

Associated Students Council
Humboldt State University
Monday, April 18, 2016
University Center Banquet Room
Minutes #22

Call to Order

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

Roll Call

Representatives Present: Kathryn Guzman, Michael Ramirez, Alexia Siebuhr, Jason Jones, Jesse Benefiel, Sean Sesanto, Aisha Cissna, Eamon Daly, Candace Young

Officers Present: Juan Cervantes, Jonah Platt, Tiana Cannon, Zitlaly Macias

Advisors Present: Aaron Cobas, Natasha Sanders, Madison Whaley, Joan Tyson, Dr. Peg Blake

Advisors Absent: Natasha Sanders (Excused)

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: RAMIREZ/BENEFIEL move to approve Agenda #22 dated April 18, 2016

APPROVED

Chair's Report

Macias reported that the Council should respect each other's opinion and asked Council members to raise their placard if they want to speak.

Special Presentation

Clint Rebik, HSU Registrar, presented on the U.Direct Software. Rebik stated that U.Direct, the companion software to U.Achieve (DARS), is a planning and advising tool that will enable students to work with academic advisors to develop four-year plans. U.Direct will also help academic departments and programs predict course demand in advance of any given semester. Rebik also provided a brief tutorial of the software. Platt asked if students could add courses not in their major. Rebik said yes. Daly asked if students could register for classes using the software. Rebik said he wasn't sure yet if students could do that. Whaley asked if classes not provided every year are included. Rebik said yes. Blake asked if the goal is for the student and their advisor to meet when the students start at HSU and plan the students four year class schedule. Rebik said yes. Blake asked when the software will be implemented. Rebik said there will be a "soft roll out" during the 2017 Spring semester for continuing students who will be enrolling in the 2017 Fall semester. Ramirez asked if students would still have to enroll using the current method of enrollment. Rebik said yes. Alexis Hernandez, Student At-Large, asked if there will be tutorials and training for students. Rebik

said yes.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: JONES/GUZMAN move to approve Minutes #20 dated April 4, 2016 APPROVED

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

There was no Public Comment.

Appointments to Committees and Council

A.S. President (Juan Cervantes)

No appointments.

A.S. Administrative Vice President (Jonah Platt)

No appointments.

A.S. Legislative Vice President (Zitlaly Macias)

No appointments.

A.S. Student Affairs Vice President (Tiana Cannon)

No appointments.

Old Business

- A. Resolution 2015-16-8: Resolution in Support of No Student Mandated Reporters Except Those Explicitly Stated in Title IX - **Tabled First Reading**

MOTION: RAMIREZ/SIEBUHR move to review and approve the Resolution 2015-16-8: Resolution in Support of No Student Mandated Reporters Except Those Explicitly Stated in Title IX. APPROVED

Siebuhr presented on the resolution. Siebuhr read a letter to the Chancellor's Office she drafted with Kim Berry, Chair of the HSU Department of Critical Race, Gender & Sexuality Studies Department, and Maxwell Schnurer, HSU Department of Communication Professor. The letter will be sent with the resolution once the resolution is approved (The letter is attached to the minutes).

Blake stated the letter might have misinformation regarding reported sexual assault cases. Blake noted reported cases have increased. Siebuhr responded that she will review the information again.

MOTION: CERVANTES/CANNON move to strike out, "more people reporting creates" and replace the phrase with, "more people being mandated to report creates." FAILED

MOTION: RAMIREZ/SESANTO move to strikeout the 6th paragraph.

APPROVED

Back to the discussion on the main motion.

Ramirez asked which student employees are mandated reporters. Siebuhr responded that policy is complex so she is not sure. Siebuhr states the resolution was created to create a push not to have students be mandated reporters.

Cervantes noted the resolution calls for all students not to be mandated reporters. Cervantes asked if the resolution is about the AS Council demanding students not be mandated reporters or suggest students not be mandated reporters. Cervantes notes the word demand is a strong statement. Siebuhr uses the word demand because there has been a lot students voicing their opposition of having to be a mandated reporter. Cervantes also noted some grammatical errors on paragraphs two, three, four, five, and six.

MOTION: CERVANTES/DALY move to strikeout "all CSU system to" and replace it with "that the CSU" in the 14th paragraph

APPROVED

MOTION: PLATT/CANNON move to amend the amendment and include an "s" after "demand."

FAILED

(4) AYE

(6) NAY

(2) ABSTENTIONS

Cervantes suggests tabling the resolution to fix grammatical issues. Siebuhr noted she would like the resolution approved because of other time sensitive issues regarding the policy.

MOTION: CERVANTES/RAMIREZ move to strikeout "demand all CSU system to go forth in implementing" and replace the phrase with, "demands the implementation of."

APPROVED

(1) NAY

Sesanto asked if the "s" should be included after the word "demand." Cervantes said Sesanto can make a motion to amend the amendment.

MOTION: CERVANTES/RAMIREZ move to strikeout out "demand all CSU campuses" and replace it with "demands that all CSU campuses" and strikeout "creating" and replace it with "create" in the 3rd resolve.

