



ASCWU Executive Board Public Meeting Minutes

January 13th, 2025 | SURC Pit

Call To Order

President Cantu calls the meeting to order at 2:02pm in the SURC Pit.

Roll Call

President
Executive Vice President
Senate Speaker
Director of Equity & Multicultural Affairs
Director of Governmental Affairs
Director of Student Life & Facilities
~~ASCWU Advisor~~

Reading and Approval of Minutes

Speaker Hondo motions to approve the agenda, seconded by **Director Garcia-Sanchez**.

Reading and Approval of Agenda

EVP motions to have Election Commission appointment to new business, seconded by **Speaker Hondo**.

Speaker Hondo motions to include Sweezy day update under new business, seconded by **Director Garcia-Sanchez**.

Director Carrillo motions to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by **Director Garcia-Sanchez**.

Reports

President Cantu reported that Kayla Redbow is the new Wildcat Pantry Coordinator. They also recently met with president Wohlpart to discuss a request from CWU for the governors budget. Request was denied, wage increase is not funded by the Governor. As well as creating the S&A Presentation for our quadrennium request. In addition she has been developing residence hall open forums with VP Ortega to collect data on the first-year experience for the fall-to-winter quarter transition. Their team will be updating our website, archives, and social medias. She will also be at the involvement fair and Senator Holwege's "Meet the Senators" event this



Wednesday, Jan. 15th. He went to a University Policy Advisory Committee Meeting where they reviewed required updated language to policies pertaining to IX non-discrimination practices as well as library resources. Their team will also be organizing back storage area of office. For some announcements Wildcat Essentials Coalition meeting on Jan. 14th and Culture of Respect Leadership council meeting on Jan. 16th.

EVP thanked everyone that attended and supported Warm Up With Wellington!!! Stir the Pot with Committees is next week from the 22nd, 10-12pm in the surc pit. S&A has Started reviewing programs for the Quadrennium and we'll be reviewing ASCWU this Friday at 2pm. Have a meeting with Joel Klucking, if there is anything y'all like me to bring up.

Speaker Hondo reported planning has begun for Sweezy Day, which is happening May 22nd, the meetings are biweekly. Multiple different service projects and activities being planned with many senators are making their own events. This event is all hands-on deck and volunteers would be deeply appreciated.

EVP motioned to step back to approval of the agenda, seconded by **Speaker Hondo**.

EVP motions to add MCC Updates presentation to new business, seconded by **Director Castillo**.

Director Garcia-Sanchez reported that the Listening Tour, January 17th, 1-2pm, Black Hall 105. It will be an open opportunity for individuals to share their comments, questions, concerns, and experiences with the DEI committee about downtown Ellensburg. Pizza and water will be provided. The ESC Night market which is happening January 24th, 6-8pm, SURC Corridor. All 10 orgs will be fundraising through sold goods!! There will also be two equal opportunity drawings for the community. There is open enrollment for Health Insurance with a deadline is January 15th – However, some exceptions will be made after deadline. **Director Garcia-Sanchez** also had some notes from the orgs. Japanese New Year Event!! – January 17th, 6-8pm, SURC 137. Their tam is also look at for what times and days each orgs will be hosting their general meetings through their Instagrams.

Director Carrillo reports that Lobby Day is February 11-12th. The deadline for sign-up is Jan 25th, sign up form is on the ASCWU Governmental Affairs Instagram @ascwugovaffairs. She also stated that the first day of session is today! The first day of session is today! She meet with **President Wohlpart** on the president's budget and some changes we had to make. Coddifying the Washington Grant to 65% MFI is one of the main things we want to be focusing on. Our second goal is our Unionization. Our third priority is Equity of Undocumented students. With many more priorities.



Director Castillo had nothing to report.

Unfinished Business

N/A

New Business

Director Garcia-Sanchez brought to the board A funding request for the ESC Overnight Retreat which is happening January 31st, 9pm-2am, SURC 236. She asked for \$100 to cover expenses for a building manager to keep SURC open after hours. With the goal of promoting team bonding among the org boards and professional development to better serve our diverse communities.

- **Speaker Hondo** mentions that the professional hours can be logged by **Senator Holman**. **Director Garcia-Sanchez** said that the professionalism would be about an hour.

Director Castillo motioned to approve the expense, seconded by **Speaker Hondo**.

Delano Palmer, who is the Director of Capital Planning and Projects, came to give an MCC Update. Last 7 months we have been on the design phase, expansion for the MCC and Edu and Professional Studies. We've done a bid walk associated with the project, which is an assembly of contractors in hopes that we can drive the price down with a bunch of competitors. The bids will be due this week, we want to get them under contract asap. We are getting this contract done asap as economic concerns may also arise. The problem being that the prices of materials going up before we lock in the contract. We walked 200 different contractor groups. We know that we have 5 groups that are interested, our hopes are getting 2 or more submissions for bids. Phase 1 and 2 of the project will significant impact to the DEC for most of the Calander year. The new MCC will hopefully be open by the new 2026 Calander year.

- **Speaker Hondo** asks how far will the construction sight go out so we can avoid putting things around that area? **Delano** replied with we wont know until late February. We will most likely be using the space between the SURC and Black Hall as a construction area.
- **Speaker Hondo** states that for future reference we would like to get you involved in the Sweeey day conversation. **Speaker Hondo** asks to see if Delano could also share this with the Senators at today's Senate meeting. **Delano** was unsure if he could make the senate meeting later but said that Joanne Hillman will be coming eventually to a Senate meeting to give a presentation as well.



- **President Cantu** asks what happens if we don't get back a favorable bid?
Delano said a Bid Bust would happen. If we go well over the budget then we will be making harder decisions and Evaluate engineering, we have hopefully created enough elements to negate this.
- **President Cantu** asks when will deeper conversations will start about the operations on who is going to be updated? **Delano** said that **Mal Stewman** will be a key part in the conversation.
- **President Cantu** asks if students can still provide feedback on the MCC?
Delano said that we are not getting any more feedback right now, but the qr code does have updates as to where we are on the project. Decor and event focused things will have feedback opportunities in the future.
- Over the next few months we will begin blocking off areas as well as scheduling walk through's for our construction students so they can see what is going on in the space.

EVP presented **Elizabeth Yanes** and **Litzy Canales Montiel** as students for the Election Commission.

- **Speaker Hondo** said Elizabeth was one of the primary voices of the master hooding ceremony, would recommend her completely.
- **Director Carrillo** was curious about if we were appointing one of them as a chair today?
President Cantu said no, and she will do that later.

EVP motions to approve the two students to the election chair, seconded by **Director Carrillo**.

Announcements

Director Carrillo announced WAISN Lobby day is January 30th, PSBN Lobby Day is February 6th, WA Bus is February 7th.

Speaker Hondo spoke about **Senator Holwege's** Squishmallow event happening January 15th from 4-7pm.



Public Comment

Senator Wyman shared that they are still looking for volunteers for the Master Hooding ceremony.

Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned at 2:59PM