Call to Order

Beth Weissbart, Associated Students Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the University Center South Lounge.

Roll Call

Members Present: Kale Roberts, Rachel Cooke, Beth Weissbart, Dina Haigounian, Corey Fenton
Officers Present: Sofia Pereira, Nikki Kovalcheck, Gabe Shames (late), Brandon Chapin
Advisors Present: Joan Tyson, Dr. Steven Butler, Gail Wootan

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/COOKE move to approve Agenda #4. APPROVED

Chair's Report

Weissbart handed out a guide to Council Members to assist them through the appointment process.

Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes #1 dated May 7, 2008—Action Item

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/FENTON move to approve Minutes #1 dated May 7th, 2008. APPROVED

(Approval of Minutes #2 is not applicable; the meeting was not called to order.)

B. Approval of Minutes #3 dated August 25, 2008—Action Item

MOTION: FENTON/ROBERTS move to approve Minutes #3 dated August 25, 2008. APPROVED

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

Luke Ferrari, a student, commented that he applied for both the Legislative Vice President and the Arts Humanities and Social Sciences Representative positions and would appreciate if the Council considered him for either.
Jesse Hughes, a student, commented that there will be a University Center meeting on September 11th at 5:00 p.m. Hughes noted that last year the Associated Student Council passed a resolution regarding the University Center reorganization and encouraged the Council to review the information posted in the AS Office about the University Center reorganization. Hughes does not support the University Center reorganization and encouraged Council Members who sit on the University Center Board not to support it either.

Desiree Woods, a student, commented that she applied to be the Arts Humanities and Social Sciences representative and would appreciate the Council’s support.

**Appointments to Committees and Council**

**A. S. President (Sofia Pereira)**

MOTION: COOKE/FENTON move to suspend AS Government Code section 6.03 to appoint Berel Steinberg to the AS Funding Board. APPROVED

Steinberg is working and unable to attend.

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/FENTON move to appoint Berel Steinberg to the AS Funding Board. APPROVED

MOTION: FENTON/COOKE move to suspend AS Government Codes section 6.03 to appoint Crystal Chaney to the HSU Advancement Foundation APPROVED

Chaney was in class and unable to attend.

MOTION: ROBERTS/HAIGOUNIAN move to appoint Crystal Chaney to the HSU Advancement Foundation. APPROVED

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/COOKE move to suspend AS Government Code Section 6.03 to appoint Constance Mitchell to the Sexual Health Advocacy Committee. APPROVED

Mitchell was unable to attend.

MOTION: COOKE/FENTON move to appoint Constance Mitchell to the Sexual Health Advocacy Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: ROBERTS/FENTON move to appoint Christy Burke to the Sexual Health Advocacy Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/COOKE move to appoint Christy Burke to the Student Health Advisory Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: COOKE/HAIGOUNIAN move to appoint Alysha Hacker to the Student Affairs Advisory Committee APPROVED
MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/COOKE move to appoint Elena Flores to the Campus Naming Subcommittee of the University Space and Facilities Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/FENTON move to appoint Josephine Villegas to the AS Council as the College of Professional Studies Representative. APPROVED

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/COOKE move to appoint Desiree Woods to the AS Council as the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Representative. APPROVED

(1) ABSTENTION

MOTION: COOKE/VILLEGAS move to appoint NightSnow Vogt to the AS Council as the All University Representative. APPROVED

MOTION: COOKE/ROBERTS move to appoint Steven Dixon as the CSSA Representative to the AS Council. APPROVED

MOTION: VILLEGAS/COOKE move to appoint Beth Weissbart as the Legislative Vice President to the AS Council. 2/3 MAJORITY APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE

(3) AYE
(1) NAY
(4) ABSTENTIONS

It was noted that there was confusion by the Council regarding the impact of abstaining from voting. Dixon asked Tyson for clarification. Tyson stated that the AS Council 2008-09 Standing Rules read as follows:

1. For purposes of computing a majority or two-thirds approval, only yes and not votes shall be taken into account.

As a result 4 votes are counted in this vote; 3 votes in the affirmative are needed to approve this appointment.

Vice-Chair Weissbart asked for a division of the assembly.

2/3 MAJORITY FAILS BY RISING COUNT

(3) AYE
(2) NAY
(3) ABSTENTIONS

Some members of Council expressed that they wished to review the other applicant’s information for the position beforehand. It was also noted that it was the responsibility of the President to review the applicants and make a recommendation for an appointment to Council and the responsibility of Council to vote on the recommendation.

