

Associated Students Council
Humboldt State University
Thursday, October 2, 2014
University Center Banquet Room
Minutes #7

Call to Order

Mike Kirakosyan, Legislative Vice President, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the University Center Banquet Room.

Roll Call

Representatives Present: Devante Smith, Patric Esh, Nathaniel McGuigan, Akira Brathwaite, Holly Largent, Thomas Kueplian (late-excused), Taylor Mitchell (late-excused), Rebecca Ingerson

Representatives Absent: Taylor Morrison (excused)

Officers Present: Jerry Dinzes, Mike Kirakosyan, T.J. Singh, Ana Cortes

Advisors Present: Joan Tyson, Dr. Peg Blake, Juan Cervantes, Banning Ramirez (late-excused)

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: CORTES/SINGH move to approve Agenda #7 dated October 2, 2014 APPROVED

Chair's Report

Kirakosyan reported that the Council will receive a special presentation from Dr. Steven St. Onge, the new Director of Housing and Residence Life. The Council will also be appointing students to committees and council and providing input to the AS President on Student Success Fees.

Special Presentation

A. Dr. Steven St. Onge, Director of Housing and Residence Life

Dr. St. Onge introduced himself to the Council. Dr. St. Onge arrived recently from the University of Vermont where he also went to his undergraduate. Dr. St. Onge has enjoyed his arrival to Humboldt County and stated that his goal is to make housing more academic focused; Dr. St. Onge noted the new Faculty in Residence program as an example. Cervantes asked what opportunities there are for the residence halls and Associated Students to work together. Dr. St. Onge encouraged students to talk to him about ways that he can assist the Associated Students. Brathwaite asked Dr. St. Onge if the expansion of academic programs would reduce other programs in the residence halls. Dr. St. Onge stated that the goal of the University is to expand retention and student success and he would want to expand on what's working, but not cut programs that are popular. Singh asked Dr. St. Onge what programs he is working on. Dr. St. Onge stated that housing will conduct a facilities audit over the winter break and will replace \$70,000 in furnishings. Cortes asked Dr. St. Onge to consider

affordable housing for undocumented students who are not eligible for financial aid resources. Esh asked Dr. St. Onge about his experience with sustainability in remodeling. Dinzes asked about Red tagged for free speech issues in residence hand book. Dr. St. Onge stated that the language has been deleted and a new handbook has been uploaded to the website. A student in the audience asked about an issue of students who may be displaced to a leak on campus. Dr. St. Onge stated that the leak he was aware of was under an academic building not a residential building.

Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes #6 dated September 18, 2014 – Action Item

MOTION: SINGH/ESH move to approve of Minutes #6 dated September 18, 2014 APPROVED

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

Wilmer Ayala, a member of Finding Resources and Empowerment through Education (FREE), commented that he would like to follow up on a resolution that the Associated Students passed that requested the University place birthdates on HSU ID Cards to assist undocumented students who have no form of birthdate identification. Dr. Blake briefly responded that the University is unable to provide a birthdate on ID Cards because the university is unable to verify birthdates and the ID Cards are considered to be state issued. Dinzes briefly responded that he addressed the issue with the CSU Executive Vice Chancellor and General Counsel.

Ryan Kaplan, a candidate for a two year term on the City Council, introduced himself to the AS Council. Kaplan stated that the University seeks to grow by an additional 4,000 students. Kaplan provided his candidacy statement and is also seeking volunteers. Kaplan stated that he appreciates AS works and noted that he served on the student senate of his Community College.

Appointments to Committees and Council

A.S. President (Jerry Dinzes)

MOTION: CORTES/ESH move to appoint Braxton Corbin to the A.S. Lobby Corps
APPROVED

MOTION: SMITH/ESH move to recommend Annette Penny for appoint to the HSU
Advancement Foundation
APPROVED
(1) ABSTENTION

MOTION: CORTES/LARGENT move to appoint Dillon Scott to the A.S. Lobby Corps
APPROVED
(1) ABSTENTION

MOTION: ESH/SINGH move to appoint Ana Cortes to the Student Fee Advisory Committee
APPROVED
(2) ABSTENTION

Cortes currently sits on more than two committees. There were no objections to the additional committee appointment by an Executive.

MOTION: SMITH/CORTES move to appoint Juan Cervantes to the Student Fee Advisory

Committee

APPROVED
(1) ABSTENTION

MOTION: CORTES/LARGENT move to appoint Juan Cervantes to the Faculty Awards Committee
APPROVED
(1) ABSTENTION

MOTION: SINGH/CORTES move to suspend AS Government Code Section 6.03 to appoint Taylor Morrison to the AS Executive Committee
APPROVED
(1) ABSTENTION

Morrison is traveling and is unable to attend.

MOTION: SMITH/CORTES move to appoint Taylor Morrison to the AS Executive Committee
APPROVED
(2) ABSTENTION

MOTION: ESH/SINGH move to suspend AS Government Code Section 6.03 to appoint Sydney Stewart to the Student Grievance Committee
APPROVED
(1) ABSTENTION

Stewart is meeting on a group project and is unable to attend.

