

Western Washington University Associated Students Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, June 11, 2013

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AS Board Officers: *Present:* Ethan Glemaker (President), Victor Celis (VP Academics), Carly C Roberts (VP Activities), Hung Le (VP Bus Ops), Deng de Duot (VP Diversity), Patrick Stickney (VP Governmental Affairs) and Katie Savinski (VP Student Life)

Student Senate Representative: Christian Correa, AS Student Senate Chair

Advisor(s): Kevin Majkut, Director of Student Activities

Guest(s): AS Student Senate: Matthew Hilliard, Glen Tokola; Ethnic Student Center: Nate Panelo, Polly Woodbury; AS Personnel: Nidia Hernandez, Sara Richards; Kaylee Galloway

MOTIONS

- ASB-13-S-50** Approve the minutes of June 6, 2013. *Passed*
- ASB-13-S-51** Approve the minutes of May 29, 2013 adding to the end of Consent Item B “The Board Expresses gratitude and appreciation for Jesse Atkins for his hard work in developing the Veteran’s Mentor program.” *Passed*
- ASB-13-S-52** Allow the Board to hear the appeal as a whole. *Failed*
- ASB-13-S-53** Proceed with the waiver hearing in accordance with section 8.04, allowing the two members of Personnel Committee to still offer commentary. *Passed*
- ASB-13-S-54** Uphold the decision the Personnel Committee made in their meeting on Thursday, June 6, 2013. [motion: PC-13-S-25], *Failed*
- ASB-13-S-55** Grant a waiver to the 2013-2014 AS ESC Program Coordinator and defer to the Personnel Committee to decide how to meet the needs of the organization in their absence with the recommendation that a comprehensive policy for waivers is developed and included in the AS Employment Policy and that this instance not serve as precedent in the future. *Passed*
- ASB-13-S-56** Purchase 3 tablets for AS Assessment, not to exceed \$1600, from the AS Discretionary Reserve Dollars. *Passed*
- ASB-13-S-57** Approve the 2013-2014 AS Budget. *Passed*
- ASB-13-S-58** Approve Consent Item A- Committee Appointments for 13-14. *Passed*
- ASB-13-S-59** Support the Health Services Fee with no increase, with the option that if there are across-the-board salary increases at Western, the AS Board will support a fee increase of up to \$2 per quarter to accommodate these costs. [This motion supersedes ASB-13-S-46.] Pøssei/

Ethan Glemaker, AS President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION ASB-13-S-50 by Stickney

Approve the minutes of June 6, 2013.

Second: Celis Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: Passed

MOTION ASB-13-S-51 by Celis

Approve the minutes of May 29, 2013 adding to Consent Item B “The Board Expresses gratitude and appreciation for Jesse Atkins for his hard work in developing the Veteran’s Mentor program.”

Second: Stickney Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: Passed

II. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

Celis asked to remove the students for Graduate Council because he needs to work with the graduate school to make sure the timeline will work. Second Roberts Vote: 7-0-0 Action: Passed. Roberts requested removing the name under Activities Council because she was not able to go over this application with Jarred Tyson. Second: Savinski Vote: 7-0-0 Action: Passed. Glemaker

proposed adding Consent Item B. to revise the motion regarding the Health Services Fee because there was a miscommunication with Kunle Ojikutu about the fee. The State cannot mandate salary increases. Second: Celis Vote: 7-0-0 Action: Passed

III. PUBLIC FORUM (*comments from students and the community*)

Matthew Hilliard, acting AS Senate Chair and Glen Tokola presented a thank you letter on behalf of the Senate:

On behalf of the students of Western Washington University, we, the Student Senate of the Associated Students of WWU would like to thank you for all that you have done for the university over this last year. So much has been accomplished for the students of Western that it is impossible to describe all of the benefits each of you have brought about in just one page.

From seeing through the implementation of the AS Water Bottle Initiative and newly passed Divestment and Real Food Challenge initiatives, to lobbying with students in Olympia to support higher education and the DREAM Act, Providing underrepresented students with greater employment opportunities, and aiding clubs in their efforts to create community and shared meaning. Working with faculty to enhance academic programs, and ensuring that the AS provides students with the highest-quality events by being responsible stewards with AS funds. Those are just a few of your accomplishments.

