

ASWWU Board of Directors,

On behalf of the Associated Students of Western Washington University and the Students 4 Western Foundation we are submitting the following language for the student initiative process regarding a new board of director position:

**Title: Western for Environmental and Sustainable Trust (The WEST Initiative)**

**Option 1**

"Shall the Associated Students of Western Washington University add a Vice President for Environmental and Sustainable Development to the Board of Directors by amending the Associated Student bylaws: yes or no?"

"Please see attached document for exact wording"

This initiative will be filed under Section 2: Article 4: Subsection 1 of the AS Election Code. The following amendments will be made if the students vote 50% + 1 in the affirmative.

**Amends Article III Section 1:**

"The general management of the funds, affairs and property of the ASWWU shall be vested in a Board of Directors, who shall be elected and shall serve as provided in these Bylaws. The number of directors shall be eight (8), selected as set forth in Article V. of these Bylaws."

**Previous Language**

"The general management of the funds, affairs and property of the ASWWU shall be vested in a Board of Directors, who shall be elected and shall serve as provided in these Bylaws. The number of directors shall be seven (7), selected as set forth In Article V. of these Bylaws."

**Amends Article III Section 2:**

"The officers of the ASWWU shall consist of a President, Vice President for Business & Operations, Vice President for Environmental and Sustainable Development, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Vice President for Governmental Affairs, Vice President for Activities, Vice President for Diversity and a Vice President for Student Life, who shall be elected to these positions concurrently as Directors as provided in Article V., Section 4. of these Bylaws."

**Previous Language**

"The officers of the ASWWU shall consist of a President, Vice President for Business & Operations, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Vice President for Governmental Affairs, Vice President for Activities, Vice President for Diversity and a Vice President for

Student Life, who shall be elected to these positions concurrently as Directors as provided in Article V., Section 4. of these Bylaws."

**Amends Article V Section IV:**

"The eight (8) members of the Board of Directors of the ASWWU shall be elected to the following designated titles and shall concurrently serve in the following official capacities:

- **President of the Associated Students; Chair of the Board of Directors, non-voting except in case of a tie**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Business & Operations; Vice Chair of the Board of Directors**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Environmental and Sustainable Development**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Academic Affairs**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Governmental Affairs**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Activities**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Diversity**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Student Life"**

**Previous Language**

"The seven (7) members of the Board of Directors of the ASWWU shall be elected to the following designated titles and shall concurrently serve in the following official capacities:

- **President of the Associated Students; Chair of the Board of Directors**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Business & Operations; Vice Chair of the Board of Directors**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Academic Affairs**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Governmental Affairs**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Activities**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Diversity**
- **Vice President of the Associated Students for Student Life"**

## **Amends Article V Section VI**

**"Vacancies: In the event of a vacancy in the position of President, the Vice President for Business & Operations shall assume that position. In the event a vacancy exists in both the President and the Vice President for Business & Operations, the Vice President for Environmental and Sustainable Development shall assume the President's position. If a vacancy exists in the Vice President for Business & Operations, a special election shall be held to fill the vacancy. If a vacancy exists in the Vice President for Environmental and Sustainable Development, a special election shall be held to fill the vacancy. If other vacancies exist, the President shall hold a filing period of at least ten (10) days for potential applicants and, with advice of the Vice President for Business & Operations and the Personnel Director, present at least two (2) names to the Board for selection and ratification. Notice of such vacancies shall be advertised widely on campus and the President shall wait at least five (5) working days after such notice before making such appointments. The AS Board of Directors, at its discretion, may decide to hold a special election for a vacant Director Position by majority vote of the AS Board.**

