

**Associated Students Inc.
San Francisco State University
External Affairs Council
Minutes
October 25th, 2018**

Chair, Garrick Wilhelm, has called a meeting of the External Affairs council on October 25th, 2018 at 2:00pm-4:00pm] in T-152 Delmy Rodriguez in the Cesar Chavez Student Center.

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 2:07pm

II. Roll Call

President- Absent

VP of External Affairs - Present

Sophomore Rep- Present

Science & Engineering Rep- Present

RHA Rep- Present

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda for October 25, 2018

Moved by Science & Engineering Rep , seconded by Sophomore Rep.

No opposed. No abstentions. Motion passed.

Motion to add new business item E CSU compensation resolution.

Moved by Sophomore Rep, seconded by Science & Engineering Rep.

No opposed. No abstentions. Motion passed.

The following changes have been made to the agenda:

No opposed. No abstentions. Motion passed.

IV. Approval of Minutes

No minutes to approve.

V. Announcements (2 minutes each).

RHA Rep- 1 was added to the council.

VP of Science & Engineering Rep -On Monday there is a student organization that will be showing a documentary on the student strike.

VI. Public Comment (2 minutes each). Must pertain to jurisdiction of Board. Please observe proper decorum. The board is not required to respond.

VII. Closed Session Pursuant to Education Code 89307 of the California Code for the purpose of to consider the appointment, employment, and evaluation of performance, discipline, or dismissal of an employee.

No Closed Session

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VIII. Old Business

a. **Advocacy/Civic Engagement Assembly (Discussion Item) – Vice President External**

The Advocacy Assembly is responsible for strategizing and maintaining relationships with elected officials to advocate on behalf of students and further the goals of the External Affairs Council and Associated Students.

VP of External Affairs reported that although it is called the Advocacy Assembly, it is filling their civic engagement function, and **Sophomore Rep** is chair of the assembly and has nothing scheduled at the moment, she possibly needs help with the homelessness issue in regards to contacting the the mayor or city council. **VP of External Affairs** replied that they will explain later on that, but building relations with the mayor and elected officials is another issue taken on by another assembly, and that she should focus on the opportunities to engage with students. **Sophomore rep** wants to spread the word on the assembly and would like help with it. **VP of External Affairs** suggested they have interns that could work 5 hours a week doing tasks for the assemblies, like calling officials offices, building social media, etc. It would be more helpful for **Sophomore Rep** will have more time to focus on the vision of the assembly rather than all the work that comes with it. Should work on a plan for the intern situation. **Sophomore Rep** will give the council a schedule and from there they will have to figure out things about the charter situation.

IX. New Business

a. **Community Relations Assembly (Discussion item) – Vice President External Affairs**

The Community Relations Assembly serves to identify and establish strategic external community partnerships and support outreach and implementation of local, statewide, and national student campaigns. The Assembly serves to support the cultivation and advancement of relationships between the organization and the San Francisco Bay Area community.

VP of External Affairs introduced the assembly as an avenue to help house our outreach efforts on homelessness. **Science & Engineering Rep** and **RHA Rep** can choose an assembly to be on as its a responsibility to board members on the council. This assembly will take all of the ways that landlords deal with students and make the process easier for students. They have someone willing to partner with the board on it. The assembly can work as a task force. **RHA Rep** volunteered for the assembly. Was able to access 6 beds in the building he lives in. Investigating the idea of bringing back the SFSU housing desk, if we had paid students workers to research housing in the city, could possibly use the pyramid. **VP of External Affairs** can work with **RHA Rep** to set up a schedule. Interested parties in Project Connect. The council designated **RHA Rep** as the chair for the assembly.

b. **Student Coalition Assembly (Discussion item) – Vice President External Affairs**

The Student Coalition Assembly acts as an avenue for students to express any questions, concerns, or feedback, that they wish to have relayed to the CSSA, or other student coalition bodies. Students will have opportunities to provide input on all matters regarding CSSA, as well as receive information on what CSSA is working on and opportunities for student involvement.

The assembly was put on the agenda when **Ethnic Studies Rep** was working CSSA but that is no longer the case. Reaching out to AS to have them help out. There are no plans yet for the coalition Assembly but would like to partner with the 50th Anniversary A. After the election get students more involved in the 50th anniversary. Would like to build some momentum but needs more help from other leadership. **Science & Engineering Rep** has some people in mind. **VP of External Affairs** is filing and planning on organizing student a movement experimental science class. The faculty advisor for experimental college teaches organizing movements. **Science and Engineering Rep** was designated for the assembly.

c. **Voter Education Fair (Discussion/Action item) – Vice President External Affairs**

Discuss finalizing plans for Voter Education Fair on 10/29.

