

**Western Washington University Associated Students
Board of Directors Meeting**

Friday, November 22, 2013

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AS Board Officers: *Present:* Carly Roberts (President), Josie Ellison (VP Academics), Jarred Tyson (VP Activities), Hung Le (VP Bus Ops), Mayra Guizar (VP Diversity), Kaylee Galloway (VP Governmental Affairs) and Robby Eckroth (VP Student Life)

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

Guest(s): Graham Marmion, AS Representation & Engagement Programs Associate Director

MOTIONS

ASB-13-F-37 Approve the minutes of November 15, 2013. *Passed*

ASB-13-F-38 Approve Consent Item A. Committee Appointments. *Passed*

Carly Roberts, AS President, called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION ASB-13-F-37 by Galloway

Approve the minutes of November 15, 2013.

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

II. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

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

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS - Guests*

A. Elect Her Gender Targeted Event Request *(10 minutes)* Galloway Doc. 1

Graham Marmion, AS Representation & Engagement Programs Associate Director, said that this is the fourth year of Elect Her. The past few years they have had good turnout with a high number of attendees running for office. The last two years 6 people have run and 2-3 have succeeded in being elected to the AS Board. It is not very costly for the event because it is mostly funded by the AAUW (American Association for University Women). Kaylee Galloway, AS VP for Governmental Affairs added other marginalized identities because although the event is mostly catered towards female identified students, there are themes that reach out into many other marginalized groups. Anyone is able to attend, but the language is targeted towards women. Carly Roberts, AS President wanted to speak out for this because she thinks it is a good event to happen on campus and is a large part of why she is on the Board. 5 dittoed. Jarred Tyson, AS VP for Activities wondered how they were reaching out to other marginalized groups because the title Elect Her can seem limiting. Roberts feels the event is overall empowering of people in general who are marginalized. Mayra Guizar, AS VP for Diversity also said that there are people who don't identify as "Her" and may identify as they or ze, making it clear that other groups are included is important. Kevin Majkut, Director of Student Activities, asked if there is anything on the advertising that makes it clear that anyone can attend. Marmion said that he could add something to the advertising.

V. ACTION ITEMS - Guests*

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

VII. ACTION ITEMS - Board*

VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS - Board*

A. AS Legislative Agenda Preview (20 minutes) Galloway Doc.2

Kaylee Galloway, AS VP for Governmental Affairs, said the AS Legislative Agenda needs to be passed this quarter. She wanted to bring a preview of the process and some of the items that may be included in the document. Legislative Affairs Council will be voting on the items submitted for the Agenda on Monday evening. The AS Board will be having a work session Monday morning at 8 am to discuss this. Galloway said that the Legislative Priorities are what will be given to the legislators. The other two sections of the Agenda will be more internal documents for students to use to help educate on the issues. Carly Roberts, AS President thinks that the endorsement section will be helpful. Galloway said that there was a typo and the “AS Local Liaison” should read the “AS Local Legislative Agenda”. Galloway said they have never done a local agenda, but she feels that this will give the AS Local Liaison some focus and a document to back up opinions. She said that there are a lot of local issues that students don’t have direct input on, but this will allow them to provide a student perspective. Roberts said this is not going to become an Action Item, it is just to help inform the Board of the process. The actual Agenda will come as Info/Action.

IX. CONSENT ITEMS *(subject to immediate action)*

A. Committee Appointments

<u>Counseling, Health, and Wellness</u>		
Taylor Glennon	History	Freshman
<u>Student Academic Grievance Board</u>		
Lauren Hatch	English	Graduate
<u>Academic Honesty Board</u>		
Lauren Hatch	English	Graduate

MOTION ASB-13-F-38 by Ellison

Approve Consent Item A. Committee Appointments.

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

X. BOARD REPORTS

President

Carly Roberts gave Kudos to Galloway for planning and keeping cool in the panic about weather for the trip to the Washington Student Association (WSA) General Assembly in Ellensburg. Kudos for braving driving the pass go to Josie Ellison and Matt Bobbink, who volunteered to drive his own vehicle, they would have been unable to make it without their help. At WSA eight issues were proposed and six of them were authored or collaborated on by Western students. All three issues chosen as campaign issues were created through heavy Western involvement. She is very proud of Western and their involvement in WSA. 5 dittoes. Yesterday she spoke at the Bellingham Business Forum. There are many people who support Western students. Kudos to the good people at the Western Foundation for engaging with the community and all the work they do to get support for Western. Yesterday evening she spoke at the Walk of Hope. Kudos to Miranda Smedly, Savannah Roberts, and the rest of the officers of To Write Love on Her Arms club. They worked hard to put it together and it was a good event. She is proud of the Western Community. There was a Campus Community Coalition meeting with the student body presidents of Whatcom Community College and Bellingham Technical College. She looks forward to working more closely with these colleges. 2 dittoed. She is looking forward to bringing more VPs into that conversation. Kudos to Eckroth and Galloway for pushing the rental advocacy issue.

