

Associated Students Finance Committee Meeting

Humboldt State University

Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at 1:00pm

Minutes #8

Via Zoom <https://humboldtstate.zoom.us/j/97235330682>

Meeting ID: 972 3533 0682

Password: None

This meeting was facilitated through an online Zoom format, consistent with the CA Governor's Executive Order N25-20 which suspended certain open meeting law restrictions

I. Called to Order at 1:01pm

II. Roll Call – quorum was present

- a. David Lopez, Chair - present
- b. Jeremiah Finley, A.S. President - present
- c. Roman Sotomayor, A.S. Board Member - present
- d. Gio Guerrero, A.S. Board Member – present until 2:02 pm
- e. Jenessa Lund, Advisor (non-voting) – present

Others present: Casey Park

III. Adoption of the Agenda

It was moved (Guerrero) and seconded to adopt the agenda.
The motion to adopt was APPROVED unanimously.

IV. Adoption of the Minutes

It was moved (Guerrero) and seconded to adopt the [Minutes #7](#) dated October 7, 2020.

The motion to adopt was APPROVED unanimously.

V. Public Comment

There was no public comment

VI. A.S. Club Grant Requests

There were no club grants requested. Chair Lopez acknowledged that the email went out to all the clubs and their officers. Lopez asked the group how the Committee can encourage requests from clubs and if the Committee should be re-allocated. There was discussion on looking at the Office of Student Life newsletter to see which recognized student organizations are active and could use funding. It was noted that attendance and participation in virtual events has been difficult. Some groups that have been successful are the Cultural Centers of Academic Excellence, Peer Health Educators and the Social Justice, Equity & Inclusion Center. Coordinator Park shared that the Diversity, Equity & Grants Committee has notified A.S. that it will not be functioning this year and A.S. funds could potentially be used to address gaps in

funding for diversity and equity events. Other ideas for grants funds were to fund books on reserve, small emergency funds/scholarships for individual students and RSOs could be funded to create educational videos, which instead of running a synchronous event, these videos could be interacted with by students on their own time or “asynchronously.”

Members also discussed that there may not be understanding amongst clubs that grants can now be used for stipends. It was suggested to create a video of how to fill out the form and clarify what can be funded.

VII. Business

a. A.S. Budget Amendments & Process

The Committee viewed the [working & current approved budget sheet](#) and discussed the A.S. General Operations and Government funding. Wages and stipends versus scholarships were compared and contrasted. Scholarships could be for academic or basic needs of students. The question was posed, if programming across campus is not yielding very much participation, is it best for this Committee to fund programmers? It was noted that former program employees were not satisfied with the offer of stipends for their work. It was suggested to use some of the funds within Operations and Government to fund the timekeeping program, which was the reason cited for letting go of the hourly program employees.

Looking at the sheet’s compartments marked in pink, it was discussed that the areas within A.S. Operations, Government and External Affairs that could be reduced or completely allocated to other funded areas are: Board Stipends, A.S. / Clubs Leadership Conference, Block Party (Aug), Thursday Depot Shows, Manuals, CSSA Travel Funds, CHESS Registration Funds.

VIII. Announcements

President Finley will be bringing up College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences departments consolidating into groups potentially to save on the cost of administrative support coordinators. There is worry amongst faculty that this will be a pathway to reduce the number of lecturers as well.

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:34pm