



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

Meeting Minutes for: Monday, October 24, 2016

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**Non-Voting Members:** Lafayette Baker (ESC Assistant Director), Simon Bahta (ESC Director), Mikhail Jackson (AS Club Business Director),

**Voting Members:** Fatuma Musa (ACC), Valeria Pedraza (Blue Group), Davida Ege (BSU), Henry He (CSA), Tommy You (FASA), Takahiro Matsuno (JSA), Melanie Guan (KhSA), Kelsy Khansila (KSA), Michelle Martinez (LSU), Enrique Hernandez (MEChA), Kluay Bale (MISO), Sophie Casalini (OSA), Niveda Ganesh (SASA), Lung Le (VSA), Tommy Cha (WH SA)

**Absent:** Aleyda Cervantes (VP for Diversity), Dalton Jones (NASU)

**Guests:**

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

MOTIONS

**SC-16-F-06** - Motion to approve the minutes from the October 17, 2016 meeting - **PASSED**

**SC-16-F-07** - Motion to suspend the by-laws and move the Halloween Bash to an action item - **PASSED**

**SC-16-F-08** - Motion to suspend the by-laws and make the Seattle Hmong New Year an action item - **PASSED**

**SC-16-F-09** - Motion to suspend the by-laws and make Dia de los Muertos into an action item - **PASSED**

**SC-16-F-10** - Motion to give Blue Group \$1000 for their webinar on November 9<sup>th</sup> - **PASSED**

**SC-16-F-11** - Motion to approve the LSU Halloween Bash for \$140 on October 27<sup>th</sup> - **PASSED**

**SC-16-F-12** - Motion to approve the \$80 for Seattle Hmong New Year on November 5<sup>th</sup> - **PASSED**



Hernandez explained that the \$250 was for the costumes for Dance de las Aztecas, which is a fee that they've never asked for before and won't need to ask for again. Originally it was \$500, but Whatcom Community College is paying for half.

**SC-16-F-09 by Le. Moved to suspend the by-laws and make Dia de los Muertos into an action item.**

**Second: Ganesh**

**Vote: 13-0-4 PASSED**

### **III. ACTION ITEMS**

#### **A. Blue Group \$1000**

Matey explained that this money was going towards having a webinar with three undocumented graduate students in California. As undocumented students, it's difficult to know what to do after college.

Cha said that his club wanted to know why the webinar cost so much, and Matey said that it was because the webinar was tailored specifically to Washington state students.

**SC-16-F-10 by Casalini. Moved to give Blue Group \$1000 for their webinar on November 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Second: Matsuno**

**Vote: 16-0-1**

**PASSED**

**SC-16-F-11 by Cha. Moved to approve the LSU Halloween Bash for \$140 on October 27<sup>th</sup>.**

**Second: Ganesh**

**Vote: 16-0-1**

**PASSED**

**SC-16-F-12 by He. Moved to approve the \$80 for Seattle Hmong New Year on November 5<sup>th</sup>.**

**Second: Musa**

**Vote: 16-0-1**

**PASSED**

**SC-16-F-13 by Ganesh. Moved to approve Dia de Los Muertos for FASA, Blue Group, LSU, and MeCHA for \$250 on November 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**IV. OTHER BUSINESS**

**A. Churros and Change Thursday October 27**

Matey said that people from the community will be there to speak about getting involved in the community. They're trying to get someone from the state but it was unsure as to whether or not they were coming. Matey said this was a good opportunity to get involved both in and off campus. Hernandez asked where it was happening and what time. Matey said it was from 7-9 in the MPR.

**B. ESC Architects Visits Dates Open Forum**

Rutledge read aloud the date and times that the three architecture firms were going to be in the ESC. Matey said that it was awesome to see this project moving along.

**C. Students of Color Conference in Oregon November 11<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup>**

Rutledge told the committee the information about the conference coming up.

**D. Matey asked if anyone had talked to their clubs about the Night Market. Nobody had. Matey suggested that people put it on their club's agenda so they didn't forget to talk to their club about ESC things. Matey and Musa said that it had been decided that May was a better time.**

**E. Matey said that in the ESC, they were trying to put together a poster of what times and dates the ESC clubs met. She wanted people to get back to her on a permanent date for their meetings. Hernandez said that clubs changed their location and times each quarter, so it might be a better idea to have a poster per quarter.**

Someone asked what the dates for the architects were. Rutledge read them off. Bahta and Baker said that it would be great if there was a big turnout, so the architects could hear what students wanted.

He asked if it had been decided if Night Market was replacing Culture Shock. Bahta said that it had not. So far, only Blue Group and ACC had given feedback. Matey said that she had heard that people didn't want to combine Night Market and Culture Shock.

Le said that VSA talked about having different group performances, instead of having just Culture Shock.

## V. CLUB UPDATES

Casalini said that OSA had dance practice every other Thursday, and they started practices last Thursday.

KSA: having a joint Halloween meeting with LSU and VSA in the ESC. There's going to be a costume contest, food, and decorations. On Halloween, they're planning on having a movie night. No details on that yet.

SASA: They're having an ESC potluck, since there were a lot of South Asian celebrations in October. Two of their members like dance, so they're planning on having dance meetings.

BSU: Meeting tomorrow at 6 in VU 462. Their meeting is about cultural appropriation.

LSU: Halloween bash happening during their general meeting.

MEChA: Dia de Los Muertos coming up. General meetings

CSA: Joint meeting with KhSA and WhSA tomorrow. Potluck, costume contest.

Blue Group: They had a lawyer come last meeting, and it was good. A mental health expert is coming to a meeting soon. Matey said that Blue Group is selling hot chocolate on Vendor's Row on Thursday. Next month is super busy because they're presenting at 5 different locations. Baker asked who the lawyer was.

FASA: Their heritage dinner went really well on Saturday. They're having a mellow meeting on Wednesday.

VSA: Join Halloween bash with KSA and LSU. Pho night soon.

KhSA: Not having a general meeting, having a Halloween meeting with other clubs instead. Vendor's Row bake sale tomorrow and Wednesday.

ACC: 5:30 in 105 (??). Finalizing details for Thanksgiving Dinner.

WhSA: Joint meeting tomorrow with CSA and KhSA. Some members in their club got interested in singing, so they're going to meet every other Wednesday. October 27<sup>th</sup>, bake sale in Vendor's Row from 11-3.

JSA: General meeting tomorrow from 5-6 in Miller Hall 235.

MISO: General meeting tonight from 7-8 in Miller Hall 154. They might be having a Halloween get-together next Monday, with a potluck. The club is working on a big event that they tried last year, Intersectionality.

## VI. ESC UPDATES

Matey said that the ESC was wondering if all the clubs wanted to have a potluck during Silent Week. People at Building Unity seemed to be interested in having that. Matey said that she was really proud of people for collaborating. She added that the FASA Heritage Dinner was amazing, and encouraged people to attend other clubs' heritage dinners.

**Vicky Matey adjourned the meeting at 5:45 pm on October 24th, 2016.**