

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

Friday, April 29th, 2016 VU 567

**AS Board Officers:** *Present:* Belina Seare (President), Israel Ríos (VP Activities), Zach Dove (VP Academic Affairs), Hannah Brock (VP for Business and Operations), Abby Ramos (VP Diversity), Patrick Eckroth (VP Governmental Affairs), and Emma Palumbo (VP for Student Life).

**Guest(s):** Jeff Bates (Publicity Center Coordinator), Bill Martin (Student at Large)

**Advisor:** Eric Alexander (Associate Dean of Student Engagement and the Director of the Viking Union Facilities)

**MOTIONS**

- ASB-16-S-21** Approve the Publicity Center Printer Proposal Funding Request to an Action Item.
- ASB-16-S-22** Approve up to \$15,000 for the Purchase of an HP 310 Latex Printer from FXXRES and an Annual Allocation Increase up to #3750 to FXXCRR.
- ASB-16-S-23** Approve the Consent Items with the removal of the Activities Council Appointment.

*Belina Seare, AS President, called the meeting to order at 8:41 a.m.*

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**II. PUBLIC FORUM**

**III. INFORMATION ITEMS- Guests\***

**A. Publicity Center Printer Proposal**

Brock said this proposal would be up to \$15,000 for a HP 310 Latex Printer. Bates said they operate right now with a printer that can only use a certain type of ink. The printer has been great but it always scuffs the paper when printing large posters which is not good! The inks are great but they are not permanent. They fade after eight months in the sun. For instance, the AS Fall Info Fair usually will roll up the large poster and save it for the following year but they can't do that without it fading. They are looking into a new printer and found a great option. It would be less than \$14,000 if they secure it in the next 10 days, if not it will be about \$1,000 more expensive. There was an Orlando show that works with sellers and said if they sell it within 30 days of the event, they can get it at a discount. This printer offers ink that degrades a lot less quickly. PCB's aren't in the ink either which is good because right now they can only print stickers and things on items that have PCB's in it. They got their current printer four years ago. There is no other latex printer on campus and copy services and other places may want to use it when the PC doesn't need it. They want it out of the new equipment budget which has about \$50,000 in it. Brock said the only thing they expect to come out of that is the Tablets so there is money in that budget still. Bates said Chris Miller the Information Technology Manager is in support of this too. Dove said how long till they

will need to replace this one? Bates said he is hoping it will last six years. Rios said he wants to move it to an action item.

***MOTION: ASB-16-S-21 by Palumbo***

Approve the Publicity Center Printer Proposal Funding Request to an Action Item.

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

***MOTION: ASB-16-S-22 by Brock***

Approve up to \$15,000 for the Purchase of an HP 310 Latex Printer from FXXRES and an Annual Allocation Increase up to #3750 to FXXCRR.

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

## **B. Structural Review Committee Update**

Brock said she is providing the nonfiltered responses. The AS Structural Review Committee is looking at the AS Structure and one part they are looking at is implementing a senate. The VP for Business and Operations, the VP for Student Life, and the VP for Governmental Affairs positions are on this committee. They have been assessing the whole structural of the AS including the governance and programing sides. They have been critically looking at it and assessing it. They sent out a survey via bullseye and they were really intentional with their questions. They asked questions specifically about the senate and what students want to see in a senate. Brock said when they were assessing their models, they took what they liked and didn't like. They looked at things like a student senate and having different advocacy groups. They looked at how things intertwined between the governance and programmatic side. It's hard with a couple positions because they do a lot of advocacy work and then also overlook programmatic. They asked students how familiar they are with the Associated Students as a representative body and asked them to rank it between 1-10, and 10 being the most aware. They got a 4.8 which is not as bad as she thought but still not great. They asked which Associated Student's programs and services they are most familiar with and the highest responses are AS clubs and KUGS. They asked how well they feel like the associated students serve them and slightly well and not well at all was the majority. The next question was how well do they think this structure is able to represent them and other students? Rios said he sees these results as decent. When they try to represent such a diverse group, they moderately represent everyone. Brock said she will keep the survey open. The next question is about having a student senate and how important they thought it was. They got really positive responses. They then asked how they would like that student senate to look like. They asked whether it should be by college, academic departments which was about 60 departments, academic year, identity based and more. The two highest was academic departments and college. Seare said they also can elect senators. Brock said then they gave an option for people to write in and there were some fun ones, such as parents, having a hunger games scenario, jury duty, out of state and transfer students. Brock said the next one was the appointment process. They gave options like an election, an application, or an appointment. Highest responses were for an application process. They could do a hybrid. Seare said could they elect a president and a vice president and have an application process for the rest? Rios said a lot of community colleges do that. Brock said who would be deciding the appointments? Eckroth said it depends if they chose academic departments it may be a committee within the department who decides. Ramos said that's way better. Seare said for the questions she would change "Please indicate 'class standing'" to "class year". Rios

asked how will they be getting the results back to people. Brock said she will bring this to AS Structural Review Committee.