A.S. Legislative Vice President (VACANT)

A. S. Administrative Vice President (Nikki Kovalcheck)

No Appointments.
A. S. Student Affairs Vice President (Gabe Shames)

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/ROBERTS move to appoint Corey Fenton to the AS Presents Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/COOKE move to appoint Andrew Harris to the AS Presents Committee. APPROVED

Old Business

A. Resolution in Support of the Humboldt State University College Republicans and Veteran’s Club action of the observance of a Moment of Silence on September 11, 2008 –Action Item
The Associated Students supports efforts by the HSU College Republicans and the Veterans Club to support the action of a moment of silence on September 11, 2008.

Jerilyn Gashi, a student and President of the HSU College Republicans, commented on the resolution. Gashi stated that the College Republicans are asking the Campus to participate in a moment of silence on September 11th at 9:11 a.m. to reflect on the events of September 11th, 2001. Gashi noted that the club has done advertising of the event and that President Richmond has stated his support for the moment of silence through an e-mail sent out to students.

MOTION: FENTON/HAIGOUNIAN move to approve the Resolution in Support of the Humboldt State University College Republicans and Veteran’s Club action of the observance of a Moment of Silence on September 11, 2008. APPROVED AS AMENDED
(1) OPPOSED
(1) ABSTENTION

Cooke stated that she will be abstaining from voting on the resolution. Shames stated that there are many events that have happened internationally as well that deserve the attention of students, other than September 11th. Vogt stated that he was opposed to the idea of republicans exploiting the event. Vogt feels that the resolution should be non-partisan and feels it may send the wrong message to students. Kovalcheck stated that the resolution could be passed without the word Republican in it. Pereira stated that she feel it is important to give the recognition to clubs who put on events and thinks that it is not necessary to take out the title of the club.

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/FENTON move to amend the resolution by striking the word terrorist in the first paragraph. APPROVED
(1) ABSTENTION

MOTION: FENTON/ROBERTS move to amend the resolution to strike as and replace with who so in the sixth paragraph. APPROVED
(1) ABSTENTION
MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/FENTON move to amend the resolution to strike the word terrorist in the ninth whereas. APPROVED
(1) ABSTENTION

B. Resolution in Support of The Energy Action Coalition’s Power Vote 2008 Campaign – Action Item
The Associated Students support efforts by Power Vote to advocate for young people’s involvement in politics.

Jocelyn Orr, a student, commented on the resolution. Orr stated that Power Vote is a national campaign that is organized by the Energy Action Coalition to get young voters to pledge to vote in elections and to consider the energy policies of candidates running for office. Orr is hoping to get a pledge from new voters to vote for candidates with green policies. Fenton asked Orr if she had a candidate in mind who she would be steering students towards. Orr responded that Power Vote is trying to make energy an issue that all candidates are paying attention to and that she and other volunteers would not direct students to support a certain candidate. Dixon stated that the Chancellor and University President have stated that they would like to see more students vote.

MOTION: ROBERTS/HAIGOUNIAN move to approve the Resolution in Support of The Energy Action Coalition’s Power Vote 2008 Campaign. APPROVED AS AMMENDED
(1) ABSTENTION

Kovalcheck had a series of recommendations that the council took action on.

MOTION: FENTON/ROBERTS move to amend the resolution by striking We need bold action and insert Bold action is needed in the third paragraph. APPROVED

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/ROBERTS move to amend the resolution by striking the fifth paragraph and changing the fourth paragraph to read:

Whereas, Young people are actively leading the way toward clean, just energy solutions by rallying behind a unified and powerful set of demands; and, APPROVED

MOTION: WOODS/HAIGOUNIAN move to amend the resolution by striking policy and demands from the 10th paragraph. FAILS
(1) AYE
(1) ABSTENTION

Woods feels that the term isn’t necessary. Roberts stated that the demands of Power Vote does not imply or suggest that we get students to vote for a certain candidate or party. Pereira feels that the policies that Power Vote promotes are in line with the general sentiment of students on campus.

MOTION: FENTON/HAIGOUNIAN move to delete the word demands from the 10th paragraph. APPROVED
(1) NAY
(1) ABSTENTION
MOTION: FENTON/HAIGOUNIAN move to amend the 7th paragraph to strike *and commit to vote to create* and insert *for the creation of green jobs.* APPROVED (1) ABSTENTION

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/FENTON move to amend the resolution by switching the sixth and seventh paragraphs. APPROVED (1) NAY

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

**Committee Reports from Students-at-Large**
There were no Committee reports.

**College Representative Reports**

Roberts-College of Natural Resources and Sciences
No report.

