

Western Washington University Associated Students
Activities Council Meeting

Monday, January 28, 2013

VU567

Present: Carly Roberts, Jarred Tyson, Kasey Koenig, Jake Jake Velasco, Morgan Heetbrink

Absent: Michael Swift, Savannah Roberts, Isabella Ramos Miller

Advisor/sf: Casey Hayden

Secretary: Mayra Guizar

Guest/sf: Rebecca Solem - Knitwits; Aaron Collins - WWU Theater Technicians; Tessa Asota - Darkside Printmakers; Michelle Dannehy - Students for Sustainable Water; Andrew Zinkle - To Write Love On Her Arms; Justus Robin Hall - Free Energy Club; Crista Dougherty - WWU Society for Photographic Education; Brenann Taylor - WWU Deomgraphy; Maria Lucas - Occam's Razor.

MOTIONS

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| AC-13-W-10 | Approve to recognize Knitwits as an official Arts, Music, and Dance AS club. --Passed |
| AC-13-W-11 | Approve to recognize WWU Theater Technicians as an official AS Arts, Music, and Dance an official AS club. --Passed |
| AC-13-W-12 | Suspend the mles of operation to turn Student for Sustainable Water's information item into an immediate action item.—Passed |
| AC-13-W-13 | Approve \$330 in the form of a grant for Students for Sustainable Water from grants, loans, and underwrites.— Passed |
| AC-13-W-14 | Suspend the mles of operation to turn To Write Love On Her Arms's information item into an immediate action item.—Passed |
| AC-13-W-15 | Approve \$125 in the form of a grant for To Write Love On Her Arms 5K ran in the form of a grant. — Passed |
| AC-13-W-16 | Approve the Free Energy Club name change to the Tesla Club and Purpose Statement Change. --Passed |

Carly Roberts, AS VP of Activities, called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

I. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

Add the Free Energy Club as item D on Club Recognition for a name change.

Friends of the Needle representative is absent, item has been tabled for next week.

Moving Management Information Systems Association (MISA) to Item A under Information Items.

II. BUSINESS DIRECTOR' S REPORT

Carly Roberts said that the current balance is \$28,860.05 in Grants, Loans, and Underwrites, \$6,600 in Club Conferences, \$1,800 in Academic Conference, and \$875 in Bookstore Donations.

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

A. Knitwits

Rebecca Solem said the club currently has 5 people, but there are at least 20 people who have been interested. The reason why they would want to be a club is so that people can join them every week since the current group knits in public and are frequently asked by outsiders if they can join in. She said they allow for yam spinning, needle point, and anything else. Jarred Tyson asked if they might have any events. She said they could teach classes so that they can have people come in who want to knit, but have no idea how to. Solem said they can teach the basics and go on to more

difficult knit work later depending on what people request.

MOTION AC-13-F-10 by: Jake Jake Velasco

Approve to recognize Knitwits as an official Arts, Music, and Dance AS club.

Second: Carly Roberts Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Action: **PASSED**

B. WWU Theater Technicians

Aaron Collins said they started from all being technical theater majors. He said there are a lot of them that want to interact outside of class to create workshops and to fundraise for students to attend conventions. He said it's great for finding work for the summer or permanent job positions. Tyson asked how they plan on fundraising. He said they're looking at doing bake sales on vender's row. He also said they can do bake sales during intermissions of shows that happen at Western. There's a Student Theater productions club already exist so they exchange ideas and help each other.

MOTION AC-13-W-11 by: Kasey Koenig

Approve to recognize WWU Theater Technicians as an official AS Arts, Music, and Dance an official AS club.

Second: Jake Jake Velasco Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Actions: **PASSED**

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Management Information Systems Association (MISAI)

Hannah Jones said they are requesting sponsorship for the second annual Western IS Connections. She said it is a good event with great speakers. Last year it was run on a budget of \$2,000 and had 100 professionals and students attend. They also had the senior vice president of information and technology from Nintendo join them. They had a limit because of the size of their budget the previous year. The goal this year is to increase awareness of the major and to get people excited enough get involved. They had 20% increase of people join their club the week after the event last year and they want to double that this next year. To do this, they are going to have a budget of \$4,000, so they are asking for \$2,000 from Activities Council. Clearwire got involved last year and helped. Morgan Heetbrink said that the amount on the request was \$1,218.60. Jones said that she wasn't aware of this. Koenig asked who will be speaking that she's excited about. She said that they're bringing in the same person from Nintendo this year, and that is who she's most excited about. Casey Hayden asked how many people they expect to attend. She said last year it was 100 people total not including the 8 officers, and this year they're expecting double.

