



## Western Washington University Associated Students Ethnic Student Center Steering Committee Meeting

**Meeting Minutes for: Monday, October 3, 2016**

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**Non-Voting Members:** Aleyda Cervantes (AS VP for Diversity), Simon Bahta (Ethnic Student Center Coordinator), Mikhail Jackson (AS Club Business Director)

**Voting Members:** Lung Lu (VSA), Melanie Guan (KhSA), Tommy You (FASA), Tommy Cha (WHSA), Sophie Casalini (HOH), Takahiro Matsuno (JSA), Kluay Bale (MISO), Martha Torujo (ACC), Kelsy Khansila (KSA), Niveda Ganesh (SASA), Davida Ege (BSU), Michelle Martinez (LSU), Diego Prado (MEChA), Henry He (CSA), Fatuma Musa (ACC), Vicky Matey (Blue Group)

**Absent:** Cindy Marquina-Negrete (MEChA)

**Guests:**

**Secretary:** Julia Rutledge (Board Assistant for Club Committees)

### MOTIONS

**SC-16-F-02** - Motion to approve minutes from 9-27-2016. - **PASSED**

**SC-16-F-03** - Motion to approve \$1800 for FASA for their Heritage Dinner. - **PASSED**

**Aleyda Cervantes, VP for Diversity, called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. on Monday, October 3, 2016.**

#### **I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Cervantes explained that somebody had to make a motion to approve the minutes. Rutledge asked if anyone knew who a member named Franklin was. Nobody did, so the minutes were voted on.

**Motion SC-16-F-02.** Motion to approve the minutes from the 9/27/16 meeting by You.

**Seconded: He**

**Vote: 15-0-0**

**Action: Passed**

## II. PRESENTATION ABOUT STEERING

Cervantes began by explaining that when something was submitted on OrgSync, she would be notified and it would be put onto the agenda. She used FASA from last week as an example. The request would start out as an info item, and had to be voted on to become an action item. It had to be proposed as a motion before it could be voted on, seconded, and then discussed. The action items would be voted on in the next meeting. Questions are encouraged. The person who is presenting the item abstains from voting. The difference between info items and action items are that the action items are approved permanently, and the info items would be brought back again the next week. If it's less than \$1500, a motion can be made to suspend the by-laws, and the info item can become an action item during the same meeting. Rutledge asked if the bylaws had to be voted to be reinstated during the meeting, and Cervantes said yes.

## III. REVISIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

## IV. INFORMATION ITEMS WITH GUESTS ATTENDING

None

## V. ACTION ITEMS

A. FASA 1800

You presented that the FASA Heritage Dinner will be on October 22<sup>nd</sup>, and they needed the money for decorations and food.

Cervantes asked if anyone had any questions, and if not someone had to make a motion to approve.

Casalini asked what kind of catering. You said it was Aramark, since they didn't want to worry about outside catering. (Henry) He asked if tickets would be available by next week. You thought so, since the posters had been submitted.

**Motion SC-16-F-3 by Matey.**

**Second: He Vote: 14-1-0**

**Action: Passed**

## **VI. CLUB REPORTS**

CSA - meetings will now be biweekly, but their next meeting will be October 11<sup>th</sup>. They'll be teaching people how to play Mah-Jong.

MEChA - had their first meeting on Thursday. There were a lot of new people. On Sunday as a group they're going to see a film called "Being Black in Cuba"

LSU - first meeting was last week. Their next meeting is at 6 p.m. in the ESC.

BSU - last week was first meeting. "Was pretty chill." Their next meeting is October 4th 6-7:30 in Miller 152.

Blue Group - largest turnout in Blue Group history at their first meeting. Talking about having a conference for undocumented students in the Winter, and about getting an office in the ESC.

SASA - Their first meeting is October 4 at 6 p.m. in AW. There will be free chai.

