



## Western Washington University Associated Students

### Senate Meeting Minutes

October 28th, 2021, 3:30-5:00 PM

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

**Senate Members:** Brenner Barclay, Anna Hedrick, Daniela Reyes, Cole Burk, Cambria Keely, Kiernan Park-Egan, Miriam Gold, Justin McGlone, Sofia Larrondo, Rahma Iqbal, Carmela Lu, Chris Adkins, Connor Johnson **Guests:**

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

#### **Motions:**

<b>SEN-21-F-1</b>	To create a Shred the Contract Committee
<b>SEN-21-F-2</b>	To create an Accessibility Committee
<b>SEN-21-F-3</b>	To create a Huxley Name Change Committee

***Brenner Barclay, AS Senate President, called the meeting to order at 3:43 PM***

#### **I. CONSENT ITEMS**

#### **II. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA**

- a. Barclay wants to add two revisions to the agenda
  - a. The first is an information item
    - i. Solicit VP considerations
    - ii. Barclay would not like to vote at this meeting and instead they would like to know who would like to be considered for the role
    - iii. For the next meeting, the Senate will vote
  - b. The second is an action item
    - i. This will be setting up time for the Senators to creates independent committees or work groups

#### **III. PUBLIC FORUM**

- a. Executive Board members attending the meeting introduced themselves
- b. No other attending Board members

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

- a. Soliciting of nominations
  - a. Barclay explains you can self-nominate or others, but they will have to accept the nomination
  - b. They give the floor to the Senators who would like to self-nominate or others
  - c. They then ask the Senate if there are any questions, they could answer about the position
  - d. Larrondo wonders what the experience is for Vice Chair
    - i. Barclay explains the role:
      - 1. Run the Senate in his absence
      - 2. Attend committee actions they cannot
        - a. For example, the Academic Coordination Commission
      - 3. They would be in closer contact with Barclay incase they're absent and would be given a notice to take over their duties
  - e. DeFrank asks if Barclay will notify the Senators not present in the meeting about the role of Vice Chair
  - f. Barclay plans to send out an email to absent Senators to solicit more nominations for the role
    - i. They explain to the Senators who are present they can continue to self-nominate after the meeting

#### **V. ACTION ITEMS – GUESTS**

#### **VI. PERSONELL ITEMS**

#### **VII. INFORMATION ITEMS – SENATE**

#### **VIII. ACTION ITEMS – SENATE**

- a. Creation of independent Senate committees

- a. Gold moved to create a Shred the Contract committee
- b. McGlone proposed to create an Accessibility Committee
  - i. This would be for increasing accessibility for students around campus
  - ii. Larrondo asks what it would look like
    - 1. McGlone says it would address the needs of different individuals
    - 2. For example, approach to classes, openness of the DAC center
    - 3. The committee would have no target population
      - a. The goals of the committee would be for everyone on campus, not just disabled students
- c. Barclay proposes a Huxley Name Change Committee

***MOTION SEN-21-F- 1***

*Motion by Miriam Gold*

*To create a Shred the Contract Committee*

*Second: Sofia Larrondo*

*Motion passed 11-0-0*

***MOTION SEN-21-F- 2***

*Motion by Justin McGlone*

*To create an Accessibility Committee*

*Second: Daniela Reyes*

*Motion passed 11-0-0*

***MOTION SEN-21-F-3***

*Motion by Brenner Barclay*

*To create a Huxley Name Change Committee*

*Second: Anna Hedrick*

*Motion passed 11-0-0*

**IX. SENATE REPORTS**

- a. Barclay explains that in typical Senate meetings, this would be the time to respond or report back from their individual committees and it would be discussed

- a. No one has gone to the committees yet, so instead Barclay asks if there are any BSO demands or other community involvement that should be brought to the attention of the Senate
- b. Hedrick has an update
  - a. She was able to meet an RA from Edens hall
    - i. She informed the RA of her role in the Senate and her goal of being in more contact with undeclared students, especially Freshman and Sophomores who live in the dorms.
    - ii. This is to educate and inform them about the Student Senate and let them know they can contact them for any concerns or needs
    - iii. Hedrick continues to inform that she and the RA discussed that she could go to hall council meetings and pass out flyers or something else to inform and educate younger students about the Senate
    - iv. DeFrank also informs Hedrick about going to residence halls meetings as well
- c. Iqbal says that she and Larrondo met with someone of CHSS and talked about what they can do for them and for each other
  - a. She says it seemed like last year's Senators were not very involved with the people of CHSS
  - b. She also talked about how she and Larrondo can get involved with the College of Committees and how to get students involved with it
- d. At the end of the meeting, Barclay says they will send out emails to solicit interested information in the three committees that the Senate voted to create, as well as interests for nominations of the Vice Chair position
- e. McGlone informed the Senate of the siloed structure of the College of Science and that there is work being put forward to break this down.

## **X. BOARD REPORTS**

## **XI. OTHER BUSINESS**

***Brenner Barclay, AS Senate President, adjourned the meeting at 4:00 PM***