



Western Washington University Associated Students Activities Council

Meeting Minutes for Monday, October 15th, 2018

Present: Douglas Van Druff (AS Club Events Planning Facilitator), Kevin Harris (Student-at-large) Ikenna Onukwufor (AS Clubs Business Director), Ryan Mouche (Student-at-large), Rikua Rodriguez (Student-at-large), Ama Monkah (AS VP for Activities)

Absent

Advisors Jenn Cook.

Secretary Travis Felver (Board Assistant to Clubs)

Club Representatives: Natalie Reeder (Students for Public Education), Jace Cotton (Students for Public Education), Cameron McMaster (Students for Climate Justice), Kayleigh Bowles (Game Design Club), Yamilet Martinez (BTS Club), Sharisse Lee (BTS Club), Kylie Westbrook (BTS Club), Alison Eddy (Blue Crew), Tyler Andrews (WWU Philosophy Club), Emmaline Bigongiari (Students for a Self-Operated Dining System), Mason Lok (Dead Parrot's Society), Ruben Gomez (Dead Parrot's Society), Michael Sharrock (WWU Cricket)

AC-18-F-11 Moved to approve Minutes for 10-8 Activities Council meeting. PASSED

AC-18-F-12 Moved to approve BTS Club as a club under the music and cultural categories. PASSED

AC-18-F-13 Moved to approve Cricket Club as a club under the recreational category. PASSED

AC-18-F-14 Moved to approve Students for Climate Justice as a club under the environmental and political categories. PASSED

AC-18-F-15 Moved to approve Students for Public Education as a club under the political and social categories. PASSED

AC-18-F-16 Moved to approve 250 dollars in the form of a grant. PASSED

AC-18-F-17 Moved to approve 90 dollars in the form of a grant. PASSED

AC-18-F-18 Moved to approve 250 dollars in the form of a grant. PASSED

Meeting called to order at 6:00 by Ama Monkah

I. Revisions to Agenda

- A. Added Students for Public Education

II. Approval of Minutes

- A. **AS-F-18-11 by Mouche. Moved to approve the minutes**
Seconded: Monkah 6-0-0 PASSED

III. Business Director's Report

- A. Grants Loans and Underwrites at 93%
- B. Bookstore donations at 87.5%.
- C. Club Conference Fund at 100%.
- D. Large event fund at 71%

IV. Club Recognition

- A. BTS Club (Bangtan Boys)
 - 1. Representatives: Yamilet Martinez and Sharisse Lee. A place for support inspired by the lyrics of the BTS band. Rodriguez asked why they choose to be called Army. Martinez responded with this is the fan base name. Mouche asked if they had 5 students or more. Martinez responded with yes.

AC-18-F-12 by Onukwufur. Moved to approve BTS club as club under the music and cultural categories.

Second: Mouche Vote 6-0-0 PASSED

- B. Cricket Club
 - 1. Representative: Michael Sharrock. Wants to create a place to appreciate the sport, teach others to play. Harris asked where they intend to play. Sharrock responded is at Cedar park, or at the Comm lawn. Monkah asked about equipment. Sharrock responded with they already have it. Harris asked if they intend to keep WCC, and recommended changing to avoid confusion with Whatcom Community College. Mouche asked about future funding needs. Sharrock responded with no need for funds, maybe in the future. Onukwufur asked about membership. Sharrock responded with they already have a full team. Harris asked if they intend to compete. Sharrock responded with hopefully eventually

AC-18-F-13 by Monkah. Moved to approve Cricket club as club under the recreational category.

Second: Harris

Vote 6-0-0

PASSED

C. Students for Climate Justice

1. Representative: Cameron McMaster. A place to increase awareness of climate change initiatives. Monkah asked about specific project plans. McMaster responded with currently working on raising awareness of Ballot 1631, then plan on working with Students for Renewable Energy. Rodriguez asked about search for clubs with similar approaches. McMaster responded yes, although they feel they have a unique approach of it.

AC-18-F-14 by Rodriguez. Moved to approve Students for Climate Justice Club as club under the environmental and political categories.

Second: Mouche

Vote 6-0-0

PASSED

D. Students for Public Education

1. Representatives: Natalie Reeder and Jace Cotton. They currently have more than 5 members. Wanting to create a place to raise awareness and provide resources to assist public education with a social justice emphasis. They plan on working with other clubs. Van Druff asks about plans to be financially active. Cotton responded is maybe eventually. Rodriguez asked about effect on Western. Cotton responded with working with Woodring College and various clubs to spread information.

AC-18-F-15 by Mouche. Moved to approve Students for Public Education club as club under the political and social categories.

