

Associated Students Board of Directors
Humboldt State University
Monday, April 2, 2018
UC Banquet Room
Minutes #19

Call to Order

Valdovinos, Legislative Vice President, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in the University Center Banquet Room.

Roll Call

Representatives Present: Genesea Black-Lanouette, Alexis Brown, Jake Engel, Michael Freire, Maddie Halloran, Flow Lemus, Marisa McGrew

Officers Present: Dana Carrillo, Desteny Gutierrez, Joey Mularky, Kassandra Rice, Tzveta Stoimenova, Paola Valdovinos

Advisors Present: Dr. Wayne Brumfield, Jenessa Lund, Vincent Thomas

Advisors Absent: Elijah Lechman (Excused)

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: BLACK-LANOUE/TCGRCW move to approve Agenda #19 dated April 2, 2018. APPROVED

Chair's Report

Valdovinos reported that there were presentations today.

Public Comments (As per the Gloria Romero Open Meeting Act authorized by Section 89306.)

There was no Public Comment.

Appointments to Board of directors and Committees

A.S. President (Joey Mularky)

MOTION: BLACK-LANOUE/TE/BROWN moved to appoint Ruby Harrison to the A.S. Presents Representative. APPROVED

A.S. Administrative Vice President (Kassandra Rice)

No appointments.

A.S. Legislative Vice President (Paola Valdovinos)

MOTION: MCGREW/BLACK-LANOUE/TE moved to appoint Michael Freire to the Elections Commission. APPROVED

Old Business

1) 2018-19 Recommended Associated Students Budget – **Tabled Action Item**

MOTION: HALLORAN/CARRILLO moved to request 2018-19 recommended Associated Students Budget. APPROVED

Following hearing appeals, the Board will proceed through the budget language and each A.S. Program's recommended budget. There will be opportunity for discussion followed by a vote on the whole document.

The following programs are appealing their budget recommendation or have been invited by the Board to discuss the program's budget. Each program will have five minutes to make their presentation, after which the Board will have five minutes to ask questions.

a. Campus Center for Appropriate Technology

Isabel Sanchez, Anh Bui and Abdullah Alyami, CCAT Co-directors, live in the demonstration CCAT house and presented on the financial needs for the organization. Alyami discussed the wages for CCAT employees when compared to the wages of Residential Advisors wages. Sanchez showed the financial adjustments and cuts that CCAT plans on making, such as not paying summer wages, hiring less employees, and minimizing costs for supplies and services. The directors created a series of scenarios that would occur if there is a \$30,000 budget cut. One of the scenarios indicated that CCAT would not be able to pay wages for teachers, co-directors, host special events, conduct outreach, or complete projects.

McGrew asked if the classes that potentially won't have instructors are required for Environmental Science and Appropriate Technology students. Alyami responded that these courses are required and it is difficult to find teachers that are willing to volunteer their time. Sanchez added that they asked an herbalist if they would be willing to teach a class for free and they said no, but is open to creating a workshop.

Halloran asked if they have funds from other sources. Sanchez responded that AS and IRA fund supplies for classes and employees. Halloran asked if they have applied for outside grants. Bui responded that they did have an AmeriCorps grant that recently expired and only provided funds for American students.

b. Check-It

Mira Freidman, lead for Health Education and Support Services, presented on the budgetary needs for Check-It. Freidman discussed that they have applied for grants and other sources of funding, though it is unknown whether they would be awarded these funds.

Carrillo asked what would happen to Check-It if they did not receive A.S. funding and why is there a need for it now. Freidman responded that A.S. funds would support students jobs, programming, and collaborative outreach.

Engel suggested that the new health fee may be able to incorporate a sexual assault class in the general education requirements. Freidman responded that there have been discussions on creating a freshman interest group courses that would focus on sexualized violence. Freidman added that there is currently a one unit "Act to End Sexualized Violence" class that has seen a drop in enrollment.

