

**University Student Union
California State University, Northridge
Facilities & Commercial Services Committee
February 22, 2021
Regular Meeting Minutes**

I. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Facilities and Commercial Services Committee was called to order at 12:35 pm by Chair, Arrah Enaw.

II. Roll Call

| <u>Present</u> | <u>Absent</u> | <u>Staff</u> | <u>Guests</u> |
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| Arrah Enaw (Chair) | Tiffany Abodoh | Samantha Liu | Redhwan Ahmed |
| Robert Jacome (Vice Chair) | Maria Linares | Jimmy Francis | Almaas Jalal |
| Chidum Ekpe | | | |
| Adrian Lopez | | | |
| Rishabh Runwal | | | |
| Melissa Ruiz | | | |

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

III. Open Forum

N/A

IV. Approval of Agenda – February 22, 2021

M/S/P (M. Linares / R. Jacome) – Motion to approve the agenda for February 22, 2021.

Motion passed 5-0-0

V. Approval of Meeting Minutes – November 23, 2020

M/S/P (R. Jacome / M. Linares) – Motion to approve the minutes from November 23, 2020.

Motion passed 5-0-0

VI. Chair’s Report

Chair Enaw thanked the group for their patience scheduling the February meeting. She also shared that the committee has a new chair Robert Jacome and invited him to introduce himself.

VII. Co-Chair’s Report

Vice Chair Jacome shared that he was excited to work with the committee and the USU BOD.

VIII. Action Items

A. N/A

IX. Discussion Items

A. Muslim Student Association Presentation

Chair Enaw shared that Muslim Student Association (MSA) had been invited to the meeting to present their request for space in the USU. Enaw reminded the committee that the group has been engaged in an

ongoing discussion on how space in the USU should be allocated and the MSA was going to be starting that process.

Representing the MSA was Almaas Jalal and Redhwan Ahmed. They proceeded to share a presentation detailing their request. The presentation has been attached to these minutes for reference.

Following the presentation the MSA opened the floor for questions. R. Jacome asked if there were special provisions for Jumu'ah. Redhwan shared the USU has been supporting this activity with an additional meeting request/space on Fridays. Chair Enaw asked what size and what capacity of the space was needed. Redhwan stated 10-12 on average, at times 20-25 for special occasions. Enaw also asked if storage space was needed, and the MSA stated yes.

J. Francis asked how the MSA envisioned the space operations. Redhwan stated they thought it could be open during normal USU operational hours and did not plan to staff the space, it would be open and available. Enaw asked how many times prayer occurring during the day. Redhwan stated that there are 5 times a day the Muslims pray. C. Ekpe asked if a space outside of the USU on campus would work. Redhwan responded that yes he thought it would.

J. Francis stated that the next steps was for the MSA to respond in writing with detailed information for their request. J. Francis stated that the form the MSA received could be used as a guide for what information to include in their request.

This topic will be continued at the next committee meeting in March if the request for information from MSA is fulfilled.

X. Announcements

Chair Enaw shared that Executive Secretary Jimmy Francis will be leaving the USU and has accepted a new position. J. Francis shared that it was a pleasure to work with the committee and that it was likely S. Liu will be continuing in his role.

XI. Adjournment

By general consensus, the regular meeting of the Facilities & Commercial Services Committee was adjourned at 1:10 PM by Chair Enaw.

Respectfully submitted by,
Jimmy Francis