



**Western Washington University Associated Students  
Ethnic Student Center Steering Committee**

Meeting Minutes for: Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016

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**Non-Voting Members:** Ab by Ramos (AS VP for Diversity), Ryan Roberts (AS Club Business Director), Alejandro Ibanez (ESC Marketing and Outreach Coordinator), Nate Panelo (ESC Coordinator)

**Voting Members:** Tina Cha (KSA Steering Representative), Karen Liang (CSA Steering Representative), Vilay Lee (WWSA Steering Representative), Diana Nguyen (VSA Steering Representative), Jona Akelipa (SASA Steering Representative), Jennifer Khuu (KhSA Steering Representative), Mitchell Thompson (NASU Steering Representative), Gaiy Huang (FASA Steering Representative), Mele Mataese (HOH Steering Representative), Meron Knutzen (ACC Steering Representative), Edward Moreno (MISO Steering Representative), Cindy Marquina-Negrete (Blue Group), Hugo Sanchez (MEChA Steering Representative), Takahiro Matsune (JSA Steering Representative)

**Absent:** Jordan Butler (BSU Steering Representative), Michelle Martinez (LSU Steering Representative), Rahwa Hailemariam (Guest from ACC)

**Guests:** Brienna Kirkpatrick (Guest from HOH), Joseph Cordell (Guest from HOH)

**Secretary:** Jessi Navarre (Board Assistant for Club Committees)

### Motions

- SC-16-SPR-3-** Approval of the amount of \$225 to WWSA for their speaker event. - **PASSED**
- SC-16-SPR-4-** Approval of the amount of \$1000 to VSA for their Heritage Dinner. - **PASSED**
- SC-16-SPR-5-** Approval of the amount of \$1350 to KhSA for their Heritage Dinner. - **PASSED**
- SC-16-SPR-6-** Approval of the amount of \$1350 to KhSA for their Heritage Dinner. - **PASSED**
- SC-16-SPR-7-** Approval of the edit to the bylaws to allow a Steering Representative to present proposals. - **PASSED**

**Abby Ramos, A. S. Vice President for Diversity, called the meeting to order at 3:05p.m. on Monday, April 11th, 2016**

#### I. Action

- a. WWSA (\$225)

Ramos said that she had talked to the Admissions Office to see if they could cover this event. Ramos asked is the budget could pay for the reimbursement of the gas of guests. Panelo said that they could do a contract and they should be able to do a reimbursement. Lee said that they had already filled out the forms, but they were trying to get in touch with other people about a contract. Panelo said that he would help them look into it. He suggested an underwrite. Lee said that the goal of their event was to spread awareness about how important education is. She said the request was to help bring people to campus.

**Motion SC-16-SPR-3** by Marquina-Negrete of Blue Group

Moved to approve the amount of \$225 to WHSA for their speaker event.

Seconded: Thompson of NASU Vote: 11-1-2 **PASSED**

b. VSA (\$1200)

Someone from VSA said that they were planning a Heritage Dinner. He said they were reserving parking. He said they planned on gaining \$400. Her said they were now requesting \$1000. Panelo asked if that \$400 would be profit if they sold out. Someone said yes. Panelo suggested \$1200. Ramos suggested an underwrite.

**Motion SC-16-SPR-4** by Lee of WHSA

Moved to approve the amount of \$1000 to VSA for their Heritage Dinner.

Seconded: Huang of FASA Vote: 13-0-1 **PASSED**

c. HOH (\$2000)

Ramos asked if the budget was updated. Kirkpatrick said yes. She said that some of the prices had been reduced. She said they were still looking for some performers. She said they also increased how much they were asking from the Diversity Fund. Ramos asked if they had looked into the Lenard Jones fund. Kirkpatrick said that would only cover food from Aramark. Ramos asked how much tickets were. Kirkpatrick said it would be \$15 for student, \$19 general, and \$10 kids.

