ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MENDOCINO COLLEGE
Minutes: Regular Meeting
A regular meeting of the Associated Students of Mendocino College was convened on Friday, August 26, 2016 in Room 750 at Mendocino College, 1000 Hensley Creek Rd., Ukiah, CA.

General Matters:

Call to Order:         President Pearce called the meeting to order at 12:39 pm.

Members Present:      President: Anthony Pearce - Present
                      Vice President: Wyatt Coffman - Present
                      Student Trustee: Liana Edington - Present
                      Treasurer: Noelle Lagunes - Present
                      Secretary: Nadine Goebel - Present
                      Student Ambassador: Joseph Moroney - Present
                      Activities Director: Solomon Gordon - Present
                      Publicity Director: Eli Gomez - Present
                      Students Rights Advocate: Joy Brown - Present

Support Staff Present: Faculty Advisor - Phil Warf

Others Present:       Arizona Snyder
                      Jerik Ford

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited facing the American Flag in Room 750.

1. Public Comments

Tony Novelli came, in place of Jessica Silva, to have ASMC officers fill out the time sheet for working week of welcome.

2. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

2.1 Approval of this week’s agenda.

Vice President Coffman moved to approve the agenda.

Seconded by Student Trustee Edington

2.2 Approval of last week's minutes
Vice President Coffman moved to approve the minutes pending the correction of wording for item 2.1 to say “removal of underline in 3.1” and correction of spacing error on item 4.3.

Seconded by Publicity Director Gomez.

3. Old Business

3.1 Merchant Discount Card – Update on list.

Businesses are still asking for a form for the merchant discount program. The form has been sent out to all officers, all they need to do is fill in the information for the business.

Sword and Board and Scooters Deli said they were interested in taking part in the merchant card program.

3.2 Welcome Week – Update and signups

Week of Welcome was a huge success. Students were able to get the help and information they needed.

ASMC was very active on Tuesday with all of the events.

3.3 T-Shirts - ASMC Uniforms

Secretary Goebel will get a quote after today’s meeting.

Vice President Coffman moved to postpone until next week.

Seconded by Students Rights Advocate Brown.

4. Discussion Items

4.1 Microwave – microwave will be cleaned twice a week by officers

Officers are to take turns cleaning the microwave in the student lounge. Schats has the cleaning supplies that may be used to clean the microwave. Two officers will be assigned weekly to clean the microwave and it will be done by roll call on the agenda. President Pearce and Vice President Coffman will begin the rotation on Monday.

4.2 Pool Sticks – tip replacements

The pool stick tips in the student lounge need to be replaced. Charley Brown offered to fix them last semester. President Pearce said he will contact him and find out if he is still willing to do so. If the senate is not able to replace them, then it is possible the senate will have to order new pool sticks.
4.3 Office hours- Implementation of office hours

President Pearce will talk to Jessica Silva about getting a key that officers can check out for office hours.

Advisor Warf suggested a minimum amount of hours be set for the month, so that all officers are doing their part to the best of their abilities.

President Pearce and Student Ambassador Moroney will meet up outside of the meeting to set up a system for officers to set office hours and will bring a few ideas to the senate next meeting.

4.4 ASMC Goals- What do we want to accomplish

President Pearce has been taking classes over at the Lake Center campus this semester. The Lake Center is very misrepresented. All students pay the student center fee, including those that do not go to the Ukiah campus. The Lake center has one wifi router on campus and it only reaches half of the campus, there is no cell service on campus, if you do not have cash on with you then you can not purchase items from the vending machines and the closest food service is a 30 minute walk. Their student center is like Macmillan hall on the Ukiah campus. The building is not only their student center, but also the learning center, the counseling office, the computer lab, and admissions and records, with no walls to separate them. When students hang out in the building, they have to be quiet like they are in a library and there is no where else for them to hang out. President Pearce advised we look into building a small student center at the Lake Port campus to help with this situation.

Student Trustee Edington suggested the senate find out how many students go to the Lake campus so that the senate knows how many students this will benefit. She said she can ask Minerva Flores about the information for the senate.

Student Ambassador Moroney stated that this directly involves student representation and he is happy to be on board for this project. He recommended that a committee be formed to help with the process, also contacting the facilities and other sources on campus in order to get the plans going.

Advisor Warf suggested that instead of building an entire building, the senate look into the possibility of a portable modular home. The process might be easier and would be a good start for both the Lake and Willits campus.

President Pearce stated that a modular home would be a fantastic idea. The campus had open grass areas for future buildings, so it is an idea worth looking into.