Black-Lanouette noted that Check-It has not requested funds from A.S. before and asked where they were getting funds for salaries and wages before. Freidman responded that Student Affairs would allocate funding. In addition, the program has expanded paid positions and minimum wage has increased which has increased their financial needs.

c. Clubs and Activities Office

Molly Kresl, Clubs and Activities Coordinator, presented on the budget for Clubs and Activities. Kresl stated that they are satisfied with the amount being given to them, but would like to alter the budget language. Kresl said that the \$12 an hour should be available for two student programmer positions or to keep the money the same and reallocate it for the front desk assistants' wages.

d. Drop-In Recreation (Pool)

Chris Hopper, Chair of Kinesiology and Recreation Administration, presented on the budgetary needs for Drop-In Recreation. Hopper stated that A.S. has funded the wages for lifeguards since 1978. Hopper noted that they requested more than usual because of the minimum wage increase. Hopper added that throughout the year 5,000 students utilize the pool and the department is going to pitch in to fund the pool, but it does not cover everything and put the department in a difficult financial position.

Mularky asked what they would do if the funds were not awarded to them. Hopper responded that they would have to cut hours or have the department provide more money.

Carrillo asked if the numbers for how many students use the pool is updated and if it has changed throughout the years. Hopper responded that over 5,300 students used the pool last year, they do not currently have the data from previous years.

McGrew asked about the scientific diving students. Hopper responded that they have their own pool hours, though some students practice outside of those hours.

Gutierrez asked what the drop in hours are. Hopper responded that there are a couple of hours available in the morning, 12-2 p.m., and four hour blocks on the weekends. Gutierrez asked if there are times that are not as popular as others. Hopper responded that the morning hours are not as crowded. Gutierrez suggested closing on certain days like Sunday. Hopper responded that they would like to preserve the weekend hours, but would consider cutting the morning hours.

Carrillo asked if they have looked into other student employment opportunities. Hopper responded that there are programs funded by department grants that provided recreational hours for children with disabilities.

e. Humboldt International Film Festival

Helen Molina, Humboldt International Film Festival Co-Director, presented on needs of this program. Molina noted that the funds that are being allocated only cover wages. Molina stated that the judges are a part of the film industry and provide information on the industry in this secluded area. Molina noted that they do apply for grants, yet they are not always awarded to them.

Halloran asked how much the judges are given. Molina responded that they are given a stipend for four days that is paid for by a grant. The judges also show screenings and work with other programs on campus like the Latinx Center.

Stoimenova asked what the attendance is like. Molina responded that there are now two screenings because of the increased student interest. Molina noted that it is the longest student run film festival that has global recognition.

Carrillo asked about their grants. Molina responded that they fundraise with Lost Coast Brewery and Redwood Curtain, Applebee's, and Bittersweet. They also apply for IRA and CSU Fellowship grant.

Halloran asked how the profits from ticket sales fit in the budget. Molina responded that the profits go towards the event for next year.

Stoimenova asked if they will be able to bring the judges without A.S. funding. Molina responded that they will not be able to bring in judges. They will ask community members to fill the spaces.

f. Oh Snap! Campus Food Security Program

Mira Freidman, lead for Health Education and Support Services, presented on the projects that Oh Snap! has been working on like the food pantry, workshops, cooking demonstrations, and collaborating with CCAT. Freidman added that the demand of food on campus has increased and more students are seeking their services. One third of their budget was cut, this would mean that the pantry would be less available to students in need. Freidman noted that they have received outside grants, yet they cannot be used for food only for the new thrift store project.

g. Scholars Without Borders

Carlos Sanchez, Student Mentor and Coordinator for Scholars Without Borders, presented on the origin of the organization. Sanchez stated that Scholars Without Borders has worked on various training sessions, legal clinic, and World Without Walls. Sanchez stated that the allocated \$5,000 will not cover wages. They would like to decrease hours and increase wages.

Brown asked about the \$9,000 for legal fees. Sanchez responded that they plan on paying for the food and hospitality for a lawyer. Brown asked if they have contacted the Legal Resource Center. Sanchez responded that they have, but they do not provide specialized services for DACA students.

h. Veterans Transition Program

Danny Mullins, Outdoor Program Coordinator for HSU Vets, presented on the organizations need for funds. Mullins added that they had been given half of what they need to pay for their activities and plan on getting the rest of the funds elsewhere. James said the program is meant to support veterans by building a community of people that have similar experiences and are of a similar age bracket.