B. Darkside Printmakers

Tessa Asato said they are asking for \$1,100 for the print conference which will be in Milwaukee. It's an academic event for printmakers to come together for about 3-5 days to share information, demos, and their work on every level of education and merit with one another. She said that thanks to the help of Activities Council last year, they doubled the amount going to this conference. The \$1,100 they are asking for will be for the hotel, which is half a mile away from the conference. What they're asking for per person 6 tickets. The tickets for the conference are about \$153 each. They've got the art department to fund \$80 each per person. The total trip for all 6, minus food, is \$4,324. She said that approximately \$455 will be out of pocket from each person. She said they're asking for this amount in the form of a grant, and explains that last year they were given \$200 per person. They had gotten this amount in individual checks, and she said it would be better to just put it all on one check, since she already paid for it on her card. Koenig said she

loved how organized they had all the budget information. Tyson said he agrees, that they appreciate when clubs come in organized with spreadsheets. He asked if they'll have a workshop to teach what they've learned. She said that they aren't planning on doing a specific workshop because it's expensive. She said she is a firm believer that art is a great part of the culture; and through their attendance, they'll be balancing it on campus. She said this has been a legacy that has been passed down to members for years. Velasco asked if they have any example of prints. She said that they're on their websites. Casey Hayden pulled up their website for the council to see. Carly Roberts asked how many years they have been going. She said that this is about some member's 2nd or 3rd year attending.

C. Students for Sustainable Water

Michelle Dannehy is requesting funding to show the documentary of "Tapped" on campus on February 13th. "Tapped" is a documentary about the water bottle industry. She said this will give students on campus awareness of the uses of plastic water bottles. They're asking for \$300 for public performance rights, and \$20 for publicity. Tyson asked how many people they expect. Dannehy said they're hoping about 100 people can attend. She said they will be inviting administration to see if they can come over and if professors can have attendance count as extra credit for students. Heetbrink asked if they'll show it more than once, since they'll have the public performance rights. She said that yes, if they get the rights to it, they can show it more than once a year. Carly Roberts said that this seems like a great investment because they can keep showing it as many times as they want. Dannehy said the event will be in Amtzen Hall at 6 pm. Carly Roberts asked if the rights need to be given before they begin advertising for it. Dannehy said yes, most likely.

MOTION AC-13-W-12 by: Jake Jake Velasco

Suspend the rules of operation to turn Student for Sustainable Water's information item into an immediate action item.

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0 Action: **PASSED**

MOTION AC-13-W-13 by: Kasey Koenig

Approve \$330 in the form of a grant for Students for Sustainable Water from grants, loans, and underwrites.

Second: Jarred Tyson Vote: 5 - 0 - 0 Action: **PASSED**

D. To Write Love On Her Arms (2 requests)

1. Walk of Hope: Feb 14th

Andrew Zinkle said this club is to reduce stigmas behind anxiety, self-harm, and suicide. It was formally changed from "Walk of Life" to "Walk of Hope". He said it will be a candle light walk devoted to those who have lost their lives to suicide. Last year, they had 200 people attend this event. They need \$263 for publicity and \$150 is to reserve and set up the Viking Union (VU) Multipurpose Room (MPR). Carly Roberts asked about the publicity. Zinkle said they designed the poster for the event, and that they were going to have table tents, but got denied. Casey Hayden said it's hard because table tents involve a lot of work. He said they would be down to a little over \$100 for everything else without them. Carly Roberts asked if they need the funds soon. He said no, they would probably need the funds before though, to give to the Publicity Center. Carly Roberts then asked if the art has been done. He said yes, they are done. Koenig asked if they will need the money before hand to give to the Publicity Center before printing out the poster. Casey Hayden said that it's not encouraged to start working on a job before getting their funds, because the Publicity Center assumes good faith that whoever needs prints, has the money. Carly Roberts asked the members to have the costs for the posters next week.

2. Love Moves: Feb 24th

Zinkle said that because they are part of a larger organization, they are required to do a fundraiser. They decided to do a 5K, in which the organization will get 75% of the earnings, and their club gets only 25%. He said they'll have speakers and social at the underground after the event. They will be reusing the posters from the year before to advertise for this event. They would just use the money for new prints. The registration fee is \$10 per person, and they're getting a lot of donations from the community of Bellingham. Carly Roberts asked how many people ran last year. Zinkle said 60 people ran the previous year. Carly Roberts asked if they'll be borrowing markers from the cross country team. Zinkle said yes. Carly Roberts asked the council if they would like to make a motion now since it's under \$200.

