



Western Washington University Associated Students Sustainability, Equity and Justice Fund

Thursday, November 28th, 2018

9:00 AM

VU 462A

Members:

Present: Anne Lee (ASVP for Student Life), Kate Rayner Fried (AS Sustainable Action Fund Education Coordinator), Johnathan Riopelle (AS Sustainable Action Fund Grant Program Coordinator), Scott Dorough (Campus Energy Manager), Katie Winkelman (ESP Director), Grace Wang, Turner Campbell, Aden Nevler.

Advisor: Greg McBride

Secretary: Grace Drechsel

Guests:

Motions:

Anne Lee called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM.

I. Introductions

II. Onboarding and Training

Winkelman gave an overview of the committee to the group. Some people have come to Winkelman with confusion due to the name change from Sustainable Action Fund to Sustainability, Equity and Justice Fund. Discourse is shifting away from the narrow ecological definition of sustainability and towards the idea that sustainability in our built environment has big social impacts that have to do with justice, equity, and the intersection of those concepts. The name change is to reflect that shifting discourse, and encourage students to expand their definition to more holistic impacts. We aren't just offsetting carbon anymore, we are trying to change things at the social level.

Winkelman explained that this fund is accumulated through a fee that is part of all SNA fees. This one is 90 cents per credit, with a cap for each student of 9 dollars per quarter. The committee can vote to increase that to a \$1.20 per credit. If you are a student taking more than 10 credits, chances are you are paying the full 9 dollars. Excess money from the year prior is usually still in the fund, so sometimes the actual dollar amount in the fund is unclear because it rolls over from previous quarters. We didn't pass many grants in summer or fall, so chances are, a lot of that money rolled over into this quarter, so we have a bit more money to use and vote on. Because of that, sometimes our budget is unclear, but that is why we have the SEJ staff here to help us.

III. Next Committee Meeting

SEJ Committee will meet again next Wednesday, December 5th, at 9:00am in VU 462B.

IV. Adjourn

Anne Lee adjourned the meeting at 9:42 AM.

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