APPROVED

MOTION: BENEFIEL/RAMIREZ move to amend the amendment and include "go forth and" after "campuses"

APPROVED

MOTION: DALY/JONES move to table the resolution until the ASC meeting on May 2, 2016.

This motion was revoked by Daly.

MOTION: DALY/RAMIREZ move to table the action item after the Official Reports of this meeting. APPROVED

- B. Resolution of 015-16-9: The Meliorist Comfort Bench - First Reading
This resolution states the Associated Students would support the installation of the Meliorist Comfort Bench.

MOTION: RAMIREZ/CANNON move to table the resolution to the May 2, 2016 meeting. APPROVED

Macias reported Sanders was unable attend the meeting because of a scheduling conflict.

- C. Resolution 2015-6-10: Formation of an Associated Students Funded Programs Committee (ASFPC) - **First Reading**

Hernandez presented on the resolution. Hernandez believes that the clubs or programs on campus should create stronger relationships. Whaley supports the resolution. Cissna asked if the AS liaison roles would be eliminated. Hernandez said yes and noted that not all the programs have a liaison each year. Platt doesn't support the resolution because he was thinking the committee would be less formal. Platt also asked if Hernandez has talked to the other programs. Hernandez has talked to some of the programs representatives and they are supportive of the resolution. The committee would enable students to talk about issues they are having and support each other. Hernandez would like the committee to have a required membership. Cervantes noted the membership can't be compulsory and the committee can structure the meeting how they see fit. Whaley noted the committee's requirement of having meetings every two weeks meeting does not have to be compulsory. Cervantes questions the rate of meetings too. Hernandez responded the meeting requirement can change. Whaley asked if the Administrative Vice President should chair the position and if they have time in their schedule. Platt stated the Administrative Vice President could chair the meeting and noted a meeting every two week could work. Tyson noted that some of the persons in last resolve should be omitted from the resolution. Tyson also discussed the Student Engagement and Leadership Support meets every month and discusses some of the same issues. Cervantes suggested Hernandez talk to the Clubs and Activities Office.

- D. Resolution 2015-6-11: Formation of an Associated Students Earth Week Planning Committee - **First Reading**

Cissna presented on the resolution. Cissna noted other organizations on campus have provided feedback already. Cissna noted other groups on campus suggested having the committee chair be Co-Chairs voted by the committee. Cissna also stated the AS mission statement would be added and text about social justice included in the charge and would also omit some of the persons in the last resolve.

Daly suggested omitting the Elections Commissioner and including a Student At-Large position. Sesanto suggests having the Elections Commissioner on the committee. Sesanto also asked why there was two representatives from the MultiCultural Center. Cissna noted that concern and said it would not matter if there was one or two representatives from the MultiCultural Center. Siebuhr suggests including a representative from the Women's Resource Center.

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

Cervantes attended the CSSA meeting.

AS Executive Committee Report – April 15, 2016

1. Review and approval of Associated Students of Humboldt State University Interim Executive Director Agreement – Information Item (Juan Cervantes)

Cervantes said the Executive Committee has consulted with the AS lawyer, HSU Human Resources, and our insurance carrier. Cervantes noted the Executive Committee has encountered some issues as they have moved forward on the agreement. The Executive Committee has met multiple times on the item and has voted to allow Cervantes to make the decision regarding the agreement without the committee's approval. Cervantes explained the committee is discussing whether the agreement should be a consulting agreement, an hourly wage, or review other options. Cervantes explained part of the issue is the indemnification cause including insurance and liability. Cervantes noted the committee is reviewing other possibilities and will provide the Council with more information once the committee has an update.

2. Request from the Associated Students President to spend an amount not to exceed \$150 for costs associated with an Earth Week Event from the AS Government Special Projects Line Item – Information Item (Juan Cervantes)

Cervantes said representatives of the event, including Aisha Cissna, discussed the event earlier in the year. Cervantes said the committee approved the funds for the event because the committee wanted to support a meaningful purpose on campus.

3. Request from Associated Students from the AS Government Special Projects Line Item in an amount not to exceed \$300 for costs associated with Lapel Pins – Information Item (Juan Cervantes)

Cervantes said the lapel pins are for committee members who don't get compensation for their work, but should receive gratitude for their commitment to the student body. Cervantes also noted he has been unable to find an HSU lapel pin and the AS lapel pin would be the only HSU related lapel pin.

Administrative Vice President (Jonah Platt)

Platt reported he will be the next AS President because no one ran for AS President. Platt also attended the CSSA meeting. Platt will be conducting research on a legal resource center at other CSUs. Platt announced the Campus Center for Appropriate Technology Community Garden should be up and running this summer.

Student Affairs Vice President (Tiana Cannon)

Cannon reported the AS Finals Study Lounge will be from Sunday, May 8 to Wednesday, May 11, 2016.

Legislative Vice President (Zitlaly Macias)

Macias reported she was unable to attend the last Academic Policies Committee.

