Call to Order

Sarah Scudder, Council Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. in the University Center, South Lounge.

Roll Call

Members Present: Nick Bollier, Brandon Durr, John Hughes, Stefan Kreid, Matthew Lutwen, Leanne Lynch, Cam Pham, Sarah Scudder, Hayden Thomas, Paul Yzaguirre

Members Absent: Ellyn Henderson (excused)

Officers Present: Bryan Kelly, Rachel Brownell, Kate Beyer (late excused)

Advisors Present: Joan Tyson, Dr. Peg Blake

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: DURR/BOLLIER move to approve Agenda #13 dated January 28, 2012 APPROVED

Chair’s Report

Scudder welcomed the Council to the meeting. Scudder will be chairing the first part of the meeting for the Spring Semester. Beyer is in class until 3:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes #12 dated December 12, 2011 – Action Item

MOTION: PHAM/YZAGUIRRE move to approve Minutes #12 dated December 12, 2011 APPROVED

Public Comments (As per the Gloria Romero Open Meeting Act of 2000 authorized by Section 89306.)

There was no Public Comment.

Program Presentation

A. Graduation Pledge Alliance (Tracie Brandt)

Tracie Brandt, the Graduation Pledge Alliance Coordinator, was present on behalf of the program. The Graduation Pledge Alliance was founded in 1987 and is a pledge that HSU Graduates take at commencement to consider the environmental and social consequences of any career they may pursue.

B. Eric Rofes Queer Resource Center (Corrina Hatzidakis)
Corrina Hatzidakis, the Events Coordinator for the Eric Rofes Queer Resource Center was present on behalf of the program. The mission of the Eric Rofes Queer Resource Center is to move the campus from an attitude of tolerance to an attitude of acceptance of the queer community and it aims to create a focus of learning about issues facing the queer community.

C. Humboldt Film Festival (Kristyn Delgado)

Kristyn Delgado and Brittany White, Co-directors for the Humboldt Film Festival were present on behalf of the program. The Humboldt Film Festival is a program that encourages students to focus their creative and productive energies on the development and presentation of the world’s oldest student run film festival.

**Appointments to Committees and Council**

**A. S. President (Bryan Kelly)**

MOTION: YZAGUIRRE/PHAM move to appoint Jeffrey Novoa as the AS Presents Representative

APPROVED

MOTION: PHAM/DURR move to appoint John Hughes as the AS Elections Commissioner

APPROVED

(1) ABSTENTION

**A. S. Administrative Vice President (Rachel Brownell)**

No Appointments.

MOTION: BOLLIER/DURR move to amend the agenda by moving the A.S. Legislative Vice President Appointments to 3:00 p.m.

APPROVED

**A.S. Student Affairs Vice President (Vacant)**

No Appointments.

**Old Business**

There was no Old Business.

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

**Committee Reports from Students-at-Large**

No report.

Scudder – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Scudder reported that she will be changing her office hours. The Humboldt Energy Independence Fund (HEIF) committee will be meeting at different times throughout this semester and Scudder is looking for a replacement to her seat on HEIF.

Durr – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Durr reported that he has been communicating with the Residence Housing Association (RHA). The Marching Lumberjack’s have elected a new Axe (Band Conductor) and General Manager for 2012. Durr will be assisting with the Buck Starts Here Campaign. Durr stated that the University Center is hiring outside of the student population for cashier positions within Dining Services and he would like to look
further into the reasons behind the decision to do so.

Thomas – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences  
Thomas reported that the Student Affairs Advisory Committee (SAAC) is working on the AS Formal.

Pham – College of Professional Studies  
Pham reported that she is working on decorations for the AS Formal. The COPS mixer will be March 1, from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Plaza Grill.

Yzaguirre – College of Professional Studies  
Yzaguirre stated the last COPS Mixer was successful and is looking forward to this semester’s Mixer. Yzaguirre is interested in working on Spooky Gist Hall and Humans vs. Zombies events.

Kreid – College of Professional Studies  
Kreid reported that the Sport Clubs Council will be meeting tomorrow afternoon.

Bollier – College of Natural Resources and Sciences  
No report.

Henderson – College of Natural Resources and Sciences  
Absent.

Lutwen – All University  
Lutwen reported that he volunteered at the Potawot Community Garden on Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The YES open house is Wednesday, January 25 from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Lutwen attended the first Presidential Scholars Club meeting.

Graduate Student Representative (Leanne Lynch)  
Lynch reported that she has been contacted by students interested in trying out to be the Campus Mascot.

Vice President of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs (Peg Blake)  
Dr. Blake reported that Occupy Humboldt has returned to campus and that the organization is interested in changing their focus. The West Gym expansion has been completed and a Grand Opening will be scheduled soon. Dr. Blake will be attending a meeting at Arcata City Hall tomorrow from 8:00 -10:00 a.m. to discuss maintaining safety on the Arcata Plaza during large holiday events such as Halloween. The Student Portal Project is progressing and a mock-up should be available in the coming months for students to review. Blake has asked for additional resources in the next budget to fund Student Engagement and Leadership Opportunities and intends to bring more leadership opportunities to campus. The STARS scholarship system is now available on the Financial Aid website and Blake encouraged students to apply for scholarships through STARS. The Residence Halls will begin a Resident Mentorship Program next year and will be hiring approximately 25 mentors. Dr. Blake reminded the Council to go to class, get help when you need it and to take care of your academic studies.

Beyer arrived to the meeting at 2:53 p.m.