Student Ambassador Moroney suggested traveling to each campus and seeing what the students need at each center would also be a good asset to the senate’s intentions.
Advisor Warf suggested talking to the Dean of Centers to get the administration on board. Also, ASMC is supposed to have at least one meeting on every campus every year, so as to refer back to what Student Ambassador Moroney said, it might be good to have the students bring their ideas to the meetings during public comment and ASMC can also show that the students are being represented.

President Pearce agreed, the senate can plan out a meeting at the lake center and promote it at the campus to make a big deal. Publicity Director Gomez can help with getting the word out at the Lake Center and plan it for a couple months from now. He also stated that it is time to fix the representation on all of our campuses, and not just one.

Events and finance committee will start working on the events to fundraise for the center. An idea that was brought up was having the clubs take part in an auction with ASMC in order to help raise knowledge of clubs and also help the students of the Lake Canter with a student center.

Is the Senate deciding to go through with this?

Senate agreed unanimously.

President Pearce recommended creating a new committee so that the plans can begin.

Senate agreed unanimously.

President Pearce will place “the yearly project committee” on next agenda.

4.5 ASMC Budget- Set a budget

President Pearce recommended the senate postpone this item until next week.

Student Ambassador Moroney moved to postpone item until next meeting.

Seconded by Secretary Goebel.

4.6 Disc Golf Course – needs to be landscaped

President Pearce got an update from Ulysses Velasco. Rotary said that they will fund the repairing of the disk golf course on the Ukiah campus. However, Rotary can not secure the money until the spring. Ulysses said he will ask the college to front the expense until rotary can give the money back in the spring.

4.7 Fundraisers- Ideas on fundraisers

During the Welcome Week planning Saturday, August 20, there were suggestions made to the events and finance committee.

Vice President Coffman suggested a sports day, where ASMC puts on different sporting
Student Trustee Edington suggested a Talent Show put on by ASMC.

Any future ideas that the senate has, please contact the events committee chair Activities Director Gordon.

4.8 ASMC Presentation - Teach people who the ASMC is

An idea was brought up to have a big presentation for the students regarding issues like: who is ASMC, how can students get involved, and the 9 plus 1 act. School supplies could be given out at the end of the event, along with free food to encourage students to come in.

The senate should do this presentation at all centers.

President Pearce referred this to the events committee and suggested the System Affairs Director from region two, Joseph Moroney, join them in the planning of this event.

4.9 System Affairs Director - Examination of job description

Student Ambassador Moroney is the Student delegate for ASMC, but his position as System Affairs Director within the region conflicts with his position within our Associated Student Organization. Due to him being the director, it is more advisable that he does not vote due to conflict of interest, but it is only a problem within the regional level. He can still be the vote, but it's only if the senate does not have a problem with the situation. If the senate does not have conflicts and or issues with Student Ambassador Moroney still being the vote, then he can keep his position.

The senate agreed to let Student Ambassador Moroney keep his vote for the college, but if an issue or conflict should arise, then he is to bring it back to the senate immediately.

5. Action Items

5.1 T-shirts - ASMC uniforms
No action

6. Informational Reports

6.1 Fiscal Report – Treasurer’s report
No report

6.2 Advisory Report – A report from ASMC advisory Phil Warf

Advisor Warf talked to facilities about the hydration stations being installed on campus, they reported they will get back within a few weeks.
The next agenda should have a discussion item about Constitution Day. ASMC is required to take part during this event. The library is also planning on doing something for Constitution Day. Advisor Warf recommended the senate work with the library on an event.

7. Officer Communications

7.1 Officer Reports:
    a. President: Anthony Pearce
    b. Vice President: Wyatt Coffman
    c. Student Trustee: Liana Edington
    d. Treasurer: Noelle Lagunes
    e. Secretary: Nadine Goebel
    f. Parliamentarian: Vacant
    g. Student Ambassador: Joseph Moroney

The region is meeting next weekend, along with the Board of Directors in Sacramento, so he will be absent from next weeks meeting.

h. Activities Director: Solomon Gordon
   i. Publicity Director: Eli Gomez

A student asked about gender neutral bathrooms. President Pearce informed the senate that the student asked last year as well and was told to bring information to the senate, the student has not yet brought information to the senate regarding this topic.

   j. Student Rights Advocate: Joy Brown
   k. Ecology Director: Vacant
   l. Ukiah Representative: Vacant
   m. Lake Representative: Vacant
   n. Willits Representative: Vacant

9. Adjournment

Secretary Goebel moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 p.m.
Seconded by Vice President Coffman