



Associated Students of Western Washington University

Board of Directors

Request for Funding: AS Ballot Box

Sponsor: Patrick Stickney, ASVP for Governmental Affairs

Proposed Motion: To approve \$2,300.00 from the AS Reserve to pay for the AS Ballot Drop Box.

Request: Requesting to use no more than \$2,300 from Reserve Account

Rationale: As a state, county auditors are moving towards installing permanent ballot drop-off boxes to allow students and Western community members to vote on campus year-round. Traditionally the AS has only operated a drop box on the last two days of the general election, limiting the amount of time a person can use campus to vote. By installing a ballot box, the Associated Students and the Whatcom County Auditor can save on time associated with temporary boxes, and the AS will be able to brand the box with the Western logo. The ballot box would be located right outside the bookstore, and the location has been approved by the University. Approving the funding now will allow us to order the box and have it installed by the next election.

Budget:

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| • Ballot box cost, plus shipping & tax | \$1300.00 |
| • Installation by Facilities Management (Greg's ballpark estimate) | \$500.00 |
| • Skin to cover box with graphics, text | \$300.00 |
| • Miscellaneous, extra in case any estimates off | \$200.00 |

Not to Exceed Total: \$2,300.00