

**Western Washington University Associated Students
Activities Council**

Meeting Minutes for Monday, March 7th, 2016

Non-Voting Members: Casey Hayden (Student Activities Advisor)

Voting Members: Israel Rios (AS VP for Activities), George Vadino (Club Representative), Alex LaVallee (AS Representative), Walter Lutsch (AS Club Coordinator), Bryce Hammer (Student at Large), Erin Johnson (Student at Large), Anujin Ganbat (Club Representative) Ryan Roberts (AS Club Business Director), Nikola Bocko (Club Representative), Merrill Hunt-Paez (Student at Large)

Absent: None

Guests: Vasiliy Shishkarev (Formula SAE), Tyler Daniels (Formula SAE), Michael Zazula (WWU FGC), Lucas Vigil (WWU FGC), Shale Ninneman (AWIS), Kathryn Williams (AWIS), Kelly Grady (TEDxWWU), Colton Gully (WWU Fly Fishing), Raichle Dunkeld (Cascadia Climbers), Julia Bainbridge (Cascadia Climbers), Jake Stevenson (MISA), Sean Caldwell (MISA), Lena Guevara (HOH), Brienna Kirkpatrick (HOH), Jacob Carmichael (MTB Club), Garrett Shively (MTB Club)

Motions

AC-16-W-73 - Addition of Net Impact to the agenda. - **PASSED**

AC-16-W-74 - Addition of Cascadia Climbers to the agenda as a Club Recognition item. - **PASSED**

AC-16-W-75 - Approval of the minutes of Activities Council meeting from 2-29-16 with the stipulation that the appropriate changes would be made. - **PASSED**

AC-16-W-76 - Recognition of WWU Fighting Game Community as an official AS club. - **PASSED**

AC-16-W-77 - Recognition of Cascadia Climbers as an official AS club. - **PASSED**

AC-16-W-78 - Approval of the amount of \$250 in the form of a Bookstore Donation to HOH for their Heritage Dinner. - **PASSED**

AC-16-W-79 - Approval of the amount of \$200 in the form of a Bookstore Donation to MISA for their Wisk event. - **PASSED**

AC-16-W-80 by- Approval of the amount of \$2220 in form of a grant to TEDxWWU from Grants/Loans/Underwrites, for their TEDx event. - **PASSED**

AC-16-W-81 - Approval of the amount of \$250 in form of a grant to WWU Fly Fishing Club from Grants/Loans/Underwrites for their trip to Colorado. -**DENIED**

AC-16-W-82 - Approval of the amount of \$200 in form of a grant to WWU Fly Fishing Club from Grants/Loans/Underwrites for their trip to Colorado. -**PASSED**

AC-16-W-83 - Approval of the amount of \$284 in the form of an underwrite to the Association for Women in Science from Grants/Loans/Underwrites for their Scouting for Science event. - **PASSED**

AC-16-W-84 - Suspension of the rules of operation. - **PASSED**
AC-16-W-85 - Movement of the MISA request to an action item. - **PASSED**
AC-16-W-86 - Approval of the amount of \$305 in the form of a grant to MISA for their event from Grants/Loans/Underwrites. - **PASSED**
AC-16-W-87 - Movement of the Formula SAE request to an action item. - **PASSED**
AC-16-W-88 - Approval of the amount of \$1000 in the form of a grant to Formula SAE for their event from Grants/Loans/Underwrites. - **DENIED**
AC-16-W-89 - Movement of the Mountain Biking Club request to an action item. - **PASSED**
AC-16-W-90 - Approval of the amount of \$500 in the form of a grant to Mountain Biking Club for their conference trip from Grants/Loans/Underwrites. - **PASSED**

Israel Rios, A.S. Vice President for Activities, called the meeting to order at 6:06p.m. March 7th, 2016.

I. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

Lutsch said that Net Impact would like to be added to the agenda at the beginning. Hammer added next quarter discussion.

Motion AC-16-W-73 by Hammer
Moved to add Net Impact to the agenda.
Seconded: Bocko Vote: 10-0-0 **PASSED**

Hayden asked to add Cascadia Climbers to Club Recognition.

