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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 1:02 by Armando Ortiz on Friday, November 4th, 2016

1. **INTRODUCTIONS**

President: Armando Ortiz

VP Academic Affairs: Ryan Zimmerman

VP Student Life and Facilities: Forrest McNealley

VP Equity and Community Affairs: Andrea Saavedra

VP Legislative Affairs: JR Siperl

Public Relations Director: Trenton Gardner

1. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

To adopt the minutes of the Regular Public Meeting on October 28th, 2016 and Table the minutes for October 14th, 2016 and October 21st, 2016 with the stipulation that they will be completed this week.

MOVED by JR Siperly

SECONDED by Ryan Zimmerman

**Approved 4-0-0**

1. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

To Approve the ASCWU Student Government Agenda for the meeting on November 4th, 2016

MOVED by Andrea Saavedra

SECONDED by Forrest McNealley

Ryan- I would like to strike out the report for the Executive Vice President Brittany Kinsella.

Armando- We will continue on with the amendment of the motion that the Executive Vice Presidents Brittany Kinsella’s Report will be striked from the agenda

**Approved 4-0-0**

1. **OFFICER REPORTS**

**VP Academic Affairs Ryan Zimmerman** – This Tuesday we have SAS at 7:00p.m in Black 151. We are getting more seats Lucas is here to be appointed, he will be appointed later in the agenda. There is going to be some discussion about the Gen Ed re-design, so if you are interested in what the schedule is or how it is being re-designed or want the goals and philosophy behind it, you are welcome to come in for a meeting or come talk to me after this meeting. I might have a little material here about how it is being based and structured, but we are going to have a discussion about it in SAS. So it is a great opportunity for some student input, the schedule is pretty fast, it’s a two year schedule. Hopefully it will be implemented in fall 2018, so the key student input phase will be here till April. So we are going to try and get a student seat, because there is a student seat on the Gen Ed Re-Design Committee. In fact we are just trying to get a student to fill it, but hopefully that will be a student in SAS but that does not need to be, if any of you all are interested in that seat just come and talk to me. Additionally Scholarship Night is still planned for November 28th, 5:00 to 8:00p.m, SURC 137. There is going to be some food, there is going to be some people, faculty for financial aid, there is going to be four counselors. So If you have any questions, FAFSA, GSA, Student Employment, work study, general Financial aid questions loan questions. Hopefully U.S Bank is going to be there, I talk to them and they said 5-8, hopefully they can say and give kind of a financial 101 and there is going to be a resume workshop there as well so you are welcome to boring your resume and have student services look it over. As far as that committees on SAS, THE SEAT ADUIT committee, we are going through the bi-laws and trying to figure out how seats are designed now. We are going to try and work on a criteria on what program department should get a seat. We are going to get SAS approval for that criteria in maybe a month or so and we are going to run all programs of the department that the school has and we are basically going to redesign the seat composition of SAS, so I’m excited about that. Lastly Carolyn Thurston who works in the academic success initiative office is working on her project for the year. It is called a resilience lab. Stanford has done it, UW is doing it and the director for the UW program will be here November 10th from 1:30-3:30. She is going to talk about what they have done at UW and what they have implemented, then we are going to try and adopt that same program here. So I will keep you posted as I know more.

**VP Equity and Community Affairs: Andrea Saavedra** – A lot of things have been going on this week. In my office we are working on Friends giving that is going to be on November 17th 5-7 at the Recreational Center. There will be games, prizes and food, and pretty much the organizations are being asked to come and have a good time and participate with each other, challenging ourselves and eating bunch of great food. Three more things that are going on with CDSJ dia de los muertos is going on today, tonight at 6:00pm in the ballroom. The Precession will start at 5 in dean hall, if you do not know what that is, it is when you are caring your ancestors with you and kind of having a ritual with them before dia de los muertos goes on at 6 o’clock. At 5:45 \_\_\_\_ ritual will be taking place here in front of the SURC, so if you haven’t seen one, you should they are amazing. Another thing that is going on is Parade of Nations that is going on Thursday November 17th, 2016 @ 7:00 in the ballroom. Native American Open House is going to be November 9th, 2016 @ 6 o’clock in Dean Hall and we expect there is going to be a good turn out and a lot of friends to meet.

