

Associated Students Council
Humboldt State University
April 17, 2017
UC Banquet Room
Minutes #20

Call to Order

Avitia, Legislative Vice President, called the meeting to order at 3:00pm in the University Center Banquet Room.

Roll Call

Representatives Present: Dominic Cicerone, Jason Jones, Tessa Lance, Joey Mularky, Asia Ross, Paola Valdovinos

Representative Absent: Carlrey Delcastillo (Excused), Kassandra Rice (Excused), Jenny Werthman (Unexcused)

Officers Present: Jessie Avitia, Sonya Navarro, Jonah Platt, Gregory Rodriguez

Advisors Present: Alejandro Arredondo, Dante Hamm, Jane Hill, Chey King, Dr. Peg Blake

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: LANCE/CICERONE move to approve of Agenda #20 Monday, April 17, 2017
APPROVED
AS AMENDED

MOTION: LANCE/NAVARRO move to move the location to the Goodwyn Forum if rooms fill the capacity.
APPROVED

Chair's Report

Avitia asked for a moment of silence for the death of David Josiah Lawson.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: PLATT/NAVARRO move to approve minutes #18 dated Monday, April 3, 2017
APPROVED

MOTION: LANCE/CICERONE move to approve minutes #19 dated Monday, April 10, 2017
APPROVED

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

There was no Public Comment.

I. Special Presentation

- A. Pouring Rights Town Hall – Tessa Lance - **Time Certain 3:15 to 4:15**
Tessa Lance will lead a presentation followed by a discussion.

MOTION: NAVARRO/LANCE move to begin the presentation at 3:05pm. FAILED

Discussion started at 3:15 p.m.

Lance introduced the Joyce Lopes, Vice President of Administrative Affairs, and Tawny Fleming, Director of Contracts and Procurement.

Lopes provided a summary of the presentation and showed a video. Lopes noted the contract cannot be negotiated until a month before the end of the current contract.

The meeting location was moved to the Goodwin Forum because of the banquet room was at maximum capacity.

Public comment:

Meredith Garret recited the GPA pledge talked about the GPA pledge and the importance of leading as example.

Jared Layel talked about student athletes and the myth of that athletes get a full ride and the issues when student athletes wouldn't get scholarships. Layel said the change in contract wouldn't affect Pepsi but it would affect students.

Tom Trepiaak, HSU Athletic Director, summarized purpose of the scholarships. Whaley asked Trepiaak how many students receive the scholarships. Trepiaak said seven to eight students get scholarships and that Pepsi provides \$30000 of the \$60000.

Will Raschke talked about the expectations of coming to HSU. Raschke asked that there be a better way of getting scholarships for student athletes.

Elijah Lechman talked about the health issues of soda. Elijah also discussed the lobbying efforts of PepsiCo against soda taxes. Lechman said HSU doesn't need the scholarships if it causes health issues and doesn't help very many students.

Madison Whaley talked about the importance of being environmentally and social responsible. Whaley noted if HSU accepts the contract they are not supporting the same values.

Lopes talked about HSU exploring other options.

Alec Howard talked about the climate action plan and asked if options have been exhausted before recycling. Howard asked if Pepsi can take back the bottles and cans they distribute.

Lopes said zero waste is important to her. Lopes noted reducing is the first step. Lopes noted there is a 46 million dollar deficit and not sure where to find a \$50,000 dollars to pay for scholarships.

Jamison asked about the loss of revenues when HSU stopped selling plastic water bottles on campus. Morgan King answered \$20000. Ron Rudebock said initially they lost revenue after the ban on plastic bottles, but revenue has increased above \$20000 over the years. Rudebock said Pepsi products are not the top selling item. Lopes said Pepsi products are slower to sale than other products.

Jamison said there is 16 grams of sugar in soda products. Jamison asked how food is sold. Lopes answered dining services provide the food products, but uses Sysco to get food.

Ivy Huwald said HSU prides itself on sustainability and practice to build a greener world. Huwald sees the contract with PepsiCo as a violation of HSU values and should look for another companies to contract with.

Noè Araiza talked about sustainability and community values is promoted to students, but HSU values money over students.

George Wren talked about getting pouring rights from another companies. Wren would like the contract to include supporting environmental sustainability, finding means of having less soda consumption, and a surge charge on soda.

Fleming talked about included an environmental aspect, but they only received a response from three companies: Pepsi, Coke, and another company.

Nick Graham talked about finding local companies and having a cooperative model.

