



Western Washington University Associated Students  
Activities Council

Meeting of Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup> 2014 VU 567

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**Present:** Giselle Alcantar Soto (VP for Activities), Ashlyn Doltar (AS Club Coordinator), Kaleb Ode (Assistant Business Director), Katrina Haffner (Club Representative), Mason Thaut (Club Representative), Alejandro Ibanez (Student at Large)

**Advisor(s):** Casey Hayden (Coordinator of Student Activities)

**Secretary:** Riley Fraser (Board Assistant for Club Committees)

**Guests:** Anne Clarke (Tap Dance Club), Heather Mah (Tap Dance Club), Charlie Ayers (A.R.E), Jason Windham (Longboarding Club)

**MOTIONS**

**AC-14-F-21** - Revision to Item VIII: Bookstore Donations Request, "\$350" to "\$250" on Motion AC-14-F-20 - **PASSED**

**AC-14-F-22** - Approve the name change of Sharing Interests Forming Friendships to "Sharing interests Forming Friendships: Allies for Inclusion." - **PASSED**

**AC-14-F-23** - Recognition of Activists for Racial Equity as an official AS Club under the "Social Issues" category - **PASSED**

**AC-14-F-24** - Recognition of Tap Dance Club as an official AS club under the "Arts, Music and Dance" category. - **PASSED**

**AC-14-F-25** - Approval of a \$250 grant to Western Libertarians for the Jangmadang Tour from Grants/Loans/Underwrites. - **PASSED**

**AC-14-F-26** - Approval of a \$1,300 underwrite from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to the Longboarding Club for the Migrate to Skate event with the stipulation that the money only goes to the cost of vans. - **PASSED**

*Giselle Alcantar Soto, VP of Activities, called the meeting to order at 5:06 pm on October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014.*

I. Revisions to the Minutes

The amount of Bookstore Donations approved for the ESC Conference was \$250, not \$350.

**Motion AC-14-F-21** by Ode

Revision to Item VIII: Bookstore Donations Request, “\$350” to “\$250,” on Motion AC-14-F-20.

Second: Thaut Vote: 6-0-0

Action: Passed

II. Business Director’s Report

	<b>Original Balance</b>	<b>Funds Used</b>	<b>Current Balance</b>	<b>Percent of original left</b>
<b>Grants/Loans /Underwrites (FXXGRN)</b>	<b>\$33,000</b>	<b>\$2,325</b>	<b>\$30,675</b>	<b>92.95%</b>
<b>Club Conference Funding (FXXCLC)</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Academic Conference Funding (FXXACC)</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>	<b>\$1890</b>	<b>\$2110</b>	<b>52.75%</b>
<b>Book Store Donation Request</b>	<b>\$3,500</b>	<b>\$930</b>	<b>\$2,570</b>	<b>73.42%</b>

III. Name Change Requests (action items)

A. Social Entrepreneur Society

No representative present. Item tabled for next meeting.

B. WWU Sharing Interests Forming Friendships

Alcantar Soto said that this club had no representatives that were able to attend, but they had extensive contact with her in order to provide enough context to be able to vote on it without any representatives present. The club initially wanted to change their name to “Allies For Inclusion,” but concluded that it didn’t give enough information about the club and would confuse the club communities. They decided upon the new name, “Sharing interests Forming Friendships: Allies for Inclusion,” which provides more meaning and context about the club without removing the name they are already known by. Haffner agreed

with the name change, and saw an immediate difference, in that it now gives detail and meaning to the clubs' purpose.

**Motion AC-14-F-22** by Ode

Approve the name change of Sharing Interests Forming Friendships to “Sharing interests Forming Friendships: Allies for Inclusion.”

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

IV. Club Recognition

A. Activists for Racial Equity

Charlie Ayers said that this club originated from a Civil Rights class at Fairhaven, where they were discussing the recent controversial events taking place in Ferguson, Missouri. A group of students in the class decided that they wanted to do something to assist the Ferguson protestors, and want to hold a series of fundraisers to support the Ferguson protestors, as well as others taking action in other locations nationwide. Thaut asked about member turnout thus far. Ayers said that approximately 10 people are very passionate about this club, and hopefully that number will rise once advertising begins. Alcantar Soto asked about events that are currently underway or being planned by the ARE club. Ayers said that a fundraiser is being prepared, and all proceeds will be donated to two sources: bail for protestors in Ferguson, Missouri, and food banks in Ferguson, Missouri. Ode asked how the club will ensure that all the funds raised during this event go to where they are supposed to go. Ayers said the club has found two reliable sources that will ensure that all funds go straight to the recipients. Students at the planned fundraiser event would be able to log on to provided computers and donate through a secure website. Ode asked if these funding sources take a cut of the fundraising money as part of their operation cost. Ayers said no, all the money is going straight to Ferguson. This is currently the only club event, but there are many plans being made for later. Haffner asked about what direct actions the club will be taking. Ayers said that the club would be a place where racial issues throughout the country are discussed, and then event responses would be discussed and planned, in the form of fundraisers, rallies, marches, educational ceremonies, etc. Haffner asked if the club is planning on collaborating with any other clubs. Ayers said that the club has already talked to a few of the Club

Directors of various clubs in the Ethnic Student Center, and they have given them plenty of helpful input.

**Motion AC-14-F-23** by Thaut

Recognition of Activists for Racial Equity as an official AS Club under the “Social Issues” category.

