

## Additional Minor Changes to Local Liaison JD

Greetings, Personnel Committee Members,

We have found that the AS VP for Governmental Affairs and the AS VP for Student Life overlap in some instances, such as those related to housing, transportation, safety, and wellness. The VP for Governmental Affairs and the AS Representation and Engagement Programs advocate for these changes externally, with the local, state, and federal legislatures. The VP for Student life advocates for often similar issues, on the campus level, serving on many key university committees that impact student health, safety, transportation, etc. Because of this, we see a need for the AS Local Liaison position to have the following changes to fill in the informational gaps. These changes would provide the Local Liaison with more information relating to the University aspects of the AS Local Agenda while also allowing the VP for Student Life to know about some of the local aspects that may impact their position's responsibilities (advocating changes to the administration). Essentially, this would complete the relationship between the AS, university, and local governments so more collaboration can occur.

### Position Responsibilities

- Keep the Associated Students updated on all local issues relevant to students by:
  - Obtaining and reviewing all agendas of the City Council, County Council, WTA Board of Directors, Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Commission, Campus Community Coalition, and all other relevant local bodies.
  - Assist the AS Vice President for Governmental Affairs by attending the meetings of City Council, Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Commission, and the Campus Community Coalition.
  - Serving as the ~~Alternate~~ Representative for the Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Commission.
  - Providing/Sending biweekly reports to the AS Vice President for Governmental Affairs on all local issues via weekly check-ins.
  - Attending monthly check-ins with the AS Vice President for Student Life to discuss local issues impacting student life.
- Work towards local policy favorable to students by:
  - Actively establishing working relationships with local civic leaders.
  - Giving oral and written testimony to the appropriate local body with approval of the AS Vice President for Governmental Affairs.
  - Partnering with complimentary University offices, employees, and faculty, as necessary, to advocate outcomes on the local level in the best interest of students.
  - Attending University committees as needed and communicating with the committees' respective AS Board Liaison (including but not limited to University Central Health and Safety Committee, University Emergency Management Council, and University Parking and Transportation Advisory Committee)

- Consulting with the AS Vice President for Governmental Affairs before representing the ASWWU on any local policy issue of concern to students.
- Partnering with, as necessary, AS offices, employees, and committees involved in work with a local policy dimension.
- Serve as a voting member on the AS Legislative Affairs Council and the AS Transportation Advisory Council
- Encourage local civic engagement by students by:
  - Publishing reports on local policy issues.
  - Taking an auxiliary role to any voter registration campaign undertaken by the Representation and Engagement Program and chartered organizations to promote voting in local elections.
  - Working with the Legislative and Voter Education Assistant or REP **Associate** Director in the creation of a calendar promoting the political engagement of students.
- Sit as voting member on LAC (currently voting member, just not reflected) and AS TAC (currently sits on, VP Student Life to change C&C)
- Weekly one-on-ones with AS VP Governmental Affairs (currently happens, not reflected)
- Monthly one-on-ones with AS VP Student Life (current VP Student Life agrees this should occur)
- Attend University Committee meetings as needed and relevant and communicate with appropriate AS Board Member Liaison (Emergency Management Council, PTAC, Central Health and Safety, etc)
- Strike Alternate in front of MNAC representative in Position responsibilities (bullet 1, sub bullet 3) (not technically Alternate, just serving as Student Representative)
- This will also require some changes to the VP's JDs (one on ones and communications)
- Strike Associate before Director

Best,

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