## **Previous Language**

**Section 6. Vacancies: In the event of a vacancy in the position of President, the Vice President for Business & Operations shall assume that position. In the event a vacancy exists in both the President and the Vice President for Business & Operations, the Vice President for Diversity shall assume the President's position. If a vacancy exists in the Vice President for Business & Operations, a special election shall be held to fill the vacancy. If a vacancy exists in the Vice President for Diversity, a special election shall be held to fill the vacancy. If other vacancies exist, the President shall hold a filing period of at least ten (10) days for potential applicants and, with advice of the Vice President for Business & Operations and the Personnel Director, present at least two (2) names to the Board for selection and ratification. Notice of such vacancies shall be advertised widely on campus and the President shall wait at least five (5) working days after such notice before making such appointments. The AS Board of Directors, at its discretion, may decide to hold a special election for a vacant Director Position by majority vote of the AS Board.**

## **Option 2**

**"Shall the Associated Students of Western Washington University add a Vice President for Environmental and Sustainable Development to the Board of Directors by amending the Associated Student bylaws including; Article III Section 1, Article III Section 2, Article V Section IV, and Article V Section VI : yes or no?"**

**"Please see attached document for exact wording"**

**Wording of Previous Bylaws Amendment Referendum (April 15, 2009):**

**Shall the students of Western Washington University amend the ASWWU bylaws as recommended by the AS Board of Directors, to Include changes to standing committees, director vacancies, and terms of directors?**

**The official wording was attached**

**ASWWU Board of Directors,**

**On behalf of the Associated Students of Western Washington University and the Students 4 Western Foundation we are submitting the following language for the student initiative process regarding Student Senate Reform:**

**Title: Student Senate Reform**

**Language**

**"Shall the Associated Students of Western Washington University amend the ASWWU bylaws to expand student representation by reforming the Student Senate: yes or no?"**

**"Please see attached document for exact wording"**

**This initiative will be filed under Section 2: Article 4: Subsection 1 of the AS Election Code. The following amendments will be made if the students vote 50% + 1 in the affirmative.**

**Article III**

**Adds to Article III Section 1:**

**Section 1. Board of Directors: The general management of the funds, affairs and property of the ASWWU shall be vested in a Board of Directors except those vested in the ASWWU Student Senate as set forth in Article V. of these bylaws, who shall be elected and shall serve as provided in these Bylaws. The number of directors shall be seven (7), selected as set forth in Article V. of these Bylaws.**

**Student Senate: The legislative powers of the ASWWU will be vested in the Student Senate. Senators shall be elected and shall serve as provided in these Bylaws. The number of directors shall be fifteen (15), selected as set forth in Article V of these Bylaws,**

**Previous Language:**

**Section 1. Board of Directors: The general management of the funds, affairs and property of the ASWWU shall be vested in a Board of Directors, who shall be elected and shall serve as provided in these Bylaws. The number of directors shall be seven (7), selected as set forth in Article V. of these Bylaws.**

**Amends Article III Section 2 Title:**

**Board Officers**

**Previous Language:**

**Officers**

**Adds Under Article III Section 2:**

**Senate Officers:** The officers of the ASWWU Student Senate shall consist of the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Parliamentarian, and Sergeant-at-Arms who shall be appointed or elected to these positions as provided in the Student Senate Bylaws.

**Compensation:** The membership of the ASWWU Board of Directors and Student Senate shall be salaried or stipend for services rendered at no less than \$100 each Fall, Winter, and Spring academic quarters. The salary or stipend is forfeit upon a Board of Directors' or Student Senators' absence from at least one meeting scheduled no less than seven (7) days in advance. The previous provision does not apply to the President. Directors or Senators may petition the President for restoration of said salary or stipend, or they may seek advanced permission to miss a scheduled meeting.

**No Previous Language**

**Amends Article IV Section 6 Title:**

**Voting of the Board of Directors:**

**Previous Language**

**Voting**

**Article IV**

**Adds Under Article IV a new Section 7:**

**Section 7. Meetings of the Student Senate:** Meetings of the Student Senate shall be called by the Chairperson or President whenever in their judgment it may be deemed necessary or upon request of any five (5) members of the Student Senate. Twenty-four (24) hours notice of meetings of the Student Senate shall be sent to all Senators and shall be deemed sufficient notice of such meetings. In addition, the time and place of the Student Senate meetings shall be publicized in advance of the meeting.

