

INSTRUCTIONALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES (IRA) BOARD MEETING

MARCH 8, 2018 10:00 AM BMU205

MINUTES

Members Present: Alisha Sharma, Harmony Ordaz, Alejandra Gonzalez, Marc Langston, David Scholz

Staff Present: Stephen Cummins, Kathleen Gentry, Kimberly Scott, Jennifer Mays, Kathy Tafalla

Members Absent: Michael Chao, Daisuke Aoyagi

Staff Absent: Jeni Kitchell

Guests: Tony Perez, Kendall Ross, Royce Tevis, Colleen Robb, Paige McMath-Jue

I. Call to Order

- a. Meeting called to order 10:02 am

II. Approval of Minutes – 2.22.18

- a. Dave referred to item III. f in the 2.22.18 minutes. He does not recall a discussion on deficit spending for ATHL. Kimberly said Jeni used the term deficit spending to describe ATHL spending down their reserve. Jen explained these concepts of spending and deficit spending are sometimes used interchangeably. They are using their reserves to supplement their base.
- b. Motion to approve by Mark, seconded by Alejandra. Approved 5-0-0.

III. New Business

a. Discussion Items –

i. Exemplary Performance Round II Request Presentations

1. Symphonic Band – Royce Tevis. They have 4 students who were chosen to participate in the northwestern and western division of the College Band Director's National Association honor band which takes place every other year. 13 states are represented, with performances by 10 other universities. Students will attend clinics and have the opportunity to play under a nationally renowned director. The funds would be used for travel and hotel stays.
2. Volleyball Club – Kendall Ross. The men's and women's volleyball clubs will be attending the national collegiate championship in mid-April in St. Louis, MO. They must qualify at two tournaments to go to nationals. The trip costs approximately \$1,000.00 per student which covers flight, hotel, entry fee, and transportation costs. They are asking for \$1,500.00 for each team to help offset these costs.
3. Wind Competition Team – Colleen Robb. This is a national competition sponsored by the Department of Energy. The goal is to introduce students to the wind energy field. There is a huge demand for

employment in this industry but not enough students that are equipped and familiar enough with energy to fill the jobs. CSU is 1 of 12 universities that have been accepted into the competition. The competition is an interdisciplinary effort where students build a wind turbine, design a business plan, and have a siting challenge where they need to know how to build a wind farm. This competition involves 3 colleges and 10 different majors, providing opportunities for students who normally don't interact to work together. They are going to Chicago and asking for \$5,000.00 to help cover hotel costs. Jennifer asked how this competition differs from the competition that they submitted for certified and if there was a lower level competition (prior to this competition) that qualified them for the Exemplary Performance funds. She explained that typically EP funding is for the next level up in competition. Colleen explained that they had to submit an application to be invited and they missed the window for the original funding so they don't have any IRA funds right now. Jen pointed out that the submission form shows that they received \$22,436.00 in IRA funding for the 18-19 academic year, making it sound like they already received it. Colleen said they do not have any IRA funding for this competition, but this request is for next year's competition. Dave explained that they haven't distributed funds yet for next year. Colleen explained that there has been some miscommunication between her and the associate Dean in how the process works. She thought that they would receive funding at approval. Jen explained that just because they are approved as a certified IRA program, they are not guaranteed funding because there is only so much funding to allocate. If any additional funding was available, they would be considered for that. Kimberly offered the suggested that the \$22,426.00 may be coming from the reserves from their college. Jen said that it's under the Dean's purview to use reserves for a program's expenses. This competition, while every-other-year, also has an engineering competition in the off-year. Jen is trying to clarify if this is truly an exemplary performance or just for the competition they were certified for. The deans from the two colleges involved have committed some funds to help off-set their expenses and they are holding fundraisers as well. Dave pointed out the requirement for exemplary performance is it has to be unexpected, as opposed to something that is planned for a couple years.

4. Chico SAE Baja – Dennis O'Connor – No representatives were present. Kathleen shared with the committee that they are asking to cover for funding for a competition that they went to last year. They didn't know about the funding at the time, so they are submitting for it now.
5. Chico State Investor's Club – Qingzhong Ma. No representatives were present. Please send any questions to Kathleen for follow-up. It appears that this is for a conference in Chicago that they usually attend.
6. Department of Music and Theatre – Joe Alexander for Bill Johnson. No representatives were present due to illness so Dave spoke on their

behalf. Judges come to campus and watch production on campus then choose who gets invited to the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival. They have already attended and are looking to offset some of the costs. This is an incredible opportunity for these students and can take years to qualify for this event. One of their awards is the Irene Ryan award who played Granny in the Beverly Hillbillies and was a famous Broadway star.

- b. Alisha requested a motion to suspend the rules and vote today. Harmony motioned and it was seconded by Alejandra. Motion carries 5-0-0.
- c. Symphonic Band – Dave motioned to vote, seconded by Harmony. Alisha called for a vote to approve for \$1,580.00. Motion carries 5-0-0.
- d. Volleyball Club – Alejandra motioned to vote, seconded by Harmony. Alisha called for a vote to approve for \$3,000.00, \$1,500.00 per team. Motion carries 3-2-0.
- e. Wind Competition - Harmony motioned to vote, seconded by Alejandra. Alisha called for a vote to approve for \$5,000.00. Motion fails 0-5-0.
- f. Chico SAE Baja – Dave motioned for a vote to not approve, seconded by Harmony. Alisha called for a vote to not approve \$5,000.00. Motion carries 5-0-0.
- g. Chico State Investor’s Club – Dave motioned to not approve, seconded by Alejandra. Alisha called for a vote to not approve \$4,500.00. Motion carries 5-0-0.
- h. Department of Music and Theatre – Dave motioned to approve, seconded by Harmony. Alisha called for a vote to approve \$5,000.00. Motion carries 5-0-0.

IV. Old Business

- a. Kathleen received a revised annual review form from the college of ECC that we had requested per discussion during our last meeting.
- b. In the last meeting, Dave asked for a rundown of the teams that have been approved in the last few years. Because the colleges don’t typically distribute budget down to the program level, it is difficult to say what they may have been told was their budget.

V. Announcements

- a. Alisha said the government affairs committee and students have been having conversations about the referendum (vote to be held in April) in regard to the proposed fee adjustments. She asked the committee to encourage students to go to the forums. She spoke with Dr. Lang and they are hoping to have one or two more forums next week.

VI. Adjournment

- a. Adjourned at 10:56 am.

Upcoming Dates:

- 3.16.18 – Work study funding requests are due
- 4.1.18 – Call for Exemplary Performance Funding, Round III is sent
- 4.5.18 – Meeting – Work Study presentations, budget discussion begins
- 4.19.18 – Meeting – Work Study voting, continue budget discussion
- 4.30.18 – Exemplary Performance, Round III requests are due