



**Western Washington University Associated Students
Activities Council**

Meeting Minutes for Monday, April 10th, 2017

Present: Jessi Navarre (AS Club Hub Representative), Erin Johnson (Club Representative), Merril Hunt-Paez (Student at Large), Danielle Freyer (AS Club Hub Representative), Mikhail Jackson (AS Business Director)

Absent: Alex LaVallee, Walter Lutsch, Corey Godfrey, Jack Fossedal

Advisor(s): Casey Hayden

Secretary: Julia Rutledge (Board Assistant for Club Committees)

Guests: Aleyda Cervantes and Erick Yanzon (Students for Ethnic Studies), Erica Eggeman (Tap Dance Club), Laythe Duran (GIST), Marcus Aoyama (Capoeira Club), Rosa Sanchez (AS Womxn's Center), Jonah Falk (ASP Pop Music), Neal Dickinson (AS Films), Camilla Mejia (AS SIRC)

Motions

AC-17-S-11 - Motion to recognize the Students for Ethnic Studies as an official AS club under the category Academic/Departmental - **PASSED**

AC-17-S-12 - Motion to approve a bookstore donation in the amount of \$150 for AS Films to be used for their upcoming events - **PASSED**

AC-17-S-13 - Motion to approve a bookstore donation in the amount of \$100 for the Club Hub to be used for their Club Renew event - **PASSED**

AC-17-S-14 - Motion to approve a bookstore donation in the amount of \$200 for KhSA to be used for their heritage dinner - **PASSED**

AC-17-S-15 - Motion to approve a bookstore donation in the form of \$50 to the WWU Students Against Cancer for their Relay for Life Event - **PASSED**

AC-17-S-16 - Motion to approve \$1200 in the form of a grant from Club Conference funding for their Portland trip - **PASSED**

AC-17-S-17 - Motion to approve \$400 for Capoeira club as a grant from Grants, Loans, and Underwrites for their Afro-Brazilian Festival - **PASSED**

AC-17-S-18 - Motion to approve \$50 in the form of a bookstore donation for GIST to be used for their graduate conference - **PASSED**

AC-17-S-19 - Motion to approve the amount of \$1000 in the form of an underwrite from Grants, Loans, and Underwrites for the GIST Graduate Conference - **PASSED**

AC-17-S-20 - Motion to approve the amount of \$2000 in the form of an underwrite from the Large Event Opportunity Fund for the Social Issues Resources Center for their Angela Davis event - **PASSED**

AC-17-S-21 - Motion to approve the amount of \$10,000 in the form of an underwrite for the Womxn's Center from the Large Event Opportunity Fund for their Womxn of Color Speakout - **PASSED**

Jessi Navarre, Chair Pro Tempore, called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm on April 10th, 2017.

I. Revisions to the Agenda

GIST's bookstore donation request was put with their action item.

II. Approval of Minutes

The item was tabled, since there were not enough members present from the last meeting to approve the minutes

III. Business Director's Report

Jackson said that Grants, Loans, and Underwrites was still under because of loans.

IV. Club Recognition

a. Dance Fitness Appreciation Club

No representatives were there, so the item was tabled.

b. Students for Ethnic Studies

Representatives: Erick Yanzon and Aleyda Cervantes.

Cervantes told the council that a few weeks ago, she, Yanzon, and a few other students went to an Ethnic Studies Conference in San Francisco. They really enjoyed the conference and wanted to make their own chapter.

Cervantes said that Western used to have a college of Ethnic Studies, but it was dissolved after only three years. Ethnic Studies encompasses intersectionality, feminism, teaching, and many other topics. Hopefully this club will lead to another Ethnic Studies college in the future. Johnson asked how often the club would meet and where. Cervantes said somewhere on campus, but she wasn't sure how often. The only members so far were the people who went to the conference, but she wanted to open the club up to more people. Navarre asked what a typical club meeting would look like. Cervantes said that they got a lot of books while at the conference, so some club time would be spent discussing those.

AC-17-S-11 by Johnson. Moved to recognize the Students for Ethnic Studies as an official AS club under the category Academic/Departmental.

Second: Hunt-Paez

Vote: 5-0-0 PASSED

V. Bookstore Donations

a. ACC: Heritage Dinner (\$200)

No members were present. The council wanted more clarification on the item and decided to table it. The event is in early May, so they decided that it could wait until the next meeting.

b. AS Films: Outdoor Film Series (\$150)

Second: Johnson Vote: 4-0-1 PASSED

d. KhSA: Heritage Dinner (\$200)

No representative was present. The bookstore donation would be used to put together baskets which would be raffled off at KhSA's Heritage Dinner. Navarre said that \$200 was pretty typical for a heritage dinner.

AC-17-S-14 by Johnson. Moved to approve a bookstore donation in the amount of \$200 for KhSA to be used for their heritage dinner

Second: Hunt-Paez

Vote: 5-0-0 PASSED

e. WWU Students Against Cancer: Relay for Life (\$50)

No representative was present. The request said that the bookstore gift card was going to be incentive to stay at the whole event. It would be in a random giveaway, probably done by name drawing.

