



# ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION FEE COMMITTEE

February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019      9:00am      VU 462A

## Members:

**Present:** Anne Lee (ASVP for Student Life), Natasha Hessami (ASVP for Governmental Affairs), Kay McMurren (Program Supervisor for Student Transportation), Jillian Trinkaus (Sustainable Transportation Program Coordinator), Brian Burton, Darcy Allen (Student-at-Large)

**Advisor:** Greg McBride

**Secretary:** Grace Drechsel

*Anne Lee called the meeting to order at 9:08am.*

### I. Introductions

### II. Approval of the Minutes

*MOTION ATF-18-W-1                      by Hessami*

Approve the minutes, with the edits of changing Brian Burton to a member and some slight language changes suggested by McMurren.

Second: Burton                      Vote: 5-0-0                      Action: *Passed*

### III. Info/Action Item a. Fee Increase

When the fee increase was presented to the Board of Directors, they asked how raising the fee now would impact how WTA saw WWU students' willingness to pay higher fees.

McMurren listed some things to consider: first, none of the projections include an increase of revenue from enrollment. This year, the program is benefitting about \$10,000 in revenue from increased enrollment. There's no way to know what that will look like next year.

Hessami and Lee said that they would both be comfortable with a 14% fee increase, landing the fee at \$30. Hessami asked if the \$550,000 projected cash balance for FY20 (with the 14% increase) would be a comfortable place for the program to be at. Burton answered that anything over \$300,000 is comfortable.

Allen said that her inclination is to keep it at a 5% fee increase because there is no way to know what the next WTA contract will look like. She believes a 14% fee increase would only be warranted if actual service changes and improvements were being made. It shouldn't go to the student body for a vote this year.

Lee said that Transportation Advisory Committee (through the AS) may be a good place to voice the concerns about service improvements.

*Anne Lee adjourned the meeting at 10:01am.*

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