



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

Meeting Minutes for: Tuesday, April 4<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)

**Voting Members:** Tina Cha (KSA Steering Representative), Karen Liang (CSA Steering Representative), Ricky Change (WHSA Steering Representative), Diana Nguyen (VSA Steering Representative), Jona Akelipa (SASA Steering Representative), Jennifer Khuu (KhSA Steering Representative), Mitchell Thompson (NASU Steering Representative), Gary Huang (FASA Steering Representative), Mele Mataese (HOH Steering Representative), Edward Moreno (MISO Steering Representative), Cindy Marquina-Negrete (Blue Group), Michelle Martinez (LSU Steering Representative), Hugo Sanchez (MEChA Steering Representative)

**Absent:** Keiichi Takano (JSA Steering Representative), Jordan Butler (BSU Steering Representative), Nate Panelo (ESC Coordinator), Meron Knutzen (ACC Steering Representative)

**Guests:** Conner Richardson (VSA), Brienna Kirkpatrick (HOH)

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

### Motions

**SC-16-SPR-1-** Approval of the minutes of 3-8-16 with the stipulation that all appropriate changes be made. - **PASSED**

**SC-16-SPR-2-** Approval of the amount of \$1350 to KhSA for their Heritage Dinner.- **PASSED**

**Abby Ramos, A.S. Vice President for Diversity, called the meeting to order at 3:05p.m. on Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

#### I. Approval of Minutes

**Motion SC-16-SPR-1** by Akelipa of SASA

Moved to approve the minutes of 3-8-16 with the stipulation that all appropriate changes be made.

Seconded: Liang of CSA Vote: 11-0-2 **PASSED**

#### II. Info

- a. WHSA (\$225)

Ricky Chang said that they were doing a Western Family tour for Hmong students. They needed \$200 for gas. He said they wanted to advocate for higher education. He said that one of WHSA's goals was to incorporate Hmong traditions into WWU society. Ramos asked who the gas was going to. Chang said the money reimburse drivers who are members of the Hmong Association of WA. Roberts said that he wasn't sure about policy. Ramos said that she would be asking the recruitment office to see if they could pay for it instead. She said that they would look at policy and come back.

b. VSA (\$1200)

Conner Richardson said the funding was needed for catering and key note speaker for their Heritage Dinner. He said the speaker was a Western alumni and the theme would be Bridging the Gaps. He said that the speaker would be talking about his experiences in college VSAs. He said they would also be bringing performers, most from WWU. He said their total was almost \$5000. He said they were bringing a photographer as well to take pictures of the event. He said that the budget underestimated the decorations. Ramos asked about tickets. Richardson said they were comping performers for half. He said student tickets would be \$10 and general admission was \$13. He said that 35 people would be getting in at \$5 comp price. Ramos said that they would break the rules because the request was under \$1500 and their event was on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Richardson suggested not. Akelipa asked if they needed the money today. Richardson said not.

c. HOH (\$2000)

Mataese said that they were requesting money for their 20<sup>th</sup> annual luau. Brienna Kirkpatrick said they were also getting funding from Diversity fun. She said that they needed funding for catering. Ramos asked how much tickets were. Kirkpatrick said that students would be \$15 and general would be \$19. Ramos asked if tickets were more expensive this year. Kirkpatrick said yes because they were going with a different caterer. Ramos mentioned that their event was the same date as back to Bellingham. Roberts asked about their revenue. Kirkpatrick said that their goal was to make money but that she would bring an updated estimate next week. She said they had club funds they could pull from if needed.

d. LSU (\$1600)

Michelle Martinez said they were paying for performers, Mariachi Club de WWU and others. She said they planned on selling bread to raise more money. She said the request was for catering and performers. Ramos asked about the Panama Performers. Martinez said that they were actually coming up from Seattle. Ramos asked for some more info on performers the next week.

a. BSU

Ramos tabled the item in lack of a representative.

b. FASA (\$300)

Huang said that they were staying in hotels on Capitol Hill. He said that they needed two bedrooms for the 6 people going. Sanchez asked about the amount of rooms. Huang said they were already covering 3 rooms at \$1,120 and were asking \$300 to cover the others.

### III. Action

a. KhSA (\$1350)

Jennifer Khuu said that funding was for their Heritage dinner. She said that Mallards had not gotten back to them yet. Ramos mentioned tickets were \$10 for students and \$15 for general. Khuu said that general was actually \$13 and children under 12 would be \$8.

**Motion SC-16-SPR-2** by Sanchez of MEChA

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

Seconded: Mataese of HOH Vote: 10-0-2 **PASSED**

### IV. Other Business

a. AS Update

Ramos said there was a committee to temporarily look at gender neutral facilities, locker rooms and rest rooms.

Ramos said the executive committee passed for the ESC Renovation. She said there were 6 spots for students. She said it closed next week. She said that anyone applying needed to be sponsored by their club and would hold that position for an entire year.

Ramos said that Activities Council was requesting more money from the Board. She said that the Bookstore Donation Fund was still open to ESC clubs as well.

Ramos said that there was discussion about changing GURs.

Ramos said that they were working on getting a fee for the multicultural center, potentially \$30 per quarter. She said that fee would be forever because they needed money to pay staff and bills like the REC Center fee. She said it would be an open meeting on Thursday. Roberts asked about the \$30. Ramos said that it would initially go towards building costs and then maintenance fees. Roberts asked about a sliding fee where the fee would go down over the years. He said that the Sustainability Fund was overflowing with money because the fee had not been lowered. Ramos said the ESC part of building would be 9000 square feet. Roberts asked if the ESC was moving in the meantime. Ramos said no. Sanchez asked what would happen if the fee was voted down. Ramos said that it would have to wait 2 years.

## V. Club Updates

WHSA- Spring Family Tour: April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Weekly Meeting time change to Wednesdays 6-7pm

KHSA- 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Heritage Dinner 4/30/16—Doors open at 6:00pm—\$10 Student w/ID, \$8 Children, \$13 General

LSU- Heritage Dinner April 21<sup>st</sup>

MEChA- Regional Conference 4/15-4/17—Workshop Proposals still open

VSA- First Meeting 4/6/16 @6pm

Heritage Dinner 4/16—\$10 Student, \$12 Adult—@5:30pm

FASA- NWFASA Conference April 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>. Shirts on sale.

KSA- First Meeting 4/6/16 in VU 565

NASU- First Meeting 4/4/16 @6pm

SASA- First Meeting 4/13/16 @5pm

MISO- First Meeting 4/4/16 in Miller Hall @7pm

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