Guzman – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Guzman reported the Council can review her written report.

Ramirez – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Ramirez reported to the Council to vote in the AS elections and the Parking and Transportation Committee will meet later during the week.

Siebuhr – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Siebuhr reported she has been working on the resolution 2015-16-8.

Jones – College of Professional Studies

Jones reported that he is working on the CPS mixer.

Benefiel – College of Professional Studies

Benefiel reported he is working on the CPS mixer.

Young – College of Professional Studies

Young reported she is working on the Mental Health First Aid Project.

Ramirez left the meeting at 4:26 p.m.

Sesanto – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

Sesanto attended the CNRS Dean Search Committee and candidates will be coming on campus for interviews in the coming weeks.

Cissna – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

Cissna attended the Parking and Transportation Committee. Cissna has also been talking to students about applying for the AS Council and committees.

Daly – Graduate Representative

Daly reported the Humboldt International Film Festival will be on April 20 - 23, 2016.

External Affairs (Madison Whaley)

Whaley reported at the CSSA and has been working on the open meeting law legislation with Cervantes and Jerry Dinzes, Student At-Large. Whaley reported the AS Lobby Corps has been hosting voter registration events. Whaley will be contacting State Senator McGuire's Office for the AS Lobby Corps to meet the senator.

AS Presents (Natasha Sanders)

Absent.

Elections Commissioner (Aaron Cobas)

Cobas reported the AS Elections is April 19, 20, and the 21.

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

Blake reported there are multiple celebrations for students graduating. Blake noted the Outstanding Student Awards was last Thursday, April 18. Blake expressed her gratitude to Tyson for her hard work and dedication as the AS General Manager for 25 years.

General Manager (Joan Tyson)

Tyson stated that this will be her last report as AS General Manger. *"I have been giving a report on this section of the agenda since August 1990. At approximately 20 meetings a year from 26 years, that is a lot of reports. Over 520. I have worked with over 25 different AS Councils and 23 different AS Presidents. (We had a couple two term AS Presidents.) That means a lot of change on an annual basis. I've also worked with 3 different campus presidents and 3 different Student Affairs Vice Presidents. During that time, the AS fee collected has changed from \$42 per student per year to \$117 per student per year. We've allocated out a great deal of student fee money. The AS Council has always been a good steward of student fee dollars, fiscally responsible, and we have never given the campus president reason to not approve our budget.*

There have been some great programs that have been added by the AS during my time period. These include AS Presents, the Eric Rofes Queer Resource Program, and the MultiCultural Center. Although, some on the list have gone away, most of our other AS Programs have grown by quite a bit and have gotten a lot of support. I want to say, I have seen a lot over the years; and there have been some difficult experiences along the way: As I have been cleaning out my office and organizing my files over the last couple of months there are some files I have run across some history that brought back memories of some challenging times. For example: I've seen the AS Council walk out of a meeting with the campus president because they did not agree with what he was telling them; I've seen two AS President's resign during an AS Council meeting out of frustration; and I've seen a couple instances whereby the AS Council impeached another member for whatever reason. I have also seen so much good and you all have had some great successes. It's always good to hear from students that served on the AS Council what a great experience it was for them and how it launched them into a career they love. I encourage you to keep up the good work; some time you might think it does not matter, or you are not making the difference or change you had hoped for, or things go too slow, but you are having an impact. You are sharing in the governance of the HSU campus, you are being good stewards of student fee dollars, and you are advocating for students in their best interest. I am proud to say I am the AS General Manager and I am honored to have been in this role for 25+ years. I support your role on campus. It's been a very fulfilling and rewarding career and I love being on the HSU campus. I will be around for the next couple of weeks but this is my last opportunity to address you in this setting. Thank you."

The Council approved the tabling of Resolution 2015-16-8 to the end of the Official Reports.

MOTION: CERVANTES/DALY move to remove Resolution 2015-16-8 from the table.

APPROVED

MOTION: CERVANTES/DALY move to amend the document to include the suggested changes.

APPROVED

Cervantes provided a modified draft of the resolution with multiple suggested changes. Cervantes reviewed each suggested change.

General Council Discussion

Daly asked Cobas which AS Council positions did not have candidates in the elections. Cobas asked Esh to answer. Esh stated the Legislative Vice President, one At-Large Representative position, and the Graduate Representative position.

Announcements

Cobas announced the Van Jones will be at the Van Duzen Theater on Sunday, April 24, 2016. Cissna announced there is an Earth Week event on Friday, April 22, 2016.

Adjournment

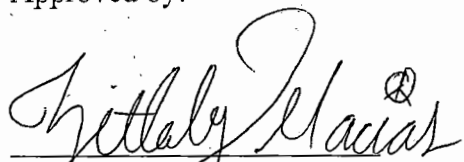
Macias adjourned the meeting without objection at 4:45 p.m.

Recorded by:

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Approved by:



Zitlaly Macias

Legislative Vice President