

Call to Order: Nicole Larson calls the meeting to order at 5:01pm

Attendance: Nicole Larson (ASI President), Carlene Dyer (Vice President), Ron Noble (Dean of Students), Cesar Rumayor (ASI/USU Executive Director), Brandon Demers (At Large/Secretary), Marvin Hooker (Student Government Advisor), Michelle Nungaray (ASI Executive Assistant), Mishaye Venerable (Athletics), Jimmye Absood (College of Education, Kinesiology and Social Work), Tiffany Spaulding (College of Science), Andrea Lucero (Student Organizations), Juan Vasquez (Graduate Students), Joseph Frenandes (Business), Annmary Macias (College of Arts, Humanities and Social Science)

Tardy: Brenda Pedraza (Diversity, 5:04)

Absent:

Guests: Vice President Espinoza

Point Totals: Arts, Humanities and Social Science 1 Pt Pending, and 3 Pts Pending for Graduate Students

Approval of Agenda:

Nicole moved to amend the agenda to remove University Food Pantry from the discussion items and add Stan State Gets Me There Question's.
Motion to amend made by Nicole. Chair never received a second.
Motion passes 11-0-0 at 5:02pm

Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Tiffany/seconded by Jimmy
Motion passes 11-0-0 at 5:03pm

Open Forum: NONE

Announcements and Presentations:

- a) Sandra Loza informs the board about Measure L. She passes around an informational sheet regarding Measure L, which will be on the ballot if you are registered to vote in Stanislaus County. Measure L is a half a cent sales tax, so for every \$10 you spend you will be tax 5 cents. All of this money is going to go towards fixing the roads in Stanislaus County. As of right now Sandra mentions we are paying 27 cents into the gas taxes, and they are only seeing 6 cents of that because Southern California is getting all the money, because it is based on population. This tax will create revenue and will make us eligible for billions of dollars that are currently available to the other 19 Counties in California. The money has been divided based on population, and mentions as of now there is not a lot of money to fix our roads. Sandra mentions there plans are to build sidewalks, and improve our transportation systems. She mentions that 28% of money will go towards regional projects, 7% will go to the Senior

Citizens point system, but 50% of the money will go to fixing the local roads. To pass this act it does require a 2/3 of a yes vote. Sandra mentions that they are trying to be very transparent in the way they are using the money raised from this tax. She informs the board that it is a sales tax, so it will not be in our income. She shows the board a plan on what they will have in 5 years with and without Measure L. If Measure L passes they will not be building new roads, but they are taking what we have and are improving and making it functional for our citizens. Sandra mentions if this does pass they will start with the low income areas first and build sidewalks, because one of their main priority is for students who are walking to school to have a designated walking spot. She passes a form to the board members who are interested in Measure L.

Action Items: NONE

Discussion:

- a) Nicole updates the board about Great Team & Graduation Initiative Update. She mentions that she sent out an email to the board members about what the Graduation Rate Excellent and Assessment Team charge is going to be. Nicole informs the board that she is part of the Steering Committee and some of these committees some board members are interested in sitting on. She notes once again to the board that once they go into these committees they are going to be talking a lot about the one million dollars to shorten the 4 year graduation gap. Nicole mentions that the point of the Steering Committee is to insure that this money is being spend adequately, and in a timely fashion manner. As of right now the Steering Committee has meet to finalize the charged that she has sent out to the board members, and have identify the outcomes. At this moment they are figuring out how to create the charges for the Sub Committees. Nicole lets the board members know that they will be receiving emails soon and to keep a look out for those. Also, she wants to set this time about anyone who has any questions about this issue. Joseph mentions that he has brought up this information up to Dr. Lindsey and what he got out of this for the 4 year graduation rate was that they will be contacting the students who should've already graduated and will be asking them if they can possible take summer classes, because if they finish in the summer they still get considered of the graduation rate for this academic year. Joseph mentions that this is what he heard they will be doing. Nicole confirms what Joseph is saying is true, and they will also be seeing if the money should go towards summer courses or if they can fund the money to winter courses. She mentions that they will also be looking into advising for students. Nicole mentions that the short term plan to use this money adequately is to insure that we can get a long term funding in the future. Vice President Espinoza mentions that the main questions is if students are not getting their prerequisites, if their truly is not room in the courses, or the course that is offered is conflicting with another course. Espinoza mentions if this something that can be solved. Nicole mentions that there is a huge concern if it even possible for students to graduate in 4 years, because students don't even want to because of the work load they have. She mentions that we will have students who ae going to say that maybe they can graduate, but they can't afford it, don't have the time, and they work. Nicole mentions that the

graduation rate will go up if we allow students the opportunity and to choose to graduate in 4 years.