**Adds Under Article IV a new Section 8:**

**Section 8. Quorum for Student Senate Meetings:** A majority of the currently seated Student Senators shall constitute a quorum.

**No Previous Language**

## Article V

**Strikes Under Article V Section 2 Subsection d:**

~~Student Senate: To serve as an advisory council to the ASWWU Board of Directors and to increase student input and involvement in the Board's decision-making process.~~

**Reorders Subsequent Subsections d, then e.**

**Amends Article V Subsection 6 Title:**

**Board Member Vacancies**

**Adds Under Article V a new Section 7:**

**Section 7. The fifteen (15) members of the ASWWU Student Senate shall be elected or appointed one (1) per one thousand (1000) students of the ASWWU as follows:**

- **Two(2) Senator to represent students in their First year as a ASWWU member**
- **One (1) Senator to represent each of the academic colleges and the graduate school**
- \* **One (1) Senator to represent the Residence Hall Association**
- \* **Balance to be Senators at-large**

**Student Senators at-large will be elected by the general membership of the ASWWU as set forth in Article VI of these bylaws. Student Senators representing academic colleges and the graduate school will be appointed or elected by a process established by their respective Dean. Student Senators representing students in their first year will be appointed or elected as determined by the Board of Directors. The Student Senator representing the Residence Hall Association will be appointed or elected by a process established by the Residence Hall Association Council.**

**Adds Under Article V a new Section 8:**

**Section 8. Senators: Shall be elected by the members of the ASWWU at-large or appointed as set forth in Article ( ). of these Bylaws . The term of office of each Senator shall be one (1) year, or until a qualified successor is elected or appointed. The terms of Senators holding positions shall be concurrent; each term commencing three weeks prior to the Saturday of Spring Commencement of the current year and end on the Friday three weeks prior to Spring Commencement of the following spring quarter.**

**Adds Under Article V a new Section 9:**

**Section 9. Student Senate Vacancies:** In the event of a vacancy in the Student Senate the President shall appoint a successor to the vacated position, subject to a 2/3 approval of the Senate. The AS Board of Directors, at its discretion, may decide to hold a special election for a vacant Senator Position by majority vote of the AS Board. Vacancies in Student Senate Officer Positions shall be addressed in the Student Senate Bylaws.

**Adds Under Article V a new Section 10:**

**Section 10. Specific Legislative Powers of the Student Senate and President:** The Student Senate Legislative Authority shall be vested as follows:

- **Legislative Authority to consider and adopt political statements on behalf of the ASWWU**
- **Legislative Authority to advise the Board of Directors**
- **Legislative Authority to jointly approve the end of year AS Budget in conjunction with the President**
- **Legislative Authority to approve the AS Election Code**
- **Legislative Authority to require the Board of Directors to reconsider any substantive motion by a unanimous vote of all legal votes cast**
- **Legislative Authority to override a Presidential Veto by a 2/3 vote of the membership**

The President must sign all statements or resolutions approved by the Student Senate within fifteen (15) days of approval. If the President fails to sign a statement or resolution approved by a majority vote of the Student Senate, the President will have automatically enacted veto powers. The President may at any time veto any action of the Student Senate Legislative Authority, excluding the right to overrule a Presidential veto. The Student Senate may not override a veto regarding the end of the year AS Budget. A Presidential Veto does not incur passage of the end of the year AS Budget. If by the Friday of finals week during the Spring Quarter the Student Senate has not approved the end of the year AS Budget then the Board of Directors may approve the end of the year AS Budget by a 2/3 vote.

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**The official wording was attached**

**The changes to the management of the ASWWU are in line with RCW 24.03.035**

**(12) To make and alter bylaws, not inconsistent with its articles of incorporation or with the laws of this state, for the administration and regulation of the affairs of the corporation.**

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ASWWU Board of Directors,

On behalf of the Associated Students of Western Washington University and the Students 4 Western Foundation we are submitting the following language for the student initiative process regarding the Initiative process:

Title: Student Voice

Language:

"Shall the Associated Students of Western Washington University amend the ASWWU bylaws to preserve and protect student voice by giving students the direct ability to create, change, or amend Associated Student policies through the initiative process: yes or no?"

