Associated Students
Elections Commission
Humboldt State University
Meeting on Friday, April 24, 2018
Nelson Hall East, Room 116
1:00 p.m.
Minutes #1

#### Call to Order

Vincent Thomas, Elections Commissioner, called the Elections Commission meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 24, 2018 in Nelson Hall East, Room 120.

## Roll Call

Members Present:

Michael Chavarria, Michael Freire, Vincent Thomas

Advisors Present:

Patric Esh, Jenessa Lund

### Approval of Agenda

MOTION:

FREIRE/CHAVARRIA moved to approve Agenda #1 dated April 24, 2018.

**APPROVED** 

## **Approval of Minutes**

MOTION:

FREIRE/CHAVARRIA moved to approve Minutes #1 dated April 27, 2017.

**APPROVED** 

#### Chair's Report

No report.

#### **Public Comments**

No public comments.

### New Business

A. Review and recommend to the AS Board of Directors the approval of the April 17-19, 2018
 Associated Students Elections Results. – Action Item
 The Elections Commission will review the April 17-19, 2018 AS Elections results and determine future action based on the outcome of the elections.

MOTION:

FREIRE/CHAVARRIA moved to approve the April 17-19, 2018 Associated Students Elections Results.

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B. Elections Debrief. - Discussion Item

The commission will debrief on the 2018 A.S. Elections.

Thomas noted that the display case in the library caught the attention of passerbyers. Lund asked if the timeline to create the display case was efficient. Thomas responded that it may have been better to set up the display cases a day earlier or the weekend before.

Lund asked if they considered the revenue sharing idea. Lund explained that Chico State places a question on the ballot to motivate programs to advertise the elections and helps the Board of Directors know how the funding should be allocated in the future.

Thomas noted that they were not able to add a survey at the end of the ballot. Esh noted that there was a question at the end asking students their opinion on the Student Fee Referendum.

Esh noted that 47% of voters completed the ballot on their phones. 11.9% of students voted, which is higher than past years. Esh had hoped that the presidential candidates would have campaigned more, but added most of the Board positions were filled.

Esh asked how the Commission could improve next year. Chavarria responded that they should table more. Freire responded that being able to connect faces with names during the candidate forum was a good way for students to remember them.

Esh asked if they thought they should do more A.S. forums. Freire responded that it would be a good idea to have more forums. Thomas responded that there could be one forum for each semester. Lund added that one of the purposes of A.S. is to educate, these forums could also be informational for students so that they know what A.S. does.

Thomas noted that the Commission could create campaign routes so that candidates know where they may campaign and where to put flyers up. Thomas added that soft deadlines for campaigning may motivate them too. Esh added that it may be beneficial for the Elections Commissioner to provide campaign tips in the presentation at the mandatory elections meeting.

Esh asked if they had ideas for other events. Thomas noted that the tie-dye event was successful, though they should have done it earlier in the semester. Chavarria added that the location of the event was not prime. Esh added there could have been more marketing during the day of the event.

Esh asked about outreach. Thomas responded that they sent an email. Chavarria noted that attending club meetings may be more impactful than an email. Thomas asked if club's have scheduled meetings. Esh responded that club meetings are not always consistent or published on the HSU event calendar. Thomas responded that giving presentations during class is a good option. Chavarria responded that A.S. members should attend more events so they can talk to prospective students about A.S.

Thomas asked how students know who won the elections. Esh responded that the candidates have been emailed.

#### General Discussion

No discussion.

## **Announcements**

No announcements.

# Adjournment

Thomas adjourned the meeting at 1:30 p.m. without objection.

Recorded by:

Patric Esh

A.S. Board Coordinator

Approved by:

Vincent Thomas

Elections Commissioner

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