



**Western Washington University Associated Students  
Ethnic Student Center Steering Committee Meeting**

Tuesday, April 16, 2013

Voting Members: ACC - Niya Bordley, BSU - Shayla Humphrey, FASA - Divina Ramolete, HOH - Kelly Hanabusa, JSA - Ena Mizuno, KhSA - Dale Lay, LSU - Eva Ochoa, MEChA - Hayley Penor, MISO - Mickey Corsano, QPOC - Talia Lowery, SASA - Shahron Chaudhry, TSA - Glao Weerakun;

Absent: CSA

Advisor: Nate Panelo

Chair: Deng De Duot

Finances:

Secretary: Mayra Guizar

Guests: Daniel Espinoza - Gonzalez

**Kelly Hasubana, Steering Committee Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.**

**I. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA -**

None

**II. FINANCIAL REPORT-Nate Panelo**

Nate Panelo said that hopefully by the end of next week he can have a financial report. He said he got the final numbers from the LSU dinner. They came back with a high amount. He said they are far from a negative balance on their account. He said he can give them an estimate later.

**III. PUBLIC FORUM -**

None

**IV. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**A. FASA Culture Night Funding Request**

Nate Panelo said that he would like it to be tabled and put on the agenda for next week. Deng Duot said that he apologizes because he added that to the agenda.

**V. ACTION ITEMS-**

None

**VI. CLUB UPDATES -**

**A. ACC**

Bordley are planning their dinner. If you want a table at the dinner please contact her soon.

**B. BSU**

Humphrey said they are having a hair show, pending to be on the 16<sup>th</sup>. They will be having officer elections May 23. May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10 am - 3 pm they are having a bake sale. Meetings will no longer be in 464, but in 460.

C. CSA  
ABSENT

D. FASA  
Ramolete said their conference is this weekend. Many FASA Clubs from all over will be coming to Bellingham to attend. Auditions for PCA are tonight. She said they will be at 7 pm in Artzen 100. The theme is "Under One Sun", to encompass unity.

E. HOH  
Hanabusa said tomorrow and Thursday they are having a Krispy Kreme sale. \$10 per box if you didn't preorder, and \$1 per donut. They will be at vender's tow from 10 am - 3 pm.

F. JSA  
Mizuno said their fundraiser went well.

G. KhSA  
Fay said their heritage dinner is this weekend at Sehome High School. Tickets are \$8 for students.

H. ESU  
Ochoa said their dinner was last weekend. Whoever donated, their pictures will be printed out. They should be available by Monday in the ESC. She said it went well.

I. MEChA  
Penor said they're still organizing their May Day/Cinco de Mayo awareness event. She heard the border project went well, because she wasn't here for that.

J. MISO  
They will have 2 new officers this quarter, because others traveled abroad. Mickey will be taking the spot.

K. NASU  
Espinoza said they decided that they won't be having their Pow Wow although Nicholas Courtney wrote a grant. He also spoke on the social movement, Idle No More. He also said that the Local Natives band is being brought to Western at the end of the quarter. He said it seems to be a trend with music culture. He feels that this is more than the tribal disco dance because this is who the AS is bringing in.

L. OPOC  
Lowery said they went to their conference last weekend. They met a lot of others at the conference, heard speakers, participated in workshops, and bonded.

M. SASA  
Chaudhry said that on Saturday are going to the University of Washington. It's like the SASA dinner, but without the dinner. It's like a cultural night.

N. TSA  
Weerakun said they're planning to have fundraiser.

O. VSA

No Updates

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS -**

- A. Deng Duot said if you want your item to be on the agenda, to send it in before Thursday at noon. He said that we should use inclusive language and to stray from using terms like “you guys” and use “you all” instead.
- B. Daniel Espinoza-Gonzalez said Culture Shock is coming up in May, and will be held in the Performing Arts Center (PAC) at 7 pm. The reason why it’s at the end of the quarter is so that all clubs had attention for their dinners. Open call is next week and there is a Facebook event page. He said this year there is more of a focus on culture. He said some people were just singing a song, but it didn’t relate to culture. Espinoza-Gonzalez said that the evaluations from last year said that some performances weren’t relevant. Duot asked if we could sing a song in own language for the event. Espinoza-Gonzalez said yes. He told the committee to tell their clubs, and that the ESC is very excited. Felipe Espinoza said that he felt that the year before was amazing. He heard there was a lack of focus in culture. He asked about the steps made, because he said culture is very complex. He said some performances could be seen as a mockery, and some people are sensitive. He said he knows one person who would be vocal on making sure there is no “wackness”. Espinoza-Gonzalez said Audition is next week Monday and Tuesday at 6 pm, and they will make sure there is no “wackiness”. You don’t have to do anything, but give a short description of what you will be doing. He said that would be they’re solution to that problem. He said he’ll be there for about an hour or two. Ramolete asked about the Local Natives. Espinoza said that they’re a group that is being brought by AS Productions. Ochoa said she thinks they’re genre is alternative rock. Espinoza said they fit in the hipster category. Duot said we can start a conversation to know what’s going on.
- C. Duot said scholarships are due soon.
- D. Espinoza said he knows some AS jobs aren’t closed.
- E. Duot said the MAP scholarship is out. He urged everyone to apply for that.
- F. Chaudhry will be facilitator next week.

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ACCLAMATION AT 5:43 P.M.**