Motion AC-16-W-74 by Roberts
Moved to add Cascadia Climbers to the agenda as a Club Recognition item.
Seconded: Lutsch Vote: 10-0-0 **PASSED**

II. Net Impact

Dickerson thanked the council for granting funds for their event and described their event as a complete success.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Rios asked the council if there were any edits to make to the minutes.

Motion AC-16-W-75 by Lutsch
Moved to approve the minutes of Activities Council meeting from 2-29-16 with the stipulation that the appropriate changes would be made.
Seconded: Roberts Vote: 10-0-0 **PASSED**

IV. BUSINESS DIRECTORS REPORT

Roberts said that they were out of Club Conference funding and they would be taking those funds from Grants/Loans/Underwrites. He said the Council got \$22,000 back into the Large Event Opportunity Fund. He said they still had plenty in the Bookstore Donation Fund. He said that the underwrite for Viking Radio Theatre would be adding money back into Grants/Loans/Underwrites. Rios said if every request they had today was approved at their fullest the Council would be left with \$800, excluding money coming back from Viking Radio Theatre.

V. Club Recognition

a. WWU Fighting Game Community

Michael Zazula said that they wanted to create a club for all sorts of games that fall under the genre of “fighting”. Roberts asked if they had had any interaction with the Smash Club (another fighting video game club devoted to the game Smash Bros). He asked if they planned to have any tournaments with them. Zazula said that though Smash Bros was a fighting game their new club planned to play a wide variety of games, maybe including Smash Bros as well. Roberts asked if they planned on being financially active. Michael said yes. Rios asked about their relationship with Smash Club. Michael said WWU Fighting Game Community had about 15-20 people whereas Smash Club had 500-600 members in their online group. He said that the interests of both clubs would overlap, but their club really wanted to expand past just Smash Bros.

Motion AC-16-W-76 by LaVallee

Moved to recognize WWU Fighting Game Community as an official AS club.
Seconded: Hammer Vote: 10-0-0 **PASSED**

b. Cascadia Climbers

Raichel Dunkeld said that they aimed to increase the climbing community at Western. Julia Bainbridge said that they wanted to be a resource for this large group. Hammer asked if they had spoken to the Outdoor Center. Bainbridge said that they worked for the Outdoor Center. They said that the Outdoor Center trips cost money and they wanted to be a more inclusive option as a club. Dunkeld said that they had communication with the Outdoor Center and they would partner with the OC for gear and other supplies they might need. Hammer asked if they planned on buying their own gear. Bainbridge said that they would like their own gear because the Outdoor Center was missing pieces they would need for liability reasons. Hammer asked if the club had liability in the same sense. Hayden said yes and they would need to take some extra steps in acquiring higher-risk gear.

Motion AC-16-W-77 by LaVallee

Moved to recognize Cascadia Climbers as an official AS club.

Seconded: Roberts Vote: 10-0-0 **PASSED**

VI. Bookstore Donation

a. HOH (\$250)

Brienna Kirkpatrick said that they hoped to raise money for a student scholarship and the Donation request would be used to create a gift basket for a raffle. Rios asked when tickets went on sale. Kirkpatrick said soon. Roberts asked how much the Council historically gave out in Bookstore Donations. Hayden said they had gone up to \$200, but he wasn't sure about \$250. Hammer said they had given \$250 to SASA at the last meeting.

Motion AC-16-W-78 by LaVallee

Moved to approve the amount of \$250 in the form of a Bookstore Donation to HOH for their Heritage Dinner.

Seconded: Ganbat Vote: 10-0-0 **PASSED**

b. MISA (\$200)

Sean Caldwell said that they wanted to purchase items for door prizes. Rios asked what the event was. Caldwell said it was an annual event for the MIS major that he would later explain during his funding request.

Motion AC-16-W-79 by Roberts

Moved to approve the amount of \$200 in the form of a Bookstore Donation to MISA for their Wisk event.

