

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

#23-17 Meeting Minutes

May 24, 2023, 8:00 a.m.

University Union, Room 216

Voting Members Present:

Jacob Schlottmann-McGonigle, Chair of the University Union Advisory Board
Manjot Dhanda, College of Engineering
James Francucci, College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences
Coral Miner, College of Architecture & Environmental Design
Aaron Fernandes, ASI President's Designee
Carlos Rodriguez Orozco, ASI Board of Directors Designee
Anthony Palazzo, University President's Representative

Voting Members Absent:

Ashley Monteiro, College of Liberal Arts
Nishita Katere, Vice-Chair of the University Union Advisory Board
Navie Bower, College of Science and Mathematics
Vacant, Alumni Representative
Vacant, Faculty Representative

Non-Voting Members Present:

Michelle Crawford, Executive Director
Robyn Wallman, Interim Director - University Union, UUAB Advisor

Non-Voting Members Absent:

Ron Skamfer, Director - Facilities Management
Daren Connor, Assistant Director - University Union Facility Operations
Pat Rosemas, Administration and Finance Designee
Vacant, Director - Recreational Sports & Programs

Guests:

Quinn Akemon, Rose Float Ambassador

I. Call to Order

A. Meeting #23-17 called to order at 8:14 a.m.

Cal Poly sits on the traditional lands of the yak tit'u tit'u yak tithini Northern Chumash Tribe of San Luis Obispo County and Region. The yak tit'u tit'u yak tithini have a documented presence in this area for over 10,000 years. The tithini peoples have stewarded their ancestral and unceded homelands which include all of the cities, communities, federal and state open spaces within the San Luis Obispo County region. These homelands extend East into the Carrizo Plains toward Kern County, South to the Santa Maria River, North to Ragged Point, and West beyond the ocean's shoreline in an unbroken chain of lineage, kinship, and culture.

II. Letters & Roll Call

A. Roll call was taken, and quorum was met.

B. Letters

1. None.

III. Open Forum

A. Quinn Akeman spoke on the use of UU 221, San Luis Lounge. For the past several years, the San Luis Lounge has been the Covid Testing Site, and most recently, the Student Government offices. Students don't know it as a quiet study space. Currently the walls are white and sterile looking. They are not comforting. She encouraged UUAB to

consider the proposal to use it as the Rose Float display room, a program unique to Cal Poly and a testament to the history of student involvement on campus.

IV. New Business

A. None

V. Old Business

A. Rose Float Wall Use in University Union Proposal

1. Members reviewed and discussed the use of San Luis Lounge as a Rose Float display in the University Union Room 221.
2. Michelle stated that the Rose Float display curators took into consideration the discussion held at last week's UUAB meeting. Since then, they have worked with graphic designers to reduce the size of the display. They would like to keep the framed trophies and remove the large photos of students working on the float. Colin will put the photos in a book for people to look at in the room if they wish to. Michelle reminded members that the presentation document is more of a concept, and not the final design.
3. Carlos asked if the display would require any maintenance. There is no maintenance, there would be one trophy picture frame hung a year.
4. Aaron asked if the Rose Float trophies could be hung in the Business Office hallway. Michelle stated that it is the decision of the Art Committee whether to hang art in that hallway. In the University Union, the last time a piece of art was hung was 2018.
5. Jacob asked about funding the installation. Michelle said to date, ASI is approximately \$750K under budget for the 2022-23 fiscal year. Michelle stated that some of the surplus is going toward purchasing new monitors for the Recreation Center and furniture for the University Union. Robyn stated that the dry wall work in UU221 would come out of the 2022-23 budget and the Rose Float display would come out of either the 2022-23 budget, 2023-24 budget, or reserves.
6. Aaron stated that all members agree to the completion of the dry wall, however, having all the walls covered with displays may be too much with the additional furniture being placed in there due to the room becoming library surge space.
7. Jacob stated that the group can make a recommendation as to how long the display remains in the San Luis Lounge.
8. James suggested doing an assessment in a year to see how students feel about the display. Michelle stated that as the space will be used as library alternative study space for at least two years and due to the expense of the installation, it would be better to do an assessment in two or more years. She stated that in two years, if UUAB wants to remove it, it is the UUAB's responsibility to find a new place to hang the trophies.
9. Carlos thinks it would be good to support the Rose Float display, members appreciate the work that has gone into it, and the flexibility the curators have shown. Michelle showed another concept the curators suggested with an information sign outside the room, and a more subtle wall treatment behind the trophies. Discussion followed regarding leaving one or two of the walls blank. They expressed appreciation for how the curators took their concerns into consideration and came up with options so quickly.
10. **Motion #1 (Fernandes/Francucci) "Move to recommend to approve the proposal for the Rose Float use of two walls - west and north - in UU221 with re-evaluation upon library completion."**
11. Carlos stated that if one wall is left blank, it will remain white for a long time, he would like the option of having the curators come up with a design for that third wall.
12. **Motion passed unanimous voice vote.**

B. Request to approve a 6-month extension to Cal Poly Corporation sublease for Food

Service & Coffee within the University Union proposal.

1. Michelle reviewed the subleases and who they are with. ASI is requesting UUAB approve a six-month extension on the lease agreements to give ASI time to adequately rewrite the leases that have not been evaluated since 2008.
2. Carlos asked if ASI has considered removing Red Radish and Mustang Station for more study space. Anthony said it is too noisy in there due to the bowling alley and is not being considered as an additional study space. Michelle stated that ASI has been working with Corporation to use part of Building 19 as study space within the UU Neighborhood core. Anthony gave further information on the number of additional seats that have been added to that space. Carlos asked if the Chumash food prep room could be used as study space. Michelle stated that it is specifically intended to be a hot meal prep space for events in Chumash Auditorium, it will not be available to students as a study space.
3. **Motion #2 (Fernandes/Dhanda) "Move to recommend to approve a 6-month extension to Cal Poly Corporation sublease for Food Service & Coffee within the University Union proposal."**
4. **Motion passed with one abstention, Anthony Palazzo.**

C. Request to Approve 6-month extension to Cal Poly Corporation sublease for Chumash and vending services within the University Union proposal.

1. **Motion #3 (Rodriguez Orozco/Francucci) "Move to recommend to approve a 6-month extension to Cal Poly Corporation sublease for Chumash and Vending services within the University Union proposal."**
2. **Motion passed with one abstention, Anthony Palazzo.**

VI. Announcements

A. Tonight, at the Craft Center at 6:15, there will be food, crafts, and Manjot will be performing with the Arab Music Ensemble.

VII. Adjournment

A. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by: _____

Davia Rusco

Date: _____

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Jacob Schlottmann-McGonigle, UUAB Chair

Date: _____