University Union Meeting Minutes for October 23rd, 2009

I. Call to Order: Chair Kinger calls the University Union Meeting to order at 2:11 pm.

II. Roll Call
   Members Present                      Absent Members                      Guests
   Amit Kinger                          
   Nandini Alice Premmanisakul
   Kenry Allan Hutchinson
   Kapish Joshi
   Sumit Sharma
   Mohammed Shahid (Ex-officio)
   Robert Lara (Ex-officio)
   Bob Williams (Ex-officio)

III. Consent Calendar
   A. Approval of Agenda
      Motion: (Hutchinson) to approve the agenda.
      Amendment 1 (Hutchinson): to change the location of the University Union meeting from UU Board Room to Room 307 C
      Amendment 1 Carries.
      Main Motion Carries as Amended.

   B. Appointment of Vice Chair of UU Committee:
      Chair Kinger opens the floor to nominations from the committee members for the position of UU Vice-Chair. Kapish Joshi and Kenry Allan Hutchinson are nominated. Chair Kinger calls for a Roll Call.
      Roll Call: After Roll Call, Chair Kinger announces that Hutchinson is the highest vote winner.
      Motion: (Hutchinson) to appoint Hutchinson as the Vice Chair of UU Committee.
      Motion Carries.
      Congratulations!!!
      Note: Nandini Alice Premmanisakul stepped in at 2:25 pm
      Note: ED Bob Williams stepped in at 2:35 pm
IV. Special Presentation:

A. Dr. Robert Lara explaining the UU Budget and the Priorities:
   Chair Kinger yields the floor to AED Lara who reviews the UU Budget and Priorities with the committee members thereby highlighting the following:

- Gives a brief background on the budget which has already been approved by last year’s Board.
- States that the new UU Building’s Construction was supported by the sale of government educational bonds.
- Updates on the Food Services.
- Talks about other revenue like ATM, Patello etc.
- Room and equipment rentals for off campus organizations.
- Game Room.
- Total Revenue and Operating expenses.
- Capital Equipment Improvements and Building Maintenance.
- Diversity Center Budget.
- Budget to support the Concord Campus; recent renovations at the Campus Concord.
- Marketing Team and Programming Team.
- Requests the committee members to support the programs and events of the Diversity Center.
- Reservation Policies

ED Williams highlights the following objectives:

- Gives a background on the Union Committee.
- The Union committee is an advisory committee and has no power to make major policy changes; any suggestions from the committee will be submitted to the Board for their final approval.
- The university union corporation was dissolved in August of 2007; prior to that time the university union and the associated students were two separate non profit auxiliary corporations.
- We are Auxiliary Corporation which means we are tightly aligned to the transition of the Union.
- Talks about his past work experience.
- States that the biggest program for ASI is the University Union Program.
• The purpose of committees is to understand the needs of the student community.
• Recreation/Wellness Center Program.
• Discusses the upcoming projects like freight/passenger elevators, doors of the second floor of the Union; these projects have been approved by last year’s Board.

A lengthy discussion was entertained in which all members participated and voiced their thoughts and opinions. The committee members suggested different ways of increasing traffics in the Union Buildings.

Speaker’s List: Beig, Kinger, Premmanisakul, AED Lara, ED Williams, Hutchinson, and Joshi

V. Public Discussion- none

VI. Action Calendar
A. New Business
1. ACUI Update:
   Chair Kinger yields the floor to AED Lara who states that the ACUI, Association of College Union International is a national/regional conference held yearly. It is a collection of University Unions on different campuses throughout USA on an international basis. The main purpose of the conference is to develop leadership skills and keep in pace with developments of other Unions. This year’s regional conference will be held in San Bernardino from the 5th through the 7th of November 2009. AED Lara states that he is hopeful to send two staff members to the regional conference. This year’s national conference will be held in New York in the month of November.

   AED Lara also talks about AOA, the Auxiliary Organization Association. It is not recommended for students and deals more about policies and laws concerning the staff.

2. Heating and Cooling System in Original UU Update:
   AED Lara presents an update on the Heating and Cooling System in the UU and states the following:
   • The heating system needs to be repaired.
   • Quickly walks though the budget for this project.
Talks about the organization in Berkeley called “PIER” that is willing to work towards making the UU building more energy efficient.

- Chair Kinger enquires whether it’s possible to decorate the UU buildings during the holiday season.
- AED Lara discusses the event that is going to be organized by the Diversity Center. This purpose of this event is to explore how different cultures embrace the holiday season. 

**Speaker’s List:** Beig, Hutchinson, Kinger, AED Lara, Joshi and Premmanisakul.

VII. Round Table Remarks:
- AED Lara states that the discussion regarding Halloween decoration can be carried out in offline mode.
- Joshi says that the first meeting has been a good learning experience.
- Hutchinson is looking forward to working together as a team.
- Premmanisakul is happy to learn about how the Union works.
- Beig thanks the members for being a part of this committee.
- Chair Kinger states that it is his first meeting as a Chair and thanks the members for their participation. Chair Kinger is hopeful of meeting with the Union Staff and also looking forward to visiting other University Unions.

VIII. Adjournment
Motion (Hutchinson) to adjourn the meeting at 4:32 pm
Motion Carries.

Minutes Reviewed by:

ASI UU Chair
Name: Amit Kinger

Minutes Approved on:
10/9/2009
Date
University Union Committee Meeting Agenda

Friday, October 30th, 2009
3:00-4:00PM, UU Board Room

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Consent Calendar
   A. Approval of Agenda
   B. Approval of the minutes of October 23, 2009

IV. Special Presentation

V. Public Discussion

VI. Action Calendar

   A. New Business
      1. ACUI Updates
      2. Formation of Policy for decorating of University Union Buildings
      3. Changing the name of UU Buildings/rooms
      4. Art Gallery
      5. Marketing of the Video/TV Games room
      6. 2009-10 Action Plan

VII. Round Table Remarks

VIII. Adjournment