



## Western Washington University Associated Students

# AS Structural Review Committee

Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017

9:00 AM

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**Members:** *Present: Bryce Hammer (ASVP for Governmental Affairs), Alex Lovelle (ASVP for Activities), Hannah Van Amen (Student at Large), and Bill Martin (Student at Large).*

*Absent: Wayne Rocque (AS VP for Student Life), Griffin Crisp (Student at Large), and Emma J Opsal (AS Assessment Coordinator).*

**Advisor:** Lisa Rosenberg (Assistant Director for Student Activities); Eric Alexander (Associate Dean of Students and director of the Viking Union); Casey Hayden (coordinator of Student Activities)

**Secretary:** Cora Cole (Board Assistant for Representation Committees)

**Guests:**

*Bryce Hammer called the meeting to order at 9:11 am*

### I. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. **Timeline:** Bryce pulled up the drafted timeline and added an item to “prepare grant request from AS Board for elections, transition, and Senate stipends (??)”. Bill asked about the compensation for senators and Hannah suggested that turning a job into an internship with your advisor is pretty easy. Lisa mentioned that the online voting process would need to get started in the summer, working with Victor and Jeremy. Bryce added that and “review and edit program standards as necessary” to the summer portion of the timeline. There is a transitional budget for the Student Senate to do outreach next year but it might not be enough so Bryce added potential grants for that. Additionally, they need to be working on training AS staff and student employees and reaching out to college deans. For the fall, Lisa suggested that there be reserved senate seats and that we figure out which committees have them. They also added revising the election code to the tasks for falls, using the Elections Advisory Committee. The reserves system is going to be tricky to transition so that got added to fall as well, there were some questions raised about who will be able to spend the programming dollars versus who brought in the funds in the old system, for which the committee did not have an answer.
- b. **Other issues:** Bryce asked if there was anything we wanted to impart to the next board, Casey asked if there was any structural changes to the Constitution that had been made, Bryce said that the Board had given it to the AG and she hasn't gotten back to them yet, when she does they will know more. Bill asked

why/how the AG got involved and Bryce explained that she hadn't thought of it until it was on the ballot, mostly the Board of Trustees would like to have it approved of before they see it. Bill asked if the advisors would be here next year, Lisa said she was retiring and the committee voiced despair about her absence. She talked about advising the Senate in the past and Bryce said that she will be taking the Charge and Charter for the committee to the Board next week. She might put the REP director on the committee because the REP needs to be involved and the Elections Coordinator is too busy for this. As far as the charge goes, the committee agreed that Bryce will do an alright job of putting it together and that Simi will do well, despite nerves. Casey suggested that Alex chair and Simi sit on the committee without chairing, Lisa suggested that they co-chair. After the discussion of who would be on the committees, Bryce said that in the fall the committee should get new members caught up. Bill said that the new committee should work with the athletics department and REC so that we have more involvement in student government going forward. Last year the Athletics department had a representative but this year we haven't and that is worth looking into. The whole Board is pretty enthusiastic about getting involved with the committee next year. Casey suggested that we have someone from this committee also sit on Academic Affairs Council so that we can be sure to have some overlap between them.

***Bryce Hammer adjourned the meeting at 9:45***