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EMERGENCY MEETING

Minutes

Finance Commission

Wednesday, December 9, 2020 3:00PM

See ASI Website for Zoom Meeting Details

This meeting is being facilitated through an online zoom format, consistent with the Governor's Executive Order N25-20, suspending certain open meeting law restrictions

- I. Called to order at 3:04 p.m. by Lola White, Chairperson
- II. Roll Call
Voting Members Present: Lola White, Rihab Shuaib, Blake Anger, and Jonathan Molina-Mancio
Advisors Present: Rasheedah Shakoor Michellena Lakey, Djeneba Ahouansou, and Donisha Quiller.
Advisors Absent: Cecily McAlpine and Cecilia Patz
Visitors: Jessica Achugbue, Megan Tagle Adams, Ana Miriam Barragan, Catherine Jermany, and Shamshad Elimu
- III. Approval of Agenda – Action Item
*M/Molina-Mancio, S/Shuaib to approve the agenda as submitted
VOTE: UNANIMOUS
- IV. Approval of Minutes (December 4, 2020) – Action Item
*M/Anger, S/Molina-Mancio to approve the minutes of December 4, 2020 as submitted. VOTE: UNANIMOUS
- V. Open Forum – Agenda Items Only
Time for members of the audience to address the Commission on specific agenda items only. None
- VI. Unfinished Business
 - A. MCA and Affinity Centers Budget Reallocation – Discussion/Action Item
The Commission will review and consider the 2020-21 budget reallocation proposal for the Multicultural Affairs and Affinity Centers.
Ahouansou shared the memo from Dr. Smith which displayed the official expansion and renaming of the Multicultural Center, which is now referred to as the Multicultural Resource Centers. ASI's \$100,000 allocation will be shared among Multicultural Affairs (MCA) and the affinity centers:
Latinx Resource center,
Queer Culture and Resource Center (QCRC),
Rose Black Resource Center (RBRC),

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Toro Dreamers Success Center (TDSC), Asian Pacific Islander Resource Center.

There would be no changes made to the student fee allocation for the center. For any changes you need Student Referendum vote or Presidential Decision will be needed for any changes to allocations fee to the centers. ASI funding of MCA and multicultural centers will be divided on the basis of equity, based on proposals presented. Miriam shared that some of the language in the recent proposals was difficult to adapt to the operations of the TDSC, due to the center servicing students with various cultural and circumstantial needs; much of their work involves student retention. The visitors representing the centers were placed in breakout rooms while the Commission further discussed funding allocation. Lakey noted that the proposed purchase of a personal laptop for a TDSC staff member may not be an appropriate use of the funding; Ahouansou noted that the university's technology loaning program is an already existing campus resource that can be used in place of this proposed budget line item. Molina-Mancio expressed concern that certain line items (such as furniture and electronic equipment that will remain in the physical office spaces) will not be of use in the foreseeable future; Ahouansou noted at previous meeting, affinity center representatives explained that they would like to make these purchases to hold until ready for in-person use. Anger shared that Apple MacBooks are often incompatible with campus systems, and suggested that the Commission suggests that the representatives consider other brands for their new computers. Shuaib noted that some of the centers do not have an official designated on-campus space yet, which affirms the lack of immediate need for such line items. Ahouansou shared that the Commission can approve the budget with reallocation of funding for office supplies, furniture, and equipment to programming that can be done virtually.

*M/Shuaib, S/Molina-Mancio to approve the Multicultural Resource Centers budget pending confirmation that all Cultural Graduations will be free of charge for all students and with reallocation for all line items for office supplies and furniture to be reallocated to programming expenses.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

B. RBRC Funding Request – Discussion/Action Item

The Commission will review and consider the Social Justice Wednesdays event from the Rose Black Resource Center.

Jermany shared that BIPOC is collaborating with the Loker Student Union (LSU) for the Social Justice event recurring every Wednesdays. Jermany stated that historically financial literacy in BIPOC communities has been lacking, which LSU and RBRC would address through this event, 12:00 - 12:45 p.m. for four weeks, with each segment focusing on a different aspect of financial literacy. Attendees will have opportunities to engage with speaker each week, and those

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who do will be entered into opportunity drawings for Visa Gift Cards. Bancroft, LSU Representative, added the gift card prizes will funded by LSU, asking for \$2,000. RBRC is requesting \$1,000 for Guest Speakers. The four speakers scheduled to participate are all financial literacy experts.

*M/Molina-Mancio, S/Anger to approve the Social Justice Wednesdays event.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS

VII. New Business – None

VIII. Reports

President – Shuaib sat on the Foundation Executive Director Search Committee, they forward names to University President for consideration and she is happy to announce that Tranitra Avery has been selected for the position.

Executive Director – Shakoor reported that she attended a recent meeting with the University Chief of Staff, where it was reported that money has been granted by the state for a feasibility study for state-funded building of Child Development/Childcare Center; total project cost is projected at \$35 million. The facility will be built to accommodate approximately 150 children. They are projecting building of the facility will likely begin 2-3 years. ASI will contribute to collecting data about childcare needs on campus.

Finance and Business Services Manager – Ahouansou reported that all of the BOD fellowships for the month of December are being mailed today. ASI will be closed December 23, 2020 – January 3, 2021. Quality Start Los Angeles is the agency that has sent items for use in the CDC, including distance thermometers, banners, and signs for safety procedures upon reopening.

IX. Open Forum – Discussion Item

Time for members of the audience to address the Commission.

Shuaib ask Shakoor if ASI was asked for input on creating the new campus Childcare Center and is with the intention of ASI's involvement in its operations. Shakoor shared that ASI's level of involvement is not yet decided, but that it is likely ASI will have the opportunity to play major roles in its development, due to ASI's experience with operating the CDC.

X. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Chair's Signature: _____

Date: _____

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