Seconded: Ganbat Vote: 8-2-0 **PASSED**

VII. ACTION ITEMS

a. TEDxWWU (\$2220)

Kelly Grady said she was one of the TEDx coordinators. She said they were asking for \$2220 to help pay for the PAC for their event. She said they were providing breakfast and lunch this year. Roberts asked why they were not using the Large Event Opportunity Fund for this request. Hayden said that they could, but noted that only Program Offices could request from the Large Event Opportunity Fund. He said that KVIK was supporting the club, but the club was handling the money aspect. Roberts said he was concerned about the amount left in the Grants/Loans/Underwrites budget. He said he was for this being a KVIK request through the Large

Event Opportunity Fund. Hammer said that the Large Event Opportunity Fund was meant for events that would not happen without the fund and this was an event that would happen without the fund. Rios said that TEDx club was made for this event so they should be the ones requesting the money. Grady said that they considered themselves a club as well as a team and they were also supported by staff and students. She said that if they don't get the money for the PAC they would have to cut money out of other places. Hammer said that their main concern last week was the accessibility of food. Grady said that what was said the previous week was not a representation of the whole team. She said that there was a consensus within their club that they wanted to offer gluten free and vegan/vegetarian options to be inclusive of everyone. Rios asked for a summary of their plans for food. Grady said that participants would get a card to get into the VU Market and Dining Hall for lunch. She said that breakfast would be through Costco and handled through catering. Ganbat asked how they planned on improving this year. Grady said this year they wanted the event to be more of a conference than a lecture. She said that everyone was getting a nametag lanyard and a brochure. Lutsch asked what the hours of the event were. Grady said that 9am-4pm with an hour for lunch in the middle and an hour before for breakfast and check in. Ganbat asked about volunteers. Grady said that catering would help them set up the food and it would be self-serve. Hammer asked about the amount. Roberts said that this event was enormous and they should get all of the funding they required. LaVallee asked if RHA was helping to fund the event. Grady said that it was a possibility and a meeting was set up for the next quarter. Roberts suggested an underwrite. Lutsch said underwrites become less and less useful towards the end of the year.

Motion AC-16-W-80 by Lutsch

Moved to approve the amount of \$2220 in form of a grant to TEDxWWU from Grants/Loans/Underwrites, for their TEDx event.

Seconded: Roberts Vote: 10-0-0 **PASSED**

b. WWU Fly Fishing (\$296.40)

Roberts asked how they planned to bring value back from the conference to campus. Colton Gully said that they were going to be an ambassador through this organization and they could inspire new ideas about conservation. Roberts asked if \$100 per person would work. Gully said it would allow them to go. Roberts mentioned that they had not requested money before. Gully said they had request money the previous year. Lutsch expressed concerns about the position of ambassador in regards to a portion of the packet about selling sunglasses for the organization. He said that they had had to shut down clubs that were for promotional purposes. Hayden asked for more details. Gully said that they would not be merchandizing sunglasses. He said that the organization was be there

to provide them gear, though the gear they used would have the organization's logo on it. LaVallee suggested \$125 per person. Roberts asked for more details about sponsorship for clubs. Hayden said that sponsorship was okay, but there needed to be a balance between the benefits the clubs received and the benefits the organization or company gained. He said that clubs should not do promotional work for companies. Ganbat asked how much the club needed. Gully said \$125 per person would be fine. Rios reminded the Council to be critical of requests and question what was a vacation rather than a conference. Bocko said that they should fund the full amount. Lutsch disagreed and said they should conserve the fund. He said that they were spending conference money they did not have. LaVallee said that they should fund \$250 total.

Motion AC-16-W-81 by LaVallee

Moved to approve the amount of \$250 in form of a grant to WWU Fly Fishing Club from Grants/Loans/Underwrites for their trip to Colorado.

Seconded: None **DENIED**

Motion AC-16-W-82 by Roberts

Moved to approve the amount of \$200 in form of a grant to WWU Fly Fishing Club from Grants/Loans/Underwrites for their trip to Colorado.

