



**Western Washington University Associated Students
Activities Council**

Meeting minutes for Monday, April 27th, 2015

Present: Giselle Alcantar Soto (VP for Activities), Ashlyn Doltar (AS Club Coordinator), Kaleb Ode (Assistant Business Director), Eddie Cuevas (Student At Large) Emma Palumbo (Student at Large), Israel Rios (Student at Large)

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

Secretary: Riley Fraser (Board Assistant to Club Committees)

Guests: JD Boucher (Communication Club), Dee Payton (Theistic Thinkers), Tau Moses (Western Homeless Outreach), Noelle Pingree (Association for Women in Science)

Motions

AC-15-SPR-46 - Approval of a \$300 grant from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to Communication Club

AC-15-SPR-47 - Approval of a \$200 grant from Club Conference Funding to Theistic Thinkers

AC-15-SPR-48 - Approval of a \$180 grant from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to the Western Homeless Outreach.

AC-15-SPR-49 - Approval of a \$300 underwrite from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to the Association for Women in Science

Giselle Alcantar Soto, VP of Activities, called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm on April 27th, 2015.

I. Approval of the Minutes

The minutes from the 4-20-15 meeting had not been approved by the VP of Activities. Item tabled until next meeting.

II. Business Director’s Report

	Original Balance	Funds Used	Current Balance	Percent of original left
Grants/Loans /Underwrites (FXXGRN)	\$33,000	\$26,380	\$6,620	20%

Combined Conference Funding (FXXCLC)	\$14,000	\$13,265	\$735	5.25%
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III. Club Recognition

A. Western Scholars Club

No representatives for the club were present. Item tabled until next meeting or until a representative arrives.

B. WWU MoVing Dance Ensemble

No representatives for the club were present. Item tabled until next meeting or until a representative arrives.

IV. Action Items

A. Communication Club - \$300

JD Boucher said that the Communication Club is requesting funds for the Comm Club Scholars Week barbeque. It would be a free barbeque for anyone at the Comm Facility on the day of May 15th. It would essentially be a celebration of the scholars of Western and the lovely spring weather. The funds would go towards catering, as well as a health permit. Boucher already has a State Worker card, so all he would have to do is go downtown and apply for the permit. Ode asked why no contributions were offered by the club this year. Boucher said he was unaware that funding had been put forth by the club in previous years, and that they had \$50 they could put towards the event. Ode suggested that the club use the \$50 to kickstart a fundraiser for the event.

Motion AC-15-SPR-46 by Doltar

Approval of a \$300 grant from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to Communication Club

Second: Palumbo Vote: 5-0-0

Action: Passed

B. Theistic Thinkers - \$200

Dee Payton, the budget authority of Theistic Thinkers, said she is requesting funds for a trip to Villanova, Pennsylvania, in order to participate in The Hypatia Conference on Diversity in Philosophy. This

conference happens once every two years, and is a congregation of philosophers discussing how to bring a higher level of diversity to the field of philosophy. As a member of the Philosophy Club and Theistic Thinkers, Payton would like to present the ideas and solutions of her peers at the Conference. Ode asked why, if Payton is a member of so many Philosophy-related clubs and groups, she chose to submit this request specifically through Theistic Thinkers. Payton said that she chose to do so because she is an executive member of the club. Doltar asked what the requested funds will be used for. Payton said that it would be used for travel fees. Overall fees will be about \$500, and the Philosophy Department will be providing whatever additional funds are needed after receiving funds from the Council. Ode asked if Payton had already purchased her plane ticket. Payton said no. Alcantar Soto reminded Payton that the Full Circle Effect has been enacted, so she should be sure to put together plenty of evidence from the conference to share how the event was beneficial to Western and the Philosophy club.

Motion AC-15-SPR-47 by Palumbo

Approval of a \$200 grant from Club Conference Funding to Theistic Thinkers.

Second: Doltar Vote: 5-0-1

Action: Passed

C. Western Homeless Outreach - \$179.20

Tau Moses said that the Western Homeless Outreach is once again hosting the Be Our Guest event, where Western students can guest homeless people into the dining hall to feed them. The requested funds will go towards hiring a Plain Clothes Officer to cover security for the event. Ode asked if there has been any change in participation. Moses said it's pretty much stayed the same over the course of the year. Doltar wanted to know if the club has any fundraising plans to try to become self-sufficient. Moses said they usually hold fundraisers for other events, but they can start planning for fundraisers for this event as well. Ode said that the intimidation by the members of the community has been a barrier for people volunteering in the past, so he suggested that the club get in touch with ResLife or any of the community councils to present to freshmen, in order to inform them and help them feel comfortable with volunteering for this event.

Motion AC-15-SPR-48 by Ode

Approval of a \$180 grant from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to the Western Homeless Outreach.

Second: Alcantar Soto

Vote: 6-0-0

Action: Passed

V. Information Items

A. Association for Women in Science - \$350

Noelle Pingree said that after meeting with the Council last week, AWIS has changed a few aspects of their event, at the Councils' suggestion. Instead of having the free food portion of their event be a dinner, it is now a reception, with a selection of smaller, more varied meals. Given this change, another \$350 would cover the charges needed for the reservation, along with a publicity fee that has already been paid. Pingree recognized that retroactive funding is not permitted, so the club is willing to reduce the requested amount and pull funds from their own budget to cover the rest.

The Council moved by Acclamation to turn Information Item A into Action Item D for \$300.

Motion AC-15-SPR-49 by Doltar

Approval of a \$300 underwrite from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to the Association for Women in Science

Second: Cuevas Vote: 6-0-0

Action: Passed

VI. Other Business

We'll miss you, Mason Thaut!

Israel Rios, the newest addition to the Activities Council, is running unopposed for VP of Activities for next year, and is excited to see how things are done here.

Alcantar Soto adjourned the meeting at 6:42 pm.