

**Call to Order:** Nicole Larson calls the meeting to order at 5:04 pm

**Attendance:** Nicole Larson (President), Sandra Loza (Vice President), Noriel Mostajo (At Large), Logan Martinez (Student Orgs), Cristina Guevara (Environment), Cymoril Sonico (Science), Bianca Gonzalez (Arts Hum.& SS), Ron Noble (Dean of Students), Cesar Rumayor (ASI/USU Executive Director), Maria Marquez (Government Coordinator), Andrea Lucero (Residential Life),

**Tardy:** Charisse Narain (Business, 5:25pm)

**Absent:**, Marvin Hooker (Interim SG Advisor), Jordan Elzie (Athletics),

**Guests:** Raina Chelise (SQE), Araceli Hernandez (SQE), Jennifer Strangfield (Sociology Faculty),  
Maggie White (Governmental Relations)

**Point Totals:** Athletics 2 pts, Clubs and Orgs 8pts 3 pending, Business 6pts,

**Approval of Agenda:**

Motion made by Noriel /seconded by Cristina  
Motion passes 8-0-0 at 5:06pm

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion made by Bianca /seconded by Andrea  
Motion passes 9-0-0 at 5:04pm

**Open Forum: NONE**

**Announcements and Presentations:**

- a) Student Perspective of CFA Strike- Fight for Five has started because faculty and staff has asked Chancellor White for the 5% increase and they are guaranteed the 2% increase. A faculty member from the head department of sociology also spoke on behalf of the faculty strike. She mentioned the step increase and they do have caps over time, but with the absence of the step increase, there is no step increase therefore their salaries remain the same. She feels that the University has to have a competitive offer and someone new is making more money than someone who would have more experience and years. This 5% flux and the increase would benefit those who have not received a step increase. Some of the local schools have just settled on a 6% increase and that salary is higher than ours. Raina does mention that the 7 million was budgeted for the CSU system that can be drawn from, and so it potentially could be distributed to our faculty. The 7 million is not redistributed after it is gone. The faculty member present in the room would like to remind the board the neutrality is not a stance because in this case students should be making a choice. Araceli would also like to share a story about her favorite faculty member who shared his background of paying off loans for several years and he doesn't have the ability to teach the classes he wants to help him pay off the loans because of this teaching cap. Raina also shared about a professor who had a hard time with her mother moving back into home because she couldn't afford elderly care and she would also be able to watch her kids because a

babysitter is not cheap either. Nicole thanked the group for being present and sharing their thoughts and opinions about the strike and what is to come. Nicole did clarify the background story about her being quoted in the Signal and the misunderstanding the author made in the article.

**Action Items:**

**Discussion:**

- a) Student Engagement- Cesar would like to speak to this in the past conversations that we have had. This conversation has come from Logan as well, and has been discussed with our full time staff as well. This should be a time to talk about student engagement and what else we could be doing, he has challenged the staff to talk to others about what more they should be doing to get students involved, increase student engagement, and make sure our student leaders are asking other students. Cristy: thinks that marketing is hard but Maria does a great job getting a crowd of students who are being able to interact with the boards. She could go on about the programs offered here and there is already places for people to fit in, "if you look, you will find." Noriel: shared a perspective between one other student that Stanislaus will never be a "college town" because food is the only incentive that gets people to get here. We also have to take in the demographics of this campus that we are filled with students who stretch the ages and are not necessarily young. Andrea: agrees with Noriel because most of her friends are commuters and that Maria is doing a great job. Logan; he put together something after speaking to the Provost and the surveys that were given to students which created 2 groups; those who were involved and those who weren't. This is taken on other campuses and he was looking into what we are doing and we should learn more about our students. We need to target the commuters, having events that target commuters and let them know the opportunities on campus, keep them informed once we have their attention. He was also searching other campuses who have this problem as well, they actually have commuter programs that help them get involved, they sometimes even have a ASI board position for commuter students and would be used as a resource for those specific students. CJ: she believes it starts with a first impression beginning with NSO and those students who want to get involved, will get involved. Just because you don't live anywhere near campus you still have the opportunity to come on campus and make a change. Ron: actually worked on the SSE surveys that was handed out to students and asking them what they engage in (library, halls, eating). What level of students are you trying to involve. I think we need to define that "level" we are trying to reach and I feel that you are trying to reach a bunch and you need to clarify. Logan: disagrees with Cristina because it only takes one person to influence you to give you that vision and that is how he got involved with fraternities and he feels like we should start collecting data so we can get an idea of what is being used on campus. Cesar: it hits home for him when he hears "I wish I would have gotten involved sooner" that is unacceptable to him. I think we


need to join more, and connect with staff and faculty to be out there and have connections.

**Closing Comments:**

- Noriel: next meeting are we going to finalize our decision on the strike? Nicole mentions that is totally up to the board's decision that we need to be completed
- Nicole: make sure you check your emails if one is drafted then so you can look over it and make last minute changes.
- Ron mentions that in this resolution we don't have to mention the strike at all we can mention full support of faculty instead.
- Logan doesn't feel like he has enough information to make a decision on what he wants to do.
- Nicole decided that everyone will come up here after the mayors event at 5:45-6pm to make a resolution.
- Next meeting will be after Spring Break. Cesar wants everyone to pick a stance for when we come back to the meeting.

**Adjournment:**

Noble motions to adjourn, seconded by CJ. Nicole adjourns the meeting at 6:10pm.

Minutes approved by:  Date: 4-7-16  
Nicole Larson, President

Minutes prepared by:  Date: 4-7-16  
Carlene Dyer, Executive Assistant