Eric Rydberg, Green Party spokesperson, talked about the health issues of soda and the social problems of using Pepsi companies.

Samantha Arredondo asked if the contract timeline had public comment. Trepiaak said this is the first public comment the PepsiCo contract taskforce has had.

Miranda Taylor asked about the selling of products and the carbon footprint of products that are not sold.

James Octovert (misspelled) talked about having a local juice bar instead of PepsiCo. Fleming asked if HSU students are using the products. James said yes.

Meredith Garrett asked about future conversations after today. Lopes said they need to make a decision soon.

Nelio Palmoris (misspelled) asked the taskforce if they have found alterative ideas. Fleming said the health issue wasn't brought up before. Fleming also said contracts have not expired before because of the scholarships. They thought about creating an endowment but that was too expensive.

Trepiaak talked about how to reduce consumption. They have to use bottled water because of lack of resources but would like to use a foundation drink.

Navarro asked how a score board helps students. Trepiaak talked about the convenience of the score board for football attendees. A forum attendee suggested everyone pay a dollar at sporting events or

increasing student fees to pay for scholarships.

MOTION: NAVARRO/LANCE move to extending the town hall for twenty minutes.

APPROVED

Ryan Cervantes talked about action is power and stand in solidarity for people who are supporting the divestment from Pepsi.

Lopes talked about using the resources already on campus.

Christopher Jamison asked why HSU is only asking for \$58,000. Tawny said they would look into asking for more, but noted the contract would be extended to 10 years.

Alex Howard said the resistance seems to be from the athletic dept. and said Pepsi seems to be getting the better end of the deal.

Lopes talked about that AS is reviewing student fees. Lopes doesn't know how to replace the funds for the scholarships.

Trepiak said there would need to be a separate committee to fund the scholarships.

Eric Rydberg said students could pay for it. Lopes said it not that easy for students to pay for the additional costs.

Navarro asked about administration donating money. Lopes said they already donate.

A forum attendee asked if the athletics dept. could be charged more. Trepiak said students already pay into the athletics dept.

Jacqueline Rose asked about invitationals to increase athletic funds. Trepiak said the track and field course can't hold invitationals. Rose also asked about camps. Trepiak said the camps provide some revenue.

A attendee suggested an environmentally sustainability camp. Lopes said the colleges and departments could work on that.

Avitia talked about the problems of PepsiCo. Avitia sees a problem with Pepsi causing lots of problems but they provide a concession stand. Avitia said AS is not attacking HSU Athletic; Dept. but would like to solve the problem and provide scholarships.

Rodriguez said HSU IRA fees are the highest in California and should be spent differently.

King asked about vending machines. Fleming said Pepsi doesn't make money off of vending machines.

Avitia suggested having another public forum.

MOTION: NAVARRO/LANCE move the meeting location to the UC Banquet Room.

APPROVED

Appointments to Committees and Council

A.S. President (Jonah Platt)

No appointments.

A.S. Administrative Vice President (Gregory Rodriguez)

No appointments.

A.S. Legislative Vice President (Jessie Avitia)

No appointments.

A.S. Student Affairs Vice President (Sonya Navarro)

No appointments.

Old Business

No old business

New Business

- A. Resolution 2016-17-18: An Act to Amend the Process of Appointing Council Members – **First Reading**
The resolution will amend the process of appointing a Council member. The author requests to waive the first reading.

MOTION: LANCE/MULARKY move to waive the first reading. APPROVED

MOTION: LANCE/CICERONE move to approve resolution 2016-17-18: An Act to Amend the Process of Appointing Council Members. APPROVED

Cicerone presented on the resolution and the reasons why they should be in support of the resolution.

- B. Resolution 2016-17-19: An Act to Amend Appointment Processes and Define Duties of Committee Members. – **First Reading**
The resolution will amend the council reporting process. The author requests to waive the first reading.

MOTION: LANCE/CICERONE waive the first reading. APPROVED

MOTION: LANCE/CICERONE move to approve Resolution 2016-17-19: An Act to Amend Appointment Processes and Define Duties of Committee Members. APPROVED

Cicerone presented on the reason and importance of the resolution.

MOTION: PLATT/LANCE move to amend section 8.01 and replace “committee member” with “council member.” APPROVED

C. Resolution 2016-17-20: An Act to Amend the Description and Responsibilities of the Environmental Sustainability Officer of the Associated Student council. – **First Reading**

The resolution amends the duties of the Environmental Sustainability Officer. The author requests to waive the first reading.

