



BOD Executive Brief

November 9th, 2011

“What would you attempt to do today if you knew you could not fail?” - Dr. Robert H. Schuller

Call To Order Steven Ross calls the meeting to order at 7:00

Introductions James Rae, Mike Merz, KJ Stilling, Paul Stayback, Heidi Merz, Allyson Mundy, Steven Ross (not present: Maylin Sevilla)

Approval Of Minutes

- **Paul motions to approve, Allyson seconds. All in favor, approved.**

Additions Or Corrections To Agenda

- KJ – Would like to add letters add to New Business.
  - **Mike motions to add, KJ Seconds.**
- **Mike motions to add Legislative Agenda Submission to WSA under New Business**
- **Paul motions to approve the agenda, Mike seconds. All in favor, approved.**

Staff Reports:

- Public Relations Director: Heidi Merz
  - Working with Mike and the publicity center to create posters for WSA meetings
  - Finishing up a press release for Paul. Will mail it out tomorrow.
  - Been trying to coordinate with Kelsey to work on the enclosed case for Ally
    - It looks like we will have that up on Monday
  - Talked to Katharine at The Observer
    - Need to send a weekly BOD report on Fridays
    - They will contact us if they want to do any interviews/get more information
    - If they think any of the info would make a good story, then they might make it an actual story as well
  - I also had a meeting with Ally and Steve last week about completely redoing the website
    - I'll be drawing up what we talked about and hopefully have that to show you guys next week
    - If everyone agrees, I'll go and talk to Brandy in the Publicity Center
  - If you guys can send me your officer reports and appointments ahead of time it really helps me keep up during the meetings and get the minutes out quickly.

Officer Reports:

- Executive Vice President: Paul Stayback
  - S&A voted to defund the S&A admin fee Dec 21, 2011
    - Letter will be sent to the board and BOT
  - Jackets are in and at Shirtworks for embroidery
  - Need to have a meeting with Cheri in regards to construction of a wall in the backspace area
  - Budgets have been received
    - All but one but that office is going to forward it.
  - Michelle Cyrus is preparing her request to the eastside student liaisons and Tina Wang is just going to do her own thing because she didn't want to follow our guidelines.
- Vice President for Clubs and Organizations: Maylin Sevilla
  - Not present
  - Mike - Everything has been processed in her office. It has been all paperwork
- Vice President for Academic Affairs: Allyson Mundy
  - SAS – have had some student issues and concerns.
  - Another student contacted me from the west side and I'm waiting to hear back from him.
- Vice President for Equity and Community Affairs: KJ Stilling
  - This weekend students from the Black Student Union will be attending the OSCC
  - Philippino club was awarded funds to attend the Philippino Olympics
  - Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup> ESC leadership retreat. Everyone is welcome
- Vice President for Student Life and Facilities: James Rae
  - The backspace meeting went very positively. I thought we were more on the same page than many people initially thought and we're moving forward.
  - Went to S&A to bring people up to speed on Admin fee
  - Radio was asking about the retention incentive during my interview
  - Looking for another assistant
- Vice president for Legislative Affairs: Mike Merz

- Legislative agenda and the petition have been taking a lot of my time.
  - Hiring for legislative liaison
- President: Steven Ross
  - Talking about my items later
  - Lola and I think that Mike looks very sharp now with his new haircut.

**Special Guests:** None

**Committee Appointments:** (Paul)

- Celia Layton: Academic Appeals, Student Conduct
- Stephanie McKenna: Academic Appeals, Student Conduct
- Lindsey Sires: Student media Board
- **Paul move to approve for public meeting. Mike seconds. All in favor, approved.**

**SAS Appointments:** (Allyson)

- Whitney Evans Physical Education, School of Public Health
- Brittanie Petersen (Alternate) Physical Education, School of Public Health
- **Paul move to put on the agenda for the public meeting, Mike seconds. All in favor, approved.**

**SAS Executive Board Appointments:** (Allyson)

- None

**Club Appointments:** (Maylin)

- None

**S & A Motions:** (Paul)

- S&A voted to defund the admin fee
- ECLC have not maximized their revenue because they have empty seats. We have a commitment to support ECLC but I don't think they have enough. I think that we should have issues with this as a committee
  - Mike – What do we want to send as our message to the committee?
  - KJ – Idea is that maybe one reason is that ECLC falls under the purview of student life and student success. President Guadino said that S&A might be considered an easy target for funding and we should do diligence in funding bodies.
  - Paul – Do we send it forward with or without concerns? Thinks that we should state that we are committed to supporting ECLC over practice and principle but we question if they have maximized their revenue.
- Mike – have they asked anyone else for money
- Paul – they're asking for a pass from George Clark
- Mike – We should ask George Clark then. When would they cease to exist without funding?
- Paul – Not sure. We have to go with what we have for the next meeting.
- Steve – Sharon Johanason has said that there have been opportunities to maximize their profit
- Paul – Sharon is the one that told me and she is doing an audit right now.
- **Mike – Moves to send S&A a no vote based on these reservations we have which are: filled slots, when do they close the door, and we need to speak to George Clark.**
- Mike – I think that is shows that we are unbiased and shows that we are being rational. ECLC will not disappear, the president has even said that. We should say that we shouldn't have to supplement them.
- Paul – Would like a collective decision so that I can participate
- **All in favor, approved.**

**Old Business:** (For your Reference Only)

- Club Equipment
- Sport Club Funding
- Admin. Fee
- Letter to the Governor

**New Business:**

- Tech Fee Budget (Paul)
  - Was supposed to be approved last year for this year. **Paul motions to approve, mike seconds. All in favor, approved.**
- Back Space Rules (Paul)
  - Status Quo
  - Open for all students
  - Must sign in at front desk
  - Closed at 4
  - BOD isn't responsible for any items left
  - All items should be cleaned up upon leaving.

