

Associated Students Council
Humboldt State University
Monday, September 9, 2013
Nelson Hall East, Goodwin Forum
Minutes #4

Call to Order

Mark Teeter, Legislative Vice President, called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. in Nelson Hall East, Goodwin Forum.

Roll Call

Representatives Present: Victor Arredondo, Nicholas Colbrunn, Ana Cortes, Jerry Dinzes, Jessie Holtz, Corinne Krupp, Jackie Martinez, Mary May (late), Taylor Mitchell, Lino Sanchez

Representatives Absent: Fabiola Quiroz (unexcused)

Officers Present: Jacob Bloom, Mark Teeter

Advisors Present: Joan Tyson, Dr. Peg Blake, Kobe Thompson

Approval of Agenda

MOTION: DINZES/KRUPP move to approve Agenda #4 dated September 9, 2013 APPROVED

Chair's Report

Teeter reminded the AS Council to turn in their Fall 2013 schedule with office hours to Christensen in the AS Office.

Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes #3 dated August 26, 2013 – Action Item

MOTION: KRUPP/CORTES move to approve Minutes #3 dated August 26, 2013 APPROVED

May arrived at the meeting at 3:04 p.m.

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

Forust Ercole, a student at large, was present to comment. Ercole stated that he has submitted a resume and cover letter for the position of AS Administrative Vice President and would like to be appointed.

Kaitlin Carney, a student at large, read the following statement to the AS Council that was authored by her and Brandon Norris, a student at large: *I would like to express some concerns which I have.*

There are several open seats on the AS Council, and while I do not know how many applications you have received lately, I do know that several people applied to several open seats before the end of spring semester. One of those people seeking appointment was me. I never received a reply and neither did another applicant for the same position. Some did receive interviews but then no follow up communication. I am mostly concerned with the lack of transparency and accountability within the appointment process. What are the expectations from you for the appointment process, what qualifications are you seeking and where do applicants find this information? There is a responsibility to those who seek to participate in AS to communicate and let students know what disqualified them so they can improve themselves and learn from the process. If that closure doesn't happen, specifically after an interview, there is an atmosphere of exclusivity. Especially in a situation where the entire executive team is being nominated for appointment by one person when these are supposed to be elected positions. If everyone appointed is expected to have the same goals as ROSA then there is going to be a false consensus on the council because there is a diversity of ideologies, values, and goals on this campus. That diversity should be represented on the council to ensure all student voices are heard. That is why AS Programs are the best way to promote change on campus. AS programs inspire students and spur change in our peers, rather than directing change from a seat of power in an exclusive council. I encourage anyone who has felt disillusioned by the current lack of engagement by leadership on the council to get involved with any of the AS programs on campus. Don't let an initial disappointment turn to apathy. There are so many ways to get involved here and programs that would love to have your input.

Rosemary Austin, a student-at-large, commented that she is interested in being appointed on the Board of Finance.

Nicholas Rothlein, a student on the Men's Lacrosse team, was present to comment. Rothlein stated that the Men's Lacrosse team practices in Redwood Bowl two times a week, in the field house once a week and play games on the soccer field. Rothlein stated that the Men's Lacrosse team would prefer to play in Redwood Bowl but are not allowed to.

Jack Warner, a student on the Men's Lacrosse team, commented that the Men's Lacrosse Team is penalized by their league because they are unable to host night games. Warner stated that the paint used on the fields is semi-permanent and could be removed. The head coach for the Men's Lacrosse Team, Tony Silvaggio, contacted the manufacturer of the turf field and received no explanation as to why semi-permanent lines could not be placed. Warner stated that the Men's Lacrosse Team could not play on the College Creek soccer field after 1:00 p.m. which limits games in the mornings. Warner stated that this was difficult on teams that travel to the area.

Dinzes stated that there is an opening on the Fields Advisory Committee for a student.

Appointments to Committees and Council

A.S. President (Jacob Bloom)

MOTION: COLBRUNN/CORTES move to recommend Taylor Mitchell for appoint to the
Intercollegiate Athletic Advisory Committee

APPROVED

The final appointment of students to the Intercollegiate Athletic Advisory Committee is made by the University President. Mitchell's nomination will be forwarded to the Office of the President.

MOTION: MAY/ARREDONDO move to appoint Rosemary Austin to the Board of Finance
APPROVED

MOTION: ARREDONDO/KRUPP move to appoint Adrian Baez Alicea to the AS Events
Funding Board
APPROVED

MOTION: ARREDONDO/HOLTZ move to suspend AS Government Code Section 6.03 to
appoint Kerri Malloy to the Integrated Curriculum Committee
APPROVED

Malloy is in class and is unable to attend.

MOTION: COLBRUNN/ARREDONDO move to appoint Kerri Malloy to the Integrated
Curriculum Committee
APPROVED

The Council discussed that they would like Malloy to be able to provide updates on curriculum changes at future AS Council meetings.

