

# ASWWU Executive Board Meeting Minutes

2/19/26 | 4:15 PM | VU 567

## ASWWU Executive Board Members

Present: Cates-Doglio, Davis, Maynard, Stegeman, Skinner, Polo

Absent: Carnell-excused per AS President

Advisor: Lorio

Secretary: Lorio

Guest(s) in attendance: none

## Motions

Motion #	Title	Result
ASB-26-W-21	To approve the 2/19/26 consent agenda items as presented	Passed
ASB-26-W-22	To approve revised Student Trustee Appointment Recommendation Committee Charter as presented	Passed
ASB-26-W-23	To approve finalists for VP Univ Ops	Passed
ASB-26-W-24	To approve questions for finalists as revised	Passed
ASB-26-W-25	To approve ASWWU Government Official Referendum Proposal Template	Passed
ASB-26-W-26	To sign on to the Fast and Free Transit letter as the AS Executive Board	Passed

### 1. Call to order

Cates-Doglio, Chair, called the meeting to order at 16:15pm.

### 2. Revisions to the agenda

Aspen has a doc for one of the action items, will distribute it when we get to that part of the meeting. Add VP of Diversity 1 minute update

### 3. Consent Items – Routine business items that do not require discussion

#### a. Approving ASWWU Exec Board 2/12/26 Meeting Minutes

i. Adam makes administrative point about clarifying motions for the record

ASB-26-W-21	<b>Motion:</b> To approve the 2/19/26 consent agenda items as presented.
<b>Motion Made By:</b> Maynard	<b>Motion Seconded By:</b> Davis
<b>Vote Count:</b> 6 Aye, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain	<b>Action Result:</b> Passed

### 4. Public forum – Time for WWU & community members to address the ASWWU Executive Board

None

**5. ASWWU Exec Board Reports**

**a. AS President Report (Cates-Doglio)**

- i. Quick update, preparing testimony next Wednesday for HB2070, will be out of office. Also working on HB1570. Lobbying happening today. Scheduled for hearing on Monday with no public hearing. Reviewing applicants for VP Ops, along with questions. Chair says one of the questions “needs workshopping”.

**b. ASVP University Operations Report (Davis)**

- i. Davis presents quick update, went to Budget Committee for 2<sup>nd</sup> half. On par with normal meetings, covered some athletics info. Discussed some financial revenue sources and expenses for 2025. Compiling info about WWU’s budget, working with Aspen on a legacy document that can be shared with all AS Ops next year.

**c. ASVP Student Services Report (Carnell)**

- i. Chair gives quick WTA update on Carnell’s behalf. There is a need to improve relationships with university middle management.

**d. ASVP Governmental Affairs Report (Maynard)**

- i. Maynard updates about the upcoming TownHall this Saturday. Bring friends. Updates on Bills 2070 and 1570.

**e. ASVP of Diversity Report (Polo)**

- i. Ethnic Student Center formally opened in May 1991, this year will be the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Center. Polo is now on the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning Committee. Currently working to restructure position to be more helpful to students and less administrative work.

**f. ASWWU Executive Board Advisor Report (Lorio)**

- i. Nothing to report

**6. Action items – Items that may need a vote**

**a. ASWWU Student Trustee Selection Committee Charter (Cates-Doglio)**

- i. Chair presents some small updates to the proposed charter. Main change to number 7 and number 8. Change to who can change the charter.

ASB-26-W-22	<b>Motion:</b> To approve revised Student Trustee Appointment Recommendation Committee Charter as presented	
<b>Motion Made By:</b> Polo		<b>Motion Seconded By:</b> Skinner
<b>Vote Count:</b> 6 Aye, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain		<b>Action Result:</b> Passed

**b. Approval of AS VP for University Operations Finalists and Questions (Davis, Docs 2 & 3)**

- i. Discussion on finalists for VP Ops. Some applicants are graduating at end of this year, and were ruled out for that reason. Chair mentions that all 4 proposed finalists were at Lobby Day. Much ongoing discussion/workshopping about one of the questions. Changing the word role in the third question to perspective. Another question revision: Most public institutions of higher

education are facing a budget shortfall, including Western. (instead of mentioning Covid)

ASB-26-W-23	<b>Motion:</b> To approve finalists for VP Univ Ops	
	<b>Motion Made By:</b> Davis	<b>Motion Seconded By:</b> Maynard
	<b>Vote Count:</b> 6 Aye, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain	<b>Action Result:</b> Passed

ASB-26-W-24	<b>Motion:</b> To approve questions for finalists as revised	
	<b>Motion Made By:</b> Maynard	<b>Motion Seconded By:</b> Stegeman
	<b>Vote Count:</b> 6 Aye, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain	<b>Action Result:</b> Passed

**c. Referendum Packet Approval (Cates-Doglio, Doc 4)**

- i. Discussed previously as discussion item, needs to be approved by E Board.

ASB-26-W-25	<b>Motion:</b> To approve ASWWU Government Official Referendum Proposal Template	
	<b>Motion Made By:</b> Skinner	<b>Motion Seconded By:</b> Stegeman
	<b>Vote Count:</b> 6 Aye, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain	<b>Action Result:</b> Passed

**d. Free & Fast Transit Sign on Letter (Cates-Doglio, Doc 5)**

- i. Chair presents letter regarding free transit in Whatcom County, that the AS Gov is being asked to sign on to. Proposing a new licensing tax to fund free transit. Adam asks how this would impact contract negotiations. This would lower the Active Transportation Fee if passed.

ASB-26-W-26	<b>Motion:</b> To sign on to the Fast and Free Transit letter as the AS Executive Board	
	<b>Motion Made By:</b> Skinner	<b>Motion Seconded By:</b> Maynard
	<b>Vote Count:</b> 6 Aye, 0 Nay, 0 Abstain	<b>Action Result:</b> Passed

**7. Discussion Items – Items that do not need a vote**

**a. Decorations Workgroup Update (Carnell and Stegeman)**

- i. Tabled

**b. Potential Resolution for the WWU Divest Apartheid Memorandum of Understanding (Cates-Doglio and El Nagar)**

- i. Senator El Nagar presents on Divest Apartheid MOU. Most demands from the MOU 2 years ago have not been met. Last demand expires in May. Hoping to draft a resolution in support of students who are working towards getting the demands met. Chair asks about which demands have not been met. El Nagar reads list of demands that have not been met.

**8. Call to adjourn**

Cates-Doglio, Chair, called the meeting to adjourn at 17:21