- Ally – Would like to add something about being courteous to other employees that are working back there.
- Steve –“Please respect the professional atmosphere”
- **Paul motions to add in the additional rule and have these typed and posted at the front desk and in the backspace.**
  - **Mike seconds. All in favor, approved.**
- SAS Constitution (Allyson)

Title VII

**Article I Termination of a SAS Executive Board Member**

*1.1 Termination of an Executive Board member, except for the Chairperson will occur when one of the following occurs:*

- A. An Executive Board member is placed on academic probation.
- B. A three-fourths majority vote of the SAS to terminate an officer after one *month's* notice *has* been given by the Chairperson to rectify the carrying out of his/her duties and responsibilities.
- C. ~~Students will be allowed to sit on the Executive Board as long as they maintain good academic standing within the University's Academic Policies.~~

Title VII

ADD:

Article III

*3.1 Termination of a SAS member, except for the Chairperson will occur when one of the following occurs:*

- A. *A SAS member falls into bad academic standing.*
- B. *Communication from the Chairperson to rectify the carrying out of his/her duties and responsibilities, a three-fourths majority vote of the Executive Board to terminate a senator*

- **KJ motions to approve. Mike seconds.**
- **Mike – friendly amendment to add to agenda for Tuesday's meeting.**
- **KJ accepts, All in favor, Approved.**

Letter (KJ)

To: Ellensburg City Council

From: Associated Students of Central Washington University Board of Directors (ASCWU-BOD)

Subject: United States Constitution

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Recently Mike Merz, ASCWU-BOD Vice President for Legislative Affairs, met with Council Member George Bottcher. They exchanged a brief & light conversation. As citizens both involved in public policy and procedure, they shared a dialogue which included appreciation for and admiration of the United States Constitution.

As a token of our shared passion for the Constitution, the significance and the symbolism of the success it possesses, the ASCWU-BOD would like present these seven pocket-sized U.S. Constitutions to Mayor Bruce Tabb and the Ellensburg City Council Members.

As student leaders in troubled times, we've observed parallels to the struggles faced by other decision makers at various levels of government including the Ellensburg City Council. It is times such as these that American citizens have historically banded together to face difficulties and persevere into a new day of prosperity.

We, the ASCWU-BOD, are working toward and awaiting new days of innovations while also celebrating the firm foundation of this wonderful country. The Constitution is a reminder of what America was, and what America will continue to be. America was and is strong, inspirational, diverse and kinetic. Please accept these Constitutions, and in doing so be inspired to harvest the kinetic strength of America's diverse population and potential.

On behalf of the ASCWU-BOD,

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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KJ Stilling

Vice President for Equity & Community Affairs

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Steve Ross

President, ASCWU-BOD

- Goal is to send pocket-sized constitutions
- Paul – The letter is from the ESC?
- KJ – It's from the ASCWU-BOD
- Paul – That means that it's from Steve then?
- KJ – It could be Steve
- **Mike – I move to approve that the letter be sent to the city council, Paul seconds.**
- Steve – I don't mind signing under or next to KJ
- **Paul – Amend motion to add Steve's signature to that letter**
- **Mike accepts, All in favor, approved.**

#### **From ESC from ASCWU-BOD (KJ)**

- This is an informal presentation of the letter. On Tuesday we can do a first and last sentence reading and then add it to record. (Reads the following letter)

To: Association Students of Central Washington University Board of Directors (ASCWU-BOD)

From: ASCWU Equity and Services Council (ESC)

Subject: Future Usage of Backspace

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The ESC would like to thank James Rae and Paul Stayback for their efforts in creating an environment which enables student voices to be heard. The ESC is grateful for previous meetings where all stakeholders and interested parties in the BOD Backspace were invited. In the spirit of continued cooperation, the ESC would like to submit some requests for consideration in the decision process in regards to Backspace use and expectations. The ESC would like to formally state desired conditions.

The Equity and Services Council hereby requests:

- Permission to decorate wall space
- Permission to decorate ceiling space
- Permission to use window space for advertising within the CWU Advertising Guidelines
- Placement of lockers for secure storage
- Removal of cumbersome tables
- Replace tables with workstations including computers
- Placement of a couch, sofa or love seat
- An individual from each ESC Organization to be issued a key for after-hours access
- A display board to be displayed in the front reception area of the BOD office for advertising.

