



Western Washington University Associated Students Ethnic Student Center Steering Committee Meeting

Meeting minutes for: Tuesday, February 24, 2015

Non-Voting Members: Cristina Rodriguez (VP of Diversity), Teena Thach (ESC Marketing and Outreach Coordinator) Kaleb Ode (AS Assistant Business Director), Nate Pane lo (ESC Coordinator)

Voting Members: Shiffite Awel (ACC), Marya Draw (BSU), Andy Hu (CSA), James Accos (FASA), Leia Stuber (HOH), Annie Chen (JSA), Laksmi Van (KhSA), Tina Cha (KSA), Enrique Hernandez (LSU), Evan Spiytler (MISO), Serina Edward-Pius (SASA), Kenny Dang (VSA), Vong Chang (WHSa)

Secretary: Riley Fraser (Board Assistant for Club Committees)

Motions

SC-15-W-05 - Approval of the minutes from the 3-17-15 meeting

SC-15-W-06 - Approval of the minutes from the 1-20-15 meeting.

SC-15-W-07 - Approval of \$1,000 to the Japanese Student Association.

SC-15-W-08 - Approval of \$200 a person for up to 10 people, in the form of an underwrite, to the Black Student Union.

SC-15-W-09 - Approval of \$500 to African Caribbean Club.

Cristina Rodriguez, VP of Diversity, called the meeting to order at 5:10 pm on February 24th, 2015.

I. APPROVE MINUTES (1-20-15, 2-17-15)

Motion SC-15-W-05 by Draw

Approval of the minutes from the 2-17-15 meeting, with the stipulation that the spelling of Tompkins corrected.

Second: Awel Vote: 13-0-0 Motion: Passed

Motion SC-15-W-06 by Awel

Approval of the minutes from the 1-20-15 meeting.

Second: Hernandez Vote: 13-0-0 Motion: Passed

II. FINANCIAL REPORT

Nate Panelo said that there had been a change in one of the requests the Committee was to hear today: JSA's request decreased from \$2000 to \$1000. The Committee should also be expecting some funds returning from completed events that the Committee funded that went very well. Panelo expected \$500-900 coming back from FASA.

III. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Khmer Student Association - \$1500

Laksmi Van said that KhSA will have a Heritage Dinner on April 18th from 6 to 9. The club has made big changes in order to prevent going over budget like last year. One of the changes is that they will be catering through Aramark, so they are able to pull from both the Leonard Jones fund and the Diversity fund. As a result, the requested amount is less than last year, and will mostly go towards costumes for the dancers, food, and publicity. Tickets will be \$10 for students and \$15 for community members. There will be food, a keynote speaker, and about 5 different performing groups.

This Information Item will be voted upon next meeting as an Action Item.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. Japanese Student Association - \$1000

Annie Chen said the JSA is requesting \$1000 for the Japanese Heritage Dinner being held on March 7th in the VU Multipurpose Room. The reason the request decreased from \$2000 is because they were able to save a lot of money with the cost of food.

SC-15-W-07 by Draw

Approval of \$1,000 to the Japanese Student Association.

Second: Hernandez

Vote: 12-0-1

Motion: Passed

B. Black Student Union - \$1,300-\$ 1,935

Marya Draw said that the BSU is asking for money to fund a number of their members to attend the Women of Color Conference in Chicago on March 26-29th. This conference is dedicated to engaging in grassroots organizing projects, critical conversations, national actions, transnational campaigns, and community building strategies to end colonial, racial, and gender-based violence against women of color, trans and queer people of color, and our communities. BSU provided two different request amounts, depending on how many members attend the Conference. The funds will go towards hotel costs, which will vary depending on how many members will be attending; \$1,300 for 6 people, \$1,935 for 10 people. The actual registration for the Conference is only \$25, which is a very good price considering registration costs for other conferences. As it stands, BSU only needs funding for hotel costs; all other costs have been covered. Panelo recommended that rather than fund a comprehensive amount, they fund \$200 a person once an actual number of attendees is finalized, which would just about equal the highest amount requested while still covering the costs for all members who will be attending the conference.

SC-15-W-08 by Hernandez

Approval of \$200 a person for up to 10 people, in the form of an underwrite, to the Black Student Union.

Second: Dang Vote: 12-0-1 Action: Passed

C. African Caribbean Club - \$500

Shiffite Awel said the ACC Carnival is this weekend at 6 on February 28th. Carnival is an event celebrated in many different ways across the Caribbean, and this is the first time the event will be celebrated on the Western campus. There will be food, dancing, and fun activities. The funds would cover Aramark Catering. The ACC hopes that this event will be annual.

Motion SC-15-W-09 by Stuber

Approval of \$500 to African Caribbean Club.

Second: Accos Vote: 12-0-1 Motion: Passed

V. CLUB UPDATES

ACC: Carnival event this Saturday at 6, and meetings for the heritage dinner in the Spring.

BSU: Heritage dinner was last weekend and it went really well. The last Black History month meeting is today at 6.

CSA: Bake Sale next Wednesday and Thursday in Vendors Row.

ESC: Now you can sign up for weekly ESC updates on Facebook by going to the Facebook page

FASA: Meeting is in AW 210 at 7 on Wednesdays

HOH: Still having Hula practice after meetings and Tahitian practice in the AW on Sundays from 2 to 2:30. Samoan Dance is held right afterwards. We need more male participants.

JSA: Movie Night is coming up on Monday at 6.

KSA: General meeting tomorrow at 5pm in VU 464. Korean BBQ Night at 7 pm. \$5 for all you can eat.

KhSA: Heritage Dinner planning meeting today.

LSU: Meeting at 7, plus plans for Heritage Dinner on April 25th.

MISO: Regular meetings in Miller Hall

SASA: Dance meeting last Wednesday, general meeting today

VSA: Still finalizing plans for Heritage Dinner.

WHS: Meeting at 7, AW 203, doing hands-on traditional practices.

Cristina Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 5:50 pm