

**Western Washington University Associated Students
STUDENT SENATE**

Date: March 10, 2021

Attendees: *Rebeca Andrade-Eekhoff, Olivia Chatters, Althea Frye, Ankur Handa, Anna Hedrick, Kendrick Jackson, Connor Johnson, Jasleen Kaur, Marissa McGinnis, Francis Neff, Samia Quidwai, Daniela Reyes, Colton Rommanose, Liz Rosales, Sameer Shorab, Kharma Stambaugh, Aidyn Stevens, Selam Swier, Laura Wagner, A.P. Wang, Sargun Handa, Raquel Vigil, Casey Hayden, Annie Byers, Ruth Flint-Blanchard, Nicole Ballard*

MOTIONS

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| ASWWU-21-W-29 | To add 5 minutes to item. |
| ASWWU-21-W-30 | To approve ASWWU Student Senate Charge and Charter |
| ASWWU-21-W-31 | To approve ASWWU Student Senate Bylaws |
| ASWWU-21-W-32 | To approve ASWWU Student Senate Job Descriptions |

Sargun Handa, Senate Pro-Tempore, called the meeting to order at 6:35 P.M.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

II. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

III. BSO DEMANDS

- a. Handa (she/her) reported that the Federal Lobby Trip will be abolished for the following year. She also reported that ACC rejected the Honors College proposal, and it has been sent back to the Honors College program.
- b. Ballard (she/her) reported that she and Jude Ahmed found there is a surplus of funding from the state and are requesting an increase in funding to the Ethnic Studies Institute funding.

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

V. INFORMATION ITEMS – Guests*

- a. Elections Advisory Committee Charge and Charter – Ballard (she/her) presented the EAC Charge and Charter and asked for input. Vigil (she/her) said that the Senate needs to be added for approving and reporting for equal responsibility and recommended one Senator and one Board member as members of the EAC. Ballard returned after going over the grievance process to present more changes.

- b. Elections Advisory Committee Timeline – Ballard (she/her) presented the EAC Timeline. Handa (she/her) went over the differences including that the time of the elections would be earlier to allow time for the grievance process to keep false election results from coming out. Ballard added that advertising for elections will be increased.
- c. ASWWU Ethics Board New Grievance Process – Ballard (she/her) presented the ASWWU EAC proposed replacement for the Grievance Process. Handa (she/her) asked how it was decided that a complaint was moved from the Ethics Board to the Appeals Board. Ballard responded that it is if a person is being removed from the Board. Ballard also explained that the jury process worked by selecting 12 students randomly and waiting for them to accept. The selection pool is still being discussed whether to use the entire student body or have students sign up to be selected.

ASWWU-21-W-29

Motion to add 5 more minutes to item

By Johnson

Seconded by A. Handa

Passed 17-0-0

VI. ACTION ITEMS- Guests *

VII. PERSONELL ITEMS

VIII. ACTION ITEMS – Senate*

- a. ASWWU Student Senate Charge and Charter – Handa (she/her) presented the edits to the ASWWU Student Senate Charge and Charter.

ASWWU-21-W-30

Motion to approve Student Senate Charge and Charter

By Neff

Seconded by Johnson

Passed 17-0-0

- b. ASWWU Student Senate Bylaws – Handa (she/her) presented the edits to the ASWWU Student Senate Bylaws.

ASWWU-21-W-31

Motion to approve Student Senate Bylaws

By Kaur

Seconded by Neff

Passed 17-0-0

- c. ASWWU Student Senate Job Descriptions – Handa (she/her) presented the edits to the ASWWU Student Senate Job Descriptions.

ASWWU-21-W-32

Motion to approve the ASWWU Student Senate Job Descriptions

By Kaur

Seconded by Hedrick

Passed 17-0-0

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS – Senate *

X. CONSENT ITEMS

XI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Student Senate Legacy Documents – Handa (she/her) presented the Student Senate Legacy Documents and gave instructions on how to complete them.
- b. ACC and Religious Accommodations – Neff (he/him) presented the work being done by ACC on the Religious Accommodations to get senate input on changes that may need to be made. Shorab (he/him) asked about religious holidays that have to do with the lunar cycles that a date cannot be provided at the beginning of the quarter. Neff responded that he would bring that to the ACC as a possible change. Handa (she/her) commented that “reasonable” accommodations is not defined.
- c. Theater Department – Stambaugh (she/her) informed the senate that the theater department was planning to put on a play the next year, “No Exit” which was written in Nazi occupied France, that has a lot of sexist and homophobic undertones. The issue is being brought up to the department by the CFPA senators and students, so the senate is just being informed of the issue currently for awareness. Handa (she/her) asked how the plays are chosen. Stambaugh replied that she did not know the full process

beyond that students can submit ideas for the next year which are sometimes chosen from.

XII. SENATE REPORTS

XIII. BOARD REPORTS

XIV. OTHER BUSINESS

The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 P.M.