Associated Students of Western Washington University
Budget Committee Charge & Charter
December 2011 October 2012

I. CHARGE

The purpose of Budget Committee is to review the budget proposals of the AS organizations and activities and to establish the operating budget in the form of a recommendation for the next fiscal year by:
• Proposing a budget that carries out the mission of the AS.
• Presenting the proposed AS budget to the AS Board of Directors for approval.

II. MEMBERSHIP

AS Business Director (Chair)
AS Vice President for Business and Operations (Vice Chair)
3-5 at-large students
VU Finance Office Manager (non-voting)
Director of Student Activities (non-voting)
Secretary (non-voting)

III. CHAIR

The Chairperson shall be the AS Business Director. The Chairperson shall convene the meetings, approve agendas, and preside at all meetings. The Vice-Chairperson shall be the AS Vice President for Business & Operations and acts in the absence of the Chairperson.

IV. MEETINGS

Meetings shall be called by the Chair. The committee shall meet no later than the third week of winter quarter. The committee shall meet as necessary, but hold not less than five meetings total to facilitate training, presentations by AS organizations, decision-making and voting on a final recommendation. Meetings may be called with a minimum of twenty four (24) hours notice. Meetings may also be called by any member with support of at least twenty-five (25%) of the seated, voting membership.

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.

VI. QUORUM

A majority of the voting membership 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. SUBCOMMITTEES

In order to provide for coordination and direction, the committee may establish subcommittees as necessary. Unless otherwise noted, these groups shall follow the provisions of the committee with respect to procedure.

VIII. RULES OF OPERATION

The committee may adopt and amend rules of operation governing its operation by a majority vote of the committee, subject to review or approval by the AS Board of Directors.

IX. AMENDMENTS

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

X. REPORTAGE

This committee shall report to the AS Board of Directors through the AS Business Director.