Second: Onukwufor

Vote 6-0-0

PASSED

V. Action Items

A. Blue Crew (500\$)

1. Representative Alison Eddy. Request is for whole year. They have had two pre-events to make posters and give out t-shirts, and pizza. Fees are to cover costs and future costs to encourage crowd engagement. They will have Spotlight Nights to raise awareness with other clubs, and provide free or discounted tickets to these clubs, in order to bridge the gap between athletics and the rest of the student population. Monkah asked about how they will track items. Eddy responded with they will have a sheet to keep track and will only give out items to people who have trust. Onukwufor asked about storage plan for items. Eddy responded with they have space with athletics so plenty of storage. They asked for a base of 500 dollars because that is expected expense, but athletics will help with any overage. Onukwufor asked about fundraising plans. Eddy responded with plans to do shirt sales, bake sales, and other fundraising activities. Onukwufor asked if they plan on spending all of it, and what they plan on doing if they don't. Eddy responded with plan on telling Club Business Facilitator and going form there. Monkah asked how much other department will contribute. Eddy responded with between 200 and 300 dollars. Onukwufor proposes that they lower the amount requested and come back for more if needed. Mouche asked what amount would be appropriate. Monkah suggests 250. Harris asked if they plan on going through publicity center to print sign. Eddy responded with yes.

AC-18-F-16 by Monkah. Moved to approve 250 dollars in the form of a grant.

Seconded: Harris

Vote 6-0-0

PASSED

B. Dead Parrot's Society (3500\$)

Representatives: Mason Lok, Ruben Gomez. Plan to bring out Terry Withers, professional improv teacher from Boston to do a series of workshops for clubs, along with two performances. Onukwufor asked if all of this fund is going to Mr. Withers. Lok responded with yes, for weeklong workshop which is focused towards improv community. Harris asked if they have any new information on funds being spent. Lok responded with large event fund wants them to charge for attendance, which opposes their philosophy of making these accessible. Cook clarifies that they don't need to sell tickets they need to go through AS Productions and Special Events Coordinator. Lok responded with they feel the slots will be filled internally, so opening it up to the public first may be problematic, and this may cause an issue. Onukwufor asked if they plan on using club funds for this event. Lok responded with all of it. Onukwufor asked if they do not get all of the money what their plans are. Lok responded with current fund-raising events and bake sales, intending to cover all of the remaining amount, making estimates for the future for settling amounts Monkah asked if they think they can cover it if Activities Council says no. Lok responded with the lowest they could go is 2500 and even then, it would be very difficult. Onukwufor said that this amount is more than 30 percent of overall winter budget and this is too high for any one club and suggests that they spend more time fundraising and seeking other methods before coming back. Monkah asked about timeline for hiring Terry Withers. Lok responded with it hasn't been set up yet, and they don't know when the deadline is. Estimated by mid-December. Mouche said that flights and hotels would be more expensive the closer to the date and suggests money for these now. Van Druff asked for clarification on why they don't want to go through AS Special Events. Lok responded with they don't want to charge for admittance. Harris asked if this is typical for them. Lok responded with they didn't ask, but they will ask their business director. Cook said they could grant the money back and if it isn't spent, take it back. Onukwufor asked if they have looked for alternative accommodations for Terry Withers. Lok responded with they can make sure that it's looked into, to their knowledge no. Onukwufor asked if they want to have a vote decision now, or should they come back next week. They responded with Terry Withers likes the school and the club a lot, so that he would be willing to haggle for a lower price. So, they would like to think of numbers and come back again.

C. Shred the Contract (90\$)

1. Representative: Emmaline Bigongiari. The request is for basic start up fees, tabling supplies, paint, paintbrushes, button making supplies, and snacks. Advocating to remove contract with current food provider. Need is due to being a new club. Harris asked about past campaigning efforts. Bigongiari responded with have been gathering information about how new desired plan would work, intend to work on coalition building with other clubs, and general campaigning. Monkah asked if they have gotten good responses from dining committee. Bigongiari responded with they have gotten general administration responses, nothing committal.

AC-18-F-17 by Rodriguez. Moved to approve 90 dollars in the form of a grant.

Seconded: Monkah

Vote 6-0-0

PASSED

VI. Information Items

A. Game Design Club (300\$)

1. Representative: Kayleigh Bowles. Funding is for game camp, anyone who is interested can join and make a game over the weekend. Harris asked about date of the event. Bowles responded with this weekend. Harris said that this needs to be moved to an action item. Harris asked if they had considered other pizza alternatives to lower costs. Bowles responded with these are estimates, willing to take less. Any leftover funds would be used for next quarter's events. Onukwufor said that anything leftover would go back to Activities Council. Onukwufor said that historically this club has been supporting itself out of pocket. Mouche asked if there is plan to spread event awareness. Bowles responded with yes, although that is handled by other officers. Mouche suggests lowering amount to lower pizza costs, suggests 250. Van Druff asked about attendance plan. Bowles responded with between 25-40. Onukwufor asked how much it costs to provide pizza. Van Druff said it was 750 for 200 people, so 250 dollars is a good number.