### **C. Resolution on Student Labor**

Dove said he changes a couple of the whereas's in this. Rios said he had a question about the last be it also resolved. Can they do that and can the AS do that? Alexander said as a Board he doesn't know. Ramos said should they say students of AS of WWU? Martin said would they bring this to Faculty Senate still? Dove said ideally, yes. There are only a couple meetings, so it might not make it on the agenda. Rios said it will look badly because they don't pay the AS for their 15 hour internships. Brock said she was Personnel Director last year. It's an interesting topic. They have a new hire night and 15 hours of internship they require. The people who are working get paid. They get paid for fall staff development and a bonus there. Its included in their salary. It gets to a grey area with the internships though. Dove said it wouldn't be very grey area in legal senses. Dove said they need to critically think about their own organization too. Alexander said do they have unpaid internships? Dove said yes. These are specifically unpaid trainings. Rios said and they are required to do it. Brock said with the classes though they are paying for those credits. Seare said there are a lot of people don't reach the 15-hour mark of the internships too. When she did her internship it was just a broad knowledge about the AS and the position. Dove said this is saying they are going to assess the practice. Eckroth said on an average it would be around \$16,000 more in expenses if they paid for the required 15-hour internship.

#### **IV. ACTION ITEMS - Guests\***

#### **V. PERSONNEL ITEMS** *(subject to immediate action)*

#### **VI. ACTION ITEMS - Board\***

#### **VII. INFORMATION ITEMS - Board\***

#### **VIII. CONSENT ITEMS** *(subject to immediate action)*

##### **A. Committee Appointments**

##### **Election Board**

Gabriel Ibanez                      MIS    Junior

##### **Activities Council**

Sarah Kobayashi                      Communication Studies      Junior

Rios said he would like to strike the appointment for Activities Council too late in the year to get them trained.

***MOTION: ASB-16-S-23 by Eckroth***

Approve the Consent Items with the removal of the Activities Council Appointment.

Second: Eckroth Vote: 6-0-1 Action: Passed

## **IX. BOARD REPORTS**

**Belina Seare, AS President** did not give a report.

**Zach Dove, VP for Academic Affairs** reported that Math and Free Pizza event Thursday at 4pm. They will be talking about what math is doing and come up with ways students can get involved. Student Technology Fee Committee is going to meet up again to go over more proposals. The Community Dialogue event planning is well underway. The grade replacement policy got tabled to the next meeting.

**Patrick Eckroth, VP for Governmental Affairs** reported that the Washington Student Association (WSA) meeting happened last week for the April Board of Directors meeting and it was a brief meeting. Overall it was alright. They got prepped for their following meeting. They have 14 people going to the General Assembly meeting for WSA. Ideally they will be bringing 21 students. Agenda items are due tomorrow for their state lobbying agenda for next year. May 7<sup>th</sup> is their deadline though. Two WWU students got nominated for Executive Board positions in WSA. He asked the Board to get him any proposal they may want to add to the WSA agenda.

**Hannah Brock, VP for Business and Operations** reported that she would like to give Emma J. Opsal credit for starting an assessment of their assessment process. She is going to do a great job. Services and Activities (S&A) Fee Committee had a meeting yesterday. They brought a bunch of questions from the other groups. They didn't get any specific questions but they asked a bunch of questions. Athletics gets 48% of their budget is from S & A. Recreation Sports is 8% of their total budget. Brock said they are paying a lot of money for some publications like Jeopardy. Budgeting process is going to be having a late night. Ramos said Jeopardy is a way to say students are published and it is a really good publication.

**Abby Ramos VP for Diversity** reported that two weeks ago MEChA had their conference. They had about 80 from people in Oregon and Idaho attend. Barbara Sandoval from the President's Office sent an email about the University Planning and Resource Council (UPRC)'s capital budget. They can fill out the survey out and its important they do. They are creating what capital budget proposals they will be putting forward. UPRC did a survey to rate the different packages and only got 12 responses. Highest was math restructure to hire a full time position to analyses what it wrong with the math department. One thing they noticed was that WWU isn't budgeting for technology updates and consistently going to UPRC for it.

**Israel Ríos VP for Activities** reported that two clubs got approved. Hannah Brock, Stacy Ejim and him are meeting with Lisa Rosenberg to go over the oath for the AS Board Inauguration event that is May 24<sup>th</sup>. If they all have any comments on the oath, let him know.

**Emma Palumbo VP for Student Life** did not give a report.

## **XI. OTHER BUSINESS**

*Belina Seare, AS President, adjourned the meeting at 9:59 a.m.*

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