

# **Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

Date: February 6, 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 12:20PM.

### II. ROLL CALL

ASUWT President Holly Wetzel

ASUWT Vice President Moira Kelley

Director of Internal Affairs Norah Duncan

Director of Outreach Merriah Kubista

Director of Legislative Affairs Ben Brown

Director of Finance Alicia Whitten

Director of Student Technology Susan Palmer

Present

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#### III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Whitten motions to amend the agenda to add the ASUWT annual allocations submission review; Director Brown seconds.

6-0-0: motion passes

#### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Kubista motions to approve; Director Whitten seconds.

6-0-0: motion passes

### V. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM

President Wetzel welcomes all members of the public present at the meeting. No public forum speakers today.

4 members of the public, identifying themselves as Samuel Peña-Rojas; ASUWT Advisors Conor Leary and Buddy Molina; and Astacia Carter.

### VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There is no unfinished business.

#### VII. NEW BUSINESS

President Wetzel presented the Huskies on the Hill expenses she submitted for reimbursement. This is for the tote bag printing, folders, pens and snacks she purchased. Director Whitten states the total is \$344.30.

Director Kubista motions to approve the reimbursement; Director Brown seconds.

## 6-0-0: motion passes

Director Whitten reviewed the spreadsheet of ASUWT annual allocations submission review. She explained how the proposed changes to the ASUWT structure are reflected in the budget. The line items for Supplies, Food, and others are based on this year's usage plus some for expected increased costs in the coming year.

Director Brown asked if ASUWT is allowed to weight the monthly stipend deposits by the work done, as in the case for the Legislative Liaison who works many more hours in Winter quarter than Autumn or Spring. Director Whitten said that is no longer available due to the policy updates (per Sean Schmidt, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs) and all deposits are divided equally over the 3 quarters, Summer Quarter stipends will remain weighted.

President Wetzel shared that Washington Student Association (WSA) is increasing the per student fee from \$1 to \$1.50. She hopes the proposed addition of a Student Legislative Fee will be available to absorb the increase. Director Brown voiced his support for the per-student increase as WSA has operates on a very small budget.

Director Whitten advised the board that this is an allocations request. There is the possibility of it being deemed less than requested, especially with the proposed budget cuts at the state level.

The request document will be available once the Services and Activities Fee Committee (SAFC) board accepts it on the 2025-2026 budget page under "Annual Allocations" at <a href="https://www.tacoma.uw.edu/student-fees/safc2526">https://www.tacoma.uw.edu/student-fees/safc2526</a>

Director Kubista motions to approve the proposed budget for 2025-2026; Director Brown seconds.

# 6-0-0: motion passes

#### VIII. DIRECTOR UPDATES

Director Brown shared his gratitude to the board and advisors for attending and assisting at Huskies on the Hill. He expressed hopes that this increase in participation will continue going forward.

#### IX. ADVISOR UPDATES

Advisor Leary agreed that Huskies on the Hill was a success. He reminded the board that SAFC and STFC special allocation budgets are wrapping up. Annual Allocations follow this. He said that both committees are considering raising the fees to better student needs. He announced that the Center for Student Involvement (CSI) received additional funding from the Services and Activities Fee Committee (SAFC) to extend the hours. The computer labs, study space, and game rooms will now be open 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays. The Dawg house in Mattress Factory (MAT) will be open longer hours as well, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, these hours begin February 3rd.

# X. CHAIR UPDATES

President Wetzel agreed that Huskies on the Hill was a success and will add suggestions for next year to further improve it.

# XI. ADJOURNMENT

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

# 6-0-0: motion passes

President Wetzel adjourns the meeting at 12:45PM.