The ESC is also hereby submitting expectations to be negotiated:

- Users will sign in at front desk for housekeeping reasons and accountability of cleanliness
- Users will be expected to maintain a noise level that is equivalent to the Library Fishbowl
- Users assume all risk of theft
- Work areas of staff, all of their items, materials, and resources will be respected as private
- Neglect of maintaining cleanliness will result in use of space restriction

At the end of the day, the Equity and Services Council is made of students and the BOD is made of students too. Both bodies work to advocate for students. The ESC believes students want to be represented on campus and feel welcome in all parts of campus. The ESC is trying to achieve the maximum potential of campus resource usage and celebrate that which is the reason we are here, the student. There's no better place to belong than the SURC. The SURC was conceived by students, funded by students, and reflects students. This letter is an act of students requesting support from those who are emplaced to represent them.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to the student voice and continuing to advocate for the student.

- Paul – I think that there are parts I agree to and parts I do not. It might be a good idea to have a board for them up front. I think that rearranging the space isn't a bad idea. We can see what's in surplus and maybe help fund it. Not okay with the keys because they are for the offices as well. I don't like the idea of decorating the ceiling. I don't think we should allow windows and window decorations because our policy doesn't require that and it's where our employees are.
- Mike – is this office communication from ESC?
- KJ - Yes
- Mike then it should be read at public meeting, **I move to have Steve Ross write a letter and thank/acknowledge ESC and we will work to give a response before winter break. Paul seconds.**
- KJ – The disagreement on window usage?
- Paul – People request window space for advertising the board decided last year not to.
- KJ – Was policy written? Is there any reason we can't establish a new policy?
- Paul – It's in the minutes, we can establish a new policy but I would not support it.
- KJ – What I'm trying to inspire is why we can't do create a new policy.
- Mike – Point of order. **We should be voting on the letter. All in favor, James abstains. Approved.**
- Steve – Minutes are a record of our policy. The only way to get rid of that policy is to get rid of or change it.
- Ally – Backspace windows is where all the assistants are sitting. If ESC is allowed to post there, clubs will want to post there and then there will be fight over space and invading assistants area. If the lockers are there, the ESC will have those lockers and clubs won't have it.
- James – Think this conversation is a topic for the backspace committee. I think that we should move on and bring it up at the committee meeting.

- **Paul – Motion to follow current BOD policy. Mike seconds.**
- KJ – I don't know of the policy so I won't support it
- Mike – I don't think there is a policy manual.
- **KJ – Call to question**
- **Pual – Dissent.** Our if it's in our minutes, it's in the policy manual.
- Steve – We should have a binder that has motions based off of policies.
- **Mike – Call to question. All in favor, passes.**
- **Mike – Moved to reaffirm last year's policy vote – Paul in favor, James, Allyson, KJ opposed, motion fails.**
- Steve – How many students have shown up to the backspace committee?
- James – 1. So relatively few but we have had the co-advisor join us.
- Paul – would request that Steve requests in the letter that the ESC selects representatives to attend committee meetings
- Steve - I would like to encourage KJ to ask three students to sit and represent the ESC at the table
- James – I feel that having the chair write a letter to the BOD and having students be present and in person at meetings to discuss these issues show different levels of interest
- Mike – I was at the meeting and the letter is the literal student input. But I would request that you add in that future communications about the backspace be sent to James as well.
- Ally – It's irritating that students aren't coming to the meetings but they're asking us to make all these changes to the backspace area for them.
- Mike – We shouldn't come down too hard on them because they are making efforts to communicate
- Paul – I was in the backspace area earlier and it did come up while I was talking to the employees back there. They have some opinions on this. I would like us to keep in mind that we have students that are working back there so we should make sure we consider their opinions.
- KJ – The item on the agenda was letters. I'm frustrated that we have been going on tangents. Including picking apart this letter tonight.
- Steve – When we voted on the letters, we opened the table to talk about the backspace area. But anything about the backspace area should be discussed at the backspace meetings.
- Allyson – Have also had my employee express concerns.
- Steve – I will also add in the letter that the employees be included in the backspace meetings.
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#### Legislative Agenda Submission to WSA

- Mike lists 6 agenda items. These agenda items will be listed when they are finalized.
- **Paul- Make a motion to support mike and his agendas. Allyson seconds. All approved.**

#### Issues/Concerns/Announcements

- Paul – The faculty union contacted me about the retention incentive.
- Mike – Defunding was voted on by S&A. What are we going to do? It's not clearly defined. I want us to be precise and spot on because the admin fee was not precise and spot on. We can't call them out if we do the same thing.
- Steve – I would like to start having a debrief for 15 minutes after the public meetings. We should address any issues immediately after.
- **Mike – Since we are going to have an entry in The Observer, would like to make a motion to add to the policies that we need to give an officer report to PR every Friday with what we want included in the Observer. Ally seconds. All in favor. James abstains. Approved**
- Steve - Debrief is something I think we will look into winter quarter. Would like everyone's schedules by next week because I would like to schedule SURC pit for next quarter's meetings.

#### Adjournment

- **Paul motions to adjourn, James seconds. All in favor, Adjourned at 8:27 p.m.**