



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

Tuesday, April 9, 2013

Voting Members: ACC - Niya Bordley, BSU - Shayla Humphrey, CSA - David Kirchmeier, FASA - Devina Ramolete, HOH - Kelly Hanabusa; JSA - Ena Mizuno, LSU - Eva Ochoa, MEChA - Hayley Penor; QPOC - Talia Towery; SASA - Shahron Chaudhry, TSA - Glao Weerakun; VSA - Hung Te;

Absent: MISO, NASU

Advisor: Nate Panelo

Chair: Deng De Duot

Secretary: Mayra Guizar

Guests: Daniel Espinoza-Gonzalez

Motions

SC-13-S-03	Approve \$1,800 in the form of an underwrite for the ACC Heritage Dinner. -Passed
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Kelly Hanabusa, Steering Committee Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

I. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA-

None

II. FINANCIAL REPORT –

None

III. PUBLIC FORUM -

Daniel Espinoza-Gonzalez said some pretty big topics were brought up during the past Building Unity. He said he is feeling really emotional and wants to know how everyone else is doing. David Kirchmeier asked to be filled in. Deng Duot said that if this could be brought up again later in the meeting during Other Business. Espinoza-Gonzalez said yes.

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS - Steering Representatives

None

V. ACTION ITEMS-

A. ACC Heritage Dinner Funding Request

Duot asked if there were any changes to their request. Niya Bordley said it's all the same. She said it's very traditional. Shayla Humphrey asked about the price. Bordley said it's expensive, but because they are using beef. They wanted to incorporate Caribbean food. They have both Ethiopian and Caribbean dishes. She listed the menu to the committee. Humphrey asked if the co-sponsors are pending. Bordley said RHA is the only request still pending. Duot brought up equitable and equal distribution. Bordley said that \$1,800 is the updated amount that they are requesting, and that they brought in separate sheet last week for those who don't have the updated version.

MOTIONSC-13-S-03 by: Hayley Penor

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Second: Hung Le Vote: **8 - 0 - 3**

Action: **Passed**

VI. CLUB UPDATES -

A. ACC

They are planning their dinner. Tickets are now on sale.

B. BSU

No club updates

C. CSA

No Club Updates

D. FASA

Their conference is April 19-21st. The registration is now closed, but everyone can help them fundraise. April 12th is the conference, but the location is to be declared. It's \$5 to enter a video game fundraiser, and there's going to be a tournament. Food and drink will be provided. The grand prize is an iPod Shuffle (2gb). Also, in April 14th, they have a Little Tokyo restaurant fundraiser from 6-9 pm. 20% of revenue will come back to FASA.

E. HOH

They will be having Krispy Kreme fundraiser next week on Wednesday and Thursday from 10 am - 3 pm. Preorders will be \$10 for a dozen and the day of the sale, boxes will be \$12.

F. JSA

They made decorations for their big event on Thursday, the Japan Earthquake Relief. It will be held at 6:30 pm in the Multipurpose Room (MPR). They're having a bake sale at the event, too.

G. KhSA

They're getting things done for their dinner in April 20th. Tickets are currently on sale. They are also asking for donations for an ESC basket from clubs.

H. LSU

Their dinner is this Saturday from 6-9 pm. Everyone is welcomed to come. Tickets are \$10, general is \$15. They also have an SOS conference coming up. There's limited space, but come to Ochoa for more information. Their Carne Asada cookout will be held on Thursday. They switched the date so they can attend JSA's event. Rice, beans, carne asada, and homemade tortillas will be provided. It will be from 6-7 pm in VU 464. Panelo asked what will happen if it rains. Ochoa said it'll be inside.

I. MEChA

Their border fence project will be held on Friday. Theater will do a reenactment border patrol, and it will be in Red Square. May 1st will be protest for Cinco De Mayo and parties. They want the ESC members to be a part of this, too. Finally, their Low Rider Show is May 19th. They are looking for ESC clubs to have booths at this event. If they want to do bake sale or fundraiser, they can take this opportunity to do so.

J. MISO

ABSENT

K. NASU
ABSENT

L. OPOC
Their club meetings will be on Wednesday's at 6 pm in Miller 103. They're getting ready for their Portland conference this week.

M. SASA
They had their heritage dinner this past weekend, it went well.

N. TSA
Their first meeting will take place today after Steering.

O. VSA
Their first meeting will be at 6 pm in the ESC on Wednesday.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS -

A. Daniel Espinoza-Gonzalez said here's been a lot of protest against Tribal Disco II. They had a lot of conversations on Sunday at Building Unity. Many different emotions, perspectives, and stances were expressed. He wants to know how everyone feels and if anyone needs anything from the ESC staff, Deng, or himself, they are there for that. He heard that there are a lot of issues within the community and how they see the ESC. He doesn't want anyone to feel unsafe or threatened, and wants to make sure everyone is okay. Duot said he is an ESC member, and if anything happens, he will join and be a part of the group. With this issue, he said it's difficult for everyone. He said thanks to everyone who protested. He said he can take it as a challenge, and asked if he is being clear. He said it's not a big thing to be talked about. He said he can forget what is going on and stand in solidarity with them. Espinoza-Gonzalez said nobody has to talk about it, he just wants to make sure everyone's okay. Penor said that she feels like there is a back lash now because of it. She saw on a post on Viking Village about it, and people were asking why ESC members weren't chiming in. She said she feels like there are people who are constantly voicing their opinions. Espinoza-Gonzalez said it's a hard issue. He wants everyone to let their clubs know that the ESC is here for them. Panelo agreed with Espinoza-Gonzalez about being concerned with students and their well-being. He wants to make sure students feel supported by the ESC, and mentioned that the ESC is a support staff. Everybody is at a different spectrum, and he said they are there to support that, too. He doesn't agree with the Western Front, but there were a few things that they did cover well. He finished by saying that they should be there to support each other. Duot apologized for raising his voice if it did.

B. Hayley Penor said that they should have food at one of their meetings. Panelo agreed.

C. Michael Swift introduced Taylor Franks as the new Assistant Business Director.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ACCLAMATION AT 5:39 P.M.