

**Services and Activities Fee Committee**  
**Minutes**  
**May 12, 2021**

**Called to order:**

Christian Castilleja called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

**Attendance:**

Björn Pellmyr, Brandon Wear-Grimm, Christian Castilleja, Deanna Corsilles, Gregg Schlanger, Jessica Thomas, Joseph Bryant, Josh Hibbard, Lacy Lampkins, Sean Dahlin, Zoe Brown, Yunus Timurtas

Absent: Masina Ieremia, Peggy Eaton, Terry Wilson

Guests: Geoffrey Odoch

**Agenda:**

**MOTION: Brandon Wear-Grimm made a motion to approve the agenda. Björn Pellmyr seconded. Motion carried.**

**Minutes:**

**MOTION: Björn Pellmyr made a motion to approve the minutes of April 28, 2021. Deanna Corsilles seconded. Motion carried.**

**Reports:**

**Chair** – Nothing to report this week.

ASCWU - Brandon Wear Grimm reported on student government. The team is wrapping up the year. Geoffrey will be shadowing Brandon next week and at the next S&A meeting. If you have any questions, please let him know or reach out to ask questions.

**Advisors:**

**Lacy** reported that the S&A Supplemental Budget still has a current available balance of \$215,000 left for the year.

**Joey** reported one reminder that the committee will not be meeting on May 19 due to SOURCE but that we will be meeting on May 26<sup>th</sup>, and that will be our last business meeting of the year. We will be voting on the carry forward requests that we're going to hear tonight, and then we will have two new requests. We will need to be hearing the presentations for those and then vote on them at the same meeting. I appreciate the feedback and recommendations for the committee, and he will be compiling those into one document.

**Other Business: Communications Received**

There was not communication received this week.

**Public Comment:**

One question was asked and answered in the chat.

**Old Business:**

**A. Supplemental Funding Request 2102:**

**Student Legal Services (ASCWU) \$20,000**

Opening Remarks: Bjorn indicated that this request seems in line with the mission of the committee and is deemed a very worthwhile effort, especially from the equity lens. As a pilot program, this would be a great way to basically give access to legal services or advice to students who might not otherwise be able to afford these services.

Discussion: Brandon indicated that he would be abstaining as this is a request from the ASCWU. Yunus asked whether he should abstain as well, but Joey thought it would not be a conflict of interest for Yunus to vote.

**MOTION: Björn Pellmyr made a motion to approve the supplemental request at the amount of \$20,000 for the Student Legal Services pilot program. Jessica Thomas seconded. Motion carried.**

**New Business:**

**B. Request for S&A Carry Forward Funds**

**i. Wildcat Films - \$7,000**

Cait Dalton, Student Media Business Manager for Wildcat Films presented a request to carry forward \$7,000 of the left over fund balance, into the 2022 fiscal year. The purpose for the use of these funds would be to purchase computer equipment that Wildcat Films has been approved to purchase. Apple products are due to release a new updated computer with a M1 processor, instead of the Intel processor. That release will take place sometime in July or August and with these funds, we will be able to purchase when the new equipment is released. This new technology will allow Wildcat Films to live stream theater productions in a much more efficient way. This request is for \$7,000 of the final fund balance of \$10,000.

Question: Yunus asked about the difference between the Intel Laptop or the M1?

Cait answered that IS asked them to wait to purchase if they were able, that it would give them the most up to date technology possible.

Question: Brandon asked, given the recommendation or the next quadrennial budget, will we have a Wildcat Films going forward? How will this be used outside of the classroom?

Cait answered that Wildcat Films is a class and a graduation requirement for film students. Film students will still take on clients from the CWU community such as theatre, the fashion show,

and poly fest. The computer equipment will mingle within the classroom as well as will serve in the CWU community as well. They will need classroom training to utilize the equipment.

Question: Jess asked why Macbook rather than iMac.

Cait answered that it was just for the ease of being transported.

Question: Is this just one piece of equipment?

Cait answered that it is due to the file size and the Max specs. The large files take a lot of processing power. Computer Support recommended the specs that were requested, and they were approved for this need.

Question: Gregg asked if they weren't approved for these funds, would they go ahead and purchase the laptop?

