Call to Order

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

Roll Call

Members Present: Kale Roberts, Rachel Cooke, Dina Haigounian, Desiree Woods, Corey Fenton, Josephine Villegas, NightSnow Vogt, Jennifer DeBoer

Officers Present: Sofia Pereira, Gabe Shames, Nikki Kovalcheck, Beth Weissbart, Brandon Chapin, Steven Dixon, Melissa Gussin

Advisors Present: Joan Tyson, Gail Wootan, Dr. Steven Butler

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: WOODS/VOGT move to approve Agenda #7
APPROVED

Chair's Report

Weissbart reported that there are items in General Council Work Session for the Council to discuss, but that a majority of the meeting would be dedicated to appointments.

Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes #6 dated September 22nd, 2008 -- Action Item

MOTION: ROBERTS/HAIGOUNIAN move to approve Minutes #6 dated September 22nd 2008.
APPROVED

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

There was no public comment.

Program Presentations
A. Eric Rofes Center – Maia Wiitla

Wiitla, a Co-director for the Eric Rofes Center (ERC), was present on behalf of the program. Wiitla explained that Dr. Eric Rofes was a Professor of Education at HSU, an activist as well as an author. After Rofes’ death, students collaborated to create the Eric Rofes Multicultural Queer Center to provide resources and support to students on campus. The ERC strives to address issues of Sexuality through different viewpoints. Currently the ERC is planning for the Queer Community Reception, Day of Silence and Transgender Day of Remembrance. The ERC has a close relationship with the Multi Cultural Center, Women’s Resource Center and the Queer Student Union. The ERC is located in Warren House and will be posting office hours shortly.

B. Student Access Gallery – Brooke Eckleberry

Eckleberry, Director for the Student Access Gallery (SAG), was present on behalf of the program. SAG maintains three art galleries including one in the Student Business Services building, Karshner Lounge, and the Art Building Foyer. The SAG program is designed to give students an opportunity to display their art work on campus and for students to gain working experience in showing art work in a gallery setting. Kovalcheck suggested making the AS Office a gallery to display art. Students have the ability to sell their art to the public. A small percentage of sales comes back to SAG. Each exhibit is displayed for 3 ½ weeks. Oftentimes students will display art work as a class. Eckleberry explained the process of student selection in a gallery. Eckleberry also noted that the opportunity to display artwork is open to all students, not just Art Majors.

Appointments to Committees and Council

Election of a Vice Chair

Weissbart opened the nomination for Vice Chair.

MOTION: VOGT/WOODS move to nominate Dina Haigounian to the position of Vice Chair. APPROVED

There were no further nominations for chair.

A. S. President (Sofia Pereira)

MOTION: VOGT/COOKE move to suspend AS Government Code Section 6.03 to appoint Constance Clark to the Committee on Services to Students with Disabilities. APPROVED

MOTION: COOKE/DEBOER move to appoint Constance Clark to the Services to Students with Disabilities Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: ROBERTS/VOGT move to appoint Robin Ray to the Student Grievance Committee. APPROVED
MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/VOGT move to suspend AS Government Code Sections 6.03 to appoint Jerson Desiderio to the Diversity Plan Action Council. APPROVED

MOTION: DEBOER/FENTON move to appoint Jerson Desiderio to the Diversity Plan Action Council. APPROVED

MOTION: COOKE/ROBERTS move to suspend AS Government Code Section 6.03 to appoint Jerson Desiderio to the Student Health Center Advisory Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: COOKE/FENTON move to appoint Jerson Desiderio to the Student Health Center Advisory Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: ROBERTS/FENTON move to suspend AS Government Code Section 6.03 to appoint Jeff Hinton to the Humboldt Energy Independence Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: COOKE/ROBERTS move to appoint Jeff Hinton to the Humboldt Energy Independence Fund Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: WOODS/DEBOER move to suspend AS Government Code Section 6.03 to appoint John Trautwein to the AS Presents Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/DEBOER move to appoint John Trautwein to the AS Presents Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: WOODS/HAIGOUNIAN move to appoint Andrew Bond to the Academic Senate. APPROVED

MOTION: DEBOER/WOODS move to appoint Siray Rogers to the Sexual Assault Prevention Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/COOKE move to suspend AS Government Codes Section 6.03 to appoint Efren Del Rio to the Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: WOODS/HAIGOUNIAN move to appoint Efren Del Rio to the Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: COOKE/FENTON move to appoint Jennifer DeBoer to the President’s Council. APPROVED

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/COOKE move to appoint Rachel Cooke to the AS Presents Committee. APPROVED
MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/VOGT move to appoint Steven Dixon to the Student Fee Advisory Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/COOKE move to appoint Desiree Woods to the Educational Policies Committee. APPROVED (1) ABSTENTION

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/WOODS move to appoint Dottie Guido to the AS Council as the Public Relations Coordinator. APPROVED

MOTION: FENTON/DEBOER move to appoint Zachary Beshore to the AS Council as the Residence Hall Association Representative. APPROVED

Weissbart called for a five minute recess.

