



Western Washington University Associated Students Ethnic Student Center Steering Committee Meeting

Tuesday, May 15, 2012

Voting Members Present:

BSU - Leroy Mwangi, FASA - Traci Watanabe, HOH - Sarah Kim, KhSA—Dale Lay,
MISO - Timothy O'Connor, QPOC - Alejandro Llamas, SASA - Meghna Jaradi, VSA -- Tien Nguyen

Late Voting Members:

Voting Members Absent:

ACC - Hintset Tekiu, CSA - Howard Kwon, LSU - Victor Celis, MEChA - Tania Quijada, NASU

Non-Voting Members:

Erin Curran-Tileston (Secretary)

Chair: Deng Duot

Advisor: Fabiola Mora

Co-Chair:

Guest(s): Hung Le, Student-At-Large; Nathan Panelo, ESC Coordinator

Motions

SC-12-S-09	Approve the ESC-Steering Committee meeting minutes from Tuesday, May 8, 2012, as written. - <i>Passed</i>
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Deng Duot, AS Vice President for Diversity, called the meeting to order at 4:09 P.M.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES -

MOTION ESC-12-S-09 by Leroy Mwangi

Approve the ESC-Steering Committee meeting minutes from Tuesday, May 8, 2012, as written.

Second: Traci Watanabe Vote: 8-0-0 Action: *Passed*

II. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA-

Meghna Jaradi asked if Russian Club would be heard this week. Duot said that they would wait to hear it until Nathan Panelo could help them with the decision. Mwangi asked if the committee would have to meet during dead week. Fabiola Mora said that the committee would probably not vote on the club until next year because there isn't enough to go through a voting process. Tien Nguyen said that she does not think it is fair to wait until next fall to vote on their status as an ESC club. She said that she would rather vote now or restart hearings in fall. Duot said that it is now part of Panelo's responsibility. Nguyen said that in that case it should be tabled until fall quarter. Watanabe agreed because the current Russian Club president is a senior and it would be good to see if other members are as dedicated to be part of the ESC. Mwangi agreed and said that it would allow the new Steering Committee make the decision and it would be a more fair process. Mora agreed that it would be a more fair process. She said that she talked to Dmitry Spiridonov and told him it would be a long process, and to make sure that there is enough time and input it should wait until next year. She added that the Japanese Student Association also wants to join the ESC and she said that it is important to make a structured process to let clubs in. Nguyen said that she agrees and thinks that the process should be outlined before the end of this year so they can prepare over the summer.

III. FINANCIAL REPORT

Fabiola Mora said that there is \$3,267.88 in the programming budget with \$500 left in the travel budget. Mora said that QPOC withdrew their proposal. Alejandro Llamas explained that Julio Salgado had a family emergency so he will not be able to attend the event. He said that the event will still be put on and will focus on the issues that queer undocumented youth and the barriers and obstacles they must face. He said it will be held tomorrow in AW 210. Mora said that there will be more money coming back to the committee and she suggested that the committee start thinking about how they would want to use the funds. Mwangi suggested making a proposal to

use the remaining funds to pay for any negative accounts before the end of the fiscal year. Mora said that that would be an option. Duot said that one idea that had been shared was to give some more money to HOH, but he had heard they had raised enough money. Kim said that they were able to raise enough money to buy the leis that they needed, so they don't necessarily need any more money. Duot added that if there is anything that the Steering Committee wants to do before the end of the year with the money multiple clubs could collaborate and propose an event. There were many ideas that were thrown around that were creative, but it was decided they were not possible. One of the more likely suggestions was to go kayaking and have a bar-b-que. Nguyen suggested doing an ESC-wide event. Jaradi said that that would be the reason behind collaborating on an event. Duot said that if anyone had any suggestions to talk to Mora and then be prepared to propose to the committee next week. Jaradi suggested having an ESC Prom.

IV. **PUBLIC FORUM** -

None

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

None

VI. **ACTION ITEMS**-

None

VII. **INFORMATION ITEMS** - Steering Representatives

Jaradi asked about Steering Attendance. She pointed out that some clubs have not been in attendance for a while and wondered what was being done about that. Duot said that they were working on remedying the situation and the absentee clubs would be emailed tomorrow about the situation. Duot said that they might say that the clubs who didn't come to Steering would not receive funding. Mwangi said he remembered that clubs received warnings before being cut off from funding. Duot said he was unable to send out warnings because they did not have an ESC Coordinator previously, but there is action being taken now because Nathan Panelo had been hired. Panelo clarified that he sends out those warning. Jaradi said she thought warnings should have been sent out earlier, ESC Coordinator or no. Duot said he did his part and had gone and talked with the clubs about the situation. Kim and Jaradi agreed that it was unfair for clubs that didn't show up to receive funding over clubs who have representatives at the meetings every week. Duot said that there is only so much that he can do. Mora said that one discussion that the committee wanted to talk about is how funding would work, and she suggested possibly working these issues into the new funding policies.

VIII. **DISCUSSION ITEMS** -

None

IX. **ROP REPORT**

None

X. **CLUB REPORTS** -

A. **ACC**

None

B. **BSU**

Mwangi said that they held their elections last week. They are working on their last event which is the annual BSU BBQ on June 2nd at Boulevard Park.

C. **CSA**

None

D. **FASA**

Traci Watanabe said that they are holding elections tomorrow.

E. **HOH**

Sarah Kim said that they are selling Acai Bowls in Vendor's Row for the next couple days. It is \$5 a bowl. She added that luau is this Saturday. Tickets are selling fast and are \$12 for students and \$15 for general admission. The doors open at 5:30pm and the event starts at 6:00pm.

F. KhSA

Dale Lay said that they are holding a bake sale in Vendor's Row. He said they are also having a BBQ at Boulevard Park this Sunday.

G. LSTI

None

H. MEChA

None

I. MISO

Timothy O'Connor said they had a photo scavenger hunt at their meeting.

J. NASH

None

K. OPOC

Alej andro Llamas said they are holding the undocuqueer event tomorrow even without their guest speaker. They are getting their sweatshirts soon and will be holding elections soon as well.

L. SASA

Jaradi said they are having their meeting tomorrow and will be having a board game night.

M. VSA

Nguyen said that VSA will be performing at the Women of Color Empowerment Dinner. They are also having an outdoor event tomorrow at their meeting.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS -

- A. Mora said that Building Unity will be on June 2nd, but the details are still being worked out.
- B. She also added that if students want to be sponsored to go to the Women of Color Empowerment Dinner they can talk to Joan in Student Outreach Services.
- C. Duot said that there were more jobs that had opened in the AS and if members are interested they should apply.
- D. He said that there was a great representation of minority students in the people who were hired by the AS this year.
- E. Mora said the ESC award ceremony will be May 30th.
- F. She added that the Academic Success Challenge will have a workshop in the ESC facilitated by Meghna Jaradi no May 25th at noon. The discussion will revolve around what kind of academic support people want to see in the ESC over the next year. They are also recognizing one person from each club instead of just one person in the ESC. This way more people can be recognized. The people who are recognized will be get bookstore gift certificates.

THE OFFICIAL MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ACCLAMATION AT 4:57 P.M.