MOTIONAC-13-W-14 by: Kasey Koenig

Suspend the rules of operation to turn To Write Love on Her Arms's information item into an immediate action item.

Second: Jake Jake Velasco Vote: 5 - 0 - 0 Actions: **PASSED**

MOTIONAC-13-W-15 by: Carley Roberts

Approve \$125 in the form of a grant to the TWLOHA 5K run in the form of a grant.

Second: Jarred Tyson Vote: 5 - 0 - 0 Actions: **PASSED**

E. Free Energy Club name change/purpose statement change - Tesla club

Justus Robin Hall suggested more people would be interested with the name change. He said that people who are interested in Tesla would be attracted to the name, and they would enjoy this club once they found out what it was about.

MOTIONAC-13-W-16 by: Jake Jake Velasco

Approve the Free Energy Club name change to the Tesla Club and Purpose Statement Change.

Second: Morgan Heetbrink Vote: 5 - 0 - 0 Action: **PASSED**

F. WWU Society for Photographic Education

Crista Dougherty said that they have a budget that's different from what they sent in. She said this club is an extension of the national organization that hosts a regional conference and a national conference. They have 11 students that would like to go this year. Last year they successfully funded 12 students to go to San Francisco. She said it was a great opportunity for students who are serious about photography, and it's also great to check out prospects for grad school. The first few days are for keeping everyone up to date, and the other days are for lectures. She said that so far they had a donation of \$500 from the art department. She said they won the bake off at the club exchange, and they also did Santa photos this past December. They also had a donation from the B-Machine. She said they've been working on calendar for the last month and a half from the art department. They're also doing a silent auction for the prints from the calendar. Along with all of this fundraising, they will be taking photos for Sweater Days. Every Friday they have open photograph time to take pictures of people with their sweaters, and for this they are working with the office of sustainability. She said it's for a fashion sweater blog as well. On Friday's from 11-2 pm they will be having open studio time. The next three items are other fundraisers they'll be having in the next month. Tyson asked if they have an estimate to how many they will make in the future fundraisers. They said they'll make an estimate of about \$600. Heetbrink asked if they've advertised to the theater department because they always need head shot photos. Dougherty said she had not thought about that. Koenig asks how much they're asking for. She said they are asking for about \$200

per person, which will be for transportation to and from the conference in Chicago. Koenig said that's half of what remains in Club Conference account. Tyson asked if they can't fund everything, will that hinder the chances of them attending this conference. Dougherty said that it looks like people already have concerns with the cost, and they will most likely have less people attending because of this. She said that they normally like to get in contact with the companies they use equipment from for donations, and they have been generous for the most part.

G. WWU Deomgraphv

Brennan Taylor said that 3 of their member's project have been accepted to go to a conference and the sociology department is covering their airplane tickets. What they are asking for is money for the hotel. Koenig asked if it would jeopardize their chances of going if they couldn't fund it all. Taylor said not really, he said they were prepared if anything were to fall through. Tyson asked if they would share the experience with the department. Taylor said yes, every year they present at scholars week and for their club.

H. Occam's Razor

Maria Lucas is the business director for Occam's Razor, and said they're requesting \$2,000 in the form of a grant. She said this will be allocated to the printing of the scholarly journal they create and print at the end of the year. This year they're hoping to get a more sophisticated publication, and to add more color and to increase the amount of articles. Carly asked how many members are in club. Lucas said there is a lot. They have 4-5 editors, and roughly 10-12 members of the club. Carly Roberts asked how they choose the articles to print. Lucas said they reached out to different departments and have contacted professors to nominate student submissions. Then their club members read, edit, and make the submission readable. They also accept student submissions, although most of the content from the past are articles that have professor recommendation. Koenig asked how many articles they printed last year and how many they want this year. Lucas said last year they published three, and they haven't decided this year. She said they want to double amount. She said they want a higher quality to showcase to different departments. She added that they're doing bake sale in February and she has been thinking about contacting local businesses and bookstores to advertise it. Lucas added that as well as academic papers, they're trying to get it to be interdisciplinary and have art featured from different students from Western.

Y. ACTION ITEMS

None

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

None

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ACCLAMATION AT 7:15 P.M.