



CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

**STUDENT**  
ACADEMIC SENATE

May 1, 2014

The CHAIR calls the meeting to order 7 pm

*Attendance*

**Gallery**

ITAM, Alternate – Kit Boone  
Miles Glover  
Cassandra DuBore  
Kathryn O’Neal  
Yosef Gamble  
Nick Shuey  
JD Charest  
Philip Rush  
Jennifer Treadway  
Robert Lane  
Scott Kazmi

*Minutes*

**Geology** moves to table minutes from 4/17 and 4/23

**Physics** seconds

**PASSED**

*Additions or Corrections*

**CHAIR** would like to add communications from **DHC** and **CEPS** and a funds request for the CLCE Evening of Recognition

*Approval of the Agenda*

**CHAIR** entertains motion to approve the agenda

**Music** so moves

**Geology** seconds

**PASSED**

*Communications*

DHC *see Appendix 1. A*

CEPS *see Appendix 1. B*

*Tabled Items*

(none)

*BOD Elections Forum*

**Miles Glover**, BOD Elections Coordinator

Elections begin at 12:01 a.m. on May 7th

May 8<sup>th</sup> general election – in-person East and West patio polling stations, featuring Monster energy drinks and Dominos pizza.

**Miles** instructs the senate to ask direct questions of *both* candidates – questions for individual candidates to be saved for after the forum. If candidates have fed questions to senators, the senators may not ask those questions. Issues concerning the past BOD issues are not relevant to this debate.

***President: Yosef Gamble, Kathryn O’Neal***

**Gallery, Kathryn O’Neal** “Hey Wildcats! My name is Kathryn O’Neal; I am running for ASCWU-BOD president. I am a Biochemistry/Political Science double major at Central. Over the past years I have been actively involved in many campus organizations, including president of both neuroscience and surgery club, as well as president of my past university in Ireland. Currently I am involved with the S&A committee as well as student conduct council. In 2011 I founded an aid organization which I serve as the current president. My involvement with a broad array of groups on campus has allowed me the opportunity to make connections throughout campus and the community to better understand the needs of our student body. My primary goal is to make Central a destination, with improved programs and more opportunities available to students and, above all, work to make your voice heard. Please vote for me, Kathryn O’Neal, as your next president.”

**Gallery, Yosef Gamble** “My goal is to guarantee that every student has a voice in the BOD and in Olympia. Next year, we will face rising tuition costs, student fee hikes, and possibly losing our ROTC program. Tackling these issues will require a government that is fiscally responsible and actively engaged with the entire student body. As President, I will work with student-led committees to ensure that these standards are met and that your concerns are always the top priority. Furthermore, I will introduce a video series that will inform students about government policy. On the Student Technology Fee Council, I worked on several solutions that cut wasteful spending in the computer labs. So as President, I will work towards initiating several such cost saving measures starting from day one. Serving your student interests has been a remarkable experience and I hope that you will choose Yosef Gamble as your next BOD President.”

**English:** How will the candidates engage and help students from diverse backgrounds?

**Yosef:** A three-step plan will engage as many students as possible and will also increase diversity of the student representatives.

**Kathryn:** Publicize events and meeting with Equity services.

**Biology** would like candidates to elaborate on their previous leadership experience

**Kathryn** is President of the Neuroscience and Surgery Club(s) which reviews entrance exams; worked with Mascot in BOD; Pres of Un in Ireland

**Yosef:** Currently serves on Technology Fee Council; technology in many residence halls are not up to par, and each student needs to be reached.

**DHC** would like the candidates to elaborate on their positions regarding the tuition freeze.

**Yosef:** The tuition freeze could do a lot of damage to the academic departments and programs, since cuts are a reality. He would like to end the tuition freeze.

**Kathryn:** There are pros and cons – On the one hand, students should not be paying more for tuition, but on the other, by not increasing tuition CWU is losing valuable programs and seeing increased fees

elsewhere; scholarships are available that are not being utilized, and she would like to make sure that they are.

**ITAM:** How would the candidates deal with the Publicity Director in the BOD?

**Kathryn:** PR is a huge part of the president's job and within the BOD. It is vital to forge a relationship between the community of Ellensburg and the students at CWU. She would like to expand on the work that this year's BOD has begun. More advertising on the screens in SURC and residence halls will increase PR.

