# Western Washington University Associated Students AS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, January 17th 2018 Viking Union 567

AS Board Officers: Present: Simrun Chhabra(President), Hunter Eider (VP Academics), Julia Rutledge (VP Activities), Alex LaVallee (VP BusOps), Erick Yanzon (VP Diversity), Ana Ramirez (VP Governmental Affairs), and Annie Gordon (VP Student Life)

Advisorfs): Eric Alexander (Advisor), Casey Hayden (Advisor)

Guestfs):

#### **MOTIONS**

ASB-18-F-1 Approve the listed Committee appointments with the addition of Lauren Schriver to the Structural Review Committee and Jevne Meyers to the AS Budget Committee. *Passed* 

Simrun Chhabra, AS President, called the meeting to order at 3:10p.m.

- I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- II. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA
- III. PUBLIC FORUM (comments from students and the community)
- IV. INFORMATION ITEMS Guests\*
- V. ACTION ITEMS Guests\*
- VI. PERSONNEL ITEMS (subject to immediate action)
- VII. ACTION ITEMS Board\*
- VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS Board\*
- IX. CONSENT ITEMS (subject to immediate action)
  - **A.** Committee Appointments

## **AS Elections Advisory Committee**

Sheng Jie Adela die Bock Freshman Communication and Science Disorders

Kyle Kaltenbach Freshman undeclared

Athena Adams Freshman Psychology

AS Structure Review Committee

William Martin Senior Political Science

Campus Public Safety Advisory Council

Hunter Stuehm Junior Communication and Science Disorders

**International Programs Advisory Committee** 

Hanah Lee Junior Studio Art

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MOTIONASB-18-W-1 by: Chhabra

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Second: Rutledge Vote: 6 - 0 - 0 Action: Pass

Gordon entered the meeting at 3:15pm

#### X. BOARD REPORTS

**Simrun Chhabra.** President, reported that they were working on scheduling "out of office" office hours every week. They said it would be in the dining halls and ree center. They wanted to know if anyone can join them on Wednesdays at 11:00am to noon. Additionally they had been meeting with the multicultural coordinator for Bellingham technical college who wants to meet with the Board about safety.

Alex LaVallee, VP for Business and Operations, reported that the S&A Fee Committee was starting up and offices should start submitting budgets. They also reported that the AS Structural Review Committee was starting shortly. They mentioned that the board should discuss changes to salaried positions in other business. In short salaried employee's excluding the Board will now be hourly and they will have to submit timesheets.

Hunter Eider, VP for Academic Affairs, reported that the Student Technology Fee Renewal Committee had been meeting and they will eventually bring a proposal to the Board. Eider also noted that he had met with Yanzon and they had talked about ESC scholarship week.

**Julia Rutledge, VP for Activities,** reported that Rutledge and Gordon where working on a funding request for a food pantry. Hayden asked if it were still going through the Sustainable Action Fund. Rutledge said it was on hold through the SAF.

Erick Yanzon, VP for Diversity, reported that they met with Linda to add a student to Queer Support Committee. The ESC has two new interim program coordinator who is temporary. Yanzon will be working with them to restructure salaried positions in the ESC. Yanzon has been talking about the ESC Lobby Day Agenda and was invited to be part of the council for equity, inclusion, and social justice and they will be meeting soon. The Undocumented Student Group is meeting Friday.

Ana Ramirez, VP for Governmental Affairs, reported that they'd been working on Western Lobby Day. Becca Kenna-Shenk, WWU's Director of Government Relations read their testimony on the floor of the State Senate as testimony on a bill. They also noted that this coming Friday there is a Washington Student Association conference call if anyone wanted to join.

Annie Gordon, VP for Student Life, reported that the SAF has meetings in this room at five every week so the board can't go late. They have been working on the success of the SAF (Sustainable Action Fund). The application is out to get benefits to people working on campus but one of the requirements is working twenty hours a week which most students can't do. They met with CHS about the city of Bellingham and safety. Students have been asking about additional crosswalks, but Bellingham research shows that more crosswalks don't actually help safety. Lighting in lot 20R is being looked into, they are trying to apply to get new lighting but for now the burnt out lights have been replaced. Chief Rasmussen, Leonard Jones and Gordon are looking into shifting Green coats services to be centered on residence halls. Additionally they are looking for a way to disseminate information to Residence Halls before western alerts.

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## XIII. OTHER BUSINESS

# A. Retreat Planning

The Board discussed the planning of the AS Board retreat and the times it would be. Yanzon didn't want to do Lakewood because it is cold. LaVallee offered his house but stated he would probably get distracted. Alexander suggested going a different place each day. The Board discussed what they want to get out of the retreat. Yanzon said he would like to see better communication. They want to rehash goals and keep one another accountable. Chhabra said that it would be a good way to grow as a team, they want to split up team building and work goals over the two days. Chhabra volunteered to work on organizing it. Rutledge said they'd wanted a potluck all year. Gordon said they think having people be present and engaged is more important than the location. Chhabra asked LaVallee to bring the slideshow of beginning of the year goals.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 3:38p.m.