



*Executive Board Meeting Official
Meeting Agenda*

September 15th, 2023

11:00AM – 12:00PM

To be held in-person in University Y (UWY) 103

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda
- IV. Approval of Minutes
- V. Open Public Forum
- VI. Unfinished Business
 - a **[VOTE]** Hiring of Reece Ramirez for City Liaison – Tabled from Last Week
- VII. New Business
 - a Discussion of Hour Logging Form - Alicia
 - b Washington Students Association (General Assembly) October 21st & 22nd
 - c Reflecting on Summer
 - d ***AMENDED*** **[DISCUSSION]** Hiring Jason Tran SIAS Senator
 - e ***AMENDED*** **[DISCUSSION]** Hiring Benjan Saatchi for City Liaison
- VIII. Board Updates
- IX. Advisor Updates
- X. Adjournment

II. Roll Call

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Notes</u>
President	Holly Wetzel	Here	
Director of University Affairs	Roland Heyne	Here	
Director of Internal Affairs and Communications	Jamie Song	Here	
Director of Finance	Alicia Whitten	Here	
Director of Outreach	Yolanda Escribano	Here	
Director of Legislative Affairs	Chrystal Volkova	Here	
Director of Student Technology	Jayana Estacio	Here	

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion to amend the agenda to discuss Jason Tran for SIAS Senator

Moved: Director Heyne

Seconded: Director Song

Vote: 6-0-0

Added to the agenda

Motion to amend the agenda to discuss Bejan Saatchi for City Liaison

Moved: Director Heyne

Seconded: Director Volkova

Vote: 6-0-0

Added to the agenda

IV. Approval of Minutes

Moved: Director Heyne

Seconded: Director Song

V. Open Public Forum

No members of the public were present at this meeting. President Wetzel remarks that the UW Tacoma newspaper, The Ledger, may start coming to future meetings.

VI. Unfinished Business

- a. Director Heyne reminded the board of Reece Ramirez's hourly commitments with the Ledger and that Director Volkova planned to meet with him later this week to potentially encourage him to apply for Legislative Liaison.

Director Volkova argued to table the conversation for another week so she has had the chance to speak with him prior to voting in the board meeting.

Director Whitten agreed with Volkova to table the discussion once again until next week after she has met with him.

Director Estacio agreed with Director Heyne to do the vote now and reject the candidate.

Director Volkova expressed their concerns with cutting ties with Reece so abruptly when there is a potential for them to be her legislative liaison. Director Estacio commented that the board should be prioritizing whether or not our future employees can make meeting times and not just filling positions for the sake of filling them. Director Volkova spoke highly of Reece's capabilities in response and reminded to the board that he would not have been brought forward as a candidate if she did not feel that he could do the job.

Director Escribano expressed to the board that if the event that we do not move forward with Reece that it should be made known to him that he was a very qualified candidate.

Director Estacio inquired what it would mean if Reece was in the room right now listening to this discussion. President Wetzel clarified the procedures for members of the public being present in meetings.

Motion to Table This Discussion for Next Week

Moved: Director Volkova

Seconded: Director Heyne

5-0-1, Director Estacio abstains.

VII. New Business

- a. Motion to Table Hour Logging Form to discuss next week to finalize the procedures prior to bring to the board.

Moved: Director Whitten

Seconded: Director Song

Vote: 6-0-0

- b. President Wetzel reminded everyone of when the Washington Students Association General Assembly is and that it coincides with the weekend of Lights Out. President Wetzel reminded the board of the limited budget and posed the question of who all should go.

Director Whitten asked how many people need to go. President Wetzel explained that UW Tacoma has 5 votes, and a minimum of three people need to go in order to make sure we cast all of our available votes. President Wetzel expressed that based on position, the Director of Legislative Affairs, President, and the Legislative Liaison should go. If the Legislative Liaison isn't hired for yet, the Director of University Affairs should go in their place.

Director Heyne expressed that there are options to have more people go, specifically naming the Conference and Training Fund. Director Heyne advocates that we bring everyone on the Executive Board.