MOTION: LANCE/NAVARRO waive the first reading. APPROVED

MOTION: LANCE/CICERONE move to approve Resolution 2016-17-20: An Act to Amend the Description and Responsibilities of the Environmental Sustainability Officer of the Associated Student Council.

Blake noted there is a discrepancy with the term ‘officer.’

Avitia moved to move the location of the meeting to the Goodwin Forum.

After the special meeting, the location was moved to the UC Banquet room.

MOTION: PLATT/RICE move to include officer after environmental sustainability in the second resolve. APPROVED

MOTION: NAVARRO/PLATT moved to change “with” to “will” in the second resolve. APPROVED

D. Resolution 2016-17-21: An Act to Amend the Description and Responsibilities of the Officer of Social Justice and Equity Officer of the Associated Student Council. – **First Reading**

The resolution amend the duties of the Social Justice and Equity Officer of the Associated Student Council. The author requests to waive the first reading.

MOTION: PLATT/NAVARRO move to change to strikeout the word “and” from section 5 before “who”. APPROVED

MOTION: PLATT/CICERONE move to change under represented to under service. APPROVED

MOTION: PLATT/LANCE move to amend the second resolve, second line “academic center” to “center of academic excellence.” APPROVED

MOTION: RODRIGEUZ/LANCE move to include, “Mecha, Centro a Pueblo, and city of Arcata entities on and off campus” after “queer student unions.” APPROVED

MOTION RODRIGUIZ/LANCE move to amend the amendment to cross out “across” and replace it with “on and off.” APPROVED

Rodriguez talked about the importance to decolonize the structures within the institution and would like added to the resolution.

MOTION: RODRIGUEZ/PLATT move to add "and decolonization" at the forth sentence. APPROVED

MOTION: RODRIGUEZ/LANCE move to amend the amendment to state and decolonization" after, "diversity, and," instead of at the end of the resolve. APPROVED

MOTION: PLATT/RODRIGUEZ move to include INRSEPT in the section 2 after "academic centers." APPROVED

Platt said the amendment would include Native-American students and Native-American programs.

MOTION: PLATT/LANCE move to approved INTERCEPT at the fourth resolve before Multicultural Center. APPROVED

MOTION: LANCE/DELCASTILLO move to table the resolution until the next meeting on May 1, 2017. APPROVED

- E. Financial Viability Review – Discussion Item
The Council will review the financial viability of the AS Council.

Jane discussed the financial viability of Associated Students included the AS reserve policy.

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

President (Jonah Platt)

AS Executive Committee – April 14, 2017

1. AS Remodel – Action Item
The committee will review and recommend the AS office remodel design to the AS Council.

MOTION: RODRIGUEZ/LANCE TO APPROVE THE AS REMODEL. APPROVED
(1) ABSTAIN

The council discussed the schematics, if the funds could be used for other programs, and if the remodel is environmentally sustainable.

Avitia move to adjourn the meeting at 6 p.m. as required by the AS Standing rules.

2. AS Strategic Plan. – Discussion Item
Platt is asking for feedback on adding revisions to the Strategic Plan.

3. Executive Committee as a Support Body. – Discussion Item
Platt will lead a discussion of the AS Executive Committee of AS play a greater part in the direction and health of the AS Board of Director

4. AS Toolkit. – Discussion Item
Discussion about what toolkits are needed for AS efficiency.

Administrative Vice President (Gregory Rodriguez)

Student Affairs Vice President (Sonya Navarro)

Legislative Vice President (Jessie Avitia)

Delcastillo – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Werthman – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Mularky – College of Professional Studies

Ross – College of Professional Studies

Lance – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

Valdovinos – At Large

Rice – At Large

Jones – Graduate Representative

Alejandro Arredondo – AS Presents Representative

Chey King – External Affairs Representative

Dante Hamm – Elections Commissioner

Vice President of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs (Peg Blake)

AS Executive Director (Jane Hill)

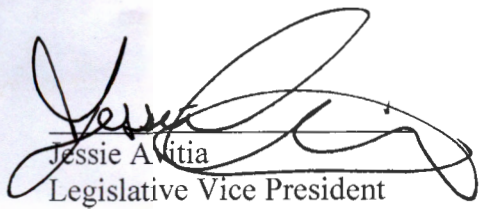
Announcements

Adjournment

Avitia adjourned the meeting without objection at 6:00 p.m.

Recorded by:
Patric Esh
AS Council Coordinator

Approved by:



Jessie Avitia
Legislative Vice President