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## Associated Students of CWU Student Government

### Equity & Services Council Meeting March 4, 2015 Wednesday at 5:00 pm SURC 271

**Call To Order:** 5:07pm

**Roll Call:**

Spencer Biallas  
Olivia Durham  
Swamidi Oritz-- MeCha  
Denise Granados-- MeCha  
Alex Martinez-- ROTARACT  
Charlie Weber--EQuAL  
Daisy Lemus--FGSO  
Alex Thiongo--BSU  
Ellis McDowell-- AUAP  
Brandon Pangilinan--FASA  
Robert Zingelman--ABLE  
Michelle Cyrus

**Approval of Minutes:**

- Motion to approve the minutes from February 25, 2015 with corrections under Evelyn's Board Report; the name listed should be Karen Shaw, not Kathy Shaw.  
So moved FASA  
Seconded by BSU  
Motion passes 7-0-0

**Approval of Agenda:**

- Motion to approve the agenda for March 4, 2015  
So moved by EQuAL  
Seconded by FGSO  
Motion passes 7-0-0

**Executive Board Report:**

- **Chair: Spencer Biallas:** The partition board is currently up, thank you to Evelyn and Olivia for working on that. This week, I have been working on catching up on various things in the office. I have also been looking at planning volunteer opportunities for spring quarter. Also, today, WSA hosted Day of Action, where we worked to raise awareness for sexual assault on campus, thank you to all who helped and participated with that, it was a great success.
- **Community Programmer: Olivia Durham:** I have been working, this week, on getting things in the office organized. I have also been working on getting details for the retreat together and finalized. The event will be next Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 pm until 4:30 pm in the Wellington Event Center. I handed out sheets of paper with more details regarding the retreat, so please share that with your different orgs and be expecting an email from me this week, looking for numbers relative to how many members are interested and will be attending. Please, really encourage everyone to come as it will be of great benefit to the growth of your org.
- **Michelle Cyrus:** I would like to highlight again, that it is really important for all of you and your org members to attend this retreat, and also that you confirm with Olivia, the numbers of how many people from your org will be attending. I would like to reiterate again, please be sure to submit to me, all information about graduations. The deadline is April 24<sup>th</sup>, so please do all of this as soon as possible and be sure that you all book spaces soon, as they are going quickly. If you need funds covered in order to book a space, be sure that your funds request is completed and submitted to Spencer prior, as he must obtain and approve funds requests before you book the spaces. If \$199 or less, you will not need to bring your request to the ESC meeting. If you have an org that will be a conference in April, you have missed the deadline to request funds from ESC. If you are going later in April, please refer to the handbook for details regarding details of that. All funds must pass through Michelle and ESC if you expect to receive funding – please



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ensure that all actions are taken in accord to the advisor handbook. The Langston Hughes Project is tonight in the SURC Theater at 7:00 where the winners of the Poetry Slam will have their poems or spoken words to music, please come and support your classmates. Also, Great Debaters will be March 11<sup>th</sup> in Black 151, there will be the movie screening, food, and a Q & A session with Dr. Keith Champagne.

### Org Reports:

- **ROTARACT:** Munch Madness is still going on – there will be a weigh-in in the SURC Pit from 2:00pm until 5:00pm. We will also be holding a Poli Festival, which is a Muslim tradition. This will be April 24<sup>th</sup>. It translates into a Coming of Spring, which is a color celebration. The days and times are to be determined. While still finalizing details, we are planning to have the ticket prices are going to be 5 dollars with ID and 10 dollars without. We hope to engage students and members of the community.
- **BSU:** Showtime at the McConnell was held this past Saturday and it was very successful. About 300 attended the event. For those of you who do not know, Armando won the event with his spoken word. Again, thank you to all who came to the event and supported us.
- **FASA:** Lumpia Sales will be held from March 9-13. They will be \$7 for 6 and \$13 for 12 lumpia. We will be selling them while tabling in the SURC. On March 12 we are holding a Karaoke Night in SURC 137 from 7-9. So, if you enjoy singing, please come and join us.
- **EQUAL:** We have no new updates at this time.
- **MeCha:** At the officer's meeting this past week, we discussed graduations and will begin forming committees tonight. For dates, we have discussed the potential to hold graduation on the 21<sup>st</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, or the 30<sup>th</sup>. Cinco de Mayo event is still in the works. We are planning to provide a DJ. We are also planning our MeCha Retreat, which details are currently being discussed. We do know that the date will be April 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- **ABLE:** The location for our graduation has been set in stone for the park near the rodeo grounds. We have also been in communication with a representative from CDSJ regarding an autism panel that they are also planning to host. We are looking to work together on some aspects of that. Our meeting next week, we are looking to relax and play games, and have fun with the other members.
- **FGSO:** Three members of FSO have started volunteering at Ellensburg High School. So far, this has been going very well and the students are very responsive to their volunteers. The mentor teacher is hoping that FGSO can play a larger role in the school and interact with more students, primarily the seniors who will soon be graduating.

### Old Business:

### New Business:

- **MeChas Funds Request**  
MeCha is requesting \$3,500 dollars for their national conference. At this conference, they are hoping to gain a better understanding of the issues present on a large scale basis that affect students in MeCha. They hope to be encouraged by a higher-level response relative to the issues on behalf of students.  
Spencer: Please take this information back to your orgs and discuss this request with them so that we are able to vote next meeting.
- **AUAPs petition for recognition**  
AUAP believes that the Japanese students are capable of bringing a lot of culture to the campus and students of Central. They are excited to potentially gain funding to better their program and bring more support to all students involved in this organization. We meet on Mondays in Black Hall.
- **BSU Showtime at the McConnell Wrap-up**  
Showtime at the McConnell, held on February 28, 2015, was a great success where about 300 people attended. We had our entire board greatly involved in the planning of this event. Our sponsors were Campus and Facilities, CDSJ, and 88.1 The Burg, we really appreciate all of their involvement in our event. The goal of this show was to expose students to black culture, mimicking that seen at the famous Showtime at the Apollo. We received funding through various sources. The audience and the performers were all pleased with the turnout and we, as a board, were pleased to have the opportunity to showcase the students' talents.

### Issues/Concerns/Announcements:

Spencer: Evelyn is no longer affiliated with the office, so please contact Olivia with any questions or concerns regarding this office.

Also, remember that community service hours must be submitted by next Friday.

Spencer: Regarding spring volunteer opportunities, I was thinking that it would be a great idea to have an ESC-wide community clean up event to go around and clean up the city of trash and unnecessary litter. Robert is concerned about the betterment of the Ganges and the beds of the Japanese Gardens .



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Alex is concerned about next quarter's meeting times, Michelle suggests him contacting ROTARACT and finding someone to fill his position for the mean time.

Michelle: I forgot to mention that a film that is a part of the Queer Film Series will be held on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 in SURC 137A/B. The film being shown is called Wildfire.

CLCE is still seeking orgs that are willing to volunteer, setting up a station at the event. Please contact them if you are interested.

Michelle advises that orgs contact Diane Fishel-Hall to get in touch regarding RSVPs for graduation.

Washington Bus Fellowship –Please contact Michelle if you are interested in a paid internship this summer in the Seattle area.

**Public Comments:** Public Comments may be submitted to Spencer Biallas in person or via email [ascwucommunity@cwu.edu](mailto:ascwucommunity@cwu.edu). Public comments may also be presented at the time of the meeting

Robert: Would you mind picking up yourself after we are done here. This is actually one of the classes I clean every morning.

### **Adjournment:**

So moved by MECHA

Seconded by ABLE

7-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 5:43 pm