

**University Student Union
California State University, Northridge
Facilities & Commercial Services Committee
March 12, 2018
Regular Meeting Minutes**

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Facilities and Commercial Services Committee was called to order at 4:01pm by Chair, Bhernard Tila.

II. Roll Call

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Guests</u>
Bhernard Tila (Chair)	Jeremy Hamlett	Jimmy Francis	Jesseanne Pope
Stephanie Flores Temix (Co-Chair)	Abigail Garcia		
Christopher Ordonez	Frank Benkovic		
Tammy Rassamekiarttisak			
Paola Suarez			
Catleya Maralit			

*Indicates that member/attendee was not present for the entire meeting. Voting tallies may vary.

III. Open Forum

None.

IV. Approval of Agenda – March 12, 2018

M/S/P (S. Flores/P. Suarez) –Move to approve the agenda for March 12, 2018.

M/S/P (S. Flores/T. Rassamekiarttisak) – Amendment to motion to switch order of discussion items so that Sol Center is discussed first, and to change the Marketing of USU’s Existing Facilities and Services item to Technology Upgrades for the USU.

Amendment to motion passed 5-0-0

Motion passed 5-0-0

V. Approval of Meeting Minutes – February 19, 2018

M/S/P (P. Suarez/C. Ordonez) –Move to approve the minutes from February 19, 2018.

Motion passed 5-0-0

VI. Chair’s Report

Chair Tila shared that the BOD sent back the posting policy to the committee for additional review regarding the approval process for who can post items at the USU. Chair Tila also shared that he and Co-Chair Flores Temex attended the Diversity and Inclusion Committee meeting on 3/9/18 to discuss their needs and also the idea of the Gender Inclusive Restroom in the Sol Center.

VII. Co-Chair’s Report

Co-Chair Flores Temix encouraged committee members to attend monthly BOD meetings.

VIII. Action Items

N/A

IX. Discussion Items

A. Sol Center Gender Inclusive Restroom

Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of converting a Sol Center Restroom into a gender inclusive restroom. Executive Secretary J. Francis shared a potential floor plan for the conversion of a men's restroom in the Sol Center to become a gender inclusive restroom. He also shared that an analysis was conducted by the campus' architect that indicated that it would be recommended to convert a men's restroom rather than a women's, because of the total number of existing plumbing fixtures for men was higher than women. He also shared that a \$40,000 estimate was obtained for this potential renovation.

Guest J. Pope shared the current concerns with the USU's existing gender inclusive restrooms and the desire to have one closer to the Pride Center.

Chair Tila requested J. Pope solicit feedback from Pride Center users on their preference to convert a 2nd or 3rd floor restroom to gender inclusive.

Chair Tila also requested each committee member brainstorm potential questions that could be asked regarding this project and to send them to him by 3/23/18.

The committee agreed to bring this concept back as an action item at the 3/26/18 meeting.

B. Technology Upgrades of the USU

Discussion ensued regarding the opportunity for technology upgrades for the USU. J. Francis shared a number of existing and future projects that are in place to improve the technology and the sustainability of the USU facilities and operations.

The committee discussed the solar powered umbrellas in the Plaza that have charging stations and the desire to add more. Chair Tila assigned T. Rassamekiarttisak the task of contacting TSS Manager Alexander Gonzales to find out more information about the current umbrellas and if any assessments have been conducted on user satisfaction.

The committee was satisfied with the initiatives that were currently ongoing at the USU and decided to focus on the addition of more solar powered charging station umbrellas after they learn more about the satisfaction with the existing units.

X. Announcements

T. Rassamekiarttisak encouraged committee member to take advantage of events at the Oasis during Spring into Wellness.

P. Suarez encouraged committee members to attend upcoming Dreams to Be Heard events.

Chair Tila encouraged committee members to attend the upcoming Humanities Advocacy Day. He also announced that he would like the committee to be aware that the idea of expanding the Dream Center to the adjacent green room has been brought to his attention. He requested the committee accompany him to the Dream Center following the meeting so the group could review the existing space and the adjacent green room. He indicated this subject will be brought back as a discussion item at the 3/26/18 meeting.

XI. Adjournment

By general consensus, the regular meeting of the Facilities & Commercial Services Committee was adjourned at 5:35p.m. by Chair, Bhernard Tila.

Respectfully submitted by,
Jimmy Francis