President Wetzel reminded everyone that the cost on going is dependent on how many hotel rooms we get and how many people are in a hotel room.

Director Heyne states that the University is going to want to make sure that ASUWT goes to this and argued that it is not a huge deal of the entire budget is blown bringing everyone this time.

President Wetzel advocated to bring the senate to General Assembly, reflecting on the previous' year's senate and how they felt like they were left out.

Director Heyne reminded the board that the Conference and Training Fund as well as special allocations are options to bring as many people as possible for the general assembly in Spring, and again reiterated that the Chancellor will make sure that there are at least 3 students to make sure to vote at the Spring General Assembly.

Director Volkova argues that she does not want to bring the senate due to how mismanaged WSA has appeared to be so far and they do not have the additional context of how WSA has been whereas the Executive Board does.

Director Heyne agrees with Director Volkova and states that it should be the Executive Board this time and that the senate can come in Spring. Director Heyne also mentioned that the senate will only have met a few times by the time of GA and they should be focused on their initiatives at home as they're just getting started before focusing on legislative efforts.

- c. President Wetzel entertains the motion to table this topic to next week's meeting

Moved: Director Estacio

Seconded: Director Volkova

Vote: 6-0-0

- d. Director Song reported that they are a senior majoring in biomedical sciences. Director Song identified that the candidate was kind and respectful and that they were excellent with communication.

Director Heyne stated that this interview was the first one where it felt like he was being interviewed, and identified this as being a good quality for a senator. Director Heyne identified no red flags.

President Wetzel inquired if the candidate identified any particular interest with the remaining senate groups. Director Heyne stated no, but informed them that the Outreach group was full.

- e. Director Volkova stated that the candidate was in the air force, and is born and raised in Tacoma. Candidate stated that they were very interested in addressing student safety on campus.

Director Heyne agreed with Director Volkova's belief that they would be a great candidate for the role and that the candidate's communications skills and experience in the airforce was noteworthy.

Director Song agreed with Director Volkova and Director Heyne, stating that the candidate would be great when addressing our safety initiatives for this year.

VIII. Board Updates

- Director Estacio stated that she was planning to meet with Director Escibano for flyers about STFC to hand out during orientation. Director Estacio stated that she also planned to reach out to all STFC ex-officios to schedule a time to meet.
- Director Escibano stated that flyers for orientation was all figured out and that everything was put together for orientation week.
 - President Wetzel thanked everyone on the board for completing the tasks related to orientation that Director Escibano had requested of the board, citing her previous struggles with last year's board.
- Director Whitten stated that she was working on the hour logging form, attended a CCE meeting.
 - Director Heyne inquired about SAFC, Director Whitten stated that she needed to find a time to meet with President Wetzel to get the process going. President Wetzel agreed and pleaded with Director Whitten to schedule a time to meet soon.
- Director Song states that there will once again not be a senate meeting and that there are plans to read out the speaker of senate speeches over Zoom to save time once they do formally meet, formally assign their senate groups, as well as speak on senator expectations.
- Director Heyne stated that he has a full committee for the Council for Campus Engagement and stated that he met with President Wetzel to discuss the safety initiative in further detail. Director Heyne plans to make a survey related to student safety for fall quarter and will be working with Director Escibano's outreach group to market it to students. Director Heyne also mentioned doing interviews with Director Song.
- Director Volkova met with Curt for lunch and learned more about him and his role at UWT. Director Volkova stated that she learned many things from him about local elections as well as how the university has grown with the recent purchases of land surrounding the campus.
- President Wetzel explained that the Board of Regents meeting happened, and informed the board that the next one will be happening at UW Tacoma in November, and would like to see a strong UW Tacoma presence.

Director Estacio motioned to extend the meeting by 5 minutes

Seconded by Director Heyne

Vote: 6-0-0

- President Wetzel emphasized more about how there should be a strong UW Tacoma student presence when the Board of Regents come to Tacoma to ensure that ASUWT is taken seriously in future meetings.

IX. Advisor Updates

No advisor was present. President Wetzel reminded the board that orientation is next week.

IX. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 12:02PM