**Environmental Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes of May 16, 2013**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chair O’Brien calls the meeting to order at **5:55 p.m.**
2. ROLL CALL

Members Present Absent Members Guests

Laurel O’Brien Rachael Santos

Jeremy Dutra

Kathy Cutting

David Todorut

Rebecca Rainwater

1. ACTION ITEM– **Approval of the Agenda**

**Motion: (Dutra) to approve the agenda.**

**Motion Carries.**

1. ACTION ITEM– **Approval of the May 2, 2013 Minutes**

**Motion: (Dutra) to change the wording on information item VI from “it was run by realfoodchallenge.org” to “the workshop she attended was run by foodchallenge.org.”**

**Motion Carries.**

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

 **Public Comment is intended as a time for any member of the public to address the**

 **Committee on any issues affecting ASI and/or the California State University, East**

 **Bay**

**No public Comment**

1. ACTION ITEM– **Review existing ASI Sustainability Resolution document, make preliminary decisions on modifications needed. Final product to be proposed at May 22 BOD meeting**

Chair **O’Brien** highlights the following:

* Resolution was passed in June 2009.
* The resolution is not a policy, rather a guideline to help create a policy.
* She mentions there is no time left to create and pass a new policy.
* The resolution can be a guideline to help the new committee chair create a policy.
* She makes a note to check the current language in ASI mission, values, bylaws, etc. to ensure uniformity.
* States code 06-07 is outdated.

**Todurut** suggests collaborating with the university to input their ideas in the construction of any university building.

**Cutting** states Associated Students will provide leadership for future construction on the CSUEB campus.

**Todourut** states by encouraging a gold lead standard for future construction.

The committee agrees to change the language to include ASI will encourage a gold lead standard for future construction of all buildings and improvements, while being sustainable.

**Dutra** suggests changing the name from environmental committee to sustainable affairs.

Chair **O’Brien** mentions changing the name of the committee could be something that needs to be put on the ballot for elections.

**Todurut** mentions adding the committee will help improve the university in the area of sustainability, as it will go hand in hand with the club

Chair **O’Brien** states the committee should get rid of generalization in the resolution.

The resolution should state the committee will work with the university and with all ASI affiliates

Chair **O’Brien** states the after the board approves this resolution, next year’s committee can work on another resolution that the university can adopt.

**Cutting** states the committee has already identify issues, now they will provide solutions.

The committee agrees the resolution should state in assessing our environmental impacts.

The committee agrees the resolution should state to create a sustainable waste management plan for all ASI sponsored activities, events, buildings, and operations.

**Cutting** states the committee will promote sustainable alternative transportation methods to students.

**Todorut** suggests adding language to make the environmental affairs responsible to help schedule earth day, or earth week.

The committee agrees to have the resolution mention environmental affairs will promote sustainable campus wide alternative transportation option, instead of plan and programs.

The committee agrees to incorporate code relevancy in the resolution.

Chair **O’Brien** states to incorporate quotes, exert, or reference citation to current president or other administrators in the second whereas.

The committee agrees to have the environment affairs will continue to implement the sustainable campus framework, addressing energy, water, waste, carbon, transportation, materials, landscape, land use and site development.

**Dutra** states the sustainability campus framework is to present an overview of the universities vision for sustainability at Cal State East Bay, utilizing a comprehensive approach.

**Cutting** suggests stating the committee supports the comprehensive framework, because it sustainably addresses these areas.

The committee states the resolution should mention ASI board of directors resolves to establish a sustainable waste management plan for all ASI sponsor activities. It also resolves to support and promote sustainable alternative transportation for the campus community.

Chair **O’Brien** states the last thing to discuss through the Facebook group page is the first whereas. She will go back to the ASI mission to check for any inconsistency in the language.

**1:27:28**

1. ROUNDTABLE REMARKS

**O’Brien** mentions the last meeting will be held in two weeks and mentions the committee will do something fun for the end of the year.

**Todorut** states he will be resigning for the Director of Environmental Affairs, and congratulates Cutting.

1. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at **7:24 p.m.**

Minutes Reviewed by:

**Chair of Environmental Affairs**

**Name: Laurel O’Brien**

Approve on:

**5/30/13**

**Date**