**Legislative Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes for June 8th, 2012**

1. **Call to Order:** Director **Symonds** calls meeting to order at **2:11pm.**

\*indicates members present at the start of the meeting

1. **Roll Call**

Members Present Absent Members Guests

\*Courtney Symonds Lyla Pehrson

\*Sita Ream-Rao Christopher Prado

\*Pablo Benavente Stan Hebert

Ian Crueldad

Abby Andrade

1. **Action Item** - Approval of the Agenda

**Motion: (Ream- Rao) to approve the Agenda.**

**Motion Carries.**

1. **Action Item** - Approval of the May 4th, 2012 Minutes

**Motion**: **(Ream- Rao) to approve the May 4th, 2012 Minutes.**

**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.

1. **Action Item –** Evaluation of Legislative Affairs Committee

Chair **Symonds** indicates that the committee will be going over things that worked for the committee this year and the things that did not work for the committee.

**Ream Rao** mentions that the first ever candidate debate was a success as well as the voters registration.

**Benavente** states that he thought the Debate Event was really good. This was something that he heard about all throughout campus. Something that can be done is adding more committee members to each committee so that more members show up. There seems to be not too many members present at the meetings.

Chair **Symonds** states that there’s a limit of five or six committee members on committees.

The committee discusses the policy on missing meetings.

**Ream- Rao** states that there can be events set up on a calendar for the year. Things that consistently take place throughout the year also the prep work that was done when it came to lobbying it was a really strong thing to teach people that were hear. Lobbying at the capital the day of CHESS was a really good experience and we should look into doing more of it.

Chair **Symonds** states that due to the upcoming year budget cuts that if lobbying would like to be done in Sacramento, there would have to be fundraisers, carpooling, and any other means.

**Benavente** suggests that there should be a vice chair appointed for the lobby core under Legislative Affairs due to the lobby core committee not doing too much of anything this year. This caused me to start coming to legislative affairs committee meetings.

Chair **Symonds** states that the committee codes indicate how many people are supposed to be on a committee.

1. **Roundtable Remarks**

No Roundtable Remarks

1. **Adjournment**

**Meeting adjourned at 2:21pm**

Minutes Reviewed by:

**Legislative Affairs Committee Chair\_\_**

**Name: Seetha Ream-Rao**

Minutes Approved on:

12-4-12

Date