



CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

STUDENT
ACADEMIC SENATE

May 15, 2014

Call to order 7:00

Attendance

CHAIR, Kelsie Miller

All present except for World Languages, Science Education, Family and Consumer Science, Chemistry, Art, Aerospace, Psychology. Anthropology, Biology, ETSC, Geology and the Administrative Assistant Valry Hensel are excused.

Additions or corrections to the agenda

Add S&A Presentation to New Business

Strike Advisor Report

English added to announcements

Strike Constitution and Bylaws Report

Add communications funds request

Approval of the agenda

CHAIR entertains a motion to approve the agenda

Physics so moves. **English** seconds.

PASSED

Approval of the minutes

CHAIR entertains a motion to approve the minutes from April 17, 2014

ELLSE so moves. **Music** seconds

English, Management abstain

PASSED

CHAIR entertains a motion to approve the April 24, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes

Communications so moves, **English** Seconds

PASSED

CHAIR entertains a motion to table the minutes from May 1, 2014

English so moves. **Management** seconds.

PASSED

Announcements (2 minutes)

English - Campus literary journal is out today.

Communications

(none)

Tabled Items

(none)

New Business

a. S&A Funds Presentation- **Sharon**

- a. Tuition pays for the S&A fee, its roughly 231 dollars per quarter for full time students. You pay that rate fall winter and spring and it is a reduced rate for summer quarter due to shorter time frame. S&A fee go towards in part to pay for the bond for the SURC. The bond holders that bought the bond didn't buy the building for the SURC. The fee first and foremost goes towards the bond, so the S&A fee must go towards paying for the bond, in case enrollment dropped significantly or any other catastrophic event. After this, S&A funds go towards base funded programs such as SAS, the Observer or the art gallery. They also fund campus activities on the west side (including a learning commons and advisors). There has been a decrease in funds of about 150,000 dollars. There was a one- time carry over because of student diligence for tuition waivers. Sharon goes on to explain exactly how much money was budgeted and spent this year. S&A set money aside for guest speakers and conferences for the students. The base funding not used this year will go towards the short fall from increased tuition waivers. There will be about one million dollars in carry over for next year. This money will be carried forward for next year in anticipation of another increase in tuition waivers. Next year there will be only 500 million dollars in carry forward. This is one of the reasons for not funding the learning commons. It was also too academic in nature for S&A to fund. S&A always looks to carry over money to the next year so as to prepare for catastrophic events that could lead to a drop in funds for the S&A committee. S&A cannot raise their fee any more of a percentage than the tuition raise. If tuition is not raised at all, then the S&A cannot raise their fee either. If next year the legislature does not allow for tuition raises then there will be cuts made to base funded programs. There will be letters drafted and sent out to the different programs. There will not be cuts for next year, but possibly for the years following. The letter will be sent out to warn the base funded programs so as to prepare for these cuts and to plan accordingly. If the legislature allows, the S&A committee would like to raise the fee by at least six percent.

Computer Science asks about the yield on the bond, as far as the interest being paid. It used to be over five percent, but it was refinanced and is now lower. It will approximately be saving S&A over nine million dollars.

ITAM asks about fee cuts for S&A programs. Next year programs will be funded fully but if the legislature does not allow for tuition raises or a change to the law tying S&A fees to tuition raises, then there will be cuts for programs later on.

English asks if there would be possible to have the documents from S&A to be e-mailed to the Senators.

Management – Personal Privilege

Economics – Personal Privilege

b. Funds request (3 minutes)

i. **Psychology** (\$300)

English asks if we could have what the Executive Board recommendation what

DHC explains that Executive Board recommends the full amount

Communications is requesting 300 dollars for a conference to give a presentation about her thesis statement and to network with other researchers; she is paying out of pocket over 800 dollars.

English – Did she do fundraising?

No fundraising but she did pay 800 dollars out of pocket (she is an online student)

English moves to fund the full amount

ITAM seconds **Economics** abstains

PASSED

Communication requesting \$500 to fund two flights to Arizona for a leadership rally, for both presidents. Leadership rally will have workshops and breakout sessions. Improves leadership skills and they will be more well versed about the ethics code. Also hearing key note speeches from PR professionals.