AC-18-F-18 by Mouche. Moved to approve 250 dollars in the form of a grant.

Seconded: Van Druff

Vote 6-0-0

PASSED

B. Happy Club (1480\$)

1. Representative: Michele. Requesting 1480 dollars for school dance, to create special event for Western in an effort to create a bigger sense of community. Event would take place at Mac Gym. Potentially changing plan away from food truck, unsure of alternatives. Want a photo booth. Harris asked if they plan on buying or renting. Michele responded with hoping to buy with the intent of re-using for club and AS events. Plan on tabling in Red Square. Harris asked about Happy club and point of the dance. Michele responded with happy club promotes mental health and wellness while building community at Western, through promoting acceptance and mindfulness and collaboration with other clubs. Monkah asked if they will sell tickets through box office. Michele responded with they are still discussing due to unfamiliarity with ticket sales. Hard copy tickets are not the priority, so there will be a move to online. The plan is to have these dances each quarter. Harris asked if this request takes in expected revenue. Michele responded with funds will be used to promote scholarships for freshman coming in Fall Quarter and to pay for listening booths. In Spring Quarter there is a Day of Love event planned, funds will help pay for it. Onukwufor said that he is part of club and will remain unbiased. Onukwufor asked about outreach, promotion, and advertising practices. Michele responded with mostly word of mouth, club met over the summer. During info fair they raised awareness, and large social media presence. Hoping to get banners and flyers through publicity center. Cook said that food truck will rent space rather than club paying them. Michele responded with it is unknown how people will respond to food truck, may move to snacks. Cook suggested potentially getting a juice truck. Mouche asked about how people feel about fifteen dollar ticket fee, and recommended lower ticket price to increase engagement. Michele responded with they have talked about between twelve and fifteen dollars, no one has reacted negatively so far. Onukwufor said that cost of lights is a lot lower than recommended. Michele responded with they plan on buying multiple to cover the entire gym to create illusion of a lower ceiling. Monkah asked if they asked event services about set up. Responded with they will reach out, they have a student committee set up to help. Van Gruff said that strobe lights may cause a seizure accessibility issue. Michele responded with now they will discuss this and switch which lights are being ordered. Onukwufor asked if event is open to non-Western Students. Michele responded with so far just Western, due to lack of logistical knowledge. Cook said they could sell tickets to Western students at a lower rate. Michele responded that this is good idea, will discuss. Plan is to check in with event services to check to see if there is a fee, talk to food truck or plan for snacks, reconsider lighting situation, and decide on a ticketing plan. Monkah asked if they have to cover the floor of the gym. Mouche said no.

C. Philosophy Club

1. Representative: Tyler Andrews. Apologized for previous activities of Philosophy Club. Requesting for movie night open to all Western students. This movie night will be the only one they advertise and need to buy the rights for. They have found the new range is 340-440 dollars. Movie is intended to have some philosophical motifs. Harris asked about which movie they plan on showing. Andrews responded with a few options with a range of 385-440. Cook asked about plans to co-sponsor. Andrews responded with willing to co-sponsor, hadn't talked about it. Onukwufor asked if they plan on selling tickets. Andrews responded with yes, at two dollars for tickets. Van Druff recommends moving to Miller, VU, or Academic West for location due to accessibility. Andrews responded with the need for large rooms. Van Druff suggests Frasier 201 for capacity. Onukwufor asked how much new asking amount will be. Andrews responded with movie rights are being cut, and they could talk to Philosophy department for additional funding. Cook asked about food plans. Andrews responded with cookies and other snack food, and hoping to do popcorn. Cups and plates are part of the food cost. Cook suggested using food sales as a fundraiser as well. Onukwufor asked what movie they plan on showing. Responded with haven't chosen a specific, have a range. Onukwufor asked about student responses about movie night. Andrews responded with it has not been widely advertised, but students who have been discussed with have been excited. Harris suggests they could do partial funding. Monkah suggests they get more information and come back.

D. Students for Renewable Energy

1. Absent

VII. Council Review

A. Rodriguez was concerned about request of students for Renewable Energy request amount. Harris said they will be getting funds from multiple places.

B. Cook said that they do not need to ask if they have 5 students or more, because they would not get to this point if they didn't.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:14