Seconded: Johnson **Vote: 8-0-2 PASSED**

c. Association for Women in Science (\$284)

Shale Ninneman said they were working with local Girl Scouts to exhibit science demos. They said they had raised \$150 for their own tables and other cubs would be providing their own money. They said that the \$284 was for table costs, set up and takedown, and parking. Hammer asked how many girl scouts. Ninneman said that 60-75 Girl Scouts would be attending and there would an appropriate child to adult ratio. Rios asked who they were paying. Ninneman said Event Services. She said they are still working to get a parking solution, maybe using the lower lots and purchasing parking passes. Hayden suggested an underwrite.

Motion AC-16-W-83 by Lutsch

Moved to approve the amount of \$284 in the form of an underwrite to the Association for Women in Science from Grants/Loans/Underwrites for their Scouting for Science event.

Seconded: Bocko **Vote: 8-0-1 PASSED**

VIII. INFO ITEMS

a. MISA (\$2100)

Sean Caldwell said that they were requesting \$2100 for an annual event. He said they usually had 100-150 people attend. He said they tried to bring in students, faculty, and professionals in information technology. He said that the event was for networking, information, and jobs. Lutsch said that since they did not have a meeting next quarter and they should request it today. He said they would be getting money from the Board. Hammer asked when they would know about that funding. Caldwell said that they might be seeing some money from a scholarship. Rios said that the Board would not have voted by the next Activities Council meeting. Lutsch said that the less funding they had left the more likely the Board would be to fund their request. Hammer said they would be left with \$800 at the beginning of the next quarter so it would be hard to host a meeting. Caldwell said that they had \$700 from a co-sponsorship and they should make \$400 from ticket sales. He said that they would not have to pay speakers for their event. Hayden asked about food. Caldwell said they would have a buffet with appetizers. He said that participants could get food during their networking events and before the speakers as well. Hayden asked about tickets. Caldwell said that tickets cost \$6 presale and \$10 at the door. Hayden noticed that at \$1400 they would break even. LaVallee asked about decorations. Caldwell said they were planning on balloons and pens for the audience. Ganbat asked about set up and takedown. Caldwell said that event services would be handling that. Ganbat mentioned latex allergies. LaVallee said using helium was wasteful. Roberts said that the Council had approved similar amounts to much larger events. He said he was concerned about the amount. Navarre asked if they were doing any fundraising. Caldwell said that they were reaching out for sponsorships, but not fundraising. Hammer asked why they projected \$400 in the ticket sales. Caldwell said that that amount was correct. Rios asked why the spreadsheet said that they needed \$1400. Caldwell said catering was \$1800 upfront. He said the \$400 would be profit. Hayden said that the \$2100 would be the maximum, everything was covered upfront. Caldwell mentioned last year they had received \$1400. Roberts asked if they were using funds from their club account. Caldwell said no. Roberts said that they had \$1500 in the club account. Caldwell said that they had a new budget authority so he was unaware. Vadino said that the council should wait to approve this request so the club could discuss their club funds. Lutsch asked if they had plans for that \$1500. Caldwell said they needed to pay for their website and food for meetings, but nothing other than that. Lutsch said that the council should approve the remainder of the \$2100 after the \$1500 is taken into account. Roberts suggested using their club funds and the council filling in whatever they needed. Ganbat asked how much they needed total to function as a club. Caldwell said \$400. Rios asked if they wanted to vote.

Motion AC-16-W-84 by Roberts

Moved to suspend the rules of operation.

Seconded: LaVallee Vote: 10-0-0 **PASSED**

Motion AC-16-W-85 by LaVallee

Moved to move the MISA request to an action item.

Seconded: Roberts Vote: 10-0-0 **PASSED**

Hammer asked how much the council wanted to approve. Ganbat suggested \$1200. LaVallee suggested \$715. Roberts said that they needed to be judicious about their remaining funds. Rios asked if the club had plans for the in their account. Caldwell said no. Lutsch asked how much they needed in their account to make the event happen before ticket sales.