**Yosef:** Collaboration with the PR Director will increase involvement in student body activities.

### *Executive Vice President : Nick Shuey, JD Charest*

**Gallery, Nick Shuey:** "My name is Nick Shuey and I am running for the Executive Vice President position here at Central Washington University. In working towards degrees in economics and finance, I can assure students that the active daily duties and long-term goals of the Board of Directors are accomplished through monitoring budgetary and monetary policies, one of the many important duties involved with this position. With experience in working alongside students domestically and from abroad, I have proven to students that I will always be able to make time to answer questions and provide resolutions for students here at Central. In voting for me, Nick Shuey, I pledge to establish these goals in the 2014-2015 school year in order to facilitate the benefits received for the student body in its entirety. " He would focus on the oversight of budgetary policies and councils and implement benchmarks on performance of university's budget, with the ultimate goal of utilizing and maximizing university funds so that students will understand better how funds are spent. His previous work at a financial firm provided him with an effective model that he would like to apply to this position.

**Gallery, JD Charest:** "My goals for my office term are centered on the idea of Central In balance. A school of 10,000+ students has many different viewpoints and lifestyles, all of which are equally important in my eyes. It is my goal to ensure that every decision I make is one that will help empower and provide a positive college experience for every student attending this university in every form. The students make this university what it is. Without our involvement and our commitment to make our school, not just the Ellensburg campus but our satellite campuses and online experience as well, the type of institution that builds foundations for our careers and those of every future wildcat to come. As students we must balance many things in our hectic lives, it only makes sense that we have balance in our student government. Balance is what I can bring to the BOD." His emphasis would be on fiscal responsibility and managerial/supervisory enforcement. He currently sits on the Services and Activities Fee Committee, was a resident assistant for two years, and has completed two cycles of hiring, which have provided him with tactics to screen candidates to facilitate the BOD's goals. He also has ROTC management experience. The BOD works well because it follows its constitution, and he would like to ensure that the founding ideals remain, but that the document adapts to the yearly needs of the student body.

**English:** What strategies will the candidates use to handle the S&A budget's upcoming challenges

**JD:** University-wide cuts are inevitable, including S&A (which was a committee-based decision). He would like to see small cuts now, rather than one large cut two years down the road, because it would be more manageable. Increased stipulations on how funding is used will further improve the \$6m budget, which is used for emergency planning, etc.

**Nick:** His goal would be maximizing funds: match discounts (if university makes 20% cut, S&A needs to cut a relative amount).

**Economics:** What programs would you fight for and against?

**Nick:** The Learning Center didn't get S&A funding, but *will* get funding somehow. Maximization of funds will help fund other programs.

**JD:** He fought hard to fund the Learning Commons, as well as Clubs that request funds for outside events.

**DHC:** Do the candidates support S&A funding of the Learning Commons?

**JD:** Yes, in part.

**Nick:** No.

### ***Student Life and Facilities: Robert Lane, Scott Kazmi***

**Gallery, Robert Lane:** "Hello wildcats! My name is Rob Lane and as the Vice President of Student Life and Facilities, I know that I will be able to bring a much-needed new perspective to the ASCWU BOD. In the past year, the Student Life and Facilities budget was overspent, causing an already thin budget to be expanded even more. As an Accounting major, I know that I will be able to have the fiscal responsibility that the students need and deserve. I also believe that we should consider bringing in a mainstream entertainer on campus to give our student's something to be excited about; it has been 3 years since Macklemore performed here. If elected, I hope to be an accountable student leader who is always working hard on the student's behalf. Let's make for a more exciting 2014-2015 school year, Vote Rob Lane for Vice President of Student Life and Facilities." The candidate currently works in SURC Accounting, is involved in sports, has served on the recreation board and the S&A Fee Committee. His primary goals will be campus beautification and maintenance, increasing the social media presence through websites to engage students who are unaware of ongoing events, and expanding Recreation Center board, lockers. He would like to increase student involvement, focusing on Student Orientation.