MOTION: ESH/CORTES move to appoint Sydney Stewart to the Student Grievance Committee
APPROVED
(1) NAY
(1) ABSTENTION

A.S. Administrative Vice President (Ana Cortes)

MOTION: SINGH/LARGENT move to appoint Devante Smith to the Student Grievance Committee
APPROVED
(2) ABSTENTION

Smith currently sits on more than two committees. There were no objections to the additional committee appointment by an Executive.

A.S. Legislative Vice President (Mike Kirakosyan)

MOTION: CORTES/SMITH move to appoint Shannon O'Brien to the Disability Access and Compliance Committee
APPROVED

MOTION: DINZES/ESH move to remove from the table and appoint Sean Sensanto to the AS Lobby Corps
APPROVED

A.S. Student Affairs Vice President (T.J. Singh)

MOTION: CORTES/SMITH move to appoint Rebecca Ingerson to the Student Grievance Committee
APPROVED
(2) ABSTENTIONS

Old Business

There was no Old Business.

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

President (Jerry Dinzes)

Dinzes reported that he met with President Rossbacher and discussed the University Police Chief search. Dinzes met with the Executive Vice Chancellor and CSU General Counsel and discussed student loan access, birthdates on ID Cards, Student Success Fee, Open Meeting Laws for Auxiliary and placing a student majority on student union boards. Dinzes had a conference call with the Real Food Challenge to implement the challenge at HSU. The Critical Race Gender and Sexuality Studies Program and the International Studies Program will become their own programs. University Senate Chair, Noah Zerbe will be drafting a letter regarding Student Success Fees on behalf of the University Senate. Dinzes voiced concerned that a professor in the Economics department was in favor of student success fees. Dinzes met with a student regarding transgender inclusivity. The AS Council received a Check It Bystander Intervention Training on September 25. Dinzes attend the University Planning and Resource Committee meeting on September 26. Dinzes met with Tyler Sandness, student appointee on the Provost Committee, to discuss a potential open forum. Dinzes met with Singh to discuss potential changes to the AS Presents Committee structure. Dinzes submitted a resolution to CSSA regarding open meeting law.

Mitchell arrived at the meeting at 5:57 p.m.

Administrative Vice President (Ana Cortes)

Cortes reported that the Board of Finance is in need of a student-at-large member. Cortes met with the CSU Vice Chancellor and will be meeting with the AS Events Funding Board tomorrow. Cortes is working on a project to get coffee for tabling and is working on an order for Council T-Shirts.

Board of Finance Report – September 24, 2014

1. Board of Finance Orientation – Information Item
The Board of Finance will receive an orientation that will cover Board of Finance procedures including Fiscal Code, the 2014-15 Budget, the Unallocated process and the Reserve Policy, Fund Designation and Procedure for Expenditure. These items are included in the Board of Finance binder.

Cortes reported that the Board of Finance received an Orientation from Tyson.

2. A. S. Board of Finance 2014-15 Standing Rules and Meeting Dates – Information Item
These are the rules by which the Board of Finance agrees to operate their meetings. Also included is the proposed 2014-15 meeting schedule.

Cortes stated that the Board approved the Standing Rules and Meeting Dates.

3. Request from AS General Operations from General Operations Reserve in an amount not to exceed \$900 for costs associated with the development of the Graduation Pledge Alliance website – **Action Item**
The proposed redesign would update the website to a Drupal format and allow for a content management system. The website would also be in compliance with the CSU's Accessible Technology Initiative.

MOTION: MITCHELL/SMITH move to approve the request from AS General Operations from General Operations Reserve in an amount not to exceed \$900 for costs associated with the development of the Graduation Pledge Alliance website **APPROVED**

Cortes stated that the website will utilize the templates that other AS Programs have used. The work will be performed by HSU Marketing and Communication.

4. Request from AS General Operations from Capital Purchases Reserve in an amount not to exceed \$2,275 for costs associated with the purchase of three computers to be distributed to the Eric Rofes Queer Resource Center, the Graduation Pledge Alliance and the Associated Students Government office. – **Action Item**

The new computers would replace computers in AS programs that are over six years old. The computers that are being replaced are unable to be upgraded.

MOTION: SINGH/LARGENT move to approve the request from AS General Operations from Capital Purchases Reserve in an amount not to exceed \$2,275 for costs associated with the purchase of three computers to be distributed to the Eric Rofes Queer Resource Center, the Graduation Pledge Alliance and the Associated Students Government office.

APPROVED

Cortes explained that all the computers being replaced were over six years old and were no longer supported by the University's IT department. *Kupelian arrived at 6:05 p.m., Ramirez arrived at 6:13 p.m.*

Student Affairs Vice President (T.J. Singh)

Singh reported that he will be meeting with the AS Events Funding Board tomorrow to request funding for the Masquerade Ball. *Check It* will be at the ball to provide information on bystander prevention. Singh met with staff members of the Recreation and Wellness Center. Singh will provide the Council with information on the Council Outreach initiative. Sing is working with Dinzes on a proposed change to the AS Administrative Code regarding AS Presents. Singh would like to work with the MultiCultural Center on future events.