Second: Ode Vote: 6-0-0

Action: Passed

B. Tap Dance Club

Anne Clarke and Heather Mah said that the club is involved with the New Music New Dance Club, and wanted to form a club in order for the NMND club members who tap dance would have a place to get together and practice tap dancing specifically. Haffner asked if the club has reached out to any other dance/music clubs that are active on campus. Clarke said they posted on the WWU New Students web page, and received a number of responses. 13 people are definitely interested, and it is still the early stage of advertising. Haffner recommended they contact the Department of Theater and Dance, because they would likely find many people there who would be interested in joining. Ode asked if the NMND would be contributing to the Tap Dance Club, financially or otherwise. Clarke said that NMND will have members from the Tap Dance Club performing in an upcoming show of theirs in order to advertise the club, but other than that, they will not be related. Alcantar Soto asked if there are any other performances being planned. Mah said that, once things start picking up for the club, they would like to plan an event on Thursdays in the Underground Coffee House, or an open dance night. Alcantar Soto asked if all levels of dance experience are welcome. Mah said that all experience is recommended, but not required. Clarke said there would be a Technique session at the beginning of every meeting. Alcantar Soto recommended they ask existing dance groups for advice on how to set up a model for the club.

**Motion AC-14-F-24** by Thaut

Recognition of Tap Dance Club as an official AS club under the “Arts, Music and Dance” category.

Second: Doltar Vote: 6-0-0

Action: Passed

V. Action Items

A. Western Libertarians - \$250

As a recap, Katrina Haffner said that the Western Libertarians and Korean Student Association are hosting Liberty In North Korea speakers on their Jangmadang Tour, which will be held on November 6<sup>th</sup>. The \$250 request would pay the \$100 speaker fee and also pay for publicity, which would pay for tablet ads in the dining halls, a banner, and posters. Alcantar Soto asked if this event has been held in the past. Haffner said the KSA did it last year, and a couple of times before. Ode asked why they aren't the club performing it this year. Haffner said that she recently became involved with an organization called Students For Liberty, which is aligned with Liberty in North Korea. Haffner received word of this event, and reached out to LINK and requested the event first, not knowing if KSA would be repeating the event. Alcantar Soto asked about details on the collaboration. Haffner said that the collaboration efforts have been very smooth. Shortly after getting the event registered, she met with the KSA president and discussed the splitting of tasks; Western Libertarians will pay for speakers fee and publicity, and the KSA will be paying for the food being served at the event. Alcantar Soto asked about the success of the event last year. Haffner said that they hosted two or three tours in the fall and spring last year, and over 100 people attended. 17 people have already RSVP'd for this years' event on Facebook.

**Motion AC-14-F-25** by Alcantar Soto

Approval of a \$250 grant to Western Libertarians for the Jangmadang Tour from Grants/Loans/Underwrites.

Second: Ibanez Vote: 5-0-1

Action: Passed

**B. WWU Longboarding Club - \$2404**

Jason Windham provided the updates requested by Alcantar Soto last meeting. The cost of the event are as follows:

2 vans: \$1284

Gas: \$1113.62

Food money: \$600

Medical supplies: \$120

Total: 2517.62

Ayers said that collaborating with clubs from other schools has been difficult, since they will also be on winter break, but there are some local skaters, like the USC Berkley skaters, who are willing to collaborate. Twelve (12) people are confirmed as going, and a few more

might join up on the online application. All the group members are willing to pay \$80 per person out of pocket like they did last year. The IndieGoGo page is now online under the name “Migrate to Skate 2014.” In the three days it has been up, it has already received \$35 out of the \$2,000 stretch goal. Thaut asked if the club received word from any of their potential sponsors. Windham said they have sponsorships with the companies Omen and 5-Mile. Omen is always fairly reliable, but they haven’t talked to a representative from 5-Mile yet. Alcantar Soto asked about what the mindset was behind approving exactly \$893 for the event last year. Hayden explained that the amount directly covered the cost of a rental van from Enterprise, minus gas. The current request amount was reached by doubling the amount, since the club needs two vans this year. This was actually a good deal, since Enterprise has a contract with Western Washington University. Thaut asked if the club held any events after this one last year, and how raising funds went then. Windham said they threw the Bellingham Slide event, and at for these kind of events, the club doesn’t require funding as much as it does prizes, such as gear to give away at the end of the event. Doltar said that if the committee funded the vans last year, it would be reasonable to do the same this year. Thaut said he would be comfortable with that course of action, because while gas can be covered by anyone at any moment, the vans are instrumental in getting the clubs to the event. Haffner agreed, and then asked if there are plans to continue having this event so that the funding pattern may continue. Windham said that he is graduating after this year, but other members are interested in continuing the event, specifically the member in charge of filming the movie. Doltar asked if the plan was to fund this year’s amount, or last year’s amount times two, since the committee only funded one van last year. Ode suggested \$1,300, in order to give the club a bit of wiggle room if the price for vans has gone up since they received the statement from Enterprise.

**Motion AC-14-F-26** by Doltar

Approval of a \$1,300 underwrite from the Club Conference funding to the Longboarding Club for the Migrate to Skate event with the stipulation that the money only goes to the cost of vans. Alcantar Soto gave the friendly amendment that the funds come out of Grants, Loans and Underwrites.

Second: Ode Vote: 6-0-0

Action: Passed

VI. Other Business

Alcantar Soto asked if the committee wanted to have a meeting after next weeks' committee meeting to discuss how to improve the Committee Meeting process. After a period of discussion, the meeting time was assigned to 4:00 pm on Monday.

***The meeting was adjourned by Giselle Alcantar Soto at 6:04 pm.***