Halloran asked if they have alternate funding sources. Mullins responded that they have applied for the IRA grant and have been fundraising in the local community. Mullins stated that they would have to cancel many of the trips that they have planned if they do not get all of the funding.

Black-lanouette asked if they have collaborated with CenterActivities for their trips. Mullins responded that they have in the past and discussed funding options with CenterActivities.

Brown asked how many students go on the trips. Mullins responded that it ranges from 15 to 25 students, and hundreds of students are qualified to take advantage of their services. James Lamping, Student-Veteran, added that students are often placed on a waiting list because they can only afford a certain number of participants for these trips.

i. Womxn's Resource Center

Jazmin Sandoval, Environmental Justice Educator at the Womxn's resource Center, and Tania Cubas, Anti-Racist Educator at the Womxn's Resource Center, presented for the center. They discussed not being able to provide resources for students with the current allocation. Cubas explained that funding has limited the resources that they can provide to students, community members, and staff. Cubas stated that they are requesting funds to pay wages and support the Period Project.

Mularky noted that the Board of Finance did not reduce wages, and asked if they are asking for more money for wages. Cubas responded that they were not aware of how the budget form was to be filled out. Cubas added that the employees are only paid for 4 hours yet may work for up to 30 hours a week.

Brown asked if the increased budget for wages would include new projects. Cubas responded that it would be possible to initiate new programs with increased resources.

MOTION: STOIMENOVA/FREIRE moved to provide \$1,000 to the Period Project within the Womxn's Resource Center. APPROVED

Stoimenova noted that over half of the students on campus have menstruation and many students are homeless.

Valdovinos and Black-Lanouette expressed that having these supplies available has helped them.

Halloran added that Peer Health Educators also supply menstruation gear in restrooms. Stoimenova responded that they have been working with her to increase the number of restrooms that are supplied.

Engel asked if all restrooms are supplied. Stoimenova responded that they are having discussions to put supplies in both men and womens restrooms.

MOTION: CARRILLO/BROWN moved to increase the Scholars Without Borders' legal resource fund by \$9,000. APPROVED

Carrillo noted that the reserves are for special cases and this is a special case because of the current political climate that makes the second largest racial demographic at HSU feel unprotected. Carrillo added that HSU has recently become HSI funded.

Halloran asked if the \$9,000 just for the legal fees. Carrillo responded that it is.

Brown asked if stipulations can be added when increasing budgets. Mularky responded that they can. Brown added that Scholars Without Borders should collaborate with the Legal Resource Center.

Kresl noted that if Scholars Without Borders became an A.S. program then they could apply for grants through the Clubs Office.

MOTION: BLACK-LANOUELETTE/HALLORAN moved to change the budget language for student wage line item to support front desk staff wages. APPROVED

Thomas asked what the original language indicated. Mularky responded that it asked for all wages to be minimum wage and they do not wish to pay minimum wage.

MOTION: MCGREW/BLACK-LANOUELETTE moved to increase the budget for CCAT to \$6,000 for teacher wages. APPROVED, (1) NAY

Halloran asked why A.S. is responsible for paying teachers.

Mularky noted that A.S. has never funded this before and it seemed like they would be able to find funding elsewhere.

Black-Lanouette noted out of the scenarios CCAT offered, scenario 2 in addition to being given the \$6,000 is recommended.

Mularky noted that classes to graduate would not be cut if this motion does not pass. McGrew responded that they are student taught classes that are needed to graduate for some majors.

MOTION: BROWN/FREIRE moved to limit the co-director wages for all A.S. funded programs.

Brown removed the motion from the floor.

MOTION: GUTIERREZ/CARRILLO move to increase wages by \$3,000 for the Womxn's Resource Center.

APPROVED

(11) AYES, (1) NAY, (1) ABSTENTION

Flow asked what the reserves total would be if this were to pass. Lund responded that the reserved would be \$26,928, at 23%.

Mularky noted that the Womxn's Resource Center did not ask for in the budget request, and just inserted it when they presented it today. Carrillo responded that they did not understand how to fill out the application.

