



Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Date: January 23, 2025

Time: 12:00PM

Location: University YMCA Student Center, Rm 304

Virtual: youtube.com/@ASUWT

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Wetzel calls the meeting to order at 12:18PM.

II. ROLL CALL

<i>ASUWT President</i> Holly Wetzel	Present
<i>ASUWT Vice President</i> Moira Kelley	Present
<i>Director of Internal Affairs</i> Norah Duncan	Present
<i>Director of Outreach</i> Merriah Kubista	Present
<i>Director of Legislative Affairs</i> Ben Brown	Present
<i>Director of Finance</i> Alicia Whitten	Present
<i>Director of Student Technology</i> Susan Palmer	Present

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Whitten motions to approve; Director Brown seconds.

6-0-0 – Motion Passes

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Kubista motions to approve; Director Brown seconds.

6-0-0 – Motion Passes

V. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

President Wetzel welcomes all members of the public present at the meeting.

2 members of the public, identifying themselves ASUWT Advisor Conor Leary and Astacia Carter.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There is no unfinished business.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Director Kubista and Director Whitten presented the order for the gift tote bags for participants of Huskies on the Hill. It is still unknown whether the printer would be able to have them ready in time for the 2/03 event. It is an option to purchase some now with the intent to use them next year.

Director Brown motions to table the purchasing request for Huskies on the Hill tote bags to next week's meeting; Director Duncan seconds.

6-0-0 – Motion Passes

President Wetzel and Vice President Kelley presented the ASUWT Constitution & Bylaw revisions. The Constitutional changes would be in Section 2. The rationale is the planning for ways to have ways to reduce future delays similar to those caused by Senate vacancies. These changes must be ratified by the student body at the time of the 2025-2026 elections in May.

By-law changes:

300.01 -The number of Senators will better reflect the departmentalizing of the School of Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences (SIAS), which has the largest enrollment. Also, at-large positions would be created for students involved in the new programs in the school such as First Gen. The total would be 10 with a clause to expand. This also reduces the workload for Senators.

300.03- They would no longer be required to meet with their deans, they would only be expected to attend specific meetings to gain updates from their school. The Senate would become a body of advisory only. With these changes, Senators will move from a monthly income to a quarterly stipend. This will reduce costs and hopefully improve the outcomes.

Also, the Executive Board would grow with the addition of a Director of Undergraduate Affairs and a Director of Graduate Affairs. These roles would be responsible for meeting with the deans of each school and keep connected with the Senate.

Director Duncan asked about how the role of Director of Internal Affairs would change with the new roles taking over the Senate interactions. She suggested that it be focused on team development. Director Brown suggested that a Veterans senate role be added. Director Kubista suggested that another admin role be added to help with Legislative Affairs and Outreach. Director Palmer shared that a part of the

senators' role is to know their school's needs and advocate for them. She is concerned about removing the senator's requirement to meet with their dean could cause a disconnect. She feels that would be difficult for a Director of Undergraduate Affairs to keep in touch with the needs of the entire campus. Director Whitten states that all of these new positions and salary changes will need to be submitted to the Services and Activities Fee Committee (SAFC) as soon as possible.

VIII. DIRECTOR UPDATES

Director Whitten shared that the board should continue weekly hourly tracking. She is considering a recommendation from Director Kubista to modify the form that will reduce the need for staff to write out what they did every week. She is open to suggestions from others. Annual allocations are coming up soon.

Director Duncan shared that candidate interviews have begun for Food Equity & Basic Needs Task Force (FEBN). The last one is today, she is hopeful that this will fill out the task force and they can begin work soon. She also encouraged the board to come to the senate meeting at 5 pm today in the same room. They will be voting on the recommendation from the board for a Graduate Senator. The School of Nursing & Healthcare Leadership (SNHCL) Senator and School of Social Work & Criminal Justice (SWCJ) Senator positions have recently become vacant. She asks that the board invites students to apply, the positions have been listed on Handshake. The Multimedia Specialist position will be open in Spring Quarter. It is also listed on Handshake. The hope is to hire someone before the end of Winter so they can be trained by the Bee.

Director Brown shared that there are 137 students registered for Huskies on the Hill. The Kickoff Party on 1/31 at 6pm in William W. Philip Hall (WPH). During that week, there will be lobbying training from 10 a.m. to 12 noon on Monday 1/27, Tuesday 1/28, Wednesday 1/29, and Thursday 1/30 in West Coast Grocery (WCG) room 110. The training is mandatory. All registered students will receive an email soon describing the requirement to attend one of the training sessions. For anyone interested, UW Seattle has 172 students registered and UW Bothell has 63 students registered. The board acknowledges that this is not a competition.

IX. ADVISOR UPDATES

Advisor Leary is excited about Huskies on the Hill. He tells the board that they may need to remind elected and appointed staff of their requirement to attend as the day approaches. He shared that Services and Activities Fee Committee (SAFC) is winding down the Special Allocations budget and the Annual Allocations review will begin

shortly. Student Technology Fee Committee (STFC) meeting have begun for this year they will be reviewing their Special Allocations requests for the next few weeks.

X. CHAIR UPDATES

President Wetzel shared that she presented the Husky Health Coalition this morning. She ends with a reminder to clear your calendars for Huskies on the Hill on February 3rd.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Director Whitten motions to adjourn the meeting; Director Brown seconds.

6-0-0 – Motion Passes

President Wetzel adjourns the meeting at 12:58 PM.