**Gallery, Scott Kazmi:** "This past year has been a huge learning experience for myself and the office I have worked in. This year has shown me that there are many partnerships and relationships that need to be defined and created. Athletics has a great potential to develop the Wellington mascot program; the new smoking policies and potential recycling programs need more guidance and development; and the non-traditional and transfer students need more programming that is targeted towards them. The Office of Vice President for Student Life and Facilities needs someone who can develop relationships quick or have those relationships already established. I have great professional relationship developed with multiple different departments in the SURC, Facilities Management, Athletics and the Administration. One more year will let me improve these relationships and improve the image of the university. If you elect me, I will make sure that your voice is not just heard, but remembered." The candidate's current experience, including the improvement of the allocation and utilization of Rec Fee, his work with Facilities, specifically the publication of projects and maps for construction qualifies him for the job. His goal would be to engage non-traditional students, which make up large percentage of student population, and who are often marginalized.

**Military Science:** Would like to know the candidate's views on the Clean Air Initiative

**Scott:** Study from UW raised concerns; idea needs to be looked at. Office polled students 74% of students feel that the current smoking policy needs to be improved.

**Robert:** Not for banning smoking completely; tobacco does take lives, but it is an individual choice. Designated smoking areas will allow smokers to enjoy their cigs

**English:** Choices based upon what you think is best or what student input

**Robert:** Job is to represent student body; the best student leaders listen to the students. Candidates have opinions, but they serve students

**Scott:** Students come first; candidate's job to ensure it happens

**DHC:** What attracted you to this position?

**Scott:** Loves campus and atmosphere; drive to help university and the experiences of fellow students and to ensure positive experience

**Robert:** Loves student life, loves central and wants to pass on love of campus, particularly by introducing freshman to ways to be involved on campus.

**Family & Consumer Sciences:** How will candidates engage non-trads/transfers

**Robert:** Include in acceptance/orientation material ways to get involved (clubs related to interests, etc)

**Scott:** Responsibility of BOD and organizations to communicate/reach out to such students to make known to them the opportunities available

**ITAM:** Focus on campus life; What are your plans to accommodate the budget cuts?

**Scott:** Academic programs are not within the office, but are part of student life and would work with Dean of Student Success to ensure that academic advising, etc. Support for programs would be taken to S&A as well as looking as funding through Club Senate.

**Robert:** Manage student life and facilities budget will be managed well and not overspent.

### **Clubs and Organization, Philip Rush**

**Phil Rush:** Extensive experience – pres of central gamers initiative etc etc.; insurance coordinator for clubs & orgs; current events coordinator; Geology Senator and COTS exec board member

**English:** Example of restructuring?

**Phil:** Clubs & Orgs has currently no arbitration power; add to const & bylaws; housekeeping with funds request processes.

**Biology:** How will you handle religious organizations that use funds for proselytization

**Phil:** They can request funds like an interest club, and use funds for humanitarian efforts. They are not allowed to proselytize, do missionary work, etc. Evidence to the contrary will result in a denial of funds under “exclusionary clause.”

**Gallery, ITAM ALT:** Any way of simplifying paperwork?

**Phil:** SURC Accounting issue, but packet has been uploaded online. Some loopholes and errors will be closed/corrected and streamlined. Funds requests follow SURC Accounting policies.

### **Legislative Affairs, Cassandra DuBore**

**Cassie:** Current VP for Leg Affairs has reached out to SAS, ESC, Clubs, etc. Actively worked toward improving diversity: Provided means for disabled students to vote, only college in the state; Veterans Bill, hope Act. Next year’s goals: Additional Lobby Day not funded by WSA which focuses on Central issues only, rather than WSA legislative priorities, especially as there is a budget for both.

**DHC:** Thoughts on tuition freeze

**Cassie:** Spoke out against tuition increase. Fiscal responsibility is possible without cuts: Transparency Bill would require departments to post budgets online so that students can see how funds are allocated and utilized. Increasing tuition will result in a loss of students.

**ITAM:** Lobby Day on Valentine’s day again?

**Cassie:** Wanted to collaborate with WSA, but date was not her decision. Two lobby days will help, particularly to use holidays/non-school days. Lobby Day on Faculty Development day, particularly as it is in the middle of the week, will radically improve interaction with legislators

**Biology:** De-investment is not applied equally toward each discipline; how do you feel about money being put toward sciences, rather than arts

**Cassie:** Arts degrees are important, and it isn't fair that money is going to specific fields. Has worked with Bryan Elliot and have been actively pursuing other sources of revenue, alcohol/cannabis taxes.

