

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

Monday, August 6, 2012

VU 460

AS Board Officers: *Present:* Ethan Glemaker (President), Victor Celis (VP Academics), Carly C Roberts (VP Activities), Hung Le (VP Bus Ops), Deng de Duot (VP Diversity), and Katie Savinski (VP Student Life) *Absent:* Patrick Stickney (VP Governmental Affairs)

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

MOTIONS

ASB-12-SUM-4 Approve the minutes of July 11th and 12th. *Passed*

ASB-12-SUM-5 Approve the AS Student Senate Charge and Charter, changing “underrepresented groups” to “underrepresented students” and removing “and a majority vote of the Student Senate”. *Passed*

ASB-12-SUM-6 Approve Consent Item A Green Energy Fee Education Coordinator job description. *Passed*

ASB-12-SUM-7 Approve Consent Item B. *Passed*

Ethan Glemaker, AS President, called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION ASB-12-SUM-4 by Celis

Approve the minutes of July 11th and 12th.

Second: Roberts 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. Student Senate Charge & Charter *(15 minutes)* Celis Doc. 1

Celis removed repetitive sentence about issues coming from committees, changed the ESC representation to underrepresented groups. There is an issue of spots possibly not being filled for the college representatives- this will be addressed in the Student Senate By-Laws. Duot likes the changes and feels they are moving in the right direction. He requested changing the language to underrepresented “students” or “minorities”. Duot feels that in the future the Student Senate Chair needs to be more empowered. Roberts thinks that underrepresented groups is very broad and wondered if it would be explained in the By-Laws. Savinski dittoed. Celis feels that with it being broad it is open to more students. Glemaker doesn’t want to target membership. Savinski asked Majkut if this kind of language is in any other charge and charter. Duot dittoed. She is unsure how they would select someone for that position. Duot thinks that they should just do more recruiting in underrepresented populations, instead of having a dedicated person. Celis thinks that someone who comes from a background of being underrepresented would be best to come from that viewpoint, but it is really just someone to be a voice for this population. Senate is meant to be representative on a very broad level and feels that this is an important perspective to include. Roberts asked how they would choose who is the most underrepresented. Celis thinks the student will be chosen by their passion, experience,

and advocacy. Makjut said that often they speak about historically underrepresented students and they create a position like this to try to represent typically unheard voices. He said that ideally everyone in the Senate would be responsible for representing all students. Roberts feels that most people have some part of their identity that is underrepresented and it is a lot to put on a student to have to look at all areas underrepresented. She thinks that it is not a good idea to create this position without some way to select the student. The Board extended debate. Majkut said that according to the amendments section the Senate would also need to approve the document. He suggests removing the Senate as it is really up to the Board to set the direction for their advisory committee. The Senate can always bring suggestions to the Board.

MOTION ASB-12-SUM-5 by Celis

Approve the AS Student Senate Charge and Charter, changing “underrepresented groups” to “underrepresented students” and removing “and a majority vote of the Student Senate”.

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

VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS - Board*

A. Viqueen Well Pump Replacement (15 minutes) Le Doc. 2

Le said the pump which gets water from the well at Viqueen Lodge has broken. The part lasted past its expectancy. They replaced it with a more superior part as an emergency action, because the lodge is booked solid throughout the summer. This request is to transfer funds from the general repair and replacement. \$505.01 is the cost of the engine, the clutch and tax. The Viking Union absorbed the cost of traveling to Viqueen to replace the part.

B. ESC Steering Charge & Charter (CC) (5 minutes) Duot Doc. 3

Duot said that Steering’s job is to manage the \$25,000 that is allotted to ESC Clubs. He has no changes this year. Celis would like to change “she/he” to “they” to be more inclusive. This will be a change to the Charge & Charter Template. Duot said that the committee last year didn’t like the floating chairperson model, but he would like to keep it in the charter for one more year. He will ask the committee what they would like to do. The rotating ROP representative worked well last year to help create communication about events between the two groups, but they did not attend every week. Glemaker feels that it isn’t a good idea to have this in the membership if they are not attending consistently. Duot feels it is fine to leave that representative in. There has been discussion about the ROP as a unit wanting to be more connected to the ESC, this was a step in that direction. Glemaker thinks that they should speak with the ROP Director about attendance at the meetings, if they are to be included in the membership. Savinski suggested having it rotate per quarter instead of per meeting because it might help with consistency. Le feels that this is an internal committee and doesn’t understand why the ROP needs to be there every meeting. Duot said that the meetings are not just about funding proposals but also about dialogue.

C. Underrepresented Student Employment CC (5 minutes) Duot Doc. 4

Duot created this committee to provide support for underrepresented student workers. They have moved from about 17% to 21% of minority students employed by the AS.

IX. CONSENT ITEMS (subject to immediate action)

A. Green Energy Fee Coordinator Job Description (10 minutes) Savinski Doc. 5

Savinski said that this document was sent to Personnel Committee, but it was not reviewed. The job description that was posted wasn’t the standardized AS job description format, so this was an opportunity to put it more in line with other descriptions.

MOTION ASB-12-SUM-6 by Celis

Approve Consent Item A Green Energy Fee Education Coordinator job description.

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

B. Temporary Committee Appointments

Academic Grievance & Academic Honesty: Victor Celis and Caitlin Huntsman

Celis was speaking to the secretary for the Provost and there will be cases right at the beginning of the year. Celis and Huntsman volunteered but are hoping to be replaced by students at-large after the academic year begins.

MOTION ASB-12-SUM-7 by Duot

Approve Consent Item B.

Second: Roberts

Vote: 6 - 0 - 1

Action: Passed

X. BOARD REPORTS

President

Ethan Glemaker reported that he and Stickney finished the letter expressing the Board's opinion on rental licensing to the City Council and the Mayor. This letter was originally started by last year's Board to highlight the existing resolution. Orallo-Molinaro also did a press release.

VP for Activities

Carly C Roberts reported that she has been having conversations about program saturation in the AS. Le and Roberts will be working together to gather information, they will also be including directors who are part of Management Council. Roberts is getting t-shirt quotes from the Publicity Center at which point the Board can continue their visibility discussion. She will follow up with the Western Front on creating the media seating section at Board Meetings.

VP for Business & Operations

Hung Le reported that he has been working with Jim Schuster on getting more student opinions on furniture decisions by bringing it to Facilities & Services Council. He is also having conversations with the Communications Office about combining Facebook accounts to expand Board visibility. He is also working with Richards on fall training.

VP for Diversity

Deng de Duot reported that he was not in the office last week because he was on break after finishing up his summer classes.

VP for Student Life

Katie Savinski reported that the Green Energy Fee Coordinator has been hired which is exciting. Glemaker, Kurt Willis and Savinski met about the Bottled Water Initiative to start to establish the Board's role in the coming year.

XIII. OTHER BUSINESS

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED BY ACCLAMATION AT 4:55 P.M.