

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

#22-06 Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2022, 2:10 p.m.

Meeting ID# 896 2469 6438

Voting Members Present:

Alena Robinson, Chair of the University Union Advisory Board
Nicolas Wai, Vice-Chair of the University Union Advisory Board
Annika McGraw, College of Liberal Arts
Sophie Hannah, College of Science and Mathematics
Nishita Katere, Orfalea College of Business (Recognized at 2:15)
Natalie Lai, College of Architecture and Environmental Design
Jacob Schlottmann-McGonigle, ASI Board of Directors Designee
Chris Raynes, ASI President's Designee (Recognized at 2:27)
James Francucci, College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Voting Members Absent:

Kaelan Sobouti, Alumni Representative
Anthony Palazzo, University President's Representative Designee
Vacant, Faculty Representative

Non-Voting Members Present:

Rick Craig, Director - Recreational Sports
Robyn Wallman, Interim Director - University Union, UUAB Advisor, Interim Executive Director Designee
Ron Skamfer, Director - Facilities Management
Daren Connor, Assistant Director - University Union Facility Operations
Pat Rosemas, Administration and Finance Designee

Non-Voting Members Absent:

None

Guests:

Andrea Burns, Associate Executive Director, Cal Poly Corporation
Lizzie Romero-Prokopiev, ASI Administrative Assistant

I. Call to Order

- A. Meeting #22-06 called to order at 2:12 p.m.
- B. *We acknowledge that the land on which Cal Poly sits carries the heritage and culture of the Indigenous People of San Luis Obispo County, the yak tit'u tit'u yak tithini, Northern Chumash tribe. We honor the Indigenous People's connection to these territories and respect the land on which we gather today.*

II. Flag Salute

- A. Alena stated that a flag salute was not practical in virtual meetings.

III. Letters & Roll Call

- A. No letters were received.
- B. Roll call was taken, and quorum was met.

IV. Open Forum

- A. None.

V. Approval of Minutes

- A. **Motion #1 (McGraw/Hannah) “Move to approve the UUAB meeting minutes #22-05 from January 27, 2022.”**
 1. **Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote.**

VI. Reports

- A. Chair Report – Alena Robinson
 1. Alena wished members well with midterms and stated that Andrea Burns will join the meeting at 2:30pm to discuss Chick-Fil-A.
- B. Interim Executive Directors’ Report – Michelle Crawford & Robyn Wallman
 1. Robyn yielded the floor to Ron Skamfer.
 2. Project Updates
 - a) Fire Sprinklers in the University Union
 - The main lounge, tv lounge, Chandler Lounge, and the area through to the front of conference room UU220 are currently under construction.
 - Plastic sheeting tunnels will be built, and full containment will be done on Tuesday.
 - The HVAC system including air-conditioning will be turned off during this project.
 - The Chumash Auditorium fire sprinkler installation is in progress.
 - Fire sprinkler installation in the bookstore will start soon. Ron stated that the bookstore currently has a hard ceiling, but it will be replaced with a ‘T-Bar’ ceiling after the fire sprinklers are installed which will allow for easier access for inspections, repair, and maintenance.
 - b) Sports Turf Field
 - On Feb 24, ASI expects to have a full ‘menu’ of costs. Expected cost of the project is between \$5M and \$5.5M.
 - The infrastructure for the scoreboards is being installed now, however, ASI may have to procure scoreboards later.
 - Field lining for Soccer and Flag Football have been approved. Ron is waiting for Men’s and Women’s Lacrosse, and Field Hockey to be approved.
 - Additional drinking fountains and bottle fill stations will be installed at each field.
 - Three new wireless access points will be installed at each field.
 - Work on the turf project is scheduled to begin on April 1, 2022. Activities will be moved to the lower fields and the Doerr Family Field during the project.
 - Completion is anticipated for Sept. 1, 2022.
 3. Full report submitted.
- C. University President’s Representative – Anthony Palazzo
 1. Absent
- D. Faculty Representative – Vacant
- E. Alumni Representative – Kaelan Sobouti
 1. Absent