New Business

1) Resolution 2017-18-8: An Act to Disband the A.S. Campus Community Service Scholarship Committee. – **Action Item**

The Board will take action on a resolution disbanding the A.S. Campus Community Service Scholarship Committee.

MOTION: BLACK-LANOUELETTE/MCGREW moved to waive the first reading of Resolution 2017-18-8.

APPROVED

MOTION: BLACK-LANOUE/TE/CARRILLO moved to disband the A.S. Campus
Community Service Scholarship Committee. APPROVED

Official Reports (10 minutes limit each speaker, additional time at discretion of Chair)

Mularky - President

Board of Finance Report – Friday, March 23, 2018

- a. Request from the Piano Club for \$1,500 – **Action Item**
Review and take action on a \$1,500 request to hold a master class for the HSU community.

MOTION: BLACK-LANOUE/TE/MCGREW moved to approve the request from the Piano Club for \$1,500.

Lisa Ko presented on the request and explained the need for students to learn from Wenqing Bouche-Pillon. Kresl added that they are requesting from A.S. because the Clubs and Activities office misinterpreted the request and ran out of grant money.

- b. Request to reducing the discretionary fund to \$10,000 by transferring the remaining to the A.S. Reserve Fund. – **Action Item**
Review and take action on a transfer of funds.

MOTION: BLACK-LANOUE/TE/CARRILLO moved to approve the request reducing the discretionary fund to \$10,000 by transferring the remaining to the A.S. Reserve Fund. APPROVED

Lund presented on the item. Lund explained that the discretionary account was made because of funds from the reserves. The Board of Finance requested that the remaining amount in the discretionary be placed back into the reserves.

Rice - Administrative Vice President

Absent.

Carrillo - Student Affairs Vice President

Carrillo reported on the Model United Nations class.

Valdovinos - Legislative Vice President

Valdovinos reported on the Budget Student Forum. Valdovinos also reported on operating the A.S. social media accounts.

Gutierrez - Environmental Sustainability Officer

Gutierrez reported that the Earth Week Planning Committee has started putting up fliers and chalking.

Stoimenova - Social Justice and Equity Officer

No report.

Vacant - A.S. Presents

Vacant.

Brown – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Brown reported on the Model United Nations.

Vacant – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Vacant.

Freire – College of Professional Studies

No report.

Black-Lanouette – College of Professional Studies

Black-Lanouette reported that there were around 100 students that attended the CPS Mixer. On feedback forms, students appreciated seeing A.S. members at the mixer. Black-Lanouette also reported that there are multiple vacant liaison positions that needs to be filled to help AS funded programs.

Vacant – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

Vacant.

McGrew – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

McGrew reported on the Budget Forum. McGrew also reported meeting with the North Coast Environmental Center. McGrew reported the WRRAP clothing swap on April 24 to 26, 2018.

Lemus – At Large

Lemus reported on the Earth Week fliers and attending the CPS Mixer.

Engel – At Large

No report.

Halloran – Graduate Representative

Halloran reported contacting WRRAP to discuss a recycling program. Halloran also reported working on getting a documentary shown on campus about mining. Halloran reported attending the Budget Forum and talked with a student about having monthly forums on different topics.

Thomas – Elections Commissioner

No report.

Lechman – External Affairs

Absent.

Dr. Wayne Brumfield – Interim Vice President of Student Affairs

No report.

Lund – A.S. Executive Director

Lund reported on a student that attended the Budget Forum requesting weekly lunches to open discussions.

General Discussion

General Work Session

No discussion.

Announcements

Lemius announced the Free the CSU Rally at the state capital on April 4, 2018 with transportation provided by schools.

Valdovinos announced that the election packets would be due April 3, 2018 by 5 p.m.

Adjournment

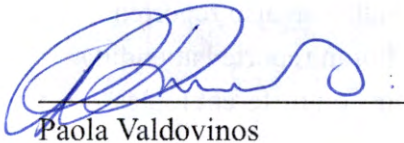
Valdovinos adjourned the meeting without objection at 5:30 p.m.

Recorded by:

Patric Esh

AS Board Coordinator

Approved by:



Paola Valdovinos

Legislative Vice President