

**Western Washington University Associated Students
Board of Directors Meeting**

Tuesday, September 14, 2010

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AS Board Officers: *Present:* Colin Watrin (President), Benjamin Brockman (VP Bus Ops), Ramon Rinonos-Diaz (VP Academics), Alisha Beck (VP Activities), Bernard Ikegwuoha (VP Diversity), Byron Starkey (VP Governmental Affairs) and Jamin Agosti (VP Student Life)

Advisor(s): Kevin Majkut, Director of Student Activities

Guest(s): Evan Marczynski, AS Review

MOTIONS

ASB-10-SUM-24 Approve the minutes of Thursday, September 2, 2010. *Passed*

ASB-10-SUM-25 Approve the replacement of the old TAP schedule with the schedule below, change all references of Triennial Assessment Program to Tactical assessment program and change office 3-year requirements to 4 year requirements as stated in Doc. 1. *Passed*

Colin Watrin, AS President, called the meeting to order at 12:34 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION ASB-10-SUM-24 by Ikegwuoha

Approve the minutes of Thursday, September 2, 2010

Second: Starkey Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: Passed

II. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

III. PUBLIC FORUM (*comments from students and the community*)

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS – Guests

V. ACTION ITEMS - Guests

VI. PERSONNEL ITEMS (*subject to immediate action*)

VII. ACTION ITEMS- Board

A. TAP Updates

Brockman Doc. 1

Brockman said that he has not heard of any issues with the schedule. He came up with a name change to Tactical Assessment Program. Tactical means: of or pertaining to a maneuver or plan of action designed as an expedient toward gaining a desired end or temporary advantage. He thinks that this allows them to move towards goals in offices and to keep the TAP acronym. In response to concerns, Brockman did change the Publicity Center year for TAP. Ikegwuoha wondered why people did not like the AS Assessment Program (ASAP). Brockman is concerned that calling it ASAP may make people feel that they need to rush and he would like people to take time with this assessment. Rinonos-Diaz, Beck. Ikegwuoha was just concerned that we were getting locked in by the acronym TAP. Rinonos-Diaz said he understood that one of the main reasons that they are proposing to change the schedule is because there wasn't enough time to look carefully at each office.

MOTION ASB-10-SUM-25 by Brockman

Approve the replacement of the old TAP schedule with the schedule below, change all references of Triennial Assessment Program to Tactical assessment program and change office 3-year requirements to 4 year requirements as stated in Doc. 1.

Second: Rinonos-Diaz Vote: 7 - 0 - 0 Action: Passed

VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS – Board

IX. CONSENT ITEMS *(subject to immediate action)***X. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AS COMMITTEE MOTIONS****XI. STUDENT SENATE REPORT-** The Senate does not meet during the summer.**XII. BOARD REPORTS****VP for Business & Operations**

Benjamin Brockman reported that he attended training and had a great time. During Fall Quarter he is trying to rewrite AS Job Descriptions in accordance with the AS Personnel Committee to make all job descriptions result oriented/outcome based. He is working with the AS Business Committee to look into the possibility of investing AS funds in Municipal Bonds. He has many ideas for Management Council and is excited for fall quarter to start.

VP for Academic Affairs

Ramon Rinonos-Diaz reported that he has been at training with the AS employees. Tonight is Viking Launch. There are about 100 Freshman are on campus. There will be an AS Ice Cream Social and a Dance tonight with music by KUGS.

VP for Student Life

Jamin Agosti reported that his entire life is the Green Energy Fee. The Graduate Assistant position description is out of committee and has been submitted to the AS Personnel Office. The Education Coordinator job description will be available soon. The committee is working on guidelines tomorrow. They are hoping finish the guidelines soon so they can start working on the actual system for proposal submission. This be in line with the proposed timeline. He has been working with contracts and purchasing to make a Request for Proposals for the bus redesign project. He is creating a draft contract that will come to the Board soon. This does not mean they need to spend funds, but will allow them to get more accurate estimates. There was a \$500 increase in shipping costs for trinkets for the Info Fair because of some errors in the order and proofs. The long-term marketing group is still meeting; they had a great training session and will be working on policies of the future of marketing the AS. The summer test of the Bus Pass/Western Card combination was a success and this will now happen with all Western Cards. Bus Passes should be active Monday of next week.

VP for Governmental Affairs

Byron Starkey reported that last night was a voter registration/education workshop. He commended the Publicity Center for their work on the voter pledge card. Students will fill out their address and then be mailed a reminder to vote. They are going to try to get public officials to help out with voter registration, as there was interest in getting students to vote. Higher Education Coordinating Board is on Thursday. There will be discussions about how the lottery funds coincide with State Need Grants and Financial Aid. Also there will be a round table discussion around higher education. In a recent Seattle Times Article, Governor Gregoire said she is leaning towards a high tuition, high aid model. This is a bit frightening to Starkey because those models don't typically work to help people who can't afford education, because the aid isn't actually available. Legislative Affairs Council and the Legislative Liaison will be discussing the steps that they need to take. Starkey got permission to go into the Residence Halls to register people to vote.

VP for Activities

Alisha Beck reported she has been working on the trinkets. She has been working with the new AS Club Coordinator to get her more comfortable with the position. They have been working on Activities Council Training, Activities Council and the AS Club Kickoff.

VP for Diversity

Bernard Ikegwuoha reported that apart from training, he met with Majkut. He has been in conversations with Michael Vendiola on Building Unity and TAP. He has been calling attention to the need to include him in these processes. He will be working with Ted Pratt, Majkut and Vendiola on the relationship between the AS VP for Diversity and the Ethnic Student Center (ESC) and Resource and Outreach Programs (ROP). He will bring the ESC Steering Committee Charge & Charter to the Board to discuss adding a ROP Representative.

President

Colin Watrin reported that he has been doing training and programming. He has been working with the Personnel Office and the training planning crew. He has been working with Starkey on some of the issues just discussed. Agosti and Watrin met with Editors of the Western Front to talk about this year and they also set up expectations with staff during AS Training. He has been in discussions with Dr. Coughlin and University Administrators about the current budget situation and ways in which the AS can play a role in the process that is happening around deciding which areas will be cut in the upcoming months and what areas the AS could supplement, this will be discussed later. Watrin has also been preparing for students to return to Western with Convocation and the Red Square Info Fair.

XIII. OTHER BUSINESS-

- A. Charge & Charters need to get renewed before the third meeting of fall quarter.
- B. Legacy documents for the summer should be done by the first week of classes.
- C. Please update your class schedule.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ACCLAMATION AT 12:54 P.M.