Cait answered to say that they would proceed with that is available today but if awarded the carry forward funds, they would wait and purchase the new technology after July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Discussion ended and this will go to vote at the next business meeting.

### **Public Comment:**

#### **Comment #1: Committee Structure**

Brandon asked to add one more item to new business.

An item that Terry brought up in a previous meeting about removing faculty from the committee was brought up for discussion. There has been support from others and members of the committee to rewrite the S&A policy to remove the faculty from the committee and allow the committee to be a student only committee. This could be to just remove the faculty or replace the faculty positions with additional students.

Yunus indicated that there is value in having the faculty in the meeting. Geoffrey indicated that he is happy to have this opportunity to serve in the coming year and indicated that he agrees that there should be less faculty and more student representation on the committee.

Brandon suggested that perhaps we ask for the faculty and staff to remain on the committee but to remove their status to non-voting members. Jess indicated that faculty should not be removed from the committee.

Joey stated that there are two different pieces to be discussed and one is whether to remove faculty from the committee versus just removing their voting status. Voting members are what counts towards quorum. Right now, we have 13 voting positions which includes our faculty and staff, so we need to have seven voting members present for quorum.

Bjorn indicated that it is been beneficial to have longer sitting members on the committee for perspective. Since the students turnover each year it is been helpful to have the ongoing members of the committee who ask good questions of the committee.

Christian indicated that Yunus made a comment in the chat requesting to table the conversation at this time and asking for further conversation to take place with both student leaders and faculty senate.

Joey indicated that the process to change the policy requires the S&A Committee to make recommendations to the Provost Council which includes ADCO and Faculty Senate and all of the academic teams who sit there. They would look over to provide their feedback and then, if approved, the recommendation would fo to the UPAC (University Policy Advisory Committee) for final approval. UPAC includes the President and the President's Cabinet along with members of the campus community and Faculty Senate.

Jess asked if increasing the number of students from nine to eleven could potentially be a better solution. This would increase the student voice on the committee. Brandon asked what others think about this idea.

Gregg talked about faculty workload units and how that works as a part of faculty service. Joey indicated that as we think about increasing the student voice on the committee, we also need to be mindful about what this means as this would change the quorum. In the past when we had student vacancies, it has been difficult to make quorum. The schedule can also be a challenge as committee members are asked to meet weekly.

**MOTION: Brandon Wear-Grimm made a motion to change the faculty/staff members to non-voting members, to increase the number of student members from nine to eleven and start the policy change process to make this a permanent change for the next S&A committee.**

**No one seconded. Motion failed..**

**MOTION: Yunus Timurtas made a motion to table the discussion to the next meeting. Unknown seconded. Motion carried.**

**Comment #2: Statement by the CWU Muslim Student Association on the recent developments on Jerusalem.**

The CWU MSA is deeply concerned about the serious escalation of the tensions in East Jerusalem, over the past few days. The CWU MSA unequivocally condemns the attacks against civilians at the El Oxide compound which is an ancient site of spirituality and worship that holds deep significance for the people all around the world. CWU MSA respects the fundamental human rights of Palestinians and all people and affirms their respect for the protection and

preservation of human life inherited sites. CWU MSA regenerates its support for the Palestinian people and recognized their right to establish an independent state based on the 1967 borders agreed upon by the United Nations.

Secondly, we said goodbye to the last night of the Holy Month of Ramadan and today we celebrate the ending of a fast IED Mubarak and happy to all Muslims around the world, may we celebrate next year Inshallah with hugs, kisses, and good health.

**Comment #3: ASCWU International Café**

ASCWU will be hosting the International CAFÉ on May 13<sup>th</sup> at noon. There are links on social media, including a link on the ESC Instagram account.

**Comment #4: Committee of the Year Award**

Joey gave one more reminder about the next meeting and the ASCWU celebration next Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup> where the S&A committee will be honored as the Committee of the Year.

**Adjournment:**

**MOTION: Björn Pellmyr made a motion to adjourn. Brandon Wear-Grimm seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.**

**Schedule for Next Meeting:**

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 26, 2021, online starting at 5:30 p.m.