### **Equity and Community Affairs: Spencer Biallas**

The candidate is unable to make it tonight, but questions can be directed to him or to Miles or to Kelsie Miller

### **Academic Affairs, Jennifer Treadway**

**Jennifer:** would like to continue great academic experience; recently became Political Science senator. Would like to facilitate ideas. Regularly meets with professors and is familiar with academic processes and procedures. PR for SAS and other committees to ensure that students know that they have a voice. Scholarships: \$80k went unallocated to students because they were not applied for because they were not advertised. Has already met with (??) to correct that problem. Will be working toward using social media to improve publicity. Goal to ensure that all funds available are allocated.

**Biology:** Leadership experience; if none, how will you prepare?

**Jennifer:** New student, so involvement has been with senate. Commander for JROTC in high school; captain of three teams; admin officer; worked district-wide retail and facilitated orientation for new employees

**English:** Would you want a more casual office or a more professional office?

**Jennifer:** Finding a balance between voicing opinions and

**ETSC:** Do you plan to re-write the SAS Constitution?

**Jennifer:** There will be a committee to ensure that if changes need to be made they will be done so, but after such an extensive revision it doesn't need to happen yearly

**Biology:** Would you do what's right/should be done or do you do what you're told to do?

**Jennifer:** Understand the importance of democracy and will weigh public opinion to change regulations if they conflict.

**Gallery ITAM Alt:** How would you deal with Faculty Senate?

**Jennifer:** Ensuring that senior course load will be light to make sure she can attend all faculty senate meetings

**English** moves for 5 minute recess

**Geology** seconds

**PASSED**

Adjourned at 8:07 PM

8:11 PM

*Funds Requests:*

**Kelsie Miller** CLCE Evening of Recognition: \$195-\$220, **CHAIR** would like to entertain a motion to allot no more than \$220

**Geology** so moves

**Physics** Seconds

**PASSED**

**Geology** (\$1000) slope stability (critical factor of geology) short course EEG sending guest speaker and materials to teach 22 students. Cost of presenter is \$3300, lodging is \$158 (but donation from geo dept b/c

he will give talk to all dept). Requesting \$1k to offset costs. No credit given, but certification in slope stability will be granted. Continuing education credits are offered for professionals. About \$15 per person out of pocket costs, lots of fund raising

**English** moves to fund according to executive board recommendation

**Physics** seconds

**History** Operating under Title IX – Honorarium cannot be funded over \$200 without SAS approval

**English** withdraws motion

**Geology** explains honorarium fee: steep, but speaker is bringing extensive material, equipment and is only charging 1/10 of the cost he normally charges

**Music** wants breakdown of costs (above)

**Geology**: Hotel and travel covered by geology department b/c he's giving public seminar

**Biology** moves to make exception to cap on honorarium

**Family and Consumer Science** seconds

**PASSED**

**Physics** moves to approve the full amount

**English** seconds

**PASSED**

**Geology** (\$1500) GSA joint regional conference (PNW + Cali and Mountain States). First time geology department has been able to go to a conference. 3 nights in Bozeman MT with money for motorpool and registration costs. \$1500 approved from club senate toward hotel and transportation. Students paying \$31 each

**English**: Fundraising

**Geology**: Tav Night

**History**: Are you going on trip?

**Geology** Yes

**Biology** presenting research?

**Geology**: Not this time

**Political Science** moves to approve exec board recommendation

**Psychology** seconds

**PASSED**

*Report-backs*

**Psychology**: WPA conference was excellent, several students were recruited

**Geology**: Did you have fun?

**Psychology** YES

**Exercise Science** (absent)

**CHAIR** Option to table

**Anthropology** and **Biology** would like to make informed decision

**English** moves to table this report back until next meeting

**Anthropology** seconds

**History** opposes

**PASSED**

**Anthropology:** National Archeology Conference was excellent

**ITAM IT** Conference was excellent under budget by \$30

**Science Education:** Bill Nye spoke about how to teach science to those who still care, rather than those who believe in other things. Inquiry-based teaching, versus memorization.