- b) Nicole presents the Stan State Gets Me There Questions to the board. She mentions Marge Jasma Stan State Gets Me There Questions are for an open forum style questionnaire open dialogue with incoming freshmen. From her understanding these freshmen are identified as students who would need this extra push in connection to the university, who aren't involve, and are struggling. She mentions that Marge Jasma has reach out to her, and asked her to have the board overlook the questions that she has drafted and see if anything should be reworded differently. Question Q4A the board members agreed that it was to wordy and it consisted of to many questions in one question, and the instead of having "opportunity or request" it should change to "demand." Marvin mentions that there is a lot of open ended questions and it can lead to many different conversations. Vice President Espinosa mentions that whoever wrote this needs to make it clear what they are trying to get out of this, and ask more direct questions. Nicole mentions that this is happening next Wednesday @12pm, and she will work on these questions and will keep everyone in touch. If anyone is interested she encourages them to come to the event.
- c) IRA Committee is a committee that has been chaired in the pass by the ASI President and is composed of 3 faculty members, an administrator, and 4 students. It falls under the executive order of 1022, which hands categories of 2, 3, 4 fees. The IRA fee is a 2 category fee, which is a fee that we all pay when we enroll into campus. The business IRA handles is proposals sent in by departments on campus, and they go through all of these proposals saying yes it should be funded. Nicole mentions that the one thing we have to remember is that this is a onetime funding, and as of right now the construction of IRA is put on hold. It is put on hold, because there are some questioning of the previous guidelines as if they are incompilance with the executive order of the CSU System. She also mentions that they do not have enough students attending these committees based on this. Nicole notes that there are also some pending items, such as the funding of the SRL Retreat and Athletics Travel because of the IRA allocations. Nicole mentions that she just wanted to keep us update, and she will be keeping us in the loop.
- d) Ron ask the board if they are aware of what the current University Campus Controversy, and if everyone is aware of the posters and fliers that are circling around our campus of one of our students. Ron mentions that he does not have a copy of a flier that he can show to the board. Ron mentions that little over a week ago some fliers appeared on campus that claims that one of our current students is a member of a White Supremacy Organization. The flier named the student, had two pictures of him, his address, background information. He notes that the issues is they don't know who has been distributing these fliers, but they have been going on for a while already. Ron mentions that the University got together to discuss this issue, and if it was appropriate to collect these fliers. The issues is also that this student is not active to this campus, and it seemed like whoever is distributing these fliers was outing this student and was

cause for concern. This issue has led students and parents to call the University and ask if the students are safe, complaining about the student on the flier, and what we are doing about it. Ron mentions that he meet with this student a week ago, and the student on the flier does not deny that the information on the flier is wrong. The student does organize groups that talk about issues of politics that are described in the flier. It is well known that the student and members of his organization have visited other campuses, so the question now becomes if our own students are safe. Ron mentions that the student's name is Nathan, and the letter campaign is very organized in outing Nathan and talking about his activities. The President's Post Master talks about how the University protects free speech, and we are an open University and our concern of our safety. He mentions that no one is at risk on this campus, because Nathan has not done anything. Vice President Espinoza mentions that this is a great opportunity for us to think about free speech, because our University has not been challenged yet. Also, it is set to a really high bar until we can determine when we are able to limit speech and if we have the authorization to take something down. She mentions that this is an opportunity for us to realize that we have to be willing and tolerant of voices we don't agree with as student leaders. Juan mentions that he has seen Nathan's own fliers posted around, and that most of the information about him is true. Ron mentions that the posting policy is something they are trying to follow. Cesar notes if he does follow the posting policy Nathan technically has the right to post fliers. Vice President Espinoza mentions that if anyone sees anything that should be questioned we need to bring it forward, because the last thing we all want is for our University to be on the newspaper saying we limited someone's free speech. Mishaye mentions if Nathan does decide to post on campus wouldn't it look like the University is supporting him, and that is the last thing we want. Vice President Espinoza mentions we can't limit someone's free speech, and if he meets the posting policy we have to learn how to tolerate it, because hate speech is protected speech. Ron mentions if we allow Nathan to post fliers it would not mean the University is supporting one person's politics, because we have had in the past people coming in every year giving speeches that do offend students greatly. Annmary mentions if discussion is to keep us informed or if there is something they want us to do. Ron mentions that as student leaders we might be approached by other students asking us how are we handling it, why is this an issue, why are we allowing this person to be here, and if we support it. Ron mentions that what he wants to give the board is the best information about this issue just in case someone does approach you. Nicole mentions she put this into the agenda, because she has been approached herself. She mentions as a board and student leaders there is a lot of weight on your titles and you need to be very cautious how you address this matter. Mishaye mentions that she has gotten approached a lot about this issue, but it is more leaning towards her being the President of the Black Student Union. She mentions they look at her organization to do something about this issue, and she doesn't know how to handle it between her being the President of the Black Student Union and a Board Member/ Student Leader. She mentions she does not know where to go from here and how can she be respecting her title on both sides. Ron mentions that his suggestion for the

student leaders is if they are approached to not get personal about it, and if they need help just address the students to him directly or University Police Department. Mishaye mentions that she has looked through Nathan's tweets and there was one where he mentioned Ron. She mentions that from the tweet it sounds like the University is supporting it. Ron mentions he is a really clever person and using the publicity to his advantage. Nicole mentions that what she is noticing is that by our body language what Nathan is conveying not a lot of us in the room agree. She mentions that as student leaders we need to put aside our feelings, because what he is doing is not illegal, but what comes out of his mouth is what most people don't agree with. Finally, Ron mentions again if we are approached and do not feel comfortable please free to direct them to him, the University Police, or someone else especially if they are concern for their safety. Nicole just wants to get all the facts out and where the University is coming from, and as leaders she wants us to have as much information about this issue because she does not see this going away anytime soon.