Throughout this last year, the AS Senate has tried to follow in the footsteps of the Board; sometimes with success, and sometimes not. The working relationship between the AS Senate and the AS Board of Directors is one of the utmost importance, and much can be achieved by integrative the insight and experience of members from both bodies. Despite our ups and downs, we have learned much from our actions, and look forward to working with the returning Board members to ensure that the next AS Senate is of the highest caliber. To those Board members who are graduating, we congratulate you on your achievements both as a member of the Board and as a student and wish you luck in your future journeys.

Glen Tokola got involved with the AS in winter quarter and really wanted to thank the Board and the AS offices for their work this year, it has been fantastic.

Glemaker thanked Tokola and Hilliard for being active in the Senate and attending Board Meetings. Two dittos.

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS - Guests*

V. ACTION ITEMS - Guests*

VI. PERSONNEL ITEMS (*subject to immediate action*)

A. Personnel Committee Decision Review Executive Session (45 minutes) Le

Richards reported that the Personnel Committee felt that Le and Savinski should not vote on this issue in accordance with the AS Student Employment Policy section 8.04. which states that the two Board members serving on the Personnel Committee have already voted.

Glemaker said that this section is in regards to discipline so he wanted to bring it to the Board members since this is a waiver request. Every time a board Member's right to vote is suspended, it should be taken very seriously.

Duot said they should not vote. Roberts feels that this isn't a termination and in this situation she feels they need to have the full vote of the Board. She doesn't feel that this is a double-jeopardy situation. Stickney feels it would be repeating a decision made by Personnel Committee in those votes. He feels the reasoning for that policy is the same. Glemaker said there needs to be 4 votes for a motion to pass. Majkut said if 2 or more are missing then a simple majority. Duot said that they are part of the team and should be allowed to comment. Richards questions who is speaking for Personnel Committee because if Le and Savinski are here to speak for Personnel Committee, then she doesn't need to be here. Glemaker said if the two Board members are able to vote they should speak on behalf of themselves and not

Personnel Committee. Majkut suggested the motion language be to affirm that the 5 members will vote in accordance for 8.04; instead of removing the votes of two people. Majkut said they could make it that the two members could remain in Executive Session, but not comment. Duot said that they are not following the process laid out in the policy and last year they were not allowed to speak. Le said it would be best not to compare this to last year because this is not a disciplinary action (as it was last year). Glemaker said that there is no process for this kind of situation. This is a hearing to listen to a waiver and that is not included in the policy. Stickney said that the spirit is the same and the two members shouldn't vote again because it is still a Personnel Issue that is affecting student lives. Glemaker said that he agrees that the Board Members have passed their vote at Personnel Committee, but encourages their input during the conversation.

MOTION ASB-13-S-52 by Roberts

Allow the Board to hear the appeal as a whole.

Second: Celis Vote: 1 - 4 - 2 Action: Failed

MOTION ASB-13-S-53 by Stickney

Proceed with the waiver hearing in accordance with section 8.04, allowing the two members of Personnel Committee to still offer commentary.

Second: Celis Vote: 4 - 0 - 3 Action: Passed

The Board moved into Executive Session to review a Personnel Committee decision at 6:35p.m.

The Board moved back into open session at 7:48p.m.

MOTION ASB-13-S-54 by Roberts

Uphold the decision the Personnel Committee made in their meeting on Thursday, June 6, 2013. [motion: PC-13-S-25],

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Grant a waiver to the 2013-2014 AS ESC Program Coordinator and defer to the Personnel Committee to decide how to meet the needs of the organization in their absence with the recommendation that a comprehensive policy for waivers is developed and included in the AS Employment Policy and that this instance not serve as precedent in the future.

Second: Celis Vote: 4 - 0 - 1 Action: Passed

The Board took a break and reconvened at 7:57p.m.

VII. ACTION ITEMS - Board*

A. AS Assessment Tablets (10 minutes) Le Doc.1

Le said that there were no updates to this document today. The AS Reserves carry forward each year so the details are not needed. Glemaker clarified that his comments last week referred to this being an opportunity for the ASVP for Academic Affairs and AS President to use these tablets at their university level committees, not during Board Meetings.

