



Associated Students, Inc.
California Polytechnic State University
UNIVERSITY UNION ADVISORY BOARD

Tuesday, January 29, 2008
3:00 p.m. UU 219

MEETING NOTES

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Nicole Stromsness
Matt Raymond
Matt Teresi
Lorin Torbitt – left at 4:03 p.m.
Amy Baker
Aria Niazi
Kim Gannon
Scott Bloom

UUAB Chair
UUAB Vice Chair / CAFES
College of Engineering
College of Architecture & Env'l Design
College of Science and Math
Board of Directors Representative
Cal Poly Alumni Relations
University President's Representative

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

Amanda Laz
Brad Huges
Brad Hulbert
Brian Gordon Kennelly

College of Liberal Arts
College of Business
ASI President's Designee
Faculty Representative

NON-VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rick Johnson – left at 4 p.m.
Dwayne Brummett

ASI Executive Director
ASI Executive Director's Representative

NON-VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

Denise Gibbons

Budget & Analytical Budget Services

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ron Skamfer
Greg Avakian
Rachel Glas
Scott Wright – left at 4 p.m.
Aaron Williams – left at 4 p.m.
Tom Reay – left at 4 p.m.
Joel Neel – left at 4 p.m.
Barbara Murphy – arrived at 3:45; left at 4 p.m.
Tracy Watson

ASI Associate Director
ASI Coordinator – Aquatics & Intramurals
Mustang Daily
Oasis Associates, Inc.
Omni Design Group
Omni Design Group
Cal Poly Facilities
Cal Poly Corporation
ASI

1. Approval of Minutes:

Scott requested a clarification to the minutes regarding the Red Hand Print Memorial report by Dr. Morton. It should be clear that the location of the of the memorial in the UU Plaza has not yet been determined and that UUAB will work with Omni Design to find a suitable location as part of the UU Plaza renovation. The minutes were approved as modified by hand vote.

2. Chair's Report (Nicole Stromsness)

Omni Design Presentation: Nicole passed out an historical timeline of the UU Plaza renovation project. Rick added that this started as a class project. The project will come back before UUAB in about a month for formal input. The presentation today by Omni Design is informational only and gives the members the chance to ask questions.

Tom Reay from Omni Design gave a visual presentation of the renovation project. The entire site will be wheelchair accessible, including the stage. There will be a water/sculpture feature, the medium for which has not been decided. The walls around the planted area and by the sidewalk will be seat height. There will also be the

addition of grassy areas.

Scott Wright from Oasis Associates gave an overview of the landscaping. The exact species of the plants has not been decided. Oasis is working with the Campus Landscaping Advisory Committee on the details. Joel pointed out that the large ficus tree by The Avenue may be removed. Concern was raised about student reaction to removing the tree. It was explained that, in addition to being a very "dirty" tree, the ficus would not be the same age as the other 12 to 15 trees that will be added and would dwarf them until they mature. The ficus is about 45 years old and too large to be replanted. Nicole feels that students need to give their input prior to removal of the tree.

Discussion was held about the water/sculpture feature that will be located in the plaza. The Landscaping Advisory Committee suggests that it be moved closer to the planter area so it would not be in the middle. Matt T. stated that he liked the feature where it appears in the current plan. Nicole pointed out that the feature will probably not be a "water" feature due to the maintenance and the tendency of students to add bubbles and other possible vandalism.

The question was raised as to possible locations for the Red Hand Print Memorial. Tom pointed out several possibilities.

Concern was raised that, since the stage will be level with the sidewalk along Perimeter, it might pose a hazard if students stop to watch and they get in the street. Rick pointed out that eventually Perimeter will be closed to traffic. In the meantime, Tom said that some sort of screen could be developed.

The question was raised about the location of the current flagpole in the renovation plan. Rick stated that it was only added to the Plaza in the last several years. If UUAB decides that they would like to retain it, it will be easy to add to the plan.

Starbucks: Nicole told the members that it had been the plan to have UUAB the first to be informed about Starbucks coming to the UU. Unfortunately, circumstances led to the information being announced early. Nicole let the members know that Starbucks coming to campus is the result of the student input to UUAB and their recommendations.

Winter Kickoff: Nicole announced that everyone needs to bring a sleeping bag, even though they will have cabins. Meals will be provided. This will be a bonding experience with break-out sessions and planning for the upcoming quarter. She reminded the members that no alcohol is allowed.

Policy Changes: Nicole stated that there are conflicts in the UUAB Operating Code and that the timeline for the election of the UUAB Chair is being changed to before the Board selects its Chair. Carl Payne has been working on these changes and needs someone to assist him as he is not on campus at this time. Matt Teresi volunteered to assist Carl.

Nicole announced that Amanda Laz is going to Africa, so a replacement representative is needed from the College of Liberal Arts. Since it is so far into the year, Nicole hopes that the replacement can be someone with previous knowledge of ASI. Ads for the position will be coming out soon.