**English** Did you have fun?

**Science Education** Yes

**Geology:** How cool was Bill Nye?

**Science Ed:** He didn't bash creationists, focused on those who are interested in science. It was cool to hear him speak in person

**History** moves to reconsider vote.

**CHAIR** cannot do that

**English:** violation of new constitution & Bylaws

**English** moves to reconsider the vote on tabling the report-back

**DHC** seconds

**World Languages** opposed

**L & J** and acct abstain

**PASSED**

**History:** Bylaws re: failure to report-back. Exceptions can only be made with chairperson prior to meeting

**English** since it is reasonable to believe that they received the email, and didn't show up to club senate, it is best to stick by standard

**Geology:** Clubs policy makes no exceptions for absenteeism (without prior permission)

**CHAIR** informs Senate that there are 80 students that will be affected

**Anthropology:** any way that we can postpone decision without violating bylaws?

**Geology** suggests tabling it until the end of the meeting

**DHC** suggests suspending bylaws

**Biology** If constitution is strict, there are not exceptions, then will change

**Economy** Approved that it's harsh last week, so Senators failed to recognize its harshness

**English** Reality is that so many people showed up to report back, and their attendance shouldn't be devalued by breaking our own rules

**History** Option to table until the end of agenda. There are exceptions, but they are responsible for contacting the chair

**CHAIR** suggests calling group leaders and advisors

**Biology** If something terrible happened, can the senate revisit this decision in the future?

**History** Technically no, but committee will reword to account for med emergencies

**Science Education** – was informed clearly of the policy, it's transparent

**Music** Constitution that will take effect June 14<sup>th</sup>?

**History:** Title IX was passed previously

**English:** Currently reaching out trying to contact absent requestors

**CHAIR** Yes

**English** we're spending a lot of time on one group, and not on previous groups. Favoritism isn't appropriate

**Biology** moves to place this discussion until the end of meeting to get in contact

**Nutrition** seconds

**PASSED**

**CHAIR** moves the report-back before *issues and concerns*

Planning

**CHAIR** Final meetings of the year: Senators should begin finding replacements. May 29<sup>th</sup> meeting is last meeting, okay doing training with food, etc.

**History** cords

**CHAIR** not pertaining to discussion

**History** something to do at last meeting

**CHAIR** will look into it

**Gallery, ITAM** Alt Replacing Chandler, pending paperwork

**CHAIR** specific circumstances will be discussed later

**English:** Working on it but currently no replacement. Final meeting would be excellent for training, cords and celebration

**Nutrition:** helpful for replacements

**Biology:** Fabulous idea for training as well as presentation on packets and sample packets with generic information

**Geology:** Training at end of this year will ensure students showing up next year

**Music:** When will meetings be decided next year?

**CHAIR** depends on who will be VP for Academic Affairs. Worked around appointed member times

**Geology** Subway or dominos, etc.

**CHAIR** polls senators

Pita Pit: 11

IHOP: 2

Dominos: 1

Subway: 2

**History** requests a sheet cake with "SAS is badass"

**CHAIR** requests getting a piñata

SAS approves but only if it is a horse

**Biology** requests vegan options

**Aerospace** Can alternates get cords?

**CHAIR** yes

**Biology** Are all people graduating also walking? They won't need cords if not

**CHAIR** will formally count

**CHAIR** report will email summary with updates

Committee Reports

**Constitution & Bylaws** History presents the format for grammar/spelling change submissions

**DHC** requests the most up to date version? **CHAIR** will send it out

**Recruitment and Publicity** was able to email photos to public relations, requested one poster each, but it was a more tedious process than anticipated. Slow going, but still progressing. Communications from four committee members, many members don't respond at all. Meeting with faculty liaisons for permission to hang up posters. Expresses disappointment at how slow the process is, but will be important for next year.

**CHAIR** suggests dressing up to take good photos

**General Education** yields time

**Student Advocacy** *Student Advocacy* (4 minutes) Restructuring PowerPoint presentation for faculty senate. Presentation will be brief to make room for questions. Committee minute taker will be present. **CHAIR** contacted Janet who will notify when an appropriate time will be available. **DHC** the presentation has been streamlined to 3-5 minutes, but would like time for questions. **CHAIR** states that faculty senate will most likely be too busy to give the time necessary for a full review.

