



# ASCWU Student Government

## Public Meeting Agenda for

Friday the 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2017

SURC 301 – 11:00 A.M.

400 East University Way Ellensburg, WA 98926

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 11:02 A.M. by Armando Ortiz on Friday, March 31, 2017.

### 2. INTRODUCTIONS

VP Clubs and Organization: Alex Horning

VP Academic Affairs: Ryan Zimmerman

VP Student Life and Facilities: Forrest McNealley

VP Legislative Affairs: JR Siperly

Executive VP: Brittany Kinsella

VP Equity and Community Affairs: Andrea Saavedra

President: Armando Ortiz

### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

#### 3.1 Minutes of the Regular Public Meeting –March 10<sup>th</sup> 2017

RECOMMENDATION that the Public Meeting Minutes of March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 be adopted.

MOVED by Alex Horning

SECONDED by Ryan Zimmerman

**Approved 6-0-0**

### 4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

RECOMMENDATION that the Public Meeting Agenda of March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 be adopted.

MOVED by JR Siperly

SECONDED by Alex Horning

**Approved 6-0-0**

### 5. OFFICER REPORTS

5.1 **Executive VP Brittany Kinsella:** I got back from spring break and have some ideas for student recognition.

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I am working on the Veterans Memorial. We have budgets set up and have fundraising ideas.

I am also working with Tyson on the elections packet.

I also am going to the Students of Color Summit this weekend.

- 5.2 VP Clubs and Organizations Alex Horning:** Wildcat day is coming up: clubs will have the chance to table and maybe recruit new members. We are projected to have over 1,000 visitors on campus. Working with Legislative Affairs to put on a club fair during Civic week. We are also trying to have a mini club fair during Student Appreciation day. I attended the Board of Trustees meeting: according to current polls we are up 1,261 students from last year which is great for our campus.
- 5.3 VP Academic Affairs Ryan Zimmerman:** SAS is this Tuesday. We have many report backs from travel during spring break. I've been involved in the Associate Provost Search committee. We have wrapped up interviews and have two candidates. Candidates will come before Easter and check out the campus. It's been busy but the committee is very diverse and it's been doing well. New funding packet coming out. This will streamline clubs and SAS packets. CAPS+ team and I are going to meet and make sure we are the on same page. Students gave feedback on the program and not much has been done, I feel student feedback has been heavily ignored.
- 5.4 VP Equity and Community Affairs Andrea Saavedra:** I have been gone due to knee surgery. All orgs got in their community engagement hours. We have our ESC meetings Mondays at 5 P.M. in SURC 236. Spring quarter we will focus on being a supportive team, have now grown to a team of nine orgs and are very excited about that. There is going to be a lot of graduations, anyone is welcome to participate you do not have to be in the organization and I will have more information soon. I look forward to a good quarter.



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- 5.5 VP Student Life and Facilities Forrest McNealley:** I've been working with Brooklyn and planning events with Wellington and the Hype. Student appreciation, want more information on when they meet. I plan to work with Brittany on Veterans Memorial Taskforce. We have a new employee in the office and he starts this week. And we have Students of Color Summit this weekend.
- 5.6 VP Legislative Affairs JR Siperly:** been working towards HB1433. One more obstacle, one person who has a lot of power puts it to a vote. HB1433 decouples S&A fees from tuition. It passed through House of Representatives and so its back to the Senate level. Students of Color summit is this weekend, our office is making sure everything is ready to go. Today I will be prepping for about 300 students from all over WA to get here. Also have Richard Sherman coming to campus tomorrow night. Get your ticket now, they are available online.
- 5.7 President Armando Ortiz:** Students of Color Summit is here this weekend and I will be there. I'm working with Poly Central and Native American students for Poly Fest and the Pow Wow. Working with Deans for student speakers for commencement. Student appreciation day, working with and break central. Setting up meetings with Deans and President to make sure some of the things we are going through doesn't happen again next year.

## 6. COMMUNICATIONS

Communications may be submitted to Armando Ortiz in person or via email to [ASCWUPresident@cwu.edu](mailto:ASCWUPresident@cwu.edu)

## 7. CLUB RECOGNITION

### 7.1 None



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### 8. COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

#### 8.1 Elections Committee

- Vic Savino for Elections Commission
- Tucker Andis for Elections Commission
- Ciara White for Elections Commission
- Erik Ekberg for TFC
- Natasha Ruttin for TFC

MOVED by Forrest McNealley

SECONDED by Ryan Zimmerman

**Approved 4-0-2**

### 9. SAS APPOINTMENTS:

#### 9.1 Conner Sears for Economics

MOVED by Brittany Kinsella

SECONDED by JR Siperly

**Approved 6-0-0**

### 10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### 11. NEW BUSINESS

**11.1 Funding packet:** Ryan Zimmerman: can we have an official vote on implementation of the new funding packet. Brittany Kinsella: is it going to be changed in the By-Laws, or is there any different wording? Ryan Zimmerman: By-Laws have already been approved, this would just be implementing the new packet.

Ryan Zimmerman motions a Resolution to implement the new Funding packet

MOVED JR Siperly

SECONDED by Alex Horning

Discussion: what does a resolution mean? Ryan Zimmerman: it means that we support it as a board.

