Associated Students of Western Washington University
Ethnic Student Center Steering Committee Charge & Charter
October, 2009

I. CHARGE

To set policies and procedures for the Ethnic Student Center (ESC). To provide a forum to discuss information, concerns and issues amongst ESC Clubs. To disburse programming funds granted by the Associated Students (AS) Board of Directors. To ratify new ESC clubs from organizations recognized by the AS Activities Council. To serve as a forum for ESC interclub dialogue and support.

II. MEMBERSHIP

- AS Vice President for Diversity (non-voting Chair)
- Floating Co-Chairperson selected from the ESC SC
- One representative from each current ESC ratified club
- ESC Coordinator/Activities Advisor (non-voting advisor)
- Assistant (non-voting)
- Rotating R.O.P Coordinator (non-voting)

III. CHAIR

The Chairperson shall be the AS Vice President for Diversity. (S)he convenes all meetings, approves agendas and presides at all meetings. There shall be a floating co-chairperson to assist the AS Vice President for Diversity in facilitating each ESC SC meeting. The floating co-chairperson shall be appointed at the end of each meeting from the ESC SC representative voting membership for the following meeting. Each ESC SC voting representative is required to act as co-chairperson at least once during the academic year.

IV. MEETINGS

Upon the first ESC SC meeting during Fall Quarter each year, the ESC SC shall determine a regular schedule of meetings. Meetings will be held weekly and are open. Meetings shall be called by the chair with a minimum of 48 hours notice.

V. VOTING

In order for a motion to pass, it must obtain a majority of the legal votes cast. An abstention shall not count as a legal vote cast. In the event of a tie, the AS Vice President for Diversity shall be granted the tie-breaking vote.

VI. QUORUM

A majority of the voting membership seated shall constitute a quorum. If a quorum is not present, the Chair will adjourn the meeting and reschedule to a new day and hour.

VII. AMENDMENTS

This Charter may be amended by a majority vote of the AS Board of Directors.

VIII. RULES

The Committee may adopt Rules governing its operation by a majority vote of the voting members, subject to review by the AS Board of Directors.

IX. REPORTAGE

Committee shall report to the AS Board of Directors through the AS Vice President for Diversity.

X. SUBCOMMITTEES

In order to provide for coordination and direction within specific activity areas, the Committee may establish subcommittees as necessary.
Unless otherwise noted, these groups shall follow the provisions of the ESC Steering Committee, with respect to procedure.

Motion: ASB-09-F-44