AC-17-S-15 by Freyer. Moved to approve a bookstore donation in the form of \$50 to the WWU Students Against Cancer for their Relay for Life Event

Second: Hunt-Paez

Vote: 5-0-0 PASSED

VI. Action Items

a. Tap Dance Club: Conference Travel (\$3060)

Representative: Erica Eggeman. Eggeman recapped that 6 people were interested in going to a tap dancing festival in Portland. Last week, the council proposed giving \$150 to each person, and asked Eggeman to go back to the club and find out who could still go. One person in the group lives close to Portland and offered to house everyone. Two people who couldn't go initially would need \$200 in order to go. Six people were still committed to going. Navarre asked if Tap Dance Club had any club funds. Eggeman said she talked to

the Viking Funder person and had meeting with him tomorrow. She expressed doubt about getting registration paid for before the price went up on April 25th. Eggeman also said that they wanted to perform at the farmer's market, and were going to get the proper tap boards to perform on. Navarre asked how many people would be able to go if the council only gave \$150 per person. Eggeman said that it would cut the number of people able to go in half. Both Johnson and Freyer expressed that they wanted all six people to be able to go but weren't sure if the council could afford it. Eggeman reiterated that the total that the club would be asking for was \$1200.

AC-17-S-16 by Freyer. Moved to approve \$1200 in the form of a grant from Club Conference funding for their Portland trip

Second: Johnson Vote: 5-0-0 PASSFD

b. Capoeira: Afro-Brazilian Festival (\$400)

Representative: Marcus Aoyama. Aoyama reminded the council that the money would be paying for instructors for the Afro-Brazilian Festival. The Anthropology Department donated \$100, so the budget was updated.

AC-17-S-17 by Johnson. Moved to approve \$400 for Capoeira club as a grant from Grants, Loans, and Underwrites for their Afro-Brazilian Festival.

Second: Hunt-Paez Vote: 5-0-0 PASSFD

c. GIST: Graduate Conference (\$1000)

Representative: Laythe Duran. Duran said that \$1000 would pay for food throughout the day of the event to keep presenters fed and audience members to stick around. She said that a catering exemption form was still going through

the process. Navarre asked what GIST would do if the catering exemption form was not approved. Duran said that they would ask the graduate school for more money, tell the presenters to bring a lunch, or get catering through the school.

d. GIST Bookstore Donation Request (\$50)

The bookstore donations will go towards prizes for the best presenters at the conference.

Navarre said that she felt comfortable with the amount being requested, since the event had been put on before.

AC-17-S-18 by Freyer. Moved to approve \$50 in the form of a bookstore donation for GIST to be used for their graduate conference

Second: Johnson Vote: 5-0-0 PASSED

AC-17-S-19 by Hunt-Paez. Moved to approve the amount of \$1000 in the form of an underwrite from Grants, Loans, and Underwrites for the GIST Graduate Conference

Second: Freyer Vote: 5-0-0 PASSED

VII. Information Items

a. Socialist Alternative: SA Summer School (\$3324)

No representatives were present, so the item was tabled.

VIII. Large Event Opportunity Fund Action Items

a. Social Issues Resource Center: Angela Davis (\$5000)

Representative: Camilla Mejia. The budget was updated to \$1758. Navarre suggested \$2000 in the form of an underwrite. The council agreed that sounded fair.

AC-17-S-20 by Navarre. Moved to approve the amount of \$2000 in the form of an underwrite from the Large Event

**Opportunity Fund for the Social Issues Resources Center
for their Angela Davis event**

Second: Johnson Vote: 5-0-0 PASSED

IX. Large Event Opportunity Fund Information Items

a. Womxn's Center: Womxn of Color Speakout (\$10,000)

Representative: Rosa Sanchez. Sanchez said that she wanted to do three separate events for Womxn of Color. One already happened a few weeks ago, and the Womxn's Center paid for that. The speaker coming for this event is a transgender Filipinx woman. The speaking fee is \$8,500 plus transportation from New York. The event is happening May 9th, but the speaker cannot sign a contract until Sanchez gets the funding. Hayden reminded the council that there was a policy for extenuating circumstances that allowed the council to suspend the by-laws. Navarre asked if the council wanted to suspend the by-laws and give an underwrite. They agreed that they did.

AC-17-S-21 by Johnson. Moved to approve the amount of \$10,000 in the form of an underwrite for the Womxn's Center from the Large Event Opportunity Fund for their Womxn of Color Speakout.

Second: Hunt-Paez

Vote: 5-0-0 PASSED

b. AS Pop: Lawnstock (\$20,000)

Representative: Jonah Falk. Falk said that he was trying to reach out to as many departments as possible to try and get funds. Typically at Lawnstock, there are five performers. Falk showed a list of the artists he was inviting. A few of the supporting artists were a sure thing. The sub-header REDACTED has been to campus before in a sold-out show, and does activism in addition to performing. The opener to

the show would be the student winner from Battle of the Bands. Falk is hoping to get REDACTED as a headliner, but it might fall through. If so, he wants to bring in a woman of color performer. Falk said that the students wanted to see artists who were less “underground”. Johnson asked what the back-up plan for the headliner was. Falk said that he wanted to get REDACTED. He said that he wanted to help get more female headliners because the industry was lacking those in music festivals. Falk told the council that the industry was expensive, and trying to get them for less than their asking price was difficult. The council looked over Falk’s budget and discussed where else he was getting funds from.

Jessi Navarre adjourned the meeting at 7:28 pm.