

Central Washington University Student Academic Senate General Senate Meeting Agenda October 6, 2011

- I. Call to order
 - a. Called to order at 6:59pm
- II. Introduction
 - a. Allyson and Kelsey introduction
- III. Attendance
 - Art
 - Philosophy and Religious Studies
 - Accounting
 - Mathematics
 - Family and Consumer Sciences
 - Nutrition, Health, and Exercise Science
 - Biology
 - Physics
- IV. Additions/corrections to agenda
 - Philosophy motions to approve the agenda. Physics seconds, no debate, all in favor. Motion PASSED
- V. Approval of agenda
 - a. Biology motions to approve the agenda. Philospohy seconds, no debate, all in favor. Motion PASSED.
- VI. Approval of minutes (future)
- VII. Communications
 - a. Student concern
 - i. Des Moines Department: No financial aid department, the equipment is inadequate and there are complaints about the department chair not being supportive of students who need to graduate as well as there has been issues with registering for classes.



b. Funds request packet/Student rights flyer

- i. Changed the funds request packet over the summer. The changes that have been made can be viewed online. Everything that is needed for funding request packet has been added under the Student Academic Senate tab. If any students or senators would like to see changes please feel free to let us know.
- ii. Student's Rights flyer has been updated. We have been looking for a permanent space in the SURC for student rights to displayed as well as in one of the glass cases.

c. Reorganization/Center mergers

A new Student Success Proposal is occurring. Many different entities around campus are moving around and getting acclimated. The interim Deans of Student Success are Ethan Bergman, Keith Champaign, Jesse Nelson, and Richard DeShields. Next month the dean's will be guest speakers at SAS.

d. Univ. 101 & FYE

The task force is looking for any sort of changes to make the first six weeks as well as University 101 more effective. If anyone has any suggestions they believe would better University 101 as well as the FYE, please let the Academic Affairs office know! It is important to have our voices heard.

- 1. Allyson hoping to see Univ. 101 as 101, 102, and 103 for the entire year.
 - Senator asked how we are supposed to have 101, 102, and 103 when 101 was extremely boring. Response:
 University 101 should be about the basic resources as well as skills students should know in order to be successful at Central. For example, learning how to use Safari, the catalog, knowing who to call or where to go when you have a problem or concern. University 102



would be about study skills, health, well-being, as well as some self-exploration. University 103 is all about finding out your major as well as options for a career. Statistics show the sooner you get students into their major; the less likely they are to drop out.

- 1. Senator wanting a UNIV 101 or something for transfer students. How credits transfer, where things are, what departments there are, ect.
- 2. Jeremy suggesting combining the two. First quarter about how the school works and second quarter about how to apply for majors, how quarters work, ect.

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

- a. Mathematics department
 - Represented by Steven Ross, ASCWU BOD President. By-Law under Title VI Article II 2.2 item B state "No Senator or Alternate shall serve on the ASCWU BOD or Council of Probity." Biology department motions to suspends By-Law.
 - Discussion: Is there absolutely no way to find another senator due to conflict of interest? Answer: Steve will step down if there is another person willing to be a Senator, but the department chair specifically asked Steve to be a senator due to his major.

Philosophy would like to make a friendly amendment to Biology's motion to have Steve step down if there is someone else who would like to be a senator. All in favor: 6, abstentions: 1, objections: none. Six yes, one abstained. MOTION PASSED.

b. Meeting times

i. (Everyone filled out meeting time sheet.) First Thursday of every month at 8pm there are no conflicts. Biology Motion for the first



- Thursday of the month at 8pm. Motion, Philosophy Second. Eight Yes, no abstained, no opposed. MOTION PASSED.
- ii. Biology asked if we can have one meeting that is optional to discuss meetings and then have formal meetings another time where everyone can vote and those who do not go to the optional meeting can simply be filled in. Philosophy asked if there is a weekend option. By a raise of hands very few were inclined to meet on the weekends.

c. Committees

i. Multiple committees on campus are in need of student advocacy. Go online on the ASCWU website there is an electronic form to fill out.

Report Back

- ii. Biology
 - 1. UCLA conference. Presentations on research done here-got to meet people from around the world that has read their research and working on publishing. Found genetic traits that are expressed through light. Excited to bring information back and will incorporate it into their lab. Put light in cells in a mouse brain and the mouse fell asleep.
 - Requested \$600. Used all of it. Stayed in campus housing at UCLA-

iii. Music

1. Horn ensemble requested \$900.00 for international horn symposium in San Diego. Got to meet horn players, educators, and others from all over the world. Got new literature that could perform later. Connections to grad schools with other professors. Money used for Maxi Van to drive down there and back.

iv. IET

1. Not in Attendance



v. IET II

Not in attendance. Biology motions to table their report back, Philosophy seconds. Mathematics department would like to make a friendly amendment to the motion stating that it can be tabled if the constitution allows it. All in favor: 7, abstentions: yes, opposed: none, MOTION PASSED.

vi. Biology II

Request of \$300 to go to Yale Medical School for an 8
week program. Worked under researchers at Yale-only
person there from the USA. Researched in lab about
new methods of research and using new equipment. Got
to go to seminars from Researchers across the world.
Got good data from there so can now help others here
finish their paper.

d. Budget report

i. Allyson looking for new base budget from and S&A. Waiting to see how much more they cut in the future. Steve suggests doing a supplemental budget so they can't cut it in the future. Ask for supplemental for this year and a good base budget for the next couple years. Hopefully more money to work with soon.

X. Issues & Concerns

XI. Announcements

- a. Wellington's Wild Fire on October 13th
- b. Open House for prospective new students.
- c. Tomorrow is the grand opening of the Art Gallery. It is in Randall Hall from 6-8pm. There will be free food
- d. October 19th at 5pm in Farrell hall on the 3rd floor the Law and Justice
 Department is having a pizza and community outreach program with several different law enforcement agencies.

XII. Adjourn



a. Biology Motion, Philosophy Second. All in favor. MOTION PASSED. Adjourned at 8:07PM.