



**Western Washington University Associated Students
Sustainability, Equity, and Justice Fund Committee
Meeting Minutes**

January 27, 2023, 4:00 PM

Attendees:

Committee Members: Amanda Cambre (Campus Utility Manager), Jenna Moreno (At Large Student), Keegan Curry (At Large Student), Lindsey MacDonald (Sustainability Engagement Institute Associate Director), Quincy Ingalls (Student Senator for Fairhaven College), Seb Genge (ASVP for Sustainability), Ted Tarricone (At Large Student), Zinta Lucans (Sustainability, Equity, & Justice Fund Coordinator), Anna Phippen (SEJF Student Ambassador), Froylán Sifuentes (Faculty Representative), Natalie Harris, Sophie Snyder (ASVP for Student Services), Natalie Harris (Environmental Justice Programming Coordinator).

Guests: Growth, Resilience, and Belonging presenters- Dr. Brandon Joseph, Yonnie Zerfu, Nafi Sibhatu; WOHESC presenter- Cole Burk; APA presenters- Jasmine Fast, Kayla Nygren, Aysha Nygren, Gill Gepte; Tammi Laninga (UPSD Faculty).

Staff and Assistants: Lily Van Mullem (Student Governance Assistant Secretary).

Motions:

SEJF-23-W-2 Approve the December 6, 2022, and January 10, 2023, minutes. ***Passed.***

SEJF-23-W-3 Table Budget Discussion. ***Passed.***

SEJF-23-W-4 Add Ten Minutes to the Meeting. ***Passed.***

Genge, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM.

I. CONSENT ITEMS

- a. Approval of the Minutes 1 minute

MOTION SEJF-23-W-2

Motion by Ingalls

To Approve the December 6, 2022, and January 10, 2023, minutes

Second: Curry

Motion passed 9-0-0

II. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. **Genge** - Introductions 4 minutes

III. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

- a. Table Budget Discussion 2 minutes

MOTION SEJF-23-W-3

Motion by Ingalls

To Table Budget Discussion

Second: Genge

Motion passed 9-0-0

- b. Add Ten Minutes to the Meeting 4 minutes

MOTION SEJF-23-W-4

Motion by Curry

To Add Ten Minutes to the Meeting

Second: Ingalls

Motion passed 7-0-0

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. **Genge** – Growth, Resilience, and Belonging: Strengthening membership and experiences for Black and Brown Men at WWU with Dr. Brandon Joseph, Yonnie Zerfu, and Nafi Sibhatu 15 minutes
- a. Ingalls asked for assurance that the group would choose sustainable practices while traveling. Zerfu responded that the group would be aware of their consumption and waste while traveling. Sibhatu added that he makes a point to speak with leaders at the conference about sustainability practices.
 - b. Tarricone asked how the ten students from the Black and Brown Men at WWU club were selected to attend the Men of Color National Summit. Dr. Joseph responded that the ten most engaged students were selected to go, and seniority is considered.
 - c. Ingalls asked who funded the Black and Brown Men at WWU’s trip to the Men of Color National Summit in 2022. Dr. Joseph responded that the Sustainability, Equity, and Justice Fund and the Office of Student Resilience provided funding.

- b. **Lucans** – Washington Oregon Cascadia Higher Education Sustainability 15 minutes Conference (WOHESC) 2023 with Cole Burk
 - a. Genge asked for clarification about the per diem budget. Lucans responded that the per diem budget, \$133 per person, accounts for food attendees will need outside of the meals provided on the trip.
 - b. Ingalls asked about the metric Burk would use to ask students to define sustainability. Burk responded that students would be asked to consider what sustainability means before, throughout, and after the trip. Burk added that the students will be asked follow-up questions after the trip.
 - c. Ingalls asked if WWU professional staff or faculty would be attending WOHESC and how they would be funded. Burk responded that five WWU staff and faculty would attend, and they were being funded through a different source.
 - d. Curry asked for confirmation that none of the funding requested from the Sustainability, Equity, and Justice Fund would cover the cost of WWU staff and faculty attendance. Burk agreed.
- c. **Lucans** – Attending the American Planning Association (APA) National 15 minutes Conference 2023 with Jasmine Fast, Kayla Nygren, Aysha Nygren, and Gill Gepte
 - a. The presenters made note of changes to the project budget for a new total request of \$34,266.90.
 - i. Per diem – Partial Day (2 day) \$2,370
 - 1. Cost Per Item \$59.25 (x2)
 - 2. Quantity 20
 - ii. Per diem – Full Day (3 days) \$4,740
 - 1. Cost Per Item \$79 (x3)
 - 2. Quantity 20
 - iii. Lodging in Philadelphia Marriot - \$8,806.90
 - 1. 4-person room x5 = \$1,498.85 x 5 rooms = \$7,494.25
 - 2. Faculty room x1 = \$1,312.65
 - iv. Conference Registration Tickets – Students \$2,565
 - 1. \$135 x19 students
 - v. Incidental Expenses (if needed) \$1,000
 - 1. Cost Per Item \$10 (x5 days)
 - 2. Quantity 20
 - b. Tarricone asked if conference attendees would get their own rooms or if they would have to share rooms. Fast responded that the group was working with the Travel Services Office to determine hotel arrangements.
 - c. Ingalls asked what department Dr. Laninga is from. Dr. Laninga responded that she works for the Urban and Environmental Planning & Policy Department. Ingalls confirmed with Dr. Laninga the price of her attendance. Dr. Laninga responded that it is expensive to attend the APA conference as a faculty member

and that the number reflected in the budget was discounted based on her membership in the APA.

- d. Curry asked the group to explain how they will work with a WWU student to reduce their carbon footprint after their trip. Fast explains that the group will work with a WWU student to offset the carbon footprint from the trip. Dr. Laninga added that she found another carbon offset opportunity with the LEAD Reforestation Program.
- e. Ingalls asked how the group planned to get to the airport. Fast responded that the group would bus from WWU to SeaTac.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Next Meeting **Friday 10th, 2023, 4:00 PM Viking Union 462 A/Teams.**

Genge, Committee Chair, adjourned the meeting at 5:03 PM.