MOTION: ARREDONDO/KRUPP move to appoint Corrine Krupp to the Humboldt Energy
Independence Fund (HEIF) Committee
APPROVED

MOTION: ARREDONDO/CORTES move to appoint Mary May to the Sexual Assault
Prevention Committee
APPROVED

MOTION: MAY/MITCHELL move to recommend Jerry Dinzes to the Sponsored Programs
Foundation
TABLED

Christensen noted that CSU Memorandum AA-2011-05: *Student Representation on Auxiliary Governing Boards* requires that the Associated Students must identify at least two student nominees for each auxiliary board position to forward to the University President.

MOTION: ARREDONDO/COLBRUNN move to postpone the nomination of Dinzes until two
recommendations can be made
APPROVED
(1) OPPOSED
(1) ABSTENTION

MOTION: MAY/COLBRUNN move to appoint Victor Arredondo to the AS Council as the
Student Affairs Vice President
APPROVED
(1) OPPOSED
(2) ABSTENTION

Krupp asked if all students for the position had been interviewed. Bloom stated that he reviewed the applications of all candidates and chose candidates to interview. Bloom also noted that he would like to have a different method for appointing students to the AS Council and would have liked to have been able to consult with everyone in the process.

MOTION: COLBRUNN move to table the motion to appoint Victor Arredondo to the AS
Council as the Student Affairs Vice President

The motion died with the lack of a second. The Council continued the discussion of appointing

Arredondo to the AS Council as the Student Affairs Vice President.

Bloom stated that appointing a student to the Student Affairs Vice President position is his highest priority as there is a University Center (UC) Board of Directors meeting on Thursday and that the A.S. Student Affairs Vice President is a voting member of the board. Thompson asked Bloom to describe the rubric he used when considering students for the Student Affairs Vice President position. Bloom stated that he is seeking active students who are knowledgeable about how things work on campus, can work with or without a title, and are able to show up. Bloom yielded his time to an audience member; Serena Stewart, a freshman at HSU, who stated that she supported the nomination of Arredondo as he had encouraged her to become involved.

A.S. Administrative Vice President (Vacant)

No Appointments.

A.S. Legislative Vice President (Mark Teeter)

MOTION: MAY/CORTES move to appoint Jerry Dinzes to the AS Board of Finance TABLED

Christensen noted that an application from Dinzes had not been received for the position. Krupp asked if any other applicants had applied for the position. Colbrunn stated that he also applied for the Board of Finance. Holtz asked if Dinzes had been interviewed for the position. Dinzes stated that he had lobbied Teeter for the position. Dr. Blake stated that the AS website directs students interested in serving on committees to apply by application. Dr. Blake advised that it is important for the AS Council to follow the process that is communicated to students as a measure of transparency and fairness.

MOTION: CORTES/KRUPP move to table the motion to appoint Jerry Dinzes to the AS Board of Finance until the September 23, 2013
APPROVED
(1) ABSTENTION

A.S. Student Affairs Vice President (Vacant)

No Appointments.

Election of Vice Chair

MOTION: KRUPP/MAY move to open nominations for the Vice Chair APPROVED

MOTION: ARREDONDO/MARTINEZ move to nominate Taylor Mitchell as Vice Chair

Mitchell declined the nomination.

MOTION: MAY/HOLTZ move to nominate Jackie Martinez as Vice Chair

Martinez declined the nomination.

MOTION: DINZES/MARTINEZ move to nominate Lino Sanchez as Vice Chair APPROVED
(1) ABSTENTION

Sanchez accepted the nomination.

MOTION: MAY/HOLTZ move to close nominations for the Vice Chair APPROVED

After the nominations were closed, the Council voted to approve Sanchez nomination as Vice Chair.

MOTION: BLOOM/HOLTZ move to recess for five minutes APPROVED
(1) ABSTENTION

The Council recessed from 3:36 p.m. to 3:41 p.m.

Old Business

There was no Old Business.

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

President (Jacob Bloom)

Bloom reported that he has a class conflict with the University Executive Committee meeting held on Thursday mornings. Bloom received an oral agreement from President Richmond that two students may attend the University Executive Committee meetings. The Advancement Foundation heard a presentation regarding divestment from Fossil Fuels. Bloom continues to work on appointments.

Administrative Vice President Report (Vacant)

Vacant.

Student Affairs Vice President (Victor Arredondo)

Arredondo reported that there is a Sociology Department meeting today from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the BSS Fishbowl. The California Forum for Diversity in Education will be on Saturday, September 26 at St. Mary's College in Moraga, CA. The Campus Dialogue on Race Committee will be meeting tomorrow in the Library Fishbowl from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Arredondo stated that the AS Welcome Back BBQ was a success.

