MEMORANDUM

TO: ACADEMIC SENATORS
FROM: Taylor Herren
DATE: October 17th, 2013
SUBJ: Associated Students Report

The Bell Memorial Union Renovations are scheduled to begin in November. The construction will begin with the renovation of the bathrooms downstairs to gender-neutral bathrooms. The goal is to have those complete by winter intersession and then begin constructing the new Student Life and Leadership and Government Affairs office. Once that phase is complete, the existing government affairs office will be renovated into a large meeting room.

The Academic Integrity Council, Associated Students and office of the Provost are continuing to work on the creation of an Honor Code. There was a forum held in August in which students, faculty and staff from across campus came together to discuss a Chico State Honor Code. We looked at honor codes from other universities, in particular UC Berkeley’s and Louisiana State University. A student focus group will be held on October 18th from 2-4pm in BMU 214.

The Associated Students, UHFS, Union Label, Greek Life, CADEC and Student Life and Leadership are working in collaboration to create alternative events for the upcoming Halloween Weekend. There are going to be events for students starting October 25th continuing through November 2nd. The planning meetings are held Thursdays from 1-2:30pm in BMU 209.

The Associated Students re-instated the Community Affairs Council. The CAC is comprised of AS officers, student appointments, faculty, staff, a city council member and a representative from Chico Police Department. The first meeting was held Monday, October 6th from 4:30-5:30pm and meets on a bi-monthly basis.

The Associated Students at Chico State and Butte College are working with the city of Chico to create a work plan for the Town and Gown Committee. There are five initiatives that the committee has identified and committed to; a neighborhood watch program, student diversion program, student internship/job placement program, hate crime task force and alternative event planning on large/holiday weekends. The next Town and Gown meeting will be October 21, 2013 at 5:50pm in the City Council Chambers Room 1.

The Associated Students completed the student appointment process that places student representatives on the university councils and committees across campus. The AS has amended its bylaws so that a committee, which includes the AS President, Executive Vice President and Director of University Affairs, review applications and oversees the appointment process. We are currently discussing the creation of a University Affairs Council that would be responsible for training and supporting all student appointments.