*Old Business*

Dead Day (letter) Debate over stress relief as primary concern

Straw poll reveals that majority want to include it

**English** would like corrections to be submitted

**Geology** believes it needs statistics and data and reasons for returning dead day. Sending it with data will be more a more powerful argument

**Nutrition** Task force member who wanted to remove stress relief – focus on *academics* and professionalism

**Biology** Statistics are good; remove stress relief unless stats from med center are included to draw correlation

**CHAIR** won't be implemented for two years. Not ready to be submitted, would like to note that if another survey in fall would be beneficial there is time for it to be worked on fall quarter

**English** uncomfortable waiting until next year because the dead day debate has been revisited frequently and numbers won't be gathered this year

**CHAIR** entertains a motion to continue this discussion in committee or approve it as is

**Geology** moves to send it back to committee

**Political Science** seconds

**Biology** would like to add that the task force meets with **CHAIR** to accelerate progress

**English** at end of meeting the task force will end, and involvement has been difficult, recommends that people get involved in task force

**Geology** calls the previous question

**ITAM** opposed, **English L&J** abstain

**PASSED**

**CHAIR** reviews SAS Application

**DHC** Is curious about the chair signature

**CHAIR** to provide a check for our standards of representation (GPA, good academic standing, declared major, etc.)

**DHC** if a senator is denied a signature/check?

**CHAIR** Jesse Nelson could most likely assist with that

**Biology** forward changes to department chairs

**CHAIR** will be discussing it with them

**ENGLISH** in line with standards for endorsement

**Geology** moves to approve the application to be used in web form

**Political Science** seconds

**DHC** opposed

**Anthropology** abstains

**PASSED**

**SEOIS: Nutrition** – concerns are recognized by most faculty; concern about professors seeing the SOIS has been addressed and will continue onto next year

## **Library Hours**

**“In regards to faculty and staff schedules/interest, what is the feasibility of arranging such a schedule?”**

I and the Library Council members would like to propose the following schedule for the Friday and Saturday before Finals Week:

Friday 7:30 am - 10:00 pm (currently 7:30 am - 9:00 pm prior to Finals Week)

Saturday -- 10:00 am - 9:00 pm (currently 11:00 am - 7:00 pm prior to Finals week)

These changes to the schedule prior to Finals Week will provide an extra four hours open to the library on Friday and Saturday.

**What would be the increase in operating costs should such a schedule be arranged?**

The extra hours would cost us approximately \$700 annually.

**When and at what time does the Library Advisory Council meet, and who is the current student member of the council?**

The Library Advisory Council meets once per quarter. We are currently setting the date for the Spring quarter meeting. Mr. Tony White is the student representative to the LAC.

I hope this post answers your questions. Please don't hesitate to contact me for further information if needed. Also, I would be happy to meet with the BOD to discuss the Library. There is so much going on with Library activity -- new events, a new Library Information Science minor, the wildly successful Gala we just had on April 12, etc. I am always ready to share information about us and receive feedback on how we are doing. Too, I would be very interested in your poll results.

Many thanks,

Patricia Cutright, Dean

“Today I talked with our Circulation Supervisor and she brought up a point I thought I should share with you. Our staff noted that on the Saturday preceding finals week winter quarter there were well over 100 students in the library at closing (7:00pm). We were curious whether it would suit scheduling better for the students if we opened Saturday at 11:00 am and closed at 10:00 pm rather than the suggested 9:00 pm. Our experience is that the library is not as populated in the morning hours as it is later in the evening. You stated in your post below that an online poll was to be distributed concerning library services; did the results from that poll provide any information on this topic? If you would care to share the results with me, I would be very interested. Many thanks.

Patricia Cutright, Dean

Brooks Library

Central Washington University”

*Report-backs*

**Exercise Science** Attended ACSM conference, hosted in Wenatchee

**English** did you have fun?

**YES**

**ITAM Alt** Where in Wenatchee was it

Conference Center

**History** thanks students for showing up at last second. They apologize for difficulty in attendance

**Geology** informs them that they should contact Mary Orthman about Clubs

**Music** moves to adjourn

**Geology** seconds

**PASSED**

Adjourned at 9:18 pm

## Appendix

### 1.A

#### Communication from Provost Levine re: CEPS split

MEMORA

NDUM

04/24/14

From: Marilyn Levine,  
Provost and Vice-President for Academic and Student Life  
To: Connie Lambert  
Dean of the College of Education and

Professional Studies Re: *Possible Creation of Two*

*Colleges - Spring 2014 Outcome*

The creation of two colleges from the College of Education and Professional Studies (CEPS) has been considered for several years at CWU. The creation of a separate College of Professional Studies appeared to be a logical extension of growth in the professional departments in terms of student credit hours, majors, and accreditation trajectories. With the need for the recruitment of a new Dean upon the announced retirement of the current Dean of CEPS the dialog has been resuscitated and the leadership of CEPS and the Faculty Senate were invited to advise on possible actions. Below is a precis of what has transpired since the question was reprised.

