

# Western Washington University Associated Students Ethnic Student Center Steering Committee Meeting

Meeting minutes for: Tuesday, January 13, 2015

Non-Voting Members: Teena Thach (ESC Marketing and Outreach Coordinator)

Kaleb Ode (AS Assistant Business Director) Nate Panelo (ESC Coordinator)

<u>Voting Members:</u> Maiya Draw (BSU), Tina Cha (KSA), Shiffite Awel (ACC), Annie Chen (JSA), Vong Chang (WHSA), Kenny Dang (VSA), Laksmi Van (KhSA), Andy Hu (CSA), Enrique Hernandez (LSU), James Accos (FASA), Leia Stuber (HOH), Meagan Howard (QPOC),

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

#### **Motions**

SC-15-W-01- Approval of the minutes from the 12-2-14

**SC-15-W-02-** Approval of a \$150 underwrite for the Western Hmong Student Association

Nate Panelo, ESC Coordinator, called the meeting to order at 5:10 pm on January 13th, 2015.

## I. APPROVE MINUTES (12-2-14)

Motion SC-15-W-01 by Draw

Approval of the minutes of the 12-2-14 meeting

Second: Awel Vote: 10-0-2 Action: Passed

## II. FINANCIAL REPORT - Kaleb Ode

Ode asked that all clubs planning their upcoming Heritage dinners send in their forms well ahead of time to make the approval process easier.

#### III. INFORMATION ITEMS

## A. WWU Black Student Union - \$2000

Marya Draw said that the BSU is requesting \$2000 for their heritage dinner, which will celebrate Black History Month and the African American struggle for equality and unity. After a lengthy period of considering and voting upon themes, the chosen theme for this year's dinner is "Since 64: Paving the Way for 50 More," which commemorates and honors those in the black community who have contributed to the advancement and the struggle for equality, but also challenges our generation to pick up where they left off and continue to strive for TRUE equality during these next 50 years, our own adult lifetimes. Tickets are \$12 with ID, \$16 without. There will be a live band. The main expense of the request will be for food and for the keynote speaker, Wanda Billingsly.

This Information item will be voted upon next week as an Action Item

#### IV. ACTION ITEMS

# B. Western Hmong Students Association - \$150

Vong Chang said the funds would be used to pay for gas to get WHSA members to Kirkland this upcoming Saturday for College Night, an outreach group that meets from 4 to 6 pm where the club acts as tutors to Hmong students at the Middle and High School level, with the intent of encouraging them to strive for higher educational achievement. Ode asked how many vehicles will be used to transport members. Chang said three. Ode clarified that when it comes to the Committee approving funds for gas money, it has to be a certain amount allotted per mile. Panelo said that the calculations cover up to the amount, so the Committee could, in fact, permit more than this designated amount. After calculations, Ode concluded that even if they were to go by this method of approving funds, it would be about the amount they could approve for WHSA. Thach asked why Kirkland was the decided location. Chang said that, in Washington State, the Hmong population is very small, only about 20 families, and the majority of them live in Kirkland, so it would make more sense for the WHSA to come to them. They would have access to the Hmong community building, which is a very nice community center.

MOTION SC-15-W-02 by Hernandez

Approval of a \$150 underwrite for the Western Hmong Students Association

Second: Stuber Vote: 11-0-1 Action: Passed

#### V. CLUB UPDATES

ACC: Plans for a Candle Light Vigil tomorrow at 6 pm for the Massacre in Nigeria. There are plans for a carnival during Valentine's Day weekend.

BSU: First meeting of the quarter tonight, and we're going to finalize the menu for the heritage dinner.

CSA: Line Dance practice for the Lunar New Year event begins tomorrow

ESC: Embrace your Roots event date has been postponed, but it will happen once plans are figured out to involve all ESC clubs.

FASA: First meeting is tomorrow at 7 in AW 210. Plans for a FASA Club retreat on the 30<sup>th</sup>.

HOH: Meetings have been moved to 6:30 pm in AW 405. Dodgeball begins soon, and a bowling event next Friday

JSA: First meeting is on the 26th, and it will be a bowling night

KhSA: The Vice President position has been filled. Our meeting is tonight at 7 pm in AW 203, where we will be discussing stereotypes and the recent tragedy of the Seattle donut shop.

KSA: First meeting of the quarter is tomorrow in VU 464. We will spend it debriefing about the heritage dinner.

LSU: Board meeting last night, working on the Heritage Dinner, which will now officially be on April 25<sup>th</sup>.

QPOC: First meeting is on Friday at 5 pm in Miller Hall 156

VSA: Meeting is tomorrow in AW 203 at 6 pm. Officer meeting at 5 pm to discuss the VSA Heritage Dinner

WHSA: College Night on Saturday, and meeting today at 7 pm in AH 205/203

# VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Relay for Life on May 16th. Perhaps all the ESC clubs can form into one group for the event to combat cancer? More information to come.

MLK Day Remembrance next Tuesday in the Harry Potter room from 4-8

Nate Panelo adjourned the meeting at 5:47pm.