

Associated Students Council
Humboldt State University
Monday, May 6, 2013
University Center, South Lounge
Minutes #21

*Approved
5-13-2013*

Call to Order

Matt Lutwen, Legislative Vice President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the University Center, South Lounge.

Roll Call

Representatives Present: Ray Alvarez, Jesse Carpentier, Rachelle Dilley, Clay Gallardo, Corinne Krupp, Tony Lapiz, Francesca McDonald, Evan Petillo, Zane St. Martin, Nina Ziccone

Representatives Absent: Adrian Baez-Alicea (unexcused), Mick Johnson (unexcused)

Officers Present: Ellyn Henderson, Matt Lutwen, Megan Reynolds, Paul Yzaguirre

Advisors Present: Kaitlin Carney, Jesse Hoskins, Jeff Novoa, Joan Tyson, Dr. Peg Blake

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: KRUPP/LAPIZ move to approve Agenda #21 dated May 6, 2013 APPROVED

Chair's Report

Lutwen reported that it he has enjoyed working with the Council and that it has been a great year.

Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes #20 dated April 29, 2013 – Action Item

MOTION: LAPIZ/PETILLO move to approve Minutes #20 dated April 29, 2013 APPROVED

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

There was no Public Comment.

Special Presentation

A. Food Pantry Research Update
Representatives from Center for Service Learning and Academic Internships will update the AS Council on research they have collected on student hunger and recommendations on potential resources that could be provided.

Jimmy Barnett, a Service Learning Intern from Center for Service Learning and Academic Internships, was present. Barnett explained that the Service Learning Interns have finished their research on student hunger. With the assistance of the Office for Institutional Research, a survey was put out to the student population regarding Food Insecurity. The survey had an 8% response rate from the campus community. Four findings were found from the research collected: Food insecurity is found largely in the junior and senior student level, 50% of students with food insecurity were first-time college students; 48% of students with food insecurity were Pell grant recipients and a large potential volunteer pool is available to support community food access. To combat food insecurity two programs have already been created: an emergency meal card system, which will create 40 cards with \$25 worth of "J" points allocated to each card available in select offices on campus and an HSU Student Food Security Resource Guide which includes 14 Food for People pantries available to students and lists other resources available. Barnett stated that through research, it is not recommended that a campus food pantry be established, but that a collaborative partnership between HSU and Food for People be maintained and information about Food Pantry Resources be made more available to students.

Anne Holcomb, the Executive Director, and Jason Hervin, the Food Pantry Coordinator, were also present to provide additional information. Holcomb stated that Food for People has been serving the community since 1979 and serves approximately 12,000 individuals monthly. Last year 1/3 of the food distributed were fresh fruits and vegetables and Food for People offers once-a-month food boxes to individuals. Food for People works in partnership and collaborates with other organizations that also work on local food security issues through the Food Resources Collaborative, a partnership of non-profit groups that assist with distributing food efficiently.

Hervin stated that Campbell Creek Connexion, a church adjacent to the southern boundary of the HSU Campus provides food services from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. on Saturdays and provides USDA commodities, local foods and items purchased with donated funds. Most of the food pantries use the "choice model" which creates a shopping experience, rather than providing the recipient with pre chosen food.

Yzaguirre stated that he was interested in seeking ways that the campus could provide unsold food from dining services to alleviate food insecurity needs. Hervin stated that Food for People has received donations from dining services in the past and encouraged Yzaguirre to also seek ways that food could be distributed directly to students without an intermediary. Carney asked if it was possible for food pantry services to be provided during evening hours. Hervin stated that Food for People is open to the opportunity. Dilley inquired about ways to break the stigma for people who may be in need, but do not want to access services. Hervin stated that many of the volunteers at the food pantries are also recipients and that education and the development of resources materials can aid against the stigma of using pantry services. Mira Friedman, HSU's Health Educator, asked Hervin and Holcomb if they agreed with the findings of the report that HSU should not open its own food pantry at this time. Holcomb stated that a food pantry requires volunteer coordination and a large refrigeration system and encouraged students to utilize preexisting services.

Appointments to Committees and Council

A.S. President (Ellyn Henderson)

No Appointments.

A.S. Administrative Vice President (Paul Yzaguirre)

No Appointments.

A.S. Legislative Vice President (Matt Lutwen)

No Appointments.

A.S. Student Affairs Vice President (Megan Reynolds)
No Appointments.

Old Business

- A. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – California State Student Association and Associated Students of Humboldt State University – Action Item
The Executive Committee reviewed the proposed three year Memorandum of Understanding of Membership requested by the California State Student Association. Quorum was not available at the Executive Committee meeting and a recommendation has not been forwarded.

There was no Public Comment.

MOTION: PETILLO/ST. MARTIN move to approve a three year Memorandum of Understanding with the California State Student Association to replace the current one year Memorandum of Understanding

FAILS
(2) AYE
(10) NAY
(1) ABSTENTION

Tyson stated that in the past the Associated Students has entered into a one year MOU with the California State Student Association, but CSSA is now requesting to replace the one year MOU with a three year MOU. Hoskins stated that CSSA has requested the three year MOU as part of a strategic plan that was approved by the board in February, 2013 and that CSSA would like to stabilize their funding. Hoskins explained that in the past larger CSU's have withheld funding due to action taken by the CSSA Board of Directors and that CSSA receives funding from each member campus. Hoskins stated that he has previously voiced opposition on the three year MOU because the CSSA Board of Directors could raise the dues rate on member campuses in the middle of the three year term and that the process for a campus to be released from the MOU commitment can take up to ten months. Henderson also stated that she had concerns with the amount of time that the withdrawal process would take. Yzaguirre stated that he was not in favor of the three year MOU and stated that CSSA should seek to maintain their membership by achieving results on behalf of the member organization. Reynolds yielded to Jerry Dinzes, a member of the 2013-14 AS Council; Dinzes stated that he was not in favor of a three year MOU. Lapiz stated his support for the three year MOU.

- B. Approval of the April 23 – 25, 2013 Associated Students General Election Results – Action Item
The Elections Commission recommended approval of the General Elections Results to the AS Council at the Friday, April 26 Elections Commission meeting. The unofficial results have been attached.

There was no Public Comment.

MOTION: YZAGUIRRE/LAPIZ move to approve the April 23 – 25, 2013 Associated Students General Election Results APPROVED

Lutwen stated that the Elections Commission recommended approval of the General Election Results.

C. Approval of the May 1 – 2, 2013 Associated Students Run Off Election Results – Action Item

The Elections Commission is scheduled to take action to recommended approval of the Run Off Elections Results to the AS Council at the Friday, May 3 Elections Commission meeting at 4:00 p.m. The draft copy of the unofficial Associated Students Run Off Election Results have been attached to this agenda. As per Associated Students Council 2012-13 Standing Rules II-C this item has been publicly posted 72 hours before a regular meeting.

Lutwen opened the floor to Public Comment.

Jacob Bloom the 2013-14 AS President suggested that in the future the Council should utilize Instant Run Off Voting/Ranked Choice Voting.

There was no further Public Comment.

MOTION: YZAGUIRRE/MCDONALD move to approve the May 1 – 2, 2013 Associated Students Run Off Election Results APPROVED

Lutwen stated that the Elections Commission recommended approval of the General Election Results. Yzaguirre stated that the Associated Students Council recently approved funding for a voting service with the potential to allow for instant run off voting.

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

President (Ellyn Henderson)

Henderson reported that the Instructionally Related Activities (IRA) Committee met on May 2 and approved funding requests for 3 organizations that qualified for regional tournaments. The Board of Finance Meeting scheduled for May 1 was canceled due to a lack of agenda items. Henderson will be meeting with Dr. Blake to complete the General Manager performance evaluation.

Administrative Vice President Report (Paul Yzaguirre)

Yzaguirre reported that he attended the IRA Committee meeting on May 2. Yzaguirre stated that he will be attending HSU as a Graduate Student next year and offered his assistance to the incoming AS Council. Yzaguirre expressed his enjoyment about serving on the AS Council.

Student Affairs Vice President (Megan Reynolds)

Reynolds reported that she will be attending the University Center (UC) Board of Directors meeting on Thursday, May 9. Reynolds encouraged Council members to sign up for Study Lounge shifts.

Legislative Vice President (Matt Lutwen)

Lutwen reported that the University Senate passed a resolution in opposition to California Senate Bill 520, a bill that would provide the opportunity for for-profit universities to provide course articulation to the CSU. The Student Health Advisory Committee will continue to discuss food insecurity issues next year.

St. Martin – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

St. Martin reported that the International Programs Screening Committee will be reviewing candidates next week. St. Martin reported that he had a promising interview with the Peace Corps and attributes his success to his involvement with the Associated Students.

Petillo – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Petillo thanked the Council for serving with him.

Ziccone – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Ziccone reported that the Advisory Committee for Services to Students with Disabilities will be changing its name to Disability Access and Compliance Committee. The Student Disability Resource Center (SDRC) will be adjusting the way that students qualify for the program. Students will now be able to self-report disabilities in order to qualify. The campus will be doing several remodeling projects to assist with disability accessibility. The Nelson Hall West wing will be receiving upgrades to bring it into compliance with ADA requirements; Gist Hall 215 will receive height adjustable work stations; Siemens Hall 116 will receive modular moveable furniture. The SDRC has submitted a request for thirty live scribe smart pens to the Student Affairs Vice President. Ziccone stated that she has enjoyed working on Council and getting to know everyone.

Dilley – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

Dilley reported that she has been assisting with Election outreach efforts over the past two weeks.

Krupp – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

Krupp reported that she is creating a thank you letter for the support that Dining Services has provided for the College Mixer and will also be sending feedback to the Dean that students received at the Mixer. Zero Waste and Take Back the Tap, programs of WRRAP, tabled at May Day on Saturday, May 4. WRRAP is still seeking volunteers for Donation Dash and Green Graduation.

Baez-Alicea – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

Absent.

Carpentier – College of Professional Studies

Carpentier reported that tutors will be available on Sunday evening in the Goodwin Forum from the Learning Center. Carpentier will be passing along information about being a college representative to the 2013-14 Council members.

Lapiz – College of Professional Studies

Lapiz reported he attended the Clubs transition meeting last Wednesday. Lapiz assisted setting up for May Day. Lapiz attended the University Senate meeting on April 30.

Gallardo – College of Professional Studies

Absent.

Johnson – At Large

Absent.

McDonald – At Large

McDonald had no report.

Alvarez – Graduate Representative

Alvarez reported that he attended the Elite Scholars end of the year party.

California State Student Association (CSSA) Representative (Jesse Hoskins)

Hoskins reported that the Chancellor's Office is reviewing smoking ban. The CSU Academic Senate is studying Massively Open Online Classes (MOOCs) for the CSU system as part of the Governor's requirement that \$12.5 million of Proposition 30 revenue for the CSU system be spent on online education. The CSU will be instituting 22 online/hybrid courses. CSSA will be uploading a new website on May 14, it can be viewed at www.csustudents.org. At the May 3-5 meeting of CSSA, two resolutions were passed: A resolution in support of Sexual Assault Training and a resolution in support of the California Modernization Act. Hoskins thanked the Council for the last year and attributed his personal development to the time he spent on AS.

AS Presents Coordinator (Jeffrey Novoa)

Novoa reported that he attended KRFH Lixapalooza and May Day on Saturday. AS Presents is scheduling a meeting before the end of the semester to make offers for the Fall semester. A new website should go live at the beginning of next year.

Elections Commissioner (Kaitlin Carney)

Carney reported that she has enjoyed her work with the Council. 7% of students voted in the run-off election. Carney agreed that ranked choice voting would be helpful in future elections, but changes to the Elections Code would need to be made to implement the system. Carney passed the *You Rock Rock* to Dilley for her contributions to the Elections process.

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

Dr. Blake reported that guidelines for the emergency dining cards are still being developed. A new degree audit reporting system has been developed and an update to the system will be launched in six months. Dr. Blake encouraged the Council to be well rested and nourished and to study for final exams. A member of the Men's soccer team passed away from a car accident on Saturday in San Diego.

General Manager (Joan Tyson)

During Tyson's report, Tyson and Henderson provided acknowledgement certificates to the Council.

General Council Discussion

There was no General Council Discussion

General Council Work Session**A. Spring 2013 Study Lounge – Information Item (Megan Reynolds)**

Reynolds shared that the Study Lounge is an excellent opportunity for the incoming Council to get to know each other. Reynolds reviewed what tasks still need to be done for Study Lounge.

Announcements

Lutwen announced that a spoken word poetry event will be hosted at Robert Goodman Winery tonight from 9:00 – 11:00 p.m. McDonald thanked the Council for the experience. WRRAP is still seeking volunteers for Donation Dash and Green Graduation. Hoskins asked the Council to check their e-mail.

Adjournment

Lutwen adjourned the meeting without objection at 8:30 p.m.

Recorded by:

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Approved by:



Matt Lutwen
Legislative Vice President