



**Western Washington University Associated Students  
Senate Meeting Minutes**

January 27th, 2022, 4:00-6:00 PM

**Attendees:** Annie Byers, Delfine DeFrank, Nely Vasquez, Keara Ryan

**Senate Members:** Brenner Barclay, Cambria Keely, Justin McGlone, Sofia Larrondo, Rahma Iqbal, Carmela Lu, River Johnson, Quincy Ingalls, Jesus Resendiz-Eyler, Daniela Reyes, Dylan Singh

**Guests:** Keara Ryan

**Staff and Assistants:** Annie Byers, Delfine DeFrank, Nely Vasquez

**Motions:**

<b>SEN-22-W-1</b>	To move to vote for the Fairhaven Senator Position
<b>SEN-22-W-2</b>	To approve Eden Ebright for the Fairhaven Senator Position
<b>SEN-22-W-3</b>	To approve Theodore Topper for the Fairhaven Senator Position
<b>SEN-22-W-4</b>	To move to action item for Woodring Senator Position
<b>SEN-22-W-5</b>	To approve to vote for the Woodring Senator Position
<b>SEN-22-W-6</b>	To move to vote for the Graduate Senator Position
<b>SEN-22-W-7</b>	To approve Gustav Gunther for the Graduate Senator Position

***Taylor Provence, AS Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:36 PM***

**I. CONSENT ITEMS**

**II. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA**

- a. Action Items -Senate will be talked about first, and then the Information Items - Senate

### **III. PUBLIC FORUM**

- a. A student lets the Senate know that a student coalition will be formed to protest the lack of modality in many classrooms
  - a. Provenca asks for clarification on the lack of modality
  - b. Keely clarifies that it is about Professors not giving a remote option to students who cannot come back to campus
  - c. Ingalls asks if there are demands that are being created
    - i. Keely says that in the Discord chat, students are giving ideas
  - d. A Senator informs that even if the Professor wanted to give a remote option, they cannot be forced and are not paid for the extra work
    - i. Other Senators cite that their Professors struggle to record lectures because of technology issues and the doubling of their work
  - e. Keely adds if there would be any interest in setting up a meeting with the administration

### **IV. INFORMATION ITEMS – GUESTS**

- a. Election Code/Position Descriptions - Presented by Keara Ryan
  - a. Ryan wants the updated position description from the Senators by February 11th, 2022
  - b. DeFrank will send a template to the Senators
  - c. Ryan also informs the Senate that the elections code will be under revision and then present it to the Senate

### **V. ACTION ITEMS – GUESTS**

- a. New Senator Election
  - a. Fairhaven Senator position



**SEN-22-W-4**

Motion by Justin McGlone

To move to action item for Woodring Senator Position

Second: Quincy Ingalls

Motion passed: 11-0-0

**SEN-22-W-5**

Motion by Cambria Keely

To approve to vote for the Woodring Senator Position

Second: Justin McGlone

Motion passed: 11-0-0

**Olivia Grace Kingsley is appointed SEN-22-W-6**

Motion by Miriam Gold

To move to vote for the Graduate Senator Position

Second: Justin McGlone

Motion passed: 11-0-0

**SEN-22-W-7**

Motion by Miriam Gold

To approve Gustav Gunther for the Graduate Senator Position

Second: Cambria Keely

Motion passed: 11-0-0

**Gustav Gunther is appointed**

**VI. PERSONELL ITEMS**

**VII. INFORMATION ITEMS – SENATE**

**a. Continuing Senate Modality Discussion**

- a. Keely would like both the online and in person option, while others are concerned about the size of the meeting room
- b. DeFrank says the Senate could be moved to a bigger room but the audio will not be good in the recordings
- c. They said a solution could be passing around a microphone for the audio quality to get better
- d. Barclay asks Senators for their experience in attending the Student Senate meeting both in-person and online
  - i. Keely says attending online is fine
- e. Barclay expresses concern for the Senate members safety as the meetings run late and it is dark outside
  - i. Some Senators say they feel unsafe walking back to their homes in the dark while others are fine with it
- f. There is preference in moving to Zoom so it is easier to engage in the meetings
  - i. Barclay would like to test it out first to make sure the meetings are still following policies

## **VIII. ACTION ITEMS – SENATE**

### **IX. SENATE REPORTS**

### **X. BOARD REPORTS**

### **XI. OTHER BUSINESS**

- a. Barclay informs the Senate that the Communication Director, Ryan Morris, has asked if any Senate members would like to get involved in terms of the ways in which the WWU and the student government at large might better adapt to COVID-19 as it continues
- b. AS VP Naira Gonzales will be attending to the next meeting to create a task force to work on specific BSO demands and give information
- c. Laura Wagner is also making a task force for Earth day preparations
- d. Keely informs her Co-Senator quit and a new election will be held
- e. Gold informs the College of Science and Engineering is building a new

Engineering building and are naming it after the donors Grace Borsari and Fred Kaiser, who committed \$36 million in tax fraud and were convicted

- a. Gold would like to have students rounded on this topic to bring awareness and have something done
- f. Provence says that Woodring's College of Education is having a conference about BLM
  - a. They are making this an annual meeting, with speakers and Q&A sessions

***Brenner Barclay, AS Senate President, adjourned the meeting at 6:03 PM***