Legislative Vice President (Kirakosyan)

Kirakosyan reported that the Student Health Advisory Committee is scheduling their first meeting. The Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Committee and Diversity Funding Committee has not yet met. The Queer Resource Fair will be on October 9th from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. On October 10th the Queer Community Reception will be from 4 – 6 p.m. in the Kate Buchanan Room. Homocoming will be from 9 – 12 p.m. in the Kate Buchanan Room.

Smith – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Smith reported that the International Advisory Committee will be meeting on October 6. The International Screening Committee will be meeting on October 6 & 8 and will conduct four interviews. A discussion on the Social Justice Summit will be held on October 27. There is a clubs fair tomorrow from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Morrison – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Morrison attended the meeting with the Vice Chancellor. Morrison assisted the Graduation Pledge Alliance (GPA) with preparing for the Homecoming Parade. GPA will be creating a new outreach page on Facebook and is also brainstorming on more ways to outreach to the campus. Morrison is working with the other CAHSS Representatives on the CAHSS mixer.

Ingerson – College of Professional Studies

Ingerson reported that she held her first office hours this week and was appointed to the Student Grievance Committee and would like to serve as the Liaison to the Residence Housing Association. Ingerson will meet with the other Professional Studies Representatives soon to discuss the mixer

Mitchell – College of Professional Studies

Mitchell reported that he attended a luncheon with leaders in the College of Professional Studies. The Board of Finance will be meeting on Monday. Mitchell stated that student athletes have requested that four will-call tickets be available to each of them for home events and he drafted a letter to the Athletic Director on behalf of student athletes; The Athletic Director has agreed and Athletes will now receive four will-call tickets each. Mitchell reported that Club Sports participation is at a record level.

McGuigan – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

McGuigan reported that he is been working on the Natural Resources and Sciences (NRS) Mixer. The Women's Resource Center is working on an Environmental Justice Conference.

Brathwaite – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

Brathwaite has been working on the NRS College Mixer and is working with WRRAP to make the event zero waste. Brathwaite requested that students be available to assist at the CNRS mixer. The GPA will be the theme of the Homecoming Parade.

Kupelian – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

Kupelian reported that he was appointed to the Board of Finance and the September 24th meeting. Kupelian reported that the CNRS mixer is this coming Monday October 6 from 4-6 p.m.

Largent – At Large

Largent reported that the Student Health Advisory Committee will meet next Thursday. Largent has been assisting with the CNRS Mixer and attended the Check-It Training.

Esh – Graduate Representative

Esh reported that he attended the Integrated Curriculum Committee meeting on Tuesday. Esh clarified his report from the last meeting and stated that the Provost's Search Committee is beginning to form questions that will be used in the phone interviews. Esh is working on a student forum for the Provost's Search Committee. The Parent Advisory Board of the Children's Center will meet tomorrow. Esh will attend a meeting of the Marching Lumberjacks on Tuesday. Esh has prepared a box with tabling supplies. Esh met with the Graduate Student Collective.

Blake left the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

External Affairs (Cervantes)

Cervantes reported that the University Senate is seeking a student to for the Constitution and Bylaws Committee. There are three more vacancies on the AS Lobby Corps. The CSSA meeting will be hosted on campus October 9-11 and Cervantes requested that Council members assist at the meeting.

AS Presents (Ramirez)

Ramirez reported that the AS Presents Committee will meet next week to begin discussing the spring semester. Ramirez reviewed the upcoming Arts in the Quad shows that will be produced by AS Presents.

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

Absent.

General Manager (Joan Tyson)

No report.

Smith left the meeting at 6:42 p.m. The Council recessed for five minutes.

General Council Discussion

Dinzes stated that he would like to work with Esh on the Provost's Search Student Forum. Singh asked for volunteers to assist with setting up the Masquerade Ball on October 24. Cervantes asked how student leaders were identified for the Professional Studies Luncheon. Mitchell stated that the College Dean reached out to the Professional Studies Representatives and Club Presidents. Mitchell stated that he is discussing the potential for a mixer with the College of Professional Studies staff.

General Council Work Session

- A. Student Success Fee – Discussion Item (Jerry Dinzes)
The State has placed a moratorium on Student Success Fees in the CSU System and has directed the system to review Student Success Fees. The Trustee Workgroup on Student Success Fees has requested that Associated Students Organizations provide feedback. Dinzes will solicit comments to provide feedback to the Workgroup. Individual written comment may be made at calstate.edu/studentsuccessfeeforum.

Dinzes provided an overview of Student Success Fees to the Council and solicited feedback. Cortes noted that success fees should only be increase by a student referendum. It was suggested that the University be required to provide student forums when soliciting a student success fee at the campus level. Dinzes stated that he will take comments and incorporate them into a letter that will be provided to the CSU Workgroup.

Announcements

Singh provided information on the Advocacy Board that the AS Council will use. Dinzes announced about the University's five year strategic plan process. HSU's Homecoming Football game will be Saturday at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Kirakosyan adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:16 p.m.

Recorded by:
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Approved by:



Mike Kirakosyan
Legislative Vice President