General Manager (Joan Tyson)  
Tyson reported that the AS Campus/Community Service Scholarship is now on STARS. Tyson attended the Auxiliary Organization Association (AOA) conference in early January. Chancellor Reed was one of the featured speakers and discussed the importance of the proposed sales and income tax increase. The 2012-13
AS Budget process has begun. The Instructionally Related Activities (IRA) Committee will be meeting at the end of the week to review IRA Budget Application materials. The CSU Office of the University Auditor will be doing an internal audit on cost allocation between the state and auxiliary organizations as per Executive Order 1000. The auditors will be here beginning February 20.

AS Presents Coordinator (Jeffrey Novoa)
No report.

Legislative Vice President (Kate Beyer)
Beyer reported that she will be attending the Student Recreation Center (SRC) Expansion meeting tomorrow. Beyer is working on new ideas for the bulletin board in the AS Office.

Beyer made an appointment that was previously moved in the meeting (3:00 p.m.)

MOTION: PHAM/DURR move to appoint Amber Okeh to the AS Campus Community Service Scholarship Committee
APPROVED

Administrative Vice President Report (Rachel Brownell)
Brownell reported that Kelly, Tyson and herself will be meeting with AS Programs to discuss their proposed budget applications. Brownell will begin chairing the Community Garden Committee. Brownell met with a student who is interested in creating a mural project underneath the footbridge and provided her with information that she received from Burt Nordstrom, Vice President for Administrative Affairs, about the requirements for the project. The student will need to secure funding for the supplies and find an art class who is willing to design and maintain the mural throughout the year. Brownell and Kelly attended a study space meeting with Dr. Volga Koval, Director of Academic Resources and Dr. Terry Greneau, Dean of the University Library and secured a pilot project to extend Library Hours on Saturday by two hours. Brownell will be attending the SRC Expansion meeting.

President (Bryan Kelly)
Kelly reported that Governor Jerry Brown released his proposed state budget for the 2012-13 Fiscal Year on January 5. There are no proposed further cuts to higher education but the budget is contingent on approval of the Governor’s proposed increase of taxes. If the tax propositions do not succeed HSU would receive a 5 million dollar cut to its budget. Other cuts to education include a higher GPA qualification for Cal Grant A and Cal Grant B. To receive a Cal Grant A students would now need to maintain a 3.25 GPA and to receive a Cal Grant B students would need to maintain a 2.75 GPA. The University Senate will have its first meeting tomorrow at 4:00 p.m. in Nelson Hall East 106. Kelly will begin sitting on the Campus Climate and Faculty Affairs Committees. Kelly hopes that the Campus Climate Committee will focus on issues that affect the surrounding communities. Kelly will be setting up the first meeting of the Student Trust Fund Committee. The Loyalty Fund will be providing a matching contribution to the Student Trust Fund initial investment. Kelly and Lutwen hosted a Presidential Scholars meeting last Wednesday. The SRC Expansion meeting is tomorrow at noon. The beer policy has been reviewed and hours that beer may be served in the Depot will continue to be 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. on weekdays.

General Council Discussion
Hayden offered assistance with the campus mascot and stated his support of extended library hours. Scudder stated that a group from Housing volunteers at the Potawot Garden from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. on Fridays. Scudder also suggested a competition in housing to increase participation in the AS Elections. Scudder noted that the Occupy movement will be working on the Move-to-Amend Campaign. Kelly asked Kreid to inquire if the Cheer Club would be interested in taking on responsibility for Lucky the Logger.
Scudder asked Dr. Blake if she would consider ways to implement the Graduation Pledge Alliance into the Resident Mentorship Program.

**General Council Work Session**

A. **West Gym Expansion Open Forum – January 24, 2012 (Bryan Kelly)**

Kelly reviewed what support is needed for the West Gym Open Forum on January 24, from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. in the University Center, South Lounge. Dr. Blake, Dave Nakamura, Executive Director of the University Center and Traci Ferdolage, Director of University Planning and Design will review the project and answer questions that students have and free pizza will be served. Kelly noted that the project will cost 1.3 million dollars and it is important that students have an opportunity to review the project.

B. **AS Spring Retreat – January 28, 2012 (Joan Tyson & Bryan Kelly)**

Tyson noted that the Retreat will be Saturday at the Humboldt Bay Aquatic Center in Eureka. The retreat will begin at 8:30 a.m. and breakfast and lunch will be provided. Directions to the retreat site will be sent by e-mail. Tyson encouraged the Council to carpool to the retreat site. Kelly stated that on Friday night that Council will be going to Laser Tag for a pre-retreat activity. A carpool will leave from Library Circle at 6:30 p.m.

C. **Associated Students 2012 Formal – February 4, 2012 (A.S. Student Affairs Advisory Committee)**

Thomas asked the Council to sign up to volunteer for the Formal and passed up a sign up sheet for different volunteer opportunities. The formal will run from 8:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. The event will include music, dancing, games, photos and entertainment. Additionally, the event will serve as a fundraiser and will reward the club with the most attendees with a donation to their club accounts. The Council discussed strategies for promoting the event.

**Announcements**

Brownell gave the *You Rock Rock* to Durr for his hard work on Depot employee issues and for his attention to the Residence Hall Association. Kelly announced that there are multiple positions open on the AS Council and encouraged the Council to promote them to students. The Invisible Children’s Club is meeting on Thursday’s at 2:00 p.m. in the South Lounge this semester.

**Adjournment**

Beyer adjourned the meeting without objection at 3:50 p.m.

Recorded by:

Rob Christensen
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Approved by:

Kate Beyer
Legislative Vice President