MOTION ASB-13-S-56 by Stickney

Purchase 3 tablets for AS Assessment, not to exceed \$1600, from the AS Discretionary Reserve Dollars.

Second: Roberts Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: Passed

B. AS Budget (20 minutes) Le Doc.2

The only changes are noted. In the grant section there is a little more detail in the grant area. The quick look document is cleaned up and aligned correctly. Glemaker thinks that the process for budgeting this year has been excellent, if not exceptional. He really wanted to commend Le, Budget Committee and Druksel Dorji for all of their work. It was very clear and accessible, the

process that it went through was very robust and he is pleased in the budget that they will be sending forward. He is also excited for the \$500 increase to cover advertising for Tech Tonic. Duot said that Dorji did a very good job.

MOTION ASB-13-S-57 by Stickney

Approve the 2013-2014 AS Budget.

Second: Savinski Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: Passed

VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS - Board*

IX. CONSENT ITEMS (subject to immediate action)

A. Committee Appointments

Parking Appeals Board

Michael Tantz Political Science and History Senior (Judicial Appeals)

Recruitment, Admissions and Support Committee

Kevin Yen Sociology/English Junior

University Judicial Appeals Board

Theo Bickel Political Science Senior (SPAC)

Glemaker said that he is pleased with the spring committee appointment process. He looks forward to seeing how this works out for the committees and the assistants next year.

MOTION ASB-13-S-58 by Savinski

Approve Consent Item A- Committee Appointments for 13-14.

Second: Celis Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: Passed

B. Health Services Fee

This language revises the motion from last week to be more in line with the original intent of the university as the salaries may be university-wide, but would not be state mandated.

MOTION ASB-13-S-59 by Celis

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Second: Savinski Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: Passed

X. BOARD REPORTS

President

Ethan Glemaker reported that he is eager to see where the President's Task Force on Equity, Inclusion and Diversity goes after this. There is a retreat planned for this summer for committee members to get to know each other better. Diversity work can often be traumatic but also very useful to the university. The Strategic Plan subcommittee is far along and he will continue to work on this until the end of his tenure as a student at Western.

VP for Academic Affairs

Victor Celis thanked the Board Members who attended the Faculty Senate meeting Monday. He Congratulated Occam's Razor for a really great publication. Celis thanked everyone for a good year; he has appreciated his time on the Board with everyone and said it is one for the books.

VP for Activities

Carly C Roberts thanked the Board for this year.

VP for Business & Operations

Hung Fe reported that he is satisfied that the AS Budget was passed. He has been working on Summer AS Training with the Personnel Director.

VP for Diversity

Deng de Duot reported that his internship with Guizar is going well. He has been meeting with staff that works with him. Today is his last meeting in the AS Board after two years; he thanked all the people who have worked with him. All the decisions he has made he is responsible for good or bad. They built a good relationship this year. If any of their decisions are in question, they should be answerable to this. Thanks to the Student Senate for the letter, many dittoes. He thanked the Senate for their work. He is looking forward to graduation on Saturday.

VP for Governmental Affairs

Patrick Stickney reported that the WA State Legislature will be going into special session. There is talk of a government shutdown. If that happens no financial aid will be allocated for students and they will have no idea what tuition will look like for next year.

VP for Student Life

Katie Savinski reported that AS Transportation Advisory Committee edited their priority list and will be making track changes to pass it along to her successor. The Men's Resiliency group will be changing next year as Glemaker and a counselor are leaving. The Water Bottle Tetter came in from Teonard Jones, Director of University Residences and she is excited to see where it goes. This letter starts the elimination of water bottles in markets but not vending machines. Western is still one of the largest universities to be this far and everyone deserves kudos.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Monger announced that the Board passed 177 motions this year.
- B. Glemaker thanked the Board for a phenomenal year and he is looking forward to their last 3 days as the 2012-2013 AS Board. At 12 a.m. on Saturday they will be transitioning out of their positions. His position has a particularly wonderful person coming in. He did the traditional passing of the gavel and Carly Roberts adjourned the meeting.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ACCLAMATION AT 8:12 P.M.

Approved by the chair on Thursday, June 13, 2013.