Cooke-College of Natural Resources and Sciences
Cooke reported that she met with the Oceanography Department Chair who suggested ways to involve students in College meetings.

Weissbart-College of Natural Resources and Sciences
Weissbart reported that the Council should be consistent as they consider and vote for each Council vacancy.

Haigounian-College of Arts Humanities and Social Sciences
Haigounian reported that she has reserved the BSS forum from October 13-16 starting at 4 p.m. for the Elections forum.

Woods-College of Arts Humanities and Social Sciences
No report.

Fenton-College of Professional Studies
Fenton reported that he enjoyed the retreat. Fenton will be meeting with the Business and Economic club regarding the elections forum.

Villegas-College of Professional Studies
No report.

Vogt-All University
No report.

**Graduate Student Representative (Vacant)**

**Residence Hall Association (RHA) Representative Report (Vacant)**
General Manager (Joan Tyson)
Tyson thanked the Council members that attended the retreat and reminded everyone that there will be a parliamentary procedure training at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 15th. There will be an orientation after the Parliamentary Procedure training for those who did not attend the first one.

Elections Commissioner (Vacant)

Public Relations (Vacant)

AS Presents (Vacant)

CSSA (Brandon Chapin)
Chapin reported that he enjoyed the retreat. Chapin will be attending the CSSA meeting at CSU San Marcos this week-end. He will also be attending the Statewide Academic Senate in Long Beach. Chapin reminded the Council that Humboldt will be hosting the CSSA conference the weekend of October 17th.

CSSA (Steven Dixon)
Dixon reported that he wished he could have been at the AS Retreat but was attending the CSSA Executive Retreat in Hayward. Dixon stated that CSSA has started a blog on their website at csustudents.org and will be creating a Facebook page within the next week.

Legislative Vice President (Vacant)

Student Affairs Vice President (Gabe Shames)
Shames reported that he had a good time at the retreat and explained his reasoning regarding the Legislative Vice President recommendation. The Welcome Back BBQ is Thursday, September 11th from Noon – 1 p.m. Shames also reported that he attended the WASC open forum today.

Administrative Affairs Vice President (Nikki Kovalcheck)
Kovalcheck suggested that the Council should review the resolutions ahead of the meeting and come prepared to take action. The International Resource Committee has changed its names to the International Advisory Committee. There is a one unit course that students can take during International Education Week. Kovalcheck also reported that there will be a large recruitment of international students for next year.

President (Sofia Pereira)
Pereira reported that 20 students attended the Tenant’s Rights workshop last Wednesday and it was a successful event. Pereira is reviewing applications for open positions and that she is still reviewing candidates for certain positions. Pereira attended the Academic Senate two weeks ago and that they are currently discussing a list of issues they have with President Richmond. Next week there will be a vote to accept or reject Richmond’s response to their list of issues. On Thursday the UC Board will be meeting at 5:00 p.m. in the UC Banquet room and will be electing a Chair. Pereira will be meeting with Keeling and Associates tomorrow at 8:00 a.m. Pereira is able to bring a few students and encouraged students to contact her if they are interested in going.
**General Council Discussion**  
There was no General Council Discussion.

**General Council Work Session**

A. A.S. Welcome Back BBQ – Thursday, September 11, 2008 – (Gabe Shames)

Shames reported that The Welcome Back BBQ will be held on September 11\textsuperscript{th} from 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. on the University Center quad and will be held in conjunction with the HSU Volunteer Fair. Shames is looking for people who are available to work the closing shift. Free food will be provided to an estimated 1,000 students.

B. Parliamentary Procedure Training – Monday, September 15, 2008 (Joan Tyson)

Tyson reported that an e-mail reminder will be sent out to all the Council regarding the upcoming parliamentary procedure training. This will allow newer council members to catch up on training that was received at orientation.

C. AS Fall Retreat #2 – September 26\textsuperscript{th} & 27\textsuperscript{th}, 2008 (Sofia Pereira & Joan Tyson)

Tyson reported that there will be an event Friday night with an all day training on Saturday. Tyson stated that final plans have not been determined yet. More information will be coming soon. Please save the dates.

**Announcements**

The Arcata City Council Candidates will be having a forum in the Kate Buchanan Room directly after the meeting.

**Adjournment**

Weissbart adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:15 p.m.

Recorded by:

Rob Christensen  
AS Secretary

Approved by:

Beth Weissbart  
Associated Students Vice Chair