VP of External Affairs announced there are 21 candidates for office that will be tabling, they also sent out invitations 3 that have responded to but would like to reach out to more campaigns, the more campaigns the meaningful the event will be. No major candidates will be in attendance. Ordered the taqueria for lunch needs help from council members, the event is 10:00 am- 4:00 pm. Was considering cancelling because there wasn't many meaningful candidates but thinks it's good to learn about the candidates we don't know about. The event cannot be outside the building because the school cannot take any position on the ballot.

d. VoteTogether Grant (Discussion/Action item) – Vice President External Affairs

Discuss VoteTogether election day party for students voting on campus and accept \$1000 grant to pay for party.

CSSA has partnered with Young Invincibles to give grants to increase voter turnout. Parties where you drop off ballots then join the party. Events to encourage voting. Partnered with residential housing, they were able to secure the courtyard for the event.

Motion to accept \$1000 grant and to expend the funds on the event.

Moved by Science and Engineering Rep, seconded by Sophomore Rep.

No opposed. No abstentions. Motion passed.

Subway sells 15 sandwiches for 40 dollars. **VP of External Affairs** floated a potential partnering with subway and the village to support that side of campus. Sodexo sells 80 hamburgers are 150 dollars, hot dogs are 50 for 47.19, chips and pretzel, chips and salsa. They wanted to get the ice cream bar from Sodexo, 50 dollars for 30 people. **Sophomore Rep** asked if we will give out AS merch, **VP of External Affairs** replied that they can. La Croix is 9.49 for 40 cans. **VP of External Affairs** would like to buy yard games and noted that they can either borrow or buy their own. Lawn darts for 15 dollars, toss across for 28, lawn bowling for 34, connect 4 for 88, giant jenga 63, ladder toss is 36, corn hole is 53, ring toss for 14. The people sending the grant is sending party supplies and t-shirts. Have to decide how much they want to spend on food and the games. Crossed out ladder toss(\$36). Decided on connect 4, giant jenga, toss across. For food, 3 ice cream bars(150), 4 subway (160), 80 hamburgers(150), 50 hot dogs(47.19), 2 coke, 1 diet coke, 2 sprite(60 cans total). Puts the total at 250 on games, and 550 on food. Chips, pretzels, tortilla chips and salsa, soft pretzels(4 dozen for 12). 2 trays of Brownies, 2 trays of rice krispies(28), cookies(3 dozen). A sheet cake for 109 dollars that can feed 75 people. 2 fruit salads (32) **VP of External Affairs** announced that the board will vote on the grant and the budget. Possibly can get props for students to take selfies after or even invest in a snapchat filter.

e. CSU Executive Compensation Resolution (Discussion Item)

VP of External Affairs announced that there is compensation set for presidents and vice chancellors in the CSU, and on occasion they hire a consultant firm to compare compensation at peer institutions. The consultant came back with the information to the board of trustees, which caught a lot of attention from students and the board of trustees chose to deflect by sending the information back to the consultant asking them to evaluate the overall compensation of the presidents rather than just their base salary. It will come back to the board of trustees to decide about whether to change it or not. **Sophomore Rep** brought a resolution for the council to go over that was brought by the Director of University Affairs at CSU Channel Islands. There is no backbone to why certain things are that way important to bring to the board to be more informed. She sent a link to the email that shows the political stances. The highest CSU paid president is from San Diego with a raise of 12,000 and a salary of 400,00. San Jose State University President is receiving 300k. There are also different benefits awarded to them such as housing and transportation allowances. **VP of External Affairs** reported that the cost of executive compensation is only .3 percent of the CSU budget. While this is a lightning rod issue, whether the resolution gets passed or not may not accomplish anything. The point of the resolution is that students are up in arms about it and their voices should be heard. They feel charging a task force to engage students may not be the best way to go about it.

Sophomore Rep wants the board to be aware of the situation.

X. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn meeting at 3:45pm

Moved by Science & Engineering Rep , seconded by RHA Rep .

No opposed. No abstentions. Motion passed.

Approved by: Garrick Wilhelm



Respectfully submitted by: Brandon Bryant