Legislative Vice President (Mark Teeter)

Teeter reported that he has interviewed three students for committees. Teeter has been reviewing the AS Constitution and Code and will also be reviewing the Gloria Romero Open Meeting Act to research ways he can facilitate discussion among the AS Council outside of meetings.

Martinez – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Martinez reported that she reserved the KBR for the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Mixer. Martinez is participating in the coordination of the Campus Dialogue on Race.

Sanchez – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Sanchez reported that he will be attending the CSSA Meeting in CSU Stanislaus in two weeks. Sanchez will be meeting with the Politics Department Chair.

May – College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

May reported that she has been coordinating with Lynn Smith on the Undergraduate Research Symposium for the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences. May has been soliciting ideas regarding Arts on the Quad from students.

Krupp – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

Krupp reported that she is meeting with the other College of Natural Resources and Sciences (CNRS) Representatives to plan the CNRS Mixer. Krupp stated that the HEIF Committee is currently soliciting idea papers from students for new projects to fund and implement. Krupp works for the Waste Reduction Resource Awareness Program (WRRAP), an AS Program, as the Take Back the Tap Coordinator and will be serving as their liaison.

Colbrunn – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

Colbrunn reported that students who participate in Slack Lining will be forming a club to assist them in continuing the activity on campus. Colbrunn suggested that the Council should continue to purchase academic planners for 2014-15 as it has been a good marketing tool.

Holtz – College of Natural Resources and Sciences

Holtz reported that she will be serving as the liaison to the Campus Center for Appropriate Technology (CCAT). CCAT provides volunteer opportunities every Friday from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Holtz will be attending the coordinating meeting for Campus Dialogue on Race. Holtz stated that a student who participates in slack lining was approached by a Dean who informed the student that they are no longer allowed to slack line on campus.

Mitchell – College of Professional Studies

Mitchell reported that he looks forward to serving on the Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Committee. Mitchell will be meeting with other members from the College of Professional Studies (CPS) to plan the CPS Mixer.

Cortes – College of Professional Studies

Cortes reported that she has been having a difficult time setting a date for the CPS Mixer because the CPS Administrative Office has been unable to confirm a date. Cortes tabled for the BBQ and suggested that more Council members table in the future. Cortes is interested in requesting funds from Unallocated for t-shirts so that AS Council members can be better identified. Cortes attended the MultiCultural Convocation. Cortes has received complaints from students regarding parking.

Quiroz – College of Professional Studies

Absent.

Dinzes – At Large

Dinzes reported that he has been observing the University Senate meetings and has been building relationships with faculty.

External Affairs (Vacant)

Bloom reported that a regional meeting of the Student Senate of the California Community Colleges will be meeting on Saturday, September 14 at College of the Redwoods and that fifteen minutes have been placed on the agenda to allow Bloom the opportunity to speak to the group.

AS Presents (Kobe Thompson)

Thompson reported that the first Arts on the Quad event was held on Thursday, August 29 and the band *March Fourth* performed. The next Arts in the Quad event will be in September and will feature the *Dustbowl Revival*. Thompson is coordinating live artwork for the next Arts on the Quad event and stated that he has received e-mails from campus organizations who are interested in participating. Thompson reported that *Flume* sold 460 tickets, *Deer Hunter* sold out of tickets and

Groundslavia had a smaller turnout. On September 18, AS Presents will be hosting *Irration*.

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

Dr. Blake reported that Map Works, a new survey tool, was implemented this semester and a survey was sent out to all freshman and sophomore that provided instant feedback and resources to students based on their responses. The Student Health Center and Counseling and Psychological Services are both currently seeking reaccreditation for three years. Only 35% of campus health and counseling services receive accreditation. A homecoming parade will be held on September 27th.

General Manager (Joan Tyson)

Tyson reported that the CSU Compliance Auditors will arrive on campus on Monday, September 16 and will be on campus until mid-October. Tyson also stated she will be scheduling a Council Orientation for members that missed the Monday, August 19 training day.

General Council Discussion

Colbrunn attended all of the AS Presents shows and congratulated Thompson on an excellent job. Bloom asked Arredondo if he received an email from the University President in response to the number of students that may sit on the University Executive Committee. Arredondo stated that he will check his correspondence and let Bloom know. Dr. Blake noted that the minutes of the University Executive Committee are posted on the University President's website. Krupp agreed with Cortes that the Council needs to be present at tabling events and agreed that the Council should purchase shirts. Bloom stated that he received a lot of positive feedback on students interested in serving on committees at the AS Welcome Back BBQ. Sanchez encouraged the AS Council to table more on the quad. Martinez stated that the clubs fair on Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. and that Martinez will be available to table from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. May stated that a member of a fraternity on campus expressed frustration to her after an event was canceled. Arredondo suggested that slack lining students should consider becoming an intramural sport.