Director Reports:

At Large:

- Brandon is still meeting with Arlene Burgess about the Career Fair, and is gathering more information on how he can help. He will approach some of the board members to see if we want to help as well.

Athletics:

- Mishaye could not make any of the SACC Meetings. However she has contacted Morgan Roots, and asked for the minutes for both of the meetings.

Business:

- Yesterday Joseph had his Store Renovation Group Meeting. The book store will be hiring a lot more students, and they had a huge jump on online sales. The issues Books Store had was the adaptations. Also, the Book Store will do price check, but there is some limitations.
- He has a SUB Committee tomorrow
- Is trying to meet up with his department chair for bottle net course, and is trying to sit on this committee.

Diversity:

- Has an upcoming committee coming up next week
- She has partner up with a group who can help students apply to Cal Fresh, and will be out in the quad for student to sign up.

Graduate Students:

- Juan gives the board an update that the student who need a new classroom did receive one.
- He mentions the next Graduate Console meeting is this Thursday.

Student Clubs & Orgs:

- Andrea mentions that she finally has her first committee meeting this Friday, and it is the Campus Safety Committee and will be looking forward to it.

- Next week she has the Technology Learning Sub Committee
- Is still waiting to hear from SLD

Arts, Humanities, & Social Sciences:

- Annymary has been in contact with Dr. James Tuedio (Dean of the College of Art, Humanities, & Social Sciences) and will meet with him tomorrow.

Science:

- Tiffany mentions that UEPC is working on a design to bring active learning classrooms to our campus.
- She mentions that WASP has identified all the different parties.
- She mentions that Shanna and she will be giving a presentation to us soon.

Education, Kinesiology, & Social Work:

- None of his committees have meet
- He spoke with his Dean and the Dean was under the impression that we had the best advising, and was surprise and is on board to help Jimmye.

Dean of Students:

- Ron reminds the board to RSVP for the President Junn's Reception for ASI and USU next Monday at her house @5pm.

Executive Reports:

President:

- Nicole informs the board that active learning is soft/hardware, and it's basically trying to get classrooms to the 21st century.
- She mentions if we are free to please come and join Stan State Gets Me There.
- Adam (Board of Trustees CSU Vice Chair) will be visiting our campus @12 on Wednesday October 26th, and wants to have lunch with the board in the Student Union.
- She mentions that Brandon and she are still working on reaching out to Clubs and Orgs.
- Nicole mentions they will be starting up the Marking Team for the Stan Transit next Fall.

Vice President:

- Annmary, Andrea, and she have attended CSSA this past weekend and finalized a definition of Shared Governance. Which now is "The right to consistence collaboration among students, faculty, staff, and admen and any decision making that impacts the campus and its community."
- Carlene mentions that there is a meeting on the November 4th that will address real food services on campuses in Sac State.
- Stan State got a shout out for the phone banking from the mayor Soiseth.
- Presidential Debate is tomorrow @6pm at the Carol Burke Lounge
- Budget Committee will be meeting on Friday @1:30pm
- Pizza with the Presidents is on Friday @12-1pm at the Carol Burke Lounge
- Organizational Training is this Saturday at @10am-4pm

Other Reports:

Student Government Advisor:

- October 25th is the candidate open forum
- October 24th is the last day to vote
- Marvin mentions they have been working on an event in collaboration with the vista department.
- They will be hosting a watch party downtown at Hauck's Grill the day of elections November 8th. Free transportation will be provided, and there will be free food provided as well.

Executive Director:


- Cesar mentions the on Saturday it will be 3hrs of training topics, lunch, and some team building, and we have 96 members in our organization.
- He mentions we are 2 or 3 weeks away from finalizing homecoming week, are working on the artist, and we did get Warrior Arena.
- Applications for King and Queen Court are coming out in a week or two.
To please support Nicole on Friday at Pizza with the President and don't wear your polo if you go.


Closing Comments:

-Mishaye mentions to the board that she will be acting in the play Balm in Gilead, and everyone should go see it because it is awesome. On October 20-23 Mainstage Theatre @8pm, but Sunday's are at 6.

Adjournment:

Noble motions to adjourn, seconded by Venerable. Larson adjourns the meeting at 7:02pm.

Minutes approved by:  Date: 11-2-16
Nicole Larson, President

Minutes prepared by:  Date: 11-2-16
Michelle Nungaray, Executive Assistant