#### Ad Hoc Faculty Senate Committee

The Faculty Senate formed a committee with representation from each college, the library and the ASCWU Board of Directors. After studying other institutions and gaining feedback, the committee produced a document that outlined some pros and cons of a possible creation of a new college and presented it to the CWU Faculty Senate on April 9, 2014. Faculty Senators took a sense of the Senate vote by secret ballot and the outcome on the creation of a new college was: Pro – 9 votes (20%); Con – 32 votes (71%) and Abstentions – 4 (9%). The major issue that appeared to have decided the matter was impending budget challenges, particularly the state legislature's freeze of general support and tuition.

#### CEPS Leadership and Faculty

A draft document for the creation of a new college was under discussion for needed revision, when a constructive conversation was held with the CEPS leadership team (Dean and two Associate Deans). The outcome was to recognize that the emerging situation has changed. Among several transformations and challenges, the most salient issue was that with the appointment of an Associate Dean in Education, the hiring of Professional Studies Dean with some accreditation background would be amenable to the accreditation needs of the Education faculty. With some additional staffing for outreach and program accreditation an alternative was offered to the CEPS faculty to form two schools within CEPS.

In a further survey of CEPS faculty:

- 49% voted for the creation of two colleges
- 21% voted for the two school model
- 20% voted to revisit this issue in two years after RCM is more fully established
- 10% voted for other options such as undecided

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**Outcomes**

1. There will not be a new college created at this time. The budgetary challenges imposed on CWU from the state of Washington make funding a new college unviable at this time, and there are structural alternatives that are viable. Specifically, the possibility of the creation of two schools should be explored by the CEPS faculty as an option towards more branding and focus that still will allow them to build on mutual strengths.
2. A national search for a new CEPS Dean will be conducted.

In conclusion, the breadth of study and feedback by the Faculty Senate Ad Hoc committee and CEPS leadership and CEPS faculty is to be commended. Positive results included a better understanding of college-wide accomplishments and structural possibilities. I appreciate the dedication of all who have been involved.

c: CWU President James  
Gaudino Faculty  
Senate President Eric  
Cheney ASCWU  
President Bryan Elliot

**1.B**

**Communication from DHC to SAS**

“This is Jesse, your Senator to the Student Academic Senate (SAS) for the DHC. For those that don't know what that is, the SAS is the body within student government that speaks on behalf of the students in regard to matters of the academic governance at Central. Basically, its students from all different departments coming together to help shape policy for the benefit of students.

The reason I'm contacting all of you is because I have a favor to ask. This coming Thursday the SAS is meeting to discuss proposed changes to our Constitution and By-laws, and there are a couple of important matters that I will be fighting for. Most importantly, there is a movement within the SAS to strip DHC of our representation. This is quite concerning, as the reasoning

behind it seems to be largely baseless, and because DHC students are of course students and therefore deserve to have "a place at the table" in student government so as to insure that our voices are being heard. Also at this meeting I'm going to be pushing for departments to be able to conduct interdepartmental elections to elect their Senators going into next year, if departments should wish to do so (currently no Senators in the SAS were elected; this makes it somewhat difficult for Senators to speak on behalf of a student body that gave no such consent on the Senators speaking for them).

Where you come in, is that in effort to bolster the DHC's argument that we should keep our Senate seat, I would like to crowd the room full of as many DHC students as possible. If we line the back rows, this will send a very strong message that DHC students are committed to continued involvement in student government. Don't worry, you don't have to say anything, just come and be present. The SAS meeting is this coming Thursday (April 24) at 7pm in Black Hall Rm 201. This is an awesome opportunity for the DHC to come out in front of an important issue on campus (and also ties directly into two of our four pillars, Leadership and Civic Engagement). So if you can come, please do, and drag all of your DHC friends as well - it will go a long way toward insuring the DHCs continued involvement in shaping policy that effects students.

Thanks everyone,

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