General Council Work Session

A. Fall 2013 Retreat – Tabled Discussion Item (Jacob Bloom)

This item was tabled at the August 26, 2013 to allow for a continued discussion. Council will review options for a Fall 2013 retreat. Bloom will lead a brain storm and seek to form a working group.

MOTION: BLOOM/MAY move to table the Fall 2013 Retreat discussion item to the September 23, 2013 meeting

(5) APPROVED
(4) OPPOSED
(2) ABSTENTION

The chair did not cast a vote.

Krupp asked Bloom why he would like the item tabled. Bloom stated that there are more important items on the agenda and that the AS Council has not yet been filled. Dinzes stated that he is not in favor of tabling the item and would like a brief and efficient discussion

B. Arts on the Quad –Discussion Item (Jacob Bloom)

Bloom will lead a debriefing on the Arts in the Quad event, a brain storm on the concept and discuss further implementation.

Bloom stated that the first Arts in the Quad event on August 29 was successful and he enjoyed seeing clubs table. Thompson agreed with Bloom and stated that the Council should consider only hosting 2-3 Arts in the Quad each semester due to inclement weather in the winter months. Dinzes stated that he is not opposed to the event only being held three times a semester, but would like to see more opportunities for campus talent to perform. May concurred with Dinzes. Thompson stated that one of the bands playing in the fall is a local band and that he will incorporate different ideas into the spring semester. Dinzes thanked Thompson for AS Presents hard work on the event.

C. AS Employees –Discussion Item (Jacob Bloom)

Bloom will lead a discussion about AS employees, hiring process, job descriptions and the Associated Students/University Center Administrative Services Agreement.

Bloom stated that the agenda packet includes job descriptions of all AS Employees and the Associated Students/University Center Administrative Service Agreement for Council to review and that he would like to table the discussion until the next meeting.

MOTION: BLOOM/MAY move to table AS Employees Discussion Item to the September 23, 2013 meeting

APPROVED
(1) OPPOSED
(1) ABSTENTION

D. Structural Adjustments –Discussion Item (Jacob Bloom)

Bloom will lead a discussion regarding the AS Constitution and Codes (instant run-off elections), the committee appointment process and Council vacancies, record of minutes and rules of order.

Bloom stated that he values the concepts of decentralization, democracy and transparency and is interested in discussing structural adjustments that can be made. Bloom is specifically interested in adjusting how minutes are recorded. Dinzes stated that the current system only allows AS Executives to make appointments to committees, but when there are executive vacancies it slows down the process. Dinzes suggested a change to the governing documents would allow appointments to be made from the floor after the fourth or fifth meeting of the fall semester. Cortes stated that she would like a brainstorm session to be held and that the item should be brought back on a future agenda. Tyson suggested that a taskforce be made to discuss these ideas and that the item could become a recurring agenda item with updates from the taskforce. Dinzes suggested moving the AS Council Appointments towards the end of the meeting.

E. 2013-14 Goals & Vision –Discussion Item (Jacob Bloom)

The University President has requested 5 – 6 goals of the AS Council. Bloom has suggested one goal from each college and 2 – 3 goals of the AS Executives and At Large Representatives.

Bloom stated that President Richmond has requested that he share the goals of the AS Council with him and Dr. Blake so they can find ways to assist the AS Council. Bloom will be meeting with President Richmond and Dr. Blake on Thursday and would like to update them on the progress the AS Council is making towards defining goals. Arredondo stated that he would like to see the potential goals opened up online for students to provide input, but noted that there may be an issue with open meeting law. Dinzes stated that an informal meeting could be held if it were promoted

properly. Tyson provided some background on the Gloria Romero Open Meeting Law. Cortes stated that she would like to meet with the other representatives in her college and bring back goals at the next meeting. Dinzes would like to have the opportunity to vote on the goals. Colbrunn stated that he would like AS goals to assist in improving HSU's retention rate. Bloom yielded to Juan Diaz Infante, a student at large. Diaz Infante stated that he would like the Council to take a stand as a student union and to change the ratio of faculty, staff members and students on the committee. Tyson suggested that the item could be placed on a future AS Executive Committee agenda. Teeter stated that the Council should meet in smaller groups and come back with ideas. Bloom requested that the past goals of the AS Council be made available.

Announcements

There were no announcements.

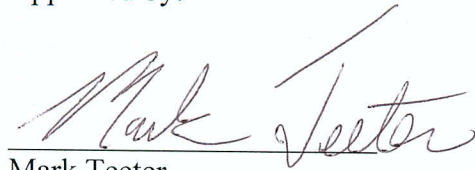
Adjournment

Teeter adjourned the meeting without objection at 6:00 p.m.

Recorded by:

Rob Christensen
AS Council Assistant

Approved by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Mark Teeter", written in dark ink.

Mark Teeter
Legislative Vice President