

Western Washington University Associated Students

Activities Council Meeting

Monday, January 9, 2012 VU 567

Present: Adam Eichholz, Daniel Hagen, Kye Freeman, Kasey Koenig, Mario Orallo-Molinaro, Matt Temple, Maddy Vonhoff,

Absent:

Late: Derrick Troy

Advisor is): Casey Hayden

Secretary: Erin Curran-Tileston

Guest(s): Kayla Imrisek, To Write Love On Her Arms; Dagma Knechtel, Open Dialogues About Drugs Club; Hannah Lansberry, Open Dialogues About Drugs Club; James Arsein, Open Dialogues About Drugs Club; Rieki Schneider, Open Dialogues About Drugs Club; AJ Wakefield, Open Dialogues About Drugs Club; Lani Asinan, Open Dialogues About Drugs Club; Renae Stowell, Open Dialogues About Drugs Club; Spencer Mårtenson, WWU DECA; Rachelle Durfey, WWU DECA; Alex White, WWU DECA; Eleanor Hines, Western Action Coalition; Max McGrath-Horn, Students for Energy Efficiency; Max Scher, Students for Energy Efficiency; Matthew Hilliard, Students for Sensible Drug Policy; Arianna Cane, Students Against Slavery; Tim Tercero, Students Against Slavery; Graeme Dyehouse, WWU Mock Trial; Allen Nguyen, WWU Mock Trial; Milena Ull, WWU Mock Trial; Hannah Leone, WWU Humans vs. Zombies; Tien Nguyen, Vietnamese Student Association; Nikki Dang, Vietnamese Student Association; Cathy Dang, Vietnamese Student Association

MOTIONS

AC-12-W-01	Approve the minutes from the meetings on November 21 & 28, 2011, as written - Passed
AC-12-W-02	Approve Students for Energy Efficiency as an official AS Club under the category of Environmental Club - Passed
AC-12-W-03	Approve Students for Sensible Drug Policy as an official AS Club under the category of Political Club -- Passed
AC-12-W-04	Approve Students Against Slavery as an official AS Club under the category of Political Issues - Passed
AC-12-W-05	Approve Open Dialogues About Drugs, ODD Club, as an official AS Club under the category of Social Issues - Passed
AC-12-W-06	Approve \$100 in the form of a grant to Western Action Coalition for printing and food costs. - Passed
AC-12-W-07	Approve WWU DECA for \$125 per person for travel in the form of a grant with \$1,100 coming from the Academic Conference Fund and \$650 coming from the Club Conference Fund. - Passed
AC-12-W-08	Approve \$112.50 per person to WWU Mock Trail Club in the form of an underwrite totaling \$1,350 to come out of the Club Conference Fund. - Passed
AC-12-W-09	Approve \$200 in the form of a Bookstore Request to the Vietnamese Student Association. - Passed

Mario Orallo-Molinaro, AS YP of Activities, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

I. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

Add Approval of the Minutes and move Mock Trial to Action Items.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

***MOTION AC-12-W-01** by Maddy Vonhoff*

Approve the minutes from the meeting on November 21 & 28, 2011, as written.

Second: Adam Eichholz Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: **PASSED**

III. BUSINESS DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Kye Freeman shared the remaining balances in the Activities Council accounts:

Basic Funding: \$2,000

Grants, Foans, and Underwrites: \$24,659.19

Club Conference: \$4,780

Academic Conference: \$3,615

Bookstore Donations: \$1,305

IV. CLUB RECOGNITION (*Basic Funding if Indicated*)

A. Students for Energy Efficiency

Max Scher and Max McGrath-Horn stated that the goal of their club is to organize students to be more aware of energy efficiency and ways they can become more energy efficient. The group is already planning an event to inform the community about the Pacific Gateway Coal Terminal and if approved they would also like to start doing energy audits in off campus student housing. They also want to start looking for funding with their goal being to raise money and use that to help do some of the things the energy audits suggest. Freeman reminded them to have their Budget Authority to contact her.