English – what does club supplement mean?

President filled it out, probably for the flights. No fundraising, it came from club funds. No fundraising because they were elected April 28th and they had to register three days later.

Finance - How long is your trip?

Three days.

Music moves to allocate the full amount

Finance seconds

Communications abstains

PASSED

b. Report Backs (15 minutes)

i. **E-LLSE** five people went to New Orleans for the international reading associations.

About 20,000 people there and they were able to meet other teachers and educators from all over the world. There were plenty of authors in attendance, including the author for Captain Underpants and Diary of a Wimpy Kid. They were also given free books.

i. **Geology**

CHAIR entertains a motion to move the report back to the end of the meeting

English seconds, **ITAM** seconds

PASSED

IX. Reports

a. **Committees**

i. ~~Constitution and By Laws (3 mins)~~

ii. **Recruitment and Publicity** (3 mins)

Posters are here in person. They are asking to have senators to hang their own posters.

Kelsie says you must hang your poster up! Hang it up in the department heads office.

ii. **General Education** (3 mins)

Rewriting suspension policies and will have it available soon

iii. **Student Advocacy** (3 mins)

DHC yields time

b. **Chair Report** (4 minutes)

i. **CHAIR** received old funds packet, do not sign old packets! The new one is online. Waivers have logos now so they are not confused with clubs.

Application cannot be from clubs! Library Hours, dean wants our thoughts about extending the hours. There were over a 100 students when they closed the Saturday. The Dean would like our thoughts on staying open later and not opening earlier.

Music thinks that staying open later would be more beneficial than opening earlier.

E-LLSE would also prefer staying open later

English also agrees

- ii. Student Fees – Athletics fee was improperly raised last year and dean of student success requests the BOD retroactively passes..
English requests that it be e-mailed out.
- iii. **CHAIR** sent out an e-mail about SAS cords and if senators want their cord they need to e-mail her
- iv. Transit communication – sending it out to the advisory committee. They want to put in a railway system and to incorporate a bus stop.
- v. There was also a communications letter sent out about honor cords for graduates that are walking in spring but not graduating until summer.
- vi. Smoking policy on the SURC patio was pushed back. Not everyone smoking there is a student so they want to make sure they don't get sued by unions.
- vii. Student trustee was nominated Hans Humrick.
- viii. Advising comments was taken to heart and they are putting more money in to improve this program. Also vamping up first year experience. They are using the payment for the Shaw-Smsyer Building and putting it towards advising.
- ix. Task force was asked to find programs that should be cut
- x. There is a search for a dean for education

e. ~~Advisor Report—Dr. Jesse Nelson (10 minutes)~~

d. Budget Report- Administrative Assistant (2 minutes)

CHAIR is presenting on behalf of the administrative assistant.

Presentation of funds already allocated and some in progress

81% of our budget has been spent, last year at this time SAS was over their budget

35,000 dollars in goods in services

Some more funds request for next meeting in progress

DHC – is this all of our funds request?

CHAIR– only from April 30th, there are probably more from May from our first meeting

Senators would like the funds report to be e-mailed

X. Old Business

(none)

XI. Issues and concerns

English – Did we hear from geology?

DHC Phil is texting others to find someone to report

CHAIR would we like to discuss cord qualifications for cords next year?

History moves to adjourn

Finance Seconds

Computer Science if they don't report back then they don't get money?

English that is how it has always been, unless it is a dire emergency

E-LLSE Is it possible to combine the funding request?

Computer Science it must be the meeting immediately following?

CHAIR Phil stated that he wouldn't be here but he said that someone else was coming. Is there anyone else that has something to say?

History Point of Order

Computer Science Point of Order

History Moves to stop the motion

Geology report back (via speakerphone)

Two weekends ago, 22 students had an entire day on Friday to learn about slope stability from an expert in the field. Saturday they used four to five hours actually doing what they learned and plugged their data into a model. They were certified for this class.

Computer Science did you have fun?

Geology yes it was lots of fun and I fell down the hill

DHC is geology the best science?

Computer Science that is debatable.

Management I move to adjourn

E-LLSE seconds

PASSED