**Motion SC-16-SPR-5** by Sanchez of MEChA

Moved to approve the amount of \$1350 to KhSA for their Heritage Dinner

Seconded: Nguyen od VSA Vote: 10-1-3 **PASSED**

d. LSU (\$1600)

Ramos tabled due to the lack of a representative.

e. FASA (\$300)

Huang said that they were going to the Northwest FASA Conference. He said that \$1420 would be the cost of lodging. He said 15 were attending. Moreno asked what this was bringing back to campus. Huang said they would be bringing back new ideas from other schools. Moreno asked if this was nationwide. Huang said that it would be Washington and Oregon. Someone asked how they chose who would be attending. Huang said after the officers it was first come first served. Moreno asked if they had a limit on how many people could attend. Huang said they had a cap at 16.

**Motion SC-16-SPR-6** by Thompson of NASU

Moved to approve the amount of \$1350 to KhSA for their Heritage Dinner  
Seconded: Akelipa of SASA b Vote: 10-0-2 **PASSED**

## II. Info

### a. BSU (\$600)

Ramos said the request was for the Black Excellence Conference. Someone said that conference would be from 10am to 4pm and they would be having a Ball from 6pm to 10pm. They said everyone was invited to the Ball. They said they planned to bring in speakers. Sanchez asked if the conference was a closed space. Someone said yes, it would open to those of the Black community. They said the Ball would have a DJ and an ice cream bar. Lee asked about tickets. Someone said that they would be \$10.

### b. ACC (\$1800)

Hailemariam said the request was for their Heritage Dinner. They said they were requesting from the Lenard Jones fund and the Diversity Fund. They said the event would be in the MPR. They said their food total was \$4000. They said that a professor on campus would be their guest speaker and the cost of a performer from Portland would be \$700. They said Western students would also be performing. They said extra costs were for decorations. Ramos asked what their total for food was. Hailemariam said that it was \$4000. Ramos noted that was high. Huang suggested that they look into a Bookstore Donation. Hailemariam said no, but they would look into it.

## III. Other Business

Ramos noted that next meeting they would be looking at how much each ESC club had requested from Steering Committee. Panelo said they were under budget compared to previous years. Moreno mentioned that there would not be a MISO Heritage Dinner this year.

### a. Bylaws

i. Who Should be presenting?

Ramos asked how the Committee felt about the bylaw that stated that a Steering Representative needed to bring another representative to request funding. Thompsons said that they should not have to bring a representative. Lee said that she agreed, but that someone presenting should have a financial understand of the event or the club. Moreno asked for clarification on the working. Ramos said that a Steering Representative should not present. She said the Budget Authoirty should present. Akelips said the Steering Representatives should be the ones making proposal. Moreno said that they should have the option to bring someone in to present, but should not be forced to.

**Motion SC-16-SPR-7** by Lee of WHSA

Moved to change the bylaws to allow a Steering Representative to present proposals.

Seconded: Thompson of NASU Vote: 13-0-1 **PASSED**

ii. Max cap for breaking bylaws

Ramos tabled this item.

b. AS Update

Ramos said the Board had approved 2 new job descriptions for the ESC. She said voting was coming up the last week of April for the AS and for some referendums, one regarding the fee for the Multicultural Center. She said the Board was creating a fund for conferences as well.

IV. Club Updates

FASA- Shirts on sale and NWFASA Conference April 22-24.

MISO- Meeting 4/11 in MH 134 @ 7pm

KHSA- Heritage Dinner 4/30 @6pm

SASA- First Meeting 4/13 @5pm in AW 406

HOH- Musubi eating contest 4/13 @5pm

JSA- Japanese snack and noodle sale Monday the 18<sup>th</sup>

ACC- Heritage Dinner May 7<sup>th</sup> @5:30pm

VSA- Heritage Dinenr 4/16, \$13 general, \$10 student

KSA- Krispy Crème fundraiser in May

**Abby Ramos adjourned the meeting at 3:54pm**