***MOTION AC-12-W-02** by Maddy Vonhoff*

Approve Students for Energy Efficiency as an official AS Club under the category of Environmental Club.

Second: Daniel Hagen Vote: 8 - 0 - 0 Action: **PASSED**

B. Students for Sensible Drug Policy

Matthew Hilliard said the club would be associated with an international grassroots network that aims to improve drug policies in the US and other countries to minimize the harms caused to students due to US and university drug policies. Some of the campaigns include Campus Change, which works to change university dorm drug policies, and Good Samaritan Policies, which would protect 911 callers when informing paramedics about potential alcohol poisoning. Hilliard said that the club would start by tabling and deciding on what campaigns to work on. Orallo-Molinaro clarified that the club will be focusing on on-campus policies. Matt Temple asked how often the club would be meeting. Hilliard said it would be a weekly or bi-weekly meeting. Orallo-Molinaro clarified that the club will be financially active.

MOTION AC-12-W-03 by Matt Temple

Approve Students for Sensible Drug Policy as an official AS Club under the category of Political Club

Second: Kasey Koenig Vote: 8 - 0 - 0 Action: **PASSED**

C. Students Against Slavery

Arianna Cane said the goal of the club is to raise awareness and money for anti-human trafficking groups that are local, national, and international. The group meets every other week and at the meetings they have been educating members on human trafficking itself and what they can do after college. The club plans on doing campus outreach and tabling to educate the community. At the end of the year the club wants to hold a benefit run for the greater Bellingham community and the raise funds to support the anti-human trafficking movement.

MOTION AC-12-W-04 by Derrick Troy

Approve Students Against Slavery as an official AS Club under the category of Political Issues

Second: Matt Temple Vote: 8 - 0 - 0 Action: **PASSED**

D. Open Dialogues About Drugs

Rena Stowell and Dagmar Knechtel said that Open Dialogues About Drugs or ODD Club incorporates multiple organizations including Dance Safe, Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies, and Students for Sensible Drug Policy so students have a place to talk about each group and learn more about careers in psychedelic therapies in weekly meeting, monthly movie nights, and quarterly benefits. The club has a large focus on discussions on drugs. They want this to be a safe space and non-judgmental environment where there can be an open and honest conversation about drugs. Hagen asked what type of drugs the club would focus on. They said the club would look at all types of drugs and especially talk about the definition of drugs because it is such a broad category. Freeman clarified that the club will be financially active. Hagen asked in what ways the club would want to change drug policy. They said they would be working with Students for Sensible Drug Policy and other groups or organizations to tap students' particular interests.

MOTION AC-12-W-05 by Maddy Vonhoff

Approve Open Dialogues About Drugs, ODD Club, as an official AS Club under the category of Social Issues

Second: Kye Freeman Vote: 8 - 0 - 0 Action: **PASSED**

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. WWU Humans vs. Zombies: Zombie Prom

Hannah Teone stated that for the past two years Human's vs. Zombies has put on Zombie Prom. It is a dance that anyone can attend but many people dress up like zombies. The club is asking for \$527. This would cover \$330 for the MPR and sound

equipment rental, \$27 for posters, \$70 for food, and \$80 for decorations. Freeman asked if the club will contribute to the event. Leone explained that they were asking for a loan that they would pay back from the sale of their merchandise. Temple asked if they would be charging for admittance to the dance. Leone said it would be free for everyone who wanted to attend. Troy asked how many people the club has had attend this program in the past. Leone said that they average about 100 people at the dance. Vonhoff clarified that the money for the posters would just go towards printing.

