



**Western Washington University Associated Students  
Ethnic Student Center Steering Committee Meeting**  
Wednesday, October 19, 2011

**Voting Members Present:**

ACC - Hintset Tekiu, BSU - Leroy Mwangi, CSA - Howard Kwon, FASA - Traci Watanabe,  
HOH - Sarah Kim, KhSA - Routhea Doung, MEChA - Tania Quijada, MISO - Timothy O'Connor,  
NASU - Trisha Gonzales, QPOC - Alejandro Llamas, SASA -Meghna Jaradi, VSA -- Tien Nguyen

**Voting Members Absent:**

LSU

**Non-Voting Members:**

Erin Curran-Tileston (Secretary)

**Chair:** Deng Duot

**Advisor:** Michael Vendiola

**Co-Chair:**

**Guest(s):** Angelica Robinson, MEChA

**Motions**

SC-II-F-05	Approve the ESC-Steering Committee meeting minutes from October 12, 2011 with changes - <b>Passed</b>
SC-II-F-06	Approve \$1,100 for MEChA's Dia de los Muertos event as a grant. - <b>Passed</b>

**Deng Duot, AS Vice President for Diversity, called the meeting to order at 5:05 P.M.**

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES -**

Michael Vendiola changed the amount in the financial report to \$20,400 and Meghna Jaradi said Hintset Teklu's name was spelled incorrectly in two places.

*MOTIONESC-II-F-05 by Timothy O'Connor*

Approve the ESC-Steering Committee meeting minutes from Wednesday, October 12, 2011 with changes.

Second: Trisha Gonzales

Vote: 10-0-0

Action: **Passed**

**II. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA -**

None

**III. FINANCIAL REPORT- Michael Vendiola**

Vendiola stated Steering had \$18,900 remaining with \$2,000 remaining for travel

**IV. PUBLIC FORUM -**

None

**V. INFORMATION ITEMS - Guests/Other Business**

None

**VI. ACTION ITEMS-**

**A. MEChA Dia de los Muertos Funding Request**

Angelica Robinson said MEChA received the requested \$500 from the Diversity Fund so they are asking Steering for \$1,100. She reminded the committee that there is a workshop to learn how to make alters and the traditions surrounding the event. The club will be providing flowers and candles for the alters. The workshop will be held in Environmental Studies 313 at 6pm on the 25<sup>th</sup> of October. Robinson recommended bringing trifold boards and pictures of the people they wanted to honor. She added that on the day of the event to bring the favorite food of the people who have passed. Vendiola said there was great support from other ESC clubs last year and hopes to see as good of a turnout this year.

**MOTIONESC-II-F-06** by Trisha Gonzales

Approve \$1,100 for MEChA's Dia de los Muertos event as a grant.

Second: Alejandro Llamas

Vote: **10-0-1**

Action: **PASSED**

**VII. INFORMATION ITEMS - Steering Representatives****A. Cold Beverage Contract**

Duot said that there are many different ways of receiving funding. Vendiola explained that one place to go is the Cold Beverage Contract. He explained the document in the binder and said it was a pretty significant funding source for new programs. He said there were some restrictions to the fund, for example they do not pay for food. They also prefer to fund new and innovative programs and Vendiola recommended looking there for funding as well.

**B. D VSAS: On Moonlight Bay Gala**

Duot said this program will be held on Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. He asked members to go and support the event if they were able to.

**VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS -**

Leroy Mwangi thanked all the people who showed up to the Treehouse panel last week. He informed the members about BSU's clothing drive and asked for them to donate clothes. He said there proceeds will go to Treehouse Organization, a foster foundation in Seattle. Mwangi added there will be drop off locations in the ESC and they are planning to have another location somewhere else in the VU. The drive will be ending on November 18<sup>th</sup> and the proceeds will be donated to the organization on November 19<sup>th</sup>. If there are any questions contact L'Shray Jones or any other executive board members in BSU.

**IX. ROP REPORT**

None

**X. CLUB REPORTS -****A. African Caribbean Club**

Hintset Tekiu said ACC is having a movie night in Edens Hall next Thursday at 7pm. The movie options will be posted on their Facebook page.

**B. Black Student Union**

Mwangi said BSU is working on the clothes drive and their heritage dinner.

**C. Chinese Student Association**

Howard Kwon said they are having a dumpling night from 7-10 in the Edens North kitchen. At the event each person makes their own dumplings and eats them. They are also having a Halloween event with NASU on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

**D. Filipino-American Student Association**

Traci Watanabe said FASA's heritage dinner is this Saturday. She stated that tickets are still available. They are having a Halloween meeting next week where people can dress up and eat candy in VU 464 at 7pm.

**E. Hui O' Hawaii**

Sarah Kim said HOH is working on future plans and on collecting box tops. She stated that if any members need to donate box tops they can be brought to the Steering Committee meeting. HOH is donating the box tops to Roosevelt Elementary. They chose that school because of the financial need of the students who attend.

**F. Khmer Student Association**

Routhea Doung said KhSA had a joint meeting with LSU and next week they are having a Halloween potluck and are planning on combining it with SASA.

**G. Latino Student Union**

None

*H. El Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano/a de Aztlán*

Tania Quijada said MEChA is working on their Dia de los Muertos event for next Thursday. Doors open at 6:30pm and the event starts at 7:00. They are planning on having Aztec dancers perform.

*I. Mixed Identity Student Organization*

O'Connor said MISO is working on their heritage dinner and also trying to find a new advisor.

*J. Native American Student Union*

Gonzales said NASU was making roses to hand out at their dinner.

*K. Queer People Of Color*

Alejandro Llamas said the group is watching scary movies and playing board games and a member's apartment on Friday from 7-11. Check the QPOC Facebookpage for more information. He said they are also having a Halloween bake sale on Monday and Tuesday from 11-3. Llamas added that the group is trying to get a speaker to Bellingham on November 16<sup>th</sup> and will be bringing a funding proposal to the committee next week.

*L. South Asian Students Association*

Jaradi said SASA held a dance workshop and are having a joint meeting with KhSA next week.

*M. Vietnamese Student Association*

Tien Nguyen said VSA is having another Pho night and are starting dance workshops to prepare for their heritage dinner. VSA's heritage dinner will be March 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**XI. OTHER BUSINESS -**

- A.* Duot said Compass to Campus is coming to Western on the 25<sup>th</sup> and if anyone is interested to talk to him.
- B.* A Teach for America representative will be coming next week. Applications are available online.
- C.* There is a mayoral debate on campus at 5:00 tomorrow.
- D.* Duot recommended for any group to collaborate with the Women's Center if possible.
- E.* Vendióla requested that a link be sent out to members of where to find the documents online
- F.* He also recommended that all clubs requesting funds for winter heritage dinners to put in funding requests this quarter.

**THE OFFICIAL MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ACCLAMATION AT 6:01P.M.**