"Please see attached document for exact wording"

This initiative will be filed under Section 2: Article 4: Subsection 1 of the AS Election Code. The following amendments will be made if the students vote 50% + 1 in the affirmative.

Ammends Article VI Section 4:

Section 4. Initiative: An initiative measure shall be referred to the membership of the ASWWU upon receipt of a petition containing the verified signatures of no less than five percent (5%) of the membership of the ASWWU. The provisions set forth in the ASWWU Election Code shall apply with reference to process and deadlines no enumerated below.

An initiative may

- Amend the AS bylaws, To Amend the AS bylaws an initiative must address the Article and Section in question by proposing new or amending current language. When new or amended language is introduced that effects multiple Articles in the AS bylaws the initiative may also address the additional Articles in question. Due to length
- Instruct the Board of Directors to oversee the implementation of an AS policy created, changed, amended, or terminated by an initiative. These initiatives are binding for a period of at least two (2) years. After two years the Board of Directors may with a 2/3 vote overturn the decision of the general membership.
- An initiative may instruct the Board of Directors to pursue or not pursue some action.
- Make a declarative statement on behalf of the AS.

Previous Language

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**ASWWU Board of Directors,**

**On behalf of the Associated Students of Western Washington University and the Students 4 Western Foundation we are submitting the following language for the student initiative process regarding the Initiative process:**

**Title: Student Clubs**

**Language**

**"Shall the Associated Students of Western Washington University amend the ASWWU bylaws to emphasize the importance of student ran clubs by requiring an opt in process for initial club funding not to be less than \$25-\$50 yes or no?"**

**"Please see attached document for exact wording"**

**This initiative will be filed under Section 2: Article 4: Subsection 1 of the AS Election Code. The following amendments will be made if the students vote 50% + 1 in the affirmative.**

**Adds Article VIII a new article and renumbers subsequent Articles**

**All student run clubs recognized by the ASWWU will be offered an opportunity to opt in to initial club funding by the third Tuesday of Fall quarter. The funding will not be less than \$50.**

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**ASWWU Board of Directors,**

**On behalf of the Associated Students of Western Washington University and the Students 4 Western Foundation we are submitting the following language for the student initiative process regarding a new board of director position:**

**Title: Western for Environmental and Sustainable Trust (The WEST Initiative) and Student Senate**

**Language**

**"Shall the Associated Students of Western Washington University amend the ASWWU bylaws to expand student representation by reforming the Student Senate and add a Vice President for Environmental and Sustainable Development to the Board of Directors: yes or no?"**

**"Please see attached document for exact wording"**

**This initiative will be filed under Section 2: Article 4: Subsection 1 of the AS Election Code. The following amendments will be made if the students vote 50% + 1 in the affirmative.**

**\*\*See changes on other submitted By law Changes**

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**ASWWU Board of Directors,**

**On behalf of the Associated Students of Western Washington University and the Students 4 Western Foundation we are submitting the following language for the student initiative process regarding a new board of director position:**

**Title: Western for Environmental and Sustainable Trust (The WEST Initiative), Student Senate, and Student Voice, and Clubs**

**Language**

**"Shall the Associated Students of Western Washington University amend the ASWWU bylaws to expand student representation and emphasize student ran clubs by include changes to the Student Senate, adding a Vice President for Environmental and Sustainable Development to the Board of Directors, update the initiative process, and require an opt in process for initial club funding not to be less than \$25-\$50: yes or no?"**

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**Title: Student Senate and Student Voice**

**Language**

**"Shall the Associated Students of Western Washington University amend the ASWWU bylaws to expand student representation by reforming the Student Senate and update the initiative process: yes or no?"**

**"Please see attached document for exact wording"**

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