B. WWU Humans vs. Zombies: Mini-Games

Leone stated that this was the most important funding request. The club is planning two weekend long games: the first on January 28 & 29 and the other in February. The funding that they are asking for would go towards 16 dozen bandanas, \$167.60, and posters to advertise both games, \$54, for a total of \$221.60. The first game will be held from 10am-5pm and will have three missions that are packed into two days. The big difference in this set of games is that there will be two teams of humans competing against each other and the zombies. The dates have been requested and the club is just waiting on approval from the school to finalize everything. Hayden added that there will be a meeting Wednesday to discuss the club's status. Eichholz asked if the loan portion of this funding request would also be covered by merchandise sales. Leone said that this was the case but they weren't worried about the amount of loans they were asking for because the club has around 300 members. Troy asked if this was a free event. Leone said it was mostly because they would be sued by the creators if they charged any sort of fee related to participation in the game. Hagen expressed concern about the club selling the 100 shirts they were asking for in a later request. Leone said a poll was taken and about 1 in 6 people were interested in buying shirts, so it won't be hard to sell the rest. Freeman suggested possibly collecting money before ordering the teeshirts so the club would not be left in debt. She also asked if the club would consider a bake sale. Leone said they will hold one when they find out the status of the club. Freeman asked to make this total an even \$222.

C. WWU Humans vs. Zombies: Merchandise

Leone said that while the club is doing shirts they really want to get achievement buttons for which they are asking for \$200. Eichholz asked how many buttons that would make and Leone said she wasn't sure. Freeman asked for Leone to bring in some more exact numbers for next week. Orallo-Molinaro asked how the club would pay back their loans from the shirts that the council is also giving them a loan for the shirts. Leone explained that they would be selling the shirts at 50% above cost to be able to pay back all the loans. Vonhoff double checked that the club had talked with the PC to get accurate numbers for the shirts. Orallo-Molinaro clarified that the shirts would be available for anyone outside the club to buy as well. He added that it might be interesting to think about advertising these shirts to the public. Hayden said \$10 per shirt is a little high and suggested double checking the prices. Freeman asked how the club came up with the amounts with grants versus loans. Leone said they looked at what they would be able to pay back this quarter.

D. WWU Red Cross Club

This club did not show due to communication errors and will be moved to next week's agenda.

E. To Write Love On Her Arms: WWU Chapter

Kayla Imrisek said the club needs \$400 to cover renting out the MPR, supplies, and posters for their Walk for Life event. The supplies would include candles and other small items for the event. She added that next week they will have an exact figure for renting the MPR. Troy asked if they had done any fundraising. Imrisek said they did hold a bake sale but didn't get a lot of money. Hayden asked if this was the last remaining cost for the event. Imrisek said they might be coming back for a little more funding. Hagen suggested they get all the rest of the money they need into one funding request. Imrisek said she would bring the final total to next week's meeting.

L. AS Campus Activities Showcase

Vonhoff said that on January 25th her office is holding the Campus Activities Showcase. She described it as a mini Red Square Info Lair in the MPR. The goal of this event is to remind students about the clubs on campus. She is asking for \$50 per club category for a total of \$550. The \$50 will go to the club in each category that shows the most enthusiasm. The \$50 will be deposited in each of the winning clubs' accounts. Lreeman pointed out that there are 12 categories. Vonhoff said that one of those categories is religious clubs and they cannot be given money by the school so she is currently looking for a prize that will not cost student dollars but will encourage those clubs to participate.

VI. **ACTION ITEMS**

A. Western Action Coalition

Eleanor Hines said the club is asking for \$100: \$50 for printing and \$50 for food. The club started last quarter and has been paying out of pocket to cover things like printing. They would like the money for advertising related to the club. Lreeman asked who their Budget Authority is. Hines said they are currently in a transition. Orallo-Molinaro clarified that these printing costs would be from posters advertising events.

MOTION AC-12-W-06 by Maddy Vonhoff

Approve \$100 in the form of a grant to Western Action Coalition for printing and food costs.