A.S. Legislative Vice President (Beth Weissbart)

MOTION: WOODS/ROBERTS move to appoint Rachel Cooke to the AS Board of Finance. APPROVED

MOTION: DEBOER/HAIGOUNIAN move to appoint Corey Fenton to the AS Board of Finance. APPROVED

MOTION: DEBOER/FENTON move to suspend AS Government Code Section 6.03 to appoint Berel Steinberg to the AS Presents Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: FENTON/BESHORE move to appoint Berel Steinberg to the AS Presents Committee. APPROVED

A.S. Administrative Vice President (Nikki Kovalcheck)

MOTION: FENTON/WOODS move to appoint Jennifer DeBoer to the Student Grievance Committee. APPROVED

A.S. Student Affairs Vice President (Gabe Shames)

MOTION: DEBOER/FENTON move to suspend AS Government Code Section 6.03 to appoint Jessica Booth to the Student Health Center Advisory Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: FENTON/VOGT move to appoint Jessica Booth to the Student Health Center Advisory Committee. APPROVED

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/FENTON move to appoint Brenna Toel to the Student Grievance
Old Business
There was no old business.

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

Committee Reports from Students-at-Large
No report.

College Representative Reports

Roberts – College of Natural Resources and Sciences
No Report.

Cooke – College of Natural Resources and Sciences
No report.

Haigounian – College of Arts Humanities and Social Sciences
Haigounian reported that she has reserved the following rooms for the upcoming policy forums:

- BSS Forum for Monday, October 13th at 4:00 p.m. and Thursday, October 16th at 4:00 p.m., BSS Room 162
- For Monday, October 20th at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, October 23rd at 7:00 p.m. and Monday, October 27th at 7:00 p.m., Founders 118
- For Thursday, October 30th at 7:00 p.m.

Woods – College of Arts Humanities and Social Sciences
Woods reported that she has been working with students from the International Studies department to prepare for the policy forum on international issues. Woods has also been in contact with a sociology class who is interested in participating on a forum regarding propositions five and six.

Fenton – College of Professional Studies
No report.

Villegas – College of Professional Studies
The College of Professional Studies college meeting will be November 12th in the Goodwin Forum.

Vogt – All University
Vogt reported that he has signed up as the liaison for the Multi Cultural Center and will be meeting with them soon.

Graduate Student Representative (DeBoer)
No report.

Residence Hall Association (RHA) Representative Report (Beshore)
Beshore reported that RHA will be hosting Invisible Children in two weeks, more information will be
forthcoming. Sex and Drugs Jeopardy was a successful event.

**General Manager (Joan Tyson)**
Tyson reported that she will be contacting new Council Members to find a time to do an orientation with them.

**Public Relations (Dottie Guido)**
Guido reported that she has worked with RHA in the past and is looking forward to working with Council.

**AS Presents (Melissa Gussin)**
Gussin reported that she will be working to set up a meeting for the AS Presents Committee.

**CSSA (Brandon Chapin)**
Chapin reported that 307 new voters have been registered. It’s estimated that over 280 students attended the past two debate watching parties. There will be a debate watching party tomorrow and on October 15th in the bottom of the J. Associated Students will be co-hosting an Arcata City Council debate in the UC Banquet room on October 13th at 7:00 p.m. Chapin is considering hosting an Election Night party.

**CSSA (Steven Dixon)**
Dixon reported that the CSU Chancellor will be forming a task force to codify Shared Governance within the CSU System and is considering incorporating Shared Governance into Title V. The CHESS Conference will be in April 2009 and will be having a lobby day the following Monday.

**Legislative Vice President (Beth Weissbart)**
Weissbart reported that she has been attending both Academic Senate and Educational Policies Committee. The Educational Policies committee is focusing on General Education and is considering creating a stronger writing component for General Education at the request of the WASC accreditation team. Weissbart met with President Richmond and Provost Snyder to learn more about their educational values.

**Student Affairs Vice President (Gabe Shames)**
Shames reported that he is working on creating an AS Constitutional Convention to get student input on changing the codes. Shames would like this to happen by the end of February. Shames feels that this would be a great opportunity to get the student body involved in AS.

**Administrative Affairs Vice President (Nikki Kovalcheck)**
Kovalcheck reported that the AS Funding Board met on Friday, October 6th. The Board is considering eighteen proposals and will be finalizing the grant awards at their meeting later this week. Kovalcheck explained that the programs had requested more money than was available for the entire year in the first of five cycles. Kovalcheck may approach the Board of Finance for more money for the AS Funding Board. Kovalcheck also gave a recap of last years College Socials. The Humboldt Energy Independence Fund will be hiring a student intern to do outreach and publicity for the program.

**President (Sofia Pereira)**
Pereira reported that the Academic Senate has formed a faculty committee to discuss shared governance with President Richmond. The UC reorganization proposal has been published and will be discussed as an information item at the next UC Board meeting. Lt. Governor Garamendi met with students this past Friday in the South Lounge. Chapin and Pereira will be doing a workshop this Saturday on Lobby training at the leadership conference.

**General Council Discussion**
Kovalcheck clarified ACB funding. Weissbart clarified that WASC had issue with students writing competency--not penmanship. Pereira clarified that AS Students can attend her workshop at the Leadership Conference for free; the entire Leadership Conference cost is $20.

**General Council Work Session**

A. CSSA Conference, October 17-19, 2008 – Information Item (Steven Dixon)

Dixon is looking for volunteers for the CSSA conference to help with registration, errands and to give tours. Volunteers will be able to attend dinner that evening for $20: non-volunteers will be charged $35. CSSA will be setting their policy agenda for the rest of the year at this meeting. On Friday, October 17th there will be a Social Justice Seminar for CSSA students and on Saturday night there will be a workshop on Board advocacy.

MOTION: HAIGOUNIAN/COOKE move to table Shared Governance Work Session to the October 20, 2008 meeting. APPROVED

**Announcements**

There were no announcements.

**Adjournment**

Weissbart adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:19 p.m.

Recorded by:

Rob Christensen
AS Secretary

Approved by:

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Beth Weissbart
AS Legislative Vice President