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**11.2 Elections packet:** Tyson Shepard: biggest change in the packet would be the 'in good academic standing' and GPA requirement section. Also the amount of credits. See packet. We are ready to get it going. Brittany Kinsella: the academic standing, does the packet match the bylaws now? Tyson Shepard: they now match, following the bylaws. Alex Horning: if cumulative GPA falls below the requirement, also changed the credit requirement.

Motion to approve the Elections Packet.

MOVED by Forrest McNealley

SECONDED by Ryan Zimmerman

**Approved 4-0-2**

Discussion: Ryan Zimmerman: how do we successfully promote this packet as soon as possible? Tyson Shepard: we understand time is not as long as we wanted it to be, starting today there is the media blast and we are going to start sending emails out. Suggestions are welcome because we understand it is not that long. Alex Horning: is it okay to mention this in Club Senate through email? Tyson Shepard: I don't see a problem with that. Ryan Zimmerman: you might want to entertain the idea of standing at the busy parts of the SURC entrances to get people informed. Tyson Shepard: yes, we have thought of that. Andrea Saavedra: have you gone and talked to the ESC orgs? Tyson Shepard: they said we need to give two weeks' notice to get on their itinerary. Once this is set in stone we will go to them.

## 12. ISSUES/CONCERNS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

**12.1: Bruce Tab** from City of Ellensburg: wanted to update you on Central Transit. First public ballot transit measure, we took it with about 63 percent of the vote. Means public transit is important to the community. Wanted to thank you as Student Government, if you are not aware that you contribute \$75,000 to public transportation. If we did not have student support we would not have been successful with the voters. We were able to deliver good transit on the streets. We have a new transit manager. The core route runs around Ellensburg, we are proposing to run a route out to the Gray Hound station and want to run a back side route that runs down Nicholson. We'll expand and this will increase will



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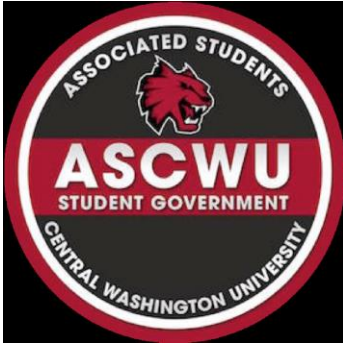
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expand the frequency of busses. Alex Horning: thank you for bringing this in and how many students in a day are you picking up and drop off and what would be the additional cost? Bruce Tab: I don't have adequate numbers what we do know is we increased our ridership from 32,000 to 45,000 just on the core route. One of the cool things about having a transit manager is they can provide adequate oversight. We now have a marketing budget, we have been able to maintain the brochure. We are looking into an app that can allow you to see where the bus is on the route with time. Alex Horning: the new VP for Operations wanted to do a traffic analysis, he thought about putting in an in-campus bus route. Bruce Tab: One of the things we proposed is we did a study for downtown is a circulator that goes around campus and then to downtown. Guest: we are going to be doing public outreach on two new route and makes sure we are making the best route on April 25 or 27<sup>th</sup> we are taking input from students to find where we can out routes. We want to hear what the students are doing and we are not aware currently of what the students want to do.

### 13. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Andre Dickerson: sounds like the packet was approved. Some of the changes in this year's packet are in direct correlation with the Student Policies and Procedures. None of the decisions made to changes the packet were made to benefit one or more of those involved in the elections. As candidates to move forward in the process, questions can be referred to Tyson Shepard and we will take recommendations to Paula and myself through email. Then the commission will get the chance to vote on it. Ryan Zimmerman: Tysons personal email is here, and it needs to be the ASCWU email. Brittany Kinsella: going back to the good academic standing for the quarter, I do not agree with the changes, I believe if you are not in good academic standing then you should not be running, that could affect their performance and it might show if they get the position. And I do feel like that is something that has come from internally. Andre Dickerson: how it comes at the moment, a student not until probation would be no longer able to hold their position in office. Brittany Kinsella: this was communicated to me differently last year and I think that's where the misunderstanding comes from. Andre Dickerson: this has come to my attention. Brittany Kinsella: I want students to not have an issue with the packet and how it's



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being interpreted. Andre Dickerson: we make sure there is language that is there, and that previous officers are not endorsing each other or other students. We want to make sure no one is using their position as a power tool. Andrea Saavedra: if that is happening what do we do? Andre Dickerson: report it immediately and it then goes straight to the commission. Brittany Kinsella: so I could support them as Brittany, but you could not endorse them as a member of student government? Andre Dickerson: right. Brittany Kinsella: so we can support candidates as friends? Alex Horning: yes. JR: as friends, I cannot support someone using my position. Ryan Zimmerman: please don't let this stop candidates from running. Andre Dickerson: the packet is there, we try to make it so students can endorse students but we tried to make it so there were no unethical practices and want it to be fair. If that is not the case we will make sure the commission is aware and candidates can be penalized if needed. Ryan Zimmerman: SOURCE submissions are open, do it!

#### 14. NEXT MEETING

The next ASCWU Student Government Public Meeting to be held on Friday April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in the SURC Pit at 11 A.M.

#### 15. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Alex Horning

SECONDED by JR Siperly

**Approved 6-0-0**