



**Western Washington University Associated Students
Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

January 21, 2022, 4:30 PM

Attendees:

Board Members: Naira Gonzales Aranda (she/they), Brenner Barclay (they/them), Glory Busic (she/her), Jasmine Fast (she/her), Ankur Handa (he/him), Mallory Schaeftbauer (she/her), Laura Wagner (she/her)

Guests: Keara Ryan

Staff and Assistants: Rue Blanchard (they/them), Annie Byers (she/her), Delfine DeFrank (she/they)

Motions:

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| ASWWU-22-W-39 | To approve the minutes |
| ASWWU-22-W-40 | To approve the applicants for the AS Elections Advisory Committee |
| ASWWU-22-W-41 | To move the AS Elections Advisory Committee Charge and Charter to an action item |
| ASWWU-22-W-42 | To approve the AS Elections Advisory Committee Charge and Charter |

Glory Busic, AS President, called the meeting to order at {time}

I. CONSENT ITEMS

- a.** Approval of Minutes
- January 7, 2022

MOTION ASWWU-22-W-39

Motion by Handa

To approve the minutes

Second: Fast

Motion passed 6-0-0

- b.** AS Elections Advisory Committee Applicants
-Eli Berdan

-Emilie Shannon
-Nadia Bartrand
-Breaker Chittenden

MOTION ASWWU-22-W-40

Motion by Wagner

To approve the applicants for the AS Elections Advisory Committee

Second: Fast

Motion passed 6-0-0

II. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

- a. Wagner added a ten-minute information item for Earth Day updates as well as a document.
- b. Fast added a five-minute Board Report item for the First-Generation Collective Meeting Update
- c. Fast added a Board Report item for the Huxley College Logo

III. PUBLIC FORUM

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS – GUESTS

- a. Elections Advisory Committee Charge and Charter – Keara Ryan presented the Elections Advisory Committee Charge and Charter. Handa asked why the representatives from the Executive Board and Student Senate are chosen by the Board, since the two branches are equal. Ryan said that it was how the Charge and Charter was when she started in her position, and assumed it was since the Board meets weekly while the Senate meets biweekly. She said this could be changed. Busic said that a reason may be because of the Senate President's position on the Board. Barclay said that they felt it is important to have the Senate's approval as well. DeFrank said that the context may also be that a Board member could not fill the role if they are running for office again and it might be that the Senator would be there as the student voice in that situation. Busic felt it would make the most sense to start in the Senate and move to the Executive Board. Barclay agreed with the idea and brought up the issue of the Senate only meeting biweekly as a reason to start in the Senate. Ryan agreed that this would be a good change, but logistically making the change would push back the committee's start time. Handa said that the committee should still be able to get quorum despite having to make the change. Glory said that it can be difficult to add a member later on. Barclay suggested

the change in procedure being added for the following year. The Board agreed on returning to amend the Charge and Charter after elections at the end of May.

MOTION ASWWU-22-W-41

Motion by Handa

To move the AS Elections Advisory Committee Charge and Charter to action item

Second: Fast

Motion passed 6-0-0

- b.** Student Trustee Election Committee Charge and Charter – Glory presented the Student Trustee Election Committee Charge and Charter. Wagner asked about the time frame for choosing the 3-5 candidates. Glory said that there is not a timeline that she was aware of. Byers said it depends on when the applications close, which in the current year will be April 1st. Glory asked opinions about the committee having a Pro Staff voting member. Wagner supported having the Staff Member on the committee to have someone who has been on the committee long term there.

V. ACTION ITEMS – GUESTS

- a.** Elections Advisory Committee Charge and Charter

MOTION ASWWU-22-W-42

Motion by Wagner

To approve the Elections Advisory Committee Charge and Charter

Second: Gonzales

Motion passed 6-0-0

VI. PERSONELL ITEMS

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS – BOARD

- a.** DRAC Membership – Schaeftbauer said that she cannot attend DRAC meetings due to classes being at the same time and asked for someone to attend. Barclay volunteered to attend.
- b.** Student Union Advisory Board Bylaws – Schaeftbauer presented the Student Union Advisory Board Bylaws.

- c. Water on Campus Meeting Update – Glory reported that she and Fast attended a meeting with Leonard Jones, Andrea Rogers, Anja Engledow, and Lindsey MacDonald on the topic of Water on Campus, and will be bringing a list of values to the vendor to see what the vendor proposes. This will be at a meeting with the vendor and the students who were invited to the meeting Glory and Fast were at. Boxed water was proposed but it is not compostable in Whatcom County. Fast met with Melynda Huskey to give updates, and Huskey is in support of canned water. They also discussed switching entirely to canned beverages. Wagner met with Lindsey MacDonald on the topic and were interested in learning more about the energy consumption that comes with canned beverages. They also discussed providing reusable water bottles. Wagner suggested giving out free water bottles at move-in, and that a refill station map could be included.
- d. Earth Day Updates – Wagner presented the document of Earth Day ideas and discussed forming a planning group. Fast had contacted Ridwell and The Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association (NSEA) and heard back from NSEA. Fast said that NSEA asked if they wanted to organize something and invite NSEA or include something that was already in the works. Fast had said the latter, which the Board could then promote, and is waiting on a response. She had also contacted Ridwell, which is a company that collects hard to recycle items like batteries and lightbulbs and recycles them in a Seattle facility. She suggested trying to partner with them long term, as well as inviting them to promote their services during Earth Day. Fast has a meeting scheduled with the Ridwell Bellingham City Manager and plans to report back on that discussion at the next meeting.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS – BOARD

IX. BOARD REPORTS

- a. Naira reported that they and Brenner had talked about starting a task force for the BSO demands they had taken on.
- b. Fast reported that she had reached out to find out if there were plans to redesign the College of the Environment logo now that it is no longer “Huxley” College of the Environment. Kathy Patrick had told her that there were no plans for a redesign because the University was not encouraging colleges to have their own logos. She also said that she had attended the First-Generation Collective meeting, which is a group advocating for First-Generation Students at WWU. Fast asked for a Proxy for the SEJF meetings for the quarter. Handa volunteered.
- c. Wagner reported that she heard back from Leonard Jones about the dining conversation and the plan on how it’s moving forward. By Summer of 2022 there will be a request for proposals from dining services. She does not know if the proposals will include one for Self-Op dining. There will be townhalls to have student voices involved. Glory asked if

the question of if Self-Op is one of the plans being proposed should be brought up. Wagner said that it should.

- d. Glory reported that Sislana Ledbetter had replied to her on the topic of updates from UW about emergency mental health services. Sislana is still discussing the topic with other schools. Glory spoke with Melynda Huskey about the Pass/No Pass grading. She said that Faculty Senate had talked about it and talked about Pass/No Pass being on an individual basis rather than default. Glory has also begun speaking with Eric Alexander and Melynda Huskey about funding for the Ethnic Student Center and Multicultural Student Services, as the services are currently paid for by students and should be guaranteed.
- e. Barclay reported that CUE is looking at ways to revitalize English 101 in a way that works better to meet student needs.

X. SENATE REPORTS

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Basic asked about the Board's opinions on staying online or returning to in person meetings. The Board decided to remain online.

Glory Basic, AS President, adjourned the meeting at 5:58 PM.