**VP Student Life and Facilities: Forrest McNealley -** First Alex Horning just wanted send out a quick last minute announcement for Club-a-Palooza that is coming up this month. It will be on November 10th from 4-8pm in the SURC Ballroom. What it really is trying to stray away from a club fair to more of a social time for clubs and all the students on campus to kind of get to know what are clubs do, what events they provide and what services they have through mingling through food, club culture and music. So if you have any questions about that feel free to ask anyone of us because we all have knowledge on it.

Coming up on the 15th is a CWU vs WSU game in Kennewick, so I am trying to work with Paula and Athletics to see if we can get some students bussed down there and have some spirit. I want to work with athletics to get some old swag because I really like retro jerseys and I think they are really cool. Tuesday we talked about our legislative agenda as a board, some issues that we are thinking about and how we want to pursue those so if you guys have questions about where your board stands on how we are representing you, come talk to us about it. I attended RHA on Wednesday, gave them our updates from our office and talked about Club-a-Palooza, Scholarship Night, the new search for Vice president for Operations and different things like that, that we are doing, those are open meetings Wednesday @ 6 every Wednesday, go to those if you want to get involved with RHA. On Wednesday I attended a SURC expansion discussion, so what the board and I are going to start working on is what we find important to student groups and us in the SURC when we talk about making it bigger. If you want you can come and talk to us and get your ideas on that, if you would like to go somewhere higher maybe like faculty or maybe someone who works full time in the building, you can talk to Sheree Wilson, she knows everything and you can get your idea through that way too. I hope to talk more about the all use Bathroom spaces that they started on last year within my office and facilities and hopefully we will have some all use bathrooms in the SURC soon. Another thing that they are talking about is they are switching the front and back doors of bouillon. So the front door will be the back door and the back door will be the front door, so look forward to that.

**VP Legislative Affairs: JR Siperly** – On the legislative side of things, last Tuesday I had the chance to talk to Student Government on some key initiatives that are going through WSA as well as the office of legislative affairs on what can benefit us as a student group. So some key things that we covered was Tuition, de-coupling student use fees and pros and cons on those. Right now we are staying neutral on the tuition freeze that WSA is proposing until we get further information on what the freeze could affect, what programs and if we could possibly get a back filled with government if there was a freeze implemented. De-coupling I believe we are mostly in favor of it, we will be coming to a conclusion next week. Basically de-coupling the student use fee from the state tuition will do is give the students more of the power on how much they increase or decrease student use fees without facing consequences that will have you dinged with the state. So those are two things that we covered. Who all here is a registered voter? Who all here is excited to get this election over with? I’m so done with it, but any way make your voice heard. The Election Assistant Center will be open next week November 7th and 8th. You will be able to vote and print off your ballot here and we will have everything ready for you guys in SURC 137 A/B. After that on November 8th at 6pm there will be the election Bash in the SURC pit. There will be pizza, hot wings lots of soda, lots of give-a-ways, and you guys will be able to watch our presidential election unfold and see who our next leader is.

**President: Armando Ortiz** – I met with Dean Sager about certain initiates that we are working together on as a board. Currently right now we are planning on doing a big event for winter quarter so be on the watch out for an announcement next week on what we plan to do because we want to make sur that we are servicing all of our students. I have been working on some SWAG for student government. We approved some funds for swag so I am working on that right now it has been cool and pretty hectic because no one is emailing me back, it’s always fun emailing ghost. I am working with several students here on campus to revitalize the Native American student Association, like Andrea said the Native American Open house will be November 9th in Dean hall. Please come through there will be great food, there will be Indian tacos and if nobody knows what Indian tacos are come through and find out because they are amazing. We have a meeting today with Linda Shackler as a continuation from our training in the summer. We will be talking about conflict resolution and communication so that is going to be really fun.

1. **CLUB RECOGNITION**

THAT this ASCWU Student Government recognize the following clubs:

* Psychology Club (Des Moines)
* Association for Environment and Engineering Geologist
* National Society of Collegiate Scholars
* 21st Century Skills Educators
* Women in Aviation

` MOVED by Andrea Saavedra

SECONDED by JR Siperly

**Approved 4-0-0**

1. **SAS APPOINTMENTS**

THAT this ASCWU Student government appoint the following senators to the Student Academic Senate:

* Lucas Winkelman
  + Representing Engineering, Technology, and Safety Management

MOVED- Forrest Mcnealley

SECOND- JR Siperly

**Approved 4-0-0**

1. **NEW BUISNESS**

Student Government was asked to cover Red Week and we were approached to cover the cost of the space that will be held in the SURC pit next Thursday from 4-6pm. The cost will be 43 dollars for the mic’s and ECT….

