



CENTRAL WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY
STUDENT
ACADEMIC SENATE

General SAS
November 18th, 2014

Call to Order

Chair calls the meeting to order at 7:02pm

Attendance

Present: Accounting, Aviation, Biology, Chemistry, Communications, Economics, English, ETSC, Family & Consumer Science, ITAM, Law & Justice, LLSE, Military Science, Music, Nutrition Exercise & Health Science, Psychology, World Languages

Absent: Finance & Supply Chain, Political Science

Additions or Corrections to the Agenda
(none)

Approval of the Agenda

Chair entertains a motion to approve the agenda

Communications so moves

LLSE seconds

PASSED 14-0-0

Approval of the Previous Minutes

Chair entertains a motion to approve the minutes from November 4th, 2014

Communications so moves

LSSE seconds

PASSED 14-0-0

Communications

Communications, Music, LLSE would like an electronic copy of the documents from the Provost meeting.

Announcements

Faculty Development Day: Faculty senate passed the calendar for the academic year of 2016 and that Dead Day will be brought back on the Monday before finals.

Reports

Committee Reports

Sophomore Year Experience: Tabling inside the SURC from 4 to 6pm. Poster will be a survey of the struggles that students go through as new students and second year students.

SEOI's: Contact other schools outside and inside the school to see how they dealt with their SEOI's. Tossed around an idea to make them shorter and adding a link in the Central app for students to complete.

Publicity: Discussing general ideas for the group and posters, budget. Planning on launching social media in the winter quarter.

General Scholarship: Expanded the general scholarship to all scholarships. The link will be on the webpage once that is completed.

ITAM asks if there is not a scholarship for a particular department, how will they be approached.

Chemistry notes that it is not just students in a certain department, but for all students.

Biology says that as far as SAS can do, if there are no scholarships available.

LLSE notes that there are scholarships that have no correlation with a major.

Chair Report

Chair summarizes the provost meeting held on the previous Friday. The provost is looking at all classes and the number of students in each class. The provost is looking to utilize all spots in classes. Provost also talked about having a possible four-year course schedule.

Biology heard a rumor from faculty that some departments are going to lose funding from certain studies.

Jesse Nelson says there is a possibility for that to be true if the budget needs those kinds of cuts. But believes that will be a last case scenario.

Chair would like to see the General SAS more involved in the majors fair and careers fair and is looking for members to volunteer to be part of the fair. Would be a great way to get the word out about SAS and get more students involved.

Advisor Report

Jesse asks if there are any questions or concerns from the students that need answering.

ETSC is concerned about the veterans tuition pay.

Jesse will follow up with faculty for that answer.

Biology is concerned about taking away funds from different departments and colleges.

Jesse summarizes the budget cut as such. Every department has a base funding amount and each department request that funding at the beginning of the year plus a certain percent. The cabinet then decides what funds are to be approved or denied or adjusted. Each of the four colleges are now like their own business. Money comes in based on the size of the college. The department then needs to pay the money back to the university and the left over money is then decided by the department on where it is spent. S&A will not be affected by the change.

Economics asks if some departments could be demolished if they have a small amount of students enrolled.

Jesse says that this fear is a real possibility years down the line.

Jesse makes it aware to the CAH and CEPS that the vacancy of the deans is beginning to be addressed.

ETSC asks if there is anything else besides student awareness that needs to be addressed.

Jesse says there is nothing else.

New Business

Funding Requests
(none)

Report Backs

Family & Consumer Science - Christian Martin is back from the AORE conference. It was full of educational presentations and the information is being brought back from students and will be applied. Internships were offered from the students who attended the conference. Other students made those networking connections to places on the East coast and Midwest. The conference allowed these students to be that much better in the professional industry.

Old Business
(none)

Issues and Concerns
(none)

Adjourn

Communications moves to adjourn the meeting

LLSE seconds

PASSED 14-0-0