Volunteers are needed for outreach for the Rec Center expansion to hang posters and answer questions at upcoming events.

3. **Executive Director's Representative Report (Dwayne Brummett)**

Dwayne passed out the University Union/Recreation Center Five Year Preventative Maintenance Forecast and asked for endorsement to move forward with the 2008-09 projects. The years 2009-10 through 2012-13 are merely placeholders for upcoming projects.

Matt Raymond moved, and Matt Teresi seconded a motion to endorse the projects. The motion passed, hand vote.

4. **UU Staff Representative Update/Discussion (Daren Connor)**

Daren was absent. His written report was attached to the agenda in advance of the meeting.

Perez Hilton event on January 24 was attended by over 800 students.

Concerts in the Plaza band "Shot the Moon" performed in BackStage Pizza because of rain during UU Hour.

5. **Rec Center Staff Representative Update/Discussion (Greg Avakian)**

Greg handed out his report:

ASI/Big West Basketball Shoot Out – 2/6

IM Football Tournament – 2/10

440+ Exercise passes have been sold

Muay Thai Kick Box has 27 participants

Additional Hip Hop class added on T & R

Rec Center gate access is averaging 1750 per day

216 memberships sold in the past 3 weeks

Student Manager – Front Line Services position has been posted until 2/18

New Rec Center gutters seem to be working well after the rains

Pool heaters had some diagnostic work done on them last week and are working much more efficiently

Greg gave details about the ASI / Big West Basketball Shootout on February 6.

6. **Facilities Staff Representative Update/Discussion (Ron Skamfer)**

Ron submitted his written report with the agenda in advance of the meeting.

Chumash Auditorium has been the site of four days worth of job fairs in the past two weeks. Winter 2008 Career Fair (two days), Ag Showcase (1 day), and Society of Civil Engineers (1 day).

ASI AV Department supported the Perez Hilton entertainment show on January 25th. ASI provided lighting support, projected wall logos, and audio support.

Sports Complex is shut down (no practices or competitions) due to rain saturation of the turf.

University Union has been experiencing some problems with temperature. Problems mostly related to the age of HVAC equipment in a 40 year old facility, extremely cold outside temperatures, and a building that is not sealed/insulated well.

The Recreation Center Pool Boilers were inspected by the manufacturer (Raypak) last week for preventative maintenance issues. Boilers were tuned and prepared for upcoming emissions testing.

All Emergency phones in the Recreation Center were inspected, and two phones were repaired for minor damage.

IFC Rush begins in the UU Plaza January 27-February 2. 18 Fraternity and Sorority booths will inhabit the UU Plaza.

Veritas Forum (Campus Crusade for Christ event) will move into Chumash Auditorium and the UU Plaza on February 3-February 8.

Focus the Nation (Sustainability Conference) in Chumash Auditorium January 28 and January 31.

Additionally, Ron reported that the Sports Complex is currently closed due to the impact of the recent rains. He stated that the artificial turf that will be one of the projects if the referendum passes would allow the complex to be used, even when wet. Ron also informed the members that ASI staff are in the process of sealing the Vern Swansen mural, and it should be hung in about a month.

7. **Discussion Items**

Projects:

Marquees: Matt Teresi gave a PowerPoint presentation on what he has researched about the possibilities of replacing the current marquees. He is working with Daktronics to identify options and associated costs. The plan has been to see if it is possible to keep the current framework and just replace the screens. The screen that they have been discussing will show graphics and short videos in addition to messaging. It is estimated that the cost to replace all three screens, front and back, would be about \$19,000. There would also be associated software costs. It would cost \$3,000 just to get someone to come out and look at the current marquees which are failing and do not have the resolution or versatility of the new screens.

Ron suggested that University Network also be looked at as another option. Aria recommended installing one big screen only in the UU Plaza on a wall – one side would be half the price. Matt T. suggested getting more student input on how many, what type, etc. and to find out if students are even interested in marquees. Matt R. researched current usage of the marquees. Very few clubs utilize them, but it is not well-known that they are available. Aria suggested adding the option to change to TV when not in use for Cal Poly games, etc. Matt R thought it should be for information purposes, not entertainment. Dwayne reminded the group that there would be additional manpower required for graphics, videos, etc.

University Network has been discussed in the past. It was discouraged as it has too much advertising. Aria will look into what University Network offers and report back.

Poly Canyon will have a single-color marquee. Scott thought it wasn't feasible to have something more for pedestrian traffic. Daktronics is the most widely used company for marquees by schools. Housing will maintain their marquee.

Facebook: Joe V and Brad Huge are working on creating a proposal to develop a facebook business page. It will be down on a small scale basis, limited only to ASI student government and will be maintained by SG members. At the end of two quarters the project will be evaluated to see if it is worth expanding.

8. Announcements

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.