MOVED by JR Siperly

SECONDED by Andrea Saavedra

**Guillermo Rogel from WSA**- My name is Guillermo Rogel from WSA. So before I get in to the organization I just want to touch bases on what students face here on campus. There’s a lot of things that affect the quality of you education here at central but state wide in Washington, so whether it be how much cost of attendance is, if you are an undocumented student struggling with financial aid, what housing looks like, what food security looks like. All of these issues may or may not impact you but we are here to be apathetic to all the students that these things may affect. The way that I describe WSA is, when you joined central, you joined the whole state. We have all the campus including regional campuses and together we form WSA. We are the bigger student government of all the schools across the state. The WSA is ran by a board of directors and you guys are represented by the president of your school or a legislative liaison. I work really closely with JR here, we work together on things that happen over in Olympia. Everyone will be working hard and working full time, just to make sure that the student’s voice is heard across Washington State in the Capital. So it is pretty much about what happens on your campus and taking it in to legislative manners. Making sure that every event that you are hosting, every protest that you have is heard in Olympia, so there is not an isolated event that is happening on your campus. Whether that be with diversity, affordability, or the quality of you education. We just want to make sure that your voices are heard. So the work we do really starts in the fall, we send people out from your school to get you guys registered to vote and they are there to make sure that your voice is heard on the legislative level. So with the help of all our campuses this year we helped register 8,305 students to vote. And CWU got 2,800 students registered and that is a really big number and that is also how we got 8,000 students registered. We also have full time lobbyist that work in Olympia that are considered a legislative liaison, so someone from JR’s office will go serve down in Olympia in January and they live there during the whole legislative process. They will be the one going to every event and making sure that all your voices are heard 1 person will be speaking for every student at CWU. So we also have 5 different committees that are working with the WSA. We have a committee for diversity and they are more focused WSA and their whole system is being respectful of everybody and all their diversity. So one of the things that we will be doing this year is the student of color senate here in the spring. We have a committee for affordability and they are here to make sure everything is affordable like tuition and the rest of your financial aid. We also have committee on sexual assault prevention and education. Unfortunately this is something that happens on our campus. We just want to make sure that we fix what is happening and have a proper way for someone to report this type of assault and feel safe while doing it. We also have a committee on open store text books, so you don’t want to pay 200 dollars for a text book you have an opportunity online to access those textbooks. Then our last one is committee of financial development, this one is more focused on finding threads and other things to financially support our organization for funding and we can have more money on our budget. Does anyone have any questions so far? No, cool. In 2014 here we enforced the act that let undocumented students apply for financial aid here in Washington State and we made it to where veterans can actually access their education. In 2015 we had a tuition decrease for the first time here in Washington State. Our tuition stands at approximately 14,000 and sadly might be going up 2.1% on our campuses for the next couple years. In 2016 we managed to stop 2,000 students that were being cut from recovering the federal need grant and then created the student disability transfer task force. We have a lot of things this year in January that will be affecting students including everything to the rising cost in education to EBT on college campuses and making it to where they actually give you food stamps. If you want to get more involved with WSA then I would point you to your WSA representative with would be JR and then attend our monthly board meetings, we will even be having a WSA meeting here on November 19th for our general assembly, we will have students all over the state to come together and figure out what we want to take to Olympia.

**Forrest McNealley**- I would like to talk upon the SURC expansion. Right now we are just talking about thinking about what we are going to do and what direction we are going to go and they are actually asking for student input so we should take this opportunity to get it in there. This may seem stupid to you al because you won’t even be here maybe when it’s all done, but the students that live in the SURC and are here all day everyday will know what the SURC needs to make it better for all of the students. If you don’t want to come talk to any of us all of our emails are online and you can contact us that way. So let us know so we can get our ideas on the board.

**APPROVED 4-0-0**

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Justin**- I have a question for the board and WSA I am willing to join a committee I know you all have your own and have a lot of activist students in the committees. WSA Is great, they held a lobby lost year where I got to talk about my experience about transferring from a community college to CWU and how I had many little bumps along that road.

1. **NEXT MEETING**

The next ASCWU Student Government Public Meeting to be held on Friday, November 18th, 2016 in the SURC Pit at 2 pm.

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 1:36 pm.

MOVED by JR Siperly

SECONDED by Andrea Saavedra

**Approved 6-0-0**