Motion AC-16-W-86 by Lutsch

Moved to approve the amount of \$305 in the form of a grant to MISA for their event from Grants/Loans/Underwrites.

Seconded: Hammer Vote: 10-0-0 **PASSED**

b. Formula SAE (\$1000)

Vasily Shishkarev said that they did not have the funds to pay for all of the parts they needed. They said alumni had built cars in the past. Tyler Daniels introduced the Viking 54. Shishkarev said that they had a competition twice a year and this car would be for that competition. He said that they did not have enough money for all of the electronic components. Tyler Daniels said that they do get used parts, but they needed those funds upfront. Shishkarev said that they were short \$1000. He said that they had built their own steering wheel but it did not pass inspection so now they had to buy one. He said that though they use the University space, they were not funded by the school at all. He said they competed against schools around the world that had access to more recourses and funds. Roberts asked how much the car weighted. Daniels said under 500 pounds. He said that their club was an engineering club, but was open to anyone who wanted to join. Rios asked if they could get a sponsorship logo on the car. Shishkarev said they could put a AS logo. He suggested submitting a design for them. LaVallee suggested funding the full amount. He commended on the work and planning that went into the request. Lutsch suggested an underwrite.

Motion AC-16-W-87 by Lutsch

Moved to move the Formula SAE request to an action item.

Seconded: Johnson Vote: 10-0-0 **PASSED**

Motion AC-16-W-88 by Hunt-Paez

Moved to approve the amount of \$1000 in the form of a grant to Formula SAE for their event from Grants/Loans/Underwrites.

Seconded: Hammer Vote: 0-8-2 DENIED

Roberts brought up the fact that they had \$2200 in their club account. He explained it was left over from last year. He asked if the \$1000 was a reoccurring cost. Daniels said that they built multiple cars a year so the amount depended on the year and how much they could get in sponsorship.

c. Mountain Biking Club

Garrett Shively said he was aware they had \$200 in their account. He said they needed funding for bike racks. He said they were vertical for the backs of cars. He said the new racks fit 6 bikes on a single car. He said having these racks would allow them to take more people more places. He said they cost \$1200 for two. He said this good could be used for years to come. He said that earlier this year they took 30 people on a trip and consistently have 10 people for trips. He said the racks would help them showcase how serious they were as a club. Jason Carmichael said that a friend of his had one of these racks for 7 years and it was good as new even now. He said these racks could stay with the club long after these members were gone. He said the company that made them was based in Vancouver. He said their fall ride had 28 people and was their first group ride of the year. He said they wanted to be prepared for spring. Rios asked how they got all of the people and bikes to the mountain that time. Carmichael said that everyone transported themselves so that was potentially 28 different vehicles. He said that some people can't go on trips because they are unable to transport their bikes. He said they wanted to make it easier for people to participate. He said the other part of their request was for a trip and they wanted to join the Club Cycling Team eventually. He said to do that they needed to participate in a conference. He said they wanted to begin collegiate level cycling at Western. Roberts said that that other colleges had collegiate programs and members went on to be national and international champions. He said that this could be a draw for Western. Hayden asked if they needed the racks right away. Carmichael said they could manage to get to their next event, but having the racks would make transport easier and more sustainable. Hammer asked if racks could go on any car. Carmichael said any car with a 2in hitch. Rios asked if they could do a sustainable action fund. Hayden said yes. Hammer said that the SAF could approve this without the club actually having to be present. Carmichael stressed that they would like the racks as soon as possible. Rios suggested approving the entry fee and taking the racks to SAF.

Motion AC-16-W-89 by LaVallee

Moved to move the Mountain Biking Club request to an action item.
Seconded: Hammer Vote: 10-0-0 **PASSED**

Motion AC-16-W-90 by Lutsch

Moved to approve the amount of \$500 in the form of a grant to Mountain Biking Club for their conference trip from Grants/Loans/Underwrites.
Seconded: Ganbat Vote: 9-0-1 **PASSED**

IX. Other Business

Rios said they were still meeting at 6pm on Mondays the next quarter.

Israel Rios adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.