

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

Meeting minutes for: Tuesday, November 25, 2014

Non-Voting Members: Cristina Rodriguez (VP For Diversity), Teena Thach (ESC Marketing and Outreach Coordinator) Kaleb Ode (AS Assistant Business Director)

**Voting Members:** Maiya Draw (BSU), Tina Cha (KSA), Ricky Chang (WHSA), Shiffite Awel (ACC), Deepika Sharma (SASA), Chris Young (CSA) (KhSA)

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

# Motions

SC-14-F-11 - Approval of the minutes from 11-18-14. - PASSED

SC-14-F-12 - Approval of the minutes from 11-4-14. - PASSED

SC-14-F-13 - Approval of a \$1,800 underwrite for the Korean Student

Association. - PASSED

Cristina Rodriguez, A.S. Vice President for Diversity, called the meeting to order at 5:11 p.m. on November 24th, 2014.

I. APPROVE MINUTES (11-18-14)

Motion SC-14-F-11 by Draw

Approval of the minutes from 11-18-14.

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

Motion SC-14-F-12 by Chang

Approval of the minutes from 11-4-14.

Second: Sharma Vote: 9-0-0 Action: Passed

### II. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

Addition of CSA's Lunar Year Celebration and SASA's Heritage Dinner Proposal to Information Items, under Items B and C respectively.

#### III. INFORMATION ITEMS

#### a. Belina Seare - USSA

Belina Seare gave a small presentation to promote the United States Student Association, a national organization that promotes the ideology that education is a fundamental right that everyone should have the right to pursue. This association has had an incredibly positive effect on students of color. In March, from the 26th to the 30th, the USSA will be holding a Legislative Congress, which Western students will be able to attend and take part in various campaigns that promote items of social justice taking place on campuses nationwide. In fact, WWU is the only university that currently represents Washington at the Federal and National level. Seare said she is requesting \$2,440 for the event, with the funds going towards \$800 per person for lodging, transportation, etc. Only three people will be allowed to go, strictly from the Ethnic Student Center.

This Information Item will be voted upon next meeting as an Action Item.

# b. South Asian Student Association

Deepika Sharma said that SASA is having a heritage dinner on January 17th, and they are requesting \$1,800. It will be held in the Multipurpose Room from 6 to 10, and 200 people are expected to attend. The event will have dancing and dinging groups from Western and the UW, decorations, and food from a variety of South Asian locations. The theme is "Escape to the Oasis." Tickets are \$10 for students, \$12 general.

This Information Item will be voted upon next meeting as an Action Item.

#### c. Chinese Student Association

Ricky Change said that CSA is holding the Annual Lunar New Year Event on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 to 9:30 pm. A multicultural celebration of the Lunar New Year. The event will host performances from students, local artists, and members of the Seattle community, as well as activities and food.

This Information Item will be voted upon next meeting as an Action Item.

# IV. ACTION ITEMS

# a. KSA - KSA Heritage Dinner

Tina Cha said that KSA is requesting \$1,800 for their first ever Heritage Dinner. The event will be on January 10<sup>th</sup> in the VU Multipurpose Room. The theme is The Spirit of Korea, and will celebrate the Korean culture with traditional Korean cuisine, as well as dancing, singing, skits, and other forms of entertainment utilized by the Korean culture. In addition to a professional celebration dance performed by the group Morning Star, there will be some K Pop music skits where the males do feminine dances and the females do masculine dances. The requested funds would go towards to buy costumes and paper fans needed for a particular dance. Tickets are now on sale at \$11 with ASB, \$15 general.

# Motion SC-14-F-13 by Sharma

Approval of a \$1,800 underwrite for the Korean Student Association

Second: Van Vote: 7-0-1 Action: Passed

#### V CLUB UPDATES

BSU - Working on a good, peaceful discussion about the recent decision made in Ferguson.

ESC - Study sessions from Dec 2-4<sup>th</sup>, with snacks, supplies, and math tutors. Brown Elephant on Dec 4<sup>th</sup>.

# Cristina Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 6:01 pm