Second: Kasey Koenig Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: **PASSED**

B. WWU DECA

Spencer Mårtenson, Rachelle Durfey, and Alex White said that they are asking for money to go to the State Career Development Conference in Leavenworth. It is a conference of all business students and a place where they can connect the classroom to the boardroom. Every student is able to participate in realistic scenarios, so they can get real life experience and work at networking as well. They added that if members can't make the state competition there is no way for them to make nationals. Durfey pointed out that one of the council's concerns was that the club would come back seeking more money for nationals. The representatives said at this

point the club is only focusing on the state conference and getting as many students as possible that beneficial experience. They added that they would rather have a large number experience the state competition than a small number go to both state and nationals. Freeman clarified that the club was asking for \$150 per person with the cost to the student being \$98. The club is also working with a local farm to get their travel costs covered. It is \$315 per person total. The club thought that having the out-of-pocket cost be under \$100 would open it up to more students. The club is asking for a grand total of \$2,100. Troy asked which account this would come from. The council decided it would come from both Club and Academic Conference. She also clarified that the \$2,100 would cover 14 students. Hayden suggested using past precedent to decide how much to give the club. Hagen and Koenig voiced some discomfort with the total amount and recommended dropping it down. Hayden pointed out that the council would only be covering 20% of the total cost and have only used 32% and 10% of the respective funds. The representatives pointed out that while the amount they are asking for has tripled, so has the number of attendees. It was suggested that the council match the student contribution.

MOTION AC-12-W-07 by Derrick Troy

Approve WWU DECA for \$125 per person for travel in the form of a grant with \$1,100 coming from the Academic Conference Fund and \$650 coming from the Club Conference Fund.

Second: Adam Eichholz Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: **PASSED**

C. WWU Mock Trial: Regional Competition

Milena Ull said the club is looking for \$1,350 with a student contributions going towards gas and food. The competition is in Portland, OR so the hotel is about \$120 per night, but they have found one at \$100 if they act now. There will be four people per room with three rooms. To be able to compete they must have 12 students attend. They asked the council to keep in mind that they are a new club and they plan to do more fund raising in the long term. The total would be about \$112.50 per person and would just go to cover the cost of the hotel. Freeman clarified that this would be in the form of an underwrite. Hayden pointed out that the money would have to come out of the Club Conference Fund because it is not completely affiliated with a department. Hagen pointed out that this would take up a great deal of the remaining money. Vonhoff pointed out that the remaining Basic Funding will be reappropriated.

MOTION AC-12-W-08 by Kye Freeman

Approve \$112.50 per person to WWU Mock Trail Club in the form of an underwrite totaling \$1,350 to come out of the Club Conference Fund.

Second: Maddy Vonhoff Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: **PASSED**

VH. BOOKSTORE DONATION REQUEST

A. Vietnamese Student Association

Nikki Dang, Cathy Dang, and Tien Nguyen said VSA is having a silent auction at their Heritage Dinner to support One Body Village. The event will be held at Sehome

High School with an expected attendance of over 200 people. They are trying to get a variety of items for people to bid on and would like some merchandise from the Bookstore. Orallo-Molinaro clarified that the items would only be used for the silent auction. Vonhoff asked if the council was allowed to give money from bookstore to be used in a silent auction. There were many people who said this was allowable.

MOTION AC-12-W-09 by Kye Freeman

Approve \$200 in the form of a Bookstore Request to the Vietnamese Student Association.

Second: Maddy Vonhoff Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: **PASSED**

vni. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Orallo-Molinaro said the Council could look at a time change. There was a consensus that the meeting would be moved to 6:00pm on Mondays.
- B. Orallo-Molinaro said that next week is MLK Day and since there is no school there is no Activities Council. Hayden pointed out that losing two Mondays in a quarter could be detrimental so it would be a good idea to find a different time in the week to meet. It was decided that on those days the Council would meet on Wednesdays at 6:30pm.
- C. The issue of Basic Funding will be dealt with at the next meeting.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ACCLAMATION AT 8:02 P.M.