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## Board of Directors Meeting with President Gonzalez

April 29, 2013  
7:30 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.  
Terrace Suite, The WELL

### Members Present:

Demetrio Gonzalez, Diljeet Virk, Jim Reinhart, Darsey Varnedoe, Mike Lee, Rosalyn Klein, David Roloff, Lori Varlotta and Caleb Fountain. Also present: Leslie Davis, Bill Olmsted, Dean Sorensen, Mirjana Gavric, Jill Farrell, and Donna Seley.

### Invited Guests:

President Alexander Gonzalez, John Kepley and Gina Curry.

A. **Meeting called to order:** Chair, Demetrio Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 7:37 A.M.

### B. Consent Calendar:

1. Reviewed and Approved April 17, 2013 minutes. **MSP: Virk/Fountain**

### C. Old Business:

1. Union/WELL/Event Center Expansion: Action Requested  
President Gonzalez thanked everyone for attending this Board Meeting so early on a Monday morning. President Gonzalez briefly discussed the state of the campus. The Chancellor was very complimentary on the vibrancy, beauty, and points of pride during his visit to the campus.

President Gonzalez then presented a power point describing the "New Sacramento State". (copy attached). The President summed up his presentation with affirmation that now is the time to move forward with expansion of the Union, the WELL and construction of an Event Center. The Board's approval is needed for the President to present a request for a \$250 fee increase in Spring, 2014 to the Student Financial Advisory Committee. The President then opened up the floor to questions at 8:40 A.M.

- a. Caleb Fountain, incoming Chair of the Board, asked if there is going to be student input during the alternative consultation.  
*President Gonzalez assured the members of the Board that, indeed, student input is paramount to him.*
- b. Rosalyn asked if additional parking would be provided to service the Event Center.  
*Parking will be a consideration in the alternative consultation. Mike Lee pointed out that we currently have 13,000 parking spaces. Even on the busiest days at the beginning of the semester, we have approximately 1,100 empty spaces.*
- c. Diljeet asked if the success of the WELL is part of the equation.  
*Leslie pointed out that it is up to the Board whether or not to take this project on. Mike Lee assured the members that the UU/WELL runs a very good business. We are considering logical expansion due to its success. He feels that the*

*UU/WELL is run better than many private businesses. UU/WELL is run by the students and is one of many auxiliaries on campus.*

- d. Darsey asked what location is being considered for the Event Center.  
*The location will be South of the South Parking Structure. This is located just off Highway 50, one of the busiest highways in the city. Patrons will be able to easily drive in, park and walk to the venue.*
- e. Caleb commented that he felt the Event Center will create a prideful feeling among students. He feels it is important that it is a center that used constantly and not just for special events.  
*The plan is for this Event Center to be a multi-use Center with something happening regularly.*
- f. Demetrio asked whether or not Athletics would be part of the Event Center.  
*Lori explained that there will be opportunities for Athletics in the Event Center; i.e. Men's and Women's basketball, gymnastics, etc. Athletics will not be involved in the operation. However, there will be a working agreement put together as we get closer.*  
Leslie pointed out that a committee will be scouting other venues; i.e., the Pyramid at CSU, Long Beach, San Diego State University, CSU, San Jose.
- g. Caleb wondered how alums will benefit.  
*John Kepley pointed out that there are new alum chapters springing up. President Gonzalez mentioned the Campus sign on Highway 50 overlooking the campus. It took him three years to get it in place. It highlights our alumni and events. We have a land/lease with Clear Channel and share in the advertising revenue.*
- h. Gina Curry, Director & University Bursar for the Student Financial Services Center attended the meeting at the request of Leslie. She pointed out that nothing done during the alternative consultation is written in stone. However, the Board needs to recommend to the President to take this study to the Student Financial Advisory Committee before work can begin. This is the time make the decision in order to move forward in a timely manner. The decision can be changed based on findings and feedback.

President Gonzalez and John Keply excused themselves at 9:10 A.M. so the discussion could continue unhindered. He feels that we can hold tuition and provide an excellent education to the students. Chair, Demetrio Gonzalez asked for additional feedback.

- i. David Roloff indicated that this can be a major tool to improve the campus. The WELL has already proved to be a valuable tool. While we worry about fee increases, he hears from the students that they want better equipment.
- j. Demetrio indicated that this could make a degree from CSU, Sacramento more valuable.
- k. Rosalyn questioned about the need for improvements in classrooms. She wondered if this money could be used for that purpose.  
*Mike Lee pointed out that classroom funding is a different stream. He also assured her that the goal is to convert all classrooms to "smart classrooms". Currently, there is a survey in place to determine which classrooms most urgently need help.*
- l. Diljeet asked about the timing of the fee and the expansion of the UU/WELL and construction of the Event Center.  
*At this time, the timeline is vague. Some of the events may take place simultaneously. It is possible that the UU expansion may happen first due to the size of the project. The parts, prices, people, etc. need to be determined first. Gina pointed out that, while this is a long term project, the students will see benefits in the short term as the project grows.*

Leslie reminded the Board that up to \$50,000 was approved for architectural drawings at the last Board meeting.

5. Demetrio made a motion to utilize alternative consultation to raise the fee to \$250/student/semester with a proportionate Summer fee increase. **MSP: Fountain/Virk**
6. Demetrio congratulated Diljeet and Virk on their victories for the ASI positions.
7. **Adjournment:** 9:32 A.M.

Respectfully submitted:



Authorized Signature

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Date