

**Western Washington University Associated Students  
Legislative Affairs Council  
Tuesday, January 21, 2014                      VU 567**

**Present:** Kaylee Galloway (ASVP for Governmental Affairs), Heather Heffelmire, Oscar Aguirre, Danny Edgel, Theo Bickel, Patrick Eckroth

**Absent:** Blake Bishop, Nie Doherty, Matthew Bobbink (AS Legislative Liaison), Joseph Levy (AS Local Liaison)

**Advisor:** Kevin Majkut

**Secretary:** Amy Kleitsch

**Guest:** Nina Olivier

**MOTIONS**

**LAC-14-W-03**            Approve the Funding Request for Environmental Lobby Day. *Passed.*

**LAC-14-W-04**            Approve the Funding Request for LegCon 2014. *Passed.*

**Kaylee Galloway, Chair of Legislative Affairs Council, called the meeting to order at 5:13pm**

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Additions and Changes to the Agenda**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

**IV. Public Forum**

**V. Reports**

**A. VP for Governmental Affairs**

Galloway attended Viking Lobby Day on the weekend. She encourages everyone who attended to write up a brief report and reflection for next week's LAC Meeting.

**B. Legislative Liaison**

**C. Local Liaison**

**D. Western Votes!**

Heffelmire said Western Votes! is tabling for WSA's Dream Day. She explained that Dream Day is a day of action where WS A urges the Washington Senate to bring the Dream Act to a vote. She had students send emails to their Senators and students could partake in their social media campaign where students could right their dream on a piece of papers. Patrick Eckroth thought the tabling was successful and there were about 40 emails sent out.

**VI. Presentations**

**VII. Information Items**

## **VIII. Action Items**

### **A. Funding Request for Environmental Lobby Day (Docs. 1-2)**

Galloway said this document has been amended from last meeting to increase the “not to exceed” amount from \$1000 to \$1300. Olivier mentioned she sent Galloway the Legislative Guiding Document for Environmental Lobby Day. She would really like the committee to look over this document and give her feedback. She said if there is any other legislations the committee knows of that should be lobbied on, she would love to hear those ideas.

Blake Bishop and Nie Doherty were unable to attend this meeting, but they expressed their vote in writing: 2-0-0

*MOTION LAC-14-W-03* By: Edgel

Move to approve the Environmental Lobby Day Funding Request

Second: Bickel                      Vote: 6-0-0                      Action: Passed

### **B. Funding Request for LegCon 2014 (Doc.3)**

Galloway said this item was amended from last meeting to use \$4000 from USSA expenses, \$1800 from the discretionary fund, and \$200 from additional lobbying efforts. She said that the “not to exceed” amount was the same from the last meeting.

Blake Bishop and Nie Doherty were unable to attend this meeting, but they expressed their vote in writing: 2-0-0

*MOTION LAC-14-W-04* By: Heffelmire

Move to approve the LegCon 2014 Funding Request

Second: Eckroth                      Vote: 5-0-1                      Action: Passed

## **IX. Other Business**

Galloway said it would be possible to have Matthew Bobbink attend the Federal Lobby trip that the AS President and AS VP for Governmental Affairs attends with the WWU administration. She explained that if Bobbink were to attend, his expenses would need to be covered by the LAC Budget. She guesses that there would not be any additional hotel expenses because Bobbink could share a room with herself and Roberts. Majkut said that likely expenses include per diem, transit, and air fare. Galloway said \$1000 would be an overestimation. She said this lobby trip doesn't have a finalized date, but they are looking at the 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in April or the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in May. She said this trip will consist of one day of travel, two days of lobbying, and then another day for travel.

## **X. Next Meeting Date**

- January 27, 2014 at 4pm in VU567

## **XI. Adjourn**

*The Meeting was adjourned at 5:24pm*