VP for Academic Affairs

Josie Ellison reported that Faculty Senate had been further discussing their oversight and collaboration with the Student Success Collaborative and that Academic Coordinating

Commission had a meeting on the developing Academic Honesty Policy. Ellison talked about the Washington Student Association Proposal she had been collaborating on to support students at critical transitions, she mentioned that the Washington Student Association was supporting it this year. They mentioned that there would be documents surrounding the Inclusivity Question coming to the board early next quarter.

VP for Activities

Jarred Tyson reported that AS Productions had the closing reception for the VU Gallery Art Show Tens for photography of students since the 60s. Tomorrow is a large concert with Helio Sequence and Kudos to Caitlyn Gliński for putting this on. AS Club Connect is tonight in the MAC Gym and they will be talking about collaboration, retention, recruitment, and other essential things to clubs. KVIK aired the first episode of VTV to inform students of what is happening around campus. They are trying to figure out a way to make this more available to students. There has been talk of having a Board update section of the show. Activities Council (AC) on Monday had a training on how to use the tablets efficiently. AC recognized three new clubs and are looking at a new student publication through the Science Communication Club called the Science Review. The Athletic Director Search committee is moving along. They are going over the criteria for the potential candidates. They will be meeting with Alden and Associates which is an inter-collegiate athletic search firm, which the university is utilizing. Student's Publications Council met for the first time and hired Mindon Win as editor and chief of the Klipsun and Alethea Macomber as the new editor and chief for Western Front for winter quarter. The OrgSync implementation team met and the VU tech team has been working help programs communicate with each other. This will help consolidate the calendars.

VP for Business & Operations

Hung Te reported that Guizar and Te have been working on the demographics menu. He has been working with the Assessment Office who would like the Board to be more involved with the offices they manage who are going through the process this year. They are looking for an AS Student Employee to serve the Structure and Programs Advisory Committee (SPAC) committee. They are working with the Personnel Office on the Salary Determination Policy. They are discussing student employees of the quarter for both salaried and hourly positions. Divestment met with Commonfund, the manager of Western's investment funds. He feels this was a very important meeting for the Divestment group.

VP for Diversity

Mayra Guizar reported that Filipino-American Student Associate (FASA) had a candlelight vigil for the Typhoon victims and there was a good turnout. They wrote letters and poems to send. Some attendees had family directly affected by the event. The Queer Resource Center has planned the Homocoming Dance during dead week. The Tegal Information Center had their event this past week, Bellingham Has Rental Issues. The ROP Director is working on a very thorough legacy document about training for employees. On Monday, Guizar had a meeting about a mental illness initiative to provide more resources and support. She met with a history professor who asked for more advertising for a speaker from Senegal who is a hiphop artist and social/political activist who will be performing on December 4th at the event, Hip Hop and Democracy (VU 565). Guizar will be doing a closed caucus the night before Toby Day for people of color. This will provide a safe space to help them frame and articulate their experiences for the legislatures. She met with Paul Dunn about President's Task Force on Equity, Inclusion, and Diversity. They talked more about her role as a student and the history of the committee. Six students from Washington State attended the Oregon Students of Color Conference. She attended workshops including, interrupting oppressive moments, amnesty now, Fatino Fatina closed caucus space, struggles of women of color, becoming leaders on campus and committees, exploring shadism, and backwards planning. She is working on

compiling a document of their workshops and notes. She is also working on a thank you card for the Oregon Students of Color Conference planning committee.

VP for Governmental Affairs

Kaylee Galloway reported that a WSA meeting occurred this past weekend. Kudos to Lily for typing for nine hours, producing a 21 page document. Kudos to Glen Tokola and the 12 other students for attending the meeting. They were still the largest delegation despite some weather issues. Their first focus was to give feedback at Washington Student Achievement Council. They passed the 2014-15 Annual Budget and they are looking at no due increases for membership in the next budget year. There is recognition that they will eventually need to increase dues to be sustainable. The Legislative Agenda proposals were passed. The three priorities were the Voter Access Bill, the DREAM Act and in-state tuition for student veterans. Other issues that were passed were new and dedicated revenue, the Academic Support Act; Critical Transitions, the Pay It Forward pilot program, differential tuition, and public transportation as it relates to King County Metro. Viking Lobby Day registrations are open until December 3rd. They are hoping to have 100 students in attendance and asked for help in advertising. Kudos to Amy Kleitsch who has been an amazing support during this in searching for a new hotel for the AS to stay at, with that they are well on their way to the Lobby Day.

VP for Student Life

Robby Eckroth reported that the Residential Advisory Committee met and the Residence Hall Representatives gave recommendations about how the residence and dining halls can be improved. Lighting on campus pathways was seen as a huge issue and slow internet connection in dorm rooms is another issue. The Committee for the Prohibition of Campus Bottled Water met and planned steps to take to implement the policy. The Green Energy Fee met and approved their first small project application. They will accept another round of large scale grant applications during winter quarter due to the low participation. Project Mug, which was a small grant application, will not be continuing because University Dining will not accept it as a permanent program.

XIII. OTHER BUSINESS

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ACCLAMATION AT 4:03 P.M.