KSA - first meeting last Wednesday. Lot of people came. Their next meeting is October 5, at 5 pm, in AW 305. They're still looking for freshman officers. They had trouble getting a room for the quarter, so for the next few weeks they're going to be in VU 464.

ACC - first meeting last week. Their next meeting is October 5, in Miller 131 at 5. Recently they have new officers

MISO - Miller Hall 154 on Mondays at 7 pm. Event about POC in the media

JSA - first general meeting last Tuesday 5-6, Miller Hall 256. Did some activities. Going to have a sports event from 11-2, October 8th on the track field.

HOH - first meeting last Thursday. Lots of freshmen. AW 210 at 6:30

WHSa - First meeting was last Tuesday at 6, AW 405. Putting on a potluck at this week's meeting

FASa - good turnout at first meeting. AW 304, might be AW 203. Wednesdays at 7 pm.

KhSa - three freshmen interested in being freshmen representatives. Big fall event is going to be a culture night. Their meetings are every Wednesday at 7 pm in AW 203.

VSA - first meeting October 5 at 6, AW 405. Still looking for freshmen representatives.

## VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Bahta said the last day to sign up for the conference is Thursday night. Free to those who live on campus, \$40 to those who don't. If committee reps end up filling positions that were vacant at the beginning of the year, Bahta would like their information.

Cervantes said to make sure that the board has everyone's emails, so people are easier to get ahold of. She also reminded people that there was a Facebook group.

Bahta said that the ESC lounge space was available for club meeting space, just let him know so that he could put it on the chart.

### A. ESC Committees: Specific Spots

Cervantes said that there were still committee spots for ESC folks. She told people how to apply for committees: go to WWU REP, and "apply for a committee". There is an application to fill out on OrgSync. The committees that have spots are Dining Services, AS Structure, and Legislative Affairs Committee. They all have spots for an ESC student. The one for Legislative Affairs gets appointed by Presidents Council. Not a lot of ESC students serve on committees, but Cervantes said that it was

nice because you get to know what's going on around campus. Also, they would be involved in Lobby Days, which she went on to explain. The meetings for Legislative Affairs are Thursdays at 6.

#### B. ESC Lobby Day

There is still an open spot on the ESC Lobby Day committee. They would be coordinating times, and working with Presidents Council to do the agenda. There is still money left over from the Legislative Affairs budget, so there is still \$8,000 to \$10,000 left to send students to the capitol. This is important, because the ESC renovation needs to be approved.

Cervantes asked who went to Building Unity, and several members raised their hands. Cervantes said that a lot of people at Building Unity talked about doing an ESC night market in the spring. She asked people to talk to their clubs so they could get ideas and start to put a budget together, since there isn't a lot of money left over in the Spring. She said that if there was a plan to do a spring event, they could talk to Alan (Altorre) about saving money. She asked people to check in with their clubs and bring it back to the next committee meeting. She asked for opinions. Martinez asked if they would be selling food, or if it would be a big potluck. Cervantes said that if you didn't have a food handler's card, you could sell crafts. She said that other people from the community, and clubs and offices around Western, could be invited. Le asked how much each club would have to contribute from their budget. Cervantes said that she didn't know, that was what they were trying to figure out. She said that it would have to be on the Communications Lawn or Red Square. She said they would have to check with Shalom and Event Services. Cervantes suggested that the night market could be a fundraiser, since feedback from Building Unity mentioned that each ESC club could do a fundraiser. Bahta said that it could be a yearly event, and it would a good show of unity for all the clubs to be involved. He said that once there were more details they could work out the cost. Cervantes said that if they start planning now, the planning over the next few months wouldn't be as rough. She said that someone was saying there could be Culture Shock at the ESC night market, but she didn't know if that was too much or not. Prado asked if the budget would be joint, or if every club would pay their own way. Cervantes said that they would pitch in for overall Event Services, but the clubs would be responsible for what they sold.

**Cervantes adjourned the meeting at 5:31, October 3, 2016.**