VII. Old Business

A. None.

VIII. New Business

A. Check In – Accessibility Assessment & Budget

1. Members gave updates on their progress.

B. Chick-Fil-A Discussion

1. Andrea Burns, Associate Executive Director of Cal Poly Corporation (CPC), reported on the recent CPC board meeting. Students attended and expressed concerns and wrote letters for public comment.
2. Alena asked Andrea to give some background on Chick-Fil-A.
3. Chick-Fil-A has been on campus since 1999. It has been doing well with over \$2M in sales pre-pandemic. The pandemic did not end their contract and Chick-Fil-A is included in the Building 19 plans.
4. Discussion followed.
 - a) Annika asked if Cal Poly contributes any funds to Chick-Fil-A. Andrea stated that it is a CPC franchise, however, they pay a franchise fee which is approximately 6% or 6 cents out of every dollar to Chick-Fil-A. CPC provides all the staffing and buys all the product from them.
 - b) CPC has not considered a franchise with any other fried chicken restaurant as Chick-Fil-A has been a long-standing franchise on campus. CPC has data that demonstrates it is popular with the students based on their patronization.
 - c) Jacob asked since the contract lasts for five years, can we get out of it when it expires. Andrea stated that it expires next year, however, campus is planning to continue the franchise relationship. Campus is aware of the CEO's personal LGBTQ opinions which many students disagree with, CPC can't put every vendor through the litmus test of their CEO's personal beliefs.
 - d) Annika asked for some background on what started this discussion. Andrea stated that a pop-up Chick-Fil-A in Poly Canyon Village (PCV) initiated the conversation.
 - e) Andrea was asked if CPC takes Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI) into consideration in their decisions. Andrea stated that they do take DEI into consideration, however, by having Chick-Fil-A as a provider on campus does not mean that the university or CPC agrees with the Chick-Fil-A CEO's beliefs.
 - f) Chris asked if CPC has investigated other options for Building 19 or PCV space. Andrea said that it is difficult for franchises to work on campus due to the varying number of students on campus each quarter, especially with summer quarter having so few students.
 - g) CPC has surveyed students to see what they want for food options on campus. Andrea stated that the amount of money being spent at Chick-Fil-A, demonstrates that the students want it. Annika commented on students eating at Chick-Fil-A because they have few other options if they don't want to eat campus dining food.
 - h) Nishita asked if any changes can come from this meeting or is CPC just gathering input. Andrea stated that she was in attendance to answer questions. Alena encouraged members to consider themselves as liaisons between campus and students.
 - i) Alena and Nic reminded members that UUABs purview is to serve as liaison of information and the student body and only for ASI managed facilities.
 - j) Students expressed concern that Chick-Fil-A opened up next to the

LGBTQ dorms.

- k) Andrea read a statement from the university regarding Chick-Fil-A. Nishita asked if the statement had been released to students, Andrea didn't know if it had been or not. Nishita commented that a statement on how hard it is to find vendors that want to come on campus and that the university doesn't align with Chick-Fil-A CEO's beliefs would be informative to students. Members agreed on this course of action.
- l) Sophie asked if students stopped spending money at Chick-Fil-A and CPC sees decline, would CPC consider another option; Andrea stated yes, they would.
- m) Chris asked Andrea to comment on paying the CEO through association. Andrea read a statement about inclusion.
- n) James made a statement regarding intolerance. If CPC discontinues its relationship with Chick-Fil-A on the basis of their CEO's personal beliefs, it could be a slippery slope and would require CPC to analyze all its relationships with on campus business partners. He would like CPC to consider other companies as Chick-Fil-A has limited menu options for gluten intolerant, vegan, and vegetarian diets. Andrea said that CPC is always looking to expand their selections for those with specific dietary needs.

IX. Liaison Reports

- A. Board Representative - Jacob Schlottmann-McGonigle
 - 1. Jacob gave an update from the recent BOD meeting highlighting the approval of a proposal to reallocate \$25K from ASI Club Co-Sponsorship funding to Cal Poly Safer.
 - 2. Full report submitted.
- B. President's Designee -Chris Raynes
 - 1. Chris highlighted a few area reports included in his full report.
 - 2. Full report submitted.
- C. Universitywide/Academic Senate Committee
 - 1. Nishita - Sustainability Advisory Committee
 - a) Kennedy Library renovation has started and will continue through 2026.
 - b) A football club house at Spanos Stadium will start construction soon and continue through 2024. It will have meeting space for the team, like the baseball clubhouse. All the funding is coming from private donations. The project is estimated to cost approximately \$5M.
 - c) A 'Center for Creative Engineering' is being discussed.
 - d) More housing is slated to be built on campus as well as renovation of existing housing.
 - 2. Sophie - Athletics Advisory Board
 - a) A tennis club house is in the works, it is being funded by private donations.
 - 3. Annika - External Affairs Meeting went well with the Senator.
- D. Student Club Councils
 - 1. No reports given
- E. Staff Reports
 - 1. Recreation Center Programs
 - 2. ASI Events

3. Facilities

a) Recreation Center

b) University Union

X. Adjournment

A. The meeting adjourned at 3:31 p.m.

Submitted by: _____

Davia Rusco

Date: _____

Submitted by: _____

Alena Robinson, UUAB Chair

Date: _____