



**Western Washington University Associated Students
Activities Council**

Meeting Agenda for Monday, May 11th, 2015

Present: Giselle Alcantar Soto (VP for Activities), Kaleb Ode

**(Assistant Business Director), Eddie Cuevas (Club Representative)
Emma Palumbo (Club Representative), Israel Rios (Student at Large),
Alex LaVallee (Club Representative), Ashley Weyers (Student At
Large), Lien Luc**

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

Secretary: Riley Fraser (Board Assistant to Club Committees)

**Guests: Johnná Gungel (Swing Kids), Annie Charlton (SIFF), Taylor
Arbuckle, Jackie Tabone (Special Olympics), David Cohen (A'capella
Club), Erica Chapman (WWU Weightlifting Club)**

Motions

AC-15-SPR-54 - Approval of the name change from “Sharing Interests Forming Friendships: Allies For Inclusion” and “Special Olympics Club” to unite the clubs into “Unity Club.”

AC-15-SPR-55 - Approval of a \$2800 loan from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to Swing Kids.

AC-15-SPR-56 - Approval of a \$300 grant from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to the WWU Weightlifting Club.

AC-15-SPR-57 - Suspension of the Rules of Operation to treat Information Item A as Action Item C.

AC-15-SPR-58 - Approval of a \$700 grant from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to the A'capella Club.

AC-15-SPR-59 - Approval of the name change from “iCare Club” to “Pre-Optometry Club.”

Giselle Alcantar Soto, VP of Activities, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm on May 11th, 2015.

I. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes have been reviewed by the Council Chair, and will be approved in bulk next meeting once they have been sent out to all representatives.

II. Business Director's Report

return to the Council as either excess funds from an underwrite or ticket sales as a loan. LaVallee said that he would prefer it be an underwrite. Gungel said that the club would also prefer an underwrite because they are familiar with the budget proceedings, and the club is very confident that the event will be a success and that they will at least make back the entire budget, so either option would work out. Ode asked if they had looked into the Upper Ballroom of the Majestic Ballroom yet. Gungel said no they haven't, Kaleb, stop asking. Hayden said that given that it's nearing the end of the budget, it would be more prudent to approve a loan, and it would set a solid precedent for this request, if it is brought to the Council in future years. LaVallee said he felt more comfortable with a loan after Hayden's explanation. Palumbo said she is comfortable with the full amount in a loan as well.

Motion AC- 15-SPR-55 by Cuevas

Approval of a \$2800 loan from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to Swing Kids.

Second: Ode

Vote: 8-0-0

Action: Passed

B. WWU Weightlifting Club - \$300

Erica Chapman said that the request is to fund the Viking Games competition on May 30th from 10 to 2. The club hosted a winter power lifting competition called Strongman, and it was very successful; almost 30 people showed up. Because of this positive feedback, Chapman decided to put together an event for the Spring. This competition will be team based, and will host about 20 teams competing for 1st place. The funds will go towards T-shirts and prizes. Alcantar Soto asked how the club will be advertising the event. Chapman said there are fliers in the weight room, and an event on the Facebook page. Alcantar Soto asked what the club will do doing to ensure the safety of the contestants, since there was a trainer at the winter event standing by in case of injury. Chapman said that Ron Arnold, the same trainer from the winter event, will be standing by at this event as well.

Motion AC- 15-SPR-56 by LaVallee

Approval of a \$300 grant from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to the WWU Weightlifting Club.

Second: Weyers Vote: 8-0-0

Action: Passed

V. Information Items

A. A'capella Club - \$700

David Cohen said that the A'capella club is working on recording CDs that will feature a song from each of the three a'capella teams active on Western. They decided to do one song each to test the waters on making recordings, and will plan to make larger CDs in the future if this first one is well-received. This will

stand as a solid example of the club's accomplishments over the last 5 years, and will advertise the club on campus in the years to come. The funds will cover the recording studio they will be using, which charges \$60 an hour. Ode asked why the club chose the CD medium to record the music. Cohen said that the club wanted a high quality recording of their work, and live recordings can't match the quality provided in a music studio. They investigated all studios in the Bellingham and Seattle area, and concluded that this studio was the best one available. Hayden asked if the club was aware that Fairhaven Commons has a recording studio in College Hall, which numerous bands around campus have used. Cohen said he was aware of it, but the club agreed that they would rather seek out a professional than troubleshoot the process themselves, especially on their first ever recording venture. Alcantar Soto asked how much the club or its members are willing to contribute. Cohen said that they have donations set up and some fundraising plans, but beyond that, there isn't a lot of members able to put in their own funding. Palumbo asked for some details about the fundraisers the club had held thus far. Cohen said they have performed at the Saturday Market and at several other casual venues, and they are always accepting donations. Ode asked how many CDs would be produced on the first batch. Cohen said they hadn't discussed it yet, but he would estimate somewhere around 100, and be used at promotional events and displays as a "suggested donation" item. Hayden recommended that they advertise the CDs once finished as suggested donation promotional items, because actually selling them might not be the easiest way to use the CD as an advertising method.

Given that not many Council members will be available to reach Quorum next week, the idea was put forth to suspend the Rules of Operation to vote upon the item now.

Motion AC- 15-SPR-57 by Ode

Suspension of the Rules of Operation to treat Information Item A as Action Item C.

Second: LaVallee Vote: 8-0-0 Action: Passed

Motion AC- 15-SPR-58 by Luc

Approval of a \$700 grant from Grants/Loans/Underwrites to the A'capella Club.

Second: Palumbo Vote: 8-0-0 Action: Passed

VI. Other Business

Because of the New Hire event on next Monday, Activities Council will be held at 5 pm.

Giselle Alcantar Soto adjourned the meeting at 6:50 pm.