

Governance Meeting Minutes October 26, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Jesse Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 02:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Rodriguez, Gelrud, Sheppard, and Snyder

Members absent: Jakel

**Indicates that the member was in attendance for a portion of the meeting, but not in attendance prior to the announcement of Unfinished Business. [According to the by-laws, a member of the board who is not in attendance prior to the announcement of Unfinished Business is considered not to be in attendance.]

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(M) Sheppard (S) Snyder moved to approve the agenda as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Time Certain

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

REPORT:

Director of Administration

Justin Lawson, Special Project Coordinator presented on behalf of McDoniel. Lawson informed the committee that the Policy Statements were being updated to individually approved Board of Directors formats. Lawson stated that Susan Collins, Coordinator, Administrative Offices created individual policy statement documents for the ASI website. Once the new ASI website is updated that is when the transition to individual policies will take place. Individual hyperlinks would be available for each policy statement.

REPORTS- Chair

Rodriguez stated that once the ASI website was updated the committee would move forward in updating the remaining policies. Rodriguez informed the committee that Jakel will be an ex-efficio member after the College of Education Director is assigned to the Governance Committee.

Unfinished Business

New Business

a. Discussion: Recognizing Indigenous Peoples Day

Rodriguez displayed the Resolution regarding Indigenous Peoples Day.

Rodriguez stated that Intertribal Student Council organization mission statement was included to make it more relevant to California State University Fullerton (CSUF).

Rodriguez moved to review the resolution.

Rodriguez stated that if the resolution was adopted he would like to share it with other CSU's.

Snyder asked for clarification regarding Indigenous Peoples Day Holiday.

Rodriguez stated that it is not a federal holiday but it is a holiday that was created by a movement that encourages cities, councils and states to recognize it in lieu of Columbus Day. It is an encouragement to celebrate Indigenous Peoples Day.

Snyder asked what other CSU campuses are recognizing Indigenous Peoples Day? Rodriguez stated that California State University Long Beach and the city of Long Beach have moved to recognize and celebrate Indigenous Peoples Day.

Gelrud asked if recognizing Indigenous Peoples Day would ultimately replace Columbus Day?

Lawson stated that they would generally remove Columbus Day.

Rodriguez stated that California does not observe Columbus Day so it gives cities the opportunity to observe Indigenous Peoples Day.

Rodriguez yielded to Sheriff to share the history of the intertribal council.

Sheriff informed the committee about his experience of restarting the Intertribal Student Council. Sheriff provided a brief history regarding the council. Sheriff read the Intertribal Student Council mission statement.

Intertribal student council promotes the successful of the Indigenous student body and celebrates the diversity of the cultures that compose it.

Sheriff shared information regarding the local tribes. The original tribe in Fullerton was Gabrilino. There are pictures and painting with descriptions regarding the tribe in the Titan Student Union.

Sheriff stated that there were 300-400 students enrolled as Native Americans.

Sheriff thanked the committee for allowing him to speak about the Indigenous Peoples Day. It will be impactful for the Native community.

Rodriguez asked for feedback from the committee in regards to adding or removing any context.

The committee discussed the order of the resolution.

Gelrud asked what are you specifically asking for from the University?

Sheriff answered to recognize Indigenous Peoples Day on the University's calendar and to ultimately remove Columbus Day.

Snyder asked if the goal was to include the Indigenous Peoples Day on the academic calendar as well?

Rodriguez stated that the goal is to be recognized on the academic calendar that is distributed by the University.

Sheppard asked if the goal would be to recognize or replace? Sheppard encouraged to be very specific in order for the University can take action.

The following whereas statement will be added to the resolution:

ASI encourages the University to replace Columbus Day with Indigenous Peoples Day on all academic calendar distributed by the University.

Snyder suggested to explain the reason why Columbus Day will be replaced with Indigenous Day

Sheppard suggested to keep the resolution positive.

Rodriguez stated that they would like for the city of Fullerton to recognize the Indigenous Peoples Day.

Rodriguez stated that the resolution would be on the Governance Agenda as an action item.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/MEMBERS' PRIVILEGE

Sheriff invited the committee to attend the first ever Native American reception being held on November 8th at Fullerton Marriot.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:04 pm.

Jesse Rodriguez, Vice-Chair Secretary

Laila Lavalhay
Laila Dadabhoy, President CEO

Kristyne Robles Recording Secretary