculty member (generally on a volunteer-basis). Potential activities: community garden in unused lots, bike maintenance, ceramics in the Fine Arts workshops, etc.

Environment

- Feels that in Rules Committee Ron's absences should not be held against him because he does not need to attend outside activities.
- March 4, presenting on Sustainability conference, please come!

Dean of Students

- Infectious Disease Response team= travel advisory, with mosquitos there is no vaccine or cure
- Walk a mile in her shoes, April 16th
- Looking for commencement speakers 3
- Housing band hoverboards and some students received emails, it seems like the campus has band the hover boards entirely.
- Wants to discuss next meeting about the reception for the President and what should us as student leaders do
- Pending faculty strike and it is something we will discuss with Nicole.

Executive Reports:

President

- Transit: : Once we get the draft concept routes the city engineering firm sends us over to then we will create a survey to send out to students. The purpose will be to gauge student want as to which routes would be most beneficial. At that point we will meet with key state holders in this matter such as Housing & Residential Life, community businesses, etc to see if we can fund a discounted bus pass for students. As of now we are still in a preliminary stage.
Early Reg.- We are making a video “A Day in the Life of a Student-Athlete” to shine light on the hardships student athletes endure to stay academically eligible, healthy, and at the competitive caliber our athletes stand for. We will send this video out before it is voted on at Academic Senate. In the same efforts, we need a lot of help reaching out to professor and departments and asking if we can post the “we support students athletes” collage out side their doors.
PACE- the PACE working group began meeting his past Friday and will continue every Friday until we have constructed a transitional plan.
Strike: As the strike dates are upon us. I plan to allow our board to examine this issue from all angles to ensure our decision to side or to stay neutral is very thoughtful.

Vice President

- March 1st Board meeting will be held at Stockton center, there is an event happening 3-5pm meeting is from 6pm-7pm.
- Met with Dean of Stockton he is pushing for student life, and activities
- Presidential search- great Job Logan for speaking
- Union is moving forward and we are excited
- Please check your emails for committees and if there is conflict
- WASC committee-accreditation in 2019 looking forward to meetings.
- UEPC is looking to address the classroom space for students and creating a policy to address that
- VP Espinoza filled what is now 6 psychological counselors as full time
- SFAC March 4 please make it
- Health center is having events: “know your status” offering a package deal
- Condom Art 11-1pm in the Quad
- May 6th ASI/USU unite
- May 20th Awards dinner

- May 25 passing of the gavel

Other Reports:

Student Government Advisor

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Executive Director

- Voting BOD members need student ID number and signature to check eligibility
- Private event for the President and will getting invitations via mail, so please fill that information in BOD members only
- Homecoming was a success so if you see a Code Red member say great job. Applauding Lyzz and Jocelyn and what the future of homecoming may look like.
- Congrats Logan on the win!
- Collected over 4,000 food cans at the community event! 500 cans in the previous years. Best we have done in a long time
- Some of the candidates and ASI we did give a donation of 3,000 dollars to make a wish foundation.

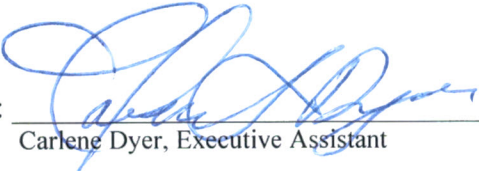
Closing Comments:

- Marvin- please make sure you attend the CHESS training so you are aware of the lobbying happening
- Maria- please try and make the Stockton even at 3pm next Tuesday
- Jay- track meet next Saturday March 5th
- Cesar: ASI does a well job supporting these events on the Budget committee so if you see them putting on events, please stop by and buy from their events.

Adjournment:

Noble motions to adjourn, seconded by Sandra. Cristina adjourns the meeting at 6:53pm.

Minutes approved by:  Date: 3/1/16
Cristina Guevara, Secretary

Minutes prepared by:  Date: 3/1/16
Carlene Dyer, Executive Assistant