

Sustainability Affairs Special Committee Meeting Minutes January 29, 2019

- I. CALL TO ORDER at **1:00 PM**
- II. ROLL CALL
Present: Zachary Meade, Brandon Martinez Bailon, Pamela Vega Fuentes, Adrien Van Dyke

Late: Laura Greene, Jillian Buckholz

Not Present: Melissa Baron
- III. ACTION ITEM - **Approval of the Agenda**
Motion to approve the agenda by **B. Martinez**, second by **P. Vega Fuentes**, motion **PASSED**.
The Chair recommends striking the item of the imperfect produce Action item as there is no action for them to take during the meeting.
Motion to amend the agenda by striking out action item A by **B. Martinez**, second by **P. Vega Fuentes**, motion **PASSED**.
- IV. ACTION ITEM - **Approval of the Minutes of December 4, 2018**
Minutes will stand approved as they were distributed.
- V. 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.
- VI. UNFINISHED ITEMS:
 - A. ACTION ITEM- **Imperfect Produce Policy**
The members discussed a drafted policy that will govern the Imperfect Produce program on campus.
The Action item was stricken.
 - B. ACTION ITEM- **Campus Garden**
The members discussed the progression towards a campus garden and the proposal of a budget for the garden.
Motion to proceed with the action item of a Campus Garden by **B. Martinez**, second by **P. Vega Fuentes**, motion **PASSED**.
L. Greene has contacted Bob and discussed with him that ASI has approved the idea and she has discussed that they will need to do prep work. **L. Greene** has requested the dimensions of the area and introduced the idea of them using what they have already. She would like to volunteer and have it as a donation based in which she would speak with local nurseries in hopes they would like to donate any plants. If people would like to donate and give back to the community, they could complete the project in less than \$500.


"Students working for Students!"

Z. Meade would like to know how they could create it in an event for Earth Week. **L. Greene** states they could focus on the planting and prepping with students. **B. Martinez** was informed of a possible grant they could obtain for the campus garden. **L. Greene** was planning on using her how plants to begin growing other plants as they can be used to provide more plants.

16:30

C. ACTION ITEM- **Budget for Film Showing**

The members took action on the event of a film showing during Earth Week.

Motion to allocate \$250 for the film showing Wall-E from the Earth Week budget by **A. Van Dyke**, second by **L. Greene**, motion **PASSED**.

A. Van Dyke states they could show the film twice with the \$250, purchase the film and give it out during Earth Week events and purchasing popcorn. **A. Van Dyke** states they could show the film during the day and the second film during the normal ASI film showing times. **J. Buckholz** suggest for the committee to speak to PAC when they have the MPR reserved as it would be a great place to show the film. **Z. Meade** states he has spoken with Kris Disharoon and he stated PAC did not plan on showing any films during that week.

21:29

D. ACTION ITEM- **Theme for Earth Week**

The members discussed and then take action on a theme for Earth Week. **L. Greene** will be meeting with Roger on the 4th and they will be discussing Earth week theme. She suggests tabling the item for next meeting.

23:53

E. ACTION ITEM- **Sustainability Survey**

The members took action on pushing out a sustainability survey to the campus. **B. Martinez** has been working on a survey that he plans on sending it to the students in order to give their feedback. **Z. Meade** believes the survey should be updated and shortened.

Motion to proceed to approving the sustainability survey, by **L. Greene**, second by **A. Van Dyke**, motion **PASSED**.

Z. Meade states he would like to receive feedback as to how much the students of CSUEB know and care about the topic. They discussed having an option for faculty and staff to answer the survey.

30:25

VII. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. DISCUSSION ITEM- **Solar Generation Resolution**

The Committee learned about solar energy generation on CSUEB property and how we can write a resolution in support.

Motion to precede with Solar Generation Resolution by **A. Van dyke**, second by **L. Greene**, motion **PASSED**.



J. Buckholz states that moving solar has been a long process in which it has been pushed by many. This will keep a single individual from declining the objective completely as there are many VP's who are pushing the item. **Z. Meade** states he was not sure what to include but states the resolution could include demanding more information from CSUEB. **B. Martinez** reads a resolution he has drafted with someone else. **J. Buckholz** believes they should continue to draft the item and expand more. The committee will be having a meeting next week in order to approve the drafted resolution.

40:01

B. DISCUSSION ITEM- Cupanion Proposal

The Committee learned about the Cupanion project and discussed the proposal for inclusion in Earth Week.

Motion to precede the Cupanion Proposal by **P. Vega Fuentes**, second by **L. Greene**, motion **PASSED**.

J. Buckholz states Cupanion is a company that creates cups and she explains an item she has brought with her to the meeting. Since CSU has a policy to eliminate the sale of single use plastics she would like the bottles to be in the hands of students who live on campus and include the bottles in their welcome bags. She states they can brand the bottles however they would like. The bottles have a barcode in which students can scan and earn points to help water projects in Africa and other places. She would like to know if the committee would be in support and if so, if they could create a proposal and send it to the board. **Z. Meade** suggests writing a resolution with budget and possibly sending it to the board once it is complete.

47:27

C. DISCUSSION ITEM- Designee to the Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Sustainability

The Committee discussed and decided upon whether a member will be a designee to the Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Sustainability. **Z. Meade** would like to have a member of the committee to attend the Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Sustainability.

50:05

D. DISCUSSION ITEM- Keynote Speaker

The Committee discussed a proposal for a keynote speaker for Earth Week. **J. Buckholz** states they should have an idea of how much they would like to pay, she states if it is local they normally pay for transportation and a meal. **L. Greene** saw the speaker last year who is trying to retrieve their tribe land.

54:43

VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS:

A. Each committee member will report on the committee member's priorities for the Semester:

1. Brandon Martinez-Bailon, Vice-Chair: He would like to make Earth Week a successful week full of events. He will try to make the events that are currently scheduled and the Senate Ad Hoc Committee on sustainability meeting.



2. Laura Greene, Committee Member: She would like to see the garden happen; she would love to see the keynote speaker. She would like to help Earth week, and she has looked into bike powered blenders to make smoothies and it'll cost \$300 a day to rent one.
3. Adrien Van Dyke, Committee Member: Plan out Earth week and increase students' engagement with sustainability.
4. Pamela Vega Fuentes, Committee Member: Support everyone and make others knowledgeable about sustainability.
5. Jillian Buckholz, Advisor: she is excited about the solar resolution, and have Earth week be a success. She would like to end this semester on a strong note so the next members could be set up.

1:01:42

IX. ROUND TABLE REMARKS

No roundtable remarks.

X. ADJOURNMENT at 2:03 PM

Minutes Reviewed by:

Director of Sustainability/Chair

Name: Zachary Meade

Minutes Approved on:

2-5-19

Date:

