Call to Order

Aaron Wilyer, Legislative Vice President, called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. in the University Center, South Lounge.

Roll Call

Members Present: Amber Okeh, Bryan Kelly, Grace Goodson, Karen Land, Cortland Johnson, Pam Ward, Natalie Guest, Rachel Brownell, Maureen Walsh

Members Absent: Scott Meyers (excused), Philip Anderson (excused)

Officers Present: Iban Rodriguez, Stephanie Partlow, Aaron Wilyer, Kristy Eden, Annie Bartholomew, John Folstrom

Officers Absent: Aaron Guerrero (excused), Kaci Poor (excused)

Advisors Present: Joan Tyson

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: GOODSON/OKEH move to approve Agenda #15 APPROVED

Chair's Report

Wilyer had no report.

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

Sarah Forledge, a student at large, commented that she was not in favor of the fee increase.

Old Business

A. Resolution No. 2010-11-1: Resolution in Support of Affordable Education and the Student Referendum Results – Action Item

   The Associated Students support the rejection of the proposed IRA fee increase as demonstrated by the student voice via the Student Fee Advisory Committee referendum in December, 2010.

MOTION: GOODSON/OKEH move to approve Resolution No. 2010-11-1: Resolution in Support of Affordable Education and the Student Referendum Results APPROVED AS AMENDED
Wilyer noted that the Associated Students had received notification that the proposed increase has been changed from four years to two years. Goodson stated that Guest and Rodriguez did a good job authoring the resolution. Wilyer noted that paragraph 12 may not be pertinent information and that the Council should consider deleting it. Guest stated that the reason paragraph 12 was added was to match the statement in paragraph 17.

(Johnson arrived to the meeting)

The Council pointed out some small wording changes.

MOTION: WARD/OKEH move to amend the resolution by deleting the word *says* and replacing it with the word *states* in the second paragraph. APPROVED

Brownell suggested changing President Richmond to the Administration. Bartholomew suggested changing the term “non-sustainable” in paragraph 8. Ward stated that President Richmond holds the responsibility for fee proposals and that President Richmond’s name should stay in the resolution. Ward also noted that placing fee increases on students to support athletics is non-sustainable. Eden suggested changing President Richmond to University. Guest agreed with Ward. Guest stated that the proposals are short-sighted and puts off tough decisions.

Walsh questioned if the election results were an accurate means of representing student opinions. Ward stated that overall athletes were mobilized to vote in the election, and despite the mobilization efforts the referendum still failed. Guest also noted that the resolution does not state that students don’t support athletics, but prefer alternative funding for the program.

(Land arrived to the meeting)

MOTION: BROWNELL/WALSH move to amend the resolution by deleting President Richmond and replacing with the University Administration, Hereafter President Richmond in the fourth paragraph APPROVED AS AMENDED (1) NAY (1) ABSTENTION

Guest stated that the wording may be considered too aggressive and suggested that the terms University or Administration be used instead of President Richmond. Partlow stated that she was in favor of the motion. Goodson stated that the phrase should be used in the third paragraph rather than the fourth paragraph.

MOTION: WARD/BROWNELL move to amend the amendment by placing the phrase the University Administration, Hereafter President Richmond in the fourth paragraph instead of the third paragraph APPROVED

Walsh called the question; there was no objection to calling the question. The Council voted on the amendment to the amendment. The Council then continued its discussion on the original amendment as amended.

Rodriguez stated that President Richmond is not the only individual involved in the decision making process. Eden replied that the resolution would reflect that. Ward stated that Richmond advises his
administration on what initiatives to bring forward.

Brownell called the question; there was no objection to calling the question. The Council voted on the amendment as amended. The Council then continued its discussion on the resolution as amended.

Okeh suggested that the Council delete the word non-sustainable from paragraph eight. Guest suggested that the word non-sustainable be replaced with the word short-sighted.

MOTION: GUEST/WALSH move to amend paragraph eight to read:

Whereas, President Richmond is now proposing another short-sighted increase to the IRA fee in the amounts of $278.00 per semester per student to $310.00 per semester per student for Academic Year 2011-12 and $337.00 per semester per student for Academic Year 2012-13. APPROVED AS AMMENDED

MOTION: WARD/GUEST move to amend the amendment by striking in the amounts of and replacing with from the amount of APPROVED

MOTION: WARD move to table the amended resolution until the February 4 meeting. Ward suggested that the resolution be tabled until the February 4 meeting.

There was no second on the motion to table. The Council continued its discussion on the amendment as amended. Brownell, Ward and Kelly left the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

Guest stated that the resolution should include the most up-to-date information and stated her support of the amendment.

Rodriguez requested that Christopher Chavez, CSSA President be included in paragraph 20.

MOTION: JOHNSON/WALSH move to amend paragraph 20 by inserting Christopher Chavez, CSSA President APPROVED

Guerrero attended the meeting. The Council proceeded to vote on the resolution.

Adjournment

Wilyer adjourned the meeting without objection at 11:03 a.m.

Recorded by:

Rob Christensen
AS Council Assistant

Approved by:

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Aaron Wilyer
Legislative Vice President